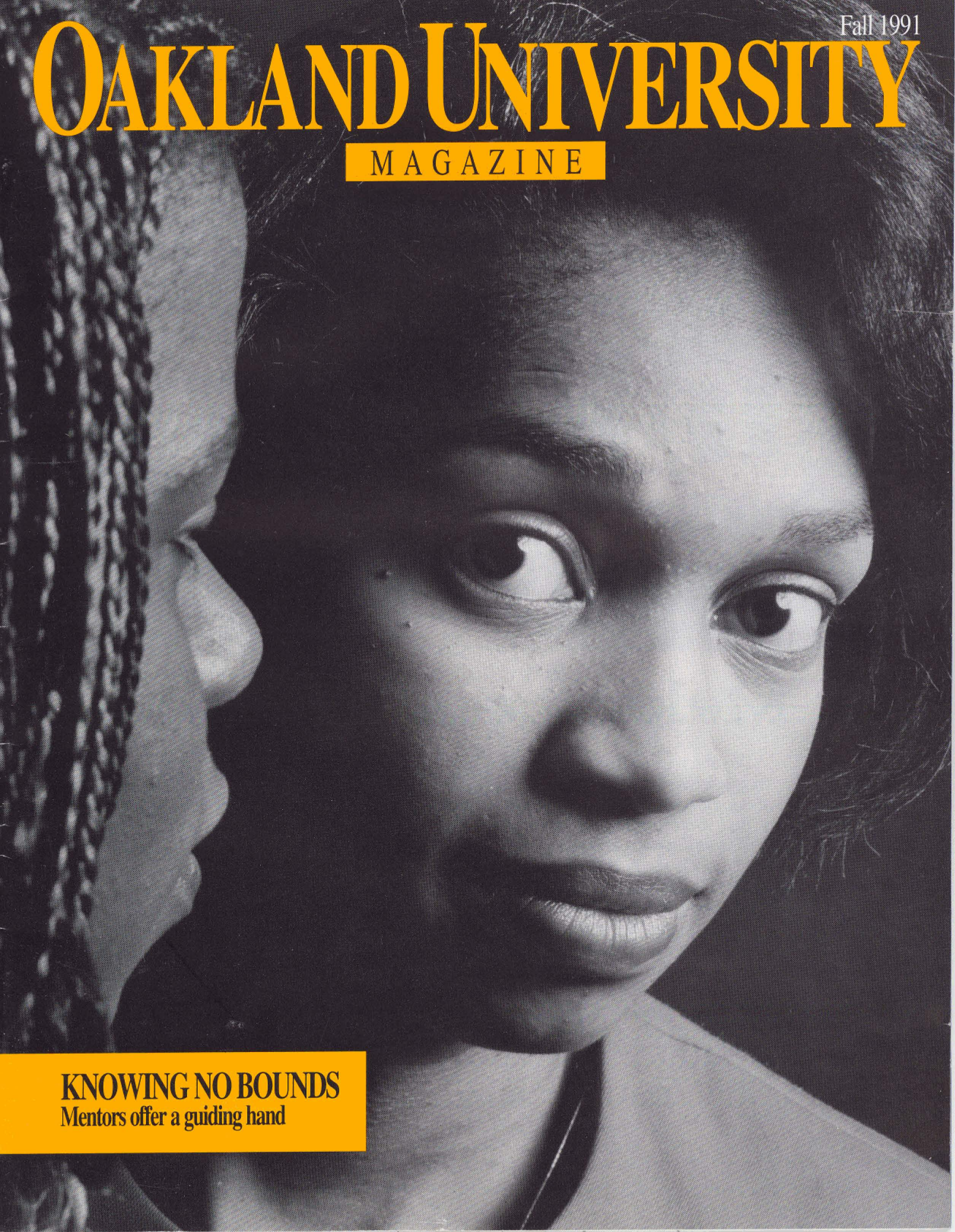


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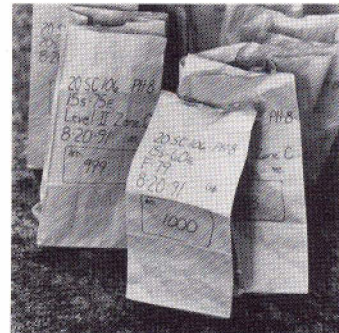
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OUR TYPE GUY

Thirteen years at one job is a long time. And, if you're a typesetter, those years can be measured in keystrokes. Deduct time off for vacations and sick days, add it back in for overtime, and you'd have close to 150 million of them.

Robert Shoemaker has faithfully pounded out those millions of letters and numbers that have created Oakland University's printed communications since 1978.

To say that he has done so without a whimper would not give a true picture of Robert as his coworkers know him. He fusses and fumes over sloppy editing and bad grammar. He rails about inconsistencies and editorial mind-changing and short-sighted graphic design. In short, he cares about his job, his craft and Oakland University. And the university has benefited greatly from it.

Robert has been setting type for some 30 years, beginning with "hot metal" as a page assembly floorman for *The Flint (Michigan) Journal* in 1959. Technology advanced, and the *Journal* began phasing out the hot metal operation. When Oakland bought its first phototypesetting equipment in 1978, Robert was job hunting. He hired in at Oakland, learned the new system and operated it until 1985, when the university upgraded to the next generation of phototypesetters. He learned that system and trained other operators hired to keep up with an increasing workload.

Earlier this year, Oakland's Publications Department upgraded yet again — to a personal computer-based Apple Macintosh system using laser printing, rather than phototypesetting output. In fact, this is the first issue of the OAKLAND

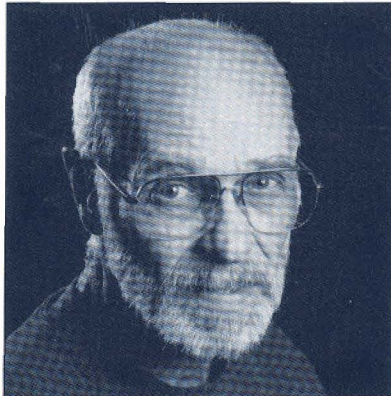
UNIVERSITY MAGAZINE produced on the Macintosh — commonly referred to as desktop publishing. (Some of you may have noticed subtle changes in type styles and design treatments, which are much easier to execute with the new system.) And this is the first issue Robert Shoemaker has not typeset since the magazine started publishing in 1982.

With the new system, writers' keystrokes can be "captured" and turned into typeset copy on the computer screen, without re-keystroking and without the exacting coding earlier systems required. Robert will continue to operate our "old" system until he retires in 1993. He's fast enough to keep up with the new technology, and some of the 70 jobs a month the department produces are better handled by traditional typesetting.

But, somehow, we feel a sense of loss with this issue. Those of you who save old copies may want to look back at our mastheads — the listing of the staff and publishing information in the right-hand column on this page — to check this, but you won't find Robert's name on any of the 38 magazines he worked on.

At each editor's request over the years, he asked that his name not be included. He is a private person; proud of his work, but seeking no recognition for it other than a honest day's pay.

Sorry, Robert, but your name got in this one; ironically the first one you didn't work on. But recognition for your fine craftsmanship and diligent work is long overdue.



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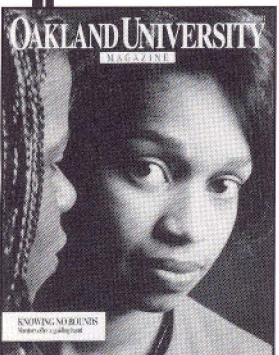
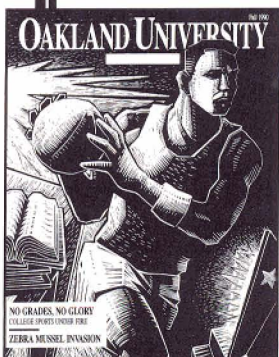
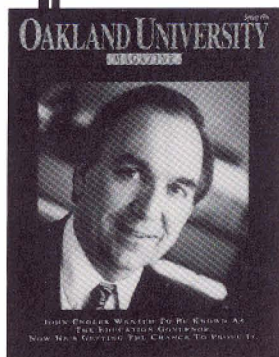
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▼ Oakland University's Meadow Brook Theatre has opened its 26th season with *Inherit the Wind*, through October 27. The season continues with Agatha Christie's *Ten Little Indians*, October 31 - November 24. For ticket information contact (313) 370-3300.

▼ Full-time undergraduates are paying an average of 7.72 percent more this fall for tuition and fees at Oakland. The Board of Trustees approved tuition increases in August. At the same time, the board approved a nine percent increase (\$150,000) in tuition-based financial aid programs to assist needy students in the event of hardship.

▼ The university has chosen a professional search firm to assist in finding a replacement for former President Joseph E. Champagne. An agreement has been reached with the Presidential Search Consultation Service of the Association of Governing Boards of Universities and Colleges.

▼ The university has announced a \$5 million campaign to establish the *Enduring Legacy Endowment* for Kresge Library. The three-year campaign will raise funds for enhancing the library's core collection of books and journals. Forty percent of the goal has already been pledged.

UP FRONT

LEARNING THE ROPES

No one is calling it Hollywood East, but the Teacher Explorer Center in Oakland's O'Dowd Hall has plenty of people going before video cameras and creating snappy computer presentations.

Teachers throughout Michigan have come to the center since May to learn how to produce multimedia presentations. In turn, the teachers will show their students and the students will create their own presentations that can be used to teach and learn.

The center is an experiment paid for by a \$25,000 state startup grant and more than \$100,000 worth of equipment provided or loaned by businesses, such as Apple Computer. It is the only one of its kind in Michigan.

The idea is that students assigned to a project, in virtually any subject, will work together to produce multimedia presentations explaining the lesson. While tapping their creative juices, they're also solving problems and explaining solutions.

"The whole project is really designed to introduce Michigan teachers to interactive multimedia and ways to use it," says Anne Porter, associate professor of education and director of the center. "What we're doing is creating an environment — where students can interact with computers, VCRs, camcorders, interactive video disks, digitizers and all kinds of things to create their own projects that communicate information."

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Penny M. Crissman

President's Club member since 1979

Marital Status: Married, two children.

Home: Rochester, Michigan

Current Profession: Mayor of the city of Rochester, population 7,000 and next-door neighbor of Oakland University.

Other profession: Undergraduate student at Oakland, working on a bachelor's degree in general studies.

Hobbies: "Golf. Katke-Cousins is a wonderful course. I love playing there. I also am a bicyclist and a cross-country and downhill skier."

On being mayor: "I consider it my contribution to the community. I am a second-generation Rochester native and over the years there have been many issues that I've come down to the city council to voice my opinion about."

The best part of my job is: "Being able to perform marriages."

On being a student: "It's very stimulating. I'm having a good time. And I'm pleased to see that I'm not the only middle-aged student on campus."

On having a major university in your backyard: "Oakland is a quality university and we're fortunate to have it within our access. Students and faculty are a major resource for us."

Future goals: "We have two gorgeous assets — Paint Creek and the Clinton River — and I'd like to see some kind of waterfront walkway. I'd also like to strengthen the city's connection with the university."



OAKLAND TAKES A BOW



A respected national news magazine has listed Oakland University among its "best buys" in higher education. *U.S. News & World Report* listed Oakland in an 11th-place tie with Northeast Missouri State University among schools in the midwest region. Only the top 15 schools were included.

The ranking for Oakland was based on academic reputation, student selectivity, faculty and financial resources, student satisfaction and average or midpoint SAT/ACT scores.

"Only highly rated institutions were considered," says Keith R. Kleckner, Oakland's senior vice president for academic affairs and provost. "I think all of us can take pride in this latest

recognition of our university."

The magazine issued such lists as the top 25 national universities, with Harvard placing first; top speciality schools in the arts, business and engineering; the top 25 national liberal arts colleges; and top regional universities.

This is the fifth year the magazine has compiled such data on thousands of schools. The lists appeared in the September 30 issue of the magazine, and have been repeated in its *America's Best Colleges* guide - available on newsstands.

Oakland is also included in the *Money Guide* "Best College Buys" directory. It provides data on 1,011 four-year schools.

EXCURSIONS

A FRIENDLY SLEEPOVER

Walk into Chris ('71) and Julie ('87) Brockman's home as strangers and leave as friends — friends who will want to come back again and again.

That's what the Brockmans are counting on with their year-old bed and breakfast, the Gladstone House, in Ann Arbor.

"We wanted a home-based business, and a 'B and B' is like staying with friends," says Julie.

Nestled on a quiet suburban street just a few miles from the city's busy downtown and the University of Michigan campus, the Gladstone House was built

entirely with recycled materials from fine older homes torn down for a major U-M expansion in 1936.

It has a simple European country home appeal.

The exterior, brick and stucco with French blue trim, is almost hidden by lush greenery. Guests can lounge on the porch or follow the brick path to a secluded backyard rimmed with a dense perennial English garden.

Inside, the wood floors, banisters and library alcove were refurbished by Chris when the Brockmans purchased the home in January 1990. They opened for business last fall.

The three guest rooms are

bright, airy and elegantly simple: an antique dresser here, a hand-painted steamer trunk there, fresh cut flowers from the garden and double beds plump with pillows.

"We don't serve fancy champagne breakfasts, but everything is fresh and home-made," says Julie. On one recent visit, breakfast was butter-milk waffles served with real made-in-Michigan maple syrup and juicy blueberry and peach compote. "We're still working on building the business," says Chris, "and we're counting on football and commencement weekends and word of mouth repeat business."



Imkeepers Chris and Julie Brockman of the Gladstone House: 2865 Gladstone, Ann Arbor, Michigan; (313) 769-0404.

EAVESDROPPING

What did you do on your summer vacation?



DEBRA MOORE, 20

Detroit, junior

Accounting and Finance major

"I completed an internship at Detroit Edison working in their accounts payable department. It was fun and I learned a lot. I also spent some time in Gary, Indiana, visiting my cousins, and I stayed active with my sorority, Delta Sigma Theta — can't leave them out."

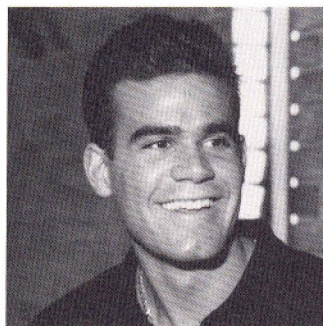


PATTY ROOCH, 21

Birmingham, junior

Biology major

"I spent my summer as a nanny for a local family — caring for their child everyday. It was a great experience and taught me a lot about responsibility. I also went to Boston to visit some friends, but it's good to be back in school."

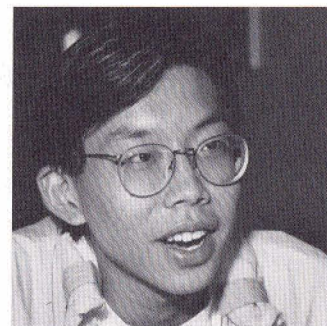


ROBERT LENZ, 20

Mount Clemens, junior

Business Administration major

"I made some money — working at a party supply and rental outfit in Fraser. And I worked out a lot, trying to stay in shape. I made a couple of trips up to the Thumb to do some waterskiing, too."

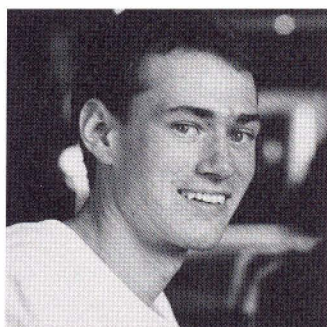


WA SHING KAN, 17

Hong Kong, freshman

Undeclared major

"I spent last year in Michigan as a high school foreign exchange student so I went back home to Hong Kong over the summer. It was nice to get back and see my friends one last time because I probably won't be going home for quite some time."



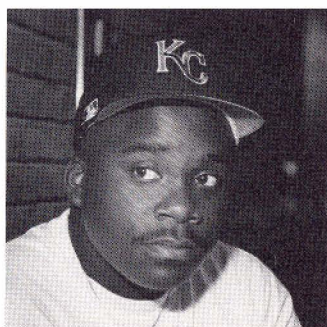
GARY COATS, 20

Rochester Hills, junior

Mathematics major

"My friend and I started our own asphalt sealing business — doing driveways, stuff like that.

And I worked as an usher at Meadow Brook Music Festival. I took a trip to Wisconsin with my parents and played in the Gus Macker basketball tournament on campus. My summer wasn't very relaxing."



KEVIN COBB, 21

Detroit, junior

Business Administration major

"Truthfully? I relaxed my mind. This was the first break I've had from classes since 1989. I really took it easy, but I did work on campus in the Academic Records office — helping people who needed copies of transcripts."

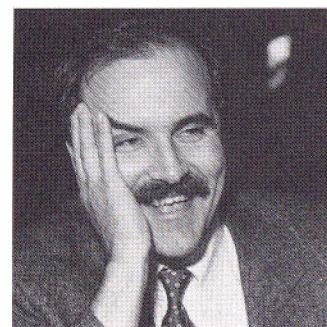


RONNIE POTTS, 22

Clawson, junior

Physical Therapy major

"The highlight was flying out to Las Vegas to watch the Mike Tyson-Buster Douglas heavy-weight fight. That was a riot. And I went up north a couple of times. But I spent most of my summer working at a sports bar in Troy — trying to make some money to give back to good ol' Oakland."



ALBERT J. MEEHAN

Birmingham

Assistant Professor of Sociology

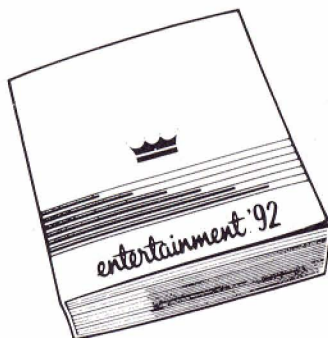
"I completed some work on a community corrections grant I received through Oakland County and I took my 12-year-old son on a trip to my boyhood home in Connecticut to show him some really winding roads. We don't have many of those in Michigan. Now was that boring, or what?"



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Oakland biologist
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looking for ways to
eliminate them.

by Jay Jackson and Duffy Ross



NOW HERE'S A SCARY THOUGHT.

Satish Walia has discovered that antibiotic-resistant bacteria live in landfills.

Problem is, he's not sure how significant his discovery is yet. And if it weren't so real, Walia's discovery would have all the makings of a science fiction thriller.

Bacteria in a landfill is not news. With tons of decomposing matter available, a landfill is a breeding ground for all sorts of bacteria. What *is* news, is that some strains are resistant to antibiotics.

"These are bacteria at the microscopic level," said Walia, associate professor of biological sciences. "What we have been able to establish is that the genes inside these bacteria carry a resistance to antibiotics and that it is possible for these bacteria to move from one location to another.

There are so many questions, but certainly there is one fact: There are antibiotic-resistant bacteria with infectious genes. That is the key.

"Why? We don't know. But their potential as a health risk is increasing at an alarming rate," Walia added.

Walia has conducted research since 1985 for the Environmental Protection Agency. His research involves looking into ways to unleash microbes that will eat dangerous PCBs and other toxic pollutants, often found in landfills.

Some of what he has learned during those experiments, which included cloning genes necessary to degrade toxic bacteria, has been applied to this, related, landfill project.

Interest within the international professional community was spurred recently when Walia presented his findings at the annual meeting of the American Society for Microbiology. In the first daily journal of the convention, the society featured Walia's work. Publications from only 16 of the 14,000 scientists attending were published.

"Many of my colleagues have called it the 'Discovery of the Year,'" said Walia. "This is a totally new concept for the microbiology community and it came as quite a surprise to many people. What we do know is that we're breaking new ground with this

study and I'm encouraged with its progress."

Walia's discovery of the antibiotic-resistant bacteria came from working with Southfield, Michigan's Providence Hospital on a separate study. Providence wanted to learn more about such bacteria in hospitals, due to the imminent threat the bacteria pose to patients who are already in a weakened condition.

While tracking down bacteria in landfills as part of his PCB research, Walia discovered that the strains found in hospitals were remarkably similar. Because of his work with Providence, Walia was able to compare and contrast the bacteria he found.

The results startled him.

"By comparing the clinical bugs with the landfill bugs, we found that landfill bugs are also resistant to several antibiotics, and the

terea resistant to antibiotics," Walia said.

"Over a period of time, the genetic makeup of the bacteria could change and become more resistant to lawn treatments. Whether that's good or bad, we just don't know at this point.

"What it does mean, is that what breeds within places like landfills may not always be harmless. As strains of bacteria with an antibiotic resistance to them multiply and cross-breed, more forms of antibiotic-resistant bacteria will exist," Walia said. "Hundreds of strains can be found now. Whether all landfills contain such bacteria is what we're attempting to find out."

Walia has several ideas how these bacteria could go from a landfill to a human miles away.

"One possibility is landfill contamination leaching into groundwater," Walia said.

"That may be less of a danger because landfills are clay-lined to prevent leaching and soil generally acts as a filter. Another possibility is birds and rodents carrying away bacteria-laden material, or getting the bacteria into their systems and spreading it through their feces."

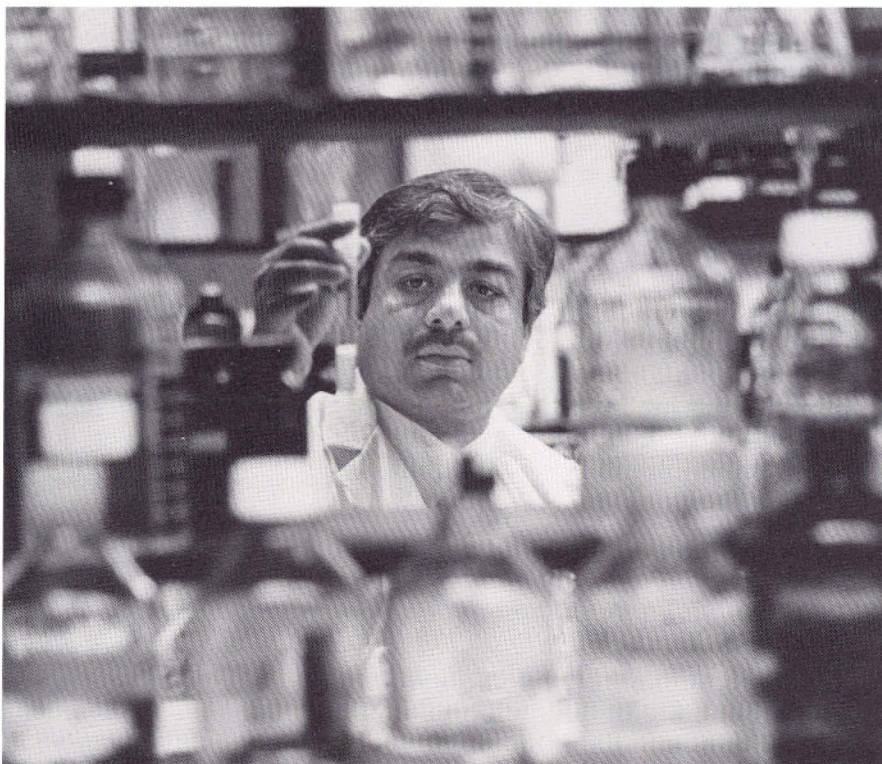
Still another hypothesis is the bacteria becoming airborne on dust particles, which humans could breathe.

Regardless of how the bacteria go from landfills to humans, Walia believes it is critically important that further studies determine whether these bacteria are infectious. Rotting vegetation and

other waste exist outside landfills, and similar bacteria may occur at these sites. If such bacteria have existed naturally, the threat to healthy humans may not be widespread.

"And it's important to find out whether a certain agent triggers bacteria into becoming antibiotic-resistant," Walia said. "If that is the case, then what goes into something like a landfill should be more closely regulated." ■

Editor's note: Jay Jackson is a staff writer for Oakland University's News Service.



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pattern of this antibiotic resistance was similar to the clinical bugs, which should not be that way," said Walia.

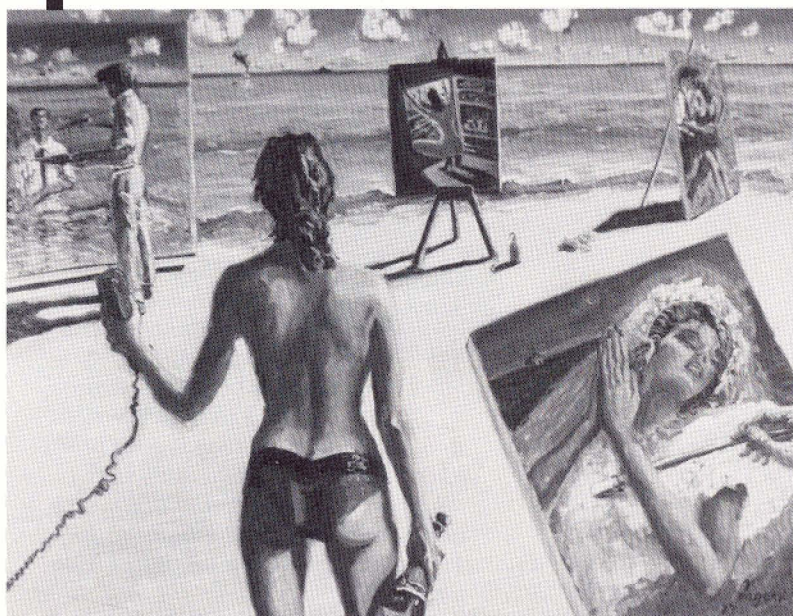
Walia says that when antibiotic-resistant bacteria were discovered in 1959, only two antibiotics could not kill them. Now nearly a dozen antibiotics are ineffective to some forms found in hospitals and landfills.

And maybe even the local golf course, or your backyard.

"It's possible that a lawn treated with chemicals and fertilizers could produce bac-



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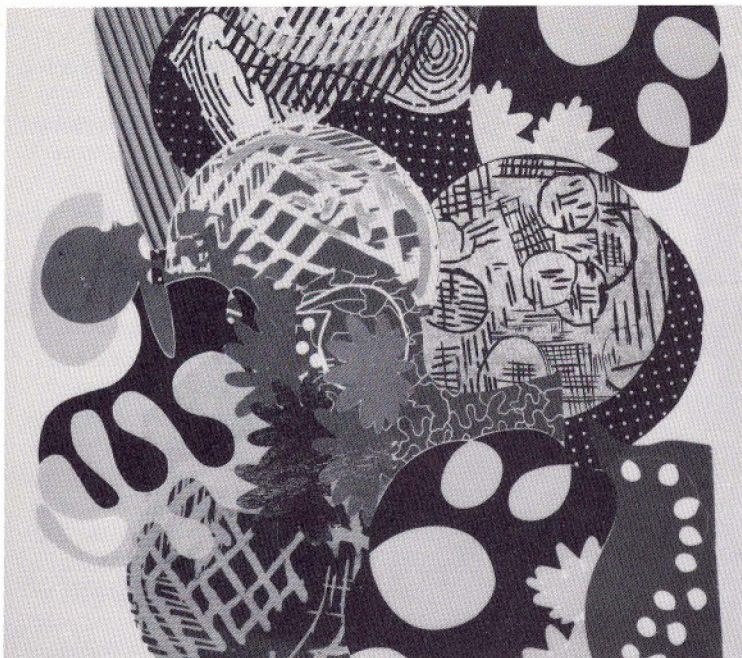
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EXPRESSIVE VISIONS AND EXQUISITE IMAGES:

TWO ASPECTS OF ART OF THE 80s FROM THE RICHARD BROWN BAKER COLLECTION

EXTRAORDINARY EXAMPLES of contemporary art are currently on exhibit at Oakland University's Meadow Brook Art Gallery.

Expressive Visions and Exquisite Images: Two Aspects of Art of the 80s from the Richard Brown Baker Collection, will be exhibited through November 17, 1991.

It is recognized as one of the most prestigious private collections of contemporary American art and has received numerous acknowledgements and praise. This is the fourth time a portion of his collection has been exhibited at Meadow Brook Art Gallery.

"During the 80s, many visual art expressions of previous generations were revived by younger artists," says Kiichi Usui, curator of Meadow Brook Art Gallery. "This had a strong impact in forming the artistic characteristics of the 80s. This exhibit is a marvelous representation of the period." The 41-piece exhibit includes a wide spectrum of realistic representations and surrealistic images from renowned artists such as Sarah Supplee, George Condo and James Gingerich.

For more information on the exhibit contact the Meadow Brook Art Gallery at (313) 370-3005.

Knowing No Bounds

by Vicky Billington

IN THE FALL OF 1977, Lisa Keels was a shy ninth grader at Pontiac Central High School uncertain about her future.

"I knew I wanted to go to college, but I didn't know what I wanted to do. I didn't know what was out there and what my options were."

Three years in Oakland's Upward Bound program changed all that.

"Upward Bound improved my study and communications skills and helped me to open up. It also introduced me to things that were happening in the real world."

Today, Lisa, 28, has a bachelor's degree in manufacturing technology, a master's degree in business administration and is a design development engineer for Acustar in Troy, Michigan.

She also is one of the first mentors in Upward Bound's new mentor program.

Keels is matched with an 11th grader whom she helps support by "always being there for her and helping with any homework or other problems she may have.

"I can see myself in her because she's real quiet like I was in high school. She has a lot of potential, she just needs a little extra push."

Like its new mentor program, success is

breeding success for Oakland University's Project Upward Bound.

Upward Bound — the federally funded program designed to give teenagers in Pontiac, Oak Park and Ferndale, Michigan, an extra boost up the ladder to high school graduation and a future beyond — just celebrated its 25th anniversary.

More than 2,500 students have benefitted from the academic support it provides — study skills, college prep classes, career skills and development, and tutoring — since the program began at Oakland in 1966.

With enough successful alumni living in the area, Upward Bound was able to start a mentoring program this past July. Alumna and mentor Lisa Keels, whose husband is also a mentor, says volunteering for the program "makes us work harder to be better people.

"I think you should give back to the community. This generation is right behind us and they are our future. That means a lot to us."

Many other Upward Bound alumni returned this past summer to join in the program's silver anniversary celebration. Among them was 40-year-old Horace Davis, M.D., family practitioner, who has clinics in

Albion and Jackson, Michigan, and is founder of the Center for Healthy Beginnings in Jackson, a treatment center for underprivileged new mothers.

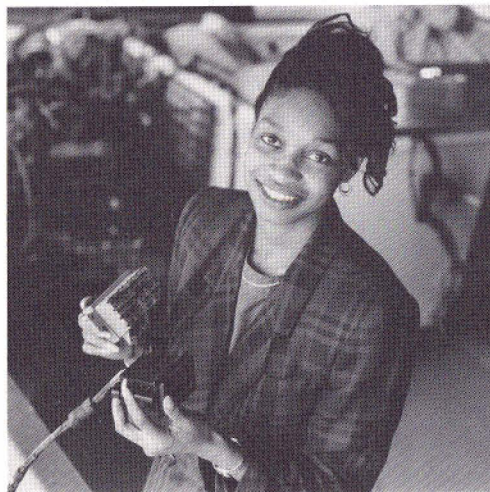
"The Upward Bound program at Oakland is something that grows with you and you grow with it. It's something you want to give back," he says.

Dr. Davis tries to stay involved with the program because "young people need to see what they can

do when they give their all. It's the only way a program like this can survive."

The primary federal goal of Upward Bound is to make sure its students graduate from high school, says Geri Graham, assistant director of the program at Oakland, "and 99.9 percent of them do.

"The majority of Upward Bound students who graduate from high school go on to college or vocational school. But we try to in-



"Upward Bound taught me that I could do whatever I set my mind to," says Lisa Keels.

still in the kids that success is an inward measurement. If you don't go to college but you're meaningfully and honestly employed and productive, then you're not a burden to society and have reached a measure of success."

Students in the Upward Bound program spend their summers living on Oakland's campus attending academic enrichment courses, including English, science and math. During the school year they attend two Saturday sessions a month learning study skills and receiving tutoring on homework, confidence building and career opportunities.

Oakland's Project Upward Bound is also the first of more than 300 programs on college campuses across the country to offer a program for eighth graders. Called Project Forward Bound, it started this summer with 25 students from five junior high schools in the Pontiac school system.

"The students were chosen based on test criteria, faculty recommendations, and economic eligibility," says Graham, who wrote the proposal for the program. "We wanted to identify students who have potential but lack motivation, and introduce them to Upward Bound a year earlier by offering non-traditional ways to motivate them."

Like the older students in Upward Bound, the eighth graders spent six weeks living on campus this summer. They attended three classes a day, studying math, science and English, in small groups of eight or nine. During their last week on campus they had an introduction to computers course.

"By keeping the study groups small, we were able to give them greater personalized attention," says Graham. "That's something they don't usually get in the regular classroom."

The 25 Forward Bound students will also be attending Saturday sessions throughout the school year.

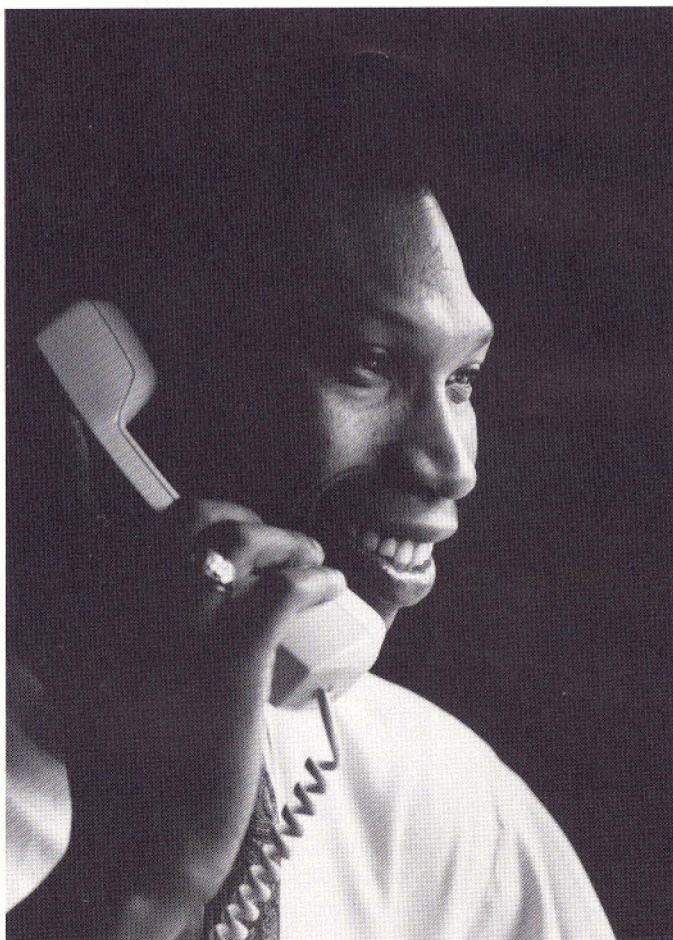
"And we're hoping to add 15 more students to the program next year," she says.

Another goal of Oakland's Upward Bound program is to standardize the curriculum.

"We'd like to have the kids get school credit for Upward Bound," says Graham. "We did have a few kids this summer who had flunked a class during the school year, and a tutor was able to help them get school

"Upward Bound showed me I was smarter than I thought I was."

— David Glover



The first child in his family to go to college, Upward Bound gave David Glover the confidence to enroll.

credit for it, instead of having to go to regular summer school."

Graham says she is also working to attain a closer relationship between Upward Bound and the university.

"Rather than being an auxiliary program that sits on campus, we want to get more professors and administrators involved — to draw on the talents and resources of others on campus."

During the summer, the program *did* receive support from various university volunteers. Several professors gave talks at cul-

tural seminars; a doctoral student in chemistry helped coordinate one-hour sessions on biology, chemistry and physics; and representatives from the Meadow Brook Health Enhancement Institute gave a four-part seminar on nutrition.

Oakland's Academic Skills Center trained the tutors for the program and the Residence Halls office trained the residence advisors.

"Their input was invaluable," says Graham.

Without programs like Oakland's

Project Upward Bound, young people like David Glover would never have attempted college.

As a 10th grader at Pontiac Northern High School, Glover was active in sports and liked science. He knew he was smart, but the thought of going to college scared him. No one in his family had ever gone before, and he wasn't quite sure if his grades were good enough. What he needed was a little support and a chance to really prove himself.

Then he heard about Oakland University's Upward Bound program.

"Upward Bound showed me I was smarter than I thought I was. After that I knew I could go to college."

Glover, now 25, has an associate's degree in computer programming, a bachelor of science degree in electrical electronics, travels around the world as an engineering trouble shooter and is president and CEO of his own company, Superior Technologies, Inc., in Southfield.

He also tries to stay involved with the program that gave him the confidence to succeed some 10 years ago by staying active in the Upward Bound Alumni Association and by being a speaker for the program's special career day seminars.

"I tell them how important education is," says Glover. "And I try to be a good role model. It helps me work harder to be a better human being, too." ■

Editor's note: For more information on Project Upward Bound, or to contribute to the Elizabeth C. Glass Memorial Scholarship which offers financial assistance to two college-bound students each year, call (313) 370-3218.

THE DIG'S UP

OAKLAND ARCHEOLOGIST UNCOVERS EDISON'S BOYHOOD HOME

BY VICKY BILLINGTON
PHOTOS BY RICK SMITH

HE GAVE US the phonograph, the motion picture and the light bulb. Thomas Alva Edison, America's foremost inventor, grew up in a large, two-story house on the bank of the St. Clair River in Port Huron, Michigan. When he left home in 1863 at age 17, Edison also gave us a valuable collection when he left behind the basement laboratory where he first tinkered with chemistry and electricity.

Today, all that remains of the home is the basement, which has been carefully excavated — inch by inch — by archeologist and Oakland associate professor Richard Stamps. More than 200,000 artifacts have been found by Stamps and his crew over the last 15 years. The most important discovery unearthed, says Stamps, is a collection of more than 200 pieces of printer's type which young Edison used to print his own newspaper. He sold *The Weekly Herald* to passengers on the Grand Trunk Railway on its rumble from Port Huron to Detroit.

With the completion of the excavation this past summer, Stamps is now working with Port Huron officials to explore a proposal to build an underground museum on the site — complete with a small amphitheater and a holographic image of young Edison. "I want to put the dig into a larger historical perspective," he says, "and it would be a great educational field trip for school children."

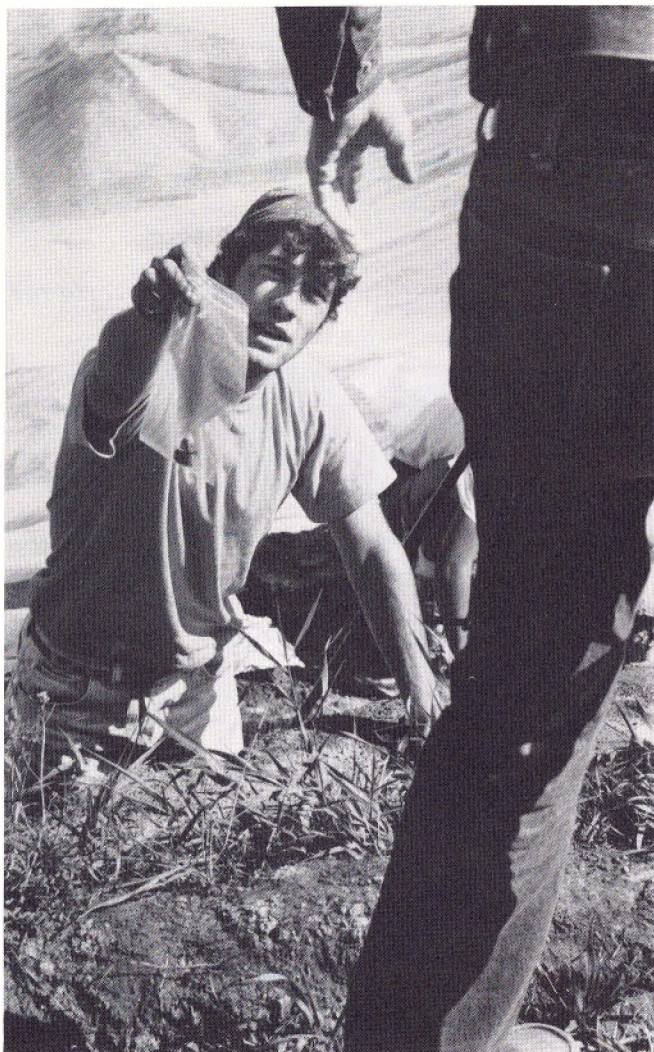
Many artifacts from the home are on display at the Port Huron Museum of Arts and History (313-982-0891), while still others are being cleaned, catalogued and analyzed in Oakland's archeology lab.



Buried treasure: Printer's type, glass bottles, ceramic dishes, doll parts, tableware and a chamber pot are some of the 200,000 artifacts found in the basement by Stamps and his archeological crew over the years. Last summer, Stamps' crew consisted of six workers — including five OU alumni — who all have degrees or experience in archeology.



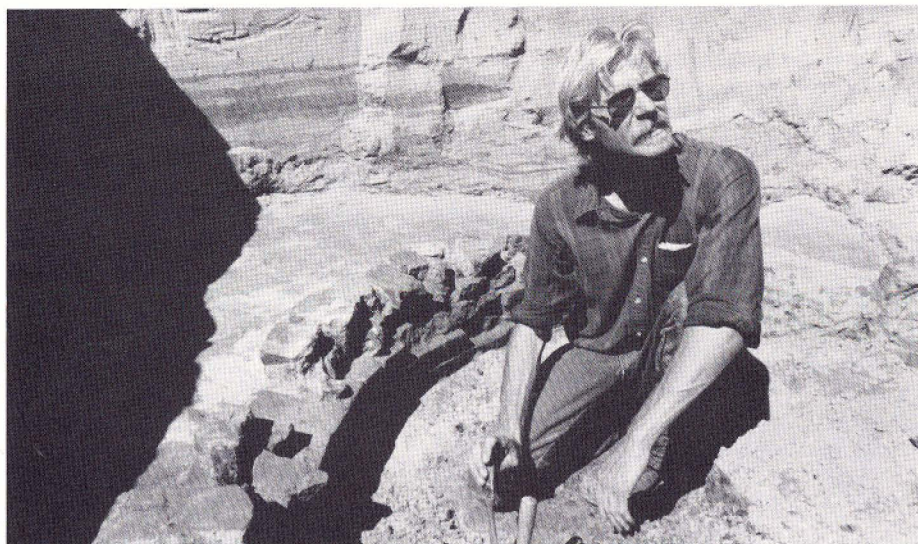
In the bag: Teams have filled at least one bag of assorted artifacts from each 5 x 5 square foot area, keeping careful record of where and when they were found.



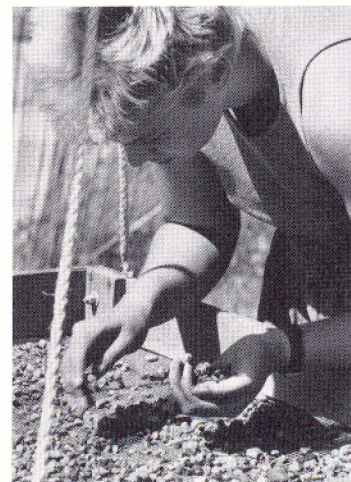
Peeling back history: Michael Cardimen ('91) hands over another artifact for analyzing.



Digging in: An archeological dig like this takes "patience and a strong back," says Richard Stamps, archeologist and associate professor at Oakland who directed the project. For each hour of excavation, it will take four hours in the lab to "analyze, clean, glue together and analyze some more" the artifacts found.



Time capsule: OU alum Bruce Hawkins in the well at the Edison homesite. After the house burned to the ground in 1870, the well became a natural dumping place for the neighborhood and a "real time capsule," says Stamps. An entire horse's skeleton, still wearing its shoes, was among the discoveries in the well.



Hand picked: Every spoonful of earth uncovered in the 20 x 50 foot basement has been sifted. Anna Naruta, a student at Port Huron High School, picks over the pieces by hand.

RISING STAR

by Vicky Billington

A mere twinkle at Oakland, David Hasselhoff now shines on stage and screen

SOME REMEMBER HIM AS Snapper Foster, M.D., in the daytime soap "The Young and the Restless."

Others know him as Michael Knight, private eye, in the "Knight Rider" television series.

Still others know him as the lifeguard lead in the TV beach series "Bay Watch."

But if you were around Oakland's campus 20 years ago, you may remember David Hasselhoff as a shy, budding actor fresh out of high school.

In 1971, at the age of 17, Hasselhoff drove from his home in Chicago to Rochester, Michigan, to audition for Oakland's since departed Academy of Dramatic Art. He performed scenes from *The Glass Menagerie* and *Julius Caesar* and made the cut. Yet a short six months later, he was headed back home to Illinois.

"I was too young, too immature at the time and I felt very intimidated by everything," Hasselhoff said recently in a phone interview from his home in southern California. "Everything was so overwhelming.

"I do recall having some very pleasant experiences with acting coaches there, though I don't recall any of their names.

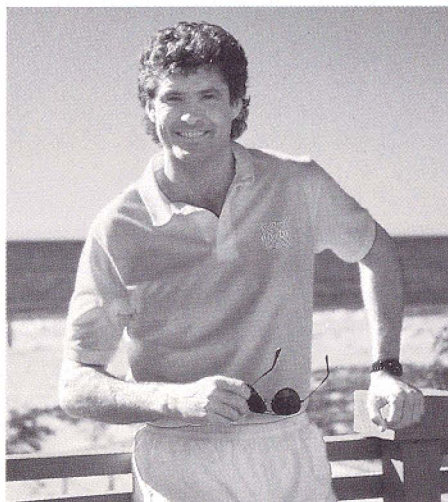
"The thing I *do* remember about being in Michigan, I'm sorry to say, was a bad experience. I worked part-time at a gas station and was held up at gunpoint. The story made the local papers."

If Oakland didn't leave much of a mark on Hasselhoff, today Hasselhoff is trying his best to leave a mark on the world.

Last year, at age 37, Hasselhoff posed for the centerfold of *Cosmopolitan Magazine's*



Above: David Hasselhoff in the "Knight Rider" TV show, still running in 72 countries. **Below:** Hasselhoff plans to produce and star in a new "Bay Watch" series.



25th anniversary issue. This year his derriere is showing up in living rooms across the country in Fruit of the Loom's new underwear TV spots. He's also making the rounds as a guest on talk shows (Geraldo Rivera and Oprah Winfrey, to name two) and has starred in several made-for-TV movies, including one with "Dynasty" diva Joan Collins.

Outside the U.S., however, Hasselhoff is best known as a rock star, not an actor. His first single, "Looking for Freedom," became the number one pop record in Germany in 1989.

"The most emotional performance of my entire career came when I was invited to

perform "Looking for Freedom" at the Berlin Wall on New Year's Eve," he said.

Hasselhoff's first two albums have gone gold and platinum throughout Europe. This fall, he'll be back in the recording studio cutting his third album before launching another European tour. A new "Bay Watch" series is also in the works.

When he's not on the road, Hasselhoff enjoys staying at home and spending time with his wife, actress Pamela Bach, his one-year-old daughter, and the family's seven dogs and a bird.

"I never had the grades to make it in school. Oakland University never would have accepted me as an academic student," he says, "but as an actor and a singer I've come a long way.

"My advice to young actors at Oakland today is don't worry about rejection. Get involved in everything you can. Work begets work." ■

ALUMNI

1968

Carol L. Juth, librarian and assistant professor at Hope College, was one of only 70 persons nationwide invited to attend the conference "Litigation, Justice and the Public Good." She holds an M.S. in librarianship, and an M.A. and Ph.D. in sociology-criminology from Western Michigan University.

Margaret A. Simons, associate professor of philosophy at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville, is co-editor of *Hypatia Reborn: Essays in Feminist Philosophy*, recently published by Indiana University Press.

1970

Juliene M. Bollaert was promoted to vice president by NCNB National Bank of Florida in Tampa.

William E. Garrity was named director of fossil fuel supply for Consumers Power Company. Bill has a master's degree from Stanford University.

Sarah Smith Redmond is the director of the Michigan Religious Coalition for Abortion Rights. She holds a master's degree in social work from Wayne State University and lives with her husband in Rochester, Michigan.

1972

Dennis Janowski of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan was appointed by Comerica, Inc. to first vice president, funds management. He is manager of foreign exchange and securities trading. Dennis received an M.A. from Central Michigan University.

Jeffrey A. Kottler is an associate professor of counseling and educational psychology at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. He just published his tenth book, *The Compleat Therapist*.

Lisa and Robert Steele announce the birth of a son, Daniel Haviland, on July 3, 1990. They live in Nevada City, California.

Steven K. Wagner and his wife, Jolyn, announce the birth of their fourth son, William Welsh, on May 22, 1990. They live in Bloomfield Hills Michigan.

1973

Harrison E. Miller, Jr., is assistant principal at Waterford Our Lady of the Lakes High School and adjunct instructor at Oakland Community College. Harry is president of the OU Alumni Association.

Richard Paschke was named director of corporate advertising for A-I Transmissions, Inc., a Livonia, Michigan-based automotive transmission repair firm.

1974

Joseph Saad was promoted to general sales and customer-service director for Acme Manufacturing Co., a Madison Heights, Michigan, supplier of integrated, computer controlled and robotic systems for handling ferrous, non-ferrous and non-metallic materials.

Henry Carnaby has been made a partner in the firm of Bodman, Longley and Dahling, a law firm with offices in Detroit, Troy, Ann Arbor and Cheboygan. He specializes in the practice of environmental law.

1975

David Reeve was promoted to chief of mechanical engineering for Albert Kahn Associates, Inc., a Detroit architectural engineering company.

1977

Jean Ann Miller is assistant director for student development in OU's Residence Halls. She is also a member of the Board of Directors of the OU Alumni Association.

1978

Steven B. Harmon was appointed personal banking officer, custom banking at Comerica, Inc. He lives in Madison Heights, Michigan.

William J. Evans was promoted to vice president and regional controller with First of America Bank-Southeast Michigan.

1979

Dorothy Smith was named 1991 *Woman of the Year* by the Ambassador Tri-County Chapter of the American Business Women's Association. The Detroit resident is employed by the Michigan Department of Civil Rights as a field representa-

tive in the contract compliance division.

1980

Steve Buckner was named circulation director/marketing and promotion of the Adams group, publishers of The Macomb Daily, Daily Tribune and Suburban Sunday. Steve and his wife, Sandra, have two daughters, Dawn and Jessica.

Beth S. Gotthelf joined the law firm of Seyburn, Kahn, Ginn, Bess, Howard and Harnisch, P.C. where she practices environmental law.

1981

Julie Granthen is an instructor at Oakland Community College and serves as treasurer for the OU Alumni Association.

1982

Timothy and Marilyn (Ragan) Broderick have a baby girl named Elizabeth Ragan.

Marion Adams Bunt, after 27 years of service as an OU staff member, is now concentrating on volunteer work at Cranbrook Gardens and Cranbrook Archives. She and her husband, Floyd, recently traveled to Patagonia and Antarctica, Canada, and followed the Lewis and Clark expedition route on the Columbia and Snake Rivers. Marion is serving her third year on the OU Alumni Association Board.

Navy Lt. Cmdr. John J. Lauder has completed the Reserve Officer Joint Military Operations Course at the Naval War College, Newport, Rhode Island.

Dennis K. Pawley was named vice president-manufacturing at Chrysler. Dennis formerly was general manager of General Motors' Fiero assembly plant in Pontiac, Michigan.

1984

Theresa (Beaver '84) and William Cochell ('85) announce the birth of their son, David William. Theresa is employed as a team leader of the technical marketing support group at EDS and Bill is an investigator in the collections industry. The family resides in Rochester Hills, Michigan.

1985

Tim McCarter was promoted to midwest region manager for Volt En-

Be expecting your class ring!

Fall is the time for going back to school — even if only in spirit. Telefund not only offers OU alums the chance to support the university and enhance their degrees, it also gives you the chance to get back in touch with life on campus.

When you receive your "class ring" this fall, take a moment to get caught up on OU news before making your pledge. You'll be amazed at how things have changed — or stayed the same.

The goal for the Fall Telefund is \$195,000. Phoning will begin October 14 and continue through November 26. Be sure to ask your caller about membership in one of Oakland's alumni gift clubs.



Holiday magic at Meadow Brook Hall

The holidays are a magical time, and nowhere is that more evident than at Meadow Brook Hall during its annual Christmas Walk.

The OUAA will celebrate the holidays with the return of its popular Open House on Saturday, December 7, from 2 to 5 p.m. You and your family are invited to be dazzled by the Christmas Walk. Then return to the warmth and camaraderie of John Dodge's former farm house for a reunion with friends old and new, sponsored by the OUAA and the Student Affiliate of the Alumni Association.

Reservations are \$12 for OUAA members and \$15 for non-members. You may make your reservations by phone with Visa or MasterCard by calling the Alumni Relations Office at (313) 370-2158.



Clockwise from left: Michael Carbone, Marion Bunt, Mel Gilroy, Harrison Miller, Jr., Julie Granthen and Marjorie Neubacher.

Alumni association elects officers

Harrison Miller, Jr. ('73 and '88) has been elected president of the Oakland University Alumni Association for a one-year term.

Miller heads a new slate of officers and directors announced this spring, including Michael Carbone ('86), vice president; Mel Gilroy ('89), vice president; Marjorie Neubacher ('80), vice president; Julie Granthen ('81 and '87), treasurer; and Marion A. Bunt ('82), secretary.

Newly elected to a term on the OUAA Board of Directors were John Flick ('77 and '81), Michael D. Henderson ('83), Donald R. Measel, Jr. ('90), Patricia Meredith-Pear ('90), Jean Ann Miller ('77), Colleen Ochoa ('87) and Leeaundra Preuss ('89).

ergy Systems. He currently serves as the School of Education and Human Services Alumni representative on the OU Alumni Association Board.

1986

Paul S. Krupa is trust officer in Trust-Information Services at Manufacturers National Bank of Detroit.

Larry A. Ranahan was appointed executive director for administration for the Department of Radiology at the University of Pennsylvania.

1987

Karen (Blechinger) and John Modzinski ('86) were married on April 19, 1991. Karen received her MSW degree from MSU and is a medical social worker at Wyandotte Hospital. John is a C.P.A. at Hanrohan, Carey & Co. They live in Warren, Michigan.

1988

Barbara Claycomb of Oxford, Michigan, earned an *Outstanding Performance Award* from D'Arcy Masius Benton & Bowles/ Bloomfield Hills, Michigan advertisers. Barb is a senior systems analyst at DMB&B/BH.

1989

Maria Garzaniti is employed as a consumer relations analyst for EDS and engaged to Michael Hess.

Brenda Hack has re-located to the state of Washington.

LeeAundra Preuss is working at the Chevrolet Customer Assistance Center in Troy, Michigan.

1990

Annette Kireta of Warren, Michigan was one of the first recipients of the Frank Cullis Memorial Physical Therapy Fellowships.

Patricia Meredith-Pear recently took a month's vacation to Fiji, Australia and New Zealand. She and her husband chartered a boat and sailed around Aotea out of Auckland.

Anne Terhune is employed at Terhune Sales and Service in Marine City, Michigan.

In Memoriam

1973

Daniel D. Bedford

1984

Shirley Parks

1989

Jill Anne Collins

PRESIDENT'S CLUB

Members who have joined the President's Club of the Oakland University Foundation since the last printing of the Oakland University Magazine.

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IN TOUCH

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In Memoriam:

Mr. Robert Moloney
Mrs. Ernest Grove (Rhea)

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Alumni affiliates name scholarship winners

The Oakland University Alumni Association and five of its alumni affiliates recently awarded \$8,400 in scholarships for the 1991-92 academic year.

And the winners are:

▼ The **Frances C. Amos School of Business Administration Alumni Affiliate Scholarship** was awarded to John Lesser of Sterling Heights and Ann Scrivano of Warren.

▼ The **College of Arts and Sciences Alumni Affiliate Scholarship** was awarded to Ann M. Lehman and Jennifer Mlynarek, both of Sterling Heights.

▼ The **Black Alumni Affiliate's Student Achievement Award** went to Daphne Briggs of Canton and Pamela Cheatum and Detrich Smith of Detroit.

▼ The **School of Engineering and Computer Science Alumni Affiliate's Thomas A. Yatooma Memorial Scholarship** was awarded to Edward Harshman of Lathrup Village and David Pung of Rochester Hills.

▼ The **School of Nursing** awarded two scholarships. The **Geraldene Felton Award** was given to Andrea Whitcomb of Waterford. The **Continuing Advancement in Professional Nursing Award** was presented to Barbara Park of Rochester Hills.

READERS' VOICE

PRIESTLY CALLINGS

Just a quick note to express appreciation for Duffy Ross' article *Father Figure* in the Summer 1991 issue.

It is both encouraging and refreshing to read such a piece in the Oakland University Magazine. He captured the personality, the *humaneness* of this man of God that much of our media promotes as cold, unapproachable and "religiously outdated."

Thank you for his honest portrayal of Christianity through Rev. Schaeffer and for conveying "...You don't have to deprive yourself in leading a life committed to your faith."

I'm sure he touched the hearts of many maturing Oakland University alumni.

James E. Affholter ('87)

IN DEFENSE OF GOVERNOR ENGLER

I'm sorry, but I just had to respond to the letter you published in your Summer '91 *Editor's Choice* column concerning Michigan Governor John Engler. My comments are two-fold.

First, whether or not you share the man's political point of view, Mr. Engler is our elected governor. To just label him a "politician" lends absolutely no respect to the office or the man's achievement of gaining the position.

Second, it is much easier to be a "go-along-get-along" person than to be one that takes a stand and tries to take fiscal responsibility (unlike his predecessor). I have to respect that more than I would the typical crowd-pleasing politician.

Furthermore, from a philosophical standpoint, I am continually astounded by people who feel that they have an inalienable right to my paycheck.

The government's role should not be to kow-tow to every whining special interest group. Many special interests are very fine and worthwhile causes which many people would gladly volunteer time and dollars to support.

Unfortunately, the money to finance these organizations today is being extorted from the citizenry. All any group needs to do is scream loudly and lobby enough legislators and low and behold, their hand has legal claim to my wallet.

Surely, everyone has special interests and causes they deem to be moral and ethical, but I, for one, do not believe others should be forced at gun-point to finance *my* interests.

A final comment. I did get a good chuckle at Mr. Spickler's notion that because Gov. Engler does not have the magical state certification, he's not fit to teach high school civics. I guess we'd rather have people that can pass a state test teach than those that have years of practical experience on the subject. Better to have read it than lived it, I suppose.

Jeff Heath ('84)

I was somewhat confused and certainly dismayed at the letter you chose to reprint in your column. I was confused because editors normally print letters representing varying points of view, not just one. In fact, I examined your magazine from cover to cover several times and couldn't find any other letters on any subject at all.

I was dismayed because the letter writer, aside from being misinformed on Governor Engler's record, ignores his commitment to preserve and even increase state funding for education. Does he think that balancing the budget and making the state live within its means is somehow illogical or "convoluted?" Is showing concern for Michigan's overburdened taxpayers an example of "economic bigotry?" Does preserving programs that help families and children rather than able bodied adults qualify as a "slaughter of social programs?"

It is indeed regrettable that the letter writer would choose to use Oakland University Magazine as a dart board. I hope that he took the time first to read the rest of the magazine. In particular, Dean Urice's analysis of the arts funding issue was particularly prescient and insightful. By calling for orderly evolution away from state funding for arts, he accurately predicted the

outcome of the recent "arts summit" meeting between Governor Engler and several leading arts advocates and patrons.

I look forward to the next issue and hope no other readers will assign its cover to such a prickly fate as the last.

Rusty Hills
Communications Director
Office of the Governor
State of Michigan

AWAY WITH WORDS

In your summer, 1991 issue, I noticed an invitation to submit poems for publication. I am offering *Off To College*, a poem written for my daughter, Julie, as she begins her freshman year at Central Michigan University.

OFF TO COLLEGE

Daughter, darling daughter,
My little shining light,
I'm in a sentimental mood
And missing you tonight.

You wonder how I miss you?
Well, let me count the ways;
One is for the skimpy loads
I have on laundry days.

Two is for the grocery list,
Less pizza sauce and cheese.
Three, the car is neatly parked,
and four, so are the keys.

Five is for the bathroom mess,
No towels on the floor.
Six is for the entry-way,
No stuff piled by the door.

But when I pass your empty room
I stop and wander in.
(Amazed, of course, that it's so neat)
Then memories begin.

And suddenly I realize
I cannot count the ways.
'Cause every time I turn around
I'm missing you these days.

Diane Norberg Farstvedt ('69)

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