

OU celebrates its spirit

BY ELIZABETH GORECKI
SENIOR NEWS WRITER

As a commuter school, students and organizations at OU have to work to build school pride. One of the biggest school-pride boosting events at OU is the Week of Champions at Oakland University (WOCOU).

The ninth annual week-long festival is crammed with activities leading up to what some students call the biggest athletic event at OU.

Chad Roman, senior, said he likes the WOCOU events and plans to take part in them for his fourth year.

"It's a really fun week. I've liked it in the past," Roman said. "The whole week boosts school spirit and gets everyone pumped for the season."

WOCOU kicked-off Monday with Matilda Wilson's 120th Birthday Bash. Students celebrated in the Food Court by eating cake and ice cream and listening to a live band.

Jean Ann Miller, director of the Center for Student Activities (CSA), said they had to make some changes to WOCOU this year.

"The appreciation dinner was dropped and the live band was brought in instead," she said. "We also aren't giving away T-shirts this year, but we have the bandanas."

On Tuesday, OU hosted its own "Arts, Beats and Eats" Festival in the Fireside Lounge. Students took part in artsy activities like sand art and bead making.

Today is Student Organizations' Day. Tables will be set up from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Main Hallway of the Oakland Center (OC) and the Fireside Lounge so students can meet, greet and sign up for OU student organizations.

Tomorrow, the "For The Roar 2004" campaign is hosting a rally from 3 to 7 p.m. in the Hamlin Courtyard. All students are invited to the rally for free food, live music and to learn more about the student-sponsored campaign to raise money for a Grizzly statue.

The Association of Black Students (ABS) and the Student Program Board (SPB) are hosting a talent show at 8 p.m. tomorrow in the Banquet Room of the OC.

The festivities continue Friday with an 8-Ball Tournament at Bumpers at noon downstairs in the OC, women's volleyball game at 7 p.m. in the O'Rena and Friday Night Live with Dustin Diamond at 7 p.m. in the Vandenberg Dining Center.

The pre-party to the biggest event of the week, Midnight Madnezz, starts at 8 p.m. in the Rec Center.

Midnight Madnezz Rockin' Eve boasts a toga contest, showing of "Animal House," a pizza break and more.

The Midnight Madnezz line-up starts at 10:30 p.m. outside the Rec Center with free Blues Brothers Sunglasses for the first 500 people in line.

Midnight Madnezz is junior Steve Holly's favorite part of the week.



"It's cool that we support our basketball team since we don't have a football team," he said. "It's nice to have a team to cheer on."

According to Miller, the fifth annual Midnight Madnezz promises to be better than ever with the second annual student versus faculty basketball game, free T-shirts, a chance to win a Winter Semester 2004 Tuition Scholarship, performances by "The Blues Brothers" and a big surprise announcement.

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Above: The band Poor Boy Music, or PBM, performs at the WOCOU Kick-off.

Right: Students take part in OU's version of 'Arts, Beats and Eats.'



Every vote counts

On Friday, OU's chapter of the American Association of University Professors (AAUP) voted 222-138 in favor of ratifying the tentative contract reached with OU in August.

Joel Russell, professor of chemistry and president of OU's AAUP said there were 360 valid votes turned in, and 6 were submitted either unsealed or empty.

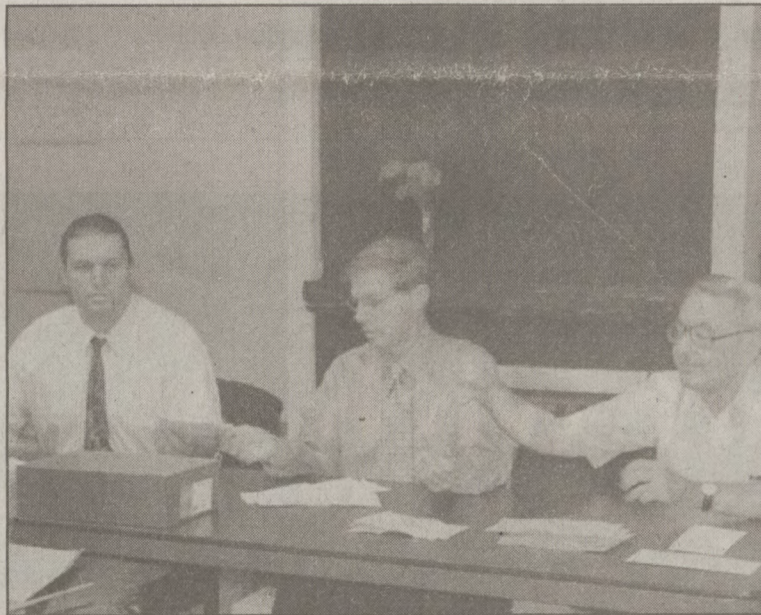
"There were a lot of people recommending a 'no' vote, so there was some risk" of it failing, said Russell.

He said the AAUP voting in favor

of the contract is an "excellent thing" in light of the state's economic situation.

He also said there are very positive things in the non-economic areas of the contract that would be hard to retain.

Now, the tentative contract will move to OU's Board of Trustees to



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AAUP officials count the AAUP votes Thursday. The next step is for the contract to pass the Board of Trustees.

vote on it during the meeting on Nov. 5.

-LAURA ANGUS
CAMPUS NEWS EDITOR

OUSC revises time limit

BY VIRGINIE PEROV
THE OAKLAND POST

OU's Student Congress (OUSC) seems to be playing a game of passes and revokes.

At Monday's meeting, the ball went to Legislator Jeremy Kopp, senior, who proposed to remove the 60 minute time limit on OUSC meetings, which was adopted only last week by Congress.

Kopp argued such a limit represents a disserv-

ice to the student body by preventing the agenda from being completed.

Newly appointed Legislator and sophomore, Michael McGuinness, said he recognized the importance of coming prepared to the meetings but reaffirmed the role of the OUSC as working for the students.

"It's important that the gallery understands the discussion behind the resolutions," McGuinness said.

When the meeting ended, frustration was tangible.

"Let's put thought into things," said Jim Gammicchia, OUSC director of Financial Affairs. "Nothing got anywhere. It's going in a circle."

OUSC President Jonathan Parks, junior, also wanted to move on.

"Until we work together, there is nothing that can get done," said Parks.

In other business:
• Legislator and

Disciplinary Committee Chair Jeff Galecki, senior, did the first reading for a bill aimed to alter the OUSC by-laws.

• A resolution brought by Legislator Mario Hagar, sophomore, that concerned the establishment of a Constitutional Commission that would review the Student Congress Constitution currently in place was tabled after debate.

The text of the resolu-

English prof leads Music, Theatre and Dance

BY ASHLEY WOHLGEMUTH
THE OAKLAND POST

OU said goodbye to Music, Theatre, Dance Chair Karl Boelter last summer and welcomed Mary Papazian as the Executive Director.

Boelter is now the Director of the School of Music at State University of New York in Fredonia.

Papazian is fulfilling the responsibilities of the chair in being Executive Director.

Papazian said that her hope is to "continue the positive momentum that has to come to define the Department of Music, Theatre and Dance."

Papazian said that it is her role to take care of the administrative needs of the

department so that her colleagues can continue their important creative, scholarly and teaching responsibilities.

She said the reason her title is Executive Director and not chair is that she does not come from within the MTD department. Her faculty appointment is in the Department of English.

According to the Oakland Faculty Agreement, "In unusual circumstances, Oakland may appoint an Executive Officer over a department, after consultation with all other department chairpersons in the relevant school or college."

She said she agreed to the job because of the great respect she has for her col-

leagues in the department.

Papazian has been at OU for 15 years. She was hired as an Assistant Professor of English in 1988 and has been on the faculty ever since.

In addition to her position as Professor of English, she continues to serve as



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Mary Papazian

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King Chavez mentors give back

By STACEY BALAS
THE OAKLAND POST

Volunteering for the King Chavez Parks program is a unique opportunity to open a young person's eyes to the future, but not many students are aware it exists.

KCP is a program that brings in middle and high school students from underrepresented communities and teaches them about all that college has to offer said Candace Rogers, coordinator of Pre-College Programs.

Rogers said KCP provides a very good leadership experience because the students act as role models to all of the kids that come through the program. Each of the mentors got

involved in KCP for different reasons.

Brandon Biddles said that he became involved because he wishes that he had been offered something like this when he was in middle school.

"(I joined) because there aren't enough programs, especially on college campuses that reach out to students that are from where I'm from," said Joi Durant, a senior who has been with the KCP for two years.

She said she wasn't aware of this program until she came to OU.

Cynde Wines, senior, has been with KCP for two years now. She got involved because she had gone through the program when she was in high school and it affected her decision to

go to college and helped her decide that OU was where she wanted to attend.

The student mentors teach the kids about college preparation, requirements, two and four-year institutions, financial aid and tests needed for college applications.

Students come from Detroit, Oak Park, Pontiac, Southfield and even Flint. These are not necessarily students from low-income communities, but they are from populations that aren't well represented in higher education, Rogers explained.

KCP is a two-part program. Part one brings in middle and high school students during the

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Seeking common ground

By AVA HABERKORNHALM
THE OAKLAND POST

Students can search for commonality amidst diversity in The Search for a Common Ground Program at the University Presbyterian Church.

The program will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 18 and lunch will be provided.

Prior registration is required through the Center for Student Activities service window (49 Oakland Center).

Students are encouraged to register before Friday, Oct. 17. Students in need of transportation can meet at the Fireside Lounge in the Oakland Center (OC) the morning of Oct. 18.

The Search for a Common Ground is this year's first program in the long established Spirituality in Service Series.

The keynote topic will be "Neighbor Language" presented by Dr. David Milam from the University Presbyterian Church. "Neighbor Language" explores the idea that every religion has its own unique way of discussing its theory.

Instead of encouraging these exclusive languages, "Neighbor Language" will attempt to build bridges between the languages so each religion can be more easily understood by others.

In addition to "Neighbor Language," Randy Cullen, an instructor of communication at OU, will be speaking on Spirituality.

Following each speaker, there will be small and large group discussions.

After lunch, students will participate in a community service project, which will have something to do with cleaning up the church, specific details about the project will be released on the site.

The closure activity for the day will be small group reflections on diversity of religions and cultures through poetry, prose and

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Raising Awareness

OUPD strives to inform

By REBECCA WYATT
EDITOR IN CHIEF

While college can mean more freedom for students, it also means students have to be responsible and make mature decisions.

One of these means being educated about the risk of sexual assaults.

"We are considered the safest community in Oakland County," said OUPD Officer Nan Gelman, who is also a member of the National Sexual Assault Resource Center.

However, that doesn't mean OUPD isn't concerned about rape.

Gelman said part of OUPD's response to rape is prevention and education.

"All the officers are very well trained in the area," said Gelman.

According to OU crime statistics, there were two forcible sexual offenses

and four non-forcible sexual offenses on campus in 2001.

According to OUPD Lt. Mel

Gilroy, many of the rapes that occur on campus involve people who know each other.

However, Gelman said many rapes on campus go unreported, most of these being date rapes.

An OU student who was raped by someone she knew said she did not report it.

"If it's someone you trusted it's hard to blow the whistle," she said.

However, Gelman encourages these victims report the rapes.

"If there is something going on out there, we need to know about it," Gelman said.

According to Gelman, it's also therapeutic for victims to report the

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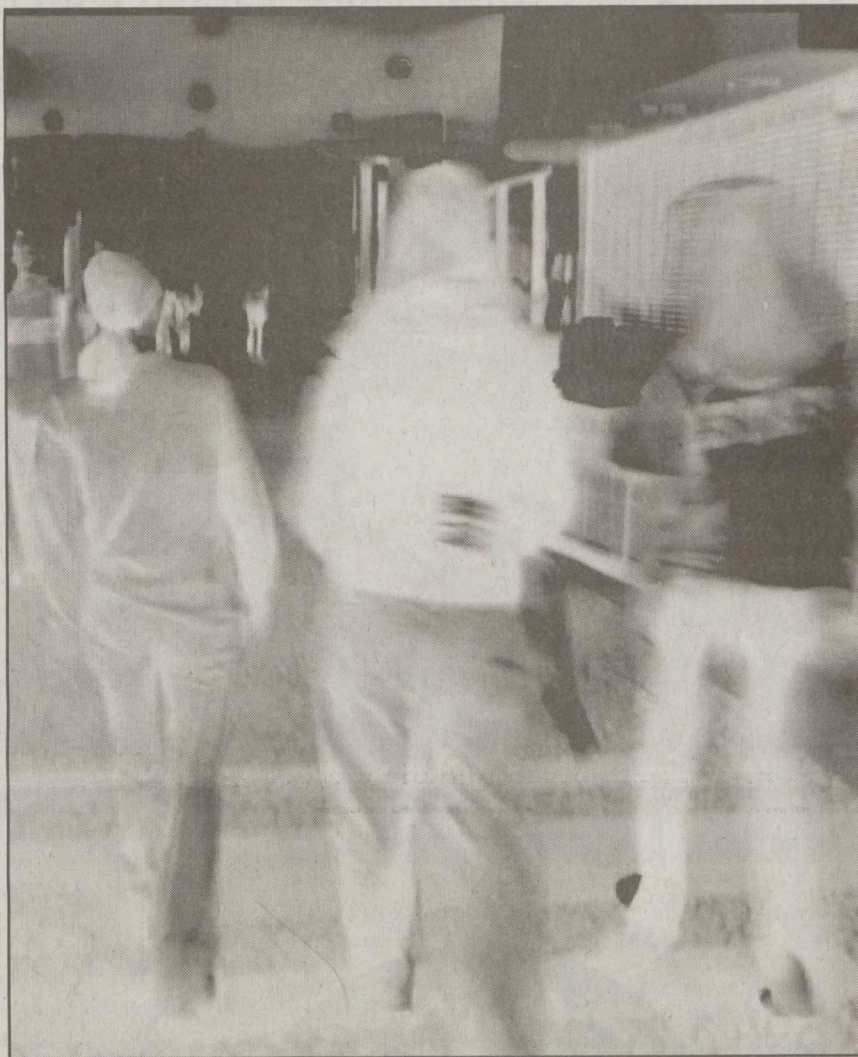
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For students who are interested in rape prevention, OU offers the Rape Aggression Defense program



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Attending parties in groups is a way for students to stay safe.

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Student's art gets exposed

By AARON WALKER
THE OAKLAND POST

David Shock of Detroit is a senior Fine Art major whose artwork is being displayed on campus.

He said he has experimented with a variety of media including oil painting, film and paper making. Sometimes he tries to incorporate it all into one piece.

Shock created a bower which is now located in the woods between Graham Health Center and the overflow parking lot 3.

A bower is a shaded, leafy recess that birds use for mating.

It will be on display for at least two weeks.

Shock said it took a few months to collect all the material for the bower and put finishing touches on it.

He said the original inspiration came from a film on the Bowerbirds of Australia. The male birds wove breathtaking bowers out of grass ornamented with different colored objects such as berries, rocks or often

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Senior David Shock's bower rests between Parking Lot 3 and Graham Health Center. Shock said he hopes his work takes people out of their element when they view it.

Students can make a difference in October

By KARL BUCHMAN
THE OAKLAND POST

The Center for Student Activities (CSA) is preparing for this year's Make A Difference Day.

Every year, students have the opportunity to volunteer for on-campus activities for a national day of helping others.

"The idea is to promote the idea of volunteerism," said Sara Crampton, coordinator of Student Leadership Development.

CSA is planning a campus clean up for the event, to improve the appearance of the University starting around Hamlin Hall.

Students will clean up trash around campus in honor of this

event.

According to the USA Weekend Web site, Make A Difference Day is a nationally recognized program that takes place on the fourth Saturday of every October.

The CSA along with University Housing will be hosting this event at 10 a.m. on Oct. 25 at Hamlin Hall. Volunteers will meet in the

Hamlin Lounge, where they will be provided with gloves and bags.

Students are advised to sign up at the CSA office to ensure that there will be adequate supplies for all volunteers.

Students interested in helping make the campus and community a better place are encouraged to participate.

"Volunteering is good, it allows you to help other people in the community and contribute in a positive way," said Crampton.

Crampton said CSA is hoping for about 30 volunteers this year.

Crampton said in past years, around 20 to 50 volunteers have shown up to help out.

Police Beat

- Three residents of the student apartments have been receiving both hang-up phone calls and calls with a man's voice saying he is from Sri Lanka and wants to make sure they can hear him clearly.

The calls started around 4 a.m. Sept. 4 and they usually receive between 10 and

15 calls a day. The residents are looking into caller ID.

- A student had his wallet stolen from an unlocked Rec Center locker. The student said he never uses a lock on the locker and he has never had a problem before. Among the items in

the wallet are \$15 cash, a debit card, six credit cards and vehicle proof of insurance.

- Students and faculty evacuated Wilson Hall Oct. 8 after a false fire alarm. Apparently, someone burned popcorn in a microwave and set off the

alarm. Windows and doors were opened to clear the smoke.

- The Rochester Hills Fire Department responded to a fire alarm in the student apartments around 3:45 a.m. Saturday.

A hallway was filled with smoke and a fire extin-

guisher had been sprayed. One student suffered an asthma attack from the smoke and was taken to Crittenton Hospital for treatment.

- A lifeguard at the Rec Center had his cell phone stolen out of an unlocked locker in the lifeguard's pri-

vate locker room.

The student saw the phone on his break around 6 p.m. but when his shift ended at 10 p.m., the phone was gone. The student's parents placed a call to the cell phone and a woman answered and quickly hung up. The phone is valued at \$50.

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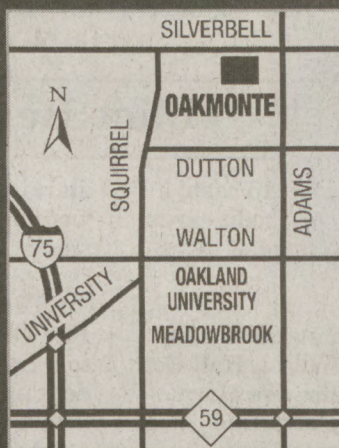
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Jury duty pay rate up

By ELIZABETH GORECKI
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Many citizens who have been called for jury duty in the past may think the pay they received hardly made up for the time and expense of the situation.

The state is trying to help jurors by increasing the daily pay rate.

As of Oct. 1, the daily pay rate for jurors was increased from \$15 to \$25 for the first day, and from \$15 to \$40 for each following day.

Rebecca Mack, a financial ana-

lyst at the State Court Administrative Office (SCAO), said the pay increase has been in the works for a while.

"A number of legislators have looked at increasing the pay," Mack said. "With the economy the way it has been and the low state revenue, it's been hard to find a source of revenue to pay for the increase. That's what has taken the longest."

According to Mack, money for the increase in juror pay is coming from the local increase in three fees; the jury demand fee in circuit court, the jury demand fee in district court and the driv-

ers license clearance fee.

The jury demand fee, money paid if a citizen requests a trial by jury, was raised from \$40 to \$50 in district court and from \$60 to \$85 in circuit court. The driver's license clearance fee, a charge to clear the suspension on a license for not paying fines or not appearing in court, was raised from \$25 to \$45.

The new fees became effective Jan. 1, 2003.

Dawn Childress, management assistant for Circuit Court, said she felt the increase in fees was worth it in order to bring citizens the juror pay increase.

"The old rate was archaic," Childress said. "In some cases, jurors weren't even getting enough to be reimbursed for parking and the legislature felt the rate needed to be increased."

Oakland County Court Administrator Kevin Oeffner said the feedback has been minimal so far.

"There have been no comments so far at the jury office," he said.

He said some judges have gotten positive reactions to the increase though.

Macomb County's Chief Jury
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Global Glance

• A church bus carrying senior citizens crashed into a semi-truck in Louisiana, killing eight Monday. The driver allegedly fell asleep at the wheel when the bus rear-ended the 18-wheeler, which was parked along the side of the interstate. The bus was from the First Baptist Church of Eldorado, Texas. The senior citizens were on a road trip to see historical sites in the United States. The driver of both the bus and the semi-truck were not injured. Two other senior citizens are in critical condition.

• Only a few signs of complications have resulted from the separation of the 2-year-old Egyptian twins, said a spokesperson from the Children's Medical Center in Dallas. Doctors said they know it is early, but they are optimistic for a speedy recovery of the twins that were connected at the head. Ahmed and Mohamed Ibrahim did not share the same brain, but they did share many blood vessels. The 34-hour operation could cost about \$2 million, but the doctors and hospital staff donated their time for the procedure. The World Craniofacial Foundation helped organize the endeavor, paid for the boys' way to Dallas and raised \$125,000 for the operation.

• A Virginia state judge started the selection process of jurors for the Washington D.C. area sniper case Tuesday. A dozen people will sit in judgment of shooting suspect John Allen Muhammad. Virginia Judge LeRoy F. Millette Jr. had the juror selection and trial set in Virginia Beach because he suggested less people were affected there by the media hype. Millette Jr. and parties to the case have established a procedure to screen the prospective jurors to be unbiased. The team will also eliminate jurors who cannot stay for six weeks, the expected length of the trial. Interviewees will be questioned individually about pretrial publicity, the death penalty and whether they have personally experienced terrorism. Muhammad, 42, is charged with murder and terrorism, both of which carry possible death penalties.

• More than \$3 billion belonging to former Iraqi President Saddam Hussein is supposedly in Syrian banks, and Bush administration officials believe remnants of the dictator's regime are withdrawing the money and giving it to terrorist groups. The administration said plots could be targeted at the Iraqi people and U.S. troops. A Treasury Department official said the Bush administration gave the Syrian government specific instructions to freeze some Iraqi bank accounts and give the United States access to the account numbers and information.

Global goof

• Police didn't have to run fast to chase down a man robbing a bank in Abilene, Texas because he was a senior citizen. The 91-year-old man was supported by a cane and wore a headset to listen to the judge as he pled guilty to robbing the bank - his third bank robbery in less than five years. J. L. Hunter Rountree began his crime spree in 1998, just before his 87th birthday. After robbing a bank in Mississippi, Rountree received a fine, three years probation and was asked to leave the state. He then robbed a bank in Florida, where he became the oldest person in the state's prison system. A reporter for the Orlando Sentinel asked what Rountree would do if he got out, and he said, "I might rob another bank."

~ Compiled by Adam L. Neal,
Local News Editor

Information taken from
various news sources.

Rubber ducks race home

By ELIZABETH GORECKI
SENIOR NEWS WRITER

The course is a tough one. Entrants start at the Riverside Park in Auburn Hills and race over a waterfall, down a winding stream and toward the finish line just before the Clinton River.

The participants aren't athletes or even great swimmers. Instead, they are hundreds of rubber ducks racing to win their owners a cash prize as well as raise money for a good cause.

According to Sue DesJardins, Avondale schools executive director of community relations, the Avondale Foundation has sponsored the rubber ducky race for the schools for about 10 years.

"(The race) takes place on Homecoming Saturday as one of Avondale High School's homecoming events," DesJardins said.

This year's race was held Saturday, Oct. 11 with about \$2,000 raised.

Participants bought a pink, blue or yellow rubber duck for \$5, or picked five ducks for \$20, then had the opportunity to race them for a cash prize.

The first place duck won \$500 for its owners Carol Burke and her children, Mackenzie, 9, and Casey, 11. The Burkes came from Lake Orion for the event. They were among the few people who purchased ducks the day of the race.

Casey collects ducks and said he thought this would be a fun event to attend. Burke said her blue winning ducky would definitely go on display somewhere in their home.

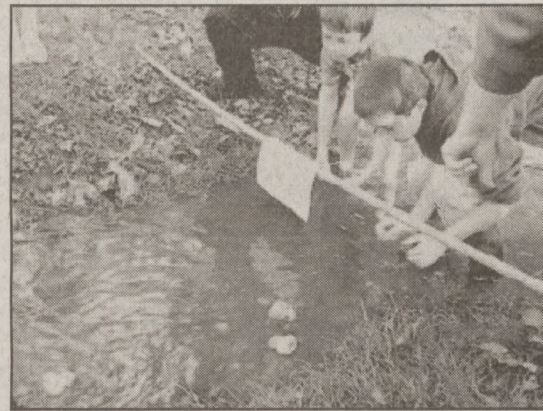
Second place finish was \$250 and went to



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ABOVE: Sponsors cheer on their ducks for a chance at the \$500 first place prize.

BELOW: Volunteers wait for the first of the rubber ducks to float to the finish line.



Gina Furnari of Pleasant Ridge, and \$50 went to Kelly Andorfer of Auburn Hills for coming in third.

DesJardins said this year's contest was as successful as ever. She hopes next year even more people will take part in the race.

"Maybe next year after the original race, we can hold a second race," DesJardins said. "People could bring their own rubber duckies and see how they do on the course."

She hopes next year more people from the university community will take part in the race.

"Wouldn't it be neat to have a duck racing for a fraternity or sorority?" she said.

The money raised from the race goes back into the school district.

"Proceeds help pay for student scholarships and mini-grants for the staff," DesJardins said.

License change for minors

By ASHLEY WOHLGEMUTH
THE OAKLAND POST

Michigan drivers under age 21 are starting to see a new look on their licenses - a vertical look.

October marked the first time anyone under age 21 will receive a vertical license and Michigan State Identification card to make it more difficult to buy alcohol.

On July 1, the Michigan Department of State launched its "We Check to Protect!" public awareness campaign highlight-

ing a new law designed to prevent Michigan's youth from buying alcohol under the legal age.

Secretary of State Terri Lynn Land promoted this idea and was supported by a broad coalition of government, retail, safety and law enforcement representatives. She said this campaign sends a strong message of responsibility and public safety.

The new law requires those under age 21 to be issued a vertical style drivers license as a reminder proper identification is required and will be checked on all alcohol sales, according to

the Michigan Web site.

The new license and identification card will also provide a tamper resistant design that gives residents, law enforcement, retailers and bankers another verification and licensing system.

The cards clearly list the dates when the license holders turn ages 18 and 21, and include other security features, such as the date of birth that overlaps a second "ghost" image of the license holder.

Licenses with the standard horizontal design are still valid

for minors who already own them.

"At least 13 other states use the vertical license system and report declined in the number of illegal sales to minors," said Loren Bennett, Secretary of State employee. "I am proud to be playing a role in keeping Michigan at the forefront of ensuring public health and safety. It is gratifying to see state government, law enforcement, retailers and parents pull together for the sake of our children."

Opinions differ on new state quarter

By ASHLEY WOHLGEMUTH
& TARA FUGATE
THE OAKLAND POST

Governor Jennifer Granholm announced the final election of Michigan's quarter design concept which features a crisp depiction of the state and the outline of the five Great Lakes.

Granholm unveiled the design earlier this month. The quarter design focuses on the water resources and the unique geography of the state. The phrase, "Great Lakes State" is on the top-right corner of the coin.

"The Great Lakes are an unmistakable part of who we are in Michigan," Granholm said.

Michigan is one of the largest freshwater resources in the world, according to Michigan's official Web site www.michigan.gov.

Granholm also said another reason for the design is Michigan is one of the most distinctive regions on the entire planet.

Design concepts included state landmarks, landscapes, historically significant buildings, symbols of state resources or industries, offi-
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Michigan's new state quarter will be distributed on Jan. 1, 2004.

HELP

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voters and they are important.
According to *www.helphighered.org*, Michigan currently budgets \$1.6 billion dollars for state universities. The average tuition increase this year for Michigan universities was 9 percent.
Ortiz said legislators are paid professionals and they should find a way to give education the money it deserves.
“What we are attempting to point out is that any area, be it corrections, health care, welfare would not need as much money allocated in it if we invested in educating people,” Ortiz said.
He said college educated people are least likely to use these services.
According to Ortiz, partici-

pation has been positive.
“Through AMU (Association of Michigan Universities) we got all 15 public universities to agree to participate,” Ortiz said.
He said currently the largest response seems to be from NMU, but that could also be because the student government is the organizer. As of press time, the total letters stood at 135.
While Ortiz started planning for the letter writing campaign in May, the Web site was launched in August and other schools started getting involved in September, he said.
Students interested in the campaign can look for follow-ups at *www.helphighered.org* and students who write may get responses of their own.

“If a representative or senator wants to respond to them, it would go to the student’s e-mail address,” Ortiz said.
According to Ortiz, the Web site does have goals for the future. Short term, he said he wants the universities to go to Lansing and follow-up personally with the governor. Ortiz said if this is successful, NMU’s student government would like to have another letter writing campaign, but this time the letters would go to local media. The Web site also states the students would like to make this a national campaign.
Ortiz did say the letters are monitored for profanity and are discarded if they are inappropriate.

OUSC

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tion underlines “the limitations inherent” to the constitution that “have encumbered ... the ability of OUSC to meet its purpose of providing for the cause of the student body.”
• A resolution was rejected that was intended to “request that Oakland University Student Life Lecture Board affirm its commitment of contracting speakers of diverse perspective.”
The supporters of the resolution claimed that the most recent trend in the speakers contracted by the Student Life Lecture Board, did not represent sufficiently the conservative outlook.
Paul Franklin, coordina-

tor of Campus Programs, was invited to speak and justified the Lecture Board choices.
“In my mind, we had very diverse speakers,” Franklin said. “We don’t look as much at their political position as we look at their status.”

MTD

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Associate Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, a position she has held since January 1999.
As executive director, her role is to serve as an administrative bridge for

the department until a permanent leadership position can be found.
“This is definitely a temporary solution,” said Laurie Eisenhower, professor of dance.
Papazian has agreed to

fulfill these responsibilities for only the 2003-2004 academic year.

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Wednesday, October 15
Student Organizations Day
11 AM-1 PM; Fireside Lounge & Main Hallway, OC

OU Archives Display
11 AM-1 PM; Fireside Lounge, OC

SPB Rhythms Den: Chinua Hawk
8 PM; Fireside Lounge, OC

Thursday, October 16
Thursday Movie Matinee:
“The Blues Brothers”
11:30 AM-1 PM; Pioneer Food Court, OC

Grizz Rally: “For the Roar 2004”
Grizzly Statue Campaign
3-7 PM; Hamlin Courtyard

OU Women’s Soccer vs. Oral Roberts
4 PM; Lower Level Sports Fields

SPB & ABS 3rd Annual WOCOUC Talent Show
8 PM; Banquet Room, OC

Friday, October 17
5th WOCOUC 8-Ball Tournament
12 Noon, Bumpers Games Room, OC

OU Women’s Volleyball vs. Valparaiso
7 PM; O’Rena, Recreation and Athletics Center

Friday Night Live: Comedian Dustin Diamond
FREE but ticketed event. Tickets available through the CSA Service Window (49 OC).
7 PM; Vandenberg Dining Center, Vandenberg Hall

Midnight Madnezz Rockin’ Eve
8-10:30 PM; Campus Recreation Center

5th Annual Midnight Madnezz Line-Up
10:30 PM; Outside, Recreation and Athletics Center

5th Annual Midnight Madnezz
11 PM-12:20 AM; O’Rena, Recreation and Athletics Center

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• Mama Mia (Oct. 26 & Nov. 13)
• The Masked Ball (Oct. 22 & 24)
• Detroit Pistons vs. Boston Celtics (Nov. 5)
• Disney on Ice: 3 Jungle Adventures (Nov. 15 & 16)
• Detroit Pistons vs. New York Knicks (Nov. 21)
• Radio City Music Hall Christmas Spectacular with the “Rockettes” (Nov. 28, Dec. 4, 11, 22, & 26)

• The Producers (Dec. 2, 21, 29 & Jan. 4)
• Kathleen Battle (Dec. 4)
• Nutcracker Ballet (Dec. 12)
• Les Miserables (Dec. 14, 21 & Jan. 2)
• Lion King (April 15, 18, 28, & May 2, 5, 9, 16, 27, 30)

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• Friday Night Live: Dustin Diamond (Friday, Oct. 17)
• “The Search for Common Ground” A Diversity Retreat (Saturday, Oct. 18)
• SPB: Six Flags Fright Fest (Saturday, Oct. 25)
• Meadow Brook Fall Ball (Saturday, Nov. 15)

****NEW: PHOTO DROP OFF****
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WEEK OF OU CHAMPIONS CHALLENGE

Monday, October 13-Friday, October 24

OU COMMUNITY SERVICE
“Trick-or-Treat for UNICEF” and make a difference in the lives of millions of children worldwide!

CHALLENGE
A **Grand Prize of \$150** will be awarded to the Residence Halls Floor, Student Organization, and University Office or Department that collects the most change from October 13 through October 24.

The goal is for every OU student, faculty and staff member to donate \$1.00 to UNICEF to save the lives of children from around the world.

“The Search for Common Ground” A FREE Diversity Retreat

Saturday, October 18
9 AM-4 PM
University Presbyterian Church

Come explore the realities and perceptions of different cultures and religions, through roundtable and group-sharing experiences. OU faculty members, as well as members of religious communities in the area will serve as facilitators for these discussions.

Sign-up at the CSA Service Window (49 OC) to reserve your spot! Contact Sara Crampton at 248-370-2424 or saramc@oakland.edu for more information.

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African-American Celebration 2004

Festivities for African-American Celebration 2004 will begin Monday, January 19, 2004, with the annual celebration of the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and formally end with the Annual Keeper of the Dream Scholarship Awards Banquet.

We have stayed in line with the national theme “Brown-vs-Board of Education” with our theme “Celebrating Freedom Through Education” and are really excited and inspired by the breadth, depth, and strength of the theme.

Our goal this year is to provide quality, inspirational, and educational programs and activities that support the theme. The participation of the entire university (students, faculty and staff) is important to gaining a better understanding of the struggles, frustrations, and triumphs African Americans have and continue to encounter.

The coordinating committee has met and generated ideas about potential programs and/or activities that include:

- Guest Speakers
- African American Arts and Crafts
- Debate
- Poetry
- African American Museum
- African Drum and Dance
- Panel Discussions
- Celebration of Freedom

These are just a few of many wonderful ideas we have shared and hope will entice you to think about your role and the contribution you, your class, department or unit will make to enhance the understanding of “Celebrating Freedom Through Education.”

In submitting your proposal, please bear in mind the following criteria:

- A one page, double-spaced narrative describing the proposed program
- Describe how the program/activity is related to the theme
- Narrative must accompany the proposal form
- Proposal deadline is 5:00 p.m., October 29, 2003

Send or deliver completed proposals to: African-American Celebration 2004
c/o Center for Multicultural Initiatives
121 North Foundation Hall

AFRICAN-AMERICAN CELEBRATION 2004
PROGRAM PROPOSAL FORM

“Celebrating Freedom Through Education”

PROGRAM SPECIFICATIONS		
ORGANIZATIONAL SPONSOR OR COSPONSOR:	PHONE & ADDRESS:	EMAIL:
CONTACT PERSON:	PHONE & ADDRESS:	EMAIL:
PROGRAM TITLE:	PROPOSED DATE & TIME:	PROPOSED LOCATION: ANTICIPATED ATTENDANCE:

INCLUDE A TYPED, 1 PAGE DOUBLE SPACED NARRATIVE DESCRIBING THE PROPOSED PROGRAM AND THOROUGHLY COMPLETE THE INFORMATION BELOW:

PROGRAM BUDGET			
ITEM (Include description in Narrative)	TOTAL COST	AACMC FUNDS REQUESTED \$300 Maximum	OTHER FUNDS AMOUNT & SOURCE
Speaker(s):			
Musician(s):			
Supplies: (paper goods, decorations, etc.)			
Publicity:			
Food:			
Facilities/Room:			
Campus Services:			
Other Expenses:			
GRAND TOTAL EXPENSES			

IF APPROVED, FUND TO WHICH AWARD SHOULD BE TRANSFERRED:

FUND NAME:	FUND #:	AUTHORIZED SIGNER:
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QUALIFICATIONS FOR FUNDING CONSIDERATION (\$300/program maximum):
Proposal description must respond to the specifications listed on the Call for Proposals.
Program Budget must include descriptions of expense items.
Program should occur within designated celebration period.
Proposals must be submitted to the Center for Multicultural Initiatives by Wednesday October 29, 2003 by 5:00 p.m.

E.G. AAC: AAC PROPOSAL FORM

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Letters to the Editor

DEAR EDITOR:

Nancy Segar is right to question what kind of student government OU students have. The answer: one much better than most students know. Jonathan Parks is an amazing student leader, focused exclusively on serving the student body. Kenton Lewis envisions a "big time" OU with large scale events helping to bind students together.

The E-board is outstanding: Shaquonda Binion, April Cooper, Jim Gammicchia, Shemeka Pearson and Brian Welch are quality individuals motivated to get their respective jobs done. I can't tell you how much I respect each of them.

Recent events surrounding SAFB have been distressing to all of us, especially after the many hours devoted to redesigning the allocation process over the summer. But it is important to note three things: (1) the new allocation process is a big improvement, (2) President Parks absolutely made the right decision, within the limits of his rightful authority and (3) Congress ultimately did the right thing as well – it is indeed time to move on.

The switch to Division I, the Rec Center, the new student apartments and the "new" OC all are attempts by the university to move forward. And it is exactly campus leaders like those you have who are making it happen every day.

Get involved!

J.P. PISKULICH
FACULTY REPRESENTATIVE TO OUSC

DEAR EDITOR:

Since when should any meeting pertaining to the needs of 16,000 students be squashed into an allotted time frame? A friend of mine who, during the last academic year, was the vice president of St. Cloud State University's student government in Minnesota told me her meetings would regularly run in excess of four hours.

Who has the right to determine that the responsibility and honor of serving the students can be fitted into a 60-minute time slot? Even the motion for a time extension was not used twice at last week's meeting. Surprising and disappointing considering this is a volatile time for OUSC.

Serving is not a time to pick up some snacks, hang out and debate a Constitution the majority of the body evidently has not read. It's a time to get serious about what matters to students who go to OU and how to effectively deal with those issues.

Perhaps in addition to the stringent office hours and attendance requirements for new legislators someone could make sure they have at least a working knowledge of the Constitution and by-laws. Same goes

for appointed members. Of course that's only possible if the E-board members, legislators and staff advisers can figure out what set of by-laws they're supposed to be operating under, some time this year.

GAYLE ISSA
OU ALUMNA AND FORMER POST EDITOR

All letters to the editor must include a name, class rank and field of study or OU affiliation. Please limit letters to 350 words. Letters may be edited for content and length. *The Oakland Post* uses discretion and may reject any letter for any reason. Letters become property of *The Oakland Post*.

Editor's View

Stand up as a student and a voter

This year, tuition for OU students increased 8.5 percent, which is 6.5 percentage points above the national inflation rate.

However, OU is not alone in this tuition struggle. College students across the country are finding it difficult to afford to go to school because tuition is going up.

Recently, Gov. Jennifer Granholm stated the budget for Michigan is far worse than anticipated. More cuts are expected to the state's higher education funding.

While OU's tuition rate won't go up again this year, in the next few years, students may have to pay much more to attend classes.

But students, their parents and grandparents, faculty, staff and alumni can do something now ... let their voice be heard.

Students should write letters to their local representatives and to the governor with their frustration over higher education prices.

Earlier this summer, the state was able to find more money to give back to the universities so it's feasible that can happen again.

Students are voters and how they view the current officials in office will drive elections to come. These officials are aware of it. If

enough students write letters venting their disgust with higher education costs, officials will eventually listen or they will be out of a job.

College is the only way we will have doctors, nurses, engineers, teachers,

lawyers and many other professionals. If students can't afford to go to school their income potential will deteriorate and it won't help the economy.

Fortunately, for OU students who don't have the time or energy to look up a local representative and personally

write a letter, there is a Web site to help you out.

The site, www.helphighered.org, is taking letters from students, parents and basically anyone who has a view about the financial state of higher education.

The letters are submitted electronically through the site and will be forwarded on to your local representatives and the governor. All you have to do is log on and voice your opinion.

College students are the future of this state and this nation. It's important they voice their opinions about tuition. You never know, that voice may be listened to. And if no one speaks up, there is no chance for that to happen.

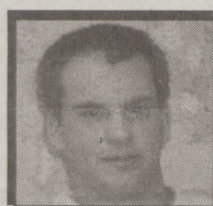
Editorial at a glance

The Issue: Tuition is up and could go up even further in the next few years.

Our stance: Take action by contacting local representatives and the governor.

Featured columnist

Education brings responsibility to pay back society, student offers suggestions as to how



DAVID KILKENNY
Junior
General Studies

Are you robbing Alfred and Matilda Wilson? Maybe. Could you possibly be robbing society? You might.

In case you didn't know, it was the Wilson's generous gift of \$2 million and a 1,500 acre plot of land that made OU a possibility. Quite a humanitarian gift I would say.

So how are we robbing them? By not having that same humanitarian spirit drive us to do for others.

If we are never involved in something more than self service while here at OU, we are most surely robbing the Wilson's and society.

If we never look over the horizon to see what is going on in the world at large and doing something to better that world, we are guilty of one of the most heinous crimes today.

No, I don't believe everybody should head out to try to change the world, simply to serve others around us.

Let's face it, we're very fortunate to

be students here at OU. Globally speaking, we are among the small minority who has an opportunity to further our studies and continue to thrive, not just survive today.

And with this privilege comes not just our tuition, but an additional bill. We must give something back to society. It needn't be a large payment, something simple will do. But the bill must be paid.

Finding ways to pay this particular bill are easy. You can stand at OU and look in any direction and find hundreds of cashiers.

St. John Fisher, our campus church, is always looking for involvement from students and has many contacts to help you get involved.

In Pontiac, there is Grace Centers of Hope. They reach out to addicts and those that are hopeless to help them recover and lead prosperous lives.

Habitat for Humanity, founded by Millard and Linda Fuller, is now building homes worldwide for less fortunate families. Locally, they are always seeking help.

There's the South Oakland Shelter, Michigan Coalition for Human Rights, the Manna Soup Kitchen. Nursing homes and children's hospitals always

welcome volunteers to cheer up patients or residents.

There are many opportunities for international volunteering also. The Center for Humanitarian Outreach and Intercultural Exchange, otherwise known as CHOICE humanitarian, Operation Crossroads Africa, Care International, just to name a few.

I've committed to leading a group of volunteers to Kenya next August. If you're interested in finding out how you could come, e-mail me at djkilken@oakland.edu.

I'm hoping to take a more in-depth look at some of these organizations with you in future editions of *The Post*, but for now I just want to leave you with this.

At St. John Fisher they call it "time, talent and treasure." Whether you can volunteer your time to help others, utilize a specific talent that someone may be in need of or even simply donate some of your financial treasure, we need to pay that bill.

Don't rob the Wilson's memory. Don't rob society. And truly, don't rob yourself. Find time this semester to volunteer for something, anything.



Point / Counterpoint

Is the quarter a good representation of Michigan?

To see a picture of the quarter, please see page A5.

YES

BY TARA FUGATE
THE OAKLAND POST

There are many things that say "Michigan." The auto industry, Motown, Hockeytown and the list goes on. But there is one symbol the entire country recognizes, the mitten.

It's only fitting that the design of Michigan's quarter be something that defines what Michigan is.

We are the Great Lakes state.

Sure, the auto industry is a major contributor to Michigan's economy and is something Michigan is well known for. But, really the auto industry represents Detroit, rather than the state as a whole. Besides, the auto industry really isn't based in Michigan anymore. Many of the Big Three's plants have been moved overseas.

Motown defines a generation of musical artists, rather than the state. Hockeytown defines Detroit's love and loyalty to a hockey team. Imagine how offensive a quarter bearing the Red

Wings symbol or the word "Hockeytown" might be to a resident of Colorado, a state which is brimming with Avalanche fans.

The Great Lakes represent the whole state, not a particular region, not a team, not a specific generation.

One of the key factors taken into consideration when choosing the coin designs was the fact that, from space, the distinctive shape of Michigan makes it one of the most recognizable regions on the entire planet.

This fact alone demonstrates the true uniqueness of Michigan's contours. No other state, nor country, can say that about themselves.

Former Gov. John Engler chose five finalists. Each of them displayed the contours of the state and the phrase "Great Lakes State." Similarly, Gov. Jennifer Granholm was drawn to the least cluttered of the quarters; a quarter which outlined Michigan and the Great Lakes.

The quarter's design best represents Michigan's benefits, it's uniqueness and above all it defines what Michigan is.

No

BY ASHLEY WOHLGEMUTH
THE OAKLAND POST

Plain, all right and appropriate are words that describe the new Michigan state quarter to be minted in January.

The question is whether or not this quarter depicts what Michigan really is.

On the back of the quarter are the dates of statehood and an outline of the Great Lakes.

Although the Great Lakes are what Michigan is identified by, it doesn't mean that's what is most important.

Any kind of automobile would have been sufficient to put on the back of the quarter, or to be specific, a picture of the Model T.

Cars surround Michigan and that's what we are identified as. We are the prime maker of cars, after all the Big Three, are right outside of our back window.

Michigan entrepreneurs such as Henry Ford, Ransom

Eli Olds and John Dodge transformed the automobile from a luxury item only owned by the rich into a mass produced consumer good.

Michigan has been the center of the automotive industry for decades and it is still the state that produces the most vehicles.

Michigan literally put the world on wheels.

Michigan's automotive industry not only paved the way for technological advances in other industries but it also changed America's culture forever.

The Woodward Dream Cruise is a known event people from everywhere come to bring their antique cars and cruise down Woodward.

While the new quarter does illustrate what Michigan clearly looks like, it does not show what we are "really made of." The auto industry is the heart and soul of Michigan and not displaying that on the quarter is falsely identifying who we really are as Michiganders.

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PAY

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Clerk Linda Sutton said she also has received little feedback.

"So far, only one person has asked about the pay increase," she said.

Kelly Gordon of Auburn Hills received a jury duty summons last week, and just found out about the increase.

"I had no idea that the \$25 was an increased rate," she said. "I'd always heard it was a low wage and I just assumed it was always \$25."

Individuals called for jury duty are randomly selected using lists provided by the Secretary of State from driver's license registration or voter registration.

The Oakland County Court System reminds students that being a juror is a vital part of our justice system, and it is the duty of each American citizen to serve jury duty when called. It is a responsibility that should be taken seriously.

RETREAT

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prayer.

"(It is) such an ... enriching opportunity to explore different cultures and religions in their communities in addition to the classroom. It gives the students a 'hands on' perspective about diversity and community service," said Jean Ann Miller director of the Center for Student Activities (CSA) and one of the creators of the Spirituality in Service Series.

"I think understanding other cultures and religions is so important in the fight against ignorance and prejudice, and the promotion of unity," said freshman Kathy McCarty. "The only way to combat ignorance is through education."

Every month a new program in the Spirituality in Service Series will be introduced.

INFO

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assaults.

"People who do come forward and report it do get over it quicker than those who don't," Gelman said. "It gives the survivor back control."

She said she has had to deal with it internally which has been a struggle for her.

Gelman said while rapes can always be reported, it is important to report them early and collect evidence.

"The longer you wait, the harder it is going to be, but it doesn't mean it can't

be done," Gelman said.

Even if the victim isn't interested in pressing charges at the time, he or she should still report it and collect evidence.

Gelman said after time, he or she may decide to press charges and the evidence will already be there. She said just because an assault or rape is reported doesn't mean it has to be prosecuted.

"The evidence is secondary. The primary reason for going to the hospital is to make sure you're okay,"

Gelman said.

OUPD focuses on informing students about sexual assault and rape to keep them from becoming victims.

"The biggest way to prevent sexual assault is education," Gelman said.

She said knowing about the effects of alcohol and date rape drugs is important.

The common date rape, Gamma hydroxybutyrate (GHB) is cheap and easy to make, Gelman said. She said it is metabolized quickly so it's

hard to detect it in a victim, but can also be deadly. Gelman said GHB, which produces a euphoric feeling, has similar effects to alcohol. Both lower a person's inhibitions.

Gelman said it's necessary for students to follow some important steps while at parties. She advocates appointing a designated friend to be in charge and to stay sober. She said not to take a drink from a stranger or leave drinks unattended.

According to Gelman, sexual

assault is about the assaulter's desire for power and control. She said a partygoer being intoxicated or passed out gives someone complete control of them.

Gelman said if someone at a party starts feeling strange or acting strange, it's important to get them to a hospital. She said if it's a matter of too much alcohol, police and hospitals don't care, they just want students to be safe.

While Gelman said OU is safe, students who feel unsafe while

on campus can call OUPD for cadet escorts and visual police escorts.

OUPD officers are available to talk to victims of rape who just need some support, but Gelman said there are also a number of local sexual assault organizations.

"They can offer a myriad of other services that might be needed," Gelman said. She said these include medical, emotional and legal services.

ART

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trash.

After seeing the film, Shock said he wanted to create a bower, not as a sexual device, but to isolate its purely formalistic characteristics.

He said he likes to display some of his artwork in public spaces and not a gallery.

He said he used to go to some undeveloped land near the Rec Center for

inspiration. He even shot some film there.

When cutting through the trees near parking lot 3, he said he was reminded of his time in the woods and of the Bowerbirds.

That was when he decided on his creation.

The objects in the trees are to call attention to the entire scene, not just the Bower. It also forces the

viewer the look through the trees to the sky, which takes the viewer's eye away from their initial target, the campus.

The meaning of the piece is a gateway going into the woods, said Shock.

He said it's a different environment. It's intended to give viewers an alien feeling in a small amount of wilderness.

"I feel good about my artwork being displayed on campus. It's interesting," said Shock. "I sometimes hang out there to see what others think of it. If people like it, that makes me feel good."

This piece was a project for Professor Andrea Eis' Studio Art 375 class.

"It was David's decision to place his artwork in that

location," said Eis.

The Studio Art major, a Bachelor of Arts, was just approved last June. In the major, students work in drawing, painting and photography.

Students can view another piece on the second floor of Wilson Hall that connects to Meadow Brook Theatre.

QUARTER

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cial state flower, state icons and/or the state outline.

States were encouraged to submit concepts that promote the diffusion of knowledge among the youth of the U.S. about the state, its history, geography and the rich diversity of national heritage.

Michigan's winning selection was one of the five designs submitted to federal commemorative quarter commissions that

advises the U.S. Mint.

Student Nick Pavledes said the design Granholm chose represents Michigan in a positive way.

"It shows what our state is known for," he said. "We are the Great Lakes State. (The design) is a good thing."

Yet, there are other things that could be associated with Michigan.

Christine Hall, freshman, does not

believe the design chosen was the best possibility.

"It needs to be more interesting. Couldn't they put other things on it, along with the lakes?" she said.

"Some other states have really detailed ones. Ours sounds really boring."

Student Amy Tremonti said she also feels the Michigan quarter design is, "boring."

After hearing the description she said,

"That's it? There are so many other things that they could put on the quarter. A car, the (Mackinac) Bridge, music notes. I don't like that it's just going to be the mitten."

The design of the quarter has been submitted to the United States Secretary of Treasury for authorization. Once approved, the design will be sent to the Mint and will begin circulating in January of 2004.

KCP

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school year and they attend lectures, take a tour of the campus, eat lunch in Vandenburg Hall and the students attend a mini class taught by Professor Mark Simmon.

The second part of the program takes place during the summer and is open only to high school students. During this part of the program, students actually stay on campus for a week and go through classes, said Rogers.

There are currently 10 mentors involved in KCP at this time. However, this program is always looking for new members. Although it is a minority program, anyone can apply to be a student mentor.

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Swimmers on block

BY DANA UTZ
THE OAKLAND POST

The OU men's and women's swimming diving teams are hoping for another winning season after a 9-6 overall record in a season that was highlighted by National Independent Conference Championship and Mid-Con Championship crowns.

In the 2002-03 season, the Grizzlies won their fourth consecutive Mid-Conference Championship. The women's team won its second consecutive NIC Championship while the men's team received the title as one of the top 30 programs in the country.

Last season was the most successful for both the men's and women's teams as they were both represented at the NCAA Championships last year — a very prestigious opportunity.

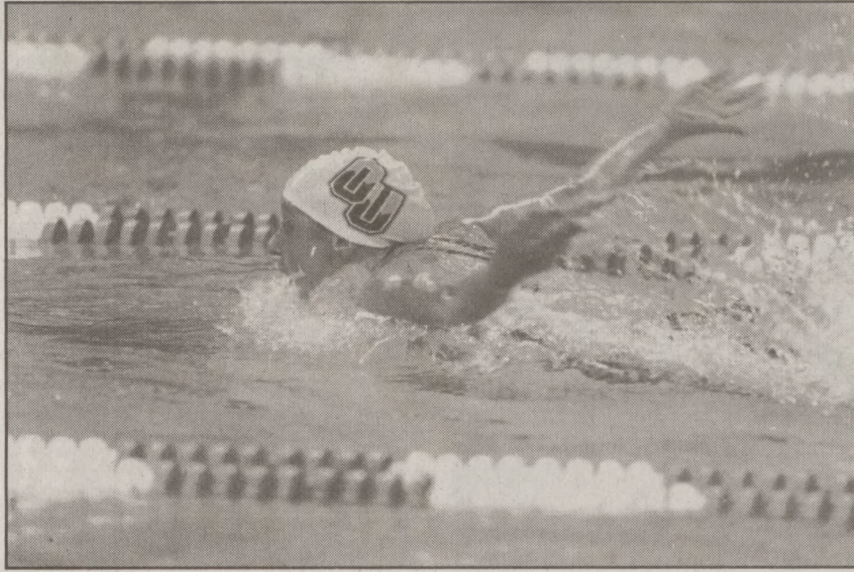
OU hosted the Mid-Con Championships and broke seven conference records. On top of that the Grizzlies won all but six of the events and as a result the men's and women's teams held both titles.

The squad also received two wins against the Red Hawks of Miami University (Ohio) and the Spartans of Michigan State University, two major programs in collegiate swimming.

As their 2002-03 season came to a close, the Grizzlies still had one big event left: the National Independent Conference Championship.

Throughout the meet, the men's and women's teams combined set a total of 26 records. The women set six pool, eight school and two NIC records and the men broke one pool and nine school records.

At the end of the meet, OU had



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ABOVE: Senior Tanya Korniyenko swims the breaststroke in a meet last season. She was named Mid-Con Athlete of the Year last year. RIGHT: Senior Sean Broadbent prepares for a race during competition last year. Broadbent is a freestyle specialist for the men's team.

17 points, which placed the team 27th in the country — the highest in the school's history and broke three swimming marks.

Some of the key swimmers who helped to break and rebreak the records were now-graduated Danielle Ward, now-graduated Lynn Dickens, sophomore Line Jensen, junior Karoline Freytag, senior Tanya Korniyenko, junior Holly Miller and junior Oksana Strelets on the women's squad.

For the men's team, junior Chris Sullivan, who is one of the fastest 50-yard freestylers in the country, now-graduated Scott Dickens, now-graduated Doug Drazin, sophomore Eric Lynn, senior Sean Broadbent and sophomore Andrew Couplands also set records.

"Not only are these the most talented individuals on the team but also are the best leaders," commented head coach Pete

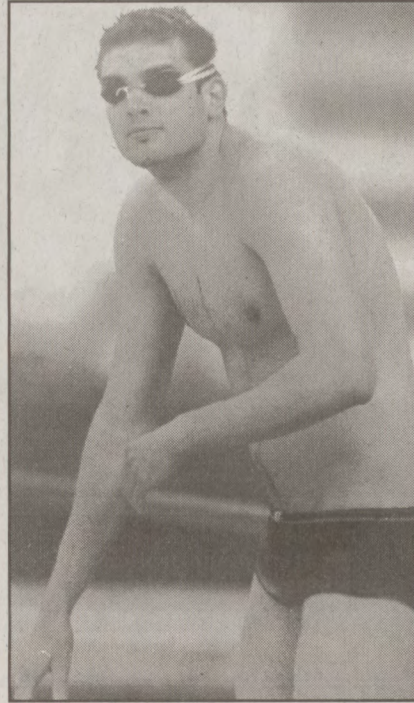
Hovland about the upperclassmen of the teams.

There are also many outstanding freshmen hoping to come out on top this season, such as Melissa Yaeger, Jenna Dejonge, Amanda Burwell, Liz Herrington, Hunor Ma'te' and Aroldo Nery.

After warming up with the Black/Gold Intrasquad and Alumni meets this weekend, the OU swimming and diving team will start competition at the Tom Stubbs Relays on Friday at 11 a.m. in Bowling Green.

The women's first dual meet of the season will be on Saturday, Oct. 25 at 1 p.m. versus Wayne State University, Niagara University, West Virginia University and the University of Akron in the OU Aquatics Center.

Both squads will join for competition on Friday, Nov. 7 at 5 p.m. against Wright State University,



also in the OU Aquatics Center.

"Some expectations of both the men and women's teams are to win our fifth Mid-Con Championship in a row and defend (our) title in NIC Championship, as well as having more of our swimmers invited to the NCAAAs," said Hovland about the annual goals of the teams. "All of the practices and meets will be getting the swimmers ready to compete in the championships."

If they are able to achieve the goals this season, the Grizzlies will have a strong chance to be one of the top 30 teams in the country, an impressive standing.

With all of the talent the Grizzlies possess, this season they have high hopes of topping the extraordinary one from last year.



MIKE LARSON

The Oakland Post

Tigers caught in a curse

"I get a special feeling watching this team," Detroit Tigers' president and general manager, Dave Dombrowski told the *Detroit News* and *Free Press* on Friday.

How could anyone call watching the Detroit Tigers 2003 campaign "special"? Perhaps "dismal," or "pathetic," or even "the worst thing to happen to baseball since Bill Buckner." But special?

However, Dombrowski wasn't talking about the Tigers. He was talking about the Florida Marlins, the team he helped build before he came to Detroit; the team who is currently knee deep in a National League Championship Series with the Chicago Cubs.

But isn't that the way it goes for baseball fans in Detroit? Our team has been plagued with players who are horrible in Tiger uniforms, but good when they leave town.

Which means we don't get a chance to root for our good players until they are playing against, and usually beating, us.

It's true. Just look at the Major League Baseball Playoffs, it's chalked full of former Tigers. In fact, there is at least one player on every playoff team who, at one time or another in the past seven years, wore the old English 'D.'

With the exception of the Minnesota's Chris Gomez, who played shortstop for Detroit in 1996, all the others have contributed to their team's playoff runs.

We have Steve Sparks in Oakland, Gabe Kapler in Boston, and Jeff Weaver and Karim Garcia in New York. Then we have Tim Worrel in San Francisco, Robert Fick in Atlanta, Randall Simon and Paul Bako in Chicago and Juan Encarnacion and Mark Redman in Florida.

That's enough players to field your own team! How could the Detroit front office be so stupid in trading away all this talent? Well, I have an answer.

If the Boston Red Sox can get away with blaming their losing ways on a curse, so can we. If they have the "Curse of the Bambino" then we can have the "Curse of Boomer," in honor of David "Boomer" Wells.

Ever since the Tigers' front office unloaded Wells in 1995 (who went on to win two World Series Championships and throw a perfect game), the Tigers have not been able to get their players to perform.

The 2003 playoffs are not the only example. Just look at players like Hideo Nomo and Luis Gonzalez.

As a starting pitcher for the Tigers in 2000, Nomo went 8-12, with a 4.74 ERA. Then, in 2002, as a starter for Los Angeles, Nomo went 16-6 with a 3.39 ERA.

Gonzalez has the same story. In 1998, as a Tiger, he hit 23 home runs, while batting .267. But, after being traded to Arizona in 2001, he hit 57 home runs and batted .327.

And there are many more. Players like Juan Gonzalez, Jose Lima and Brad Ausmus. All of them played sub-standard baseball in Detroit, but moved on to find success with other teams around the league.

It's like putting on a Tiger uniform is the equivalent of ankle weights and a straight jacket.

It must be a curse, right?

Because just like Boston, there is no way our poor luck could be the fault of idiocy in the front office. It's couldn't be the fault of owner, Mike Illitch, who would much rather sell \$5 pizzas and raise Stanley Cup banners than put some money into the Tigers' organization.

So it must be a curse... right?

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Fall over for golfers

BY BRENDAN STEVENS
SPORTS EDITOR

Throughout the season, the OU men's golf squad used a team effort.

That continued with a fourth place finish at this weekend's MacDonald Cup, hosted by Yale University.

The women's team also had a good showing at the Eastern Kentucky Invitational, led by senior Mara Mazzoni's 148, placing her in a tie for third, to a seventh place finish.

Sophomore Jon Pauli became the fourth different male Grizzly golfer to post a low score this year with a 142 to finish fifth.

As a team, OU finished one stroke back from third and just two strokes back from second in the tournament.

Contributions from the top of the roster to the bottom have been the norm for the men's golf squad this fall.

Four different golfers posted the team's low scores in the Grizzlies' six tournaments this fall and no player finished the fall with a stroke average above 77.

Head coach Dave DeWulf raved about his team's depth throughout the course of the fall portion of the men's schedule, which included winning the first five tournaments the squad competed in.

"We are a solid seven players deep, and possibly eight or nine," DeWulf said of the men's lineup. "You can only play so many of them. We're very deep and we're young."

The women have been top heavy this season, with Mazzoni leading the women in all five of the team's tournaments this fall, winning two individual titles.

OU continued to improve throughout the fall schedule, moving up the standings as the season wore on.

Both the men's squads will now be out of Grizzly competition until the spring when the weather is conducive to golfing. The schedule is not released for the spring.

DeWulf isn't worried about a letdown when competition resumes.

"Whatever happens, happens," he said. "We'll do the best we can do to be prepared. There's nothing I can do. I can just hope for really warm weather up here and an early spring."

DeWulf wouldn't discount the accomplishments of the fall, either.

"We had such a wonderful season," he said. "The men were awesome and the women were definitely improving. That's a definite reason for optimism. I'm not worried about the spring."

Practice bubble deflated



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Last week the practice dome on the Lower Fields was deflated due to complications with the metal stripping that secures the bubble to its foundation. OU Athletics is waiting for an analysis from the Canadian company that takes care of the dome. A full report will be available when the results are reported back to OU Athletics.

Streak still alive

BY JASON SKRZYNIARZ
THE OAKLAND POST

OU's women's soccer team enjoyed another successful weekend extending its winning streak to seven games.

Friday afternoon they defeated Mid-Con rival Valparaiso University, 3-0.

Leading the way was freshman Lisa Marie Woods who notched two goals and an assist in the contest.

Also scoring was fellow freshman Marianne Samdal, her seventh goal of the season.

Beth Howson picked up an assist on a pretty give and go on Woods' second goal.

"Lisa has been very productive recently point wise," said head coach Nick O'Shea. "She had a stretch where she was unlucky hitting posts and great saves by the goalkeepers."

Senior Sarah Buckland had an easy day as she saved the two shots she faced.

She gave away with more

than eight minutes left to freshman Amber Gale.

The win improved OU's conference record to 4-0.

The University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee came into Sunday's game against the Grizzlies enjoying a six game win streak, but was snapped by OU's 2-1 victory.

Samdal scored the game winner with less than three minutes to play.

OU took an early 1-0 lead when junior Shelly Piccirillo scored after freshman Selje Petopec intercepted a pass and got the ball to her.

"Shelly is a goal scorer. That is what she does and likes to do," said O'Shea.

UW-M scored 20 minutes later during a corner kick when Buckland and senior defenseman Therese Bjorke collided in front of the net.

As they collided, the ball was directed into the net.

The Panthers had a chance to take the lead with four minutes left, but hit the crossbar.

Soon after, Samdal seized the opportunity with her eighth goal of the year and OU extended their win streak to seven games.

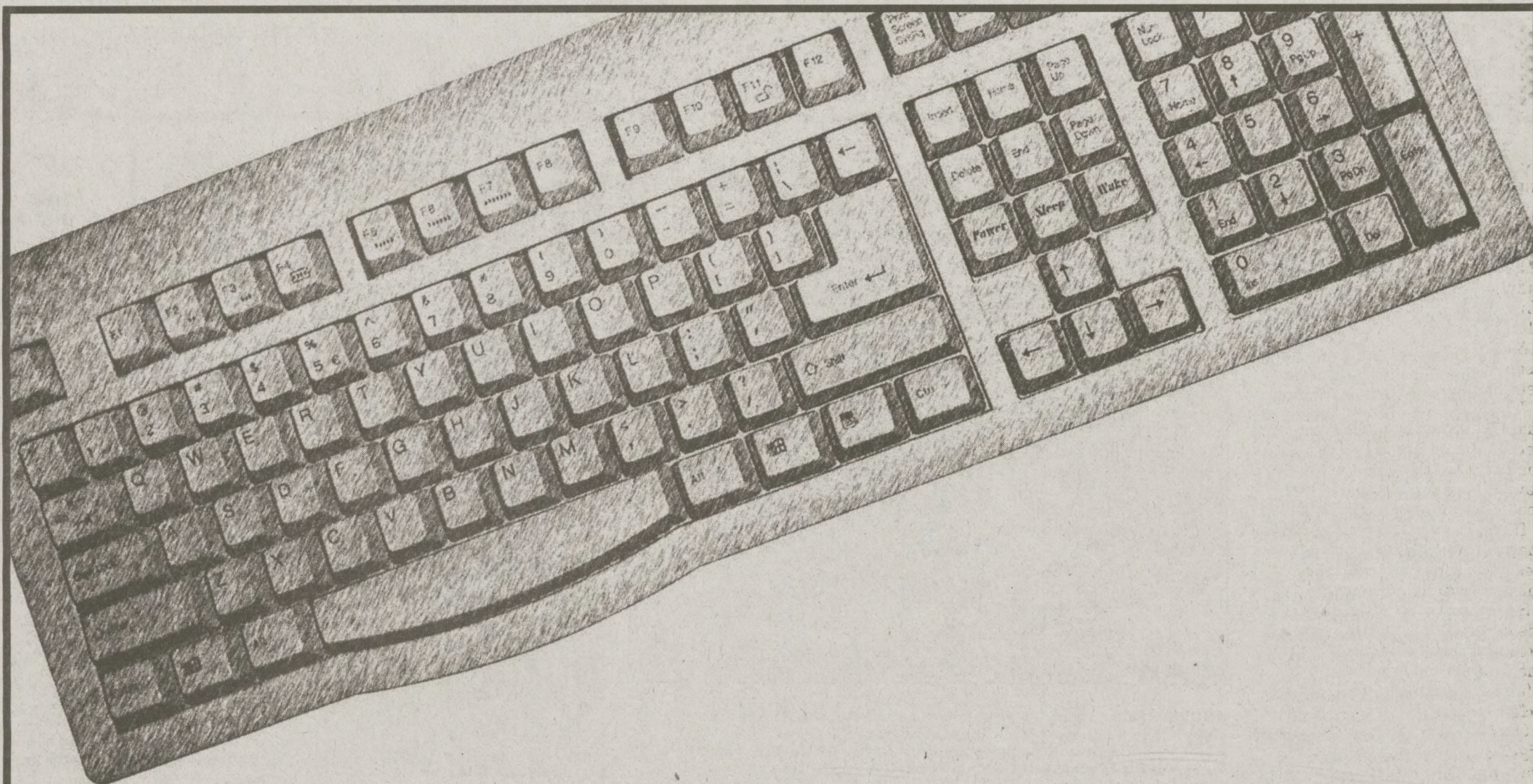
It was the seventh straight game where Samdal scored. Piccirillo and Samdal are now tied for the team lead for goals with 8 each.

OU continues play at 4 p.m. Thursday against conference rival Oral Roberts University at home on the Lower Fields.

Last year, OU defeated the Golden Eagles in the Mid-Con championship game in penalty kicks.

"This will be the game that will determine the conference regular season championship," said O'Shea. "They are the best team in the Mid-Con and we will do our best to beat them."

The week will wrap up at 2 p.m. Sunday when the Grizzlies travel downstate to take on the University of Detroit-Mercy.



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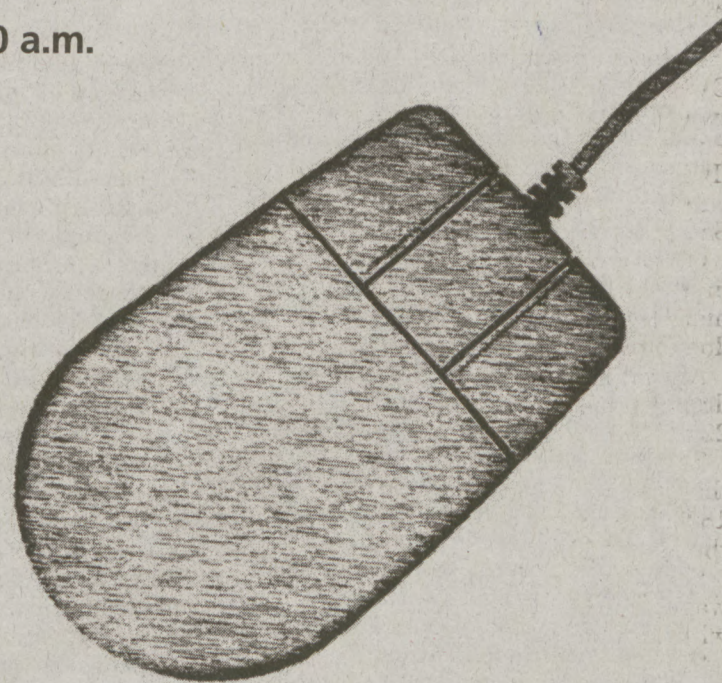
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Grizzlies maul Illini foes

By ANTHONY STACK
THE OAKLAND POST

During Friday night's game at the Onyx Ice Arena in Rochester, the OU men's club hockey team showed the University of Illinois "Fighting Illini" what it was really made of.

A dominant 10-1 victory over U-I sent the Fighting Illini a detailed message.

"The game was kind of ugly," said OU senior Dan Oleksy, who had two goals. "Being the first challenge we thought we would have this year, it came out pretty good. We came out pretty strong."

The game was ugly indeed as the teams combined for 27 penalties, most of which came in the third period.

Sophomore Ryan Teasdale gave the Grizzlies a 1-0 lead five minutes and thirty five seconds into the first period, handcuffing Illinois goaltender Jeff Schianvoni.

Oleksy got his first goal of the night 30 seconds before senior forward Joe Chagnon gave OU a 3-0.

U-I was awarded the first two power plays of the game at 9:05 and 3:49 of the first period, but failed to score.

With under two minutes left in the first period, U-I's Matt Windsor took a cross-checking penalty to put OU on its first power play of the game.

Junior Ron Teasdale scored on a pass from junior Anthony Magdowski to put his team up by four goals.

At the 3:28 mark of the second period, freshman Jon-Paul Ferrari fired a power play goal into a gaping net after being setup by Magdowski to give the Grizzlies a 5-0 lead.

OU scored two more times in

the second period, with Oleksy and Ferrari tallying, before U-I could get on the scoreboard.

U-I's Patrick Baldwin scored the goal on a pass from teammate Mark Goldman, the only one the Illini would get in the game.

The Grizzlies scored three more times before the game ended, with the goals coming from freshman Joel Dupuis, senior Jason Artymovich and junior Brian Bellioti.

"It was a pretty good game," said OU coach Craig Furstenau. "Obviously we were able to roll four lines. We got a lot of guys producing. We did a pretty good job defensively. We only gave up one goal."

Saturday night, the Fighting Illini wanted to get even with the Grizzlies but were unable to take down the powerful OU offense, losing 12-2.

U-I kept the Grizzlies off the scoreboard for nearly half of the first period even though OU had many scoring chances.

Even when OU went on its first power play, Illini goaltender Scott Hacker made brilliant saves, keeping the scoreboard blank.

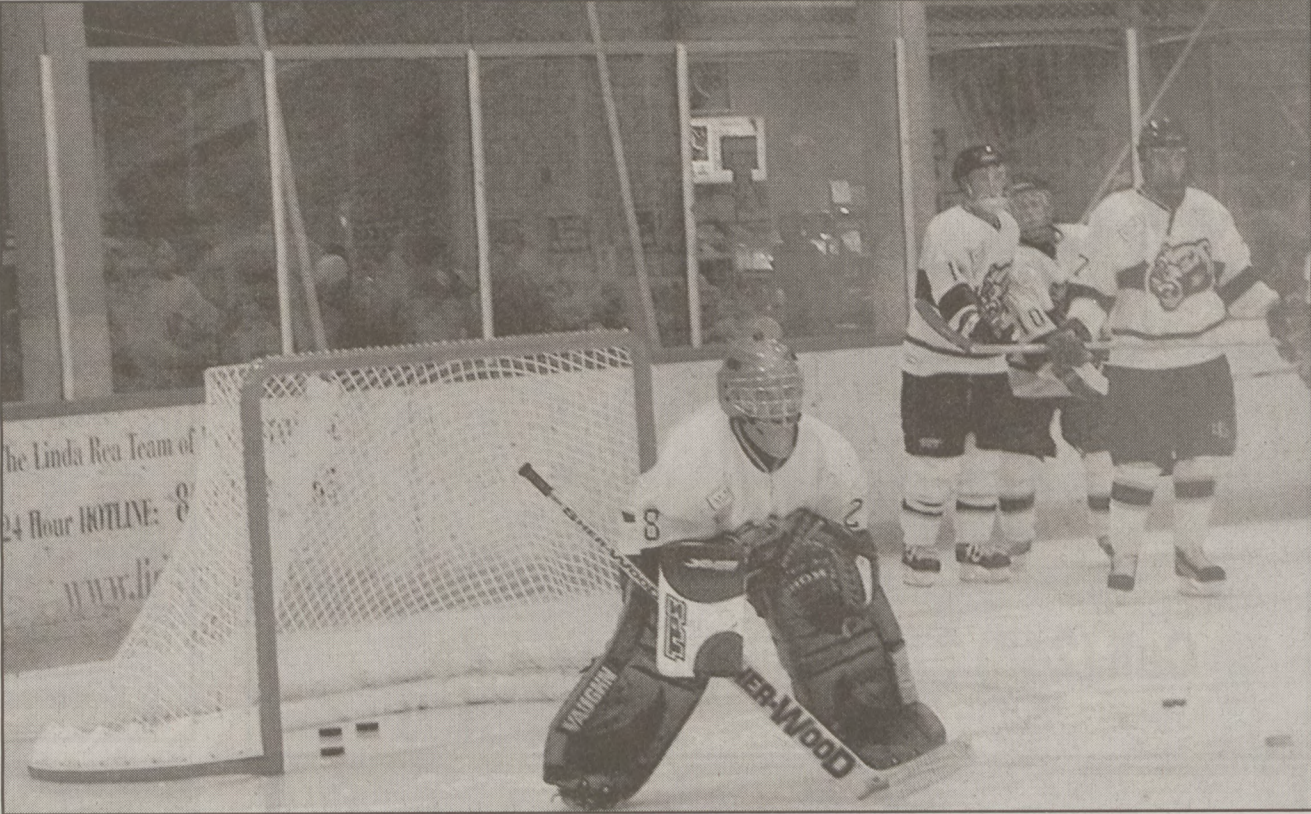
With a little over 11 minutes played in the first period, sophomore Will McMahon took a pass from Ferrari, deked Hacker out of position and scored to give the Grizzlies a 1-0.

One minute and twenty-five seconds later, Ferrari slammed his own rebound between the legs of Hacker to put OU up by two.

Graduate student Karl Borgquist scored in the opening period to make the score 3-0.

In the second period, the Illini were able to generate some offense, allowing a fourth OU goal but tallying on their own.

At the 16:58 mark of the second



Senior Goaltender Shaun Zeldes gets warmed up before the weekend's game. OU won both games .

period, U-I got on the scoreboard, with Windsor getting the goal.

Moments later, OU went up 5-0 off a slap shot by McMahon.

With under a 1:30 left in the second period, the Illini scored their second and last goal of the game, beating senior OU goaltender Shaun Zeldes with a deflected shot on the power play.

Furstenau was infuriated by the Grizzlies second period performance and let them know during the second intermission.

"I think I sort of challenged everybody to play the way we are capable of playing," Furstenau said. "We have a tendency to turn on a switch and play well for the first five or six minutes, and then

we'll play kind of lazily, kind of complacent for five or six minutes. I asked them to play the way they're capable of playing the entire period."

The OU players took to heart what Furstenau said and turned on the afterburners in the third period, scoring seven goals.

Borgquist, junior Justin Jagels, Dupuis, freshman Jordan Ingram, McMahon and Oleksy had the goals.

Ingram had two goals in Saturday night's game, and McMahon had a hat-trick.

"We weren't playing so good, but then we stepped up in the third period and really played as a team," McMahon said. "That's

what it takes."

OU plays Michigan State University at 8:30 p.m. Friday at the Onyx Ice Arena and Michigan Tech University at the same time on Saturday at the Onyx, as well.

The Grizzlies Division III "Black" team lost to Grand Valley State University Saturday evening at the Detroit Skating Club 6-2, giving them a 2-2 overall record.

The men's next game is at 10 p.m. Friday versus Michigan Tech University at the Detroit Skating Club.

For further information about either team, check out their website at www.oaklandhockey.org.

OU and beyond

Mudbowl

Saturday, after all the trash talking and predictions were said and done, the Sigma Alpha Epsilons and Theta Chi went toe-to-toe in a heavy weight battle on the gridiron.

The football match went the distance, but S.A.E took home the victory, 21-7, over Theta Chi for the second straight year in a row.

It was an exciting game from start to finish. Those who missed out on all the action, unfortunately, you will have to wait another year, because the two fraternities only play annually on the first Saturday of October.

This was another classic Mud Bowl Match, to go down in the books.

— CHRIS ARCHIBALD
THE OAKLAND POST

Intramural Football

Two-time defending intramural flag football champs 'D-block' fought off an eager, younger 'Edgar' team.

Down by one point with only 1:48 to go in the game, the defending champs found themselves down and facing their first loss of the season.

With first and five and an opportunity to run the clock out, team 'Edgar' went to the air and the 'D-Block' defense nabbed a pivotal interception.

The new breath of life was all 'D-Block' needed as the team scored the go-ahead touchdown to win the game.

'D-Block' finished 4-1 in 2001 and 3-2 last year and is looking to go undefeated this season. This year's squad returns four players from last year's squad and three members from the 2001 campaign. While the 'D-Block' roster is changing every year, the team's winning ways are not.

Intramural flag football is played from 3:20-5:20 p.m., Monday-Thursday on the Upper Fields across from the student apartments.

— KENNETH CALLOWAY
THE OAKLAND POST

Struggle worsens

By ALAN BOJAKOWSKI
THE OAKLAND POST

The nationally ranked number 25 OU men's soccer team fell on hard times last week as it dropped games to both Michigan State University and Mid-Con rival Western Illinois University.

The Golden Grizzlies took to the road last Wednesday to take on MSU.

This game was not an offensive battle as the 479 fans in attendance had to wait until the second overtime to see the Spartans come out on top, 1-0.

Despite facing five shots the entire game, Grizzlies' sophomore goalkeeper Jeff Wiese was unable to stop a header by Spartan sophomore forward Ryan McMahan, his fourth netter of the season.

Spartan senior goalkeeper Mike Robinson was the star of the game for MSU, recording an eight-save shutout in the 105:35 minute marathon.

"We played an excellent game

for 90-plus minutes," said head coach Tom Parsons. "The defense played well we just could not get the goals."

Saturday, the Grizzlies traveled to Macomb, Illinois to take on the 3-2 Western Illinois Leathernecks.

The only goal of the game came at the 42 minute mark when freshman Leatherneck midfielder Elton Fernandes put his first goal of the season by Wiese.

The Grizzlies' offensive woes continued as they were blanked in a five save performance by Leathernecks sophomore goalkeeper David Hanlon.

One of the highlights of the weekend was the play of Wiese.

"Jeff has been our most consistent player this season," Parsons said. "He has continued to play at an excellent level when our offense has been out of sync."

The Grizzlies continue their tour of the country at 7:30 p.m. today when they travel to Columbus to take on Ohio State



Sophomore goalkeeper Jeff Wiese

University.

OU resumes Mid-Con competition at 8 p.m. Saturday facing Centenary University, who is 1-91 overall and 0-2-1 in the conference, in Shreveport, La.

Women swept during travels

By ADAM HITCH
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

It was a forgettable weekend for OU's volleyball team as it was swept by Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI) and Chicago State University on Friday night and Saturday, respectively.

OU's troubles started before the first match even began as the match was delayed 55 minutes due to transportation troubles.

After it started, the Grizzlies dropped three games, 30-24, 30-22 and 30-20, for a sweeping loss.

The first game saw OU come the closest, knotting the score at 18 before IUPUI pulled away to the delight of its home crowd.

Sophomore Heather Lippert was the offensive star for OU with 12 kills and 13 points.

"I expected Heather to be among our points leaders this year, and she has delivered more often than not," head coach Dave Schmidlin said. "Being middle, she is in a position to score points in several different ways, both

offensively, defensively at the net and with her serve. As she becomes more comfortable with our offense and our setter, she will contribute more as her offense, and the overall team offense, improves."

Saturday proved no better for OU, as they were swept at CSU 30-17, 30-26 and 30-26.

The victory was the Cougars' first Mid-Con win of the season.

Junior Sara Miller led OU with 11 points. The Grizzlies fall to 3-12 overall and 2-4 in the Mid-Con.

They will be home for the next four matches, starting at 7 p.m. Friday against Valparaiso University in the ORena.

"This weekend will be tough," Schmidlin said. "Valpo is probably the best team in the conference, so it will be interesting to see how our team responds to this past weekends setbacks."

OU will wrap up the weekend with a 3 p.m. Saturday contest against non-conference foe Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne.

Grizzly Calendar

Unshaded games denote home contests.

	Wed 15	Thurs 16	Fri 17	Sat 18	Sun 19	Mon 20	Tues 21
Men's Soccer	Ohio St. @ 7:30			Centenary @ 8p.m.			Bowling Green @ 3:30p.m
Women's Soccer		Oral Roberts @ 4p.m.			Detroit @ 2p.m.		
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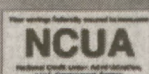
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Dickensian exhibit portrays spiritualism in photography

By LUISE BOLLEBER
THE OAKLAND POST

Charles Dickens spent much of his life inspired by the penned stories about his native London.

"What inexhaustible food for speculation do the streets of London afford!" Dickens wrote in "Sketches by Boz."

The exhibit now on display at Meadow Brook Art Gallery, (MBAG)

"Dickensian London and the Photographic Imagination," features Victorian photography set in Dickens' time.

The exhibit, curated by Claude Baillargeon, assistant professor of Art and Art History at OU, surveys early photography set within a background of Dickensian studies.

The variety of images represented includes portraiture, spirit photography, architectural representation, social documentation, photomontage and allegorical scenes.

It is interesting to note that Dickens himself did not initially approve of the new method of portraiture called photography.

"If anybody should entreat you to go to the Polytechnic Institution and have a photographic likeness done don't be prevailed upon on any terms," Dickens said in a letter to Miss Burdett Coutts. "The Sun is a great fellow in his way but portrait painting is not his line. I speak from

experience, having suffered dreadfully."

Dickens and all other portrait sitters in the infancy of photography had to endure blinding light and 30 or more seconds of total immobility to have their picture taken.

Regarding the early difficulties of posing, Baillargeon explained that the pieces depicting typical types of livelihood are staged.

"They are not candid shots. They are fiction because the exposure times were so long," said Baillargeon.

When looking closely at these shots, it is evident that people are hovering in the background watching the proceedings.

The scenes are nevertheless compelling. "Public Disinfectors" shows two white uniformed men standing in front of a hand-drawn cart. This evokes the question, "What were they disinfecting?"

One can imagine the open sewage ditches

and rat infestations of a congested 19th century city, necessitating the maintenance of public hygiene.

The earliest photographs were daguerreotypes or silver coated metallic plates.

One of two daguerreotypes in this exhibit, produced in 1885, is displayed within a stereoscope, allowing viewers to experience it three-dimensionally, as it was meant to be seen.

Photographers of this era devised an ingenious method of storytelling

called photomontage.

Photomontage is a technique whereby multiple negatives are used to create a single, seamless work of photographic art.

"When the Day's Work is Done," is a composite photograph of a domestic scene made from six negatives. Composite photographs allowed the photographer to achieve extraordinary compositions technically impossible from single negatives.

The spirit photography in this exhibit reveals an intriguing aspect of Victorianism.

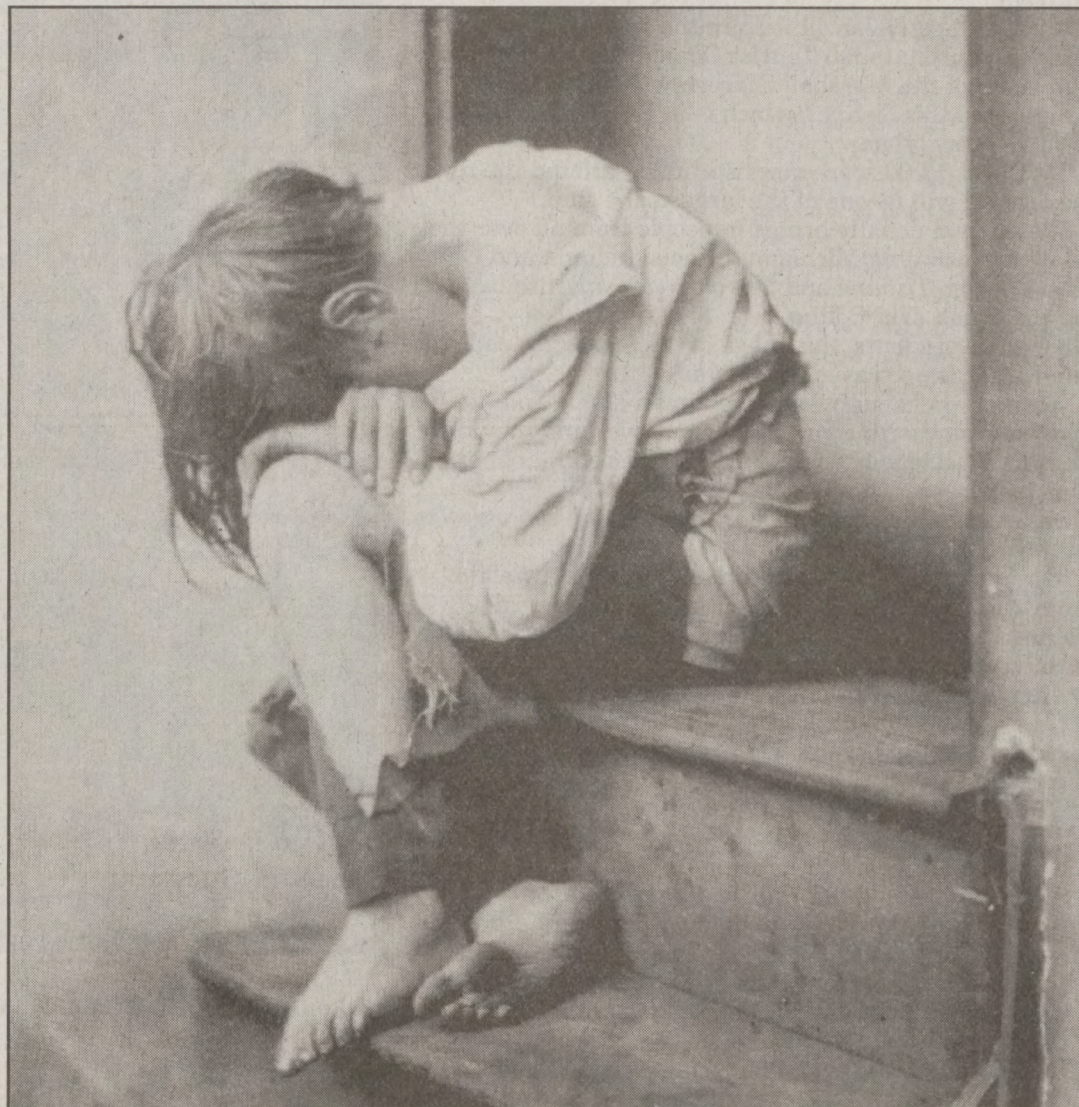
Spiritualism and mediums fascinated Victorian England. Photographers of the day devised clever ways to capitalize on the phenomenon by creating "spirit photographs."

Movement during long exposures caused blurring, thus allowing spirit photographers to instruct white-robed models to exit the scene halfway through the exposure. The result was a ghostly, ephemeral apparition appearing within the frame.

"Lady Helena Newenham and the Spirit of her Daughter," by Frederick A. Hudson, shows a ghostly cloaked figure hovering beside a seated Lady Helena.

The architectural photographs of London, some of which are relevant to Dickens and his writings, helped preserve the city's architectural heritage.

Although some of the photographed structures did not survive, their exposure through the "Society for Photographing Relics of



Oscar Gustave Rejlander's 1860, "Homeless" is part of the exhibit that runs through November 16 at the Meadow Brook Art Gallery.

Old London," helped raise awareness of the need for preservation.

The exhibit also features a video montage of clips from cinematic adaptations of Dickens' novels.

Another featured piece, the mural of the "Houses of Parliament under Construction," is painted by Mary Duenow, a studio art major at OU.

The photographs in this exhibit are on loan from the George Eastman House Collection and from the collection of William B. Becker, home of a virtual museum located at www.photography-museum.com.

A public lecture is scheduled to take place at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 14 at MBAG. The lecture is titled, "London's Londons:

Photographing the Urban Poor in 1903," given by Richard L. Stein, Professor of English at the University of Oregon.

A reception will follow the lecture.

The exhibit runs through November 16. Gallery hours are from noon-5 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday.

Admission is free and open to the public.

'Kill Bill' offers sword fighting fun

By JIM KAISER
THE OAKLAND POST

Mixing the blood and guts of a "Jason" slasher movie with the swordplay of "Crouching Tiger Hidden Dragon," "Kill Bill, vol.1" is sure to be a big hit.

The fourth film by director Quentin Tarantino is to be presented in two volumes with volume two due out in February.

"Kill Bill Vol. 1" stars Uma Thurman, playing a former assassin, code-named Black Mombu, who was wronged by her former boss, Bill, played by David Carradin and other members of his Deadly Viper Assassin Squad.

Before she can get to Bill, Thurman's character, who is never named, she must first find and defeat the other members of her former assassin squad, which include, Vivica A. Fox as Vernitia Green, Lucy Liu as O-Ren Ishii, and Daryl Hannah as Elle Driver.

The film, which is divided into different chapters, seems a little confusing at first because it jumps back and forth between past and present, but since the film is broken up into chapters, it doesn't take long for viewers to catch on.

One of the most prevalent aspects of the movie is the level of violence. There is hardly a scene without some

Kill Bill Vol 1

Stars: Uma Thurman, Lucy Liu,

Vivica A. Fox, Michael Madsen,

Daryl Hannah, Sonny Chiba

Director: Quentin Tarantino

Distributor: Miramax

Rating: Rated R for strong bloody violence, language and some sexual content.

Open nationwide

sort of fight resulting in blood being drawn.

The amount of blood in the film is staggering and over-exaggerated, with limbs being severed left and right, allowing for no shortage of eye-popping action.

The film also has good character development. Just about every character has its own chapter, which outlines his or her past, with some sort of dialogue that gives viewers a sense of the character, even if the character doesn't live for very long.

The direction of the film is classic Tarantino. There is one scene, about the past of O-Ren Ishii, which is done



Uma Thurman & Chiaki Kuriyama in Quentin Tarantino's KILL BILL - Vol. 1.

completely in Japanese animation.

Tarantino also uses some black and white, which adds drama to some of the scenes.

Overall the film is a must see. It combines action, plot and even some humor in a way that is sure to please the majority of viewers.

However, the violence and blood are extreme and there is some content that is, to say the least, disturbing.

Review

Students reveal the scoop for dating

By ASHLEY WOHLGEMUTH
THE OAKLAND POST

With hectic school and work schedules, students don't have time to go relationship shopping.

Instead, they leave it to friends and random chance to meet people.

"It's really easy to meet people at college or through a group of mutual friends. College is the one place where you can meet lots of people and browse what type of person is the best for you," said Steve Heck, senior.

"Friends setting up friends is another popular method of dating because then there are other people around, so the date isn't as uncomfortable," he said.

Lisa Jakinovich, freshman, finds it easier to meet up with guys at the mall or movies.

"At those places, there is always a hot

guy or girl who grabs your attention and will randomly follow them around the whole mall or decide to eavesdrop and see the same movie," she said.

Matt Simmons, freshman, takes a different approach.

"I meet people at work (Family Video)," he said.

Simmons said he isn't talking about the customers he waits on, but about his co-workers.

"It's hard to just get up the courage to ask out a person," Simmons added.

Online dating is also a way of meeting people that has grown in popularity. There are dozens of chat rooms and web pages designed to assist in meeting people.

"Honesty is the most important thing when being involved with an online relationship," said Kevin Fitzhenry, freshman. "It's very easy to lie about everything online and that just diminishes the point of

online dating."

eHarmony is an online dating service that helps set up the perfect matches by combining the best scientific research with detailed profiling of every member. They screen thousands of profiles to bring only the matches that have the potential to be truly right for you.

Just saying "hello" is often the hardest part of meeting someone new. eHarmony's site helps people get started.

There will be five multiple-choice questions to ask, which will help build a rapport and break the ice.

At the same time, the site's visitor's will share some of the things that are important to them.

"Our compatibility matching system measures you in a myriad of ways and matches you based on these 29 key dimensions that predict compatibility and relationship success," according to the web site.

Top places students meet

Restaurants
Bars
Clubs
Movies
Malls
Work
Friends
Online

Scarecrow invasion

By KIMBERLY GARCIA
THE OAKLAND POST

Scarecrows are popularized in books, film and the imagination. Before industrialization, farmers used the scarecrow to ward off hungry crows.

In fiction, the scarecrow became humanized in the "Wizard of Oz" and demonized in the horror flick, "Children of the Corn," but from Oct 11-26, in the city of Marshall, Michigan, the scarecrow will be elevated to an art form.

Many fall festivals will feature the legendary scarecrow this year, but Marshall Tourist Committee Member and Chairman of the Marshall Scarecrow Festival Susan Collins said this festival, which is in its fourth year, will be unlike any other.

With over 1,000 scarecrows sprinkled around the town, the festival will be one of the largest, she said.

The festival usually brings in people from all over the Midwest, including Michigan, Illinois, Indiana and Ohio. The *Chicago Tribune* and *Detroit News* will also be covering the event, said Collins.

For some students, the image of the scarecrow calls to mind what is portrayed in popular culture.

"Scarecrows vaguely look like a man-shape and are made of straw with some clothes put over and they have faces like a Raggedy Andy doll," said Karen Martinez, senior.

But in Marshall, the familiar image of the scarecrow is amplified.

"One road in town, renamed Hollyweird is a walk of fame, each house has a different movie theme," said Collins. "One scene includes the sinking of the Titanic, with scarecrows hanging over the edge of a ship. In another scene, a scarecrow, Wanda Gulch from the Wizard of Oz, who is flying back from Kansas, sits on her broomstick and the bad witch's feet are coming out of the porch of a house."

Whole houses incorporate the theme.

Even though it is a popular Halloween destination now, the event was not always accepted.

When Collins and her husband presented the idea to the committee, everyone laughed out loud, but agreed to organize it anyway.

"In its first year, a few scarecrows soon grew to 1,000, which is significant considering the population of our town is only 7,000," said Collins.

Rather than scoff, everyone is enthusiastic, said Collins.

"I've never seen a town that has such a concentration of artists - everyone gets involved," she said. "Even the elderly who can't make an elaborate scene will lean a scarecrow



A house in Marshall, Michigan incorporates the scarecrow theme during a past Marshall Scarecrow Festival

Photo courtesy of Susan Collins, Marshall Scarecrow Festival Chairperson

against his door."

Although the festival is a hit with kids, many college students also come out, she said.

"It gives them a chance to get creative and get involved," said Collins.

The festival will be held throughout the community of Marshall, which is located at the intersection of Interstate-94 and Interstate-69.

For more information, call (269) 781-4335 or toll free at (800) 877-5163.

Students complain of commercial overkill

By TRACY ESTES
SENIOR LIFE WRITER

Local radio involvement from OU students is low as the grip of the corporate sharks tightens and takes over the airways.

Commercials, overplay of songs and harassment from DJs are a few reasons students are opting to turn their radios off.

"In general, it's about money. Radio has become a reflection of the rest of our society and that is what success is determined by," said Nkenge Zola, special communication lecturer and former DJ for commercial and noncommercial radio and TV in the Detroit market.

"There use to be a time that music reflected the time and events that were happening. But now, it seems like its all about a party," she said.

Zola worked with 101.9 WDET and 97.9 WJLB for about 25 years. She said the radio was different then.

Not everyone can party all the time and the radio, depending on what station is being heard, "has very little information for critical thinkers," Zola said.

"Well yeah, if your listening to top 40 hits, your going to have the party songs. That's the point," said Gordie, Friday night jock from Channel 95.5.

Gordie also said there is a reason for all the commercials, that's how the stations make their money.

"We need them," he said.

According to an unscientific survey of 60 students at OU, fifty-six percent agreed that commercials were the most unnecessary parts of local radio. About 18 percent said the continuous over play of the same songs was reason enough to change the channel and 26 percent felt there was too



OU student take over the campus airways, pushing a more progressive style of music.

Tracy Estes/The Oakland Post

much intention to irritate the listeners with talking. Students feel there are too many callers without credibility, and there is too much corporate influence in the music selections.

OU students take advantage of the offers the airways provide and they say they call and sometimes even win contests.

All 60 students surveyed agreed free con-

cert tickets are one of the main reasons they stayed tuned in at all to the radio.

"I drank a gallon of green milk in 15 minutes on St. Patrick's day for front row tickets to a 'Kid Rock' show," said Domonique Richmond, junior.

"When I was 15, I won tickets from 89X to see the Offspring. My mom took me to the concert and it was awesome," said

Alexandar Calhoun, junior.

There are many types of music people listen to. Fortunately, each genre has its own separate station on the radio, allowing listeners to choose what type they want to hear. The only downfall is while choosing the station is easy, getting to hear your favorite song may be hard.

OU students have the luxury of having their own community radio station, 88.3 FM WXOU at their fingertips. Although the frequency is only strong enough to broadcast on campus, many students neglect to take advantage of the talent their peers are producing for them.

"WXOU needs to provide a more diverse range of music. It needs to play popular music that people like," Corinne Alpers, senior said.

"Radio today is run by corporate conglomerates, leaving no room for individual radio exploration," said Tony Prainito, senior and executive staff member for WXOU.

Prainito went on to say WXOU plays what other radio stations do not.

"This is why WXOU holds such high importance as a progressive radio station, he added.

Modern technology does offer a radio replacement, for a price of course. Satellite radio, such as XM or Sirius, brings the music and the moods without the commercials.

There are also dozens of different genres of stations available, but so far, most students aren't forking out the \$15-20 a month to indulge this luxury.

The radio is a way for different types of music and expressions to be heard.

Dan Maslach, senior, had only one complaint.

"I like local radio. I just want more music," he said.

'Screech' sells out OU performance

By ASHLEY WOHLGEMUTH
THE OAKLAND POST

Over the course of 11 years, four television series and a pair of television movies, Dustin Diamond played only one character; Samuel "Screech" Powers on "Saved By the Bell."

At 7 p.m. Friday, Diamond will be performing in Vandenberg Hall.

"All of the 500 tickets were gone by Monday afternoon,"

said Paul Franklin, Center for Student Activities (CSA) director.

Diamond also appeared on "Good Morning Miss Bliss" and two spin off series, "Saved By the Bell: The College Years" and "Saved by the Bell: The New Class."

The popular television show, "Saved by the Bell," included cast members Zack (Mark-Paul Gosselaar), Kelly (Tiffani-Amber Thiessen), Jesse (Elizabeth Berkley), Slater (Mario Lopez) and Lisa (Lark Voorchies).

At 25, Diamond is the exception to the child-star rule. Diamond's resistance to the usual trappings of early fame might have to do with his real-life similarities to the lovable dork on TV.

According his web site, www.dustindiamond.com, Diamond plays chess, the electric bass and inadvertently slips the "Screech" voice into everyday conversation.

Dave Moroz, assistant director of Program Services has been involved in the programming of "Friday Night Live" for two years.

He said he picks bigger acts to encourage the smaller acts later on during the year.

"Students have told me they are interested in Dustin Diamond because they have grown up with him," said Moroz.

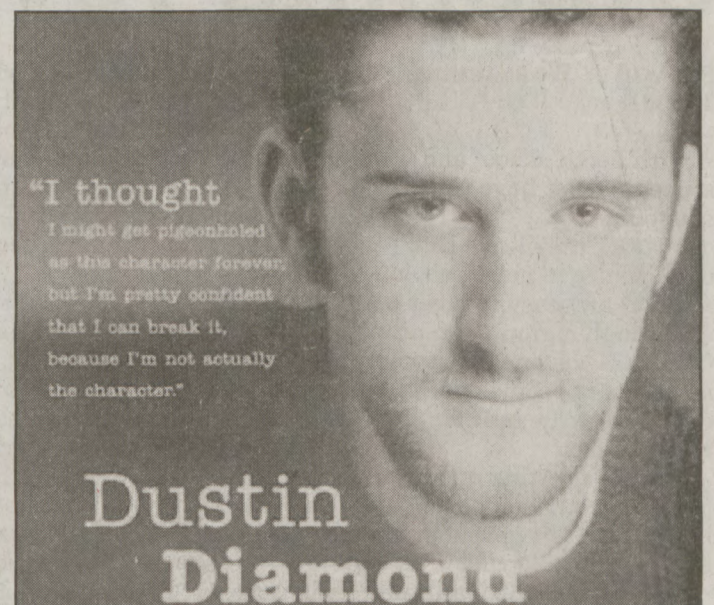


Photo courtesy of the Center for Student Activities
Dustin Diamond is coming to OU to share his experiences and talent with OU students.

Student Profile

Jessica Parks

BY KANIQUA S. DANIEL
THE OAKLAND POST

Jessica Parks is not the average student. This young woman is well above average, and she's been that way her entire life.

Born without arms, Parks, an 18-year-old North Branch native, has a great deal to be proud of. From learning how to drive and putting in contact lenses, Parks does everything with her feet.

At an early age, she decided not to wear prosthetics. Although many doubted her abilities, Parks was determined to be independent.

"I can remember going to my eye doctor. I grew up with glasses and I hated them," Jessica recalled.

"She told me I wouldn't be able to put in contact lenses on my own, like I might as well forget it. It made me want them even more."

After about two hours of practice, Parks proved her eye doctor wrong.

"I wouldn't stop until I got them (contacts) in. It only takes like two seconds now, and I've been putting them in on my own ever since," Parks said.

Wearing contact lenses is only the beginning. Being persistent in all that she does has led this young lady to conquer plenty.

As a freshman at OU, Parks lives alone in her East Vandenberg dorm room. She even cooks spaghetti every now and then. As of now, she's taking a full load of courses with Group Dynamics being her favorite.

"I love that class...I really love Oakland," Parks said.

"The people are so nice and quick to help out.. I always knew OU would be the school I'd love."

Parks works part-time at Punch Enterprises as a receptionist and accounting assistant. This is a great experience for her major, business/accounting, but Parks is considering a switch to occupational therapy.

"When I was little, I had an occupational therapist teach me to work with my feet," said Parks. "They helped me a lot... I just



Rebecca Wyatt/The Oakland Post
Jessica Parks performs her everyday tasks with the help of her feet.

want to give back everything that's been given to me."

Parks' stepfather, Geoff Parmenter, describes her in one word: "amazing."

Watching her grow for over 15 years, Parmenter says that Parks is really no different from anyone else, except that she excels in all she does.

"Jessica has achieved so much. She's an inspiration to me, has even made me a stronger person," Parmenter said.

Among her many accomplishments, Parks was a varsity cheerleader at North Branch High School, played soccer, and even coached a little league soccer team last year.

Parks learned to drive from the help of the family tractor.

She now has her driver's license, and is the proud owner of a Saturn Ion.

Due to her unique abilities, Parks has been featured in "Flint Journal," "Oakland Press," and "Detroit Free Press."

She has also had special

appearances on "ABC News," "Good Morning America," "20/20," "FOX 2 News," "Channel 4," and the "Maury Povich Show."

Having so much to be proud of, Parks takes little credit for all she's done.

"I owe everything to my parents. My mom has fought so hard for me to be treated like everybody else," Jessica says. "They never let me be a slacker."

Although she admits to fighting for her daughter's rights, Yvonne Parmenter, Parks' mom, feels her daughter has done it all on her own.

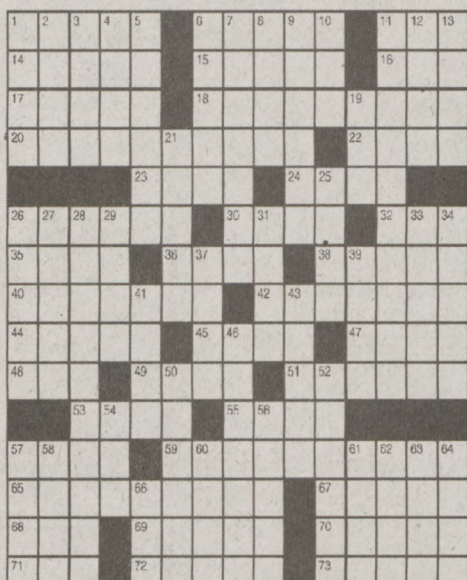
"You have to standup and be the voice for your child. You have to keep fighting," Mrs. Parmenter said. "Jess has always been a go-getter. She never gives up, and is determined to be just like everybody else."

"I'm totally comfortable with my appearance. It doesn't bother me anymore. I feel like this is the way I'm supposed to be and I'm completely satisfied with my life," Parks said.

Crossword

ACROSS
1 Surpasses
6 Trunk item
11 Natl. network
14 Consume with relish
15 Bones in forearms
16 Tilling tool
17 Field of activity
18 Smooth, musically
20 Aristocracy
22 Harbinger
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26 Planner
30 Say it so!
32 Suitable
35 Clair or Coty
36 Adam's third
38 Palmer of golf
40 Whole number
42 Particle charger
44 Conductor Zubin
45 Party letters
47 Snares
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51 Overnight flight
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55 "The Owl and the Pussycat" poet
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7 Enthusiastic approval
8 Blyth and Miller
9 Cane palm
10 Continental
11 NASA equivalent
12 Tree trunk
13 Witnessed
19 Fluffy scarf
21 Evil spell
25 Comic Laurel
26 "The Firefly" composer
27 Zellweger of "Jerry Maguire"
28 Kind of coal
29 Track gathering
31 Prison knife
33 Reverence
34 Concise
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"Calling dispatch ... This is Officer Katz ...
I'm in pursuit of my tail ... requesting backup."

THE LOW DOWN

Wednesday, Oct. 15

The Student Program Board will be having Rhythms Den with Chinua Hawk at 8 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge in the OC.

Thursday, Oct. 16

The Association of Black Students and the Student Program Board will be hosting the third annual WOCOU Talent Show at 8-10 p.m. in the Banquet Rooms of the OC.

Friday, Oct. 17

Friday Nights Live with Dustin Diamond will be at 7 p.m. in the Vandenberg Dining Center in Vandenberg Hall. Tickets are required for this show.

WOCOU IX is having Friday Night with the 25th Anniversary of "Animal House" at 8 p.m. in the campus Rec Center.

The Student Program Board will be hosting the second annual OU Students vs. OU Staff Basketball game at 11 p.m. in the O'Rena of the Rec Center.

The fifth annual Midnight Madnezz line-up is at 10:30-11 p.m. outside the Rec Center. Midnight Madness begins at 11 p.m. in the O'Rena of the Rec. Center.

Monday, Oct. 20

The fall Blood Drive will be in the Gold Rooms of the OC at 9 a.m.-9 p.m. through Oct 22.

Friday, Oct. 24

Friday Nights Live with Elvira Kurt will be at 7 p.m. in the Vandenberg Dining Center in Vandenberg Hall.

The Student Program Board will be hosting a Dinner Theater, "The Magic of Virgil" at 7 p.m. in the OC Banquet Room.

Saturday, Oct. 25

The Student Program Board is hosting the Fright Fest at Six Flags for OU students. The bus departs from OU at 10 a.m. and tickets cost \$20 for students and \$30 for guests. Tickets are available at the CSA service window.

Tuesday, Oct. 28

The Student Program Board will have a song writers workshop with Brad Yodar at noon-2 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge.

Brad Yodar will host an Open Mic Night for students at 8 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge.

Thursday, Nov. 6

The Student Program Board is hosting MUMS at 8 p.m. in the Banquet Rooms of the OC.

Wednesday, Nov. 12

The Center for Student Activities is hosting a Current Events Panel from noon-1 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge.

Career Services is hosting the Health and Life Sciences Career Fair from 1-5 p.m. the Gold Rooms of the OC.

Thursday, Nov. 13

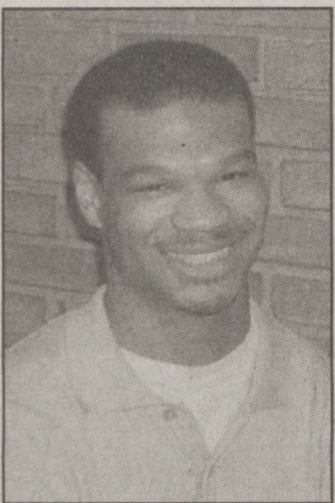
The Student Life Lecture Board is hosting Soledad O'Brien to speak at 4 p.m. in the Banquet Rooms of the OC.

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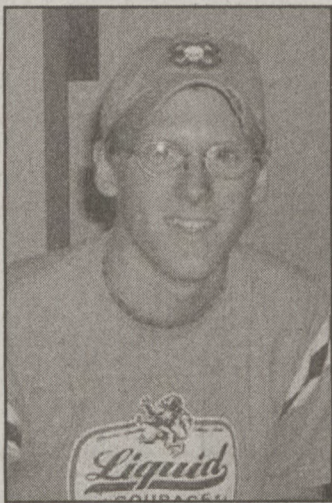
How do you celebrate Sweetest Day?



"I'm going to be working all day."

Charlie Bufford
Philosophy

"I'm going out to dinner."
Jessica Foltz
Broadcast Journalism



"Sweetest Day is a fake holiday made up by Hallmark so women can get flowers and men can spend more money."

Philip Vernier
Mechanical Engineering

"I'm looking for a sweetie at the club, or going on a date."
Sagihah Duskin
Education



Student Affairs

Column

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Keeper Of The Dream Award Applications Now Available in the Dean of Students Office 144 Oakland Center

The Keeper of the Dream Award recognizes students who have contributed to interracial understanding and good will. Applicants must be currently enrolled and returning in Fall, 2004, must exhibit strong citizenship and leadership, and exhibit scholastic achievement (minimum 3.0 GPA). Awards ranging from \$2,500 to \$5,000 will be made. These awards are presented publicly each year at the annual Keeper of the Dream Banquet. Scholarships will be distributed evenly fall and winter terms.

All applications are due by Friday, October 31, 2003.

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Love Your Body Day, October 15

4-6 PM at the Rec Center

Depression Screening Day, October 22

11:30 AM-3 PM, 126-127 Oakland Center

For more information, call 370-3465.

Campus Rec Updates

All-Star Basketball began Tuesday, October 14.
Come out and enjoy the excitement!

Intramural Sports is hosting the 2003 MIRS Flag Football Tournament, October 24-26.

IM Bench Press Competition will be Wednesday, October 28th in the Recreation Center Wellness Center.
Prizes given to top male and female finisher in each weight class.

Campus Rec Happenings

Wellness Wednesday—October 22, 12:05-12:55 PM,
Pioneer Room, Rec Center

Grandma Whitney, Queen of the Mountain, presented by Dr. Bill Andress, Asst. Professor, Wellness, Health Promotion and Injury Prevention
On July 24, 1987 Mrs. Hulda Crooks became the oldest American and oldest woman to climb Japan's highest peak, Mt. Fuji. Just six weeks later she broke her own record as the oldest person to climb Mt. Whitney. Both of these feats were done at the age of 91! It was Dr. Andress' privilege to accompany her on both of these climbs. Learn about the internal motivation that is within all of us as we take a look at Mrs. Hulda Crooks' feats and discover some of our own.

RESIDENCE HALL PROGRAMMING

Friday Night Live Series presents comedian Dustin Diamond

Friday, October 17, Vandenberg Cafeteria, 7 PM

Best known for his portrayal of the character Screech in the popular NBC series "Saved by the Bell" and its spin-offs, Diamond has taken his zany brand of comedy to the stage, selling out college auditoriums nationwide. Since leaving television, Diamond has played bass in the progressive rock band Salty the Pocketknife and completed two chess instructional DVDs. Tickets for this show are required and are available free of charge at the CSA Service Window.

WOCOU!!!!

Wednesday, October 15 Student Organizations Day

Meet, greet and sign up to join one or more of OU's many student organizations!
11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Fireside Lounge and Main Hallway, OC

OU Archives Display

A historical look at Oakland University through photographs and videos.

11 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Fireside Lounge, OC

SPB Rhythms Den: Chinua Hawk

Listen to sounds of "Pop-Soul" reflecting the emotional depth and soul of Chinua Hawk's vocal abilities.

8 p.m.
Fireside Lounge, OC

Thursday, October 16

Thursday Movie Matinee: "The Blues Brothers"
with FREE popcorn!!

11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. in the Pioneer Food Court, OC

Grizz Rally: "For the Roar 2004" Grizzly Statue Campaign

FREE food & live music

3-7 p.m. in the Hamlin Courtyard

OU Women's Soccer vs. Oral Roberts

4 p.m. in the Lower Level Sports Fields

SPB & ABS Annual WOCOU Talent Show

First place - \$350; Second Place - \$225; Third Place - \$175
8 p.m. in the Banquet Room, OC

Friday, October 17

5th WOCOU 8-Ball Tournament

Prizes for First, Second & Third Places. Cost to enter.
Noon at Bumpers Games Room, OC

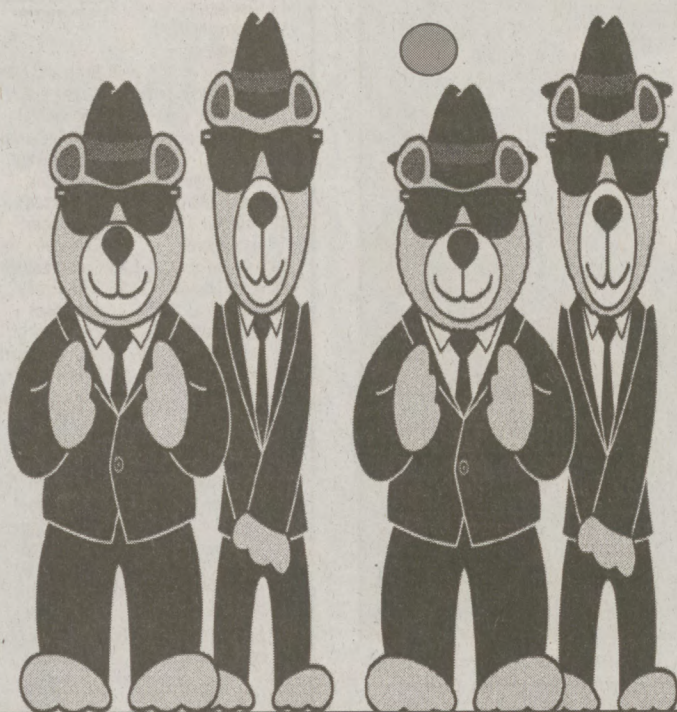
OU Women's Volleyball vs. Valparaiso

7 p.m. at the O'Rena, Recreation and Athletics Center

For Friday Midnight Madnezz list of events, please see the ad on Page A2!

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