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WINTER ARRIVES

By CATHERINE KAZA
News Editor

Michigan's winter finally arrived last week.

About eight inches of snow accumulated Thursday and into Friday morning, producing the worst single snowfall in the state since 1982.

Some students and professors were surprised the university was open Friday. "It was dangerous. I don't think the university considered commuters," said Lisa Sobetski, a junior from Sylvan Lake.

JAMES MC KAY, math professor, said, "I think people anticipated it being bad...people were geared up for a day off."

Attendance in most classes was lower than normal. McKay said about three-quarters of his students attended his morning math class, but a scheduled quiz probably

made attendance higher than other classes.

Cahlon Baruch, associate math professor, said he had poor attendance, about 50 percent, in his 8 a.m. class. "I was surprised that it (Oakland) was open," said Baruch.

The decision on whether to close the university is made by Robert McGarry, vice president for finance and administration, after talking to Alan Miller, assistant vice president for campus facilities, and the president.

MC GARRY SAID campus facilities calls him about 5 a.m. If the parking lot, roadways and entrances are not cleared, the university closes. The same is true if the state police declare a snow emergency.

Thursday night's closing was the first this year. McGarry said the university usually has at least one closing per year.

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Graduate student Mike Grossens (left) takes advantage of the heavy snowfall Friday while cross-country skiing on Katke Cousins golf course on Friday. (Right) Jackie Apel tries her sled out the same day by Lepley Sports Center.

The Oakland Post / Paul Paris

Elementary ed alters criteria for admission

By MARK MC DOWELL
Staff Writer

Elementary education announced more changes in its admission policy, including preference to long-time university students over recent transfers.

The curriculum, instruction and leadership department recently sent a handout outlining 1988-89 admission procedures to more than 900 pre-elementary education students.

Besides preference being given to students who have taken most of their credits at Oakland, standardized grading will be used in the three courses required for admission.

SHARON MUIR, chair of teacher education, said the old policy didn't distinguish between Oakland students and transfers from other schools.

In the old system, students were accepted based on grades in Elementary Education 110, Foundations for Education 210 and 215, the pre-professional test and overall

grade point. The 60 winter and 30 fall applicants with the highest scores were accepted.

"The provost and dean (School of Human and Educational Services) asked us in December to give preference to Oakland University students," Muir said. "The old policy) inadvertently gave preference to transfer students because of their higher GPA's. This isn't so much a change, it's more of our coming in line with the other professional programs."

SHE SAID the nursing program already uses the preference policy.

About 61 percent of last fall's elementary education graduates were transfers, according to David Beardslee, director of institutional research.

The preference policy is receiving mixed reactions. Nancy Collins, SHES advising coordinator, said it is better because "the students are at a disadvantage because of the grade difference at community colleges."

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University extends contract with EDS

By CLAUDETTE ZOLKOWSKI
Staff Writer

Despite objections by the Academic Computing Committee, the board of trustees extended the university's contract with Electronic Data Systems four months Feb. 10.

Originally, the goal was to develop a plan for Oakland's data processing for academic and administrative computing needs, according to board records.

The extension, until the end of August, will not cost more than \$125,000, Champagne said. It will pay for three full-time EDS employees.

THE ORIGINAL year-long contract, which expires in mid-April, was for \$225,000. It included one full-time consulting managing director of information services and additional staff by EDS as needed.

According to a report by the president, "by not filling key positions with permanent employees... the university has adequate resources to accommodate this extension."

Vacant management positions in computer services are assistant vice president for computer and information services, computer center director and assistant director, and development manager of management information systems, said Patrick Nicosia, director of budget and financial planning.

On an annual basis, the university is saving about \$285,000 by not filling these vacancies, he said.

The savings from this and the university hiring freeze are paying EDS, Nicosia said.

DURING THE meeting, trustee Howard Sims questioned whether EDS was doing the work from the initial agreement for the original amount.

Champagne said the contract is "substantially fulfilled," but that the original contract is not over until April.

"I hope any deficiencies will take care of themselves...we're anticipating the contract (to be fulfilled)," Champagne said.

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Physical therapy may change structure Master's being considered

By ALISA NASS
Staff Writer

The university is considering a proposal to change the physical therapy program from a bachelor's to master's degree.

Changes in the past 15 years in the range of the field, as well as technical advances such as movement analysis and the use of lasers, have prompted the need for a revised program, according to Osa Jackson, program director and chairwoman of kinesiology.

"The scope of PT has been from the 50s and 60s hospital-based, to more of a preventive and outpatient base," said Jackson.

ARTHUR GRIGGS, assistant to the director for health sciences, commented on the growth and changes already made in Oakland's physical therapy program.

Currently, a student needs 162 credits for graduation, making the program the "largest bachelor of science in the university," said Griggs.

"The reason it (the number of credits) was increased several years ago was the amount of courses needed to prepare a physical therapist was growing," he said.

If the proposal is passed, changes would include upgrading the curriculum and adding theory, said Jackson.

A THIRD YEAR would be added and graduation credits increased to 186.

The cost to initiate the change would be minimal, Jackson said.

"Basically in order to initiate the program we're proposing to hire one new faculty and some additional part time," she said.

The proposal was written in 1986 and submitted to the School of Health Sciences in early 1987.

THE GRADUATE COUNCIL is reviewing the proposal. If approved, it must go before the University Senate and board of trustees.

The current PT program is up for re-accreditation in 1989. Jackson said if the proposal is passed, she hopes the master's program would be started before then to avoid separate accreditations.

Oakland is not alone in its proposal for a masters program.

"All of the PT schools in Michigan have initiated the process," of restructuring to a masters level entry program, said Jackson.

MICHIGAN SCHOOLS with physical therapy programs include the University of Michigan-Flint, Grand Valley State University, Wayne State University, and Andrews University.

Andrews University has already switched to a masters degree.

"It (restructuring) appears to be a nationwide trend. Across the United States, 26 of the 100 plus or so schools are in the master's level entry programs," said Jackson.

SOME STUDENTS in Oakland's program support the proposal for

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Special programs director notes progress in academic support

Image a problem, Jumanne says

By CALEN STONE
Staff Writer

With nearly a year's experience as director of special programs, Monifa Jumanne is pleased with the progress.

"We are finally reversing the attrition rate of academic support program students," she said.

The program helps about 120 incoming freshmen annually. "The guidelines are not just for blacks either," Jumanne said. "It's for anybody who has a disadvantage."

She said academic support is constantly "fighting" an image problem—that it's a black program. That just isn't the case.

CANDIDATES MUST be from

low-income families, first-generation in college or handicapped.

THE PROGRAM began in 1967. Jumanne attributed the previously high dropout rate to "lack of money and/or disillusionment with what university life is about."

An eight-week support program helps students adjust while earning eight college credits. Participants live in the campus dorms, attend basic-skill workshops, have 24-hour-a-day counseling available, enjoy cultural activities and benefit from tutoring and career advising, Jumanne said.

The cost of the program is the same as summer tuition fees, with room and board and books, about \$1,400. Jumanne said almost all of the students receive some kind of financial aid, but it varies with individual circumstances.

OF LAST summer's 113

students, only two did not register in fall.

"There was a need for some creative strategizing," Jumanne said. "This program does everything possible to prepare them psychologically and emotionally for OU life."

Students, parents and staff sign a contract agreeing to the program's standards. Jumanne said this is not a baby-sitting operation. "OU owes you the opportunity for an education. That's it. The rest is up to you," she said.

HISTORICALLY, the program has drawn mainly from the Detroit Pontiac and Flint areas. Jumanne is trying to expand it to cover more of Michigan. "We are looking for any student who has the potential for college. We also advise those below that level of other places that can help them," she said.

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The Oakland Post / Ralph Echlinaw

Court appeal

Two young Grand Valley State University fans walk the home basketball courts Feb. 11. Oakland's men's team won 95-93, while the women lost 74-65. See related story page 9.

TODAY!

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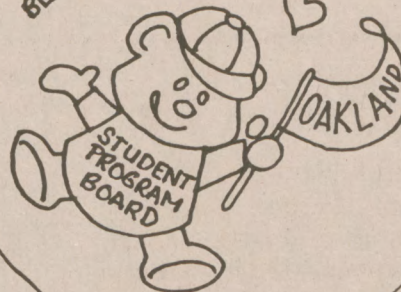
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State Senate Bill 518 provides for English requirements for foreign teachers/ teaching assistants. Please share your opinions on this issue with us. Just fill out the coupon and return it to the University Congress Office.

The Legislative Affairs Committee is always looking for students interested in politics, legislation, and having a good time. Contact Michaela Ludwick at the University Congress office, 19 D.C. or call at 370-4290.

To avoid confusion with the academic records department of the office of the Registrar, the records arm of the Academic Services and General Studies Department is now known as Academic Standing, Readmissions and Withdrawals, which speaks directly to the responsibilities of that area.

Here is the chance of a lifetime to participate in making decisions that affect the future of your student organization. The Student Activity Board has positions available for voting members. Join the board that decides how much money you will receive and what programs are beneficial to the university community. If interested please contact Rita Young in the University Congress office, or Nancy Schmitz in the CPO office. Allocations are due March 15, 1988, by 5:00 p.m. and appeals March 24, 1988, by 5:00 p.m.

There will be a Public Relations meeting on Wednesday, February 17, 1988, in the University Congress office. All are welcome.



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UNIVERSITY CONGRESS

NEWS BRIEFS

AFSCME workers receive raise

Service/maintenance employees received a 5.25 percent raise, retroactive to November 1987, for the first year of a three-year agreement with the university.

The agreement was approved by the board of trustees at its Feb. 10 meeting. Wages for the 170 workers will increase another 5 percent from 1987-88 pay, starting in November 1988.

Donations reach record amount

The university received a record-setting amount of gifts

and grants from September through December 1987.

David Rodwell, vice president for external affairs, reported at the Feb. 10 board of trustees meeting that \$1,977,742 was given.

Murphy to teach leadership class

Honors College Director Brian Murphy will be teaching the leadership class formerly taught by G. Mennen "Soapy" Williams, who died Feb. 2.

Students in the class met last week to decide on the replacement for Williams, according to Jan Baker, Honors College secretary.

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Collins, however, isn't sure how the policy will be implemented. "All of that is still up in the air," she said.

Muir said the policy might work on a percentage basis, the percentage of preferred students accepted equalling those that applied.

Virginia Johnson, a junior in the program, likes the policy. "I think it should be that way," she said. "I don't think new people should be able to come in like they have."

SEVERAL TRANSFERS trying to enter the program think the policy discriminates. Melanie Imbrunone, a junior who came here in the fall from Macomb Community College, said she came to Oakland because it didn't have a preference policy.

"They said they wouldn't show partiality," she said. "This (the new policy) leaves me out in the cold. I feel I don't have a chance now when I apply for the first time next fall."

The other change, standardized grading, is receiving more positive response. "I think that's a good idea," said Patricia Clancy, a sophomore pre-major.

It's an attempt to use the same scale for different sections of the same class, Muir said.

Students are ranked relative to each section, she said. "These three classes (EED 110, FE 210 and FE 215) constitute 60 percent of the admission decision," she said. "We're responding to the students' concern over the different grading policies by different professors. It's not a question of whether these policies are improving the program or not. We're trying to make it fairer for the people who apply."

The changes are just the most recent in a rehaul of elementary education. The program has been cutting back enrollment. Muir said two years ago more than 300 students were admitted to the program. For winter 1988, 129 applied for 60 spots. Only 150 students have been admitted since winter 1987.

Once-a-year admission was announced in November for 1988-89, reducing the number of students to 75 each year instead of 90.

Besides the high number of transfers, elementary education is also dominated by females. According to Beardslee, only seven males have been accepted into elementary education in the last three semesters. That's less than five percent of the 150 that have been accepted since the winter of 1987.

MUIR SAID minorities are another group lacking in the elementary education program.

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a master's program.

"It's not going to affect myself but I know for the incoming people it would help them," by adding a third year, said junior Regina

Fuhrwerk. "Right now we're taking 19 credits and in school 40 hours a week. It's very stressful," she said.

Junior Tammy Rasmussen agreed. "I figure we're here long enough. We might as well get a masters for it and maybe it would be more spread out," said Rasmussen.

Corrections

In a Feb. 8 pg. 3 photo, Lt. Gov. Martha Griffith's aide was incorrectly identified.

In a Feb. 8 article about AIDS testing, Surgeon General C. Everett Koop's first name was incorrectly reported.

EDS

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JAMES DOW, anthropology professor and member of the academic computing committee, said the extension is an indication that EDS is not doing a good job.

"My impression of the meeting was the work that they were contracted to do wasn't completed and they need more time," Dow said.

The committee fears the extended agreement with EDS "will increase (the university's) dependency on them, rather than use the ex-

pertise in our midst," said Don Hildum, communications professor and committee chairman.

THE COMMITTEE believes it could finish the job.

"We, at least from the academic side, understand better what we need, how we operate and we can take it from here," Hildum said.

"EDS has done practically nothing to develop a centralized academic computing system...their continued presence is not necessary," said Dow.

EDS employees at the university could not be reached for comment.

Snow

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Public Safety received between 1,000 and 1,200 calls between 3 p.m. Thursday and 9 a.m. Friday, said director Richard Leonard. He said there were 18 weather-related motorist assists Thursday.

MILLER SAID nine staff members and two outside contractors worked about 27 hours each in the two days. "I'm very proud of the grounds workers. Our job is to keep the university open, not closed," he said.

Support

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MONTHLY MEETINGS draw about 200 (out of 300) juniors and seniors who were in the program. Jumanne said, "They come back to help the others and to learn more themselves."

About 80 percent of the students in the last program were black, Jumanne said. While older students may offer support for the newer ones, Jumanne said there is lack of role models at the university.

"There are very few black faculty positions here. In fact, there are more non-black minorities," she said. "It's a sore point with students."

Statistics show nine of 364 faculty are black. Of 12,532 students registered for fall 1987, 560 are black.

"The figures might not be exact because some non-white students mark white on their applications thinking they'll get some kind of advantage," Jumanne said. "Others mark the wrong box just to throw a monkey-wrench into the system."

JUMANNE SAID she can feel the racial tension on campus. "The faculty and administration drive the minorities away more than other students do. It's like 'Go to school, but not here.' It's definitely a campus problem," she said.

Whenever possible, Jumanne tries to break the racial barriers. At each freshman orientation, she shows a film, "Celebrating our Differences."

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Race between parties begins

For many students, talk about the presidential race triggers nothing more than a ho-hum response. Results from the Iowa caucus last week are meaningless, and the thought of following the New Hampshire primary is boring.

These students should take a break from work or school and learn about the race. Not only is it worth following, but with a little effort anyone could find the presidential process not only interesting, but fun.

The United States presidential process is complex and perhaps this is one reason why it's not more closely followed. Figuring out the system is important, however, because without understanding it, it's impossible to know how a president is chosen.

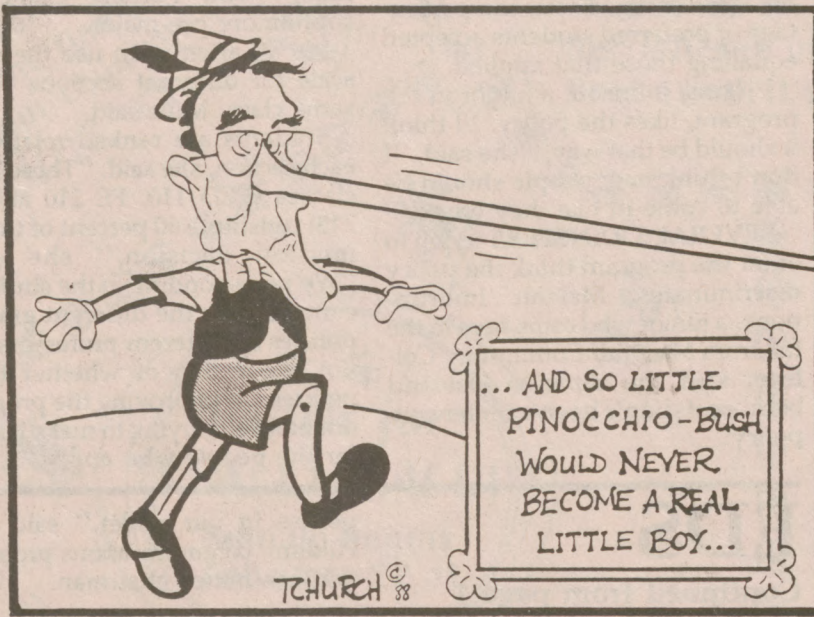
WHAT HAPPENED in Iowa last week is called a caucus. Each state holds a caucus or primary to select its delegates for the national Democratic and Republican conventions. Each delegate supports one of the party's candidates, so all hopeful presidential contenders try to win as much support as possible in each state before the caucus or primary.

The first recognized caucus is in Iowa. The top three winners for each party were, Republicans; Sen. Robert Dole of Kansas first, Pat Robertson second, Vice President George Bush third and Democrats; Rep. Richard Gephardt of Missouri first, Sen. Paul Simon of Illinois second, Massachusetts Gov. Michael Dukakis third.

THE MOST SURPRISING part of the Iowa caucus was the damages incurred by Bush. His placement below TV evangelist Robertson demonstrates the growth of right-wing Christians in the Republican party. Some worry this group is becoming too powerful and may possible overwhelm the more liberal, old-line Republicans.

The Feb. 16 New Hampshire primary is next. With the Republicans down to five candidates and the Democrats at seven the election should be interesting and is well-worth following.

For many students, following the presidential race may not seem important. But unlike an upcoming paper or exam, what happens in the state caucuses and primaries will continue to be relevant long after the semester is over. Students should try to follow the race — it will be well worth their time.



Varner hall offers cultural variety

A simple walk through the Oakland Center on some days is like walking through a carnival — people are selling things, advertising things, giving lectures, holding piano recitals — it's more of a Greenwich Village than a student center.

But the Oakland Center is inconsistent. Sometimes it will shine with new and interesting events while other times it gives new meaning to the word boredom.

This is true for many of the buildings on campus with one possible exception — Varner Hall.

A walk through Varner Hall is like rapidly changing the stations on a car radio.

The first floor of Varner is the most interesting. It is one of the few places on campus where someone can really explore without being noticed. Most of the doors are left open and one can usually eavesdrop undetected, as I did last week.

I never know what to expect in Varner. There might be a piano concerto in one room and a ballet dancer in the next, or an orator in still another and a choir in a fourth.

This particular day was no exception. Hoping to spy on the actors of



Nick Chiappetta

the current student production, *Crimes of the Heart*, I went to the Varner Studio Theatre first. I heard the sound of an electric saw in the distance and made my way through a hallway, carefully moving around the various things used to create the set of a play.

I came upon two large rooms connected by a small hallway. In front of me was a large brick-red, peach and green wall. Rectangles had been cut into the wall at various places for what appeared to be a door and windows. Carpenters and painters in flannel shirts and blue jeans moved about, hammering, sawing, measuring.

In the adjacent room, were two large wooden walls on the floor and

a solitary woman painting them. The huge rooms smelled of paint and sawdust. They were creating a set for next month's Meadow Brook Theatre production, *Absent Friends*.

Carpenter George Scherlock said they get three weeks to build each set for Meadow Brook. The theater employs three full time carpenters and two scene painters-prop builders. Careful not to get in anybody's way, I stand there for a while, taking it all in, before I leave.

Walking down the classroom hallway I hear two men, a tenor and a base, practicing an operatic song. I don't interrupt, but merely listen, unseen.

Farther down, a dance class (Jazz I) is finishing up. The students in this class (all female) have majors that vary from sociology, to human resource development. One jokingly called herself a "career student."

A non-major class, these students are here because they want to be not because they have to be. Many are involved in other dance projects with various groups and all seemed as though they were having a great time.

In the audio visual lab though, senior Jim Pratt was not in the same mood, since he'd been there since

eight that morning.

This lab is not like the cubby A.V. room found in most high schools, it's a television studio complete with cameras and recording devices, and a set for a TV newscast.

Pratt is working on "editing and assembling video news inserts" for United Cable; a project for his *Special Topics in Broadcasting* class. Despite the tedious work, Pratt is still in good spirits.

Walking out of Varner, I hear a piano and an electric guitar doing a jazz combo. Not interrupting, I stand there and just listen — to the up-beat piano, the guitar, and of course the laughter. Like the others, these people are smiling, doing what they like to do best and having fun.

I walk out wondering if I should tell anyone about the treasures I've found in Varner Hall. Would anyone care?

Varner is a fascinating place. It's a virtual dream factory, where students come together to put their ideas to work and make them reality.

Take a walk through Varner someday — you'll be amazed at what you might find.

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Letters to the Editor

False advertisement of Campus Crusade film disgusts viewer

Dear Editor,

My disgust of the film, "How is Your Love Life?" has grown into my disgust for the Campus Crusade for Christ.

I sincerely believe that the film was advertised falsely and was a ploy to get students to join their organization. I went to the film and it ruined my day. I had gathered, from all of the advertisement, that it was to be a happy, uplifting experience. In fact, it started out that way but instead turned out to be a depressing, realistic portrayal of a young man committing suicide after breaking up with his girlfriend. I wasn't at all prepared for this, and my first reaction was to cry and feel depressed.

Now I am angry that any organization would stoop that low just to get people to join. At the end of the performance, people came around with cards for the audience to fill out regarding on campus Bi-

ble study. I didn't feel they had any right to ask us to show an interest in their organization after they had shown us that film without as much as a warning.

In the future, I plan to avoid any further contact with the Campus Crusade for Christ until they prove to be an organization that can be trusted.

Disgustedly,
Janey Brian

Press twists facts, breaks public images

To the Editor,

This is in response to Nick Chiappetta's Feb. 1 column "Dan Rather event not unique..." To begin with Mr. Chiappetta, you are in a unique position. You have the opportunity to write a column for Oakland University's only (student) campus paper. Instead of writing about some issues that deal with the campus or something about the students at large, you wrote a column crying to us about the unjust and unfair way Dan Rather was treated by Vice President George Bush. Come on sir, do you really feel a loyalty toward Rather because he is a fellow journalist? Don't you think we hear enough about the presidential race in the *Free Press* and *News*?

The media is a very strong force that can make or break a person's public image. Yes, Ginsberg smoked pot in the '60s. So what, who didn't? That doesn't make him any less a person. Ginsberg is being judged by some demi-god's standard. I'm sick of journalists taking a holier-than-thou attitude.

(In your column you stated) "Hart tried to manipulate the media," nice line. Do you really feel Hart tried to manipulate the media? I don't. People who manipulate the media are people like your editor that allow such trash to be printed.

(You also wrote that) "Good news is boring." After reading this line I got the feeling that someone was up late the night before his deadline and needed something to fill some space.

The press does have an obligation to print the facts, but the facts can

be arranged in such a manner as to express opinions and opinions don't always tell the whole story. Face it, journalists are not innocent, they see dollar signs just like everyone else. They write what is going to sell and it's usually someone else's dirty laundry.

Remember a good cook will always taste what he makes before serving it. I suggest you open your eyes and actually read what you write. You might be suprised at what senseless drabble it really is.

Thomas E. Lottie
(student)

Despite 2:1 female, male ratio, OU men still face problems

Dear Editor,

I am writing in response to the article in the February 8th issue entitled "Oakland has highest ratio of females to males in state." While it remains true that we males here at O.U. are outnumbered nearly 2 to 1 by females, it is untrue that all guys are stuck up because we have so many girls to pick from. I have seen numerous occasions where, while just trying to be friendly, girls have shot down the guys like they never existed. We may not all be able to be "Mr. Right," but on the other hand that doesn't mean we are worthless either.

I can not believe that out of approximately 7,500 females on campus, all have boyfriends or are not interested in meeting a guy on campus. While there is always a sour grape in the bunch, I know that I always make an effort to be as friendly as possible. How many times have you ladies reading this article walked through the downstairs of the Oakland Center and seen a guy sitting at a table by himself? If you're interested in him, let him know! There is absolutely nothing wrong with a lady trying to strike up a conversation or "pick up" a guy. If it happened to me, I would be impressed. You don't have to be at a bar or party to meet someone.

Sincerely,
Thomas Budry, sophomore

Football players possess brains, too

I'm writing this letter in response to Ralph Echtnaw's attack on those men who choose to play football. It sounds to me as if he is stereotyping all football players. I'm sure Mr. Echtnaw would feel I was being unfair if I classified him on the basis of how he looked in his picture.

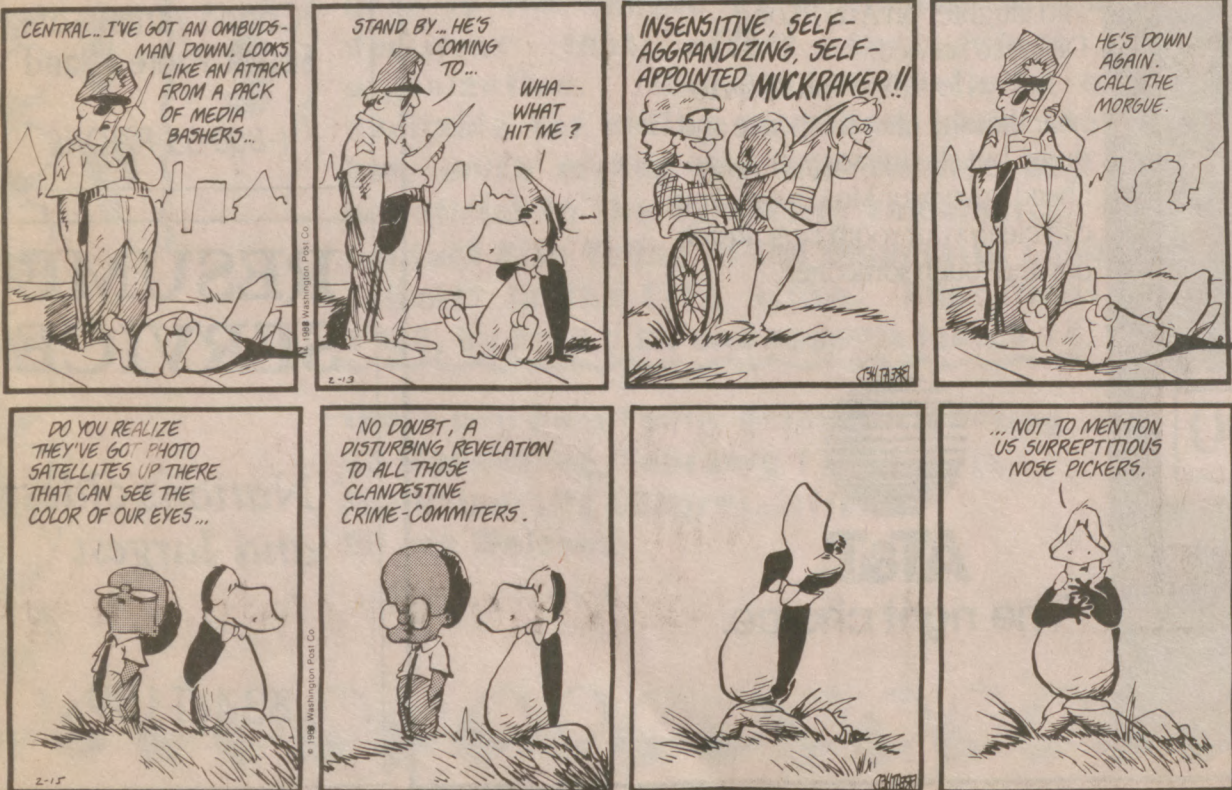
I have many acquaintances and friends who have played or are playing football. I cannot remember any of them ever needing the academic standards lowered or changed. I grant you some of them are not straight 'A' students, but then I know people who don't play football that aren't either. Many of the football players at the high school I attended (Sterling Heights Stevenson) were taking college prep courses (calculus, chemistry, etc.) There were also quite a few who were members of the honor society and received both academic and athletic awards.

But of course if I didn't know better I too may have fallen under the influence of Mr. Echtnaw's remark on the lack of superior brain power possessed by these athletes. Did Mr. Echtnaw ever think that some of these young men (or goons as you so distastefully referred to them) who dream of attending college, may never have gotten the opportunity to if it were not for the football scholarship. I hope Mr. Echtnaw that you never experience hard times. Because it would be a shame if you could not finance your child's education to the fullest. Heaven forbid your child would have to depend on a football scholarship that you disapprove of.

I believe Mr. Echtnaw's column should have been labeled editorial because of his obvious biases approach to the sport of football and its players. I should hope, Mr. Echtnaw, that you did not partake in any Rose Bowl or Super Bowl festivities because after such a strong negative column I would tend to think that you were being hypocritical.

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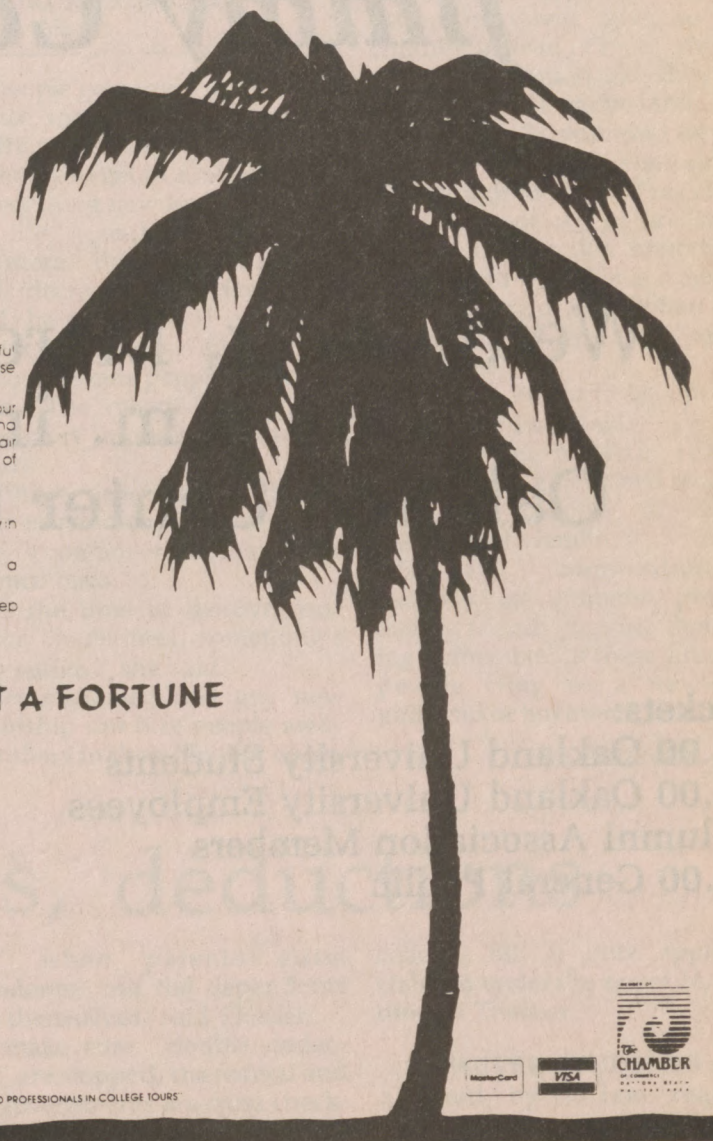
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What's Happening

Coffee House: The performances will be a salute to Black Awareness Month. The show begins at midnight Friday in the Abstemion. Admission is free.

Gemini: Israeli folksinging twins will perform at 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. today in Varner Recital Hall. The show is part of the Concerts-for-Youth series. Call 370-3013 for ticket information.

In These Delightful Pleasant Groves: The OU Chorale & Collegium will perform music of Henry Purcell for the public at 8 p.m. Friday at St. John Fisher Chapel. Admission is free.

Siegfried Behrend: The classical guitarist will perform at 8 p.m. Saturday in Varner Recital Hall. Behrend, who has played the guitar since he was 16, has published over 1,000 pieces for the instrument. Call 370-3013 for more information.

Images: The youth concert will be presented at 3 p.m. Sunday in Varner Recital Hall. The concert will be about musical associations and will be free to the public.

Social Security: Andrew Bergman's comedy will begin a five week engagement Feb. 16 through March 20 at the Birmingham Theatre.

The play is about the collision of a married couple, trendy New York art dealers, a cantankerous mother-in-law, and a visiting world-famous art dealer. Call 644-3533 for ticket information.

Dream Alive: In this new production by Philadelphia's *Kim and Reggie Harris*, the accomplishments of famous Black Americans will be recreated on stage through music and multimedia effects. The show will be presented at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday in the Detroit Youtheatre at the Detroit Institute of Arts. Call 832-2730 for more information.



"It's the time to discover one another. Sometimes, something's got to suffer."

Jean Ann Miller
Residence Halls

Balancing love with friends can cause problems

By FLORI ROSENBERG
Features Editor

As people get caught up in a new romance, many don't realize when their friends feel left out.

"When you get in a relationship, it's something new and exciting in your life," said Scott Brown, sophomore. But when time for friends decreases, they feel abandoned, he said.

Senior Bill Reader agreed that relationships cuts people's time for friends. "The romantic relationship is a lot more important to them," he said.

Putting a new romance before friends is common, said Jean Ann Miller, program coordinator for residence halls.

"It's the time to discover one another. Sometimes, something's got to suffer," she said.

Miller explained that any new relationship can lure people away from others in their life. For exam-

ple, fathers may resent the special attention wives give to their children instead of them, she said.

In any situation like this, close friends should understand, Miller continued. "It shouldn't be a test of that friendship," she said.

Although feelings of rejection or abandonment are natural on the part of friends, it's important to understand that this is a common situation, said Dr. Robert Fink, director of the university's counseling center.

"It's not meant to be a personal rejection," Fink said.

People emphasize romance because it's "guaranteed security," said Pam Kecmer, a residence assistant in Hamlin.

She said competition and jealousy are common problems among friends, leaving them feeling vulnerable. In these situations, people cling to a new-found girlfriend or boyfriend, shutting out

See FRIENDS page 8

New tax laws affect scholarships, deductions

By DAWN SCHAFFER
Staff Writer

Despite all the talk, students may not realize how the new tax laws affect them.

One change affects scholarships and grants.

In some cases, students who were granted a scholarship after Aug. 16, 1986 and received the money Dec. 31, 1986 or after will be taxed, according to Barbara Theisen, assistant professor of accounting.

She explained that to be taxable, the award money must exceed \$500 when combined with wages.

Also, scholarships for tuition and books are tax free unless they exceed the amount needed.

MONEY GRANTED for room and board, such as the student life

scholarship, will be taxed, according to David Herman, dean of students.

Theisen said that now, unrestricted scholarships are the best bets for students. They can be applied as needed.

"First spend the money on tuition and books; it's tax free. If it's already been designated for room and board, then you're stuck," she said.

"Keeping receipts is extremely important; document how you spend the scholarship," Theisen emphasized. Students are responsible for calculating how much they receive, she said.

"The universities have no responsibility to tell the students this; students have to learn these rules on their own," added Theisen.

MANY STUDENTS interviewed on campus were unaware of the tax laws regarding scholarships. The changes were not well-received.

"(The tax laws) are unfair to those who are trying to further their education. It's defeating the purpose of getting a scholarship," said Randa Davis, business major.

"I work hard for that scholarship, and I'm definitely not happy. Every dollar helps," said Holly Bolt, pre-physical therapy major.

"Why should you be taxed for money you don't get to see?" questioned Ricardo Gonzalez, math major.

Another tax change affecting students is in the personal deduction.

It has been eliminated because it has been used as a "double deduc-

tion" when parents claim dependents, and the dependents claim themselves, said Theisen.

To make sure "double deductions" are stopped, the federal and state governments are cross checking the social security numbers of the dependents, she said.

STUDENTS WILL also be affected by changed deductions on student loans.

Up to now, those who itemized could deduct 100 percent of the interest on their student loans.

This year 65 percent of the interest can be deducted, and next year the amount will be 40 percent. By 1991, it will be completely phased out, said Theisen.

A "Kiddie Tax Law", which taxes incomes of \$1,500 and above, has been criticized as a discouragement for young people saving money for

college. But it only applies to children under the age of 14, according to Theisen.

HOWEVER STUDENTS will be affected by a law requiring everyone earning over \$500 to have taxes regularly withheld from paychecks. Previously, some full-time students had the option of claiming they were "exempt" on their W-4 forms, according to Theisen.

People who are not working but are receiving a scholarship should make quarterly tax payments, she said.

Theisen was concerned that students are unaware of their changed responsibilities.

"The burden of finding out about it is on the student. That's a problem," she said.

Contest gives students chance to show off

Airbands compete for cash prizes, fame

By BOB MC MURRAY
Staff Writer

Airband competitors got the chance to try out show business last Tuesday and lipsync for cash prizes.

Before the show, Pamela Groat, from group SAS got into the atmosphere of the night.

"The long tour" has been rough, she said. "We loved Europe, but Russia was terrible."

"I'm doing this because once in my life I want to get cocky and say, 'Back off man, I'm a musician.'"

Ron Witherspoon
Airband contestant

SAS is: Sue Jimenez, Laura Passariello, Debbie Kolke, Pamela Groat, Rachelle Koshy, Linda Pupillo, Jeanne Stubbs and Lisa Babbitt.

They met on fourth floor West Vanderberg.

Playing the part of INXS were Matthew Klokik, Ron Witherspoon, Guy Cole, Mike Hynes, Gary VanDeckerove and Craig "Not a Stage-Name" Love.

Several members of the band have been in air-bands since high school. They said that they met in the street.

Their philosophy is to never rehearse but always look good, they said.

"I'm doing this because just once in my life I want to get cocky and

say, 'Back off man, I'm a musician.'" said Witherspoon.

In a rare serious moment, they said they are hoping to get more students involved in campus events such as this.

As for groupies, "Yes, there is a problem we don't have any," said Love.

In the audience, there was a sense of anticipation.

Seniors Ed Murray and Joe Bellerito had no idea what they were doing. "We're here to root for SAS," said Bellerito. Translation: "We're here for the women."

During the show, comedian, and MSU med-student, Mark Moffet engaged the crowd in a playful battle for comic dominance in between the acts.

Performances were judged on synchronization, creativity and showmanship.

Third prize, \$50, went to Michelle Lux, Tracy Martin and Priscilla Hollender for their leggy rendering of *Neutron Dance* by the Pointer Sisters.

The second place, \$75, winners were: Matt Ankley, Mark Champagne, Bob Bonam, Paul Redman and Brad Dauble. They did a version of *Barbara Ann* by the Beach Boys.

After the show Bonam announced he will retire next year.

First place, \$100, went to SAS for their version of *Bohemian Rhapsody* by Queen.

The members celebrated backstage by singing. They too had to announce they will be going separate ways after the last leg of their tour.



Sidney Poitier and Tom Berenger star in *Shoot to Kill*.

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'Shoot to Kill' works as goreless thriller

By CAROL DONETH
Staff Writer

Review

One wrong move, one miscalculation and it will result in a 7,500 feet plummet into a jagged crevice.

This edge-of-the-seat suspense makes up *Shoot to Kill*, the film that reunites Sidney Poitier with the big screen after a 10 year absence.

What starts out as a murder mystery becomes a compelling drama as FBI special agent Warren Stanton (Poitier) tracks a vicious murderer through a remote mountain area in the Pacific Northwest.

THE KILLER joins a group of five fishermen led into the mountains by expert trail guide, Sarah (Kirstie Alley).

As they move deeper into the wilderness, there are few clues as to which man's knapsack contains deadly weapons and priceless

diamonds instead of tackle and bait.

The answer comes only when Sarah becomes his hostage and Stanton is forced to team up with trail guide Jonathan Knox (Tom Berenger) on a tortuous journey through the mountains.

EMOTIONS RUN high for both men, Stanton bent on revenge and Knox determined to free the hostage that is also his girlfriend.

While Sarah fears for her life with a gun to her head, Stanton and Knox risk their lives to fight a different enemy who is even more unpredictable and less merciful than the kidnapper—nature.

They must conquer a mile wide ravine that can only be crossed using a small wire cage and a rope pulley, narrow mountainside paths and a blinding blizzard.

What makes the trek more difficult, and the film more interesting, is that street-smart Stanton and "mountain man" Knox are such opposites.

LED INTO unfamiliar turf, this

top knotch FBI agent must learn to swallow his pride or risk losing his own life. Knox is even less anxious to be his partner and their uneasy alliance is the focus during much of the movie.

It is their confrontations that provide the bits of well positioned humor that break the tension.

There were risks taken not only on the screen, but during the movie's production as well. The actors and crew ventured out of a climate-controlled sound stage to remote mountain peaks in British Columbia for much of the filming.

In addition to adjustment to 8,000 foot altitudes, some locations were so hazardous that climbing harnesses and hardhats were required.

And the stunts weren't all done professionally. Poitier, who is 64 years old, jumped over cars, scaled mountains and trekked through driving rain and snow.

Tom Berenger (*Platoon*, *Someone to Watch Over Me*) was excellent as the

rugged outdoorsman who is Stanton's antithesis. His facial expressions tell the story which his backwoods character chooses not to.

AS FOR POITIER, from the tense moments in the mountains to his amusing attempts at mastering "wilderness transportation," he is still the polished screen presence audiences have come to know.

Alley (*North & South*, *Cheers*) didn't have the juicy part she might have liked here. Spending most of the movie being pushed and pulled through rough terrain, she fairs well.

Films that keep the suspense going without constant and explicit violence are, unfortunately, somewhat uncommon these days.

Shoot to Kill, while it definitely deserves its "R" rating, is effective without being grisly. It's an attention grabber—and a keeper.



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Student group covers aspects of Judaism

By ALISA NASS
Staff Writer

The Hillel-Jewish Student Organization at Oakland, part of an international network, brings Jewish students together to discuss aspects of the Jewish faith.

"We're open to anyone interested in anything that has to do with Jewish life, for students, faculty, anyone on campus. It's not just aimed at Jews," said Sandy Loeffler, Hillel-JSO advisor.

Members have the opportunity to be active on-campus and off, she said.

Two J.S.O. members participated in the Summit Rally in Washington

D.C. during the Reagan-Gorbachev talks to protest the treatment of Jews in the Soviet Union.

NATIONAL CONFERENCES or conventions for Jewish students are an option for members. Last year one attended a conference in Washington, D.C.

One of the goals of the group is for people to learn about Judaism..." Loeffler said. "And make ourselves a resource for the larger community on Judaism."

The organization is part of The B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation, which has groups in colleges throughout the country.

The group originally formed at Oakland in 1962.

ON-CAMPUS activities sponsored by the group have ranged from video night get-togethers, to discussions and speakers on various aspects of Judaism.

Some upcoming speakers will discuss Israel and the United States, and Jewish views on homosexuality.

To celebrate the Jewish New Year, Rosh Ha Shana, which was in September, the group set up a booth in the OC and handed out apples and honey for a fruitful new year.

AS FOR THE SIZE of the organization, 10 members were signed up in September, but attendance varies from event to event,

according to Margie Komer, co-president.

Loeffler said numbers do not matter. She is more concerned with participation at events.

"I've decided that statistics are not important, what is, is if they come and enjoy it (events) and that has happened," said Loeffler.

Cheryl Weiss, co-president, said the organization has helped her become more involved on campus and learn about the Jewish faith.

"I think it's been a great experience for me, and I hope more students get involved," she said.

Komer said "I've learned a lot about Israel, the different Jewish holidays and the Holocaust."

Friends

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others in their life, said Kecmer.

Reader said people give more time to a romance in hopes of starting a more serious relationship.

"Deep down, a lot of students are looking for mates," he said.

"All of us have a need for intimacy," said Charles Miller, a marriage counselor from Troy.

Since most people have limited time to spare, they give more of it to someone who might meet those needs, he said.

When someone in this situation feels hurt, communication is

crucial, said Crystal Jordan, R.A.

Dealing with this situation is just another part of growing up, Jordan said. "It's another stage up the ladder."

Keczmer agreed that confronting a friend is helpful.

"Approach them; give them the positive aspects of having friends," she said.

Eventually, most friends find more time to spend together as relationships go on, Jean Ann Miller said.

"As the newness of anything wears off, you get back into your old routine," she said.

New drug 'Ecstasy' gains popularity on campuses

(CPS)—Large numbers of college students may now be using the drug "Ecstasy," despite one researcher's evidence it may cause immediate, permanent brain damage in lab animals.

About 39 percent of the students at Stanford University have tried Ecstasy, a recent study done by Dr. Stephen J. Peroutka, a Stanford neurologist, found.

The Stanford results would mean the drug has exploded in popularity during the last year.

STILL OTHER sources believe Ecstasy's popularity might be mythical.

Stanford's own Health Center has treated "maybe one" student for symptoms of abusing Ecstasy, reported Dr. John Dorman of the clinic.

"I haven't encountered anyone on campus who said they used Ecstasy," observed Toby Eckert, editor of the Daily Egyptian at Southern Illinois University.

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Ralph Echtinaw

Letter from the road

As snow continued to fall around the Michigan Trailways charter, the Pioneers climbed on board for their first significant road trip in a month.

It promised to be a bad day (and night) for driving, and the teams had a long way to go. The games were to be played at Grand Valley State, about 15 minutes west of Grand Rapids and 20 miles east of Lake Michigan.

At 1:15 p.m. with approximately 32 people on board, some standing, stuffing coats onto the shelf overhead, busdriver Dave Irwin put his foot down and we were underway.

Normally a trip to Grand Valley in Allendale takes two and a half hours. Today it would take a bit longer. Three times Dave stopped the bus to knock the slush off his wiper blades. We wandered through Pontiac along Huron street, following M-59 out to I-96. Soon we slid past Lansing and at 4:35 p.m. the Grand Valley main entrance came into view.

McCan's boom box

Bus rides are boring, let me tell you. It seemed that half the athletes carried walkmen and a few of their favorite tunes. Mike McCan brought a large boom box on board. Luckily for me and the rest of the old people, he kept the volume down.

We dropped the women off at "The Arena," a very nice facility that makes our gym here look quite quaint by comparison, and took off for some chow.

The women always play the early game so they went inside to change clothes and warm up. The men didn't play until 7:45 and used the interval to sample some West Michigan cuisine at "Mr. Fables," a nearby eatery.

They have to pay for their own food. But that's OK. Let's keep them humble.

The players paired up and ate together. Greg Kampe ate with his assistant, Bob Lees. Dave the busdriver ate alone and Athletic Director Paul Hartman ate with me.

Greg was on his feet

Paul said he tries to make most of the trips but usually follows the bus in his car. He felt like leaving the driving to Dave this time.

Soon Greg was on his feet, saying that we had to leave. Rodney Wilson gulped down a large sundae he had just purchased in order to get on the bus in time.

Back at "The Arena" the men sat in the bleachers to watch the first half of the women's game. We held our own in the first 20 minutes. Or maybe I should say the team did, I just took photographs.

"They can all play ball, every one of them," said Grand Valley superstar Rose Antrim. Rose has a fan who holds a green "Antrim" sign up at games. A sign that looks suspiciously like one you might see along the roadside.

She told me that a brother of a teammate acquired it in some method to which she is blissfully ignorant. Carefully inspecting the sign I could see holes in the corners where bolts once held it to a set of posts. "Yes" Rose said, he probably did not manufacture it himself.

Dennis Rodman lives

Well, the Lady Pioneers were too ladylike in the second half and fell apart. Debbie Delie made like Dennis Rodman and missed six of nine foul shots. Ann Serra got only two of 10 from the floor.

Perhaps Rose had more intensity, I don't know. But once when she missed a ball she was trying to keep in bounds I heard her say "Shit!" in anger.

Anyway the men's game was much better. We won. The women sat in the stands, some with their hair still wet from the shower. They didn't cheer the men's team on. I had a hard time believing it. Geez girls, this is hostile territory. Every friendly hoot and holler helps you know. I couldn't cheer of course because I'm from the media. I have to be impartial.

I talked to Dave a little. "Who do you root for Dave?" Dave answers, "Whichever team I'm with." Sound policy I'd say.

For a long time it looked as though the men had caught whatever losing virus the women had. The Pioneers were down by seven at halftime. Oh hell, I thought. How can I get any good interviews when everyone is depressed on the way home?

They didn't want to talk

I tried to interview some of the women during the men's game. They didn't even want to talk, much less say things that might end up in the newspaper.

But we came back in the second half. Thank God. "We either play a close game or we don't play," said Scott Bittinger, the Pioneers' version of the franchise player. We won by two points and the issue was in doubt until the buzzer.

Grand Valley had the ball with five seconds left. Wallace Davis fouled the Laker who had the ball, giving him two free throws. It could have been overtime city had the guy made both.

He missed the first and the game ended. "I'd like to think we did that on purpose knowing he'd miss but we didn't," said Kampe.

So we got back on our bus. The women were starting to perk up a little by now and the men helped by offering consolation and jokes. We went to a local McDonalds.

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Pioneer hoopsters taste victory

Bond gets 17 points in last 12 minutes, Bittinger scores 25 to top 1,000 for career

By DAVID HOGG
Sports Writer

The men's basketball team continued its drive toward a school-record finish in the Great Lakes Conference by picking up two more league wins last week.

Last Thursday Oakland mounted a ferocious comeback, then hung on to nip the Grand Valley State University Lakers 95-93.

The Pioneers, who shot a league-record 64.1 percent for the game, trailed the Lakers by 49-42 at the half, and fell behind 81-68 with less than 15 minutes to play. But they came roaring back with a 13-2 run, cutting GVSU's lead to 83-81.

Oakland was unable to pull even for awhile, but with 2:26 left, Scott Bittinger hit his trademark jump shot, giving Oakland a 92-91 lead. Neither team scored in the next 50 seconds, but Bittinger hit another jumper to give the Pioneers a 94-91 lead.

Terry Smith then scored for the Lakers to make it 94-93. With 30 seconds left Brian Gregory sunk a free throw, making the lead 95-93. He missed the second, and Laker Ed Finch was fouled by Pioneer Wallace Davis with one second left.

Had Finch made both free throws, the game would have gone into overtime. Luckily for Oakland, he missed the first and the Pioneers had a victory.

Bittinger was top scorer for Oakland with 25 points, giving him a career total of 1,000 points in GLIAC games. Andre Bond added 23 points on 11-13 shooting. Bond scored 17 points during the last 12 minutes.

"We either play a close game or we don't play at all."

Pioneer Scott Bittinger

Gregory scored 18 points and dished off 13 assists, giving him 309 assists for the season, third on the Oakland career list.

Finch led the Lakers with 28 points, followed by Smith with 20.



The Oakland Post / Ralph Echtinaw
Pioneer coach Greg Kampe talks strategy with his troops in last Thursday's 95-93 road win over the Grand Valley State Lakers.

The Pioneers' record improved to 15-7 overall and 8-4 in the conference. GVSU fell to 14-9 and 4-7.

Along with Gregory, Bittinger has been moving up the Pioneer season and career leader lists, moving into the top three in almost every scoring category.

Bittinger is on a pace to top many of the lists by the end of this season, his last at Oakland. After the game he commented on the number of tight games Oakland has played

this year. "We either play a close game or we don't play at all."

Oakland coach Greg Kampe also mentioned the tough season. "This season is going to be a season of what ifs. What if we beat Hillsdale? What if we'd split in the U.P.?"

On Feb. 6 Oakland survived another scare, but hung on to beat the other Lakers, Lake Superior State University, by a 72-70 count.

The Pioneers jumped out to a 14-4 lead after seven minutes, but

the Soo Lakers pulled even at 17. Neither team led by more than four before the half, which ended in a 32-32 deadlock.

The second half stayed tight, with neither team able to pull away. With 10 minutes left, the score was 47-46 Oakland, and five minutes later it was still only 56-54 Pioneers.

At that point, Lake State reeled off six straight points to take a 60-56 lead. Oakland fought back, and two

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Lady cagers choke again, fall into tie for first place

By MARK SPEZIA
Sports Writer

What goes around comes around.

That was certainly the case last Thursday as the Grand Valley State University Lakers whipped the Lady Pioneers 74-65 in Allendale.

Last month in the two teams' other meeting the Pioneers emerged victorious and took the Great Lakes Conference lead.

Last week's loss dropped the team into a tie for first place with Lake Superior State University. Grand Valley moved to within a half game of first place with the win.

Sarah Knuth was the headliner in the January GVSU game hitting 6-8 from three-point range and leading the Pioneers to a 68-62 win.

This time though Knuth was frustrated and got into foul trouble early. She played only twelve minutes, scoring nine points with just one triple.

"We knew we had to shut down Sarah Knuth because she killed us last time," said Laker Rose Antrim, who finished with 22 points.

Antrim's teammate Toni Phelps didn't help the Pioneers' cause either. She hit 6-12 from the floor, including 3-3 from three-point range. Sharp at the line, Phelps hit 12

of 12 foul shots, wrapping up a game-high 27 point performance. In the January Pioneer victory Phelps finished with just one point.

Oakland led 33-28 at the half as the Lakers sloshed around, hitting only eight of 28 shots from the floor. For a time it seemed as though the Pioneers would be outscored in the second half but still pull out a win as they have done before.

However, Knuth's inconsistency and a lack of clutch defensive play from Kim Klein-Green wrote the Pioneer obituary.

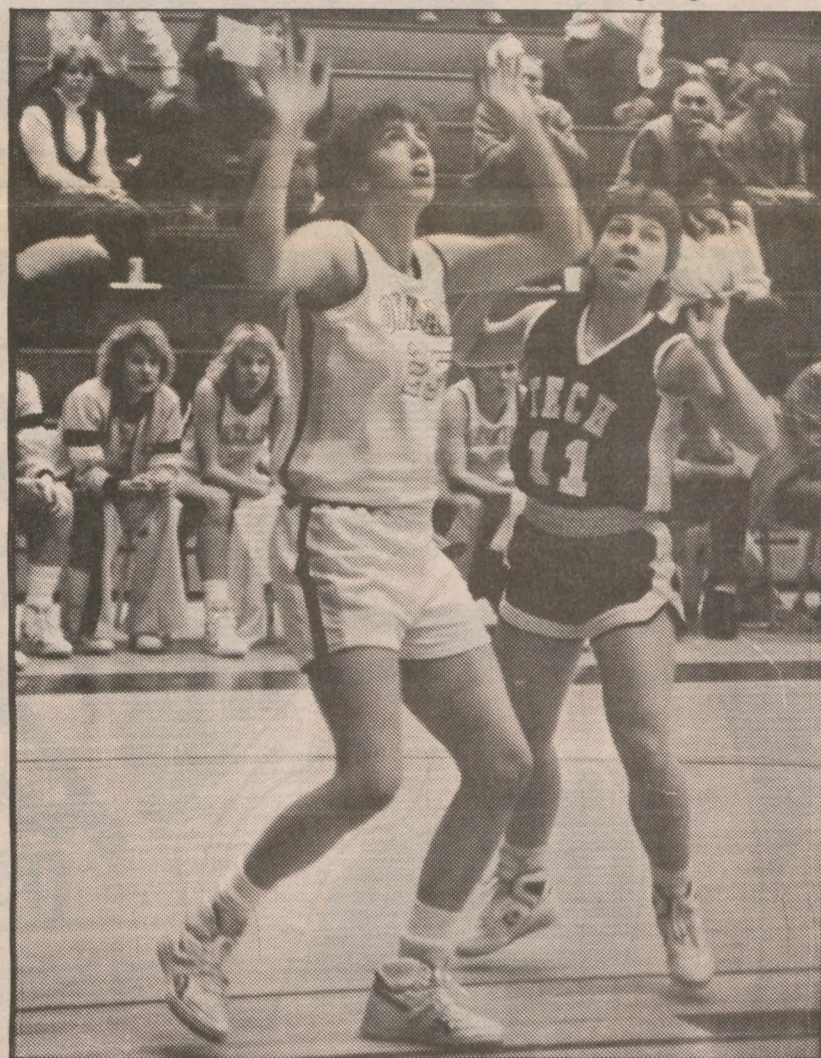
Shooting only .352 in the second half, the hoopsters watched helplessly as the Lakers washed away a 10-point Pioneer lead. Following the Jan. 30 loss to Lake State, last week's boo-boo was the team's second straight defeat.

"They got hot, and they got the roll going," said Pioneer coach Bob Taylor, "They took it right to us."

Unlike the previous meeting the Lakers took the edge in both three-pointers (3-6) and free throws (23-28, .821). They shot .552 in the second half as opposed to .378 in the two teams' first meeting.

"They (Grand Valley) were a big physical team, and it was hard to get second shots," said Taylor.

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The Oakland Post / Jaime Shuell
Leah Fenwick scored two points and grabbed five rebounds in the Pioneers' 74-65 road loss last Thursday to the Lakers.

Tankers swamp Wayne St. in season's biggest rout

By SUSAN STOKES
Sports Writer

Placing first in 10 of 13 events, the men's swim team pulled a 119-67 victory from Wayne State University last Friday in this season's final dual meet.

In seemingly effortless motion, freshman Hilton Woods set a new pool record in the 100-yard backstroke. Woods broke the record during his leg of the 400-yard medley relay with a time of 51.99.

"Currently Hilton has the fastest backstroke in the country (among Division II swimmers)," said Pioneer head coach Pete Hovland. "And that's his weakest stroke."

Oakland led the meet 64-19 at the half-way point, one-meter diving.

Taking first on the one-meter board, Mark Knapp totaled 302.25 points. Just behind Knapp, Mark Duff scored 291.15 points.

It's intriguing to observe divers as they wait for their turn to dive. At the Lepley pool, a full length mirror is mounted on the wall behind each diving board. While on deck, each diver checks his twists and form in the mirror. They appear more vain than a teenage girl checking her appearance before the prom.

Hovland entered the last three events as

exhibition, allowing Wayne State an opportunity to get on the scoreboard.

Hovland left out most of the swimmers who have already made their qualifying cuts for nationals. "They swam almost every meet all through January and February so I gave them a break," he said.

"Today I swam the guys who are preparing to make their cuts at GLIACs (the Great Lakes Conference meet Feb. 25-27)," Hovland said.

The Pioneers just got national backstroke champion Rich Swoboda back for this meet. He had been out with mononucleosis.

For the next two weeks the team will be tapering. Tapering is a training technique coupling less yardage with fewer workouts.

Prior to the GLIAC meet the team will shave their entire bodies. Shaving reduces drag in the water and allows the swimmer to cut through the wet stuff more easily.

The results from the Wayne meet follow.

400-yard medley relay: First, Surowiec, Orr, Swoboda, Woods, 3:33.04. Second, Scott, Cleland, Seeley, Rogowski, 3:45.22. Disqualified, Loricchio, Dresbach, Tumey, VanderMey 3:39.92.

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Shawn Clemons

Hoop assistant Clemons was big-time college star

By MARC MORANIEC and RALPH ECHTINAW
Sports Writers

Once an athlete is finished playing a sport doesn't mean he or she is finished with that sport entirely.

That's certainly true for former college-basketball standout Shawn Clemons.

The Lady Pioneers' assistant basketball coach, Clemons (as Shawn Smith) played four years of

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Fencers go to Notre Dame Tournament, win once

By TOM COOK
Sports Writer

Although they only beat one school, Oakland fencers were impressed with their performance at a Feb. 6 Notre Dame University tournament according to epee fencer Joe Burley.

Notre Dame's fencing squad is very strong and some of its members have a good chance to go to the 1992 Olympics.

Thirteen teams took part in the NCAA meet including Wayne State University.

Fencing against four teams (including the Fighting Irish) the Oaklanders came away with only one victory, but were happy anyway.

"We went against four varsity teams that have paid coaches," said Burley. "I think overall we did very well."

Oakland fencers belong to a club and the coaches are not paid. They also lack the experience that teams

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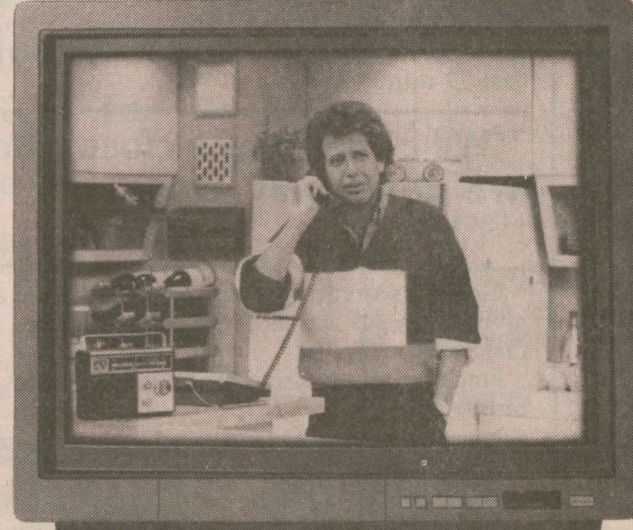
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Michigan State swims past Oakland Tankers

By RALPH ECHTINAW
Sports Editor

In their last dual meet of the season, the lady tankers made a respectable showing in a 145-119 loss to the Division I Michigan State University Spartans.

Noting that MSU kept some of its best swimmers on the bench and still beat the Pioneers, coach Tracy Huth said, "Certainly they're a lot better team than we are."

However, Lisa Guilfoyle qualified for nationals in the 50-yard freestyle with a time of 24.48. The previous night Guilfoyle had qualified for the 100-yard freestyle in a home meet against Ferris State University.

The only events left on the team's schedule are the Midwest Individual Championships at the end of February and the NCAA Division II Championships in March.

Huth hopes to qualify two more swimmers for nationals at the Midwest meet. He said Kristi Spicer, who has already qualified on two relay teams, has a very good chance of qualifying individually. The Midwest meet is her last chance to do so.

Last year Spicer qualified individually at the Midwest meet and seems confident she will do it again this year. "I don't doubt that I can do it at all," she said.

She said her times this year are approximately five seconds faster than last year in the 200-backstroke and three to five seconds faster in the 100-yard freestyle.

Sue Novitsky also has a chance to qualify for nationals at Midwest. Huth plans to swim her in the 200-yard freestyle there.

Ten Lady Pioneers are qualified nationally so far this year, tying the school record set in the 1981-82 season.

Last year, according to Huth, only Schermer and Spicer qualified in-

dividually among the swimmers. Three divers qualified. Two others qualified as part of relay teams.

This year the list is somewhat longer. Schermer, Dana Kennedy, Guilfoyle, Ginnie Johnson and Shelley Steyaert have qualified already. After Midwests, Spicer should be added to the list and possibly Novitsky too.

In addition, divers Nikki Kelsey and Jill Thompson have qualified. Shelley Pilarski, Karen Kotlarczyk, Spicer and Novitsky have qualified as part of relay teams.

Of the 10 that will be going to nationals, only Schermer and Spicer are seniors. Johnson is a junior. Everyone else is either a sophomore or a freshman.

Schermer and Spicer are the only two with any national experience at all.

"(The Midwest meet is) not our ultimate peak for the year," said Huth. "We're not in any sort of a team race."

His team being in a rebuilding phase, Huth said there isn't much pressure on it to win. "We don't have to worry about being in any kind of a hunt for the championship," he said.

Most of the competition at the Midwests is Division I anyway. Huth expects 12 or 13 teams to participate. Last year at the same event nine of the 12 teams were from Division I schools.

This year, Oakland and Northern Michigan University are the only Michigan representatives.

However, the female divers will not go with the team to Midwests. Oakland has only one diving coach, Don Mason, and he will attend the Great Lakes Conference meet with the men's team. Last year he went with the women, so this year he will go with the men.

The female divers will go with Mason and compete at the GLIAC meet.



The Oakland Post / Jaime Shuell
Mike Nation took first place in the 200-yard butterfly last Friday in the tankers' win over Wayne State.

Tankers

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1,000-yard freestyle: First, Cooper, 10:03.46. Second, Weston, 10:09.15. Third, Flaga, 10:47.18.
200-yard freestyle: First, Tumey, 1:46.17. Second, Monroe, 1:49.85. Fifth, Swanton, 1:52.39.
50-yard freestyle: First, Strom, 22:28. Second, Harris, 22:32. Third, Orr, 22.80.
200-yard individual medley: First, VanderMey, 1:55.04. Second,

Carmen, 2:01.72. Fourth, Locricchio, 2:11.93.

One-meter diving: First, Knapp, 302.25 points. Second, Duff, 291.15 points. Fourth, Wolschleger, 226.35 points.

200-yard butterfly: First, Nation, 1:57.33. Third, Flaga, 2:15.08.

100-yard freestyle: First, Seeley, 48.84. Fourth, Surowiec, 51:15. Fifth, Kuhn, 51.35.

200-yard backstroke: First, Strom, 2:03.26. Second, Kovach, 2:03.67.

500-yard freestyle: First, Weston, 4:59.38. Second, Monroe, 5:03.77.

Hoop

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straight Bittinger jumpers tied the score at 62.

Oakland got the ball again and Bittinger made another jumper, and was fouled. He made the free throw and after two Pete Schihl free throws, OU led 67-62 with 1:01 left.

However, the Soo Lakers weren't dead yet. Bittinger hit two free throws with 17 seconds left to give Oakland a 72-67 lead, but Laker Chris Wooley answered with a three pointer to make it 72-70. Laker Charles Thompson then fouled Rickey Miller who missed his free throw.

Laker John Gilbert grabbed the rebound and started upcourt. Second in conference scoring, Gilbert drove down the court. Kampe said

he was thinking, "Just don't make three and beat us."

Gilbert didn't make three. He drove the lane, and as the buzzer sounded, missed a simple lay-in to give Oakland another in its series of nail-biting victories.

Bittinger again was top scorer for the Pioneers, pouring in 30, followed by Gregory with 12 points and 12 rebounds. Gilbert led Lake State with 18 points. Wooley had 13.

"We played some good defense today," said Kampe. "When the ball's not going in for us, and it wasn't today, we have to play good defense to win."

Lake State coach Bob Eldridge agreed. "They worked their tails off to keep Gilbert and Chris (Wooley) away from the ball." Eldridge also praised Bittinger. "We had the lead, but we were playing against an All American who makes three straight jumpers."

Shawn

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college ball, including two at Division I Arizona State University.

In her junior year Clemons helped the Sun Devils to the finals in the National Invitational Tournament.

A year later, as a senior and captain of the 1981-82 team, Clemons helped the Devils earn a spot in the NCAA tournament.

After defeating the University of Georgia in the first round, however, Arizona succumbed to eventual tournament winner Louisiana Technological University.

"She had the good physique, the good body to play basketball."

Howard coach Don Stevens

Clemons describes herself in those days as a "floor leader." She wasn't the dominant scorer but was just as important to her team in other ways. "I was intense on the court and I was very competitive," she said. "I hated to lose."

Before attending Arizona, Clemons spent two years at Howard Junior College in Big Springs, Texas.

Howard is in one of the strongest junior college conferences in the nation according to Howard coach Don Stevens.

Clemons "walked in off the street," Stevens said, and attended an open tryout. "In five minutes I had her in my office," Stevens said. "She was the only one out of the group (of 40) that I liked."

Ralph

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doesn't dunk. "Sorta gave up tryin'," he said. "Layup's just as many points." OK.

Gregory said he planned to read 350 pages on the way home. Something called *Advertising: The American Dream*, a real page turner. "It's really hard to study on the bus," he said.

I could sense the crew at McDonalds cringe when we walked in. If you've ever worked in a fast food joint you can understand the nightmare of having 30 people come in less than an hour before closing.

After we cleaned them out of hamburger meat and chicken parts Bittinger said, "We gotta get outa here, let's bounce." He told Kampe he wanted to leave, and we did. Bittinger has a lot of pull on the Pioneers.

Back on the bus I tried to interview Maura Conroy. "I'm not gon-

na say anything," she said. "You're gonna write it down." I've got to read that book on interviewing again.

Now the Walkmans were out in force. Mike McCan's radio was a tad louder. But at least he was playing some decent music. A lot of the folks crashed. Debbie Delie laid on her back and tossed her feet up on another seatback. Gregory studied his advertising. Greg Kampe said he might throw up. Luckily for us he didn't.

Three times I had to tell Gregory to get back to his book. He kept lapsing into conversation with Amy Atkinson. Assistant women's coach Shawn Clemons sat in front of me and slept most of the way home. I read *The New York Times*, *The Christian Science Monitor* and some rag I picked up at Grand Valley.

I found myself marking all the mistakes in this student "newspaper" with my highlighter. It was pathetic.

Finally we reached Pontiac. The snow had pretty much stopped but the roads were horrible. It was 1:30

a.m. That's the time of night when the only other vehicles on the road are snow plows, cops and drunk drivers. Gregory and Atkinson were singing a song together.

The lights were all with us (flashing yellow that is) and we arrived back here at 2 a.m. Driving around behind Lepley, Dave almost got the bus stuck as we spied a couple of female students preparing to go "traying."

Traying is a process whereby one misappropriates a tray from Vandenberg and uses it to slide down the hill behind Lepley, screaming like a drunken banshee, which these students probably were.

Anyway, it was late. We were tired. I ran through the deep snow to my car, happy to find it unburied.

The road trip was over. Wow, do they really do that 10 times a season? Yea, pretty much. It's fun once, but if I had to do it as much as they do I'd hate it. But then I'm old.

Cameron was close behind at 8-6.

According to Burley and Salassa, Notre Dame was the toughest competition Oakland fencers have ever been involved in.

Even though the club members may not post many victories at tournaments like this one, Oberski said they're doing the right thing. They're going to tough competitions that they have no chance of winning.

"You learn by going from competition to competition and that's probably the only way you're going to advance in the sport," Oberski said.

Fencing

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like Notre Dame and Wayne State have. Last year the Fighting Irish's men's team finished fourth in the NCAA championships while their women's team won the NCAA championship.

Oakland's men faced Cleveland State University, Case Western Reserve, Chicago University and Notre Dame.

Burley led the men with an overall mark of 9-3. He started off 6-0 but fell off against Notre Dame, winning just one of three bouts.

One of Burley's losses was quite close though, as he went down 4-5 to Notre Dame's best epee fencer, Doug Dudinski.

Burley said he was impressed with the Irish. "Not only were their top three guys good, but they had a lot of depth."

Men's sabre captain Todd Dressell and foil captain Erin Stileski both posted 5-7 records for the day.

The women provided Oakland with it's only victory of the tournament. Chris "Spike" Cameron, Ann Oberski, Michelle Salassa and Meg Hawkins combined for a 13-3 thrashing of Case Western.

Oberski led with a 9-5 record.

Hall of Honor inducts 3 former superstar athletes

By ANDY SNEDDON
Sports Writer

Three new faces and stories have been added to the athletic department's Hall of Honor.

They are: Swimmers Linda Hatt and Tom Boyd. And tennis player Judith Stiff.

The three were inducted in a Feb. 6 Meadow Brook Hall ceremony.

Hall of Honor inductees are nominated by Sports Information Director Andy Glantzman. Glantzman researches possible candidates and bases his nominations on an alumnus' or alumna's accomplishments and statistics.

"It's a judgment call," Glantzman said. "We look for OU career leaders, record holders, national champions, All Americans." But there are no set criteria that must be met to be considered.

"I feel like I owe Oakland so much. They don't owe me."

Former Pioneer tanker Tom Boyd

Each year Glantzman draws up a list of possible candidates and submits it to the Hall-of-Honor committee, composed of athletic department personnel and faculty.

The committee then chooses, by vote, the three lucky winners.

In 1984 Hollie Lepley and four OU athletic alumni were inducted as the inaugural Hall-of-Honor class. Since then the hall has chosen three ex-athletes each year.

The purpose of the hall being to recognize ex-athletes, Glantzman said it's an obvious step toward building tradition here.

Boyd, a 10-time All American, swam for Oakland from 1974 through 1978. He set a school record in the 200-yard individual medley and was a national cham-

pion in that event as a senior.

Today Boyd resides in Boca Raton, Fla. where he's a manager of product planning for Motorola, Inc. He's still involved in swimming as treasurer and registrar for the Florida Gold Coast Swimming Club.

"I was really surprised and proud (to be inducted)," Boyd said. "I think it is the wrong way around. I feel like I owe Oakland so much. They don't owe me."

Stiff is another former Pioneer still actively involved in her collegiate sport, and also calls the sunshine state her home.

She lives in West Palm Beach where she owns and directs the Olympus Tennis Club. She's also associated with the United States Tennis Association schools program which brings tennis to schools in Southern Florida.

Stiff didn't hang up her racket after leaving OU. Last year she placed second in the nation in doubles and this year is the sixth-ranked singles player in Florida.

Last fall the OU women's tennis team finished second in the Great Lakes Conference. That was its best finish since 1979, Stiff's senior year.

Stiff led the Pioneer netters that fall, compiling a 17-0 singles record and a 16-1 doubles mark, capturing individual league titles in both.

Hatt (or Linda Hein in her Oakland days) swam for the Pioneers from 1978 through 1980. She qualified for the AIAW swimming championships in 1979 and 1980 by winning the regional championship in the 100-yard butterfly.

It was in the 1979 regionals at Michigan State University that Hatt set the OU record for the 100-yard butterfly at 57.63. The record still stands today and is the longest existing record at OU.

"I remember setting that record," Hatt said. "I'm really surprised it's held up this long."

As for her future... "Someday I would like to be a head coach, possibly on the high school level," Clemons said.

This season Clemons and Taylor have guided the Lady Pioneers to a 20-3 start, good for first place in the conference and a good chance to earn a spot in the national tournament.

"Taylor's an excellent coach," Clemons said. "I've learned a lot about basketball from him."

Clemons' also serves as intramurals director and coordinator for summer sports camps. Regarding her intramural duties Clemons chuckled and said, "It keeps me busy."

But old habits die hard and if Clemons isn't with the team or in her office, she can usually be found in the Lepley gym, dressed in sweats and sneakers shooting hoops.

Defeated

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Perhaps the most telling statistic in the loss was the difference in steals. Oakland grabbed 25 last time, but swiped a season-low eight last week.

Last Saturday the team travelled with the Gentleman Pioneers to Bay County to take on the Saginaw Valley State University Cardinals. Results were not available at press time.

Tuesday the Oaklanders are invited to Big Rapids for a friendly game of basketball with the Ferris State University Bulldogs.

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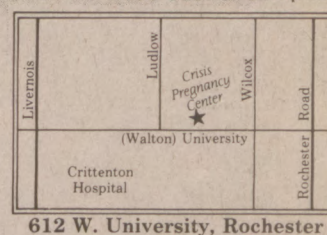
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