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Q. I ride a bicycle and tried to get on campus through the Adams Road entrance. The guard there would not let me enter. I explained that I was tired, but he wouldn't let me through, so I had to go around to the Walton entrance. This doesn't seem fair.

Cricket

A. The guard was overly cautious because of security problems they have had at Meadowbrook. Director of Estate Security, Ken Covert apologized for your inconvenience explaining that the students and faculty are welcome to use the Adams Road gate during the hours of 7:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M. weekdays, 7:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M. Saturdays, and 12:30 P.M. - 5:30 P.M. Sunday. Ken reminded us of the phone at the gate and encourages students to call him at 377-3140 or Public Safety if they should have problems with the guard.

Q. What happens to the \$16 miscellaneous fee that students are assessed at registration?

A. Tom Atkinson, Director of Administrative Services, told us that \$10 is used for general maintenance of the Oakland Center, \$5 for an activities fee, and \$1 for the Matilda Wilson Memorial Library fund. Only students taking more than 10 credits pay the O.C. fee and graduate students are spared from paying any activities fee. Bill Marshall, Director of the Oakland Center, stated that student fees paid for just over half of the O.C. operational costs last year. University Congress receives 20% of the activity fee, Student Allocations Board 55%, and the Concert Lecture Series Committee 25%. University Congress uses half of their share for operational expenses and half for a contingency fund. S.A.B. funds are allocated to all student organizations on the basis of budget requests.

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Tina Turner and her Revue performed before a disappointing but not disappointed crowd Sunday.

Fall Weekend A Big Flop !!

Student leaders and planners are at a loss for the explanation to the lack of success of the Fall Weekend this past Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.

Both the Tina Turner Concert and the Carni-

val behind Vandenberg lost money, each from lack of support.

A discussion will be held this week to find solutions to the loss and to plan if anything will be done following the loss.

Constitution Referendum

A special referendum will be held Oct. 1 & 2, 1973 to adopt or reject a newly proposed con-

stitution for the University Congress.

Balloting will be from 9 am to 6 pm next to Charlie Browns.

Congress Condenses Decisions

University Congress discovered a method of condensing their meetings without losing its flavor. In the meeting held on September 24, ten subjects on the agenda were discussed in about an hour.

The Tina Turner Concert on Sunday night was a success, announced Congressman Homer Kennedy but of the 4,000 people present, less than 500 were OU students, despite the student discount on the tickets.

A proposal tabled two weeks ago, which concerned the appointment of three members of the programming committee to the Concert-Lecture Series Committee, was unanimously approved.

William Beaumont Hospital is reportedly interested in taking over the Graham Health Center as an out-patient clinic, and has included this proposal on the agenda for the next Board meeting.

Congressman Emsley Wyatt announced that the referendum vote for the proposed constitution is scheduled for next Monday and Tuesday, October 1 and 2, next to Charlie Brown's in the O.C. from 9-6. 150 copies of the old and the revised constitution will soon be made available. Two-thirds of the students who vote must approve this reformed version before it can be presented to the Board.

STUDENT GOV'TS HOST WORK SHOP

The student government of four Michigan universities will sponsor a "High School Leadership Workshop" at Oakland University Saturday, Oct. 6. Student council representatives from 815 Michigan high schools have been invited. The cooperative program is believed to be the first of its kind in Michigan.

The participating institutions are: Michigan State University, Oakland University, University of Michigan, and Wayne State University. Topics include student input into new programming, student apathy and community involvement, student rights and student responsibilities, and the special problems of urban high schools.

The conference registration will be held at 8:30 a.m. in Oakland University's Oakland Center. A 9:30 a.m. general assembly will be held with James Sherry, OU student Congress, as moderator. OU President Donald D. O'Dowd will give the welcome. Workshops will be held from 10:15 a.m. until 3:45 p.m. and all participants will come together for a 5:00 p.m. general session. The leadership workshop will conclude with a reception in Meadow Brook Hall, the Tudor-style mansion on the OU campus.

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Q. What do the veterans have planned for this year?

A. Veterans counselor, Cleveland Hurst, and assistant, Doug Ledger, are establishing an employment program. They will be contacting employers and aiding vets in finding jobs.

The Veterans Club has had some organizational problems previously, but are optimistic this fall with over 100 new vets on campus. Any veterans interested in the job program or the Vets, should see Doug or Cleveland in 152 North Foundation Hall or call 377-3268.

Q. I'm a freshman, and finding my way inside these buildings is like trying to find your way through a rat maze. Couldn't we get some type of sign or directory in each building so we won't lose our way?

A. Directories already exist in every building, depending on which end of the building you enter. However the directories only give room numbers and names. We talked to maintenance about the possibility of floor plans or maps but they didn't feel there was a need for them. Our suggestion is to ask a fellow student, the most willing and reliable guide around.

Q. I play tennis and can't find any lighted courts in the O.U. area. Do you know of any?

A. There are five coin-operated at Long Lake Road and Telegraph open until 10:30 P.M. The Courts are crowded but you can usually get on. President O'Dowd, also an avid tennis player, promised to look into lighting of Oakland University courts after noting the crowded situation on the courts.

Q. Is Oakland University really so poor that students must sit in the halls between classes? How about some chairs?

A. Student lounges are open this fall in 235 Dodge, 225 Hannah, 216 and 219 Varner. The Hannah and Varner lounges have vending machines. Fire Dept. regulations prohibit the placing of any furniture in the hallways. The lounges are sparse on furniture, but Commuter Council has agreed to help by donating \$82.50 for furnishings. Anyone interested in helping improve the lounges should contact Randy Ritter at 118 O.C. or call 377-2020.

Q. Is Focus going to charge this year? I heard they are in trouble financially and are going to charge 10¢.

A. Focus editor Bob Knoska countered with a definite "no."



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Laura B., we still miss you

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Less than a month is left until the first Star-Con hits Detroit. Fans of Star Trek are expected to converge here from all over the country for the three days of October 5-7, where they will meet members of the Original Star Trek cast, attend fan discussion panels, view an art show, a fashion show, and be able to watch Star Trek and other science fiction films twenty-four hours a day.

Activities will kick off Friday morning at approximately 10:00 pm with films, exhibits and the art show. The social aspect will begin Friday evening with

a "Shore Leave" party, the theme taken from the "Shore Leave" episode of Star Trek.

Registration for the convention is \$10.00 for all three days or \$4.00 per day at the door, on a space available basis. A pre-registration booth will open at Cobo Hall the evening before the convention, Thursday, October 4, and will be the last chance to purchase a three-day admission.

The original guest list has been expanded to include DeForrest Kelley, who played Dr. McCoy in the series and Frank Kelly Freas, a Hugo-award winning science fiction artist.

First Ski Club Meeting! 3 pm, Wed., Oct. 3

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HEALTH CENTER STILL HEALING

Graham Health Center will provide medical services ranging from emergency room treatment to allergy injections for ailing and injured Oakland University students this fall.

Under a new policy, Health Center doctors (excluding Dr. Roth) will charge \$3.00 per visit. Follow-up visits within two weeks after initial treatment, however, will cost only \$1.00.

Physicians available at the Center include: Dr. R. Wigent, M.D., a specialist in orthopedic and industrial medicine; Dr. Joan P. Wake, M.D., and Dr. Arthur Young, M.D., general practitioners; and Dr. Michael Roth, a gynecologist.

Office hours for the physicians are 9:00-11:30 A.M. and 1:00-3:30 P.M., Monday through Friday; but doctoral services may be limited to one physician during afternoons.

Dr. Roth conducts a private practice at the medical center and is available on Fridays only. He requires appointments.

Dr. Wake will leave

the center for six weeks after her "momentarily" expected baby is born.

All students enrolled for the current semester are eligible for Graham Center treatment. University staff may receive emergency aid and allergy injections only.

Cost of Health Center medical care is much lower than private professionals charge. For example, medication is sold at cost.

SERVICES UNCHANGED

According to Mrs. Carol Linington, medical coordinator, Graham Center's facilities and services remain basically unchanged since last year.

Students can receive physical examinations, weight counseling, contraceptive counseling, and treatment for other "elective medical problems" by appointment at the Center's clinic, which has "very limited" hours depending upon doctors' free time.

In the fully-equipped emergency room, physicians can administer treatment for "minor trauma" such as lacerations and can give initial aid in more seri-

ous cases.

In emergency cases involving hospitalization at Crittenden, Pontiac General, St. Joseph's, or other nearby hospitals, University doctors may provide follow-up care.

Graham Center's laboratory, staffed by a registered lab technician (Mrs. Hunt) and student assistant, deals with hematology, cultures, chemistries, pregnancy tests, mononucleosis spot tests, and urinalysis.

If students bring their own medication, Health Center personnel will give allergy injections weekdays between 9:30 - 11:30 A.M. and 1:30 - 3:30 P.M.

Whirlpool and heat lamps, available to users free of charge, compose the Center's physical therapy equipment.

Four registered nurses - Mmes. Linington, Harper, Johnson, and Sawhill - are present Monday through Friday, 8:00 - 11:30 A.M. and 1:00 - 4:30 P.M. to assist students.

Confidentiality of student records is assured. Emphasizes Mrs. Linington, "No in-

formation is given to anybody without written authorization."

G-M Underwriters, Inc. of Troy, Michigan, offers an Oakland University student insurance plan to supplement Graham Center facilities.

Payment of \$47.00 (including \$5.00 for doctor's fees) insures the student for "sicknesses rather than preventative" measures.

Blue Cross/Blue Shield also absorbs charges for emergency care and for some laboratory expenses.

FOOTBALL

Fourth down and infinity. The scene is the vast expanse of lawn in front of Fitzgerald house. The situation is a touch football game involving an odd assortment of dormies, out to work up an appetite before a Wednesday night dorm dinner.

Time is running out on the desperate offense and the time has come for the big play. After considerable deliberation they break huddle and line up for ...a field goal.

The prospect of achieving hero status is too much. The linemen please turn to p.6, c.2

UNIVERSITY SENATE MEETING

Election of the Senate Steering Committee was the main business at the Oakland University's Senate meeting held September 17th.

Elected to the three designated seats of Education, Arts and Engineering were Sidney W. Graber, W. Patrick Strauss, and Richard E. Haskell, respectively.

Other Senate action concerned the Spring '73 graduates. Senators reviewed the top grade point averages of the class and divided them into the three honor categories of Sigma cum laude, Magna cum laude, and Cum laude.

President O'Dowd also requested each department

In the future the Health Center would like to restore its

"24 - hour-a-day-seven-day-a-week" infirmary, which was closed last year due to a tight budget.

It also hopes to retain three full-time staff physicians. This year, the Center lost its director when Dr. Richard J. Bingham left the University to establish a private practice in Rochester.

Watch this space in the future for messages in the secret Focus code!!!!!!!!!!!!!! This week's teaser is xmfkeoslcm; oemsple; ssl

S.E.F.S. presents EASY RIDER

The Student Enterprise Film Society presents Easy Rider in 201 Dodge Hall this weekend with five showings beginning Fri., 3 p.m. and 7 p.m., Sat. 7 p.m. and ending Sun. 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m.

Said to be the definitive statement of the sixties, Easy Rider will provide you with the chance to understand the seventies.

DORMS SEEING LIGHT

The dorm situation on Oakland's campus has had its drawbacks in past years, but this year things look better.

A few major changes among the dorms have moved the freshman to Hamlin, reopened Hill House for residents, converted Anibal House to a co-op arrangement, and Van Wagoner into a program renting to students in the Inner School Housing Program.

FOCUS talked to Jack Wilson, director of residence halls, and he said that all residence space available has been used up in either double or single occupancy.

Wilson explained the transfer of the freshman program to Hamlin is a result of a prior administrative decision to use the west tower of Vandenberg for office and departmental space. Hamlin, however, not only boards twelve floors of freshman but also four floors of students with room only contracts.

Hill, Fitzgerald, Pryale and the east tower of Vandenberg are also open and housing upper-class students.

Anibal has tried something different this year attempting Oakland's first co-op dorm arrangement.

Danny Pfeiffer, head resident of Anibal, told FOCUS that things are working out well and all problems are minimal--just a matter of organizing a routine.

Van Wagoner, has only one floor of University studnets and three floors rented out on a weekly program to students involved in the Inner

School Housing Program. These studnets are from other universities or Oakland Community College and are living at Oakland while serving their internships in neighboring cities.

The out turn of Oakland students on campus is encouraging to housing administrators, Jack Wilson told FOCUS that a 50% return of resident students please turn to p.6, c.5

Next week, Focus will for sure really have some Unclassified ads. They're only a nickel a line, and can be placed at the Focus office at 36 OC. If we don't have any to print, there won't be any.

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I gave away 'most all of it
As happened once before.

My heart is like a pitcher
From which I fearful pour
I think I'll keep it full awhile
Till I fall in love once more.

The second time I was more wise
I remained staunchly tough;
I waited 'till you poured your heart
And 'till I had enough.

Then I did reciprocate
However cautiously
There was hardly any warning
And you didn't even call.

Then we were back together,
If only physically
There was no communication
As far as I could see.

When will the hurting stop? (I ask)
Well, I've felt this way before
It takes a long, long time to heal
Like an open, burning sore.

So now I will just wait it out
Just me and maybe God
Till my heart is not an army trench
Where muddy feet have trod.

Will I be wise the third time?
Will there come a third time yet?
Oh well, of course I'm very young
And I'll give to Life and get.

I still remembered very well
How much the first hurt me.

Then came all the happy times
I was never with you too much
We poured and poured and loved and loved
And touched, lovingly touched.

But then you changed (or was it me?)
No, I'm certain it was you--
My pitcher started emptying
I think you know it's true.

You took away a lot of love
Maybe you took it all

Where does the sky end?
(Child asks, puzzled, inquisitive.)
I don't know, Impatience answers.
Ask me later--
Ask me later--
When I am not so
busy.

Where do the waves go
When they meet the ocean shore?
(Child asks, wondering, seeking)
I have no idea, Impatience barks.
Ask me later--
When I finish this
work.

But why does the sunshine on snow
Make me happy?
(Child persists, confused, polite)
You will know when you are older, Impatience dismisses.
Ask me later--
When my accounts are
figured.

Older Child no longer asks Impatience.
He walks alone
and watches
and listens

and feels
Quiet. And finally
Child knows.

-P. Ehrlich

OU Campus Grows

A highly active campus development program has yielded results under the direction of Glen Brown, Assistant President for Campus Development.

Obvious campus improvements include the still incomplete relandscaping of the Library Mall, at an estimated cost of \$40,000.

Developments in the Mall will include the planting of forty to fifty trees throughout the mall, and alterations in the existing lighting system to allow better evening pedestrian traffic there.

Other important campus developments include the investment of 14 thousand dollars in walks adjacent to the west end of Vandenberg Hall to accommodate the commuter parking lot north of Graham Health

Center.

The addition of this stairway allows for speedy entrance and exit, to and from this parking area within the heart of campus, while the parking lot (capacity: 300+ cars) is ideally located for quick exit to traffic on Walton Blvd.

The walk to the Oakland Center from this lot is shorter than other parking areas on campus that seem more convenient.

Brown said planning developments are proceeding smoothly on a new classroom/office building, and a new Public Safety and Services Building. Ground breaking on the Public Safety and Services Building will be sometime this spring. These two buildings will be located in what is now the parking lot opposite Hannah Hall to the west. Parking in this lot will be

shifted to new, more effective locations immediately accessible to Hannah Hall and Dodge Hall.

Mr. Brown explained that the location for the new classroom/office building will be east of the Oakland Center between the Physical Education Building and the small dormitories.

Foundation Drive will be permanently closed to traffic at the Oakland Center and near the Physical Education Building to allow for the location of this new building.

Oakland students can look for developments in this area beginning next spring if all goes well in the planning of this new structure.

Additional campus developments have included the arrest of major soil erosion problems large scale improvements to the drainage systems on campus.

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O'DOWD TELLS FUTURE!

Commuter Services sponsored a "community dialog" with President O'Dowd last Thursday.

Though women were coaching people in the hall of the Oakland Center to attend, only an interested fifty students, faculty and administrators were present.

President O'Dowd opened the meeting with a few positive comments on Oakland's start this fall. He expressed satisfaction that Oakland had made a smoother and more positive start this year than in the past, settling the collective bargaining contracts and keeping the enrollment at its predicted level.

O'Dowd announced an interesting development involving the construction of an office/instructional building to be built east of Oakland Center next spring. After its completion, plans are to reconvert the west tower of Vandenberg into resident housing. He projected plans for a library and science building, although nothing definite was said, the plans being too far in the future.

The meeting was then opened to a free question and discussion period when some interesting facts and feelings were expressed. These included dissatisfaction with the amount

of parking space on campus, unfavorable opinion on the freshman program, and the proposal for a study on campus determining the need for converting some dorm space into apartment living and married housing. These topics concluded nothing substantial.

O'Dowd revealed that the Kresge Library's budget was substantially



increased to \$60,000 this year. With a backlog of debts, the university was not able to purchase new books last year. President O'Dowd reported \$40,000 was put into the library in May and many new books were purchased.

The meeting hit its

climax when the discussion turned toward entertainment. Everyone agreed there was a real problem as to student activity and participation, that Oakland was a "suitcase campus" where everyone packed up on weekends and went home, and that something must be done to keep commuters on campus after classes.

Problems were partly attributed to the financial situation and also the location of the campus, having no outlet into a city offering other sources of entertainment. Students blamed the situation on the administration and the administration handed it back to the students.

A few suggestions mentioned were not having Student Organizations funded by the university so that students would work harder to raise money, advertise and participate in campus activities. It was also suggested that fraternities

and sororities may start a close-knit nucleus of students willing to perpetuate activities.

Beer Lake was also brought to the president's attention. Evidently the lake is becoming polluted with sewage, road salt, dirt, the excess of algae produced from the washoff of fertilizer and nutrients, possible thermo-pollution resulting from building air conditioners, and an over population of fish.

O'Dowd was not quite aware of the seriousness of this problem. He said the problem had not been studied in a few years and that perhaps it was time to do so. However, solutions were not discussed or promised for roads aren't possible without salt in the winter and a new drainage system would be costly.

Financial aid for the middle class students was another problem discussed. The problem of

middle class families with many children are unable to afford college expenses, creating a difficult time for students.

O'Dowd informed the group that the University would like to borrow a large sum of money banks and lend it to individuals in need. The student would pay the university back who would in turn pay the bank. This proposal will be decided upon by the legislature, hopefully this fall.

With the atmosphere that of a town meeting, subjects fluctuated rapidly within the time allotted. New programs were reported, ideas tossed around, opinions made, suggestions given, but few things were concluded. It was however, a chance for students, faculty, and administrators to say their peace and walk away just a little bit happier or more frustrated than before.



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SOCCER TEAM SHUTS OUT NOTRE DAME

Oakland's soccer Pioneers, following a first-game 4-3 loss to Calvin College, put together a 4-0 victory at home over Notre Dame University, and a 3-2 win over Hope College on the road.

Perhaps even more gratifying to the Phys. Ed. Department, is the emergence of the soccer team's only scholarship player as a bonifide star after just three games.

Freshman forward Ken Whiteside has proven to be money well-spent so far and in spectacular fashion. In three games Whiteside has scored 7 of the 10 OU goals. Including all three markers against Hope College.

Following the Notre Dame game, he was quick to praise his teammates for his success. And accurately so, as coach John Motzer's team is blessed with a bevy of slick forwards. The teams relentless, aggressive style keeps the ball near the opposing goal most of the time. To Whiteside's credit however, he is always where he should be and knows where to put the ball once he gets it.

Against Notre Dame, Whiteside picked up his

first of two goals in the opening minutes. Junior forward Armond LeComte tallied the second marker minutes later as Notre Dame was help-

less in trying to keep the ball out of their end. Oakland's first half offensive pressure was climaxed brilliantly with the addition of Whiteside's second score. Notre Dame had spirited the ball over it's goal line, entitling Oakland



Mohammed Sedegi scores against Notre Dame



timed a perfect jump and shutout.

Mohammed Sedegi, a junior transfer from Al-pena, added the final score midway through the second half to close out the Oakland scoring.

In last Friday's game against Hope College it was all Ken Whiteside. Hope jumped out in

front to an early lead but before the half had ended, Whiteside had picked up his first two goals resulting from scrambles in front of the Hope net.

The score remained 2-1 in OU's favor until Hope scored a tying marker with 15 minutes remaining. Five minutes later Whiteside deflected a shot off a Hope defenseman into the net to ice an Oakland victory.

Much of Oakland's soccer success lies in the experience of coach John Motzer. For many years, a major figure in Detroit soccer circles, Motzer has put together an aggressive and exciting team to watch, and there isn't a senior on the entire team. O.U. can look forward to some good soccer for a long time to come.

The Pioneers next game is Wed. Sept. 26, at 3:30 p.m. on the OU soccer field.

In last week's story about the Anibal House Co-op, FOCUS neglected to mention Jack Wilson and his instrumental support in bringing the co-op about. We are sorry for this oversight.

INTRAMURALS OFFERED

With activities ranging from ping-pong to football, OU's intramural sports program seems to have something for everyone this semester.

The fall agenda for intramurals list eight sports.

For the paddleball, racquetball and handballers, entries for the singles tournament, men's and women's division, are due today, Wednesday, Sept. 26 by 5:00.

A meeting for those entries will be held, Thursday, Sept. 27 at 4:00.

If basketball is your thing, sign up for the three-man basketball league. Entries are due at the captain's meeting, Monday, Oct. 1 at 4:00.

Also, a pre-holiday men's basketball tournament and a table tennis singles tournament are scheduled for later in the semester.

Two of the sports are already under way.

The seven-man touch football program begins this week and a wild, ex-

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he goes through the motions of a perfect placement. It is not to be, however. A fleet receiver is already streaking downfield untouched and unnoticed, running an unneeded fly pattern. Our twin safeties are discussing a game plan for the chow line. And the crowd is going wild.

The holder-turned-quarterback has released the ball and out end has hauled it in.

are readying for a blocked kick. Twin safeties are poised in readiness under imaginary goal posts, expecting a short kick. The sparse crowd smells a rat but will give away nothing to the greedy defense. Snap of the ball. A universal grunt erupts from the clashing lines as the holder grabs the snap and places it on the ground. The kicker is not to be outdone as

citing season is expected. Games will be played Monday through Thursday, 3:30 and 4:30.

Although it's too late to enter the league as a player, referees are desperately needed. A meeting for OU undergrads with some football background who are interested

in refereeing will be held Thursday, Sept. 27 at 3:00. A tennis round-robin tournament, with mens singles and mixed doubles, is also in progress.

For any information about IM sports - see Jim Valliere in the Sports and Rec. Building

The receiver neatly eludes a small sapling and prances into the endzone, narrowly missing an incoming night student. The twin safeties have sprinted in the direction of the distant dinner call. The crowd has dispersed, late for something-or-other. The play? What play. All thoughts are turned towards hot dogs and saurkraut and that universal offensive enemy ...heartburn.

from the previous year was a normal figure and that Oakland surpassed that mark with 60% of the resident students returning.

Wilson said a "no show" rate (rate of students signing room/board contracts but never showing up for registration) of 3%-7% was annually expected. This year that figure would stand at less than 5%. Room and Board Contracts were handled a little differently, eliminating roommate mix-ups and keeping room changes to a minimum.

Oakland may be seeing the day when students are placed with roommates of their choice, in the dorm of their choice, a time when students are placed when students are able to get singles without hassle

DORMS con't

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Editorial

We would urge all of you to vote in the Congress referendum on the first of October, if you can get a hold of the respective constitutions that are being decided upon.

FOCUS has reservations about the Wyatt constitution but in all fairness it is better than the one used at present. Other than the one-vote-per-candidate article we think it is a well written piece of work.

We urge its passage.

The lack of support of the "Fall Weekend" was just what the bitches need. If anyone can gripe about nothing to do, it certainly isn't them. They didn't show up, so they had better put up and shut up.

Programing committees have had it neck high with complaints, but after this weekend they shouldn't give a damn and with the interest shown so far no one will challenge 'em.

Probably some new developments will occur with Saga, but there will be some happenings at its meeting with the Dorm Food Committee. Seven contract violations have been found so far and they are major ones.

Good luck to you Saga.



Dear Editor:

I noticed with interest your reaction to the proposed constitution that I am the author of, and in particular the one-vote-per-candidate formula.

This was a well thought out decision, arrived at after much discussion with others.

At this point, I would like to mention the reasoning behind this proposal. 1) It would make campaigning more issue-oriented. It is a reasonable assumption that most voters know a candidate. Analysis of ballots show that a person will just plunk down 18 votes for his friend and leave. Under the proposed system, Congress elections would become more than just a popularity contest but a campaign where people will look at what candidates think.

2) It would reduce "friendship candidates" where a person in a six-man suite or five friends in the grill can have a

108 vote "head-start"

on other candidates.

3) It would contribute to the credibility of the election process (which we certainly need) by adapting a system being used to elect councilmen, schoolboards, etc.

4) It would also facilitate switching to a voting machine system that is virtually impossible under the "all for one" method of voting. This would further enhance credibility and contribute to the smoothness of the election process.

Emsley J. Wyatt,
Congress Steering
Committee Chairman

Dear Editor,

When I read the article about the co-op dorm in the recent FOCUS issue, I realized what a terrible mistake I had made in not signing up to live in the co-op dorm.

Why, look at all the things I've missed! I

don't get to live in that "beautiful place", I never get to meet any "fantastic people", or get to enjoy "an atmosphere which is unbelievably fantastic".

I never experience the ecstatic thrills of seeing a milk truck full of milk for me! Me! ME!!

I cannot live with people who are "all friendly and understanding". (That reminds me, I must introduce myself to my roommate one of these days).

I also miss having a nice clean dorm. (I really must break myself of the habit of throwing my beer bottles down the hall).

In other words, dorm living is what you make it. If you really came to college to eat, or to get your highs over the thought of owning milk, - well, then I guess the co-op dorm is for you. And since the people in co-op were so obviously miserable last year, I'm glad that they are on the other side of the campus, where I don't have to listen to their bitching.

Robin Ridley

advice to freshmen

Certainly by now the resounding majority of students, who toil through another semester of study, have become quite familiar with the deluge of work that accumulates almost unavoidably, that expired essence of time which should have been utilized otherwise.

However, to those who lack the experience of university indoctrination, may I suggest a few supplementary hints that go beyond the typical authoritarian advice for academic survival outside the classroom.

The absence of rigid class structure or organization should not always be viewed as an indicator of lax concern or judgement, nor should your attitude as a student follow suit. I recall an instance when an apprehensive student persistently asked the prof. how performance was to be measured and what feedback would be routinely required between student and instructor. The prof. was quite adamant in favor of a structureless style of presentation and very eloquently released his response: "You want structure, then read the next six chapters!"

Expand on your own realizing that the most

effective learning takes place when one teaches herself/himself. When this process is accustomed, your questions become more relevant for you, the class, and the instructor.

Casual acquaintance with members of the faculty in your department aids in a congenial relationship which can help to enrich your understanding of the prof.'s methodology of subject approach in the classroom.

One should not be made merely to attain political ends, as these tactics are quickly identified and their purposes dismissed. Most profs. welcome occasional conversation even beyond curricular interests.

Once a comprehension is established for a theoretical, empirical, or practical orientation, one can adopt a similar foundation in which to present his/her understanding of the subject material.

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IN MEMORIAM

Emily Moses, a 1973 graduate of Oakland University, died tragically in an automobile accident September 16.

A member of New-Charter College, a former food service employee and a participant in many campus activities, she will be missed.

A scholarship fund is now being set up under the auspices of New-Charter College for students in independent concentrations.

Contributions should be sent to the Emily Moses Memorial Scholarship Fund in care of the Oakland University Business Office.