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OUPD cracks down on campus traffic

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In an effort to promote safety, The OUPD enforced new speed limits, put up new stop signs and closely monitored parking lots the first week of school.

Slower speed limits and additional stop signs were added during the summer. According to Lt. Richard Tomczak, "The reason was for safety with the new student apartments and students crossing streets. It's a pro-active action. Safety is important to everyone."

Lt. Mel Gilroy said the department issued 15 speeding tickets from Sept. 1 through Sept. 9. No figures are available from last year.

Meadow Brook Road's speed limit from East Oakland Drive to the Adams Road entrance has been reduced from 35 mph to 25 mph. The area near the parking structure crosswalk on Pioneer Drive

has a new 15 mph speed limit.

The 15 mph speed limit from the University Drive main entrance and Meadow Brook Road to Hamlin Hall has been extended past residence halls to East Oakland Drive.

New stop signs are at the intersection of East Oakland Drive and Meadow Brook Road and in parking lot (P-26) near Varner Hall. A new stop sign has been installed at Meadow Brook Road and Ravine Drive.

Installation of new stop signs will take place in October at the crosswalk from lot P-26 to the Recreation and Athletics Center.

OUPD was also busy monitoring parking lots and closing those that were full with roadblocks.

"It helps for police to close them down," Tomczak said. "Rather than spending 15 minutes (looking for a space), we're there to give assistance."

Last week, freshman Andreea Ciocovenaru said it took about a half an hour to find a parking spot.

"I'm coming at about 10 a.m. I was late for a class," she said.

Since that time, she has been arriving an hour before class to find a parking spot and not be late for another class.

Close monitoring of lots by The OUPD appears to be working.

"There's far fewer violators this year than last. There's a shift in parking to the south end (of campus)," Gilroy said.

Last year, OUPD issued 571 parking citations between Sept. 4 through Sept. 9. During the first week of classes this year, 324 parking tickets were issued.

Gilroy said effective immediately, parking meter time limits will be enforced 24 hours a day.

"It will take a few months to evaluate with safety first and possible adjustments," Tomczak said.



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Heavy traffic and closed parking lots during the first week of classes kept many commuters trapped in the main entrance circle for several minutes.

Going hog wild



After making their way through the buffet line, attendees of Sigma Pi's annual pig roast eagerly put the finishing touches on their plates. Held last Friday, the event featured games, an area for dancing, a bonfire and, of course, plenty of pork.

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BOT line-up changes

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Governor John Engler reappointed Dennis Pawley and Ann Nicholson to OU's Board of Trustees last week. Their respective terms will expire Aug. 11, 2010.

A Waterford resident, Pawley is an OU alumnus with a degree in human resource development. He formerly served on the BOT from 1996-98. Pawley will join the Board at today's meeting.

"We are very pleased about the appointments made last week by Governor Engler," Gary Russi, OU President said. "We are happy to welcome back (Dennis) Pawley who has served the university in many different ways over the years - on the BOT, the OU Foundation, and as a loyal alumnus and major donor. We look forward with great anticipation to working with our new Board as OU pursues its aggressive agenda toward our 2010 vision."

Pawley is CEO of Pawley Enterprises in Farmington, a management consulting firm. He is also a former Executive Vice President of

Manufacturing for DaimlerChrysler in North America for which he was responsible for 80,000 employees in 12 car and truck assembly plants, five manufacturing technical centers and 18 component stamping and power train plants.

Adirector of the OU Foundation from 1993-96 and 1999-present, Pawley, along with his wife Carlotta, donated \$2 million to OU for the schools of Education and Human Services, Engineering and Computer Science. This year, he gave \$1 million to manufacturing education.

"Dennis Pawley has been an outstanding friend to OU," Susan Davies Goepp, Vice President for University Relations and Executive Director for OUF said. "His tremendous leadership abilities and his love for the university are key components to what he brings to the BOT. We're fortunate to have him back as a trustee."

Nicholson, a Grosse Pointe Farms resident, was re-appointed chair. She was appointed to the BOT in 1994 and served as Vice Chair of the Board in 1998 and 1999. She

was appointed Board chair Aug. 2, 2000.

Nicholson is a tutor for Cornerstone Schools, heads the archives project for the American Association of University Women and coordinates the Read Right Program for PVS Chemicals. She is a member of the League of Women Voters, a founding member of the Grosse Pointe Citizens for Recycling and has been active in intercultural programs.

"Trustee Nicholson has done a fine job leading the Board and the university through several years of significant growth and academic programs and academic and student support," Russi said. "The same can be said for Trustee Grech-Cumbo who did an outstanding job for OU during nearly six years of tireless service."

Pawley replaced Louis Grech-Cumbo, whose term expired.

Matt Resch, the governor's deputy press secretary, said that individuals in the selection process are chosen by interview according to university connection and background.

"The goal is to find diverse, well qualified individuals to fill positions," Resch said.

Assistantship honors late professor

By LAURIE PUSCAS
SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

Friends remember Jon Froemke as a man who cherished family and friends, enjoyed playing bridge, reached out to others and gave his energy to teaching and supporting The Academic Skills Center.

A new graduate assistantship has been established at OU in honor of the late Jon Froemke, a professor at Oakland from 1967 until his death in 1998.

"Jon was a much-loved teacher in a department whose reputation is not the best among students, said Jerry Grossman, mathematics professor. "His gentleness and caring attitude helped a lot of students succeed in our difficult subject."

The Jon Froemke Graduate Assistantship is being funded with a \$50,000 endowment from his wife Judy and sons David and Robert.

Froemke's devotion to students extended beyond the classroom. He and his family welcomed foreign exchange students into their home during school breaks and holidays.

"He taught me many things which I will keep as my treasure and cherish throughout my life," Japanese exchange student Ryoko Minoura wrote in a letter after Froemke's death. "He would say,

'Think happy things.' He encouraged me through difficult times."

"We wanted to do something to memorialize him. It seemed that it was best to do through the university," said Judy Froemke. "Jon was committed to the philosophy of The Academic Skills Center."

The graduate assistantship will be an on going program, said Academic Skills Center Director Charles Clark Jr.

"It is a tremendous legacy to the work he (Froemke) did," said Clark.

Froemke wrote OU's first draft for the use of Supplemental Instruction, a tutoring method that uses student facilitators for study sessions associated with math and science courses. It is targeted at difficult courses with a drop rate of 30 percent or more.

He worked closely with friend Lynn Hockenberger, director of the Academic Skills Center during the implementation of SI, said Judy Froemke. Hockenberger is now the director of Learning Resources.

"We considered the best of the best students for this prestigious position," Clark said.

The first assistantship was awarded to Ihsavany Negret.

Negret has a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering and is currently working towards a master's degree at OU. He is looking

forward to becoming a professor.

He worked in the corporate sector for a brief time, but said he prefers the academic atmosphere of a college campus. He explained that he is more into theory than application.

"My main focus is to provide students with tools to perform better in math courses," Negret said. "A tutor is a powerful tool."

Negret will provide workshops for math courses, math tutors and math SI Leaders. He will also act as an SI leader for one section of a math course and provide tutoring assistance to math students.

Instructors are informing students of the SI program during the first class sessions.

"I'm kind of nervous about my statistics class," said Jenny Lyons, sophomore. "The girl who is doing the SI program for the class said that the students who went to her for help never failed. It made me feel a lot better."

The number of students participating in the SI program has risen steadily over the last ten years. In the 2001-2002 school year 779 students participated in the program with 8,950 hours of instruction.

The Academic Skills Center, located in North Foundation Hall, also provides study skill workshops, individual tutoring and study aids.

By REBECCA WYATT
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By this time next year the Oakland Center will have undergone an \$8 million, 30,000 square-foot expansion.

According to Richard Fekel, director of the OC, the center was built in 1958. The first addition was completed in 1961, and a second addition was completed in 1972.

There were renovations made to the food court in 1997 and to the lower level in 1999. This will be the first expansion since 1972.

"We're trying to grow, we're trying to expand, we're trying to meet student needs in the Oakland Center," said Fekel in a Sept. 5 presentation. "As we talked to you we learned more and more what your expectations and what your needs are for a facility like this on campus."

The OC can hold about 6,500-7,000 people but, according to Fekel, at peak times there are up to 10,000 students in the building.

According to Fekel, \$6.8 million for the project was raised through the sale of bonds approved by the BOT last spring. Chartwells will provide \$900,000 to the expansion, and \$300,000 will come from the OC.

"We've been working throughout the summer on developing the overall plans for the Oakland Center expansion,"



DSA Architects Planners
An artist's rendering shows what the OC's main entrance will look like once the expansion is complete.

Fekel said.

The two-story expansion will be on the west side of the building near North and South Foundation Halls.

"Our hope is that from the P-1 parking lot that we have a main gateway now into campus and into the Oakland Center and throughout the building and to the opposite side of campus," Fekel said.

The first level will feature a 400-seat addition to the dining area.

"At noon time it's practically impossible to find a seat," Fekel said. "This will allow us to practically double the amount of seating that we have."

The dining area will be divided into sections, which will each have their own feel.

"If you're looking for a certain kind of light level, or you want

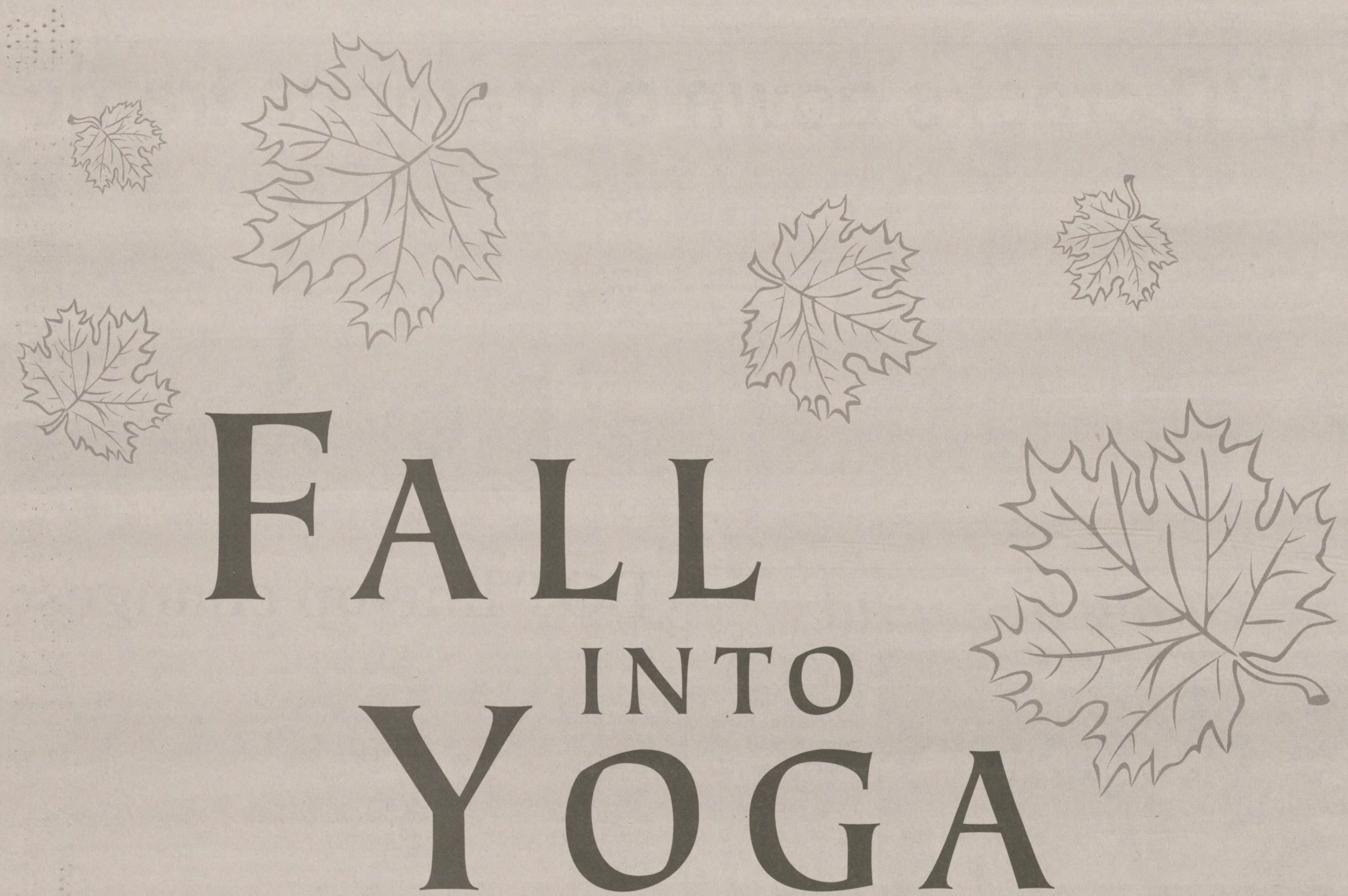
window exposure, or a certain kind of seating whether it's booth-style, or high seating or just comfy seating, those types of different seating arrangements will be configured in the dining area," Fekel said.

The expansion will include a 24-hour cyber-café, which can be accessed after hours with OU ID. The cyber-café will feature computers in a wireless and hard-wired environment.

The second floor will feature a multi-purpose room that will accommodate 500 people in a banquet style environment, and 650 in a theater style arrangement.

The pre-function space outside the multi-purpose room will be used as study areas when there are no other activities.

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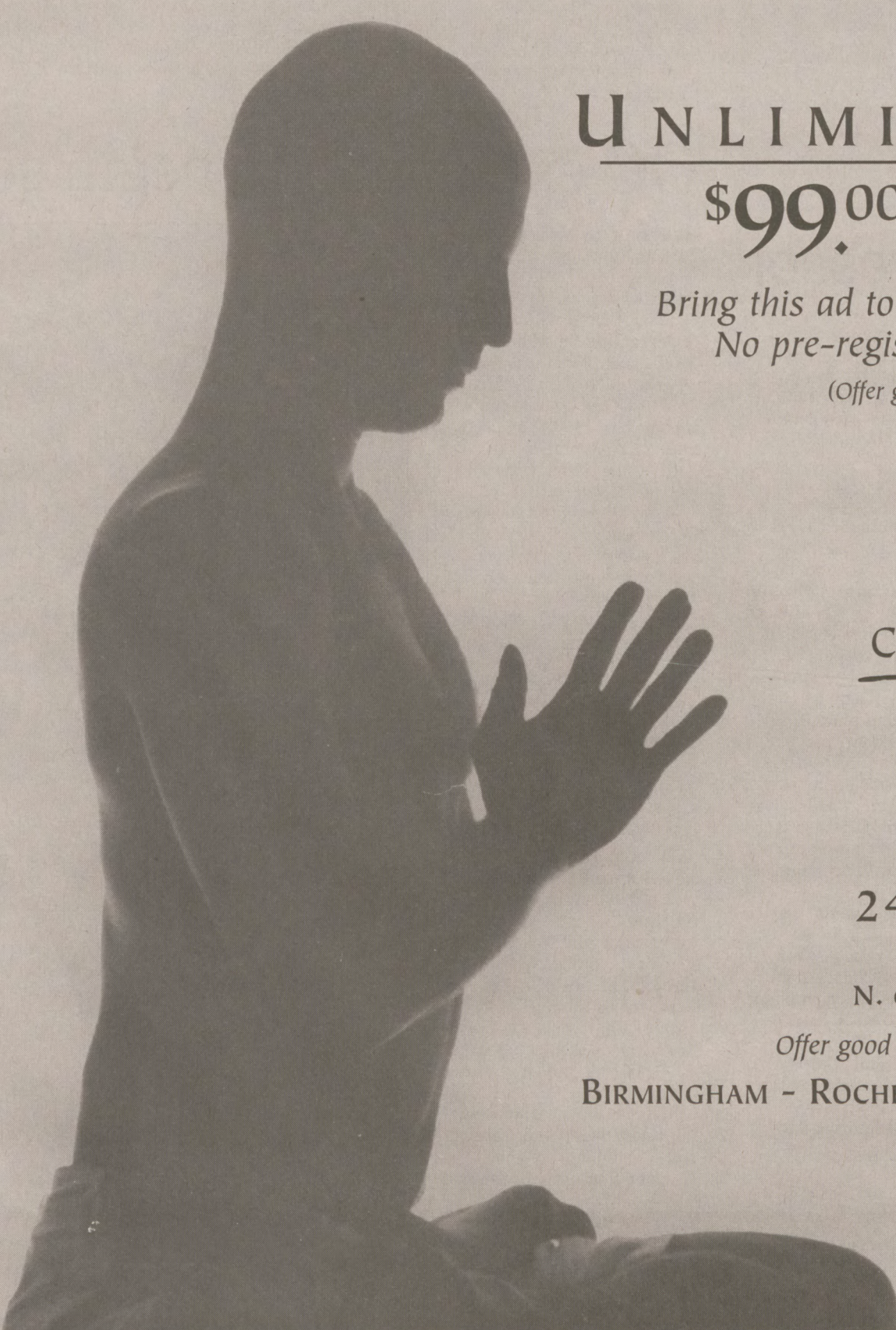


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OUSC help students register to vote near South Foundation Hall. Dan McDuffee/The Oakland Post

Congress pushes vote

BY REBECCA WYATT
CAMPUS NEWS EDITOR

Student Body President Brian Tomina knows that one vote matters. He won last year's election by just one vote.

Student Congress (OUSC) believes voter registration and education go hand in hand, so it's holding a voter registration drive from 10:30 a.m.-6 p.m. today outside the OC between North and South Foundation Halls.

The U.S. Census Bureau reports that in the Nov. 2000 election only 45.4 percent of 18-24 year-olds were registered to vote, and only 32.3 percent actually voted.

According to Sumeera Younis, sophomore, student services director, candidates from the upcoming gubernatorial election will be there to inform voters about their platforms.

"We have extended invitations to everyone," Younis said. "Most of their committees were interested."

OUSC has organized the event to help non-registered students get registered, even if they are not from this area.

Younis said any student who is

a U.S. citizen with a driver's license is eligible to register. OUSC will mail the registration form to the student's precinct. The precinct is the address on the registrant's driver's license, and the registrant may only vote in that precinct.

"We realize (in this administration) the importance of one vote," Younis said.

"I hope no OU student will waste his franchise and throw away his vote by not voting and allowing others to make decisions for him," Tomina said. "Do we allow our friends to order our dinner for us? The same applies to your vote."

Younis stresses registering to vote does not take a lot of time. "It's not even half a sheet of paper," Younis said. "It takes like two minutes."

The census shows in Nov. 2000 there were 203 million people 18 years or older in the U.S. Of those, 186 million were U.S. citizens and eligible to vote but only 130 million people registered to vote. Only 111 million people voted in that year's election. That means 60 percent of the eligible voters in the U.S. actually voted.

According to the 2000 census, the numbers for the 18-24 year-

olds are even lower. Of the 26,712,000 eligible voters 12,122,000, or 45.4 percent were registered to vote.

The census shows people ages 18-24 years old with degrees tend to have higher voting rates. Of the 2,107,000 eligible 18-24 year olds with a bachelor's degree, 1,145,000 or 54.3 percent voted in the Nov 2000 election.

These numbers are lower than those of the older citizens. Almost 70 percent of those 65-74 years-old voted. In the age group 45-64 years 64.1 percent voted. The 25-44 year-old range group had 49.8 percent of its eligible voters turn out.

Heather Johnson, freshman, said she thinks it's important to vote and voted in this year's primaries.

"It's our right, and I was just exercising my right to vote," Johnson said.

Rock the Vote is a company devoted to helping people understand why they should vote and explains the issues they face everyday.

Jehmu Greene, executive director of Rock the Vote, makes it her career to help educate young voters about the voting process.

"I think that it is my life's

work because the decisions and issues that are affected by politics have an enormous impact on this generation and unfortunately other people are making the decisions," Greene said.

Greene said part of the reason the voters are lacking at polls is because public schools are not doing what they were designed to do.

"I think that part of the original idea was to educate citizens and young people are citizens," Greene said.

Greene explained situations she has experienced where young people did not even know they had to register to vote or how to go about doing it.

OUSC and Rock the Vote do not stop helping people understand the voting, registration and election process when elections are over.

Younis said OUSC would be glad to help out of state voters with absentee ballots.

The last day to register to vote in the upcoming gubernatorial election is Oct. 6. OUSC will end its voter registration at the end of September so it can mail out all of the forms to each precinct. Students should check with the states where they reside for due dates on absentee ballots.

Fall blood drive set for October

BY LAURA ANGUS
SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

The Red Cross needs blood, and OU students are asked to help.

OU will be holding its fall Blood Drive from 9 a.m.-9 p.m. on Oct. 14, 15, and 16 in the Gold Rooms of the OC.

"Giving blood is always important - it saves lives," said Paul Franklin, coordinator of Campus Programs. "Every pint can save up to three lives."

According to Franklin, after Sept. 11 of last year, there was a spike in donations, but they have fallen steadily since then. The Red Cross has about the same amount of blood it did exactly a year ago, perhaps even less.

Franklin explained that because of the national increase in blood donations last year, there was a cap on the amount of

blood that could be collected during the 2001 blood drive. In four out of the six shifts, the limit was met. There is no cap planned this year.

Many OU students are excited about giving to such a good cause.

"I'll be there," said Amy Thompson, sophomore. "I have (blood), and other people need it, and why not share?"

Students can begin signing up for appointments today at the Information Center in the OC from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. There will be a table in the OC every day starting tomorrow from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

By the first week of October there will be tables throughout campus including the residence halls, the OC and several other locations in an effort to make signing up as easy as possible. Students can also call Center for

Student Activities (CSA) at (248) 370-2400 to set up an appointment.

Students can also sign up online, at givelife.redcross.org. The sponsor to choose is OU and the code is "OU Blood." After Sept. 16, students can also sign up on the CSA web page.

Although walk-ins will be accepted at the blood drive, Franklin stressed the importance of making an appointment. The Red Cross determines the number of tables and nurses based on the number of people signed up a week prior to the blood drive, he said.

Kathy Pecha, a registered nurse and a nurse educator at the Graham Health Center, reassured students leery about giving blood.

"It's all very sterile," she said. "There's no way you're going to get anything (from donating

blood)."

She said that there are a few adverse effects, some people feel dizzy or nauseous or have bruising on their arm, but most people do not have any problems. She advised donors to drink a lot of fluids before and after they donate to lessen many of those affects.

Pecha explained that prior to giving blood, donors have to fill out forms about their medical history. There are several things which could keep students from giving blood such as illness, weight, surgery and others. Nurses will also test the iron levels of the blood to ensure the potential donor's health. All of it is done in a confidential manner.

If a student is unable to donate blood for any reason, the nurses will notify him or her.

"It is important for people to make the attempt," Pecha added.

New substation to help with power crunch on campus

BY ANDREW ZUEHLK
SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

Extensive upsizing can be seen all around OU. While most construction projects are obvious, there are also some that are taking place quietly.

As the university's population grows, so does its demand for electricity. To respond to this increased need, OU is constructing the new Spencer Substation.

The OU energy web page states that the Spencer Substation, under construction on the campus's south side, will, this fall, replace the existing 13.2 kilovolt electrical service currently in North Foundation Hall.

Students and faculty entering university grounds from Squirrel Road onto Pioneer Drive should be able to see a brick building in the parking lot off Pioneer, directly across from Library Drive.

The building does not look like much and without being told what it is. "No one would be able to tell what it is," said Jim Leidel, OU energy manager.

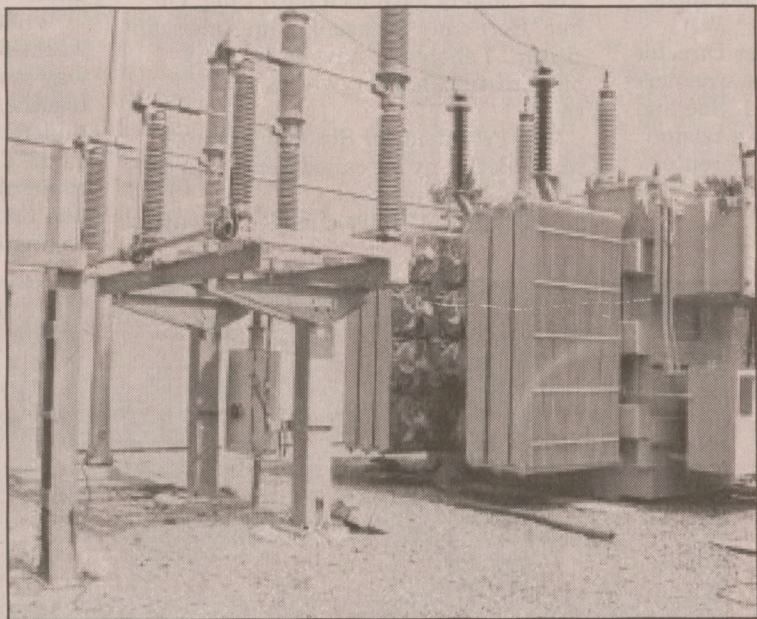
The date for the substation's completion is estimated in November, according to Leidel.

The completion of the Spencer Substation will allow for an increased flow of electricity into the university.

"The 120 kilovolt line is more reliable than a 13.2 kilovolt line because it delivers power directly. It does not have to be transferred," Leidel said.

Detroit Edison supplies OU's electricity. Two 13.2 kilovolt cables pump power into NFH. From there the power is distributed throughout campus.

Leidel said with the construction of a new power substation, OU



Spencer Substation will help OU with its growing power needs on campus. Dan McDuffee/The Oakland Post

will double its power supply.

According to the OU energy web page, the university consumes more than 30 million kilowatt-hours of electricity annually. The site also states that electricity consumption on campus has steadily increased over the years and directly relates to an estimated \$700,000 increase in electrical costs between 1995 and 2001. The annual utility cost alone, per building square foot, has risen nearly 62 cents from 1995 to 2001.

According to Leidel, as OU continues to increase in size, so too will its energy demands. According to the OU energy web page, the substation should cover the university's energy needs for the next 10 to 15 years.

Leidel said "The number of power outages should be reduced from several a year to several a decade."

Student Program Board

Entertainment, fun are goals of group

BY DAN AGAUAS
SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

Jimmy Fallon performed live at OU last Friday, followed by a viewing of Spiderman outside O'Dowd. In weeks to come, students can look forward to the second annual OU Survivor, musicians, bands, speakers and a Tigers game.

The upcoming weeks at OU offer an overwhelming amount of activities and events. Many are sponsored by the Student Program Board.

SPB's goal is to provide "entertaining, recreational, cultural, social and educational" programs for the university, to make sure that students have more to do than just attend classes. It is the largest student based programming organization at OU.

"A lot of people say there's nothing to do, but that's not true," Senior Chairperson Jean Mick said, referring to school activities. "There is a ton of stuff to do."

The events and activities sponsored by the SPB are mainly possible because of student activities fee money. They are planned and coordinated at least a semester ahead of schedule and, in the case of Jimmy Fallon, seven months in advance.

SPB member Victoria Holifield believes that all the hard work and planning pays off in the end.

"(It is rewarding) seeing it happen after you plan it," Holifield said. "It comes alive. To see the excitement of the students sharing what you planned."

Mick agreed with Holifield about the self-gratification of being involved in the SPB. She is the head of the executive board and sees the excitement it brings to the members.

"I love to see the look on their faces when they know that they've accomplished something good," Mick said. "It is all about creating campus life."

Senior SPB technical chair, Dave Levin, has been a part of the organization since his freshman year and has credited it for helping him connect with the campus.

"The reason I joined is because I used to live in the residence halls, and I was bored out of my mind," Levin said.

Senior concert and dance chair Stacey Kest said being a member was not only entertaining but also advantageous.

"It's a good experience when you meet a lot of people and learn a lot," Kest said. "I plan our concerts, and I want to go into concert promotion, so it is right up my alley."

Whether it is Jimmy Fallon doing stand-up, Spiderman being shown outside O'Dowd, patio concerts coordinated or a white-water rafting trip, the SPB leaves its mark all over OU.

"People should know that we are fun-loving people here," Holifield said.

With the work and coordination required for each event, it is no surprise that the SPB is always looking for any volunteer help that it can get. Students who want to get involved should call SPB at (248) 370-4295.

CRIME WATCH

*A female student complained about her ex-boyfriend knocking at her window at the new student apartments, Sept. 7. When OUPD contacted the man, he said he was attempting to speak to the woman through the window since she wouldn't talk to him by phone. When checking the man's identification, it was

discovered that he had an outstanding Southfield warrant on a larceny complaint. He was released on \$250 bond.

*A bearded white male, clad only in blue tennis shoes was spotted walking on the nature trails by a groundskeeper, Aug. 28 and Aug. 29. When the man was spotted, he streaked away.

*A 20-year-old female student was ticketed with a minor in possession of beer during a party in the new student apartments, Sept. 7. The woman was given a breathalyzer which registered .096. The legal limit is .02 for a minor.

*A female student reported that her purse was allegedly

taken from South Foundation Hall. The woman told police she left her purse sitting on the floor near her desk unattended. When she returned, her purse was missing. Later in the day, OUPD was told that the OC information desk by a male. The man said he found the purse in the second

floor men's restroom. Nothing was missing from the purse. The woman was concerned about someone possibly having her credit card and cell phone numbers.

*A female Hamlin Hall resident reported that \$230 she had placed in her jacket pocket was missing, Sept. 4. The woman said

she placed the jacket on top of her clothes hamper with the money in the pocket before going to bed. When she got up the next morning the money was gone. She asked her roommates, but they had no knowledge of the missing money. There were no signs of forced entry. The case remains open.

The end of the world

By ANN ZANIEWSKI
EDITOR IN CHIEF

When suicide bombers hit the U.S. a year ago today, their intent was to terrorize and cripple the U.S. The initial effect was just the opposite. A sense of national community, and in many cases world solidarity, rose so strongly from the tragedy that many thought the nation's landscape would be forever changed.

Those at OU last Sept. 11 may remember the dozens of people silently glued to the three TVs in the OC, cancellation of classes at noon and impromptu prayer circles that sprung up all across campus. The familiar Greek letters painted on the two rocks near the OC's north entrance were quickly covered with Stars and Stripes.

In the weeks following the attacks, SPB organized a Red Cross fundraiser, and the Chaldean-American Student Association collected money for the New York State Fraternal Order of Police and the International Association of Firefighters. Vice President for Student Affairs Mary Beth Snyder, Vice President for Academic Affairs Virinder Moudgil and then-student body president Derek Dickow encouraged campus-wide classroom discussion of the event through "A Day of Understanding: Search for Harmony through Classroom Dialogue."

Sept. 11 brought people closer, and inspired life re-evaluations, but the spirit was short-lived. In the first of OU's Sept. 11 memorials, only a handful of people, comprised mainly of media, attended a panel discussion. Seated in the second row was the presentation's sole student, Kaoru Nawada, a newly-arrived international student from Japan.

One year later, campus sentiments about the event widely-touted as "this generation's Pearl Harbor" are varied, and what lasting effect the attacks had on the OU community remain unclear.

Senior Brian Bliskey was working as a resident assistant in Van Wagoner on the morning of Sept. 11 when he got a call from his hall director telling him to close the dorm to all non-residents. The lobby TV quickly became a gathering place for just-waking residents and students who were forced out of various buildings because of the lockdown.

"This was one of the first times they were all sitting quiet," he said.

Bliskey closely watched the news all day and then attended a candlelight vigil at Hamlin Circle that evening. He said public prayer has become more acceptable since Sept. 11, but that is one of the few lasting changes he's noticed.

"Freedom comes at a price. I thought our country would have become aware of that and stop being so greedy, but I haven't seen that happen as much as I thought," he said.

Sophomore Demetrius Gary, the Student Program Board's Lecture and Special Events chairperson, said Sept. 11 did have a lasting impact, the most

noticeable being a shift in the U.S.'s identity as a world power.

"It showed us that we're not as big and bad as we thought we were," he said. "One year later, I don't think we're as pompous as we were before. We come together a little more than before. I think it is (a permanent change)."

Dean of Students Glenn McIntosh agreed.

"Americans have come to realize that membership in a 'super power' country does not equate to invincibility. Furthermore, the 9/11 experience made us reassess and reshape our value system, and how we spend our waking hours," he said.

Exactly two weeks after the attack, WDIV anchor and reporter and now visiting journalism professor Mike Lewis spoke with 50 OU students to get their reaction to Sept. 11 for his doctoral dissertation project on the effects the media has on the public. He said his research shows that television media coverage of Sept. 11 had a significant impact on the public psyche.

He added that college students also have a new focus since last September.

"I think you guys grew up a lot on Sept. 11," Lewis said. "Young people have obviously never been through anything like that. Your lives were all about yourselves, your friends, your cell phones, boyfriends ... All of a sudden, your world got a lot

bigger, a lot harder that day."

Bela Chopp, director of counseling at Graham Health Center, said she noticed a 5-10 percent increase in the number of people seeking counseling services in the weeks after Sept. 11.

"We kind of expected it (to be) a lot more, but we did see some increase," she said. "What we saw is that with our clients already here, we could see there was an intensification of anxiety. If people were depressed, those feelings also intensified. Virtually everyone who came to see us at that time talked about it. It was such a collective trauma."

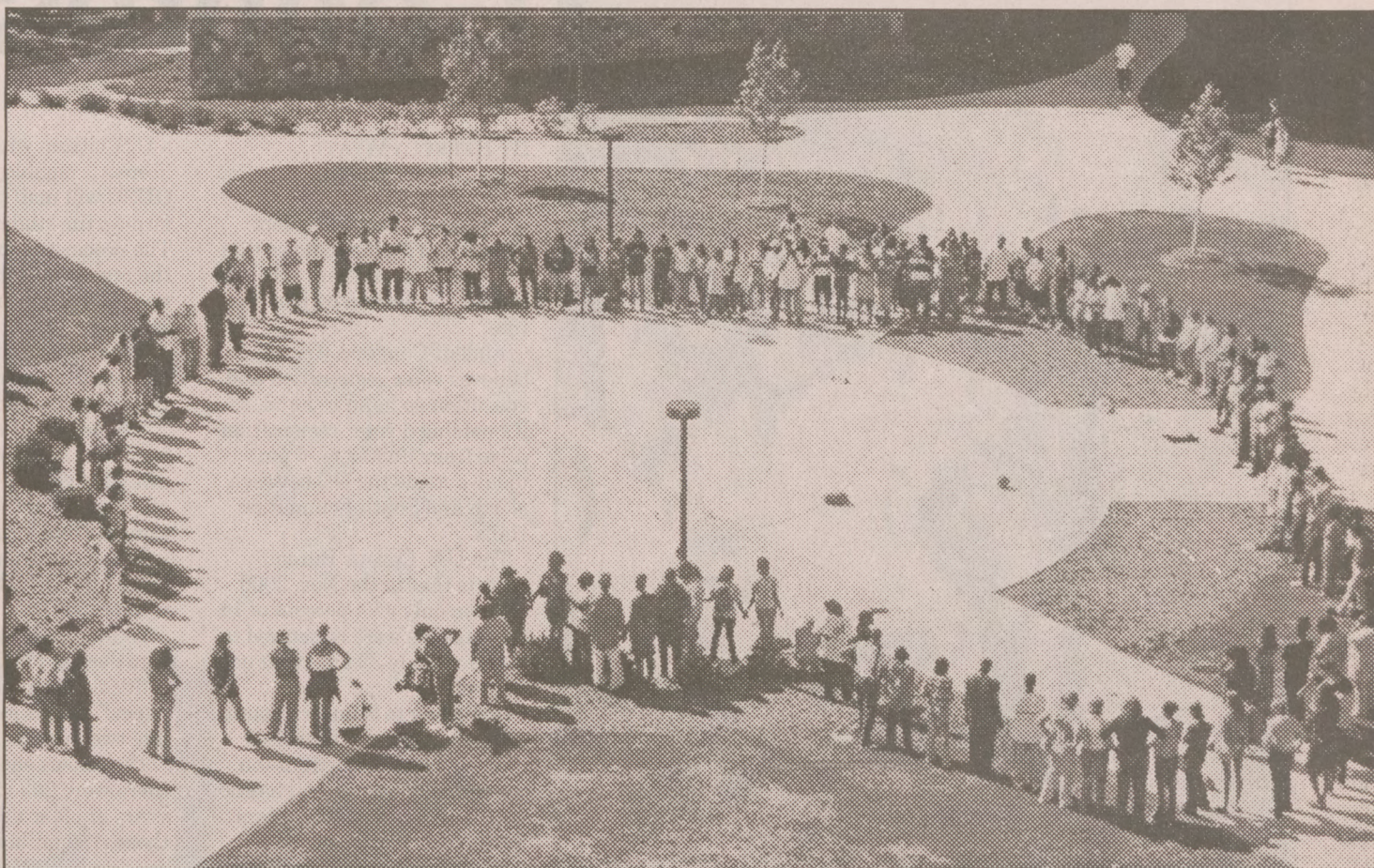
Chopp said the one-year anniversary has again put the attacks at the forefront of people's thoughts.

"I really do see that Sept. 11 did have a long lasting effect. There's more vulnerability ... people do not have as much control of their lives as they thought."

Many chose to stay closer to home after Sept. 11, a trend that severely hurt the travel industry. Airlines were the hardest hit, and even deeply discounted fares and heightened security at airports couldn't convince some people that flying was safe. In the past year, Sabena, Swissair, Aussett Australian and Vanguard (U.S.) airlines folded, and U.S. Airways filed for corporate reorganization.

Center for Student Activities Director Jean Ann Miller admitted she was nervous about flying after Sept. 11. She and six students opted to drive to a Boston National Student Service Conference last November.

Others were not as fearful.



Senior Jordan Tasich has no qualms about boarding an airplane. He has traveled to London, Atlanta and Washington, D.C. in the last year, and on each occasion he said it took him only a few minutes to pass through security checks.

When he crossed the Detroit-Windsor border in January the wait was also minimal, but he was frustrated by some of the stricter security policies.

"The (U.S.) customs guy coming back from Canada gave us a hard time. I'm like 'Here's my license. I'm an American citizen.' I shouldn't have to take my birth certificate everywhere," Tasich said.

Vice President for Student Affairs Mary Beth Snyder called Sept. 11 a generation-defining event.

"The students have changed in ways



Far above: OU students gathered around Hamlin Circle last Sept. 11 in a show of unity.

Above: A panel of OU faculty discuss Sept. 11 at "The Year in Retrospect" presentation yesterday.

Left: Flying high, a giant flag measuring 165 ft. by 195 ft. hung outside of the George P. Johnson Co. near Exit 81 on I-75 just past the Palace of Auburn Hills.

that we can only imagine. For them, the day will be a moment when they crystallized personal values in the same way that the assassination of President Kennedy and Vietnam forced their parents to decide what they believe in and value," she said.

OU President Gary Russi said he thought the attack brought the entire OU community closer together, a sense of camaraderie he still sees one year later.

"What struck me in the days and weeks following last Sept. 11 was the way students, faculty and staff came together in a cooperative effort to try to understand those horrid events," he said. "The entire Oakland University community banded together for support and understanding, and I think that feeling has carried on throughout the

year."

Though the OU community may have recovered, for the families of the 3,193 who died, and the thousands of rescue workers, volunteers and people living near the crash epicenters, life has permanently changed.

However, sophomore David Hilber said many of those who had strong emotions immediately after the attacks now share a common attitude of complacency.

"I guess it was pretty stirring. I suppose I felt closer to everyone because we all had the same thing in common," he said. "There's still those feelings in the background, but (they are) not as apparent as when it first happened."



Above: Heather Clement/The Oakland Post

Right: File Photo/The Oakland Post

Above: An aerial shot of Manhattan taken after Sept. 11 shows how dramatically different the skyline looks with the absence of the Twin Towers.

Right: When two hijacked airplanes hit the World Trade Center last September, thousands of people lost their lives in the worst attack on U.S. soil. Smoke and other debris from the fallen towers continued to cast a pall over New York City for over two months after the attacks.



as we knew it?

OU remembers

ADAM L. NEAL
LOCAL NEWS EDITOR

By noon last Sept. 11, OU was evacuated and deserted due to the terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. The university has planned a number of events for the campus community to remember and reflect on the terrorist attacks that happened one year ago today.

The idea of these events was to bring the OU community together, said Jean Ann Miller, director of the Center for Student Activities. She said the events were not designed to bring sorrow to the community but to reflect on how this event has changed the U.S.

The events started yesterday with the OUSC voter registration drive that runs through today. Students and staff can register to vote from 10 a.m.-6:30 p.m. at a table between North and South Foundation Halls.

A panel discussion took place from noon-1 p.m. yesterday in the Heritage Room of the OC.

Panelists Jane Briggs-Bunting, professor of journalism and a media law attorney, Don Matthews, assistant professor of history and Pete Trumbore, assistant professor of Political Science, reviewed events and emotions from the past year.

The one-year anniversary of 9/11 started at 8:50 a.m. today with Caroline Cates performing "Taps" on the steps of Kresge Library.

From noon until 1 p.m. today, a remembrance program is taking place at the Fireside Lounge.

This program is designed to reflect on the past year and honor all of the people who lost their lives in the terrorist attacks.

Also from noon-1 p.m. is the sign up for the OU blood drive. Students and staff can sign up at the 20/20 Information Center in the OC.

"We found that the blood drive is a way we can help," Miller said.

The Campus Ministries Organizations United (CMOU) is hosting a Sept. 11 reflection service at 5 p.m. outside O'Dowd Hall. Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. will hold a vigil at 10 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge in the OC.

A panel discussion on homeland security and campus security will be held from noon-1 p.m. on Thursday in the Gold Rooms.

Panelists Mike Strum of the Oakland County's Office of Emergency Preparedness, Lieutenant Richard Tomczak of the OU Police Department and

OU alumnus Tim Melton, Oakland County Commissioner, will talk about safety in Oakland County, and how well OU is prepared for emergencies.

"Most counties are waiting for federal funds to do something with terrorism. We are not waiting," Melton said. "Places like the (Daimler) Chrysler Headquarters, Pontiac Silverdome, universities, water supply companies and the GM Tech Center could all be possible targets, but no one knows for sure," he said.

A website, www2.oakland.edu/sep11 started shortly after Sept. 11 lets students and faculty share opinions and feelings about the attacks.

"It was designed by a former OU student Bradley Ackroyd," Margaret Willard-Traub, assistant professor of Rhetoric and faculty advisor for the project, said.

The site was originated by a discussion held by David Downing, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and Sharon Howell, interim chairperson for the Department of Rhetoric, Communication and Journalism.

Willard-Traub said she is happy with the feedback in the past year but is hoping to generate more pieces with the anniversary.

AmeriCorps is also registered through a new organization President George W. Bush set up called Unity in the Spirit of America.

Organizations select one person to honor that died Sept. 11. AmeriCorps selected Kris Hughes.

According to AmeriCorps, Hughes' favorite holiday was Thanksgiving. It is hosting an "Empty Bowls, Full Hearts" drive in his honor around the Thanksgiving holiday, on Nov. 7.

"The 'empty bowls' drive lets people come in and eat just bread and a bowl of soup," Crystal Wilkerson, AmeriCorps volunteer, said. "This is a way people can remember 9/11 in a different way."

Proceeds from the drive will benefit the Grace Centers of Hope in downtown Pontiac in order to provide Thanksgiving dinners for homeless people and people in crisis.

All of the Sept. 11 anniversary events are free and open to everyone.



Jeff Nowak, junior

On Sept. 11: "It really won't change the way things work around here. There will be one week of panic and then things will go back to the way they are unless someone uses this as an excuse for paranoia."

One year later: "I don't think things have changed. People are still operating on trying to make money. It seems to be more patriotism with style versus ideals."

On Sept. 11: "I think people are going to be more paranoid. Fear and awareness is going to go up, and people will put up their guards better."

One year later: "Our economy's messed up. The day it happened OU was all closed down. I heard WSU had a bomb scare. We shouldn't give in, but should be politically aware. It seems since 9/11 there has been a domino effect involving the economy, people are spending less money. People are more aware of the government."



Chris Duemling, junior

Visas delayed, denied

BY GAYLE ISSA
MANAGING EDITOR

Since Sept. 11, international students face visa delays and denials in their attempts to attend college in the U.S. OU's current and potential foreign students are no exception.

David Archbold, director of the International Students and Scholars Office (ISSO), said there are approximately 10 students en route to OU experiencing visa delays. They still hope to attend fall semester classes.

During the winter 2002 semester there were 164 international graduate students, 104 undergraduate students and 16 scholars. Together they represented 52 countries. Numbers for fall are not finalized because all the international students have not arrived.

Policies regarding international students have changed since Sept. 11 at both the federal and university level.

However, Archbold said the number of international applications to OU increased.

"This is encouraging because there are a lot more hurdles to get over now," he said. "Things are changing every day. All these things are necessary. We have to keep better track of foreign nationals living here. But it's impacting many because of the dastardly deeds of a few. I got into the business because I enjoyed the international education scene. Now it's about monitoring the ever-changing immigration policy in the new world

we live in."

An ISSO staff member cited sophomore Irfan Baftiu's case. Baftiu, an Albanian Muslim student from Kosovo, is on an F-1 visa (academic student visa).

Barbara Oakley, assistant professor of electrical and systems engineering at OU, is Baftiu's U.S. sponsor.

Baftiu said his reason for coming to the U.S. was to get an education.

"You can really make something out of nothing here," he said. He plans to return to Kosovo and open U.S. businesses there.

"I'm not doing this for myself. I have a couple hundred cousins who depend on me."

For four months Baftiu lived in a Macedonian refugee camp during the Kosovo crisis of the 90s. There, he translated for U.S. soldiers as well as Yale medical school students.

In return, the dean of Yale's medical school aided him in obtaining a U.S. visa. His first American sponsor was Oakley's sister. During his summer 2002 vacation in Kosovo he had difficulty renewing his one-year F-1 visa at the U.S. Embassy in Macedonia. His first visit to the embassy was with Oakley. They were not able to meet with officials because they did not have an appointment.

The second time he went alone and was denied a visa.

The third time he managed to renew his visa for two years.

"The rules are fair. Everything was right though. I don't know

why they should deny me. It wasn't like I hadn't been to Kosovo in 10 years. I had been denied twice in three years," Baftiu said. "I had faith but for more than one month I didn't know."

In Baftiu's absence Senator Carl Levin (D-Mich.) sent a letter on his behalf to the embassy. Baftiu said the female official attending to him at the embassy was

Macedonian-American. He said she might have discriminated against him. Her basis for refusing to renew his visa was that he had changed schools too many times. Baftiu participated in a summer post-high school program before attending OCC to improve his English in preparation for OU.

"I feel really bad about Sept. 11, but this country is not recognized by generalizations. Even though the terrorists were Muslim, the U.S. doesn't generalize. They don't have religion hatred. The only thing that counts is whether you're a good person," he said.

A change in federal law, however, makes a student's country of origin critically important. The

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"I'm not doing this for myself. I have a couple hundred cousins who depend on me."

Irfan Baftiu
International student

Routine daily habits challenged

How to commemorate the first year anniversary of Sept. 11 won't be found in any Emily Post etiquette book. What is the right or wrong way to remember it? For once, I ask a question that I can answer myself by saying there is no answer.

On the way to class today, if I want to pause and say a silent prayer remembering the worst day in U.S. history, I will. That might be right for me. For others it may be business as usual because routine is an unspoken security blanket. Habits of everyday happenings may be too difficult for some.

Yes, we will all remember our experience with that day last year that has been permanently red, white and blue tattooed into our memory banks. That day that was delivered to me from the car radio while I was running errands.

I went to vote that day. I realized the folks in the parking lot promoting their political candidates didn't know what had happened. We huddled. They asked to be filled-in on sketchy details. We were strangers. We became familiar neighbors for a few minutes, Democrats and Republicans united like a scrimmaging football team. I told them because I would've expected the same from anyone else were the situation reversed.



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Editor

I drove to OU to a music-absent day. Every radio station had the news of what was happening blaring. I walked into Wilson Hall for an academic advising appointment with Kevin Grimm, professor of English. I was opening the door when the eerie OU announcement for an evacuation came. I ran up to the English Department to make sure Grimm wasn't waiting for me. Thankfully, he wasn't.

Again, no music. No sounds in exiting OU lots. It was a silent urgency to get home to love ones.

I went home and found my mother sitting on the couch crying and stuck to the TV. Like mother, like daughter, the same was triggered in me. I tried doing my briefs for Law of the Press to no avail. I made some phone calls to check on people as I babbled gibberish I couldn't recall the next day.

Not knowing what to do the rest of the day, I went to church with my mother that evening. Mass was jam-packed and people of all faiths came together. I honestly felt people were there

because it was the humane thing to do. There were many families with small stoic children who didn't need to be nudged about proper church behavior.

My longtime Aussie pen pal called me early the next morning to check on me. From the other side of the globe she told me how concerned they all were about the Americans. She had a feeling she should call. I will never forget that phone call from thousands of miles away as she seemed to reach through the phone with her own push of support because she also didn't know what to do.

In the aftermath, people will always feel the effects from that unfortunate day. From civil liberties being taken from us, to the additional security at our airports, to the economy falling, to our relationships with other people.

Some of these changes are bad. Luckily, some of them can be positives. Once thing is certain, that day caused many of us to take an inventory of our lives.

I know it did me. It reminded me all over again of why I am happy to be a journalist and capture the human condition and whatever else it may call for.

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Society was not really changed by 9/11

Out of the tragedy of last September, there was a change in the American public.

Total strangers cried together, people from all different backgrounds behaved and acted as one.

It looked like a small touch of goodness was going to spring forth from all of the evil.

As I look back on society one year later, I'm not seeing where the changes have stuck with us. The only thing noticeably different is the economy, but let's not go there. It's too depressing.

Many of the positives that I noticed the week of last Sept. 11 have all but vanished.

After that fateful Tuesday, you stood a better chance of getting into a restaurant without a reservation than you did a blood bank.

The American Red Cross of Southeastern Michigan issued an emergency appeal for blood donations Sept. 4.

As the police and firefighters of New York risked their lives trying to save others, we came to the realization that these were the people that we should be looking up to, not our music celebrities or the winner of the latest version of "Survivor."

Today we've combined the two as "American Idol".

To emphasize the commercialization of our nation, to the winner of that show will be singing the Star Spangled Banner at a service to be held at the Lincoln Memorial.

Americans donated billions of dollars in aid after the attack on our country. It was a signal to the world that Americans are the most generous group of people you will ever meet.

Unfortunately such charity apparently only extends to strangers, as school, police and fire department millages failed to pass in many cities in Michigan.

The entertainment industry was expected to make some changes that would reflect our newfound outlook on life.

In the past year we've been expected to sit through two-hour commercials and humorless "comedies," much like the junk offered on the large screen for the past five years.

There has also been another boom in horror films, which were starting to lose popularity earlier in 2001. It's as if real life just isn't scary enough for people anymore.

Then, just in time for last November's start of the holiday season, Spy Games was released so we could once again pass our time making light of human death. It was soon followed by no fewer than 10 other action movies with plots centered on war or terrorism.

Admittedly, it is not my place to tell you what movies to watch or not to watch, but did we really need to see the city of Baltimore get hit with a nuclear bomb? Have we already forgotten what destruction on American soil looks like?

Deep in my heart of hearts, I know that some studio is already reviewing screenplays for "September Eleventh, The Movie." James Cameron will direct, and the loss of innocent life in New York will be reduced to a story of two lovers, one in the North Tower, one in the plane that crashed in Pennsylvania. Does anybody want to bet me that this movie won't be out in the next five years?

It's a shame that in 21st century America it took the occurrence of something drastic before people started making changes to their lifestyles. It's even more of a shame that the death of 8,000 innocent Americans was not drastic enough for these changes to last.

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Editorial

We all need to get informed

Today, Sept. 11, 2002, we still seek understanding of what happened in New York, Washington D.C. and Pennsylvania exactly one year ago.

The face of the war on terrorism changed during the last few weeks and months. The focus has shifted away from American troops in Afghanistan to possible U.S. military action against Iraq.

One year ago the U.S. Congress and American public strongly supported the rooting-out of terrorism. Yet today, the anti-Saddam Hussein movement, supposedly also in the name of ousting terrorists, does not receive the same vigorous backing.

Ridding the world of terrorism, a worthwhile political agenda, is feared to have serious ramifications because now its line of approach is attacking an entire country.

While President Bush and Vice President Cheney try to rally Congressional and international endorsement for this operation, there are many unanswered questions. Would such an attack invite the wrath of the rest of the Middle East? What is the exact nature of the threat Hussein poses in terms of weapons of mass destruction? What will Iraq look like if Bush's plan is carried out?

In Cheney's speech Monday, his basis for an attack was the supposed "marriage" between the Iraqi leader and terrorist organizations like Al-Qaeda. The Iraqi foreign affairs minister warned that his country would defend itself in the event of an attack.

The new approach of "preventive medicine" (fixing problems like Iraq before something happens) versus "corrective medicine" (dealing with problems like 9/11 after it happens) is logical. But is it ideal?

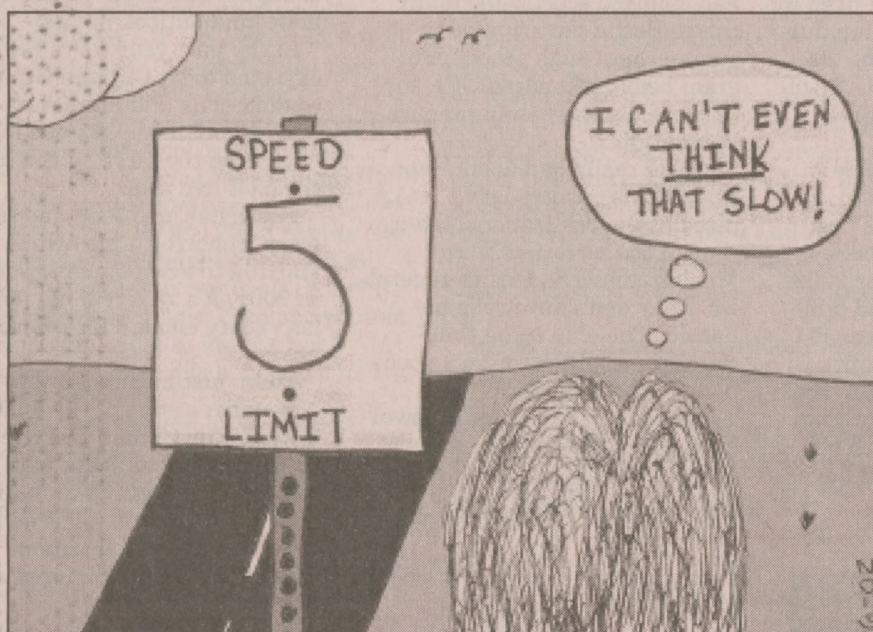
Our problem stretches further than New York, Kabul and Baghdad. The U.S. media has inundated the public, but we are caught in a vicious Catch 22. There is still too much ignorance about world affairs.

Gone are the days when it was enough to know only what your next-door-neighbor was doing. In an era of globalization, our neighbors are indeed other nations. It is vital that we read the newspapers, research history, get informed about current affairs and become proactive in voicing our opinions to the government that represents us.

Bush shouldn't invade Iraq without the backing of Congress and the public. In a speech made on Monday, he said that he doesn't need, "rules and regulations micro-managing the process for him." But this country's success is based on a system of checks and balances.

If 9/11 taught us only one thing, the lesson is that life is fragile. The whole world can change in a matter of minutes. And it did. We can always be caught unaware but we don't have to be caught uneducated. Whatever each person decides personally should entail a position that he or she is willing and able to defend intelligently.

We can be caught by surprise but knowledge is a powerful tool. Ignorance should be our most prevalent fear today.



Point/Counter Point

Should Sept. 11 be made a national holiday?

Yes

By RACHEL RYBICKI
LIFE EDITOR

President George W. Bush declared it a national tragedy. A moment of silence was taken to honor and remember those who lost their lives.

Many Americans will not forget the impact of Sept. 11 just as our grandparents and other family members will not forget the impact of World War II or Vietnam.

Innocent lives were lost at the expense of terrorism, including fathers, mothers, neighbors and friends.

Not only did the people who were in the World Trade Center and in the airplanes die, but many rescue workers fought hours of fatigue to find those who may still be alive. Some died while answering the call of duty with honor, and they deserve to be remembered.

The attack was not during a declared wartime; it was on the continental U.S. and against unarmed civilians. President Bush has declared this Sept. 11 Patriot's Day, and Congress is pushing for it to be a

national holiday from now on. Not only would it honor those who lost their lives, but those who gave of themselves. Those who gave blood, sent items to New York, went to help in the rescue and clean up and those who gave whatever they could, be it prayers or money.

We still mourn the attacks of Sept. 11 and the loss of thousands of people that day. Some of us know people in the armed forces who have been called to duty. Some have family who were in the WTC or on an airplane that day or who went to aid in the relief of the many fire and police departments in New York.

So many images flood my mind when I remember the moment I heard the news of the World Trade Center attack. I think of being in my car and wishing that it wasn't true. I was on my way to class. I never made it. I sat outside the classroom in Varnier and watched the towers collapse while I held hands with strangers and prayed for those who lost their lives and for their families.

Remembering moments like those are what the holiday is about not just a day to lay on the beach or go jet skiing on the lake up north like so many of us do on national holidays.

No

By LAURA ANGUS
SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

Sept. 11 is a very significant event in our lives and in American history, and should not be forgotten. However, it seems very foolish to me to make that day a holiday.

By taking just one day to sit and remember, we would be giving the terrorists who orchestrated the attack everything they wanted for one day. By marking that day with such significance, and letting the memory of the attack prevent us from living our lives normally - we would be giving in to them.

The terrorist group that did this wanted to destroy America's way of life, and they would succeed if we spent the anniversary of the attack with daylong memorials, or parades and fanfare. Even if it were only for one day, they would defeat us for that one day.

I can almost see the films on CNN of the celebrations going on across the world at our expense. I can almost hear the glee in our enemies' voices as they chant 'America is Defeated' or

Dear Editor:

An editorial was published in the Chicago Tribune this past July that began like this:

"Imagine a population in which nine of every 10 people who tested positive for HIV, the virus that causes AIDS, hadn't known they had it, and might be transmitting it to their partners. That was the one finding presented in July at the global AIDS conference in Barcelona...."

This is scary stuff. Especially for young adults attending college an out on their own for the first time. HIV prevention begins with the person who's reflection is seen in the mirror. Unfortunately, the stigma surrounding HIV prevents many from getting tested, even after all these years and with even with information the Trib published staring us in the face.

College students need to be reminded that there is a safe, effective, and convenient

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OUSC vice president taste tests



MICHELLE JAMIAN

Student Body Vice President

I bet it's not everyday that you see a girl in the Pioneer food court eating hamburgers like it's her job. Well, my real job of course, is your student body vice-president! But hand in hand with that I think is 'taste-testing' the new food at our university to make sure that it is safe for you. After all, I'm only looking out for my fellow students and peers! Well, let me report: Coyote Jack's beats Burger King by a long run. In fact, it's so satisfying I can't stay away! Next

week's report: Chick-Fil-A (although I'm sure you can tell by now what my favorite food is). Chartwells, the new food service, offers tasty new trends, fair prices and great customer service. You can thank me when you see me wandering around campus with burger and fries in hand. Of course, you are always welcome to visit me in Student Congress' Office in the lower level of the OC, also home of your "fearless" presidential leader, Brian Tomina. But, make sure you bring a hamburger or two - they're my favorite.

Welcome Week was a huge success at Oakland University this past week. I mean, who can complain about free ice cream from Student Affairs,

the comedic styling of Jimmy Fallon and a free raffle drawing from your Student Congress? If you missed out on Welcome Week, then that means one of two things. Either you're one of those students who goes to class and then disappears as soon as possible (which by the way, you'll need to work on, if that describes you) or you don't like ice cream and free stuff (which I don't think is humanly possible).

In walking around attacking you with raffle tickets, I have not only seen old friends, but have met many new faces as well. It's so nice to see our campus community grow each year. It wouldn't be normal to start my day without fighting for a parking spot!

This week, there are a lot of exciting things coming up. Student Congress is holding a huge voter registration drive. There will be free food, games, cotton candy, snow cones ... the list goes on! Brian and I will be in attendance, along with local candidates and politicians, and you can also expect to see our astounding university president, Dr. Gary Russi. With Sept. 11 in our midst this week, it's a great opportunity to exercise your right to vote and the pride that you show in our country. Of course, free food is always a great incentive and I know OU students never miss that opportunity! Stop by today between North and South Foundation Halls, 10:30 a.m.-6 p.m.

Generation gap not so wide



BARBARA SHEA POTE

Columnist

"This generation just doesn't understand." Probably one of the oldest phrases ever uttered, or should I say muttered, in history. I can remember my parents' bafflement by the Beatles and rock-n-roll and "new" math.

My husband's parents wouldn't let him wear jeans to school because to their Depression era way of thinking, only the very poor wore dungarees. My mother-in-law is still appalled when she tells the story of a girl, a high school classmate, calling my husband for a date.

Now I am the amazed and

appalled one when I realize what nice girls will do. I am amazed that there are nice girls with pierced tongues, tattoos, tight shirts and condoms in their pockets. Actually, I think that last part is smart because above all, I think you need to protect yourself (but that's a different column).

I grew to maturity during the activist generation of the 70s. Everyone had a cause. We were all helping someone "out there". Peace, love, rock-n-roll and dope were the watch words many people lived by. Some wonderful organizations grew out of this activism.

I think this generation or really any generation, doesn't understand what each generation before it went through. Every generation goes through hardship, sacrifice,

creativity, invention, protest and angst. Each generation stupidly thinks they are the only one to do so. It is only when we are old enough to look backward, past ourselves to our parents and their parents, that we realize we all have challenges and rewards. These challenges and rewards have a different cost and a different value but they are present in all our lives.

In the last century there were many events that profoundly effected the generation of that time. The colonialism in the early part of the century led to World War I. The next generation reacted to its savagery by outlawing liquor then drinking it by the gallon and showing off their knees. By carving up Europe and subjugating Germany, the frenzied excess of the 20s led to the financial and spiri-

tual depression of the 30s. A natural balance to this was the uprising of German 'patriotism' and the fiscal prosperity during and post World War II.

I think you can see where I am going with this chain of historical events. What my generation is doing effects you now and what you will do in twenty years when you are in control (I say that with tongue in cheek because none of us are really in control). The policies and leaders of our country are still being profoundly influenced and effected by the Vietnam War and it's surrounding fall out. How we react and what we do after the attack of last September will effect at least three generations: me, you and your children. So we better do it right and we better do it smart.

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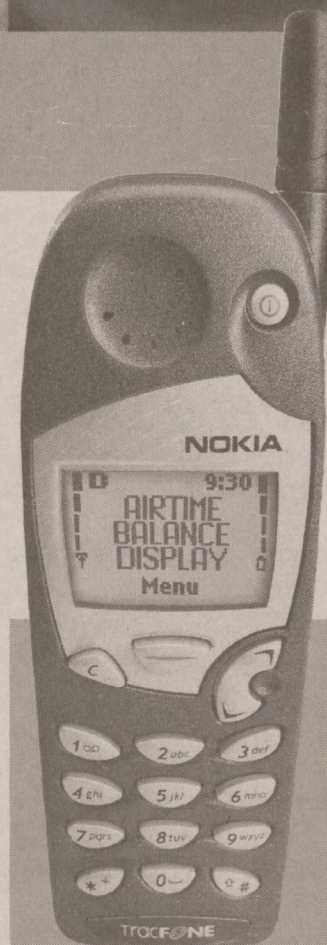
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OC

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ties.
"We'll be able to do banquets and a variety of different kinds of events whether it might be a dance or a lecture," Fekel said.

He anticipates the building expansion to be complete by fall 2008.

Some students said they are excited about the changes. "I would use it around noon if I had a break to eat my lunch," said freshman Rachel Bruce.

Fekel admitted there are some downfalls to this expansion.

"The biggest problem with this project is its right in the heart of campus, and it's going to interfere with our main artery into the building," Fekel said.

Starting in late September, temporary sidewalks will be put in to help students and faculty get around.

This summer the OC underwent minor renovations and upgrades. The southeast and northwest entrances were remodeled.

Ground breaking for the new project is set for Oct. 11 at 4:30 p.m. on the west side of the OC.

The Oakland Post invites interested students to apply for a position on its board of directors. The board meets 6 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month in 61 OC. For more information, call Ann at (248) 370-4268.

VISA

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U.S. Patriot Act and other legislation created a mandatory 30-day waiting period for students from Islamic countries for the purpose of extensive background checks. According to Archbold, this also targets Bush's "axis of evil" countries: Iraq, Iran and North Korea.

"The process at universities is much more rigorous now," he said. Archbold said that documents are checked for validity and timeliness with more scrutiny in the ISSO.

A new Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) law became effective in April. It requires anyone entering the U.S. as a visitor or changing their status to a visitor, who later wants to change their status to that of a student, to apply for and receive approval of their change before attending the school.

Though students used to change their status after arriving

in the U.S., this poses a problem after Sept. 11. Archbold refers students dealing with this issue to an immigration lawyer.

Freshman Ingrid Mortensen, an international student from Norway after facing visa problems, now plays for the OU women's soccer team. According to the ISSO she classified herself as a "possible student" on her I-94 card (arrival and departure card). An official at the ISSO said in reference to this glitch, "There used to be wiggle room but since Sept. 11 things are tight with the INS so we have to follow the letter of the law."

According to Kristen Arnott, sports information assistant, Mortensen had to fly home on her own expense in order to handle the problem. The Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS) will be implemented in January to target new students and ultimately students who have been

here longer.

SEVIS, an Internet-based system, maintains information on non-immigrant students, exchange visitors and their dependents. SEVIS enables school officials to transmit information and event notifications via the Internet, to the INS and Department of State throughout a student's stay in the U.S. The system will reflect status changes (admissions at Port of Entry), change of address and change of major.

In response Archbold is allowing students 10 days after arrival in the U.S. to visit him. He plans to monitor OU international students using an electronic account. He will require proof of a full time schedule.

"Federal requirements that had been in place are now being implemented. It's the law now," he said.

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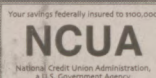
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Oakland University Remembers September 11

Wednesday, September 11-Patriot Day (Wear Red, White and Blue)

• "Taps" performed on the steps of Kresge Library at 8:50 a.m. "Taps" is being performed by Caroline Cates, an OU student.

9-11 Remembrance

A remembrance program to reflect on the past year and honor those who died and survived the terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center, the Pentagon, and United Flight 93 in rural Pennsylvania.

Noon-1:00 p.m. - Fireside Lounge, Oakland Center

• How You Can Help: Give Blood - Kick Off for OU's Fall Blood Drive on October 14, 15 & 16

Noon-1:00 p.m. - Sign up at the 20/20 Information Center, Oakland Center

9-11 Reflections

Sponsored by Campus Ministries Organizations United (CMOU)

5:00 p.m. - Outdoors, North Side of O'Dowd Hall (Rain site: Oakland Room, Oakland Center)

9-11 Vigil

Sponsored by Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

10:00 p.m. - Fireside Lounge, Oakland Center

Thursday, September 12

"Homeland Security & OU Security: Are We Safer?"

A panel discussion about how safe are we in Oakland County and OU faced with acts of terrorism. Panelists include Tim Melton, Oakland County Commissioner; Mike Strum, Oakland County's Office of Emergency Preparedness; and Lieutenant Richard Tomczak, Oakland University Police Department.

Noon-1:00 p.m. - Gold Rooms, Oakland Center



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AT THE CSA SERVICE WINDOW

✓Reservations for:

- Seniors: Set Your Sail! - September 28
- AIDA - September 22 & 26
- 42nd Street - November 3, 6 & 10

✓Tickets on Sale for:

- Detroit Tigers vs New York Yankees - September 20
- Meadow Brook Fall Ball - October 18

Student and Greek Organizations Registration

The registration packets for Student and Greek Organizations are now available and can be picked up in the CSA office. For current student organizations, don't forget to turn in your registration packet by September 27. For anyone who is interested in forming a new student organization, you will need at least four registered Oakland University students, a faculty/staff advisor, and statement of your purpose or constitution to register. The CSA office is happy to assist you in this process.

Welcome to CSA

Christina Tierman, Coordinator of Student Organizations and Greek Life
Sara Crampton, Coordinator of Student Leadership Development

THE EDGE

ON CAMPUS

• Interested in all that is German. That means beer, bratwurst, pretzels and, of course, Hasselhoff. Well, you're in luck. The German club meets at 6 p.m. today in Lake Superior Room C in the OC. Show up and be enlightened.

• So what's a Christian who wants to be involved to do at OU? Why, join the Intervarsity Christian Fellowship, of course. The group meets for a rockin' good time filled with retreats, worship, bible study and much more. Get your praise on.

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CONCERTS

• Money Mark, former keyboard player for the Beastie Boys, will be messing it up at 7 p.m. tomorrow at The Shelter. Openers will be Funktelligence and DJ Mark e.p. Tickets are available through Ticketmaster.

• Renowned rockers Queens of the Stone Age shall be thoroughly rocking all those in attendance at 7:30 p.m. Friday at the State Theatre. Opening will be the band with the coolest name in all of rock: ...and you will know us by the trail of dead. All ages are welcome. Tickets are available at all Ticketmaster locations.

• The best rock band that you've never heard of is coming to Detroit. Matador recording artist Interpol will be busting out their updated new wave sound at 9 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 27 at the Majestic Theatre. Openers will be a series of Ghostly International recording artists including Midwest Product. This is sure to be the hippest show in town. Buy tickets at www.ticketmaster.com.

• Detroit's own Slum Village will be performing at 9 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 24 at St. Andrew's Hall. The show is all ages. Tickets are available through Ticketmaster.

• Victory Records recording artist Snapcase bring the hardcore stylings to Detroit at 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 13 at St. Andrew's Hall.

• Former Dinosaur Jr. frontman J. Mascis will rock Detroit at 8 p.m. on Thursday, October 17. Tickets are available through Ticketmaster.

THE LYRIC OF THE WEEK

"Where were you when the world stopped turning on that September day? Were you in the yard with your wife and your children or working on some stage in L.A.?"

Did you stand there in shock at the sight of that black smoke rising against the blue sky? Did you shout out in anger, in fear for your neighbor or did you just sit down and cry."

—Alan Jackson
"Where were you"

Falling into film

Directors have much in store for audiences this fall, including a debut from Detroit's own, Eminem

PATRICK LABADIE & BRIAN URRETA
THE OAKLAND POST

As the dog-days of summer come to a close, temperatures drop and leaves descend welcoming the season of fall. In Hollywood, fall is generally the season when movie studios release the films that are in a word, crap. So without further ado, here is a preview and warning of what to expect on the big screen this fall.

The Transporter

Release date: Sept. 13

The latest from action director extraordinaire Luc Besson ("Leon: The Professional," "La Femme Nikita") stars "Lock Stock" veteran Jason Statham as some kind of secret agent. From the trailer, it would appear in the film he fires a lot of handguns, busts out many a martial arts move and beds an attractive Asian woman. This is supposed to be some kind of "next generation of action hero" type of thing.

Igby Goes Down

Release date: Sept. 13

The Culkins are back in full effect. Kieran (middle Culkin) stars as a 17-year-old trying to break free from the world of old money New York. The "Catcher in the Rye"-like tale features Culkin flunking out of prep school, stealing credit cards and sleeping with older women. The all-star cast also boasts Susan Sarandon, Bill Pullman, Ryan Phillippe, Claire Danes and Jeff Goldblum.

Four Feathers

Release date: Sept. 20

The cast reads like a who's who list of young Hollywood: Wes Bentley, Heath Ledger, Kate Hudson. However, the film lies in the old Hollywood tradition of epic cinema ("Lawrence of Arabia," et al.). Set among the 19th century British aristocracy, heroism, loyalty and exotic locales all play a part. In addition, Ledger and Bentley play rugby. It's also a remake.

The Tuxedo

Release date: Sept. 27

When bad guys are trying to steal a tuxedo that will help them take over the world, it's up to chauffeur Jackie Chan to save the day. Unfortunately, "The Tuxedo" is just another Chan movie buddy movie, oh boy. This time around, singer, turned actress, turned singer Jennifer Love Hewitt pairs as Chan's partner of laughs, just more proof that the apocalypse is near.

Red Dragon

Release date: Oct. 4

Dr. Hannibal "The Cannibal" Lecter's legacy of evil begins in the prequel to the classic, "The Silence of the Lambs." In this first installment, imprisoned Lecter leads Agent Will Graham, played by Edward Norton, on a cat and mouse chase to apprehend the serial killer known as "The Tooth Fairy." The Thomas Harris novel "Red Dragon" has already been adapted to screen in the 1986 made-for-television film "Manhunter," which is surprisingly not bad.

Jackass: The Movie

Release date: Oct. 10

Alligators, staples, little people and Party Boy, oh how "Jackass" is missed. Johnny Knoxville and friends are back this fall bringing their recently defunct MTV show to the big screen. With gross, laugh-out-loud antics, the boys promise to take "Jackass" to a new 'too hot for TV' level.

Punch-Drunk Love

Release date: Oct. 18

Adam Sandler stars in P.T. Anderson's 89-minute comedy. The film is a departure for both director and star. Sandler plays a salesman who buys pudding in order to get frequent flyer miles and falls in love with a harmonium playing girl. The film's acid-trip trailers are sparse and reveal little about the film. Also, be sure to check it out for performances by Anderson-regulars Luis Guzman and Philip Seymour Hoffman, as well as Academy Award nominee Emily Watson.

8 Mile

Release date: Nov. 8

Rapper Eminem, riding high off the success of his album and tour, hopes to once again put Detroit on the map with the pseudo-biography "8 Mile." What Eminem doesn't seem to realize is that everyone already knows his life story, white boy defies the odds in the hood. Why spend \$12 to see "8 Mile" on the big screen, when you can see the real 8 Mile for free.

Phone Booth

Release date: Nov. 11

Director Joel Schumachers post-"Tigerland" collaboration with Colin Farrell, stars as a hot shot publicist trapped in a New York phone booth. The sniper on the other line also complicates matters. This claustrophobic thriller has the potential to be a very cool movie.

Die Another Day

Release date: Nov. 22

Austin who? Pierce Brosnan returns this fall in his last stint as Agent 007 in "Die Another Day." With the terrorist threat of an ice age looming, it's up to Bond to save humanity with cold days and hot nights. Bond's harems this time around are Oscar winner Halle Berry as Jinx and newcomer Rosamund Pike as Miranda Frost. Lost are the days of Pussy Galore.

Solaris

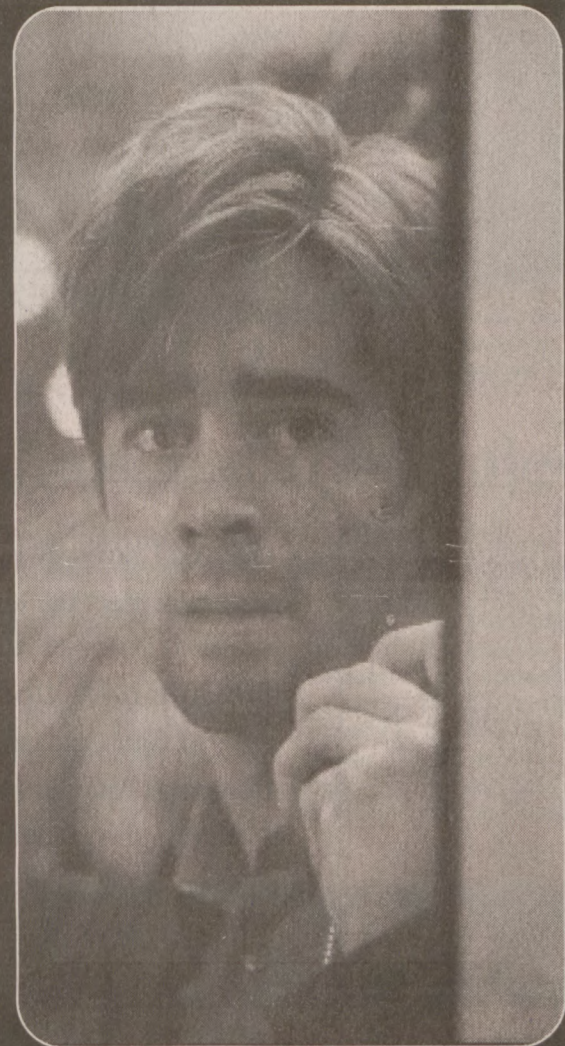
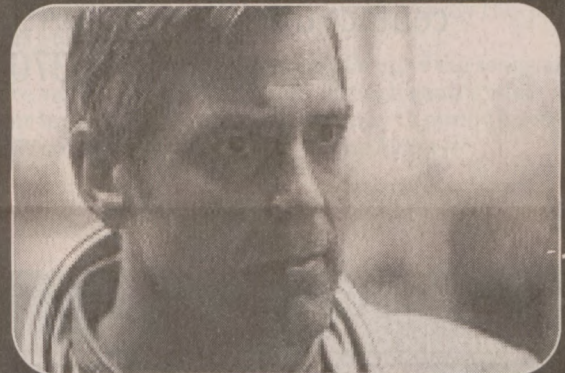
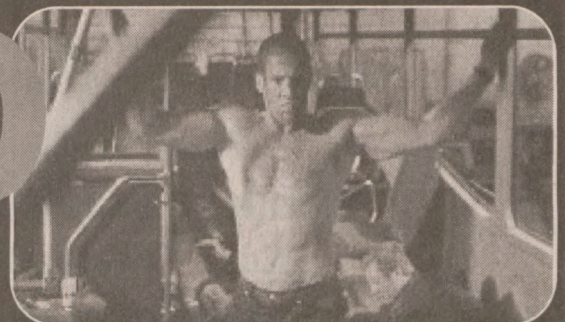
Release date: Nov. 27

The unstoppable pair director Steven Soderbergh and actor George Clooney who teamed in both "Out of Sight" and "Ocean's 11" return in the sci-fi drama "Solaris." Little is known about the film with those involved keeping a very tight lip about the project. The plot revolves around a space station crew who experiences mysterious events while orbit an ocean planet.

Adaptation

Release date: Dec. 6

With "Being John Malkovich," director Spike Jonze thrust himself as one of the unique visionary directors of this time. Prior to his breakout film, Jonze was primarily known for his direction in classic music videos for artists Bjork, Weezer and the Beastie Boys. Jonze sophomore return is the comedy "Adaptation," starring Nicholas Cage and Meryl Streep. "Adaptation" is an account of a screenwriters, Cage, struggle in adapting a non-fiction book, authored by Streep's character, into a film.



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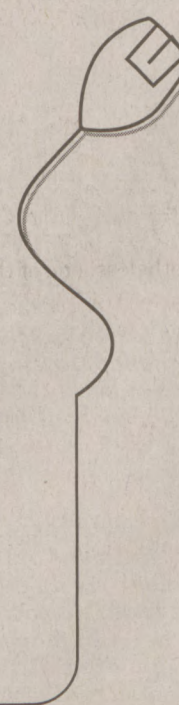
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Home Video

DVD pens VHS's epitaph

Embraced by public, industry, new format will replace cassettes

BY ADAM L. NEAL
LOCAL NEWS EDITOR

Records to 8-tracks, 8-tracks to cassette tapes, cassette tapes to CDs, CDs to MP3s. Over the past 30 years, the music industry watched a tremendous change in the way music is purchased.

Music isn't the only thing that has changed in the last 100 years. Digital Versatile Discs (DVD) have revolutionized the film industry, evolving into the biggest phenomenon in home entertainment ever.

According to the *New York Times*, DVD players went from zero to 30 million households in a mere five years. Nothing has come close in such a short time. Not CDs, VHS, personal computers or even television did that.

DVDs have come a long way since the Beta and VHS tapes. They have done to VHS what VHS did to Beta in the 80s: pushed it into virtual extinction.

The VHS tape is an analog videotape format developed in the early 80s. The detail resolution is 220 lines, less than half of what a DVD is capable of broadcasting.

DVDs look like regular CDs. However, the DVDs record on a much smaller area than CDs do, which allows more data to be placed on a DVD.

Brian Hart, product specialist at Best Buy in Auburn Hills, said he thinks the quality is very noticeable.

"If you watch a movie on VHS, then watch the digitally re-mastered copy on DVD, you can't help but notice how much sharper the images are and how much more the color stands out," he said.

According to the *New York Times*, the meteoric increase in DVD sales is the major factor in the demise of VHS. Last year was the first time ever DVD sales surpassed those of videocassettes. Like the transition from vinyl to CDs over a decade ago, major retailers are showing signs of making the permanent switch.



A customer browses through the DVD rack at Chart Hits Video in Auburn Hills. Many retailers are making the switch from VHS to DVD.

In just a few short years, major studios have embraced the format for new releases, as well as reissues of older films on disc.

"DVDs are doing to VHS what the CDs did to cassette tapes. Soon people will have to buy VHS over the Internet because (Best Buy) won't be selling them for very long," Hart said.

According to industry projections, Americans will spend nearly \$3 billion more on DVDs this year than they did last, an increase of 50 percent.

A major reason for the transition is DVDs are more likely to be bought than rented because of their extra features.

DVDs offer many more goodies than VHS tapes including widescreen capability, no rewinding, superior digital audio, director commentary and a wealth of supplementary materials—essentially changing the way Americans watch movies at home.

DVDs are also more durable than VHS tapes which wear down and decrease in picture quality after each viewing.

The film in VHS tapes has to be physically touched by the VCR every time a VHS tape is watched. This wears down the film and can lead to low quality or even a break in the film.

Adding to DVD's popularity is the fact that most personal computers and gaming systems now play them. This means people are no longer bound to their couches. They can watch DVDs anywhere: on trains, buses or even at work.

Jonathan Spenceley, sophomore, agrees with the reasons people are using DVDs more than VHS tapes.

"The quality is way better in DVDs," he said. "VHS tapes could break where DVDs can't unless they get scratched."

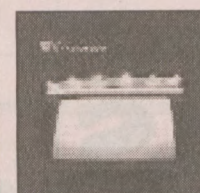
DVD players have also come down in price to make them more affordable to the entire community. When DVD players first came out, the cost was more than \$1,000. According to Hart, Best Buy is selling one for around \$60, cheaper than most of the VCRs they are selling.

Disadvantages of DVD players include lack of recording capability. They cannot record anything off TV.

DVD burners are now available for less than \$1,000, but are steadily dropping.

No one is certain when the next big format will come out. VHS lasted for about 20 years. The time frame for DVD has yet to be determined. One this is for sure though. DVD is the present.

Music

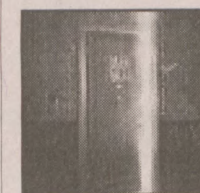


Interpol
"Turn on the Bright Lights"
Matador

★★★★

The Strokes-like buzz surrounding New York's latest darlings Interpol is deafening. However, this snazzily-dressed New York quartet lives up to the hype with their debut full length "Turn on the Bright Lights." The record provides the consistency one desires from a rock band, without the repetition. Each track delivers a new aural treasure. Every subsequent listen uncovers new textures, themes and influences. Singer Paul Banks broods over Daniel Kessler's angular, echo-drenched guitar, whose stunning instrumentation punctuates the entire record.

At times, the record is derivative ("Say Hello to the Angels" bites the Smiths). In fact, most critics (like this one) cite the influence of bands like Joy Division and Echo and the Bunnymen. The influence of these landmark post-punk acts on the Interpol sound cannot be denied. However, any music critic worth his salt would be amiss if he forgot to mention that this is a damn fine rock record. — Patrick Labadie



Silverchair
"Diorama"
Atlantic

★★★★

Ah, kids—they grow up so fast, don't they? It seems like just yesterday that 16-year-old Daniel Johns, flaxen-haired frontman of Aussie trio Silverchair,

was taking his place in line as grunge rock's next tragic hero. Thankfully, the Nirvana tribute that was 1995's "Frogstomp" was just a youthful phase, and Silverchair survived the slow demise of grunge culture. Still, critics branded the group as derivative trend-hoppers, a label their angst-heavy sophomore effort, "Freak Show," did little to refute.

As the boys inched their way into adulthood with 1999's "Neon Ballroom," some insisted Silverchair would eventually make some damn good music. With "Diorama," that future is now. Johns and his mates have crafted one of the most dizzyingly gorgeous albums of the new millennium. It is not until the third or fourth listen that the record's melodic genius is revealed. Patient listeners are rewarded, as the disc's many musical twists and turns gradually smooth over into a warm sonic blanket that fits snugly around Johns' effective lyrics. — Adam Spindler



Tarwater
"Dwellers on the Threshold"
Mute/Kitty-Go

★★★★

Tarwater's "Dwellers on the Threshold" shows what great electronic music really is. Berliners Bernd Jesträm and Ronald Lippok of to rococo rot craft music that, like much music made artificially, is repetitive. Yet they brilliantly fashion an organic collage of sound. The abundance of sonic variety gives the music its complexity. This is clear in "Be Late," which opens with a mellow electronic piano and builds slowly crescendoing into a truly brilliant piece of downtempo electronica.

"Dwellers" offers a sound not only rich in tone, but also rich in vocal texture. In "1985" Lippok's melancholy voice lingers sullenly between speech and song. He tells of the earth moving. Vocally this is very different from his punk roots.

"Dwellers" is a musical journey, and while all of the songs are electronica, they are varied. The duo traverses through genres while remaining true to their laptops. The tracks go from jazzy to purely electronic, and on to almost tribal tunes like "Phin." — Nick McIntyre

Cinema

Tap dancing Nazis highlight Brooks' gem

BY PATRICK LABADIE
ASSISTANT LIFE EDITOR

After opening to mixed reviews in 1968, Mel Brooks' "The Producers" has edged its way into classic status, appearing on numerous "funniest films ever made" lists. In addition, it was dubbed "the funniest movie of all time" by Roger Ebert.

A lot of hype for a film to live up to no doubt, but "The Producers" anything goes humor delivers in droves. The film's 88-minute running time is a madcap comedic assault on the senses.

Max Bialystock (Zero Mostel), sporting one of cinema's worst comb-overs, is a formerly great Broadway producer now forced to fool around with elderly women in order to raise funds for his flops. After his neurotic accountant Leo Bloom (Gene Wilder) reveals that the "IRS doesn't care about flops," he proposes "a little academic accounting theory." Bloom suggests that one could make more off a flop than a hit since the investors don't have to be paid off. The two cook up a scheme



Gene Wilder, Kenneth Mars and Zero Mostel in Mel Brooks' classic comedy "The Producers."

The Producers

Rated PG
Running Time: 88 minutes

to raise \$1 million for the play, producing it for \$60,000 and pocketing the rest. The only thing they need is a play so bad that it will close after one performance.

The pair select "Springtime for Hitler and Germany: A Gay Romp with Adolf and Eva at Berchtesgaden," a love letter

to the Third Reich. Bialystock and Bloom visit author Franz Liebkind (Kenneth Mars), the Nazi playwright, to secure the rights to the play. Liebkind tells them, "Not many people know the Fuhrer was a great dancer."

In order to ensure the show's failure, they hire "the worst director in the world," the ostentatious Roger De Bris (Christopher Hewett). After a hilarious casting session, the role of Hitler goes to a stoned-

out hippie aptly named L.S.D. (Dick Shawn). To further the chances of horrible reviews, Bialystock attempts to bribe the *New York Times* theater critic.

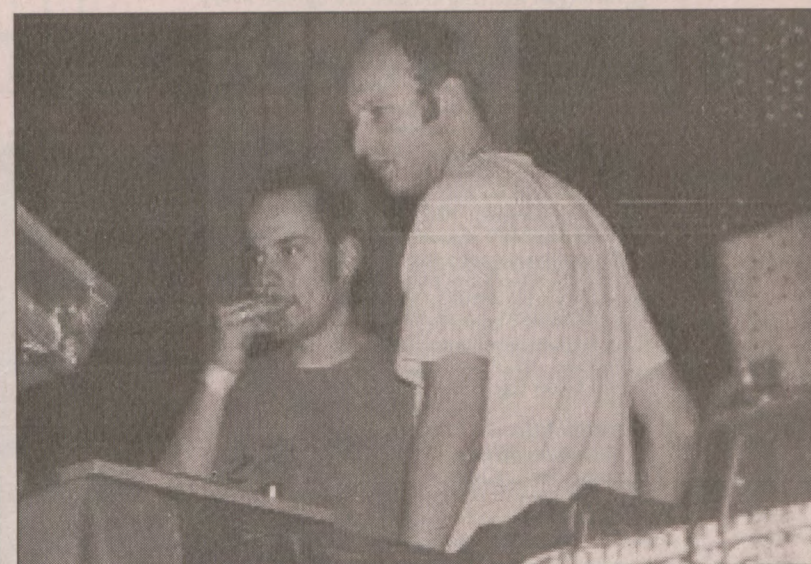
"It's springtime for Hitler and Germany, and winter for Poland and France," sings the chorus in the over-the-top title number-complete with tap-dancing Storm Troopers in jackboots and showgirls adorned with pretzels, knockwurst and beer. The sequence builds into a hilarious Busby Berkeley-inspired overhead shot. The audience is left slack-jawed with its offensiveness.

However, the show becomes a hit and their plans are ruined.

The film's strength is Brooks script. His ability to push the envelope, converting the Nazis into a bunch of misunderstood creative types is just as hilarious and revolutionary today as it was back in 1968. Not to mention, the frenzied performances of both Mostel and Wilder make the film one for the ages.

"The Producers" is showing exclusively at the Detroit Film Theatre running Sept. 13-15. Call (313) 833-3237 for ticket information.

Live



Jürgen von Knoblauch and Claas Brieler of Jazzanova survey the scene at the Majestic Theatre on Saturday night.

Jazzanova at the Majestic

Touring to support the release of its debut full-length "In Between," the German electronic group Jazzanova blasted through a live DJ set the Majestic Theatre in Detroit on Saturday.

The WDET-sponsored event opened with a performance by Ayro, an artist blending jazz and electronica. Next, Koop's Magnus Zingmark spun a delicious mix of groove, salsa

and afro-beat stylings—rather different than his jazz-heavy release "Waltz for Koop." The evening truly started after Jazzanova took over. The group's selection was impeccable. Spinning everything from jazz to electro to techno, the crowd was but putty in the hands of a master sculptor. The set was a stunning display, lasting until 2:30 a.m. Nice job, lads. — Patrick Labadie

Williams ventures to dark side in 'Photo'

BY BRIAN URRETA
THE OAKLAND POST

With the end of the big summer movie blockbusters/blunders, Hollywood sleepwalks its fall duds to the screens as it prepares for the holiday rush.

Nonetheless, one of the year's best films to date has silently crept its way onto movie screens with little to no press: the sharp, thriller "One Hour Photo."

Robin Williams once again attempts to smash his image of the erratically tiring prince of comedy, as Seymour Parrish, the blond haired, Velcro-shoed photo technician at the local Savmart.

Parrish develops a sick fascination with the Yorkin family, whose pictures he's developed for years in turn adopting them as his own. And when that

perfect family unravels to show their expected imperfect nature, "Uncle Sy" takes matters into his own hands making his presence known to the unsuspecting Yorkin household.

With this role, Williams welcomes the audience into the mind of a stalking madman who sees himself as anything but.

Many would consider this part to be taboo for Williams. But after films such as "Death to Smoochy" and "Insomnia," Williams is quickly developing a reputation as a versatile actor. With a wonderfully crafted script from first time director Mark Romanek and crisp acting, Williams molds himself into Parrish. Without a doubt, this character is dangerously psychotic, yet Williams has a way of creating sympathy for Sy the photo guy.

One Hour Photo

Rated R
Running Time: 95 minutes

He has a surprisingly unique way of displaying the raw desperation and emptiness in Parrish's life. Unquestionably, Williams has thrust himself into Oscar contention in this once-in-a-lifetime role.

Romanek also establishes himself in fine fashion. He first established his dark vision making music videos for artists such as Nine Inch Nails and Fiona Apple. Then he followed in the steps of David Fincher and Spike Jonze making the jump from music videos to feature films.

Romanek's dazzling use of camera and color spirals the audience into the madness of Sy's droning visions of emotionless pain. This is most promi-

nently displayed within the surreal sequences of Parrish's dreams/nightmares.

Clearly, Romanek is a powerhouse behind the lens and is sure to have many movie-goers licking their chops in the future.

At times, the film moves at a uniquely slow pace, reminiscent to that of "Memento," which only heightens the suspense within the film. The best scenes in the film are those where the dialogue is at a minimum, where subtle glances and eerie silences portray such a wonderful feeling of discomfort. "One Hour Photo" has its faults along the way.

Nonetheless, good films are hard to come by in this day and age, and when they do it's important to praise them for being able to stand out above the rest.

Editor's Pick

Thomas Video

A hidden gem of southeast Michigan lies just between S. Main Street and 14 Mile Road in Clawson. Where does one go when they just can't seem to find that one out-of-print Italian film because no other video chain carries it? Why, Thomas Video, of course. On the outside, Thomas Video seems to be a run-down shabby "mom and pop" store specializing in the business of cell phones. But on the inside, film buffs of all walks of life revel in the massive selection Thomas Video has to offer. Thomas boasts an enormous catalog of foreign, cult and classic films, as well as all the newest releases on both DVD and VHS. Thomas puts your area Blockbuster to shame. On top of having nearly every movie you can ever imagine, the staff at Thomas have a wide span of movie knowledge and are always willing to cut a few bucks off of the occasional late fee. Stop in, say hello and unlock the magic that is Thomas Video. Contact the store at (248) 280-2833.

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CHRIS LUCKRITZ

Guest Columnist

Dream Team, USA rudely awakened

As I was sitting waiting for the final buzzer to sound Wednesday night, I came to realize that the dream was starting to become a nightmare.

Since 1992, NBA players have been allowed to represent their respective countries in international competition.

Since 1992, we have been spoiled by our absolute best athletes representing their countries. This year, we were shocked, Dream Team 2002 lost!

Wednesday September 4, Team USA was dominated by an Argentina squad with two NBA players. Team USA did not have the lead once during the game, and faced a 20 point deficit several times.

Only two players scored in double digits for the U.S. team. 87-80 was the final score, 58-1 was the Dream Team's record.

"I'm embarrassed to be on the team that took the first loss," U.S. guard Paul Pierce said in a post-game press conference. "We can still win the gold medal, but we're still 'that' team."

Thursday's game was supposed to be different. It was the first game of the medal round.

Team USA held a 10-point lead in the fourth quarter, which seemed safe enough. But when the final buzzer sounded, the U.S. team again found itself on the butt-end of the score, 81-78.

Yugoslavia was a team of determined NBA players, out to prove they were the best in the world. On that night, they were.

"You can't imagine how happy my people are. They feel so good right now," Yugoslavian Peja Stojakovic told the media after the victory.

"They've been up at 3 a.m., getting out of bed and watching this thing. They love this. We wanted to win for them."

And win they did. Yugoslavia went on to win the gold medal, defeating Argentina 84-77.

There was one game left to go. A game to determine which team would be the fifth best team in the world, and which team would be considered the sixth.

Well, to make a long story short, Team USA is sixth, Spain is fifth. The U.S. is no longer resting easily on its perch as the greatest basketball nation. The Dream Teams before went 52-0. This team went 6-3.

Now USA basketball is faced with a predicament it has never faced in international competition. The U.S. must qualify for the 2004 Olympics.

What does this tell you about the state of U.S. basketball? Does it mean it is starting to decline, or that the World is starting to catch up?

"I'm not sure it's the end of an era so much as it's a celebration of basketball," Team USA head coach George Karl said.

This is an understatement for a coach that knows full well he should not have lost to any of the World's competition.

Is it fair to say that if Rick Carlisle, Byron Scott, or Phil Jackson were calling the shots, Team USA wouldn't have lost? Who knows?

A team with Kobe, Shaq, Tim Duncan, Kevin Garnett, and Allen Iverson, wouldn't have guaranteed a victory, and it sure wouldn't have guaranteed the much more important team chemistry needed in international basketball competition.

The only thing the U.S. can do now is make sure it takes a team capable of making it to the qualifying round next year. Team USA also needs a coach that has a proven record of organizing great players.

If Team USA wants to prove that basketball is still a U.S. sport, it must not only qualify for the Olympics next summer, but must continue on to win the gold in 2004.

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First point of season netted

BY ZVONKO BLAZEWSKI
SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

The OU men's soccer team tied the University of Dayton, 2-2, in the Golden Grizzlies' home opener last Saturday. The victory came despite playing with only ten players for 115 minutes and being outshot 30-10 on a hot and humid day.

The Golden Grizzlies entered Saturday's game with an 0-2-0 record, OU's worst start since 1979, after dropping both of their games at the Diadora Challenge in Omaha over the Labor Day weekend.

Things started off poorly as the team was forced to play down a player after sophomore midfielder Bret McNabb was given a red card in the fifth minute.

McNabb was dismissed as he tried to slide tackle the ball away from a Dayton player. Instead of the ball, McNabb kicked the Dayton player's legs.

With OU a player short, the Flyers' controlled possession and had several chances to break the deadlock. But it was the Golden Grizzlies who scored first, despite being outshot 12-3 in the first half.

OU's goal came less than a minute before the halftime whistle after a foul by Dayton's George Nanchoff resulted in a yellow card.

OU sophomore forward Philip Braathen took the direct free kick from the left edge just outside the box and fired his shot to the upper right of the net past the Dayton goalkeeper to give the Golden Grizzlies a 1-0 at the break.

Dayton tied the game in the 53rd minute as forward Chris Rolfe beat an OU defender and fired the ball past freshman Jeff Wiese, the OU goalkeeper.

Rolfe's second goal of the game gave Dayton a 2-1 lead in the 68th minute. Rolfe shook off two Golden Grizzlies' defenders and fired his shot over Wiese from the top of the goalie box.

The Flyers almost increased the lead five minutes later, but Wiese tipped a Denny Clanton shot out of play.

Sophomore midfielder Shahar Ktovim

took a long pass from sophomore midfielder Doug Rice, snuck in behind the Dayton defense and took a difficult shot that went past Ladislav to send the game into overtime.

"It was a bad angle," said Ktovim. "I saw that the goalie was too close to the post, and I just bent it to the far post, and it went in."

Neither team was able to score in either of the two overtimes with the best chance coming from Dayton early in the second overtime.

In the 112th minute, Dayton's Jesse Failly snuck behind the OU defense and had an open shot on goal. Failly's shot looked destined for the net, but Wiese stuck out his right foot to deflect the ball out of play.

Wiese finished the game with ten saves. OU was outshot 30-10 through the course of the game.

"Being down to ten players forced everyone to step up that much more," said Rice. "With this heat and the size of the field, it was a challenge."

"We all just had to play well together and get tucked in defensively and play defensively as a team and help each other out as a team."

The Grizzlies improved their record to 0-2-1 and, at 2:30 p.m. on Wednesday, will travel to Marquette. At 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, OU returns to the Upper Fields to host the Falcons of Bowling Green University.

"I think we are a little bit more mature than last year's team, but, certainly we have a lot more to learn," said head coach Gary Parsons.

"We are still making mistakes out there, but the character is good. We are still learning the system, but the kids are doing the best they can and working hard at it."

The Grizzlies still have some players that are injured, but are looking forward to playing with a full, healthy squad.

"Once we get everyone back we will not only be able to battle but we also will be able to be more of a threat offensively," said Parsons.



OU junior defenseman Jason Perry struggles for position in the Golden Grizzlies' 2-2 tie with the Dayton Flyers. With that tie, OU's record is 0-2-1.

Men run way to championship

BY BRENDAN STEVENS
SPORTS EDITOR

A 10-year wait is finally over for the OU men's cross country squad. After participating in the Detroit Mercy/Running Fit Invitational for the last decade, the men captured the competition's crown for the first time. The women also competed and finished fifth.

"It's encouraging," said head coach Paul Rice. "Going into it, I knew we had a good chance of winning. Our fifth runner was a little ways back in the race, and it had me a little worried. So, I was a little bit surprised that we did win. But the guys up front ran well and finished where they needed to give the team a shot."

In an invitational that was open to both college and open competition, the men claimed both the Division I and open crowns. The Grizzlies overcame EMU and UD-M the Division I race.

Even though the men finished first in the tournament, they have yet to run with their best squad completely healthy. Junior Jason Bruscha is still out with a stress fracture in his foot and won't join the team for another four weeks.

"We were talking about it after the race," Rice said. "We're missing our number one guy, and with him running that race, we could have won that meet by as many as 30 points instead of three. That just goes to show you what we are capable of doing when everyone is healthy."



OU sophomore Paul Kulisek runs in the Detroit Mercy/Running Fit Invitational.

Leading the way for OU's men were sophomores Adam Frezza, second, and Paul Kulisek, fifth, who finished just 12 seconds apart.

In the women's five-kilometer race, OU did not fare as well, finishing in eighth in the open meet and fifth in the Division I meet. Five schools competed in the Division I portion of the women's meet.

"Everyone on the team ran a little faster than they did last week," said Rice. "The women are a little frustrated because they were expecting a little more, and I think we were all expecting a little more. We have to be patient because they are a young team. As long as they are showing improvement, they're eventually going to get there."

"That course we ran at U of D is proba-

bly the hardest course we will run all year. It was over 90 degrees at race time. That's not going to happen to often where you run in that kind of heat."

Sophomore Melissa Nasers was the Grizzlies top finisher with a time of 19:12, good enough for 15th place. No other runner finished in the top 25 for the women, with sophomore Sarah Kane finishing in 27th, 20 seconds behind Nasers. Three freshmen, Kim Schultz, Sarah Drouillard and Marissa Montgomery rounded out the top five for OU.

On Saturday, both the men and women travel to Bowling Green State University for their next meet, the Mel Brodt Invitational.

"We're looking forward to this week, going down to Bowling Green," Rice said. "It's a pretty fast course, and the weather looks like it's going to be much cooler."

"I think the women will bounce back and perform pretty well this weekend. If the women finish in the top three or four it will be an accomplishment."

The men are going to get a bit of relief from their injury woes when sophomore John Cook runs with the team this weekend, although he is still less than healthy according to Rice.

"I think the guys, again, have a shot at winning," said Rice. "We are going to get John Cook back, but he's still probably a few weeks away from helping the team."

Volleyball still looking for first win of season

BY BRENDAN STEVENS
SPORTS EDITOR

After playing five matches last week, the OU women's volleyball team has yet to dig out its first win, with an overall record of 0-8. In a total of 26 games played, the Grizzlies have only won two, but have been in the thick of the hunt in many matches.

"Our preseason schedule is the toughest that we've had," head coach Mark Ridley said. "The kids played hard, there's no doubt about it. We've just played against some really tough competition."

Before traveling to Ohio to participate in the Akron Volleyball tournament, OU played two matches last week. The team traveled to Ohio to take on Bowling Green State University (BGSU) on Tuesday,

dropping a 3-0 decision to the Falcons.

Offensively, the Grizzlies once again had woes, recording a dismal .029 attack percentage. BGSU had much greater success on offense, with a .311 attack percentage.

The numbers proved OU's lack of success, with senior Becca Saldana, who had 17 assists, being the only Grizzly in double-figures in any relevant statistical category.

The Grizzlies brought the volleyball show home for the first time this season on Wednesday but were unable to change their luck, losing 3-1 to IPFW. By winning the third game of the match in extra points, 36-34, OU claimed its first game win of the season.

"It was definitely a monkey off our back," said Ridley. "It was

great that they hung in there, and that we won the game. They had a couple match points on us actually."

No game throughout the contest was separated by more than seven points, showing how closely matched the two squads were.

Statistically, the Grizzlies had their best output of the season with the entire team contributing.

Senior Becca Saldana (47 assists and 10 digs) and junior Courtney Varterasian (10 kills and 18 digs) led the Grizzlies as the only two women in double-figures in two statistical categories.

Other contributing women were junior Patti Hunter (15) and sophomore Sara Miller (13) who both broke ten in kills. Junior Lauren Bramos (18) and sophomore Katie Lozier (10)

each achieved double-digits in digs.

With a record of 0-5 overall, the Grizzlies traveled to Ohio once again to take part in the two-day, three-game Zips Radisson Invitational over the weekend.

On Friday, OU lost its contest against Virginia Tech, 3-0. The Grizzlies continued the tournament with a 3-0 loss to tournament host Akron on Saturday afternoon.

In its final competition of the invitational, OU lost a close match to Robert Morris University (RMU), 3-1. In most ways the Grizzlies actually outperformed RMU.

"That's what can be frustrating," said Ridley. "Where they really got us was that they put the ball away just a little bit more than we did."

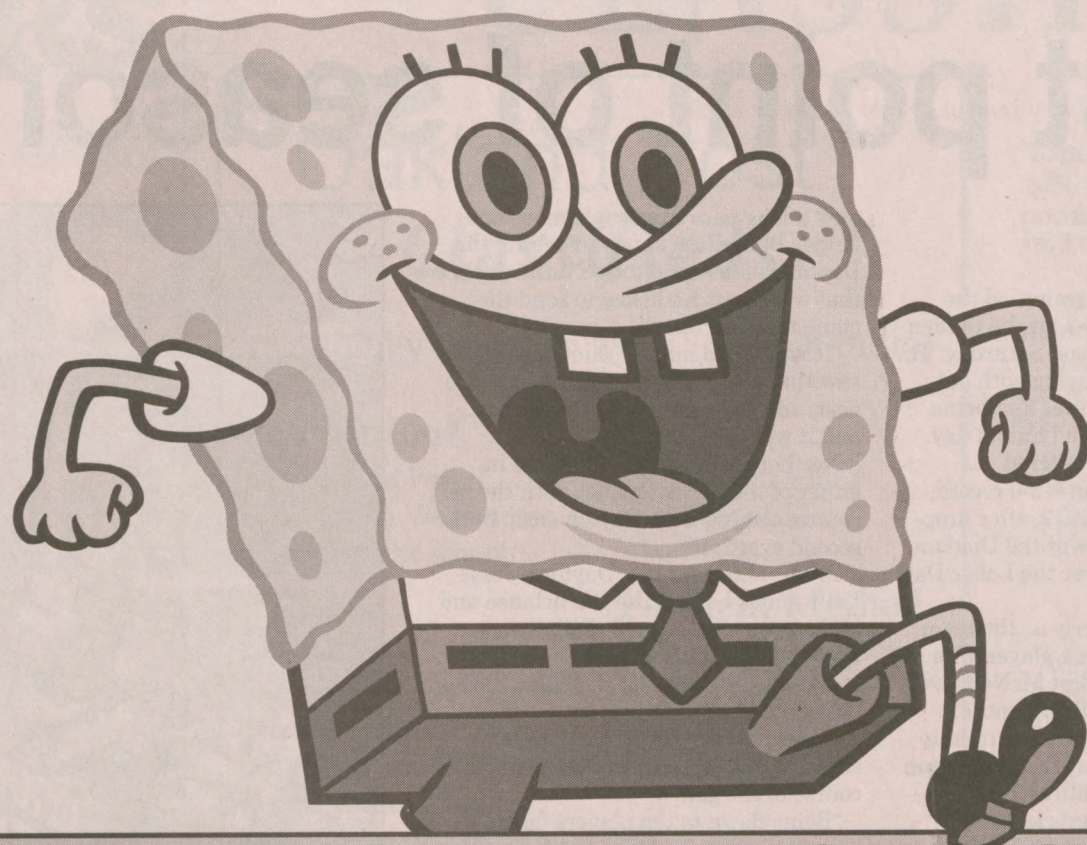
Saldana led the women, recording team highs in assists (47) and digs (28). Lozier and junior Beth Ann Rourke contributed 26 kills apiece in the women's defensive effort. Rourke also led OU's offensive attack with 16 kills, with Miller (14) and Varterasian (11) also doing their part.

Due to yesterday's home contest against EMU ending after this edition went to print, results and stats were unavailable.

The Grizzlies have only one match in the next week, a 7 p.m. home contest on Tuesday against Ohio's Cleveland State.

"We just need to push the envelope a little bit to get that first win," Ridley said.

"Everyone's just waiting for it. We all want that first win in the worst way."

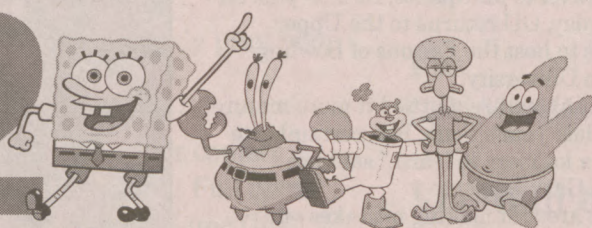


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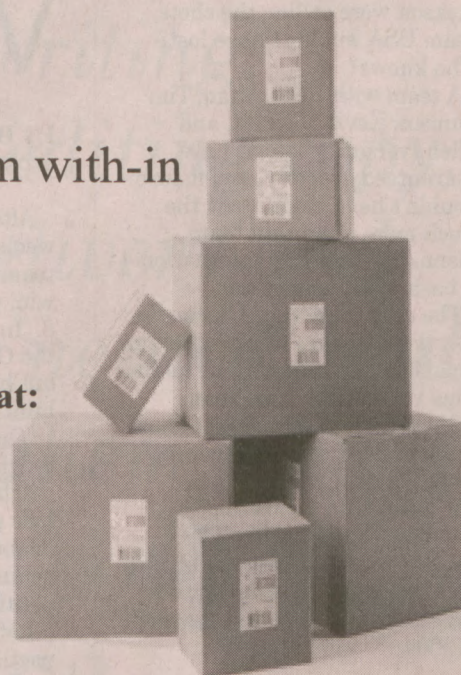
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OU's athletes, coaches Fan-tastic

By Randy Dudek
Assistant Sports Editor

More than 300 students, athletes, coaches, administration and media members crowded the concourse of the O'Rena Thursday for the first ever "Meet the Coaches and Athletes Fun Fest."

The gathering was a chance for everybody to meet OU's sports teams.

"Our idea was to do something during Welcome Week to introduce the new students, as well as the returning students, to the athletic program as early as we could," said Mark Doman, assistant athletic director of marketing.

"I talked with Rachel Brown, the assistant director of New Student Programs, and we discussed having this sort of an event. I'd have to say that it worked. It did what I wanted it to have done, and she said that it fit her needs as well."

Brown agreed with Doman's assessment of the event. "We had a great turnout for the first year," she said.

"I hope that we do it again. Like all Welcome Week events, we hope that it keeps getting bigger and better."

In addition to the chance to meet with the players and coaches, participants at the event were able to pick up posters of the men and women's basketball teams, schedule cards for all of the varsity teams, as well as, the first ever 'Grizzly Rummage Sale,' where the athletic department offered game-worn jerseys, team warm-ups, and other OU sporting gear at low prices.

End Zones Bar & Grill in Auburn Hills provided buffalo wings and other appetizers while GFS Market Place in Rochester provided dessert. Detroit radio station, 93.1 FM provided music

and contests.

"We had food for 300 people, but it ran out near the end" said Doman. "Next year we are going to plan for 500 people. This is still a learning process for all of us."

Golden Grizzly coaches and athletes agreed that the event was very beneficial to the school.

"I wouldn't even think twice about not coming to this," said sophomore cross country runner Kara Coraci. "It's definitely a good idea. It's an opportunity to motivate students to get active in the university. It's a good chance to create that special bond with the students."

Senior swimmer Sheryl Wrobel agreed with Coraci's assessment of the party, but felt that in order to achieve all of its goals more non-athlete students need to attend Fun Fest in future years.

"It seems like most of the people here are athletes," Wrobel said. "Maybe it's just in part because it's new. It should be a helpful event that will help draw more students to OU competitions."

"I see a couple of non-athletes here, said assistant volleyball coach Eric Carlson. "How else are we going to get the fans to come out and meet us. I think it's going well. It seems like everybody is having a good time."

Of the students who attended Fun Fest, a reported 100 or so had no direct ties to the athletics department.

"I'm here for the free food," said freshman Diana Walcott. "This is a chance for me to get acquainted with the university and to see what sports are offered here that interest me."

"I'm interested in women's soccer and basketball, and plan to go to a couple of home games once basketball season comes around," she said.



OU Director of Athletics, Jack Mehl takes in the sights and sounds of the first ever "Meet the Coaches and Athletes Fun Fest." Free food and Golden Grizzly gear was available to attendees, who got a chance to meet the teams and coaches.

For many other students the chance to interact and participate in campus life was just as important a draw as the food and music.

"I'm here to meet people," said freshman Jenna Kopp. "I'm new on campus, and this is my first time at something like this, so I really didn't know what to

expect. I think this is really neat and am looking forward to the school year."

Doman expressed his pleasure with Fun Fest and has already begun preparations for holding the event next year.

"I think that we have started a good tradition," he said. "It's a good chance to let the students get to know the coaches

and athletes on a regular basis.

"We've got a great bunch of coaches and student-athletes who I get to interact with just about every day. The students don't really get that chance. This event is a chance for everybody to see what Oakland has to offer in terms of athletics."

Women tee-off golf season

By Brendan Stevens
Sports Editor

Opening the season was difficult for the OU women's golf team, who finished 14th in the Cardinal Classic over the weekend. The event was held at The Players Club, a par-72, 6,164-yard golf course, in Yorktown, Indiana.

"We didn't bring our best five players," head coach Dave DeWulf said. "But we brought some young players and that was good. And we brought some players that played last year, and they've improved. It was a good opportunity to let them get their feet wet."

One of the biggest obstacles facing the Grizzlies this season will be the continued effects of the graduation of Cheryl Tooshkenig. Tooshkenig led the Mid-Con in scoring average at 76.7, and was named to the All Mid-Con First Team last season, leading the Grizzlies to a second-place finish in the conference.

"We lost the best player in the conference," said DeWulf. "And that's always hard to replace. We had the best year we've had, by far. She was the best. She was a star. You aren't going to replace her right away."

Eligibility issues also held the women back this weekend. Senior Jenny Quinn recently changed her major and is awaiting a waiver from the NCAA to compete. Freshman Alexis Prusac also faced problems, but has been cleared to compete after issues involving her return to OU were cleared up.

"It just takes about a week,

when you add a player, to have your compliance office to go through everything," DeWulf said.

EMU won the team portion of the competition, finishing four strokes ahead of Eastern Illinois at +34 in the two-day tournament.

WMU senior Erica Bieniek claimed the individual title with scores of 73 and 72, just one stroke over par. Bieniek tied with Eastern Illinois senior Kristin Hoff after 36 holes but was victorious in the playoff.

The OU women did not fare quite so well, however, finishing 97 strokes behind the tournament champion, the EMU Eagles.

Senior Emily Minnich was the top performer for the Grizzlies, finishing 26th overall. Minnich shot an 81 in the opening round, but rebounded with a four-over par 76 the second day.

"She's been around for four years and has been playing terrifically," DeWulf said. "She's a good player and she has gotten better this summer."

Junior Mara Mazzoni finished in a tie for 46th to claim the second best score for the Grizzly women. After shooting an acceptable 8-over par on the first day of the tournament, Mazzoni had a rough second day, shooting an 88.

After Mazzoni, however, there was a large drop off in OU's performance. The remaining three members of the Grizzlies' squad finished among the bottom ten of all participants. Junior Sarah Stark finished in a tie for 71st with two rounds of 92. Junior Kathy Goodvich, 198, and freshman Melanie Wasser, 203, finished in the last two places.

"It's difficult, even when your whole team is good, to go out there that first time and travel and play in a tournament on someone else's course and deal with 95 degree heat," said DeWulf.

The one bright spot in a rather dim weekend was that the other Mid-Con participant in the tournament, IUPUI, was the only team that finished below OU.

"I don't think IUPUI had their 'A' team either," DeWulf said. "It's always nice to beat anybody, especially a conference team, but they were in basically the same position we are. They're trying to see who can play, and they're doing what we do. By the time you get to April, you know who your best players are."

Next weekend, the men's golf team begins its season at the John Piper Intercollegiate Tournament that will be held in Bowling Green, Ohio.

Last season, the men finished fourth in the Mid-Con and had two golfers named to the All-Conference second team. This year, the Grizzlies return one of those golfers, junior Ryan Yelen, as well as a strong supporting cast of both upperclassmen and incoming freshman.

"All twelve of them are very impressive," said DeWulf. "My freshman are just wonderful. They all shot some good scores. These are good kids."

The Grizzly women next compete over the weekend of Sept. 21-22 in the Lady Falcon Invitational, to be held at Bowling Green State University.

Record evens out

By Randy Dudek
Assistant Sports Editor

After a successful defense of their Verizon Tournament title, the Golden Grizzlies women's soccer team returned to Michigan to face off against intrastate rivals CMU and MSU. OU dropped a 3-2 decision to the Chippewas on Friday then fell to the Spartans, 2-0, two days later.

"We played well in three of the halves. We played very badly in the first half against Central Michigan, but other than that, we played well," said head coach Nick O'Shea. "We were very unlucky not to score some goals that would have let us tie or win both of those games."

The first half of the game against CMU was the highest scoring half of soccer that the Grizzlies have seen all year, with all of the game's goals coming in that 45-minute span.

OU led off the scoring less than two minutes into the game when freshman midfielder Ingrid Mortensen scored from 30 yards out. CMU tied up the contest seven minutes later as the defense lapsed and allowed a loose ball scramble in front of their net end up as a goal.

The Chips tallied again at the 14:30 mark and held the lead for about three minutes, until junior Grizzly midfielder Erica Demers knotted the score on a penalty kick.

CMU untied the score for good in the 36th minute after OU misplayed a loose ball in their goal box.

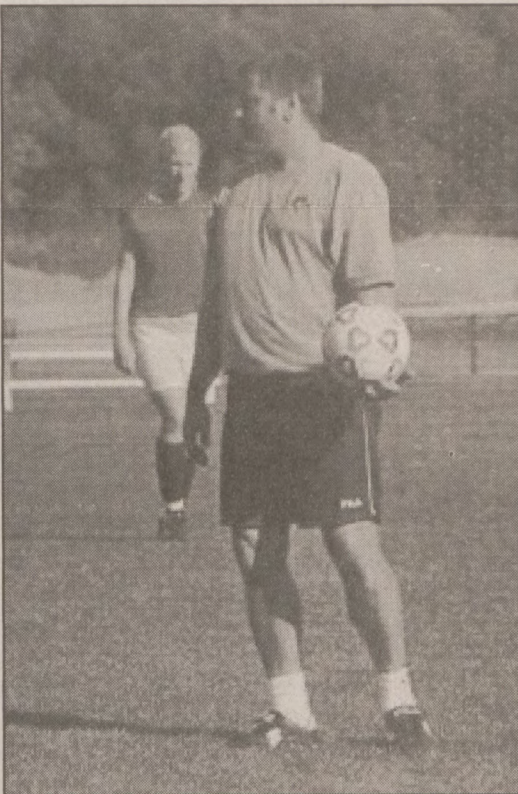
The Grizzlies were outshot 14-12 in the game. Junior netminder Sarah Buckland was tabbed with the loss, her first of the season.

"We played very poorly in the first half and had some defensive mistakes which ended up costing us some goals," said O'Shea. "We dominated in the second half, but couldn't manage to score."

OU dropped its second straight game Sunday afternoon to MSU. The first tally of the game came 25 minutes in, as a Spartan midfielder redirected a free-kick into the net with her head.

The Golden Grizzlies held the score at 1-0 for most of the second half, despite being outshot throughout the entire game. In the 87th minute of the game an MSU forward was hauled down inside the goal box, resulting in a Spartan penalty kick. MSU converted on the kick to double the lead to 2-0.

The entire game was a physical battle with the two teams combining for 32 fouls. Senior Debbie Cartmel, a forward, received a yellow card for her physical play.



File photo/The Oakland Post
Head women's soccer coach Nick O'Shea leads his squad through drills in preparation for the home opener this Friday.

Buckland made five saves in net for OU, but still picked up her second loss of the season. The Spartans outshot the Golden Grizzlies 14-8.

The two losses drop OU to 2-2-0 in the early goings of the season. The team returns to action on campus this weekend, opening up its home schedule.

At 4 p.m. on Friday, the Golden Grizzlies play the Illinois State University Redbirds on the Upper Fields.

At 1 p.m. on Sunday, OU plays host to the Boilermakers of Purdue University, again, on the Upper Fields.

"We are looking for the same things (from these games) that we've been looking for the past couple of times," said O'Shea. "Our offense needs to step up and get going."

"It's a talented group but it is still a young group. They have to get their feet wet in games like this. We're hoping that they gain experience from these games."

"They've got to be able to step the scoring up a bit more and start getting us goals."

Grizzly Spotlight

KIM MOORE
SENIOR: SOCCER, DEFENDER



When being named conference defensive player of the week isn't even your biggest honor, there is a pretty good chance that you are doing something right.

In addition to taking home the Mid-Con award, Kim Moore also was named the defensive MVP of the Verizon Tournament.

Moore's accolades kept rolling in as Soccer Buzz, a national online soccer magazine, named her to its Elite Team of the Week for her play in the tournament. Athlete-time first-team All

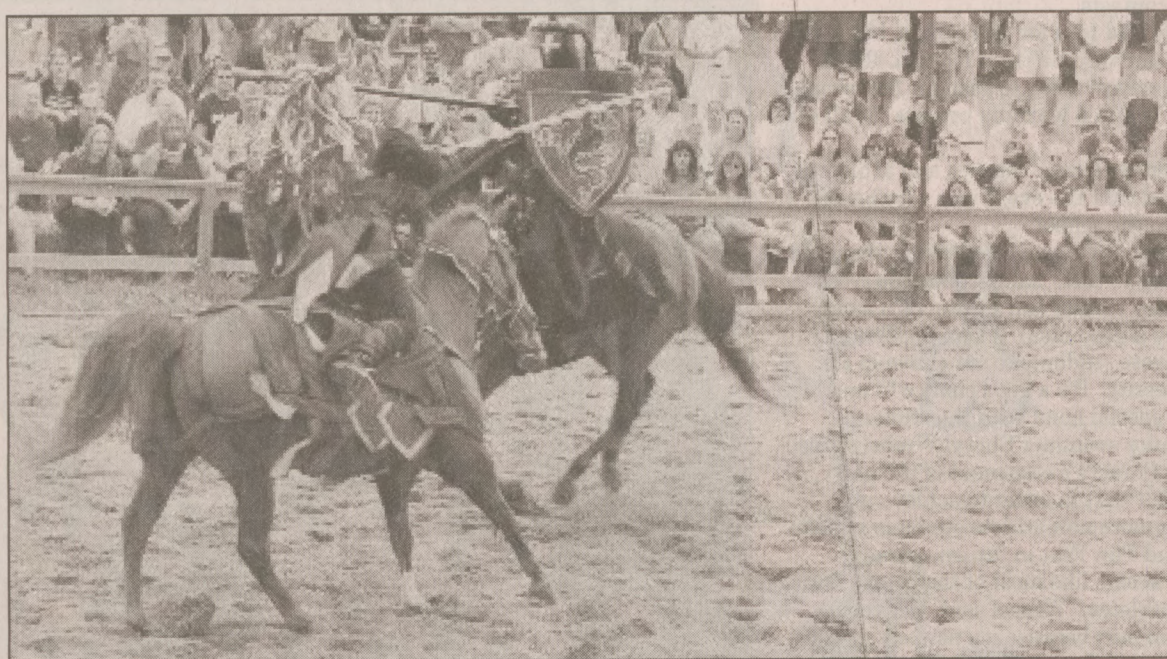
Mid-Con selection, Moore and the rest of the defense allowed only one goal in the season-opening tournament.

The Georgetown, Ontario native scored the game winning goal in the first game of the tournament against UW-Milwaukee.

The Golden Grizzlies won the Verizon Tournament for the second straight year.

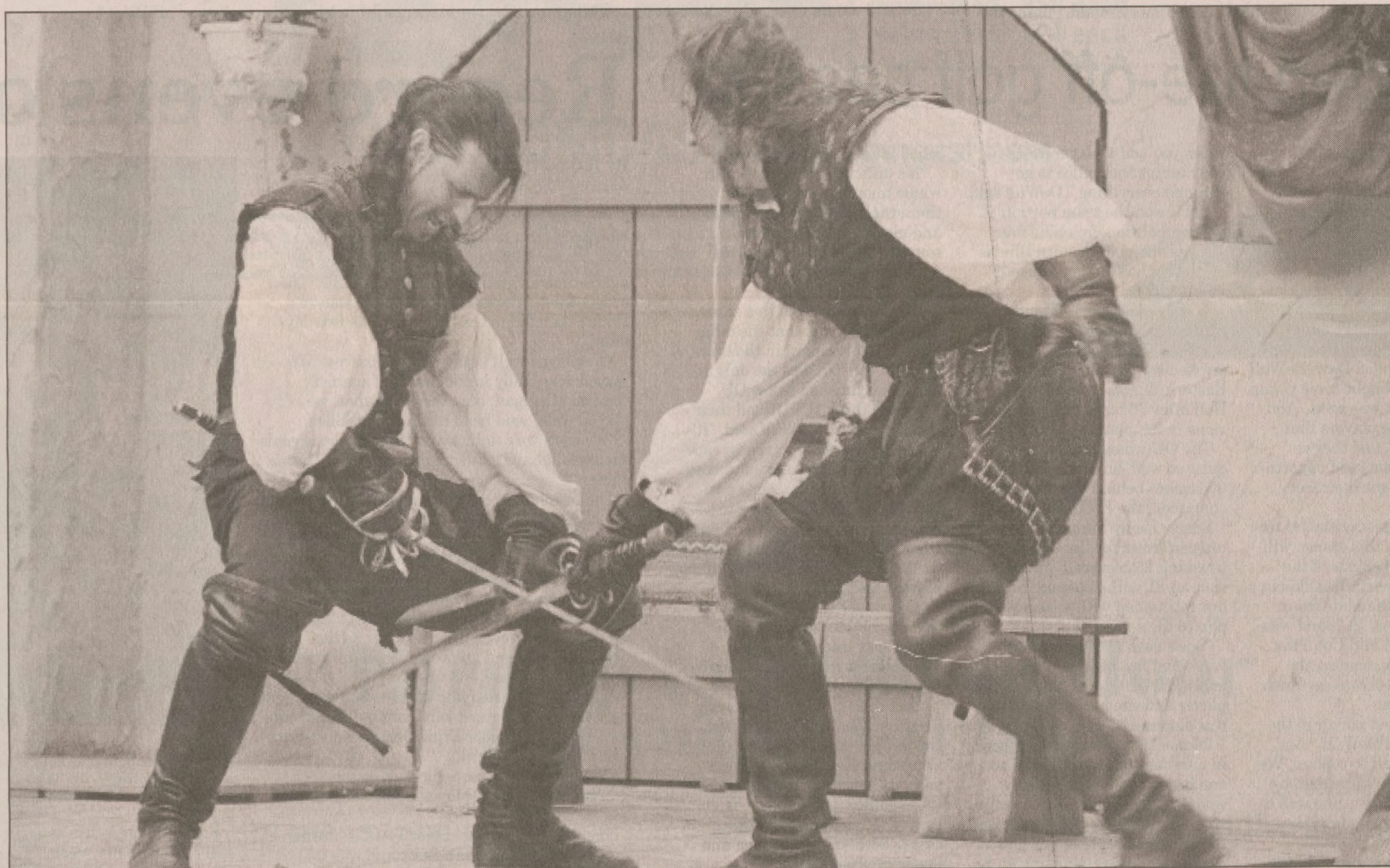
-Randy Dudek
Assistant Sports Editor

GRIZZLY SPORTS CALENDAR						
Records in bold type denote Mid-Con standings. Games shaded in gray denote home games						
	WED 11	THU 12	FRI 13	SAT 14	SUN 15	MON 16
				TBD Mel Brodt Invite		
					TBD John Piper Tourney	TBD John Piper Tourney
0-2-1, 0-0-0 No Mid-Con 	7 p.m. Marquette			2:30 p.m. Bowling Green		
2-2-0, 0-0-0 No Mid-Con 			4 p.m. Illinois State		1 p.m. Purdue	
0-8, 0-0 No Mid-Con 						7 p.m. Cleveland State



Festival reinvents sixteenth century

Renaissance hits Michigan with cultural festivities, mirth, magic, royalty



Laurie PUSCAS
SPECIAL TO THE OAKLAND POST

Calling all lords and ladies, knights in shining armor and court jesters. The Michigan Renaissance Festival's gates in Holly (exit 106 on I-75) are open until Sept. 29 and a whole world is waiting to be explored. The gates open at 10 a.m. and close at 7 p.m.

Admission is \$15.95 for adults and \$13.95 for students with school ID.

"I plan on going this weekend," said Sean Vinci, junior. "Everyone says it's a lot of fun, something different and cultural to do on the weekend."

From the moment you step onto the grounds, it is like stepping into a picture in a sixteenth century storybook.

The village of Hollygrove (where the festival is taking place) is lined with tall wooden and cement walls with towering turrets.

The gated entrance area is heavily treed, setting a romantic tone to the festival. Fallen leaves, dirt and grass littered with pine cones that crunch beneath footsteps can take anyone back to a more rustic time, complete with morning mist hanging heavily in the air.

The day begins like a scene out of a play with the arrival of Queen Elizabeth-Gloriana and her court outside the main gate. King Henry of France and The Three Musketeers greet her before the official opening takes place with the majestic sounding of trumpets.

Once inside, "His Majesty's Games" greet travelers with tomatoes and ax throwing. A stroll along the grounds, viewing the art, or a show at one of the 15 stages are also available for royalty and peasants alike.

Entertainment is continuous throughout the day on every stage ensuring something for everyone.

Asampling includes magic shows, comedy sword fighting and musical performances.

The Green Grove Stage features the Zucchini Brothers, who perform comedy juggling and Thom Selectomy, a sword swallower.

Together the brothers mix daring flame and knife juggling with witty dialogue. The wooden benches that sit beneath draped cloths providing shade for viewers are filled throughout the day.

"The Washer Wenches and The Zucchini Brothers shows are both hysterical," said Ellie Darling, sophomore. "The festival is a lot of fun."

For the slightly more daring, skill can be tested at archery, a spike disc toss, a tomato toss and an ax throw.

Torg, the Ax Man has been a part of the festival's games for 16 of its 23 years. He is a large man with long, wildly-blowing, russet hair. He wears a leather mask with horns, much like the Vikings did and travels during the year to other renaissance festivals in Florida, Texas and Colorado.

"This is my favorite festival," Torg said. "The people come to have a good time. When people are having fun, it's fun."

There are 190 artists on site, offering jewelry, glass goods, period garments, pottery, sculpture, musical instruments, leather and metal goods.

The jewelry is hand-made of sterling silver with intricate design and detail. Sculptures are made from copper and other metals with designs reflecting nature.

To appease the appetite, follow the smoky aroma of the turkey legs for sale.

"It is hard not to feel medieval holding a turkey leg," Darling said.

Other popular menu items include bread bowls with soup and apple dumplings with ice cream.

Visitors more than 21-years-old might want to sample Guinness beer or Woodchuck cider. Guinness is a dark beer with a frothy top, reminiscent of what might be found in Ireland. Woodchuck cider has a cinnamon-apple cider taste similar to wassail.

At the jousting field, the Queen and the King of France appear before the festivities begin. Jousts for the pleasure of the Queen take place at 1 p.m. Armored jousting for the King is at 3:30 p.m.

"The Queen is kidnapped by pirates everyday at 5 p.m. and is later rescued by The Three Musketeers," said Elena Vasquez, marketing coordinator.

Stepping back through the gates, each person will leave with their own sixteenth century story to tell.

For more information visit the website at www.michrenfest.com.



The Michigan Renaissance Festival runs until Sept. 29 each weekend. (From top.) Bubble makers were all around the festivities. Jousting could also be seen during the afternoon in one area while the Zucchini Brothers juggling act could be seen in another. The dueling swordsmen fought each afternoon after Queen Elizabeth-Gloriana's parade into Hollygrove. Many games of skill are also available for visitors to play. The festival is open from 10 a.m.-7 p.m. and admission is \$15.95 for adults. Students who present their school ID will be charged \$13.95 for admission.

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