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WINTER IS COMING // A young deer peeks out of the woods surrounding Oakland University, near P37. The deer is just one member of the wildlife on campus, which includes groundhogs, squirrels, raccoons, waterfowl and more. This time of year, deer and other wildlife are frequently spotted getting food before the winter season begins. Commuters are advised to drive carefully. **JAKE ALSKO** // *The Oakland Post*

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How do you prepare for midterms or other big exams?

- A** I study with friends
- B** I study by myself
- C** I cram the night before
- D** I don't really study

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LAST WEEK'S POLL

How regularly do you attend OU sporting events?

- A** I go to as many games as I can

35%

- B** I go to a few big games a year

33%

- C** I haven't been to one, but want to

6%

- D** I'm just not interested in sports

22%

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

OCTOBER 6, 1993

Enrollment dropped from years past to below 13,000. Laura Schartman in the Registrar's office said graduates made the difference in numbers.

OCTOBER 9, 1978

Administrators waited to change the campus alcohol policy until after voting on Michigan Proposal D in November, which raised the legal drinking age from 19 to 21.

OCTOBER 6, 1971

Campus crimes increased in the fall, forcing the Student Affairs staff to adapt stricter policies. There were six robberies and two assaults reported in the semester's first three weeks.

BY THE NUMBERS

770

thousand gallons of water in the Aquatic Center pool

93

days the pool was closed

1998

year the pool opened

\$8

Cost to bring a non-student guest to the center for a day

14

feet at the pool's deepest point

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STAFF EDITORIAL

Purchasing health insurance early has its perks

Open enrollment for health coverage started Oct. 1, in accordance with the Patient Protection and Affordable Care act, despite a looming government shutdown and a debt ceiling crisis.

If you don't have coverage, now would be a good time to start shopping around for some. About one in four Americans between 18-25 is uninsured, according to WhiteHouse.gov

This means anyone can begin shopping for their 2014 health insurance package right now, and check with the government to see if they qualify for lower rates, according to healthcare.gov

This also means people with lower incomes - many college students, for instance - can see if they qualify for Medicaid. Those with young ones at home can look into the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP).

Open enrollment will be available until March 31. After that, anyone without health insurance may incur a penalty based on income, according to the Kaiser Family Foundation.

In 2014, that penalty will be \$95 per uninsured adult and \$47.50 per uninsured child, or 1 percent of family income - whichever is greater. By 2015, that amount will balloon to \$325 per adult and \$162.50 per child, or 2 percent of family income.

Like the Affordable Care Act or not, it makes sense to get educated on what health

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care you qualify for, and the most affordable way of getting it. Most college students are just starting to live on their own. Why not make sure you have a solid foundation?

People up to the age of 26 can stay on a parent's work-related health care plan, according to WhiteHouse.gov

That coverage applies even if that person no longer lives with the parent, is married, or qualifies for a separate plan through work or school.

For those who cannot get health insurance through a parent, or are too old to qualify for that program, Medicaid may be available. Under the Affordable Care Act, all adults who fall under 133 percent of the poverty line - \$15,000 per an individual or \$31,000 for a family of four - can apply for Medicaid, according to CLASP.org

Despite the variety of information available to students, an article on USA Today shows almost 80 percent of 18-to-25-year-olds had heard

nothing about the health-care.gov marketplace or how to use it. This means many college students are still in the dark about getting themselves covered.

Health care isn't just going to fall from the sky in 2014. It still needs to be applied for; and if necessary, it needs to be paid for. Whatever your opinion of "Obamacare," it doesn't look like it's going anywhere.

Setting up an account on healthcare.gov is easy and relatively painless. Within minutes, you can find out the various forms of coverage you qualify for. Some programs can even be applied for on the very same website.

The Affordable Care Act was set up so those with low resources can get preventative care, and get inexpensive treatment for illnesses and injuries.

A health care option is even offered by Oakland University and Graham Health Center. Some of you might not even need to take off your pajamas to get health coverage.

Open your web browser. Find out how to get insured. You'll thank yourself for it.

For more information, check out:
■ www.healthcare.gov
■ www.oakland.edu/studentinsurance
■ www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/rss_viewer/qa_young_adults_may.pdf

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Oakland Post: Do not get scammed

The current government shutdown is a "Democratic mess"

O' for the days of fierce investigative journalism. I commend the Post for revealing a rare moment of clarity in the October 3rd staff editorial: "The government shut down. But it's not the end of the world."

Bravo! Well said! There are far too many doomsday prophets predicting the end of life as we know it if the federal government was for one moment left unattended.

But wait; are they? I must criticize the Post for falling into the same investigative malaise that has gripped many of the major news networks in this nation for the past half-century.

(There's also, of course, the issues with the Post making absurd claims that a "handful" of extremist fringe radical right-wing Congressmen is holding the nation hostage during the shutdown or that the vast majority of Americans hate Obamacare.)

There are far more elements to this shutdown that could have and should have been addressed in this latest staff editorial.

Consider, for instance, that according to the Washington Times, the IRS is still collecting taxes, but not

giving out refunds, not to mention illegally refusing to turn over documents to Congress.

National WWII monuments were coldly closed, not because they needed to be (the park service in charge of them is not affected by government shutdowns), but because the Obama administration is purposely trying to increase the amount of harm the shutdown inflicts.

Why on earth would they want to do that? To frame the debate in a way that harms Republicans, also called "stinking political pigs," "legislative arsonists," or "people who have a bomb strapped to their chest," if you're Nancy Pelosi or Dick Durbin.

Ugly, hate-filled speech by prominent liberals? Yes. Am I making it up to make liberals mad? No.

So what on earth is my point? Why slog through the mud of Washington? In essence, I am arguing for a more holistic approach.

To the editors of the Post: you need to look at the whole story. The real story is not that the government is shut down. The real story is that the government is functioning enough, just like the case of the infamously non-lethal sequester last spring (who even

"THERE ARE FAR MORE ELEMENTS TO THIS SHUTDOWN THAT COULD HAVE AND SHOULD HAVE BEEN ADDRESSED IN THIS LATEST STAFF EDITORIAL."

Nick Walter,
Student

remembers that?), to make our lives miserable.

In English: Democrats have an agenda/no morals; they want to hurt Republicans; they do so by lying and blaming Republicans for the shutdown.

I look forward to the day when hard-hitting journalism that exposes scams like this latest Democratic mess appears in the Oakland Post.

—Nick Walter, sophomore, criminal justice major

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FROM LEFT: Board of Trustees: Michael Kramer, Monica Emerson, Mark Schluskel and Ronald E. Robinson deliberate and propose amendments and projects.

Trustees approve Varner project

Proposals approved for presidential search committee, power supply

Kaylee Kean
Staff Reporter

Oakland University's Board of Trustees met Monday Oct. 7 to discuss the creation of new committees, the installation of a new power system and the request for state funding towards a new building project.

New committees created

Charters for a governance committee, executive committee, facilities committee and an ad hoc presidential search committee were approved and memberships appointed to each.

Trustee Ronald E. Robinson proposed several amendments to the duties and function descriptions of each committee.

Presidential search

One proposal was to add Interim President Betty Youngblood as an ex-facto member to the ad hoc presidential committee, as well as two professors. This was denied, but at the end of the meeting's agenda Kevin Grimm, associate professor of English, urged the Board to reconsider Robinson's proposal.

"I think she would be an invaluable addition to the committee," Grimm said.

New heating and power system

The Board also passed a resolution to install a 46,000 Kilowatts natural gas turbine co-generation system in the Central Heating Plant. The system will be installed by Chevron Energy Solutions.

These proposals were made to the Board by Terry Stollsteimer, associate vice president of Facilities Management.

The new system will provide both hot water and electricity, whereas the boilers that are in place now only supply hot water, according to Stollsteimer.

With Chevron, the projected total cost over three years is \$11 million. The cost will be paid off in 15 years and the life expectancy of the machine is at least 50 years, according to Stollsteimer and a Chevron representative.

The machine will be fully operational by 2016.

Adding space to Varner

James Lentini, senior vice president for Academic Affairs and provost, addressed the board about the need for more space for the 14 departments and programs that use Varner Hall.

Due to the wide mix of classes and disciplines, Lentini said it was necessary to request the building of new space adjacent

to Varner Hall.

Projected expenses for new square footage were \$98 million. Lentini said he hoped the state would fund part of that amount.

The motion was approved. There will be a capital campaign planning session Oct. 31, according to John W. Beaghan, vice president for Finance and Administration and treasurer to the Board.

A citizen speaks

After all agenda items had been covered, David Ashland, a member of the audience, appeared before the board.

"I have no affiliation with OU... except that I'm a basketball fan," Ashland said as an introduction.

Ashland said that he had once addressed the Board three years ago about a publication concerning previous OU coach Beckie Francis. Ashland said the publication had had a strong religious emphasis, which he suggested be removed.

The next year all references to religion had been removed, and Ashland said he was pleased.

"I commend the board... for this change and other changes that happened in the program," Ashland said.

For more information visit <http://www.oakland.edu/bot>.

OU Student Congress does not shut down

While the U.S. Congress is closed, student legislators and committee members are hired

Ali DeRees
Staff Reporter

A new legislator, as well as seven committee members were elected into the Oakland University Student Congress Oct. 7.

Josh Pokrefsky was unanimously voted in and joins 15 other legislators belonging to OUSC.

Pokrefsky, a sophomore, works at both the basketball games.

Pokrefsky wants to see a higher student attendance at the basketball games and hopes to have events such as blackouts and tailgates for the games.

"Students should be out there supporting our fellow students," Pokrefsky said.

His plan to raise student pride includes getting advertisements to pay for T-shirt costs for the basketball games.

Pokrefsky also wants to create "OU Swag," a movement that would include T-shirts and act as a message of pride.

Pokrefsky also wants to create a sense of unity on campus.

"One nation, under this university," Pokrefsky said.

A total of seven new members were also added to Marketing Director Timothy Brown's newly founded Marketing Committee.

Erica Walendzik, Kelsey Nolan, Nusrat Zaman, Laina Townsend, Jonathan Ngoyi, Lauren Tibbits and Mikaela Strech were all unanimously voted in.

The committee will work to market OUSC events and programs to all students, according to Brown.

OUSC President Brandon Hanna was pleased to announce how well the OUSC Tailgate at the Weekend of Champions at Oakland University went.

OUSC, as well as the gallery gave a round of applause to the head of the Tailgate Committee, Marlee Hanna, for her work on the tailgate. Her work also earned her the Legislator of the Month award for the month of September.

Toward the end of the meeting, Hanna stressed that any student can apply to become a member of a committee.

Committees include the Steering Committee, the Judiciary Committee, the Scholarship Committee, the Research and Review Committee, the Tailgate Committee and the Marketing Committee.

Other student programs/boards, such as the Student Program Board and the Student Activities Funding Board, are open to any students.

The next meeting will be held Monday, Oct. 14 at 4 p.m.



Kailee Mathias / The Oakland Post

OUSC inducts new members, discusses new projects and declares Marlee Hanna as Legislator of the Month for September.



Tudor Moldovan, treasurer of PATCH and one of the organizers of the event, hopes to clarify the medical school application process. *Kailey Johnson/The Oakland Post*

Upcoming panel will answer questions about medical school

Student org invites leaders to share insights about the application process

Kaylee Kean
Staff Reporter

The Pre-Professional Association Towards Careers in Health is holding a Medical Student Panel Event Tuesday, Oct. 15 from noon-1 p.m. in Gold Rooms B and C.

The event will bring leaders from various medical schools to speak to students and answer any questions the students may have.

Some panelists include the Dean of Admissions for the OUWB School of Medicine Christina Grabowski, and the Director of Admissions for the University of Michigan School of Medicine Robert F. Ruiz.

Tudor Moldovan, treasurer of PATCH and one of the organizers of the event, said this will be one of the organization's biggest events of the year.

Discussion will center on the ins and outs of applying to medical school, according to Moldovan.

"Each school has different requirements," Moldovan said. "There's volunteering, there's shadowing, there's actual work experience, there's recommendation, there's grades, and then there's extracurricular activities — and all of these play into how you can apply into medical school. We're going to try to elabo-

rate on that."

This event will be great because students will have the chance to hear from the deans themselves about the application process, according to Moldovan.

Wasym Mando, president of PATCH, said he is proud of what he and his team have brought to Oakland.

"We got individuals who are extremely high up on the hierarchical ladder as far as medical schools are concerned," Mando wrote via email. "I really hope students get the information that I was not provided with when I was a freshman."

The Medical Student Panel Event is open to the public, although Moldovan said the target audience is medical school students.

"We're doing this for our members," Moldovan said. "It's only helpful for them if they get answers to the questions they want to know specifically. It gives them a little bit of an advantage."

The Honors College is making it an extra credit event, according to Moldovan.

The event is being co-sponsored by Career Services. Free food will be provided. Moldovan said it is suggested that students dress formally.

For more information email patch.oakland@gmail.com or careers@oakland.edu. Students interested in joining PATCH can visit orgsync.com/34074/chapter

Grizzlies on the Prowl: dates on-campus

Written by Kaylee Kean
Photos by Kailey Johnson

Sweetest Day is almost here. In honor of the upcoming holiday, The Post asked students "If you could only go for dates on campus, where would you go and what you do?"



Brice Gasche, junior

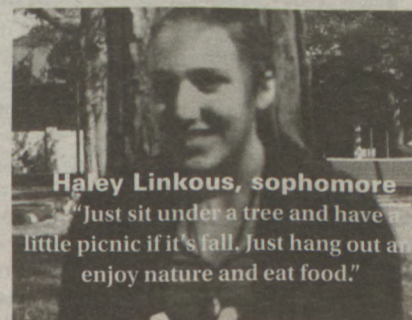
"There's not too many romantic places on campus. I'd have to say take a stroll down to the Meadow Brook mansion."

Jason Li, junior

"Have sex in the dean's office."

David Pozolo, junior

"Have sex in the parking structure."

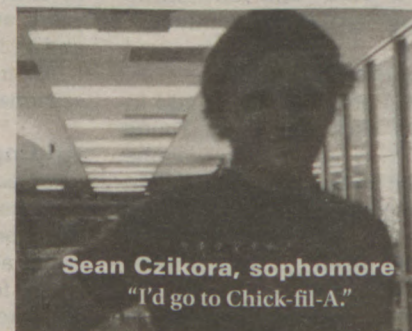


Haley Linkous, sophomore

"Just sit under a tree and have a little picnic if it's fall. Just hang out and enjoy nature and eat food."

Brittney Verner, junior

"Probably the Meadow Brook Theatre for a concert or something, or to a game at the Rec Center."



Sean Czikora, sophomore

"I'd go to Chick-fil-A."

Ben Horvatch, freshman

"I don't really know. The gaming station, I guess. I'd let my date pick the games."

What's in your office: Patricia Wren

*Associate professor,
program director
brightens office with
bobbleheads, collectibles*

Kailee Mathias
Staff Reporter

Patricia Wren's Human Health Building office decor includes sports paraphernalia, art and sweets. The associate professor and director of Health Sciences hopes it creates a welcoming atmosphere for visitors and students.

Sporty

"The sports items seem to make my office not so academic and not so stuffy," Wren said. "I hope I create a climate in my classroom that says we can talk about things, and I hope I've created a nice space in my office where we can talk about real stuff."

Wren also has a collection of bobble heads in her office, along with several other sporty things. Behind the bobble heads are two of Wren's diplomas. The left is her Master of Public Health degree from the University of Michigan, the right, is her PHD from U of M.

Wren has two favorite bobble heads. One is a bobble head created of herself. She also likes her Bo Schembechler, Michigan's former football coach.

The soccer jersey was worn by The Detroit City Football Club, Wren's favorite soccer team. The jersey was worn in a match by Mich'ele Lipari. It's camouflage because it was a benefit for the Wounded Warriors Project. It was a way to provide money to help service men and women who have experienced combat related injuries, in many cases, amputation.

"At the silent auction all of the health science faculty came decked out in our Detroit City Football stuff so we could be supportive because a number of Oakland students play on that team," Wren said.

Street art

One thing Wren has in her office is graffiti. These are all pictures of graffiti.

"One of the things I'm really obsessed with, since I live in Detroit, is street art," Wren said. "I think it is a magnificent way of beautifying neighborhoods."

Wren has a collection of street art at home, as well as in her office.

With a book of graffiti, Wren also keeps Tootsie Rolls, mostly for others who visit her office.



Kailee Mathias/The Oakland Post

TOP Patricia Wren displays her bobblehead collection of famous athletes from hockey players to football players

LEFT Next to her bowl of candy, Wren places her coffee table book of graffiti art for students and visitors to flip through

RIGHT On her wall, Wren shows off her jerseys. The camouflage jersey was worn by Mich'ele Lipari for the Wounded Warriors Project

Voices of Oakland

Story by Victoria Crow
Photos by Kailee Mathias
Design by Frank Lepkowski

Nicole Armstrong has got talent. The senior graphic design and photography major sang "Maybe thisTime" from Cabaret to win the fourth annual OU's GotTalent.

Sixteen acts performed in the Banquet Rooms of the Oakland Center Oct. 5. In years past, Meadow Brook Theatre hosted, but the event was moved this year to accommodate more seats.

Tony Lucca from "The Voice" and "The Mickey Mouse Club" lent his expertise as a celebrity judge. Lucca also performed during the intermission with last year's winner, Brittany Hall.

Jean Ann Miller, director of the Center for Student Activities, Kalik Jones, chair of the Student Program Board and Sean Varicalli, program director at WXOU, also served as judges.

Jones said Armstrong was his favorite.

"Her voice was beautiful," he said. "She took me back in time, where I wish I was born to the 1920s and up. Her just voice fit perfectly with that song."

Jones was speechless when the hosts asked for his reaction following Armstrong's performance.

It was Armstrong's first time competing in the event, but she's no stranger to performing.

"I had been in theater for a long, long time and I started acting in plays probably (when) I was about 11 years old," she said. "So, Broadway... it's in my heart. I'm a Broadway wannabe."

Armstrong was brought to tears when Hall announced she had won.

"I'm extremely grateful and extremely happy," she said. "It was a lot of fun and I hadn't performed in a while. It was very nice and it was a very good feeling."

Sophomore Stephen Ray took second place and the People's Choice award.

He performed a "drama" to "Ants Marching" by Dave Matthews Band. Ray described it as "telling a story through dance and music."

Ray's father is a traveling evangelist

who has been using the "Ants Marching" dance to "make the point that we have to take advantage of good opportunities in our lives."

"I learned it from him just visually, seeing it over and over and over again," Ray said. "When I first went to perform that, I didn't even practice with them. The song just started playing and I knew what to do."

Ray said he was "totally stoked" to come in second. Before announcing the winner, the hosts also named Ray as the People's Choice.

"I was absolutely shocked, completely taken back," Ray said. "I wanted it to go to someone else. I really wanted People's Choice to go to the magician. I thought the magician was amazing, so amazing."

Theater major Shauna Rae Hazime sang ZZ Ward's "Put the Gun Down" to place third.

"The lyrics are so powerful," Hazime said. "Let's face it, all girls have been in a situation where some other (girl) is coming along and if they're stealing your man, you're gonna say, 'I don't think so, you better put that gun down.'"

Hazime performed in last year's OU Got'sTalent, but didn't meet the success she did this year.

"I actually wrote a song and performed it myself with my partner at the time, Tyler White," she said. "I got all three X's before I could even finish my song."

This year, the judges did away with the X's so that no one would be kicked off stage before finishing their act. Despite Hazime's experience last year, she wanted to come back.

"I'm a performance bug," she said. "I love theater. I love singing. I just wanted to try again and just place."

Hazime, who has been singing and acting since she was three years old, will graduate in April and wants to move either to California or New York and pursue theater and or film.





*"Broadway... it's
in my heart. I'm
a Broadway
wannabe."*

*-Nicole Armstrong,
OU's Got Talent Winner*





"I'm ready for a good year, we're off to a good start."

Miranda Divozzo
Senior



Jon Davis / The Oakland Post

Students enjoyed good food, games and danced to music at last Friday's tailgate sponsored by OUSC



"Having a tailgate as a main event, it brings a whole new level to OU."

Patrick Cymbalski
DJ and general manager for WXOU

WEEKEND OF CHAMPIONS

WOCOU kicks off sports events with a tailgate

Ali DeRees
Staff Reporter

The Tailgate Party sponsored by the Oakland University Student Congress provided fun and exposure for various student organizations and clubs.

Held Oct. 4 in the P17 parking lot, OUSC provided food, games and entertainment for students.

Patrick Cymbalski, a DJ and general manager for WXOU, was on hand providing music and a chance for students to learn about the radio station.

Cymbalski said this tailgate has been going on for as long as he can remember. Although Welcome Week is over, Cymbalski believes there is still fun to be had.

Cymbalski is happy to see the turnout at the tailgate and to see that students are genuinely enjoying themselves.

"Having a tailgate as a main event, it brings a whole new level to OU," Cymbalski said.

According to Cymbalski, the tailgate provides an opportunity for students to come interact with the DJ's at the WXOU tent.

"They can discover WXOU without being afraid to go into the station," Cymbalski said.

Student athletes could be seen wearing their jerseys and uniforms in support of OU club sports and athletics.

Defensive lineman for the OU Football Club Christopher Harris was eager to get the word out about OU's first football team.

Harris has played football all of his life, including

four years of semi-professional.

To Harris, the team is about more than just winning games. He has high hopes for the team's future, including becoming a Varsity team and someday becoming Division I.

"I'm all about meaning, setting a foundation for this school," he said. "This is history in the making."

The team won their home opener against Columbus State Community College 36-28 at the Auburn Hills Civic Center.

Junior Rachel Redford was thrilled to come out to the tailgate and hang out with friends.

"OU has great events to get the students involved," Redford said.

A member of Alpha Delta Pi and president of Greek Council, Redford loves being able to work and mingle with fellow students.

"There are so many phenomenal people here," Redford said.

To senior Miranda Divozzo, the tailgate is about having fun and being carefree.

As vice president of Student Video Production and chairperson of Student Life Lecture Board, Divozzo can get busy within the office and enjoys being able to get out to actually talk with the students.

Divozzo believes being able to chat with students at events like these really makes a difference in recruiting people for organizations.

The tailgate is one of the big kick-off events of the year, and Divozzo couldn't be happier with how it has turned out.

"I'm ready for a good year, we're off to a good start," Divozzo said.



"I'm all about making a meaning, setting a foundation for this school"

Christopher Harris
Defensive lineman for the Football Club



"OU has great events to get the students involved."

Rachel Redford
Junior



The OU defensive line caused havoc all game, which led to several sacks and constant pressure on CSCC's offense.

Jake Alsko/The Oakland Post

Undefeated since 1957

Grizzlies win first home game 36-26

Jake Alsko
Sports Editor

The Oakland University Football Club reached another milestone in their historic inaugural season Oct. 5, coming out victorious in the university's first home game.

The Grizzlies rode quarterback Brandon Tucker's four touchdowns to defeat Columbus State Community College 36-26 at Auburn Hills Civic Center, which featured a packed home crowd that easily exceeded the field's official seating capacity.

The game was back-and-forth from the start, with OU marching right down the field on its first drive only to come up empty-handed on a fourth down in the Cougars red zone. CSCC capitalize with a long touchdown pass, but OU rebounded to come back with a touchdown of their own.

At halftime, head coach Al Manfroni demanded more focus from the whole team.

"When you're tired and wore out, you lose focus," Manfroni said. "When you lose focus, you start making mistakes. The two touchdowns they (CSCC) scored? Mistakes. They didn't

beat us."

"Last two games, we lost focus going out of halftime," defensive tackle Jerone Turner said. "We have to bounce back this week, keep fighting the whole game. It takes 60 minutes, not 30."

In addition to refocusing, Manfroni had also challenged the OU defensive line to get more pressure on the CSCC offense. When they weren't notching one of their multiple second half sacks, the Grizzlies defense was flushing the Cougars quarterback out of the pocket in an effort to buy extra time.

Tucker connected with Benny Sorrentino for a 24-yard touchdown pass to put OU up 29-14, a lead they would hold onto until the third quarter, when the Cougars scored back-to-back touchdowns to pull within a field goal, 29-26.

Eventually, OU's relentless pass rush took its toll on CSCC, forcing an interception to OU defensive back Eli Grant with 6:27 to go in the fourth quarter.

Tucker then took it from there, leading the Grizzlies down the field to punch in his third rushing touchdown of the day to clinch the game 36-26.

"A great team will always find

a way to win," Manfroni said. "It doesn't have to be pretty, but they find a way to win, and that's us. We find a way to win every time, and that's our strength."

When asked how it felt for the team to be 3-0 and making history, Tucker's short answer spoke volumes.

"We're not done yet," Tucker said. "That's all I got to say. We're not done yet."

The OU Football Club will travel to play Wright State on the road Oct. 12 at 2 p.m. before returning home Oct. 19 to play Miami (OH) University at 4 p.m.

Additional reporting by David Cesejske

FOOTBALL NEWS

NEXT GAME

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MORE INFORMATION

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Soccer team scores victory over UDM

Matthew Saulino
Staff Reporter

Oakland University forward Joey Tinnion scored both goals for the men's soccer team (4-2-4) as they defeated the University of Detroit Mercy Titans (1-5-4) in a 2-1 victory Saturday night.

Tinnion's first goal was assisted by defender Jacob VanderLaan, tying the game in the 66th minute, with Tinnion managing to chip it over the head of Titans goalie Nathan Steinwascher.

"The first one was a long ball that came over the top," Tinnion said. "And their center-back slipped and the ball was bouncing, and I just tried poking it over the keeper."

The second goal came less than 10 minutes later in the 74 minute when midfielder Gavin Hoy crossed to Tinnion for the game-winning goal, his fourth of the year.

OU started the game slowly and didn't have many opportunities in the first half. It was a different story in the second half however, as the game's tempo escalated along with OU's chances.

OU head coach Eric Pogue said it wasn't him giving the speech at half time, but one of his players.

"When I got to the group, one of our players Luke Diener — our team captain and a player that can't play anymore this season (due to concussions)—was giving the

team a heart-to-heart," Pogue said.

That gave the team a lift in the second half, but Pogue said he also made some tactical adjustments.

"I wanted to control the midfield and switch the formations a little bit," Pogue said.

The change helped as OU outshot the Titans 8-6 in the second half after being outshot 9-5 in the first half.

UDM defender Jason Leslie scored the game's first goal 20 minutes in off a pass from his teammate midfielder Adam Bedell.

Bedell is the reigning Horizon League Player of the Year and gave OU fits for most of the game.

Defender Nick Kristock was one of the many Grizzlies asked to cover Bedell.

"It's tough, man," Kristock said. "Every chance you get, you have to be right up the back of him, and you have to constantly remind him that you're there."

Bedell could launch the ball into the box whenever there was a throw-in deep in the zone. Many times OU's best chance was clearing it at any cost.

"By far U of D is the best team at throw-ins, I'd say probably in the nation," said Kristock.

The men's soccer team will play University of Denver at home Monday, Oct. 6 night at 7 p.m.



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The soccer team played an intense game against new rival University of Detroit Mercy.

Kaylee Kean
Staff Reporter

It's a new year at Oakland University, and with every new year comes a variety of new student activities and organizations.

This year, there are more than 20 new clubs and organizations at OU, according to the Center for Student Activities and Leadership Development.

Getting spooky

One such club is the Ghost Hunters of OU.

The club has had three meetings so far, according to club founder, Ryan Hole. There are five permanent members, but plenty have expressed interest in joining.

"We're a service-based club that offers no-cost paranormal counseling for those who think they need it," Hole said. "We're investigating for them and presenting what we find."

Hole said the idea is to give clients a chance at peace of mind, as opposed to proving or disproving anything.

Hole said 90 percent of hauntings are natural phenomena, and they're more interested in the people.

For now, the GHOU is trying to put out advertisements as well as create a club telephone system. It is also planning to build repertoire and credibility by visiting locally known sites of paranormal activity.

"We're trying to present ourselves in a more professional manner," Hole said. "We're looking for dedicated members."

Meetings are held every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. in the Oakland Center. Students are advised to check the weekly schedules set up in the OC to find which room the meeting will be held in.

Unleashing creativity

Another new organization is the Creative Writing Club of OU.

President Zachary Guida said although CWC has just started, there is already an organized executive board and more than 50 members.

The club has a group on Facebook and is using an interactive website that allows

OU welcomes new clubs

Over 20 new social clubs join the roster for Oakland students to enjoy



Molly Bruner holds a child on her last visit to India where she helped build orphanages, wells and churches.

students to post stories and receive feedback at any time, according to Guida.

It is also planning events such as a Halloween bonfire and a Yates Cider Mill trip, which will include group writ-

ing activities.

When regular general meetings are planned, Guida said the goal is to have a council of people where everyone can come in, share ideas and is on an equal playing field.

Guida also mentioned how the group is willing to accept any form of writing.

"Whatever you want to write, bring it and we'll talk about it," Guida said. "Don't let anyone else tell you what

to write. Write what's in the heart."

The CWC is open to all majors.

Saving the world

One new OU organization has goals that go far beyond campus life.

Molly Bruner is the president and founder of Let's Change India 2014 at Oakland University, an organization dedicated to raising money for an Indian orphanage that will house 12 of India's 25 million orphans.

The home, to be opened in December 2014, will cost \$15,000. Bruner said she is halfway to that goal.

It all started in December 2011, when Bruner discovered Angel House, a nonprofit organization that funds the building of orphanages, wells and churches in India. She dropped everything and went with Angel House on a 10-day mission trip.

Bruner said the trip was a huge shock.

"They (the children) had been living in packs on the street basically," Bruner said. "Nobody loves them. After coming home I knew that I had to fund one of these homes."

Bruner began fundraising immediately — recent activities include a car wash, speaking at different churches and coffee days at Caribou Coffee.

An on-campus, black-tie event is currently being planned for some time in March.

Bruner said she recently registered the project at OU because she felt it was a great way to spread the word and awareness. There are about 10 people she considers to be members.

"We are always looking for volunteers," Bruner said. "Help save these kids and give them a change to get out of poverty."

Discover more about OU's various clubs at <http://www.oakland.edu/safb/directory> or by emailing CSA@oakland.edu

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Shaping things up

Grizzfit club aims to help students build muscle, friendship

Katie Winkler
Staff Reporter

A program that started eight months ago with 10 members working out three times a week has grown into one of the most beneficial clubs on campus.

Grizzfit is at 50 members and counting. With 10 workouts a week — two per weekday — members can build endurance and strength when it is convenient for them, while being involved on campus.

Members keep a journal with their workouts and their weights used for each session. Every time they go back to those workouts, they try to beat their time and weight.

"Grizzfit is pretty much (cross-training), and what that is is cross function fitness," Club President Joey Touchman said. "(Cross-training), in general, is a completely different thing. It's new and it hasn't been around that long. A lot of people haven't known about it and now it's taking a different approach. It's kind of like P90X, but it ends up lasting a lot longer. A lot of the military training has adapted from (cross-training.) Everyone's doing it because it's really effective. Everything is fast pace. You're going fast for short and long amounts of time. Workouts can last from four minutes to an hour and a half long. It varies, but you are constantly going."

Alexander Numan started Grizzfit last year with a couple of his friends, including Touchman. Prior to the idea of Grizzfit, Touchman had been doing (cross-training) for about \$150 a month. Grizzfit allowed him to train for \$40 a month.

Members like Sarah Carson who started their fitness programs shortly after the debut of Grizzfit have lost weight and began creating a healthy lifestyle for themselves.

"I just really just wanted to better myself, and better my health. Since (March), I've lost 45 pounds and now I'm the vice president," Carson said.

This cross-training team has come so far since they began in February. With members constantly beating their own personal weight records and winning competitions as a group, Grizzfit keeps growing and will never stop, according to Touchman.

"We're the club that meets four times a week when other clubs only meet like once or twice a month. Because we meet so frequently, it has really become more of a family," Carson said. "We have com-

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Grizzfit memeber

peted in the Sweat and Steal competition (at CrossFit Deviate in Rochester), where we had two teams competing. One took first and the second team took third place."

Grizzfit is always looking to expanding their number of members and help students become healthy. If you are interested in joining, you can contact Touchman 248-860-2015 or Carson 248-342-8636.

"In my opinion, if you really just want to better your health and your involvement on campus, being we're the club that meets the most frequent so if you want to better yourself in both of those ways it just makes sense to come out and have fun with us and meet more people," Carson said.

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Grizzfit Fast Facts

WHO

Oakland University's Grizzfit Club

WHAT

A student org that uses cross-training to improve students' health

WHEN

Grizzfit members work out together three times a week

MORE INFORMATION

For more information about Grizzfit, contact Club President Joey Touchman at 248-860-2015 or club member Sarah Carson at 248-342-8636

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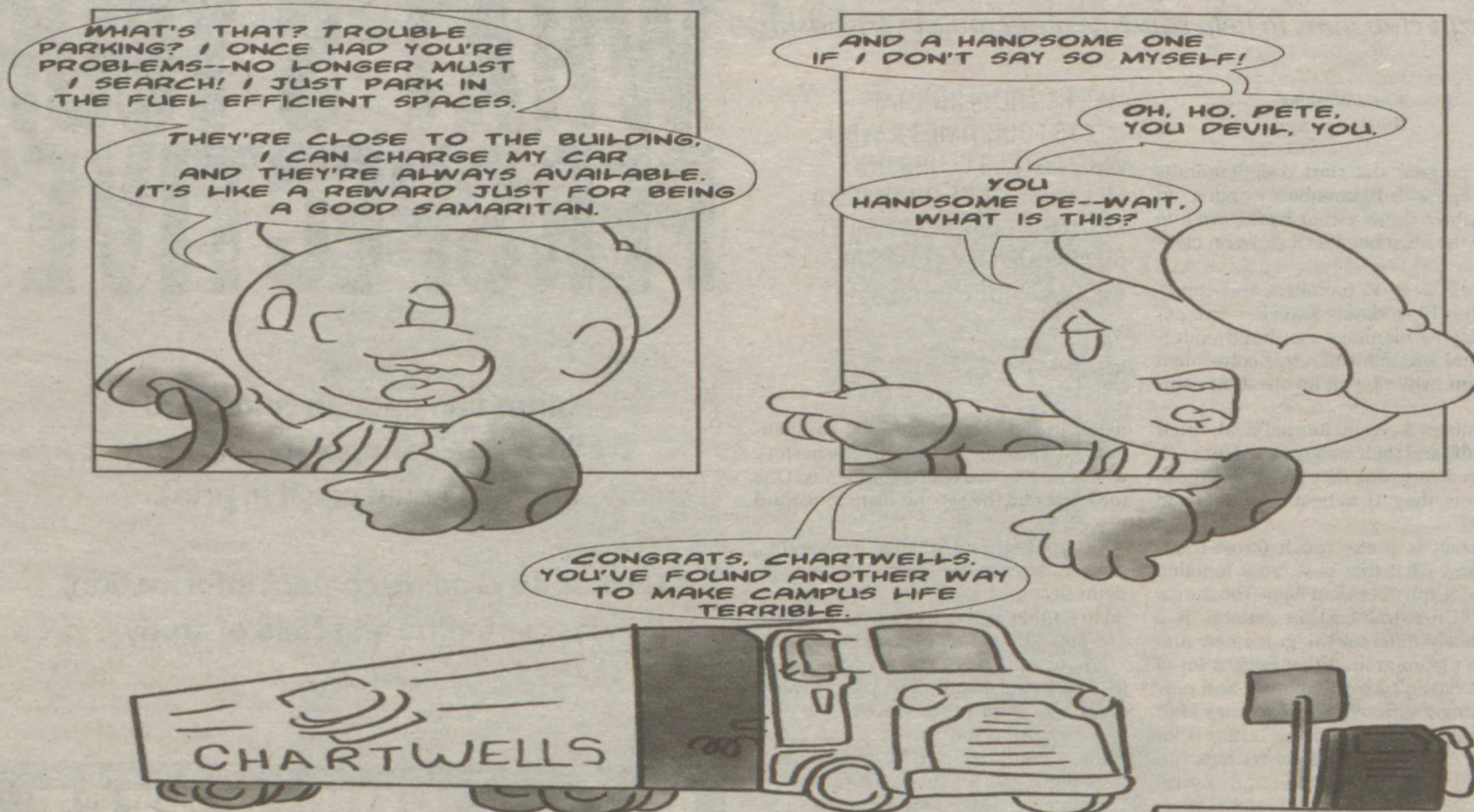
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LEFT: The inaugural Decades of Dress charity fashion show was held Wednesday, Oct. 2. The show featured Neiman Marcus ready-to-wear outfits. **RIGHT:** Jewelry was also featured in the fashion show. Models wore Vendura, which was named "America's Crown Jeweler" by New York Times. The show was held at Meadow Brook Hall.

Raising funds, raising hope

Meadow Brook Hall event strives to preserve historical pieces

LeeAnn Brown
Staff Reporter

A fashion fundraiser could help a 90-year-old dress hang for many years to come.

Neiman Marcus and Verdura jewelers joined Meadow Brook Hall to host the inaugural Decades of Dress charity event Wednesday, Oct. 2.

Decades of Dress raised money to pay for the repair of Matilda Dodge Wilson's gold-tissue and purple-chain flapper dress from the '20s.

Wilson called Meadow Brook Hall her home for 40 years, living there until she died in 1967, according to MBH's website.

When Wilson's first husband, John Dodge, died in 1920, she inherited his share of the Dodge Company making her one of the wealthiest women in the world, according to Curbed Detroit.

Meadow Brook Hall became Michigan's most recent national historic landmark in 2012, and now hosts events and daily tours at the estate.

MBH's extensive collection houses 75,000 pieces including first edition books, furniture, sculptures, Tiffany silver and several of Wilson's outfits, according to Madelyn Rzakowski, Meadow Brook curator.

For several Meadow Brook employees, the focus of their job is to keep the unique collection preserved in pristine condition.

"We pack the costumes in acid-free paper and boxes and rotate them every six months," said Meadow Brook employee, Denise Warren. "It's a lot of work to keep up."

According to Rzakowski, Wilson's gold-tissue dress would have been considered racy at the time.

The dress can no longer hang on a

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Denise Warren,
Meadow Brook Employee

mannequin because the weight of the chain flaps has been ripping the metallic and silk threads.

Rzakowski said they want to put the dress back on display for visitors, OU students and MBH staff to enjoy.

In order to get the dress back on display, it needs to be sent for repair, which could cost upward of \$5,000, Rzakowski said.

MBH hosted Decades of Dress in hopes that the raffle proceeds and

any contributions would raise enough money to repair the dress.

The event started off with the raffle, Verdura trunk show and music in the courtyard overlooking the golf course.

Papa Joe's Gourmet Market catered a three-course lunch. As dessert was served, models began to show-off outfits from Neiman Marcus' fall 2013 collection.

The show featured ready-to-wear fashions, jewels from Verdura and accessories from several designers including Eli Tahari, Kate Spade, Alexander McQueen, Levi's and more.

Ken Dewey, Neiman Marcus style adviser, described the collection as "catwalk to sidewalk" and highlighted several must-haves to be aware of for fall 2013.

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Mouthing Off

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Vending out miseries



Photo illustration by Don Davis / The Oakland Post
Scott Wolchek has to be held back by Chief Copy Editor Haley Kotwicki when he loses his cool after an OC vending machine ate his dollar and and laughed at his misery.

Scott Wolchek

Editor-in-Chief / anger management counseling attendee

I will be sitting in my office, crafting a witty article and I'll hear the loud and rhythmic clunk-clunk-clunk of somebody trying to get their food or beverage out of the machines. I just heard one as I wrote that down. That wasn't distracting at all.

You see, The Post is located right across the hall from some fancy-schmancy vending machines. Vending machines that don't like to cooperate, mind you.

Lately the machine hasn't wanted to take my money. I'll put the dollar in the machine, but the machine won't even try to accept George Washington's noble face.

A passer-by noticed me trying to feed the machine my money and she said to me "You're putting the money in the wrong way."

I stepped aside and let her try. It didn't work and she walked away, silent and ashamed.

If by freak accident the vending machine does accept someone's money, there is still much pain in their future.

Hard-working students and faculty will be trying to quench their thirst with an ice-cold fruit punch or Mountain Dew, only to watch that the vibrant red can will fall and get stuck in the machine.

This is where four different personalities emerge -- wussies, brawlers, tattletales and lunatics.

The wussies don't battle the machines. They don't want to bother anyone. They'll just go back to their corner with an emptiness in their stomach and heart.

The brawler, not to be confused with the lunatic, will try to use feats of human strength to knock their food or beverage from the clutches of the evil machine. Brawlers are the reason more vending machines end up killing people each year than sharks.

Probably the wisest of the four, the tattletale tries to get their prize by telling the nearest custodian. However, there is always the possibility that their food will fall out, right when they leave, creating a perfect opportunity for the buzzards.

In all my years, I have only seen one lunatic. They're relentless. They fight that machine with claw, tooth and nail. They'll put more money in the machine hoping that they can knock out the food with the power of more food. In other words, the lunatic is a type of person who really, really wants that candy bar. Or is diabetic.

During my freshman year, I witnessed a girl, who I will always remember as 'Kit-Kat Girl,' battle for candy for 30 minutes. She constantly would shake the machine, tears in her eyes, never fulfilling her life's dream of smacking her lips on that tasty chocolate.

You know what brings tears to my eyes? Knowing that poor malnourished college students are trying to get some snacks and the vending machines don't work half the time.

I don't blame the wussies, the brawlers, the tattletales or the lunatics for trying to get some grub.

I'm calling out whoever reads this and knows it's their responsibility to make sure the machines work. I know they feel the guilt. Fix the machines or you'll be feeling my fist, too.

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