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OU spikers extend season-opening winning streak to 10 games, and is 3-0 in conference play. See page 13



## Features

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## Sports

Pioneers fall to number one ranked Florida Tech. after beating Lock Haven in Marriott Soccer Classic.

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## Briefly...

### Hispanic Heritage Week Sept. 20-24

Hispanic Heritage Week is designed to celebrate the culture of the Latino people as well as several of the issues which affect Hispanic relations with the United States. Programs for the rest of the week, which are open to all, include:

- Poet, Trinidad Sanchez, Jr. at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 22, in the Fireside Lounge.
- The Honorable, Carlos Cuadriello, Consul General of Mexico, will debate Linda Ewing, a representative from the United Auto Workers on the North American Free Trade Agreement. The debate will be at noon on Thursday, Sept. 23, in the Fireside Lounge.
- A road trip to Las Brisas Mexican restaurant in Detroit, sponsored by Residence Halls, will be held Friday, Sept. 24.

For more information on these or other programs, call 370-2020.

### 'Keeper of the Dream' Award

The student Life Office will be accepting applications for the "Keeper of the Dream" award. The award will be a \$1,000 non-renewable scholarship. The requirement is at least a 3.0 GPA and the award will be given in "the spirit of diversity." Call the Student Life Office at 370-3352 for more information.

### University Senate

The University Senate's first meeting is scheduled for 3:10 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 23, in the Oakland Room of the Oakland Center.

A motion from the Senate Planning Review Committee concerning the proposed merger of the School of Health Sciences with the School of Nursing is on the agenda. The motion is debatable and amendable but not eligible for final vote.

### Job Fair

Attention graduating seniors: The 12th Michigan Collegiate Job Fair will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 5, at Oakland Community College's Orchard Ridge campus in Farmington Hills. Registration is \$10 in advance (must be received by Oct. 29) or \$20 at the door.

For more information, visit your placement office or call or write: Kathryn Kozora, Wayne State University Counseling and Placement Services, 1001 FAB, Detroit, MI, 48202 or call (313) 577-9947.

By ROBERT CARR  
Staff Writer

Three professors from Oakland University who have lived in Israel most of their lives are in agreement with the Israel-Palestine Liberation Organization's peace plan.

The peace plan was signed at the White House Sept. 14. President Bill Clinton stood by as Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and Yassar Arafat, head of the PLO shook hands to end a bitter war, and to begin the fight for peace.

Professor Baruch Cahlon, who grew up in Israel and graduated from Tel Aviv University and is a mathematical science professor at OU, was in Israel a few weeks ago when word of the peace plan first hit the press.

"I was visiting Haifa University when the radio and television began talking about the plan," said Cahlon. "It sent a shock wave across the country."

He said that at the time there was a difference in public opinion regarding the plan with about half of the country giving support.

However, he noted after the peace plan was signed, support went up about 20 percent. (He said that's because in a nation that has been ravaged by war, the people are slow to understand peace.)

"Clearly people will object," said Cahlon. "There will probably be a lot of violence, but slowly the realization should affect people toward accepting the agreement. I think the more time goes by, the more support it will have."

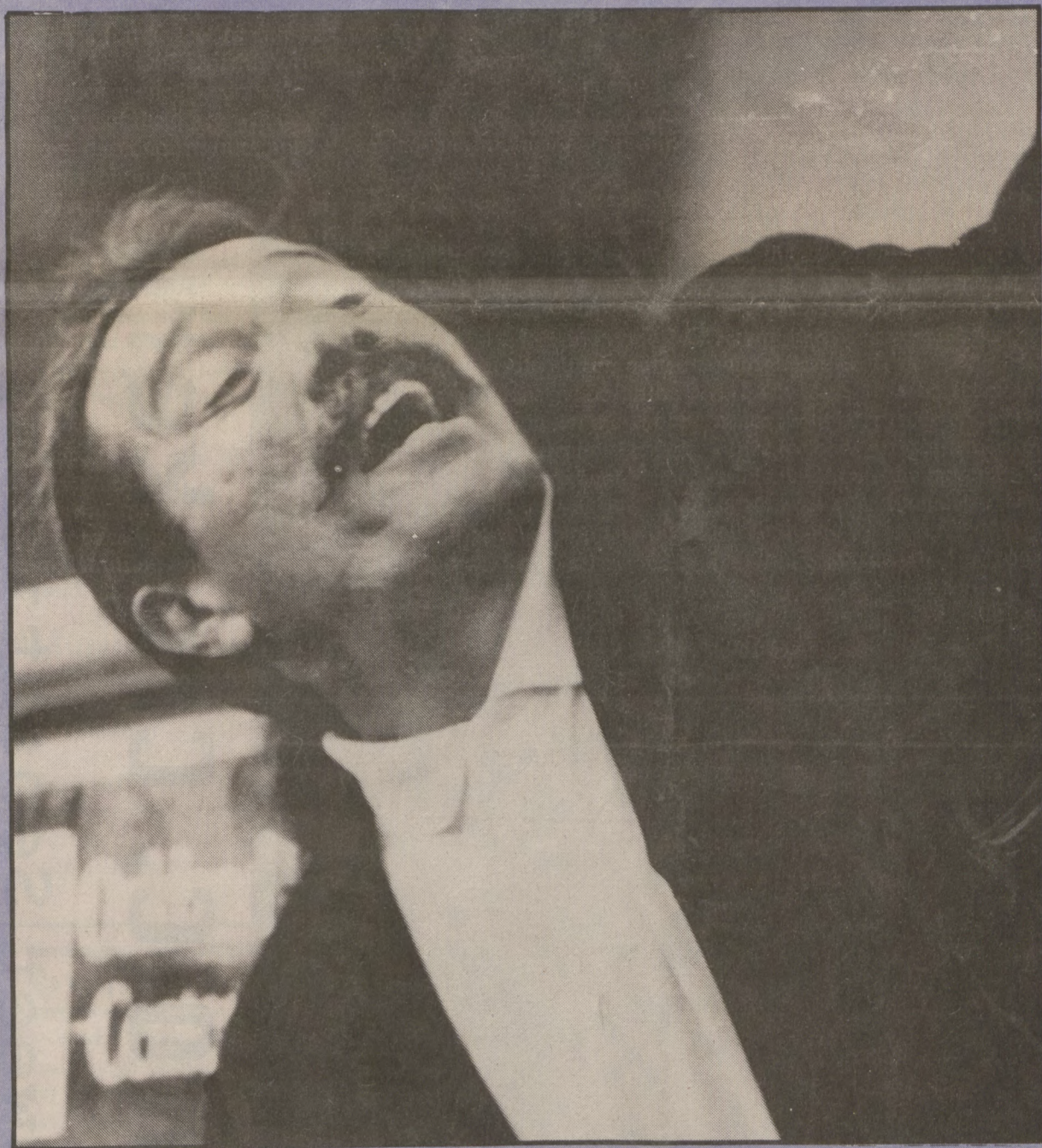
Another mathematical science instructor said that this plan was not something he expected.

Fiki Shillor, who also grew up in Israel and migrated to the United States in 1987, was optimistic, but not entirely sold on the plan.

"I never thought peace would be reached in this way," Shillor said. "It was a surprise for everyone. I have family in Israel, they support the agreement but they are very apprehensive about how it will be implemented. There is also a lot of suspicion on both sides, because people that were portrayed as enemies are now

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## We're all in the same gang



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Actor and Hispanic spokesman Edward James Olmos addressed a crowd of over 850 students, faculty and area school children last Monday in the Oakland Center.

## Rickstad plans for extra voice

By MARY LOWE, ROBERT SNELL, ROBERT CARR  
Staff Writers

The Board of Trustees may have a new member within this school year but if it does, he or she won't be another established attorney, engineer, architect or professional administrator. He or she will be an Oakland University student.

Student Congress President, Amy Rickstad, presented her ideas for implementing this proposal to the Oakland University Student Congress at its Sept. 20 meeting. She has been researching the idea since August and has sought recommendations from OUSC and President Sandra Packard.

"Right now it's just an idea," she said. "It's not an easy task, it's something that's going to take a lot of work. The ideal goal would be to do as much research first, and then to present the resolution to Congress to gain support there, then to present the idea to the board. The last step would be to talk to (Governor John) Engler."

Rickstad approached Packard

in August and asked her about the feasibility of this proposal. As a result Packard offered support and suggestions.

"It's a terrific learning opportunity," said Packard. "It provides perspective and raises questions you want the board to look at."

"Amy asked me about how to get a student on the Board of Trustees. A number is written into the charter for eight voting members. In order for a ninth voting member, or a second non-voting member, we would have to change the charter because a number is written into the charter for eight voting members."

Nevertheless, Packard expressed some concern about putting a student on the board. She said a student most likely would not serve more than a one year term and therefore would not have the time to make a significant contribution.

"Usually the student doesn't have enough time to aspire to make significant changes, so they often don't have time to form an agenda," she said.

Rickstad explained that  
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## Office stretches arms to all races

By TOM MULLIGAN  
Staff Writer

After a frantic few months of creation, the Office of Minority Equity has opened its doors.

The job of the office will be to address the concerns of minority students, but its arms will reach out to non-minority students as well. Specifically, the office was created to increase the graduation rate of minority students.

The number of OU minority graduates have decreased steadily over a span of several years.

Dr. Manuel Pierson, the assistant vice president of university relations, envisioned the idea for this office many years ago. In 1982 he presented his plan to the administration, however, his

vision didn't become a reality until this semester.

Last year, he suggested the concept again, this time to President Sandra Packard.

She told him to begin his research on Dec. 10. Pierson presented his findings and recommendations on Feb. 15.

"The office was to be catalyst to bring about change in the university," Pierson said. "I wanted to increase the number of students that actually walk across that stage."

Packard created a committee to study the idea. She authorized the creation of the office with a start-up budget of \$25,000 to buy office equipment. She said apart from salaries, the office will have an annual operating budget of \$10,000.

The goals of the office, outlined under recommendations by the committee, include providing scholarships to needy students, according to Packard. A fund of \$135,000 has been set aside for this purpose.

While the office is ready to serve students, there are concerned faculty members who worry usage will be limited to a certain few.

"The name is a misnomer," said professor of sociology Dr. Kevin Early. "I've taken issue with the office name."

Early says that he fears the office will be perceived as an office for only African-American students despite the fact that the office was constructed to serve all students.

"If it's perceived as a black

office, it becomes non-productive," Early said.

Packard said that while the office is targeted toward minority groups, "we don't want to turn away any students who need assistance."

The office is now seeking a director. Packard said the she originally wanted to hire someone from within the campus community "who could hit the ground running" and give that person the chance "to move up the career ladder."

However, a search proved unsuccessful and Packard elect-



Early

ed to begin a nationwide hunt.

Pierson also suggested that the office fund two additional staff positions to work closely with the director. He proposed that at least one would be male and one would be Hispanic.

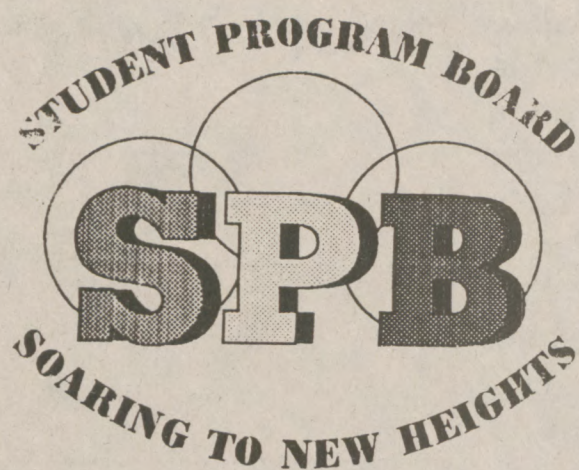
He said that the the office should attempt to address the barriers between the races on campus.

"Our white students and our black students tend to separate themselves," Pierson said. "They have to live together when they leave this place, they have to work together, why then can't we study together, work together here?"

Omar Brown, the president of the Association of Black Students, says that he's pleased with the creation of the office.

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## University Student Congress

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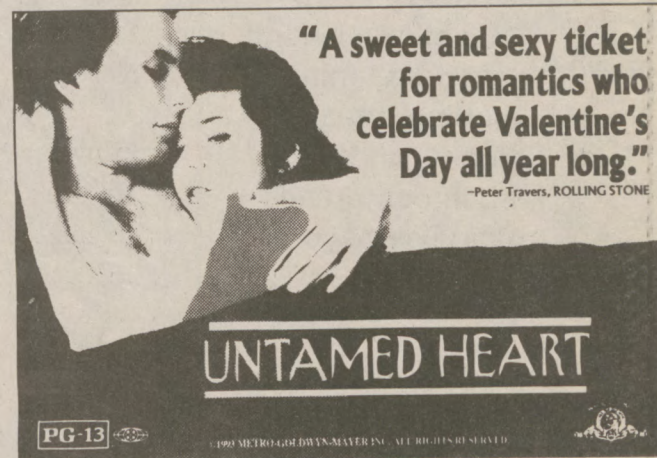
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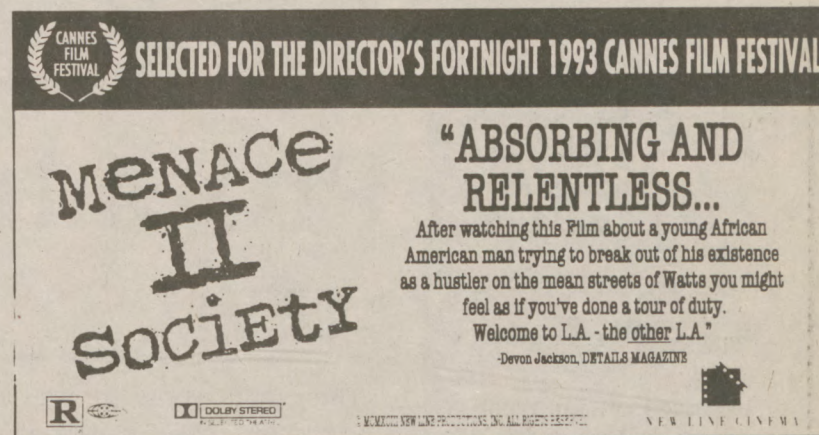
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(Across from Sweet Sensations)



Sept. 18 - 2:05 a.m. After OU police was notified by a Hamlin Hall resident that a suspicious person was seen leaving a first floor room through the window while carrying a bundle, a Hamlin female returned to find that her TV, clock radio and wallet containing miscellaneous items had been stolen.

According to the report, the burglar entered through the open window after the screen was kicked out.

While OU police investigators were checking finger and shoe prints, a patrolling squad car saw an individual exiting the woods area behind Hamlin Hall as he ran towards Walton Blvd.

The chase led OU police to the Beacon Hill apartments just across Walton Blvd. from campus, where the individual disappeared.

Later, OU police uncovered the stolen property in the river valley between the basketball court near the residence halls and Walton Blvd.

Senior Investigator Mel Gilroy said that witnesses are being interviewed and that the finger prints are currently being processed through the Michigan State Police automated fingerprint identification system computer.

The investigation continues.

Sept. 17 - 1 p.m. OU police were notified by university officials after they discovered that numerous barrels used for holding nuclear waste had been intentionally dumped over.

The barrels were located in the nuclear waste storage area in the basement of the Belgium Horse Barn, just south of the OU police department. According to the report, the Director of Research and Academic Development Donald McCrimmon and Craig Taylor, a radiation safety officer said that two of the barrels containing low-grade waste materials were among the various dumped barrels.

Also disturbed were a number of boxes which had been moved around but not opened.

Taylor told OU police that the building had been locked and secured by a graduate student assistant on September 1, which to their knowledge was the last time any person with keys was there.

There were no signs of forced entry.

More facts will be released as the investigation continues.

Sept. 16 - 12:30 p.m. After leaving her purse sitting on her desk at the WOUX radio station in the Oakland Center, a 22-year-old female student returned to find that her wallet containing \$2 and various identification was missing.

According to the report, the female told OU police that the radio station is heavily traveled and that the perpetrator could be anybody.

Sept. 14 - 3:45 p.m. An 18-year-old female student from Clarkston returned to her 1986 Pontiac she had parked in the North Overflow Lot two hours earlier to find that her drivers side window had been punched out and an envelope containing \$199 was missing. According to the report the female told OU police that she was positive that the envelope was well hidden and out of plain view of passers-by.

Persons with any information are urged to contact the O.U.P.D. desk.

Sept. 13 - 10:30 p.m. OU police took two teenagers into custody for stoning the fountain statues in front of Kresge Library, after a patrolling officer heard a loud, abnormal ringing of metal objects.

When the two juveniles were asked why they were throwing rocks at the artwork they told officers they were trying to pitch the rocks through the statue's halos.

The two juveniles were later released to their parents.

Sept. 9 - 10 p.m. A female campus visitor from Rochester Hills returned to the Northwest Lot where she had parked her 1993 Cadillac Deville to find that the driver's side hub caps, valued at \$562, had been stolen. OU police have no suspects at this time.

## CRIME WATCH

By BRYAN LUXON

# OU employee fights back

## Spinal injury slows, but won't stop Linda Barc

MARY LOWE  
News Editor

She was simply enjoying a summer's day, swimming in a familiar lake with her husband, teaching a young child how to dive.

What Linda Barc, office assistant to the OU Instructional Technology Center didn't know is that the events to follow would change her life forever.

Members of the Lake Orion Boat Club, Barc and her husband were teaching Mira Bowman, 6, how to dive Aug. 8.

To demonstrate the motion, Barc sat on the edge of the dock in a squatting position with arms raised above her head. She entered the water, striking her head on the sand bottom.

She floated to the top of the water still conscious, yet unable to move. Her sixth and seventh vertebrae were fractured. She felt nothing from her waist down and was left with only "ghost feeling" in her arms and hands.

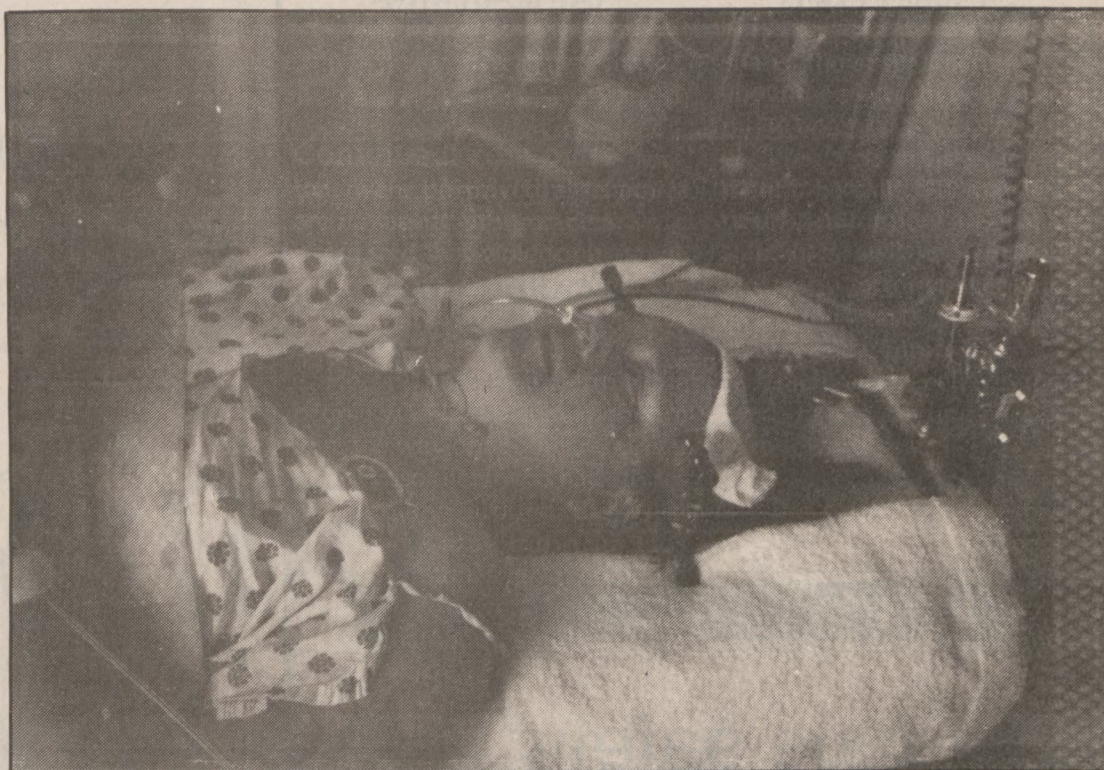
Other LOBC members were in the area and called 911. When the emergency service arrived she was placed on a wooden board, lifted onto a pontoon boat and taken ashore.

The emergency crew took her to Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital where she underwent surgery to correct the fractured vertebrae. She was transferred to St. Joseph's Pontiac Hospital Aug. 23.

She now wears a halo brace, a device used to restrict mobility in the upper body, especially the neck, spine and shoulders. This brace winds about the head and is drilled directly into the skull within the left and right temples. It runs over the shoulders and down the upper body, wrapping about the waist.

Barc says that she doesn't feel any pain with the exception of her elbows which along with her hands, are the major focus of her therapy at this point.

Her doctors expect that she'll recover anywhere from 80 - 90 percent. Barc has a different idea, "I really do think that I'll have close to a full recovery, if not a full recovery."



Linda Barc, an office assistant to the OU Instructional Technology Center, wears a halo brace that restricts her movement but not her spirit after a diving accident left her sixth and seventh vertebrae fractured. "I really do think that I'll have close to a full recovery, if not a full recovery," she said.

Still, Barc says she's taking one day at a time. "After I get a little stronger they give you day passes — weekend passes to go home. So, I'm looking forward to that," she said. "Right now my major focus on getting all my strength together to get home."

Barc's friends boast that her determination and remarkable strength not only have speeded her recovery, but have also helped to carry them through.

"She has the same attitude she's always had — go for it," Sharon Shelly, a longtime friend of Barc's said. "She holds everybody else up."

Bed-ridden until Sept. 1, Barc smiled, explaining that she could finally sit upright in a wheelchair. "It feels so good to have my feet lower than the rest of my body," she said.

Already Barc is trying her hand at old games. "I played a game of backgammon today (Sept.2), by the end of the game my

hand was shaking." But she played the game through and eventually won.

If the mind does influence the recovery of the body, then Barc seems to be in good shape.

"She has a very positive personality," George Preisinger, manager of ITC said.

"That's a major part of the healing process." Doctors told Barc that she should be home by Halloween. When she does get home her therapy will continue. As she explained, it's similar to being a child and learning everything as if it were the first time.

"I think considering all she's been through, she's been doing very well. You're whole life is changed, it's turned upside down," a Pontiac St. Joseph staff member said. "She has a long road ahead of her as far as rehab goes. She has a real positive outlook on life. She's a strong lady."

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that were portrayed as enemies are now suddenly partners."

He said that violence in Israel, where all males over 18 are conscripted into the military, was common.

He said that, like Detroit, the people who live there experience it in one way or another, and that he knew soldiers who had stories of patrolling around the West Bank and Gaza Strip, with kids throwing stones at them, and worse. However, he said he thinks that both sides just got tired of war.

"The groups (the PLO and Israeli government) were losing support from all sides," said Shillor. "The PLO lost support when the Soviet Union broke up. Rabin had made peace with the PLO part of his campaign platform, and the people were getting restless. The leaders needed to portray themselves behind peace."

Oded Izraeli, a professor of economics at OU who has also spent most of his life in Israel,

shares the suspicion and tension about the plan, but he is also willing to accept it.

"First, it is not a peace agreement," he said. "It may lead to peace, but for now it is just a first step. It is well known the PLO did many terrorist acts; but that is in the past. What we can change is the future."

Izraeli said he believes the U.S. needs to be a guiding hand in the path toward peace.

"The Gaza Strip is especially in need of help. Not necessarily money, but ideas about organization. The U.S. also needs to act as mediator to help smooth out any minor disagreements."

If, in the next five years, these differences between the two factions are slowly closed, Izraeli said people might see the Middle East as becoming a new center of attraction, in terms of business and pleasure. Once the money that was spent on weapons starts being spent on fixing the economy, endless opportunities will open for the world to share.

"This agreement is certainly a cornerstone toward peace in the region," Izraeli said.

## Office

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Nevertheless, Brown says that the effectiveness of the office will depend upon the director's leadership abilities.

"If he's willing to stand up for minority students, then it should be a great success," he said. "But if it's someone who's just filling the office, then we'll have to find some way of reconstructing it."

In reference to criticism by many who say that the office will be only an African-American office, Brown said that it depends on who actually utilizes the services of the office.

"If a higher percentage of students who use the office are black, that's not the fault of the students," he said. "It's up to all the groups to use that office."

Eduardo Almaguer, president of RAICES, an OU Hispanic student organization, agreed.

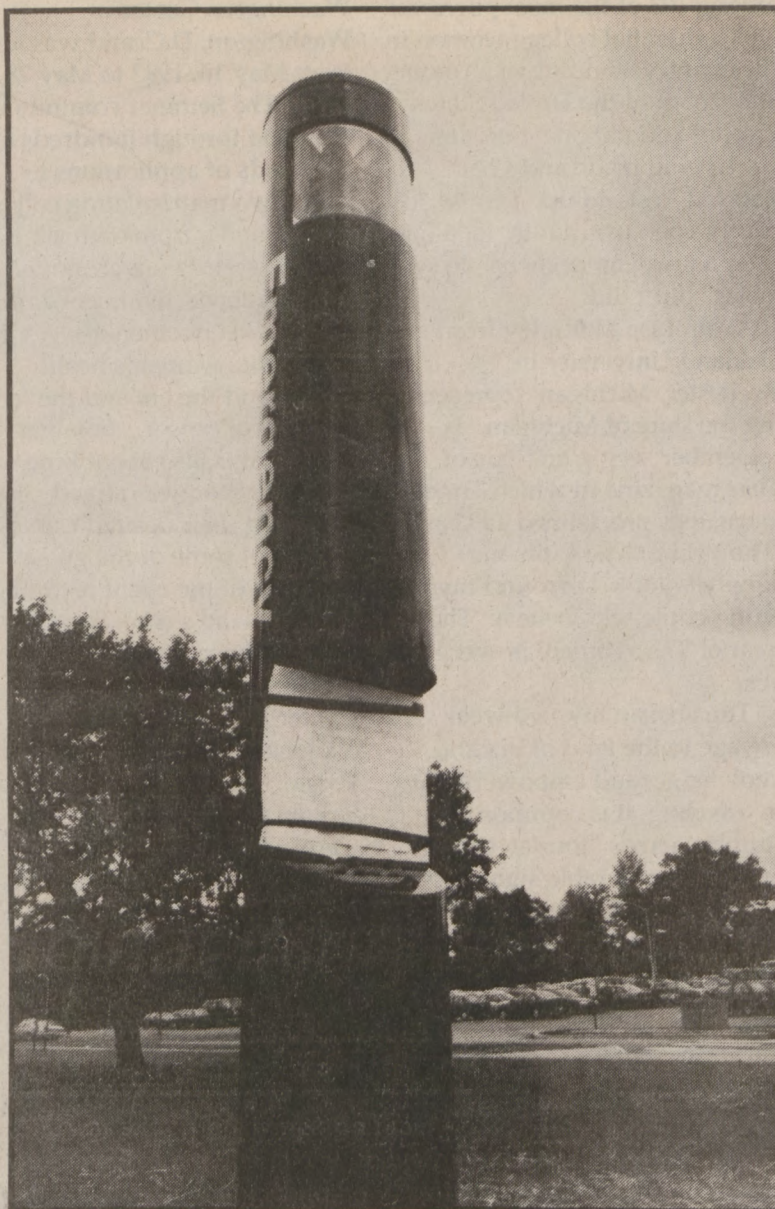
"I'd like to see them (Hispanic students) use this office, and get involved," he said.

Almaguer praised the creation of the office, and said many Hispanic students could benefit from its services.

Almaguer points to Pontiac, with its high concentration of Hispanic residents. He says that he hopes the office and the university, in general, will reach out to them.

Pierson, who will retire Jan. 31, will not oversee the office as he created it, yet he foresees the success of the office.

"I hope that by the year 2000, you could disband the office, that there would no longer be a need for it."



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The six emergency blue-light telephones that will provide instantaneous access to Oakland University's public safety and police, have been put in place after several years of proposing and planning. The phones are not quite operational but Public Safety's Senior Investigator Mel Gilroy, expects they will be soon. A seventh phone will be located in the parking lot across the street from married housing.

## Oakland holds graduation

Oakland University held commencement ceremonies for its spring and summer graduates last Sunday. A total of 649 graduates participated in the ceremony.

Richard Cattani, the Editor of The Christian Science Monitor, delivered the commencement address.

Cattani has served as editor since 1988.

Prior to his current position, Cattani served as editorial page editor of the Monitor. Before that position, he was the Monitor's White House and national political writer, Midwest Bureau Chief, New England and urban affairs writer, and editorial page writer.

He also is a director of the Roper Center at the University

## Rickstad

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putting a student on the board will give the student body the representation that it now lacks. This ideology would allow all students to have a hand in not only the distribution of their tuition dollars, but also within the political framework of the campus community.

"If they (the board) are going to raise tuition, they decide," Rickstad said. "If they're going to make a no-smoking policy they decide."

Most members of the board said that they didn't have enough information to comment on the proposal yet.

If the board does go through with the proposal, it will have to change its charter with the State of Michigan.

As it stands, the board has eight members that serve eight year terms and are appointed by the governor.

Only three schools in Michigan have board members that are elected through statewide election, Wayne State, the University of Michigan and Michigan State.

Board member, Andrea Fischer concurred with Packard's views.

"I don't have a problem with that ... Whoever the governor

feels is appropriate to be on the board, should be on the board," she said. "The only concern I would have is that it's an eight-year term and most student don't stick around a university that long."

Rickstad plans to hold a meeting in early November where she will speak with student leaders from Michigan universities in a collaborative effort to magnify her standing with the board and Governor Engler, and to perhaps influence other student leaders to support her idea.

Most all OU students appear to support the concept. "I'm amazed that they're isn't one," Paul Waldecker, a senior engineering major said. "Even in elementary schools it's no longer the Parent Teacher Association — it's the Parent Teacher Student Association. In a school where a large portion of the student body is above the age of majority, they're not interested in our opinion? It just doesn't make sense."

"I think it's necessary — a student's closer to student life and knows what a student's needs are to make campus life pleasant," Sonja Hunter a computer science major said.

"Sounds like a good idea, so we can get student input to see things from our perspective," Tim Pollizzi, a biology major said.



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### OUR VIEW

## Campus safety receives boost over spring, summer term

After an academic year smeared with several aggravated assaults, residence hall domestic disputes, larcenies, sexual assaults and an armed robbery, the numerous improvements to campus safety this fall are a refreshing reassurance that a premium is placed on student safety.

Students have too much to worry about between classes, work, Marriott's cream of spinach soup, and grade point averages to question whether this institution has adequately provided for their security.

For the past several years, Oakland University lingered behind other state universities, Wayne State for example, in this area.

But thanks to aggressive measures by the Director of Public Safety and Police Richard Leonard, the completed brightway path, public safety bicycle patrol and soon-to-be operational blue light emergency phones, all finally propel Oakland University to a safety level, most communities beg Santa for Christmas.

While the actual emergency usage of blue light phones will be sporadic, instantaneous access to campus police should prove a strong deterrent against violent attacks.

Another strong deterrent, according to Public Safety Senior Investigator Mel Gilroy, was the department's name change from department of public safety, to public safety and police.

He feels the revision in nomenclature has heightened the public's trust and promoted a feeling of security.

"A lot of it has to do with prevention," he said. "You create a climate where people know they can use it (safety measures) if they have to. They know that this is an environment that cares."

Leonard's decision to remove Oakland's Finest from their patrol cars and mount our Boys In Blue Spandex on mountain bikes will most certainly yield the greatest results.

Whereas criminals could easily spot an officer in a patrol car, the bicycle's added mobility and cloakability has already yielded increased results.

"I think the community feels safer," said Gilroy. "A community that has visible officers is more likely to interdict criminals."

Furthermore, the brightway path that winds from Varner Hall to the dormitories, fills a security gap that had frightened night students forced to walk the previously dark expanse.

Last year's assault of a female student behind O'Dowd Hall precipitated Leonard's blue light idea, a concept that was both endorsed by President Sandra Packard and shown to be a needed mechanism to deter violent crime.

What all of these measures jointly represent is the university's commitment.

According to Gilroy, students are less likely to be a victim at OU than they are at home.

The department of public safety and police, under the supervision of Sergeant Richard Tomczak, will also be conducting crime prevention seminars in the residence halls this fall, which should remind students to realize where they are at all times.

The sweat over our safety on Oakland University's campus should bead upon the brow's of our sworn protectors, and thanks to an ongoing commitment to crime prevention, students can focus their care on their various tests and whatever creamed delicacies Marriott can throw our way.

# Opinion



## Student Scope: Woman recalls valuable experience

May 17, 1993. The question was asked, "Why did you choose to be a part of the Women as Leader Seminar Class of 1993, and what did you hope to gain?" After hearing about ten responses, I stood up and looked around the room. I couldn't believe it! Here I was among 103 of the most powerful and influential college women in the country standing in a conference room of the United States Capitol and national decisions were being made and I had decided to stand up. I could barely open my mouth, let alone utter a few comprehensible syllables...but I did.

"I am Lisa McRipley from Oakland University in Rochester, Michigan, representing the state of Michigan. I remember seeing an issue of Time magazine in which Time journalists proclaimed 1993 as 'The Year of the Woman.' I simply want to surround myself with people who believe 'The Year of the Woman' is every year."

Thus began my two-week voyage to the land of insight, knowledge, and empowerment. In traveling, it is common to stumble across "tourist traps" in which vulnerable sightseers pay exorbitant sums of money on souvenirs that are later stored under blankets of dust in

the attic or basement. Not on my journey, however. In fact, I made several laughter, and a few tears for friendships, information, and skills that will last me a lifetime.

My cathartic expedition was called the Women As Leaders Seminar sponsored by the Washington Center in Washington, D.C. and was held from May 16, 1993 to May 28, 1993. The Seminar committee searched through hundreds and hundreds of applications to select two matriculating collegiate women from each state to attend sessions on economic independence, feminism and the free market, women images and the media, women's health issues, and the era and the feminization of power. Seminar participants also spent time with a mentor who was already successful in their desired career. Names of some of the guest speakers of the event read like a political who's who: Sarah Brady, Chairwoman of Handgun Control and the Center to Prevent Handgun Violence; Patricia Ireland, President of NOW (National Organization for Women); and Carol Moseley Braun, Senator for the state of Illinois and the first African-American woman elected to the Senate.

Even with speakers of that

magnitude visiting the seminar, the highlight for me was conversing with 103 diverse women from all over the country. The women were African American, Latin American, Asian American, physically challenged, Jewish, Christian, Agnostic, Atheists, Non-traditional students, Lesbians and Caucasian. The dialogue shared with these dynamic women opened my eyes to the many similarities and differences existing between us. Even with our unique backgrounds, we were all feminists- people striving for full equality of women in society.

Prior to and after my experience, I have heard people question the Feminist Movement. Why all of the hoopla? That is because of sex discrimination, women are paid about 65 cents for every dollar men are paid for full-time employment, and most women are self-supporting heads of households or necessary contributors to a family home.

Also, Americans should have the right to safe and legal abortion, effective birth control, and reproductive health and education. In addition, women of color and lesbians suffer from "double jeopardy" by being discriminated against on two counts: race and gender or gen-

der and sexual orientation. It is necessary to fight against those barriers to equality and justice that are imposed by racism and homophobia. Lastly, the image of women as victims often leaves them vulnerable to sexual assault or partner abuse - even on our campus. Support and self-defense programs are needed to improve confidence and self-esteem for women in order to survive and to succeed.

My adventure lasted just two short weeks, but the saga continues. I refuse to believe that the fight for equality of women and people of color is a never-ending story because we can conclude it right here. Stop allowing for racist, sexist and homophobic behavior to persist, instead speak up! Racism, sexism and all of the "isms" are everyone's problem. We cannot live in a vacuum; it is necessary for us to co-exist together. It is not a question of "can we get along?" The simple fact is we must.

**Lisa McRipley is a sophomore communications major, and the coordinator for the cultural resource center.**

## Another View: Vice President responds to Move editorial

The only thing I find curious is how one can reach the conclusions the editorial staff did based on information provided.

On September 2, the Oakland Post requested and received in person a computer printout of all the work orders, including staff cost, overtime, materials and contractor cost for each move. The data were broken down into as fine a detail as to identify the cost of relocating furniture in offices and cleaning blinds; all of which was subtitled by unit (i.e., Student Affairs, Admissions & Records, Student Skills, administration, etc.), summarized and totalled. The total as of September 2 was \$6,040.52, including our own university staff labor already budgeted for performing such functions. On Friday, September 10, the editor call for updated information but only wanted to know the new total,

\$17,694.15, which was provided on the same day. It seems to me an entirely reasonable price to pay for a fully functioning

Academic Skills Center, Office of Orientation and Admissions Office.

I also found in the article "common university accounting procedures" used as though people were keeping track of projects on note paper in their pockets, hardly the way we do business.

It would be inconceivable that a project to assist student programs and make important

services accessible to students would be anything other than doing exactly what we should be doing. The university is

doing what good progressing higher educational institutions should be - anticipating student needs, changing and streamlining administration. Let me assure the

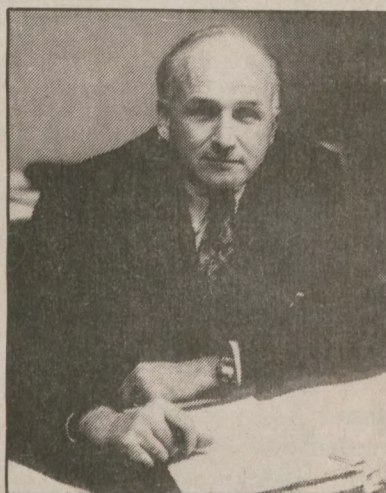
Post that there is a \$150,000 budget created out of unfilled administrative positions having nothing to do with the 9.8%, not 10%, tuition increase and that "normal" accounting practices

are being followed. We could have asked an outside contractor to do all the work and received a very precise "up front" cost estimate of \$53.00 a square foot, but instead we chose to do it ourselves at \$8.44 a square foot, an even more curious aspect, a savings!

Maybe we should ask "who is being served" ...maybe we should stop by the new Academic Skill Center, Admissions Office, or the Office of Orientation and ask them about their new space and how it serves students. Curious isn't it.

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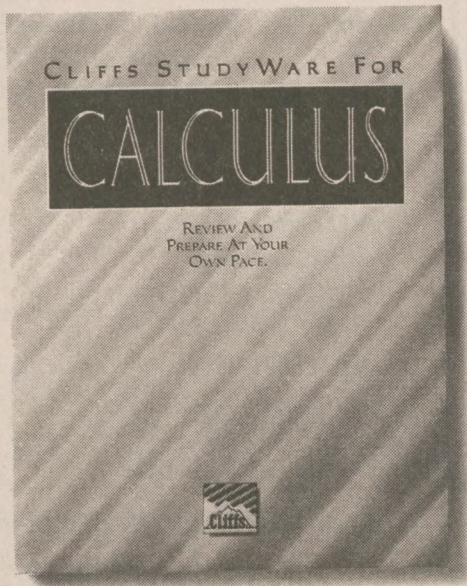
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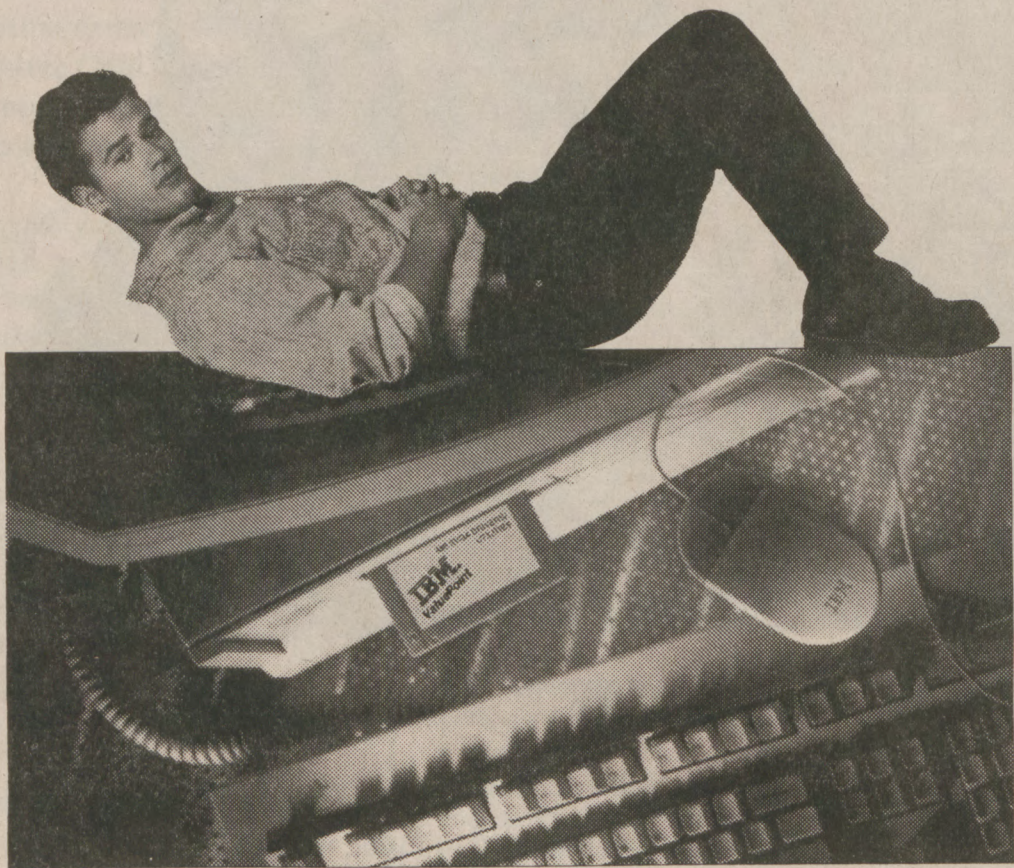
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# Features

## Olmos taps emotional reserves Actor hopes to 'enlighten' people with message

By DARYL M. PIERSON  
Features Editor

The Oakland University Crockery was abuzz with anticipation Monday as 850 people turned out to hear the lecture of actor and activist, Edward James Olmos, who delivered a two hour lecture proclaiming 'We're all in the Same Gang.'

While speaking during lunch, Olmos quipped that "there are only 125 Latino students out of 13,000 students. I wonder how I was asked to do this. It's great to be here."

The well-travelled speaker delivered a rousing, and at times controversial, two hour lecture.

Olmos claimed African descent by way of Asia, with a mix of indigenous and European blood. Prior to his speech, Olmos said that people are not always willing to listen to the fact that everyone originated from the same area.

"A big problem is speaking to my own," Olmos said in referring to the Latino community. "It's hard for many people to accept the human experience deriving from Africa."

But, Olmos doesn't mind the controversy. He believes that it is healthy conversation for people to discuss both sides of the issues, realizing that the world is filled with a diverse mixture of people who will have varying opinions.

However, at 46-years old, Olmos doesn't claim to be the savior of the world or to know all of the answers, but he believes it is important to share his experiences.

Olmos began laughing as he said, "One thing I do know is that the older you get, the more you realize that it's a lot you don't know."

Although, he hopes that maybe someone can relate to, or at least become enlightened to what he is saying and make a change in themselves.

Even though Olmos is considered a well-known activist, he shys away from trying to send messages.



Edward James Olmos addresses the near-capacity crowd last Monday during his "We're All In the Same Gang" speech.

"I always believe that messages are sent through Western Union," Olmos said. "I try not to exploit through my films and lectures, because every person gets their own experience from it."

Olmos, who garnered his fame while performing in theater, used his celebrity status early on to reach out to people on a grassroots level. Now, his face is as well-known working hard off the screen to make a difference as it is starring in a feature role.

With various projects to his credit, Olmos doesn't show any favoritism as to his different roles.

"I've enjoyed theater, television, motion pictures and speaking,"

Olmos said. "I'm very grateful to be in all of my films and to get up and speak before people."

Best-known for his Emmy Award winning role as Lieutenant Martin Castillo in the hit television show 'Miami Vice,' Olmos says that his acting comes before his political activism, but he will not give up his integrity to make a dollar.

"Most people are governed by the dollar, rather than by their character. But it's not enough money

in the world to sell your soul," Olmos said.

While many actors jump on any scripts that come their way, Olmos likes to pick and choose carefully.

"The story is everything," Olmos said. "The characters are secondary. There must be a passion for the story to have a passion for the character."

His passion will be displayed this January in the film 'Roosters,' his latest project. The film is about the turmoils of a dysfunctional family in the southwest United States that stars Maria Conchita Alonzo and Olmos.

Past credits include the musical theater production 'Zoot Suit,' and films 'The Ballad of Gregorio Cortez,' 'Triumph of the Spirit,' 'American Me' and 'Stand and Deliver,' the true story of math teacher Jaime Escalante.

In speaking of Escalante, Olmos said, "The man is amazing. If I had him as a math I would have gone much farther in life. As a senior in high school I was told that I didn't need any more math, and at the time I said 'OK great!'"

Young Olmos grew up in East Los Angeles, where he was a member of a rock band, which he says kept him out of trouble during his teenage years.

He also obtained an associate's and bachelor's from East Los Angeles College and Cal State-Los Angeles.

Edward James Olmos, lists the order of importance of his life's activities as a family-man, actor and activist.

Regardless of the conditions, Olmos is a man that lives by his own terms and especially sees optimism for the future generations.

The father of four sons, ages 18-22, all of whom are currently

enrolled in school and are with the age bracket of the so-called 'Lost Generation' that Olmos disputes.

"The Lost Generation is not so far from understanding more than the previous (generations)," Olmos said. "They are just making the adjustment into the '90s from the greed and the value systems of the '70s and '80s where we were making dollars, but little sense."

## Student combats racism with understanding

By ROBERT CARR  
Staff Writer

"My father is from Cuba," said Oakland University student Eduardo R. Almaguer. "He came over in 1958 when Castro was taking over. My grandfather felt that things were getting a little hairy down there. He decided to get the family out while he still could."

The 24-year-old journalism student was born in Detroit where he used to hang around with his Spanish speaking cousins and his maternal grandfather. At his home, he would talk to his father in Spanish.

Today, Almaguer is the president of Raices, which in Spanish means "race," a new Hispanic student organization.

"There was a Hispanic group that started in the mid-1970s, but it sort of folded," he said. "About three years ago, there was someone who decided that we had to do something."

"Nobody knows about us. They know the Association of Black Students (ABS), but who's going to speak for us?"

National Hispanic Heritage Month is Sept. 15 through Oct. 15, and Almaguer has been busy with preparations. He has been organizing everything from Mexican food bake sales, to arranging for a visit by a Mariachi band.

One of the things his father would talk to him about was discrimination. "My parents would say, 'Well, there's different people, and we have to learn to get along.' That's why, when I first went to elementary school, discrimination was a strange thing to me."

"I remember I had just started first grade," said Almaguer, "I wasn't even in school a week, and the teacher wouldn't even let me go out to recess, and all the other kids made fun of me. I was just a little kid, five or six years old, and I didn't understand what was wrong."

Almaguer's mother sat in on a few classes then, after hearing how he was treated, and was able to find out enough to get the teacher expelled from the district. However, this first bout with injustice was something that Almaguer was going to have to learn to deal with on his own.



Eduardo Almaguer approaches people with little, if any, expectations. He is the new president of the Hispanic organization RAICES. Almaguer has been busy organizing events for Hispanic week, which concludes this weekend.

"I've never really looked at anybody as being 'different,'" he said. "I always try to understand people."

He said the term Hispanic is sort of all-encompassing. Dominican, Cuban, Mexican and about 14 other nationalities are in that category. Understanding that not everyone is the same has been Almaguer's main focus in the program.

He said he thinks there is racism at OU, but it is more covert.

"One time, we were putting some flyers up at OU," said Almaguer. "We had made some in

English. I decided, well, we've got some Hispanic students on campus, and it's easier for some of them to read Spanish, so I made some in Spanish as well. I had pinned up one of the Spanish flyers already, and was working on one in English on the other side of the hall, when I saw someone tearing the Spanish one down."

"I said, 'Excuse me, what do you think you are doing?' The person said, 'I'm tearing down this communist literature.' I asked, 'What do you mean communist literature? Can you read that?' They said, 'No.' I said, 'Do you know what language

that's in?' He said, 'It's Spanish.' I said, 'What makes you think it's communist? How do you know?' He said, 'It must be if it's in Spanish.'"

"What I've tried to do with Raices is to try and help people understand the differences," said Almaguer. "People come up to me and ask, 'Are you Mexican?' I tell them 'Yes, but I'm also part Cuban, and part Spanish.'"

"I think it's great that Oakland is starting to recognize us. I think that's the way it should be."



# Odd students spew views at odd films

By TOM MULLIGAN  
Staff Writer

Six students gathered around a TV set with a VCR hook-up comprised the attendance of the first "Movie Madness" night for the Order of Leibowitz. The line-up for the evening included a sci-fi "B" movie, "Army of Darkness", some Japanese animation, and "Max Headroom", the cult hit tv show that allowed viewers to take a peek "20 minutes into the future."

The Order is a student organization made up of science fiction, fantasy, and gaming buffs. It bears the distinction of being the oldest organization on campus, excluding fraternities and sororities.

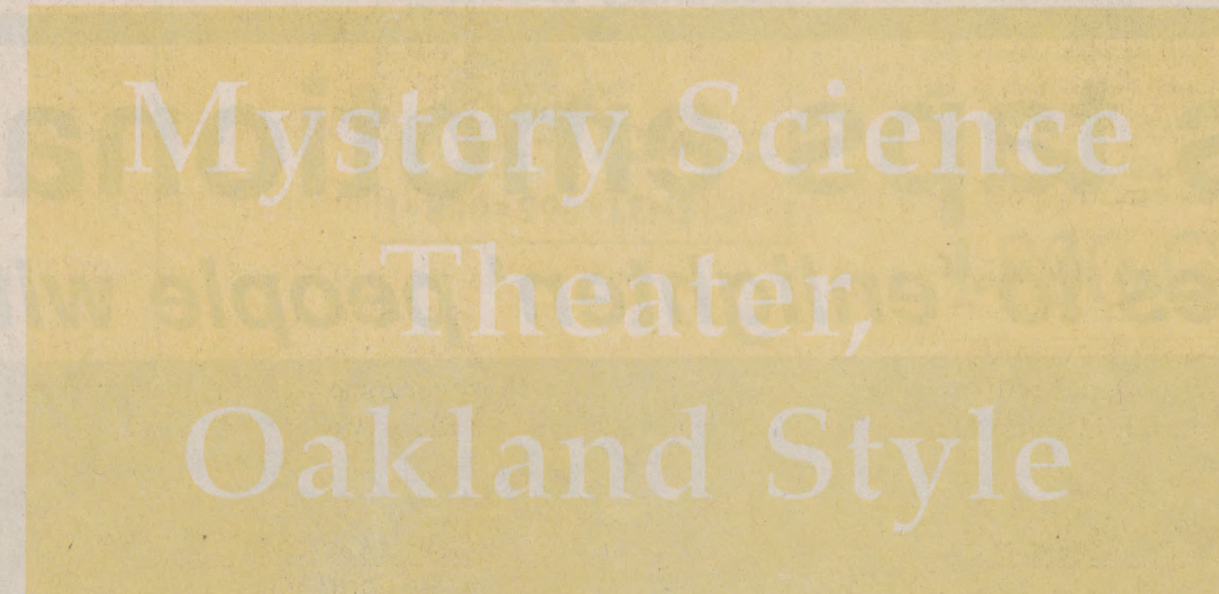
Started in 1972 by OU student Richard Tucholka, the Order today has a membership of twenty active students, according to Leibowitz President Dave Szmiel.

"We have a lot of people listed as members, but there are about twenty who come to meetings, come to Nova, and take a part in activities," he said.

Nova is a gaming and science fiction convention put on annually by the Order. The on-campus event draws between 300 and 400 people, according to Szmiel.

Several members are attempting to turn their interest in gaming into something of a livelihood. Szmiel, a business major, is writing his own role playing game, which he hopes to market, while member Michael Lucas has already had a game of his own published, "Gatecrasher", released by the gaming company Hot Tub Dragon.

Lucas joined the Order in 1985, and graduated in 1992. He now works as a cataloger at Kresge Library. He enjoys having close access to the club, and



praises the Order's overall easy-going atmosphere.

"The Order of Leibowitz is a lot of just generally odd people that do a lot of different things", he said, adding that its not a gaming club exclusively.

OU junior Liz Peabody says she's not into gaming, but she enjoys the club,

"There's room for just about anyone here", she said. "I've never felt the need or desire to role play. I enjoy science fiction

literature."

A science fiction writing group within the Order is inactive for lack of membership, according to Lucas, but he said it could be revived easily.

"If enough people say they

want one, we'll have one", he said, then laughed, "enough being about three or four."

Nevertheless, the club has their share of devoted gamers.

OU sophomore Dennis Van Hoey, who sat hunched over a Japanese-English dictionary during the Japanese animation scene last Wednesday night, is part of a sub group of the Order that meets every Sunday.

Although their numbers are small, Van Hoey says the ones who come to play are devoted regulars.

The club's vice-president, Tom Stockel, an English major, who has been with the club since last April, says that he enjoys its social aspects.

"I enjoy it a lot," he said. "I've made some good friends here," he said.

"We're here to have fun", Lucas said. "We don't haze people. We don't have secret meetings."

# Ex-soldiers storm books rather than beaches

By ROB CARR  
Staff Writer

Two years ago, Marine Cpl. Mike Spencer of Bravo 124 was leading his squad into a mock enemy encampment in a search for American hostages.

Now, in 1993, Spencer is starting his junior year of college at Oakland University. While this may seem like a far cry from the Special Operations training he received during Operation Desert Storm, he claims college classes, not military clashes, are most important.

"I joined the Reserves instead of going active so that I could go to college. I didn't want to wait until I was 23 or 24 to start school. This is the only way I

could do both," said Spencer.

Unexpectedly, during his sophomore year at Saginaw Valley, his unit was called up. Even though two professors were un-sympathetic to his situation and dropped him from their classes, he returned from his one-year tour determined to finish the job. "I see it as an investment. Also, with the military helping pay for tuition, I just can't see throwing this opportunity away."

He's not the only one. About 150 veterans have signed up for education benefits here at OU. The key word is "benefit," that means some money in the pocket for vets to attend school. One type is the GI Bill, which usually ranges \$200 to \$400 a month. Jeanne Carter, the

Acting Director of Special Advising at OU, handles those checks.

"The money is a kind of incentive. They've been in the military, they've served their country, they deserve the benefits," she said.

They'll need them. Fall tuition cost, per credit hour, has gone up 10 percent. Fortunately, Oakland is a relatively cheap way to go, in comparison with big brothers MSU and U of M. That is one of the two main reasons Fourier Ross, a former Army nuclear weapons technician, is a junior at OU. "I chose OU because of location and money," he explained. "Because the GI bill is only so much, I couldn't afford a major university. Oakland was an economical

choice."

Ross, 24, spent three and a half years in the Army, but he said he knew he "wasn't going to make a career out of it." Going to school and furthering his education was the main idea, and he stressed that his age had no bearing on his chosen path.

"I feel good to be going to college, as opposed to some of my friends my age that are not really doing anything. They've been out of school since 1988, they don't have any goals set for themselves," he said. "Here at OU, I don't feel any different. Age isn't anything but a number to me. It's all in your head. If you set your mind to it, it's

going to get done."

For 22-year-old John Putnam, who just finished four years in the Army, age is relative; literally. He's living at home, and has the money and motivation; his only problem is starting here as a freshman with his teenage sister. "I don't feel like I'm four years behind, I've been and done things these kids only dream of. Going to classes with my little sister is going to take a while getting used to, however," he said.

"I've been to one class already and no one can tell that I'm ex-military," said Putnam. Part of me was afraid that people would see me as an old man, but now I'm more worried about them finding out I can buy the beer."

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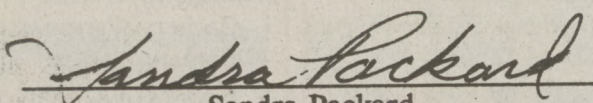


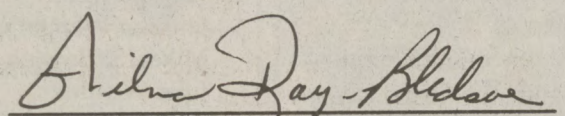
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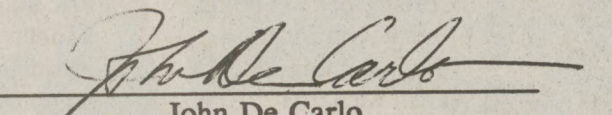
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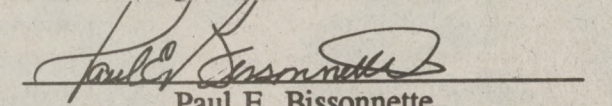
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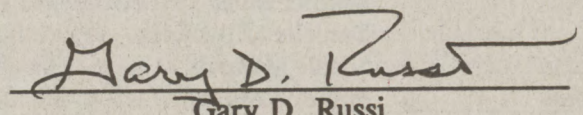
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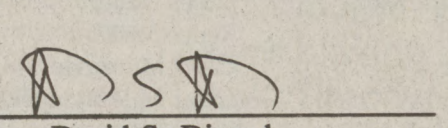
  
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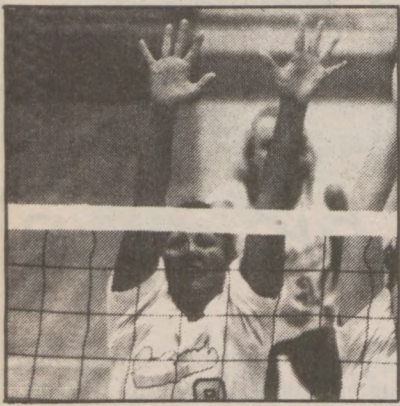
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# Sports

## Pioneer of the Week



**Karen Ill**  
Volleyball  
6-0 sophomore  
middleblocker

Ill helped the unbeaten Pioneer volleyball squad stay perfect with another outstanding week. The Pioneer middleblocker had 47 kills in 10 games. she also had three solo blocks and 10 block assists, six service aces and 14 digs.

## THE PIONEER DIRT BOX

- OU's 10 straight to start the 1993 campaign is the most ever at the beginning of a year by an OU volleyball team, and just one shy of the most wins to start a year by any Oakland squad. the volleyballers are just three wins shy of equalling the team's all-time winning streak set in 1989.

- OU men's soccer failed to win the Marriott Soccer Classic for the 10th time in 10 tries. The Pioneers have a record of 8-9-2 in the 10 years of the Classic.

- Senior goalkeeper Mike Sheehy was chosen as the tournament's Defensive MVP. Sheehy turned in his fourth straight shut-out in the win over Lock Haven. He now has 29 career shutouts, one shy of the school record, and 212 saves, eight away from the OU career mark.

## THIS WEEK IN PIONEER SPORTS

**Mon., Sept. 20-** Men's Golf at Siena Heights Invitational  
**Tue., Sept. 21,** - Volleyball at Hillsdale, 7 p.m.  
**Thu., Sept. 23-** Men's Golf at Lincoln Memorial Fall Classic.  
**Thu., Sept. 24-** Tennis vs. Lake Superior State, 3 p.m.  
**-Men's Golf** at Lincoln Memorial Fall Classic  
**Sat., Sept. 25-** Tennis vs. Northern Michigan University, 10 a.m.  
**-Volleyball** vs. Ferris St., 1p.m.  
**-Men's and Women's Cross Country** at Bulldog Invitational.  
**-Soccer** at Wisconsin-Parkside, 1:30 p.m.

-information compiled by Andy Glantzman, Sports Information director

# OU drops thriller at Classic



Senior defender Jim Harrison was hard pressed by this Lock Haven attacker in Saturday's action.

By KEN FILLMORE  
Special Writer

Pioneer soccer took the number one ranked Florida Tech squad to the limit on Sunday in the championship game of the Marriott Classic, but fell short in overtime, 2-1. Kirk Mackey headed the ball home from about the left edge of the goal mouth for the winner 117:59 into the match after taking a pass from midfielder Kieran England.

The Pioneers controlled most of the play for the first 25 minutes of the match. Then FIT opened the scoring at 31:06 as forward Eddie Enders looped a shot over charging goalkeeper Mike Sheehy. At that time, as Head Coach Gary Parsons put it, his kids were in a dreadful "spell".

"After the first 25 minutes, I thought we were playing really well. Then we absolutely went into the tank and had no game for about 20 minutes. Things slowly got better in the second half," Parsons said.

"That 20 minute spell in the first half was terrible. We let them (FIT) back in the game when we had them on their heels. That was discouraging, but it was pleasing

to see the kids fight back."

Junior forward Mali Walton had two different chances to score OU's first tally.

At the 8:40 mark in the first half, he took a pass from midfielder Lamarr Peters and hit the crossbar from the left of the FIT goal. Then, about five min-

**"...I thought we were playing really well. Then we absolutely went into the tank and had no game.."**

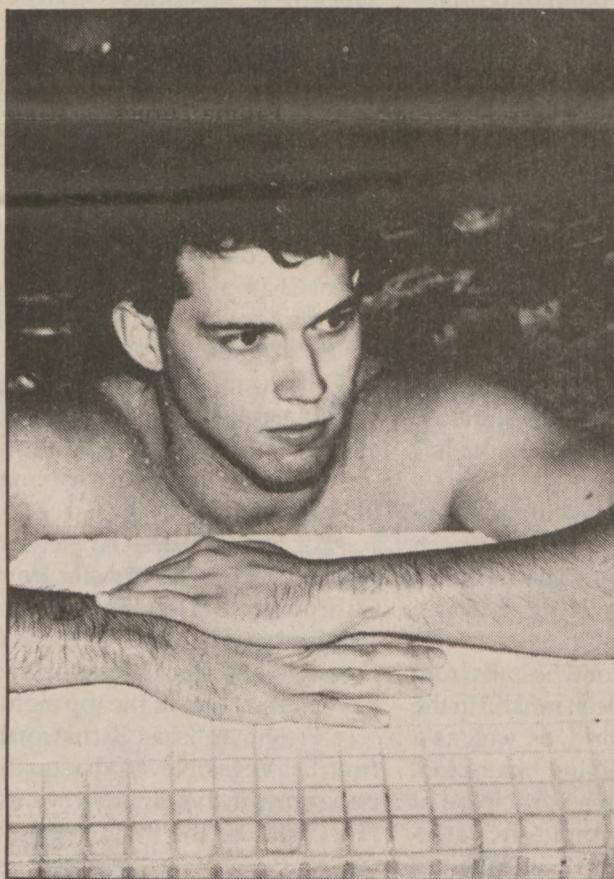
**Gary Parsons**  
Head Soccer Coach

utes into the second half, he whistled a shot wide right after beating a Panther defender.

Finally, after 86:24 of the match had passed, junior forward Mike Thornton came up with the equalizer from defenseman David Ankori's feed. He centered himself in front of the goal and drilled the shot high and barely below the crossbar, shifting the momentum.

See THRILL page 14

## Pioneer Preview: Swimmers gearing for foreign invasion



Senior co-captain Sean Peters

By ERIC DeMINK  
Sports Editor

One can see it in his eyes.  
 One can hear it clearly in his voice.  
 The trial, the tribulation and ultimately, the frustration.  
 But, if one should delve further, one would certainly find another dimension in the troubled lines.  
 If it wasn't already obvious, one should find naked ambition and foremost, determination.

OU men's swimming Head Coach Pete Hovland is too nice a guy to finish last, or second, for that matter.

But, the fact is, the Pioneers have finished second in the NCAA Division II national championship seven of the last eight years. The one aberration on that near perfect record was a third place finish in 1992 in which they were razor-edged by Clarion University by a mere half point.

Hovland's 1993-94 squad is posturing to change those fortunes. "This could be one of our best teams ever," Hovland said, with a brilliant twinkle in his eyes.

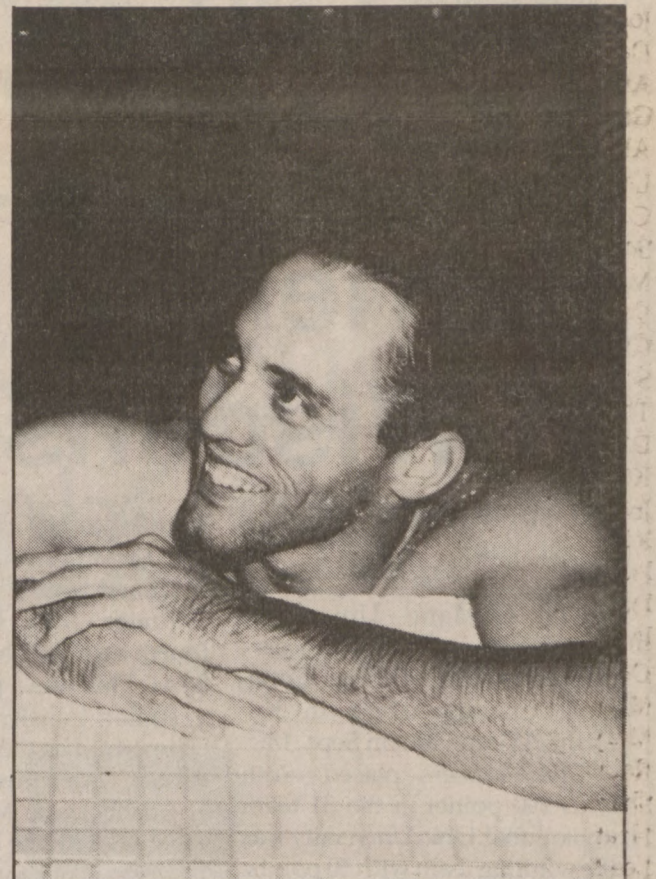
"We had an excellent recruiting year, and I was very pleased with Chuck McClune (assistant coach) and Nikki Kelsey's (diving coach) work.

"There was really no rhyme or reason to our success except to say that our efforts paid off for once. I just hope that we can reap the benefits," he said.

Hovland will enter the fray this season with 28 swimmers in what will be one of his largest teams ever.

A truly diverse cast will include 17 new swimmers and two new

See INVADE page 14 Junior co-captain Morgan Bailey



The Oakland Post/Clive Savage

## Spikers streak to 10th straight win

By GIOVANNI LORIA  
Special Writer

The Pioneers served themselves up three more victories over GLIAC foes beating Saginaw Valley State, Northwood University and Lake Superior State University the week of Sept. 13, to improve their record to 10-0 on the season.

Wednesday, Sept. 14, the Pioneers scored their first GLIAC win over the Cardinals of Saginaw Valley, 3-1 (16-14, 15-2, 2-15, 15-12).

On Friday, Sept. 17, the Pioneers hosted Northwood University (4-5), at the Lepley Sports Center and won easily, 3-0, taking consecutive sets by scores of 15-6, 15-7 and 15-4.

OU never seemed to be in trouble during the whole match, except in the third game. In this tilt, the Pioneers trailed 3-1, and had to contend with 6'-3" freshman, Pavla Melichmorva of the

Czech Republic. But the Pioneers blocked well and eventually regained control, running away.

Disciplined is how the Pioneers played, committing only one blocking error compared to Northwood's 11.

Cathy Workman provided much of the excitement Friday night for OU. Workman, the 5'-8" senior from Lapeer, Mich., had a team-high 13 kills, and also had two assists and nine digs.

On Saturday, the Pioneers played host again, this time to Lake Superior State University (2-6).

The Pioneers had a tougher time with the Lakers on Saturday, but still won in three games, 15-5, 15-10 and 15-9.

Sophomore Karen Ill gave the team a spark with her 17 kills in 24 attempts. Ill also had two serving aces, four digs, one solo block and three block assists.

"Saturday's game was flat and that was reflected in the score," Head Coach Peggy Groen said.



Pioneers launch offensive versus Lake Superior State as sophomore Karen Ill goes up for a spike.

"But we played well."

The Pioneer's success can be attributed to at least two factors. One, is that they have gotten a good mix from seniors and fresh-

men, and the second is that team seems to play well together as a team, which is probably the best reason they have yet to lose a game this year.

The OU volleyball program has never got off to a 10-0 start, and with a long season ahead of them, it's a good headstart for the long haul ahead.



Attention students, faculty, and alumni: Oakland University's fall intramurals are about to begin, and you don't want to be left chasing the geese. Whether you're a sports enthusiast, spectator or just want to meet people, Oakland has the sport for you.

This fall Oakland is expanding its intramural program to satisfy every student's athletic interest. Our fall lineup includes several new leagues and tournaments. We are planning softball leagues as well as the popular touch football. As requested by you, the students, we will also be organizing our first outdoor soccer league. The soccer league adds an exciting alternative to our intramural line up. It will consist of five or more players on a team, played on a smaller scale field. In each sport we will be offering co-ed, men's, and women's leagues each depending on the interest shown.

Also, as requested, OU has several tournaments to kick off the year. We are starting off with a men and women's single elimination racquetball tournament. In addition to racquetball we will be having tennis, golf and volleyball tournaments. The tennis tournament will consist of men and women's singles and will be played on OU's own tennis courts. Then you can test your wits against the sandtraps and rough of the Katke-Cousins golf course for a mere \$12. Also available in November is a volleyball tournament. More information will be announced concerning the volleyball tournament in the future.

Now, get your planners and write down these important dates: Softball, football and soccer have a sign-up deadline of Sept. 24. League play begins Sept. 28.

Sign up for:		tournament play begins...
racquetball	Oct. 1	Oct. 4
tennis	Oct. 4	Oct. 10
golf	Oct. 11	Oct. 16
volleyball	Oct 30	Nov. 3 and 6

We are accepting any and all new ideas for future intramural programs. Team rosters and individual sign-ups are located at the Lepley Sports Center cage. For further information and any questions concerning intramural eligibility, dates, rules, etc. please contact Steve Lyon at 370-4059. Thanks, intramural coordinators.

## PIONEER volleyball Standings

Team	GLIAC		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Northern Michigan	3	0	11	0
OAKLAND	3	0	10	0
Michigan Tech	2	1	9	3
Saginaw Valley	2	1	4	3
Ferris State	2	0	4	7
Grand Valley	2	0	5	5
Wayne State	1	3	5	6
Northwood	0	2	1	2
Hillsdale	0	4	2	6
Lake Superior	0	2	2	4

# Harriers ninth in Wisconsin

By DEREK STARK  
Special Writer

The Oakland University men's cross country team participated in the Midwest Collegiate Championships in Kenosha, Wisconsin, on Sept. 18.

The Pioneers placed ninth with 290 points in the 31-team invitational. Ohio University was the winning team with 50 points.

GLIAC foe and 1992 GLIAC champion Hillsdale was the runner-up to the Bobcats.

Senior All-GLIAC runners John Nemens and Paul Rice led Oakland with a 25:49 and 25:57, respectively, for the 8-kilometer course. Nemens placed 26th and Rice was 36th.

Nemens was happy with the times.

"It was a tough course, and the times were good," Nemens said. "It was kind of discouraging because there were a lot of Division I runners in the race and our places seemed much further back." Our top five will have to work more as a pack and get our times down to contend with Hillsdale at the conference meet"

Scott Collins, a junior transfer

from Macomb Community College ran a personal best time of 26:01 and placed 43rd.

Junior Tony Markel, OU's fourth man, finished in a time of 26:41. This was a personal best.

Junior transfer Jerry Finger stepped up as the Pioneers fifth runner with a time of 27:55.

Coach Dave McCauley was satisfied with the Pioneer finish.

"Two of our top four runners ran personal best times, but we were really hurting without our number five runner, Jim Haviland, who is out with a strained quad muscle," McCauley said. It was a big race and we had some people run well, but we need to work on our consistency from our number one runner down to number seven."

Senior Nancy Collister finished 69th in the Midwest Collegiate Championships to become the first woman to compete in a cross-country race for Oakland University.

The men's and women's cross country teams will run at the Bulldog Invitational on Saturday, Sept. 25. It is expected that this will be the first meet run with a full squad by the new OU women's cross country team.

## Tennis splits weekend

By ERIC DeMINK  
Sports Editor

OU's tennis team split a weekend series against two of the top three teams in the GLIAC, Grand Valley State and Ferris State, Sept. 17 and 18.

It was a good test for the Pioneers who had come off an 8-1 thrashing of Saginaw Valley State the week before.

On Friday, the Pioneers handled the Lakers of GVSU 6-3, taking four of six singles and two of three doubles contests.

Saturday, OU had its come-uppance against perennial GLIAC powerhouse, Ferris State.

The Bulldogs took care of business, dumping the Pioneers by an 8-1 score.

## Thrill

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"I felt really good. I felt that we really had an opportunity to beat those guys (FIT). As soon as I stepped on the pitch today, I knew we had a very good chance. The team's been playing really well," Thornton said.

FIT outshot OU 11-7, but Sheehy came up with the only big save by diving to his right to rob England midway through the second half.

The defenses were aggressive

when they had to be, especially FIT's. While committing 32 fouls, and being charged with two yellow cards, they managed to shake up Walton, junior forward Eli Tiomkin and sophomore defenseman Will Bothe among others. According to Thornton, you are going to see some rough stuff in such an enduring game.

"The match was getting a little chippy at the end. When your body gets tired, you are going to see a lot of hard tackles," Thornton said.

In order to get to the championship match, OU and FIT had to

take care of some business Saturday. OU defeated Lock Haven 2-0 on first half goals by Tiomkin and senior midfielder John Gentile. Mike Sheehy earned his fourth shutout of the season, away four shots. Eddie Enders had a goal and two assists and goalkeeper Mark Cartwright made three saves in FIT's 4-0 victory over Grand Canyon.

Also on Sunday, LHU defeated GCU 3-0 in the consolation match. For LHU, Matthew Ford goal and an assist and goalkeeper Rob Thompson stopped three shots to earn the shutout.

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# OU's Walton plays at level of his own

By KEN FILLMORE  
Special Writer

As a nine-year-old growing up in his hometown of Flint, Michigan, Mali Walton saw some friends having a good time playing the game of soccer. At that moment, he was hooked to a game that, with a little effort, would bring him much success in the future.

Walton, a fourth year junior majoring in sociology, played in the Flint youth soccer leagues, and along the way, he was under the direction of coach Kevin Fiebertz for four years, beginning at the age of 12. Fiebertz, his major soccer influence, saw some promise in his ability and encouraged him to try out for the Olympic Development (state select) team at the age of 15.

He made three of the last six state select squads he tried out for. He's the team's starting sweeper.

Another team Walton played for was a club league squad named Vardar 3. Comprised of some of the best talent around, he joined forces with current teammates John Gentile and Mike Sheehy. They won numerous tournaments, including the 1988 indoor nationals as 17-year-olds in the 19-and-under division.

According to OU Head Coach Gary Parsons, his play in state select, the club league, and as a prep standout at Flint Northern High School did not go unnoticed.

"We (OU coaching staff) saw him (Walton) in the club league and in the State Olympic Development program. He made All-

State and All-Conference teams. In the development program, he played at a fairly high level. Nobody could play at that level," Parsons said.

Walton chose OU over Division I schools like Virginia and Syracuse. Gentile and Sheehy also chose to become Pioneers.

"The Vardar team I played for was a really good team. At first, seven of us said that we were going to go to Oakland. But, four of them changed their minds at the last minute," Walton explained.

After being a Proposition 48 casualty in 1990, Mali started to pay dividends.

The dynamic, speedy forward helped the Pioneers to the national semifinals last season by scoring 19 goals and assisting on 23 others. His 48 points is the second best single season point total in

the school's history, three behind teammate Eli Tiomkin. Walton was disappointed that Tiomkin only tied the goal scoring record (20) and did not break it last season.

"We were supposed to score every game. It seemed like that when I would score, he would score. When he got close to the record, I was ticked when he didn't break it," Walton said.

Mali Walton appreciates what the game of soccer has done for him, and still hopes for more positive experiences in an illustrious career.

"First of all, I would love to win a national championship at Oakland. I would like to go overseas to play professionally. If professional teams are established here in the States, I would love to play here," Walton said.

## Invade

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divers from all parts of the country and from such faraway places as Brazil, Venezuela, Great Britain, Denmark and Alaska.

The Pioneers will return one senior and two juniors to complement a squad which will be bottom heavy with underclassmen.

"This is a very young team," Hovland said, "and one which is extremely talented.

"But there are a lot of unknown variables. We don't know how our guys are going to respond to a title chase. We are going to need leadership, and that is going to have to come from the minority since our upperclassmen are so few."

Hovland has named sprinters senior Sean Peters, and junior Morgan Bailey as co-captains to pilot a destined ship which returns only five NCAA qualifiers.

Peters and Bailey will be flanked by junior distance swimmer Eric Newton, GLIAC Swimmer of the Year sophomore Chris

Zoltak, and sophomore sprinter Adric Arndt.

Sophomore Dave Dykstra was real close in his times last year and will have to kick it up another notch to make qualifying standards.

"We graduated a ton of points," Hovland said. "When we tallied it up, we found that 189 of our 550 points came from individuals who won't be here this year."

Fortunately for Hovland, 10 of the 17 new recruits have swam Division II qualifying times and five of the remaining seven are very close.

"As it looks, if we swim up to our potential, we could bring close to a full squad (20) to nationals," he said.

Foremost on Hovland's list is a diver, recruited by diving coach Nikki Kelsey, from Miami Junior College in Florida, one Dario DiFazio.

DiFazio, a junior who hails from Venezuela, has been ranked in the top 25 in the world, as well as a junior college diving champion. DiFazio was also a participant at the Summer Olympics in Barce-

lona.

Hovland feels DiFazio should win both boards, and DiFazio expects that of himself.

Equally high on the list is Arthur Albeiro, a sophomore transfer from national champion California State University-Bakersfield. Albeiro has qualified in the top eight in four events.

Others to watch:

• Freshman David Paxton, bronze medalist in the 400 Individual Medley at the European Junior Championship. Paxton was also the Scottish national record holder in a number of events.

• Freshman James Collins scored excellent times in the 200 and 500 Freestyle. He was also a member of Great Britain's national junior team.

• Sophomore Jens Kristensen from Denmark is a transfer from California State University-Northridge. His times in the 200 Freestyle and Backstroke events have ranked him in the top eight.

• Freshman Isaac Farnsworth from Las Vegas, Nevada has qualifying times in five different events. "He could be the most versatile

freshman we have," Hovland said.

• Locally, freshman Ken Ehlen, a graduate of Birmingham Brother Rice High School, was the Class A champion in the 200 Freestyle.

If it appears that Hovland is carrying a stacked deck, he is. It is just a matter of playing all the cards right. That, and the fact the Pioneers must deal with the Roadrunners of CSUB if they want to win anything.

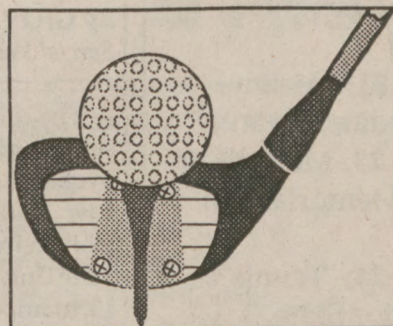
According to Hovland, eight-time defending national champion CSUB (yes, you read it right) is an unknown quantity this season. When head coach Ernie Maglischo (former OU head coach) left the school for a job at Arizona State University, he took six or seven of his best swimmers with him.

"But CSUB is still the favorite to win it all hands down," Hovland said. "They beat us by 400 points! The best that we can hope for is that we will be in a position to compete with them."



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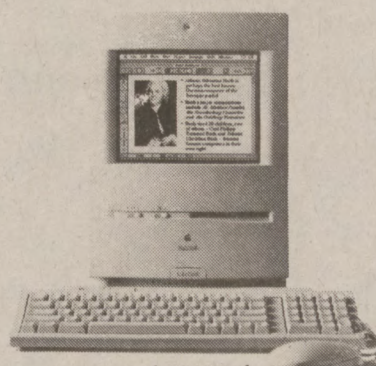
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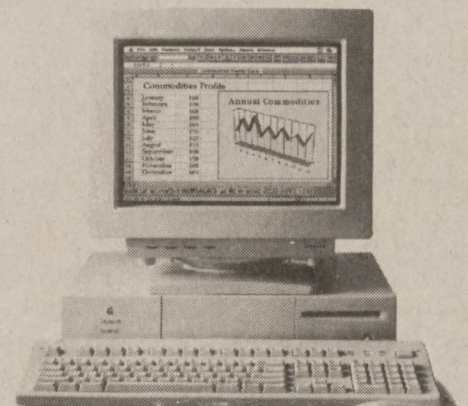
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