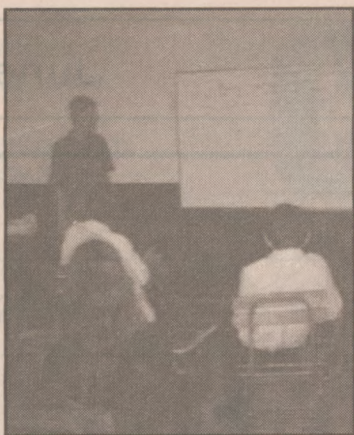


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## It's back: Griz fiz, false alarm

By Libby Baker  
MANAGING EDITOR

OU's campus may get a Grizzly statue after all.

Last fall, three students started the For the Roar campaign hoping to raise money for the construction of a 14-foot bronze grizzly statue.

Unfortunately, the idea fizzled when they were unable to raise enough money for the project, which was projected to cost at least \$150,000.

The plan recently got a new boost thanks to OU varsity swimmer Hunor Ma'te'.

Ma'te', a Hungarian, mentioned the Grizz statue idea to his parents, the national sculptors of Hungary. They offered to use their artistic skills to cre-

ate a Grizzly sculpture for OU's campus.

The statue would be created for the price of materials and shipping.

Mary Beth Snyder, vice president of student affairs, presented the new idea for the statue to OU Student Congress (OUSC) during its June 7 meeting.

"They feel Oakland University has been very good to their son," Snyder said.

She said the Grizzly would be life-size measuring 8.5 to 10 feet in height, weighing nearly one and a half tons, and would look like the Grizzly on OU's logo.

The cost for the statue would be about \$40,000, Snyder said, and she has offered to contribute \$10,000 out of her budget.

She said she brought the idea to OUSC to garner student support and ensure students were interested in the statue.

"I want the students to like this idea. I don't want it to be an administrative decision," Snyder said.

OUSC President Jonathan Parks said it is a very exciting idea.

"It's something Mike (OUSC vice president) and I are very passionate about," he said.

Pending approval by Congress, Parks said OUSC will contribute \$5,000 to \$10,000 to the project from its fall budget.

Snyder said other organizations including the athletics department, the president and the alumni club will be asked to contribute money.

### Change in Tuition and Fee Rates Effective Fall 2004

Resident Undergraduate Lower	2.69 percent
Resident Undergraduate Upper	2.59 percent
Resident Graduate	3.67 percent
Resident Doctoral	3.67 percent
Non Resident Undergraduate Upper	0.00 percent
Non Resident Undergraduate Lower	0.00 percent
Non Resident Graduate	0.00 percent
Non Resident Doctoral	0.00 percent
General Service Fee	1.38 percent
Student Activity Fee	0.00 percent
Recreation Center-Fall/Winter	-2.60 percent
Recreation Center-Spring/Summer	-4.04 percent

## Tuition takes a hike

By Roqaya Ashmawey  
CAMPUS NEWS EDITOR

Tuition will increase by at least 2.4 percent starting fall semester of 2004 the Board of Trustees decided at its last meeting on June 2.

According to Trustee Dennis Muchmore, the "budget is built on a series of assumptions," one of which is increases in cigarette and alcohol taxes. If increased, none of the taxes will "generate revenue before August 1," he said.

However, if taxes are not increased, Vice President Lynne Schaefer said that the Board would consider increasing tuition by 4.8 percent.

Trustee David Doyle said that the Board will not know if the government will be "able to meet its commitments to the university," for several months.

The Board agreed to send tuition bills at an increased rate and informing students that the rates are preliminary and, as Schaefer put it, "subject to change."

If the prospected tax increases do not go through,

the Board said it would reconvene and consider billing students the difference.

At the meeting, Student Liaison Lenwood Compton said that he thought the Board's proposed solution was a good idea.

However, Nora Gotham, a biology junior, said she thinks it's "pretty unprofessional that they don't foresee these circumstances ahead of time."

"I would assume, due to their past experiences, that it should be obvious to them that they may not receive all the funding they expect from the government, so as opposed to charging everyone, maybe they should try to adjust their budget to accommodate financial depletion," she said.

The OU Web Site - under Current Students, Register for Classes, Tuition Fees/Refunds - states that "the Board of Trustees of Oakland University reserves the right to change any and all fees and rates when conditions or circumstances make change necessary."

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## New expansion for museum



Blythe Simmons/The Oakland Post

The Holocaust Memorial Center celebrates the grand opening of the expansion to the Holocaust Museum. The new facility offers group and individual tours with two parts, the first includes displays while the second is spent in a lecture room listening to a testimony from a Holocaust survivor.

## Memorial Center gets extra space

By Tara Fugate  
THE OAKLAND POST

The Holocaust Memorial Center (HMC) in Farmington Hills celebrated the grand opening of its new home June 22.

The night's festivities included the ribbon cutting ceremony followed by a reception and speeches by founder, Rabbi Charles Rosenzweig, Mayor Nancy Bates and a Holocaust survivor.

The new building allows the HMC twice the amount of space for displays and a larger facility to educate the public on the consequences and evils of prejudice.

The mission statement of the HMC is simple, "illuminating the past and enlightening the future."

"The mission is to show that six

million Jews were murdered and what happened to those who survived ... how low humans can stoop and how high they can rise. (The mission) is to create a world of the righteous, so a holocaust will never happen to any culture, ever again," according to the center.

The center offers tours to groups and individuals. Though nearly 75 percent of the tours given are with schools, the public is more than welcome.

A tour guide takes his or her group through the key displays starting at the rise of the Nazis, through the 1930's, the war, the camps and finally liberation and the wall of the righteous gentiles.

"We concentrate on the Holocaust, there isn't enough time for a lot of the other displays. We

start at the early stages of the Nazis, when the Jews were being forced out of Germany and then show how it progressed to the final solution," said Steve Levett, a tour guide at the HMC.

The tours last about two hours. The first segment takes about an hour and a half; this includes explanations of key displays of events and what they represent.

The second portion of the tour is spent in a lecture room, listening to a speech by a Holocaust survivor.

"Each of them has a different story," Gail Cohen said, who books the tours at the HMC.

Some of the speakers were in camps, others escaped Germany before the implementation of the

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## Fourth of July



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See A5 for a list of the upcoming fireworks in the area and B5 for Independence Day party tips.

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## Grads "outreach"

By ROQAYA ASHMAWEY  
CAMPUS NEWS EDITOR

**S**ean Porter, a political science graduate with a minor in linguistics, is leaving for Managua, Nicaragua in a few days.

He's packing some hiking clothes, lots of T-shirts, jeans, shorts, peanut butter, powdered shakes and his laptop.

He's also going to throw in the latest Wilco Album, Modest Mouse and The Shins; can't forget his favorite music.

Although some students will be planning vacation trips for the summer, Porter's route is a little different.

Along with two other OU graduates, he's traveling to Nicaragua to establish an office for Global Outreach, a Canadian non-governmental organization. And that's why he's also taking some Nicaraguan history and English language books.

Global Outreach's goal for Nicaragua is to have "an information based (system) to link the diverse groups in Nicaragua to facilitate an appropriate and efficient use of resources," Porter said.

For example, if there is a hospital in the process of



Seth Schindler (third from right) with friends during a study abroad trip to Oldenburg, Germany.

Photo courtesy of Seth Schindler

establishment, it may be able to access research done by other hospitals in the area rather than having to

do the research.

"Every dollar that can be saved can be used for something else, which is impor-

tant," Porter said.

The office will be based in Managua, a city where over 50 percent of the country's

population lives and where the "bulk of the work is

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## Audience waits for Fox's arrival

By NICOLE BEATTIE  
THE OAKLAND POST

An audience of approximately 1,000 waited nearly 45 minutes for the arrival of Mexican President Vicente Fox Quesada during his guest appearance at OU on June 18.

To entertain the audience while they waited, a band played Mexican music and a group performed folklore dances.

The event, scheduled to start at 10:30 a.m., did not start until approximately 11:15 a.m.

Russi announced the formation of the Vicente Fox Quesada Scholarship, in honor of Fox and Mexico's

culture and history.

"The scholarship will make it possible for students to pursue a degree at Oakland, to seek continuing education opportunities or to study in Mexico," Russi said, according to an OU news release.

Scholarship awards can be used towards airfare, tuition, fees, books and according to the news release, "other costs associated with study-abroad opportunities or fees for continuing education classes."

According to the news release, Russi also announced that Oakland had "forged a new agreement with the Mexican government to provide tuition

differential scholarships for Mexican citizens entering Oakland University beginning this fall."

The scholarships, he said, according to the news release, will allow Mexican citizens, who "wish to study and reside at OU and who meet standard requirements," to pay in-state tuition and fees.

"Globally, Oakland University has forged new collaborations with educational partners and industries throughout the world, from our study abroad programs in Morelia, Mexico, and several other countries in Europe, Asia and Latin America, to our degree programs offered at universi-



President Fox and First Lady Martha de Fox are presented with gifts from OU by OU President Russi (left).

Photo courtesy of Oakland University

ties in Vienna, Jamaica and New Zealand," Russi said according to the release.

Fox's visit marks the third

time a sitting president has been honored by OU and the

Please see **FOX** on A8

## OUSC update

### Congress to hold voter registration drives for elections

By LIBBY BAKER  
Managing Editor

While students and faculty are enjoying the summer break, OU Student Congress (OUSC) is hard at work planning for a busy fall semester.

Many of the activities being planned are similar to those in the past, but students can also expect some exciting new happenings, as well.

Jonathan Parks, OUSC president, said Congress hopes to kick off the fall semester with a fireworks display during Welcome Week.

He said the event has not been finalized and is still in the planning stages, but he is hopeful it will all come together.

For commuter students who dread searching for a parking spot each day, Congress has an exciting new event beginning in the fall.

OUSC has been busy securing a Student of the Month OUSC parking spot, Parks said.

The first designated spot is located in the Oakland Center parking lot.

The OUSC will select a student to use the spot based on certain requirements including campus involvement.

They have not decided how often they will select a new student.

He said he hopes the Student of the Month parking spot will generate more student interest and involvement.

"Hopefully it will draw people down here to learn what they can utilize Congress for," he said.

Congress also hopes to have an additional parking spot to raffle off in the future. This spot would be located on the other side of campus near the newly renamed Pawley Hall.

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Photo courtesy of Mel Walker  
Former U.S. Vice President Dan Quayle

Through the years

June 2004: Mexican President Vicente Fox Quesada

July 2002: American President George W. Bush and Polish President Aleksander Kwasniewski addressed terrorism and their shared vision for world peace.

October 2001: Former Polish President and Nobel Peace Prize winner Lech Walesa discussed global economics.

November 1998: Former U.S. Vice President Dan Quayle visited OU.

March 1988: Former U.S. President Jimmy Carter shared his views on community service.

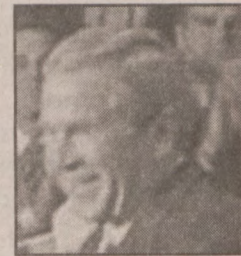


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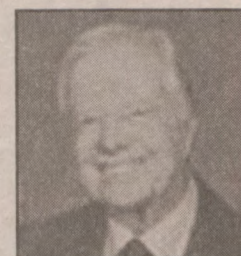


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## Staying Safe at OU

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In case of criminal, medical or fire emergency, blue light safety phones, marked "EMERGENCY" in white on the side, are available around campus.

To be instantly connected to a police dispatcher, a caller should press the call button.

The university encourages students, staff and faculty to use the lit pathways, as bright lights can help deter crime.

It is recommended that

students, faculty, and staff, who will be on campus after dark, park close to buildings or lamp posts.

The OUPD can be reached at 248-370-3331 to request a police escort. These statements have been confirmed by Dispatcher Scott Steele.

## In Short

Matilda R. Wilson Gift

The Board of Trustees accepted a Matilda R. Wilson gift of \$7 million at its last meeting on June 2. The gift is "pursuant to terms to renovate Meadow Brook Hall," said Lynne Schaefer, vice president for Finance and Administration and Treasurer to the Board.

The Board agreed that Smith Group be appointed as the design firm and Riewald as construction management for the project. The Board also agreed to renovate the Meadow Brook Hall tent at a cost of approximately \$1.4 million.

OU summer Blood Drive

The OU Summer Blood Drive held on June 15 at the OC Gold Rooms collected 50 pints of blood, according to Jerry McNair, the American Red Cross RN unit supervisor. The drive received response from students, faculty and the community.

McNair said the 50 pints will help 150 people as each pint is divided into three products: red cells, platelets, and plasma. The blood collected will stay in Southeast Michigan. To meet the daily need, he added, the goal is to collect 1000 pints a day.

Project Upward Bound

Project Upward Bound's (PUB) Summer Academy started last Thursday. According to the OU PUB web site, the project "serves 110 students per year."

Darlene Boutwell, the department secretary, said that PUB provides a college simulation experience as well as academic, social, cultural and career enrichment for high school students who meet certain criteria.

Eligibility for students includes household income falling within federal guidelines and their parents or guardians not having completed a bachelor's degree. Participating students are staying at Fitzgerald House.

Eliezer Special Seminar

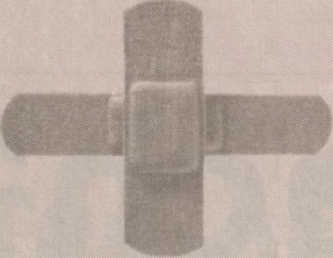
On June 14, Professor Klaus-Dieter Asmus gave the first Eliezer Special Seminar on the "Chemistry of Halogenated Peroxyl and Oxyl Radicals." According to Michael Sevilla, a chemistry professor, Asmus is "on sabbatical leave from the University of Notre Dame(s)" chemistry department, "is teaching at AMU (in) Poznan, Poland and has retired from Hahn Meitner Institute (in) Berlin."

The Eliezer Chemistry Seminar was held to honor the memory of Professor Isaac Eliezer who had organized the Chemistry Seminar program for the past 15 years.

"During this period, the chemistry department had an outstanding program. It raised the profile of Oakland University and its chemistry department and provided much intellectual stimulation to students and faculty alike," he said.

- Compiled by  
Roqaya Ashmawey,  
Campus News Editor





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# HIKE

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Ann Ruppenthal, assistant director of media relations, confirmed that the Board has the right, at any point during the year, to increase tuition.

The Board is "constitutionally autonomous," she added, so it "can make decisions" about anything concerning the university.

James Harrington, an attorney of law, said that if students are informed beforehand of a possible mid-term increase, then it "should be enforceable."

"The student both understood and agreed to it," he added, "and enrolled anyway."

"On the other hand," he said, "it is my opinion that without such advance notice, a mid-term increase would be illegal. By enrolling in the fall the student is essentially 'accepting' the condition set forth by the school."

Mike Malinowski, an attorney of law, also said that, as far as he knows, if the Board sends out a notice beforehand, he "doesn't see why (it) can't make the decision" to increase tuition mid-term.

Mike Villar, an attorney of law and owner of Allegar Law Offices, said

that the Board most likely has "the right" to increase tuition mid-term.

It might be "bad business practice," he added, but "from a legal standpoint there is no contract" between the university and the students that would bind the Board to a tuition rate.

However, Harrington also said that "if the range of the increase is not clearly set forth and the school, for example, doubled or tripled the tuition," he "believe(s) the students could successfully challenge this outrageous increase."

"However," he said, it is unlikely this would be the kind of increase the school would impose."

At the meeting Chairperson Henry Baskin said that the Board cannot deny students "the right to continue their semester," if they choose not to pay the second bill.

Ruppenthal explained that professors will not know if students choose not to pay the second bill, so essentially students will be able to continue their semester.

However, she added that students with an outstanding bill would not be able to register for a following semester or apply for graduation.

"They have a bill that has to be paid," she said.

Muchmore suggested, at the meeting, increasing tuition and then refunding students if the Board found that it would not need the generated revenue rather than increasing tuition and the Board finding itself "sitting on" students' money.

The idea was not further discussed.

He had further voiced concern over the inequities of students paying higher tuition in the fall term to make up for the year's deficit while students in the winter term might be paying less.

He does not want to see, he said, a group of students suing the university if such an inequity was to take place.

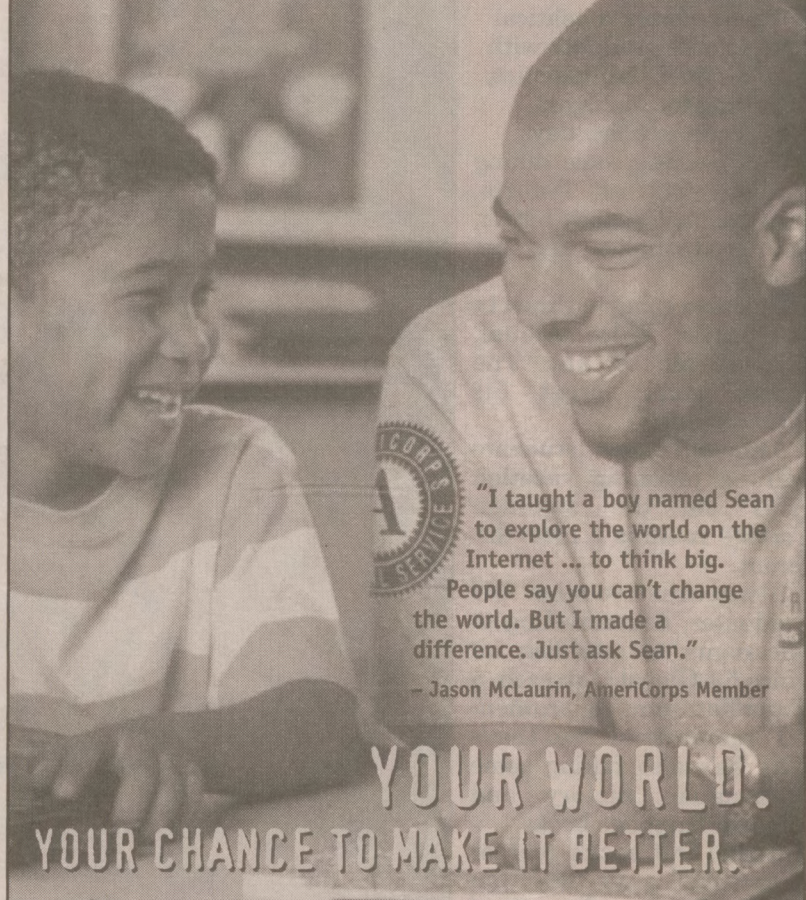
Villar said that if such a situation was to occur, the students would "have no claim" since they know "what they're paying beforehand."

Even if all prospected tax increases do go into effect, there will still be a \$100 million to \$200 million dollar deficit in OU's 2004 budget, Schaefer said at the meeting.

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## Spring-Summer Patio Concert://

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Each of the concerts will be held from 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the Oakland Center Patio, across from Bumpers Game Room on the lower level. In case of inclement weather, the performance will be held inside the Oakland Center in the Food Court. You are invited to enjoy lunch on the patio while you listen to the concerts.

Chartwell's Food Service will prepare a delicious and affordable grilled lunch that will vary. They will also have lunches available for those who prefer vegetarian options. Beverages and desserts will be available as well. Of Course, those who wish to bring their own lunch are welcome too.



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**TUESDAY, JULY 27**  
**ALYSSA SIMMONS**

Alyssa Simmons has music ringing in her ears and the voice of a soul-driven angel on the brink of discovery. Alyssa has grown up surrounded by music. It was only natural that at the age of three she could sing the words to every song on the radio and eventually evolve into a powerful singer with more passion to make it than a caged tiger trying to escape into the wild.

This incredible 14-year-old has quite a musical resume. She has opened for the Smothers Brothers, Diamond Rio and Randy Travis. She has performed on the nationally broadcast "It's Showtime in Harlem." Alyssa was voted the winner of the WDIV/Marshall Fields "Super Singer" Contest at the Freedom Festival Fireworks last summer. Come listen to a superstar in the making!

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## Group opens Oakland office

By KRISTIN SOMMER  
THE OAKLAND POST

Oakland County recently became home to the nation's largest grassroots environmental organization when the Sierra Club set up shop in Clawson earlier this year.

The chapter is currently looking for

volunteers to help with the several events they hold each week, associate regional representative Bruce Hoeft said.

Events range from informal meetings at local restaurants to tabling events and community walks.

Oakland County was selected to be a part of the Sierra Club's Building

Environmental Communities campaign. The main concerns of which are protecting the area from land, air, and water pollution.

To achieve this, there are three goals for the program, according to the Web site, [www.sierraclub.org](http://www.sierraclub.org).

The first goal is to identify people in the area that care about the environment. Secondly, to raise the environmental awareness in the area.

Motivating people to share what they know with friends, family, and neighbors is the third goal of the Building Environmental Communities initiative.

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The Sierra Club, founded in 1892, is America's oldest and largest grassroots organization with more than 700,000 members.

Their mission is to explore, enjoy, and protect the wild places of the earth; to practice and promote the responsible use of the Earth's eco-system and resources; to educate and enlist humanity to protect and restore the quality of the natural and human environment; and to use all lawful means to carry out those objectives.

## Global Glance

•The Supreme Court ruled yesterday against a law supporters say would protect children from Internet pornography. The 1998 law, known as the Child Online Protection Act never took effect. It was planned to have fines of up to \$50,000 for putting material harmful to minors within easy reach of children and would have required adults to use access codes before viewing objectionable material. The Court said this law would violate the guarantee of free speech and one Justice noted that new technology is already self-censoring and more efficient in blocking access.

•A judge released one of the Spaniards accused of helping transport the dynamite used in the March train bombings in Madrid. The suspect, Antonio Reiss, acknowledged carrying a bag to Madrid to deliver to the people who attacked the train, but said that he thought the bag contained drugs. The judge released him saying that his apparent role in the attack was not serious enough to keep him in custody.

•Saddam Hussein will be handed over to the new Iraqi government today but will remain under the watch of U.S. soldiers. Interim Prime Minister Iyad Allawi said yesterday that Saddam and top leaders of his regime would appear before Iraqi judges tomorrow, though the trial would last for months. Hussein will be charged with crimes against humanity for the 1988 massacre of Kurds, the 1990 invasion of Kuwait and the 1980-88 Iran-Iraq war.

•After seven years, the Cassini spacecraft will enter its orbit around Saturn today and begin its exploration of the giant planet, its rings and some of its 31 known moons. Cassini has been sending photos and data to Earth since yesterday but the best photos are expected tonight when the craft will be closer to the rings than ever before. The project's 260 scientists have been anticipating the photos from the 12,600-pound craft since being accepted to the project nearly 15 years ago.

## Global goof

•A worker at a Champs sporting goods in New York was charged with a felony after trying to kill a spider in his store. Instead of stepping on the bug, the worker doused it with lighter fluid and tried to light it on fire. The flame spread throughout the store burning merchandise and eventually engulfing the whole store in flames. Smoke spread and caused an evacuation of the mall where the store was located. The worker was charged with fourth-degree arson and the mall was closed for one day due to smoke and water damage.

—Compiled by Elizabeth Gorecki,  
Local News Editor

Information taken from various news sources.

## Pistons gear still hot

By TARA FUGATE  
THE OAKLAND POST

Pistons craze is sweeping through Detroit faster than the L.A. Lakers, and everyone wants to know where they can get their Pistons gear.

Since the playoffs began, roadside shops, sports stores and the Palace alike, have all been gearing up for the prideful Pistons fans in search of merchandise branded with the Pistons logo.

If it says "Pistons" it sells, if it says "Pistons 2004 Champions" it's sold out, said a manager at the Madison Heights Sports Authority.

And it does. Kathy Gardner works at a roadside stand on John R. selling Pistons clad apparel and other Pistons accessories.

The roadside stands are legitimate and the owners of them have to get a permit with the city to set up shop, Gardener said.

"Most of the T-shirts are authentic. We had some locker room items, but they sold out the day we got it," Gardner said.

In addition to the replica locker room T-shirts and hats (the ones the Pistons wore after winning the Championship), the roadside stands offer unique and original designs.

"Some of the most popular T-shirts we have are the original designs, like the 'Got Rip' and 'Got 'Sheed' shirts," Gardner said.



Saturday is the last day John Mussleman will have his roadside shop set up at M-59 and Van Dyke in Sterling Heights. His company, L&G Concessions follows championship teams across the nation selling merchandise.

Popular sports stores, which specialize in sporting goods, also have been selling out of the licensed Pistons merchandise.

However, the Palace gift shop, The Locker Room, is still home to the best Pistons gear there is.

Since the playoffs started, the Locker Room extended its hours to accommodate the rush for Pistons attire but they will be resuming normal hours at the end of the month.

At the start of the season, the hot jersey was Ben

Wallace's number three. As the playoffs began and Richard "Rip" Hamilton began to rise into the spotlight, number 32 has also been a top seller, said one Locker Room associate.

Though they only have a few jerseys left, they will be

stocking their shelves come the 2005 season.

The Locker Room still has plenty of merchandise bearing the 2004 Championship winning Pistons and the merchandise sold there is guaranteed to be 100 percent authentic.



Tracy Estes/The Oakland Post

Teens are forced to shop along side their parents during evening hours in some local malls.

## Curfew crackdown

By TRACY ESTES  
SENIOR NEWS WRITER

Communities are cracking down on disruptive teens loitering in the malls and slapping a curfew into place starting as early as 5 p.m. daily.

Eastland Mall and the Fairlane Town Center are among many facilities across the nation getting fed up with the violence and destruction that come with mobs of teens instigating trouble day in and day out.

Beginning June 15, both malls set a curfew to keep teens younger than 18 out after a certain time, unless accompanied by an adult 21 years and older.

Popular malls such as Great Lakes Crossing in Auburn Hills, Lakeside Mall in Sterling

Heights and Oakland Mall in Troy definitely attract their fair share of teens, however neither feel keeping the teens out is necessary at the present time.

"We have no reason to implement a curfew," said Kimberly Shadwick, general manager of Great Lakes Crossing. "We do not have the problems that Fairlane has."

Keith Knight, store manager of the Palace Locker Room at Great Lakes Crossing, does not feel his mall is at a point where a curfew is needed.

"Our mall in particular, from my experience, is busier at night, and a curfew would force a lot of stores to lose business," he said.

Great Lakes Crossing has many facilities for the youngsters to keep busy, such as

Game Works, Jeepers and the Star Theater, and Knight said that may be the reason Great Lakes Crossing doesn't have a problem.

"Kids have things to do here, and I'm not quite sure they have those opportunities at Fairlane," he said.

Jim Carter, store manager of Prints Plus at Lakeside Mall, feels differently about the curfew than other employees in his mall. Carter is all for a curfew policy, but understands that it can only work in specific locations.

"You have to look at the demographics of the mall," Carter said. "There aren't the same problems at Lakeside as there are at Fairlane due to location and who is actually in the mall."

Please see TEENS on A8.

## Fun July 4 Festivities

There are a number of places residents can go to celebrate Independence Day. All events start at dusk and are free unless otherwise specified.

**July 1:**  
Rochester Hills: Festival of the Hills fireworks at Borden Sports Park on East Hamilton. (248) 656-4600

**July 2:**  
Holly: Lakeside Park and Bush Lake. Festivities include fireworks and the Holly Festival Band. (248) 634-1900  
Mt. Clemens: Concert and fireworks on Main Street along the riverfront. (586) 469-4168  
Stony Creek Metropark: 10 p.m. fireworks show. (586) 781-4242

**July 3:**  
Birmingham: Lincoln Hills Golf Course, Cranbrook and 14 Mile. (248) 644-1800  
Clawson: Clawson Park on West Elmwood. (248) 435-4500  
Clarkston: Clintonwood Park on Clarkston Road. Parking \$5. (248) 625-8223  
Sylvan Lake: Fireworks over Sylvan Lake, Ferndale Street. (248) 682-1440

**July 4:**  
Bloomfield Hills: Patriotic concert on the lawn of Christ Church Cranbrook. (248) 644-5210  
Sterling Heights: Freedom Hill grounds open at noon for picnics and live music. Fireworks start at dusk. (586) 979-7010



## GLOBAL

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done," he said. Porter said he was approached by Global Outreach; his cousin is one of the co-founders of the organization. He said he chose to go because Nicaragua has seen a great deal of chaos, turbulence and disturbances over the past 20 years but hasn't seen drastic improvement.

He also said he wanted "to be able to access a larger base of knowledge in Central America while solidifying [his] language skills."

Porter spent part of the past two summers in Nicaragua where he said he acquired most of his Spanish.

Two other OU graduates, Seth Schindler and Robert Hillman, will be joining Porter sometime in August.

Hillman graduated in 2004 with a political science major and philosophy minor. He also won the Meritorious Award for the College of Arts and Sciences.

Hillman said he has been "slowly" learning Spanish and decided to travel to Nicaragua because this type of work is appealing to him.

"It fit the criteria of things I wanted to do for the community and for a learning experience," he said.

Schindler graduated in

spring 2002, with a major in history and a minor in German. He has studied abroad in Vienna, Austria, and Oldenburg, Germany and spent the last year teaching English in Tokyo, Japan.

One of the group's goals, Schindler said, is to establish a community center in Nicaragua, which will primarily offer English and German language classes free of cost.

The long term goal, he said, is to facilitate communication between different non-governmental organizations.

Porter added that the goal includes creating an "accessible ... database of contacts on first a local scale then, hopefully in the future, on a more international scale" and to provide avenues for "projects that can use assistance internationally."

Porter stressed the importance of a "joint effort between American citizens, Canadian citizens and Nicaraguans."

"We don't just want to go down and create an organization ... if we can create new jobs we would like them to be for Nicaraguans," he said.

Schindler agreed, saying that a goal is to allow Nicaraguans in the community to "assume responsibility."

ty."

He added that Global Outreach is letting the three men be "semi- autonomous ... giving" them "leeway (to) bring the skills that (they) have" to Nicaragua.

"We can do anything we want as long as it's community based and safe," he said.

Aside from his responsibilities with Global Outreach, Porter will also be teaching English at the University of Autonomous Nicaragua (UNAN), a public university.

Porter taught in Nicaragua before when he had to take over for a Nicaraguan friend who had gone through surgery. He also assisted in the Hispanic Outreach Program, teaching English as a second language to Hispanic speaking children in Pontiac. He plans on attending graduate school in 2005.

Schindler was planning on saving money for graduate school. But since he will be joining the Peace Corps in 2005 and won't need the money, he said he decided to volunteer his time in Nicaragua.

Hillman is in the process of applying to the Peace Corps. His plans also include going to graduate school and studying international jurisprudence.

## MUSEUM

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Final Solution (the decision to exterminate Europe's Jewish population) and others were children who were hidden by Europeans who sympathized with the Jews.

There is not enough time for the tour guides to go through every display at the HMC and it is encouraged that guests walk through the center themselves.

They can listen to the audio displays, watch the slide shows and video displays, try the interactive games and view other sites not included in the tour.

The HMC recommends this tour for adults, as some of the material is too graphic and too upsetting for children under the age of 14.

In the Black Abyss, the Centers actual footage of

the Allied troops liberation of the concentration camps is shown.

Walter Short, who works for security at the HMC, was a medic in the U.S. Army and was among the troops to liberate Buchenwald and Dachau.

"It was one of the hardest things I've ever had to do, to see those people and stay impersonal," Short said, recalling the sites he witnessed in the camps.

The HMC also offers a library where the public is welcome to view artifacts and read books related to the subject of Jewish life and the Holocaust.

After the tour, guests can visit the Museum Shop, where they can purchase books on Jewish culture and the Holocaust, as well as other replica memorabilia from the culture and the

represented era.

The HMC is an important place and near the hearts of many, including Walter Stark, a Holocaust survivor.

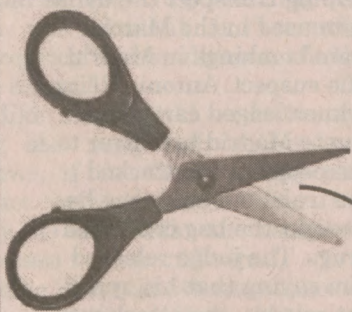
"[The HMC is] something which is important for people to know what happened and appreciate what has happened and be sure that it doesn't happen again by understanding what causes these terrible things to occur," Stark said.

The HMC is open Sunday through Thursday from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and Friday from 9:00 a.m. until noon.

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- Michigan Renaissance Festival (August & September)
- Camelot (September)
- Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat (October)
- Thoroughly Modern Millie (October)
- Rigoletto (October)
- National Ballet of Canada (October)
- The Full Monty (November)
- Faust (November)
- Radio City Christmas Spectacular (November & December)
- The Nutcracker by the Joffrey Ballet of Chicago (December)
- The King and I (January)
- On the Record (February)
- A Celebration of Contemporary African American Dance (February)
- Phantom of the Opera (March)
- Cinderella (March)
- Hairspray (April)
- Tosca (April)
- Little Shop of Horrors (May)
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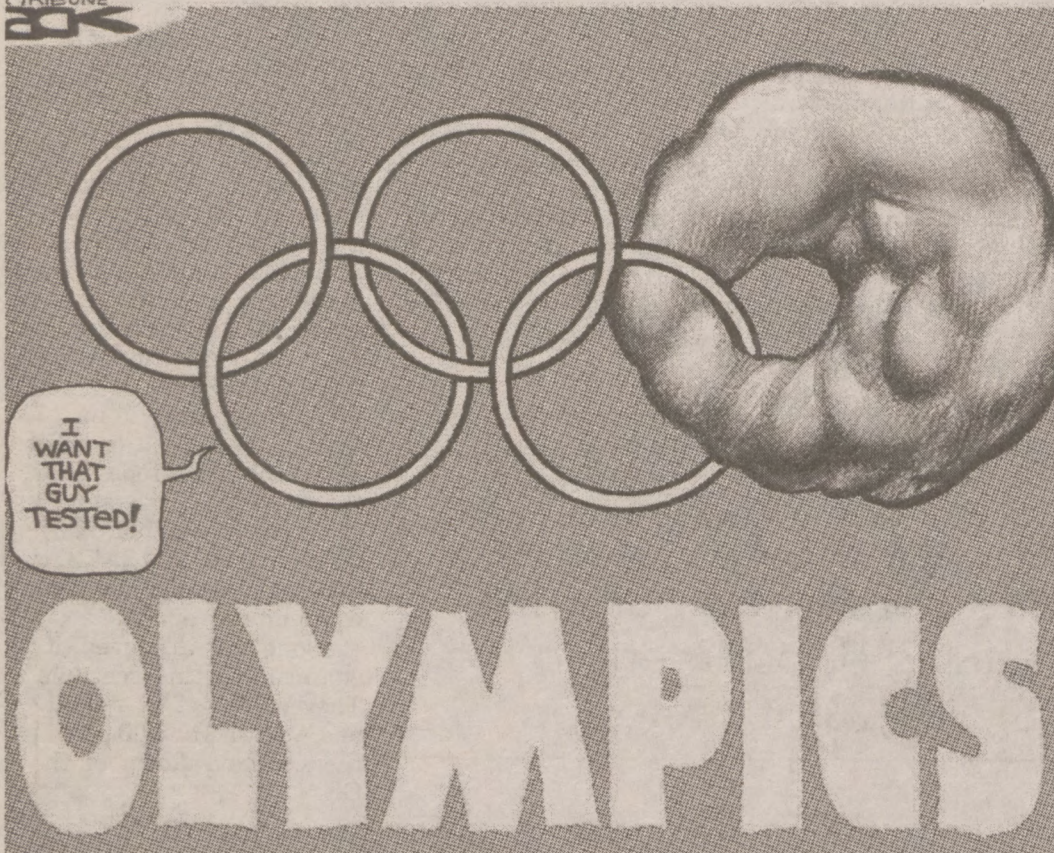
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## EDITORIALS

# Innocence lost

With the Olympics looming and steroid issues sweeping through the major sports, no one is safe.

Since President George W. Bush called for stricter policies regarding steroid use in professional sports in his most recent State of the Union address, it has been "in" to accuse athletes of "doping" indiscretions.

Everyone from single-season home run record holder Barry Bonds to track and field star Marion Jones has been implicated since the Bay-Area Laboratory Co-Operative (BALCO) was the focus of a federal probe.

A few athletes have stepped forward and admitted using banned substances, accepting their punishments in hopes of having their bans lifted prior to the end of the given sentence.

Others, such as the father of Jones' one-year old son,

Tim Montgomery, are attempting to use any legal means necessary in order to continue competing or, worst case scenario, avoid a life-time ban from international competition.

And that's just with the Olympic athletes. Professional athletes have taken a much less aggressive approach; they're just denying everything.

The reason Olympic athletes are at the center of doping allegation is very simple: the Olympics are almost here.

With our country's international approval already faltering with the recent controversies and blunders (I won't mention any names) we could hardly withstand improper conduct at the Olympics.

That's why fielding a "clean" team has become the number one priority.

It's just a good thing we

don't use professional baseball players at the Olympics, or the cleanest part of our teams would be their uniforms.

Steroid use is undeniable. To believe that people built for competition with a drive to be nothing but the best would not be tempted, even in small numbers, to use performance enhancers is more than naive, it's dumb.

But not any dumber than these athletes tarnishing the innocence that once was sports.

For the time being, all greatness is questioned while athletes are put on trial through the media. No one can tell who is naturally great and who has gotten help along the way from more than just coaches.

Thanks to technology, becoming a world-class athlete is 80 percent physical, 20 percent mental and 50 percent chemical.

# Beheadings open nation's eyes to terror's new look

In recent weeks the world has witnessed the new face of terror.

Recent attacks in Iraq and Saudi Arabia have targeted not only members of the U.S. led coalition, but contractors working to rebuild and repair war-torn infrastructures.

Some of the victims have even spoken out against the U.S. led invasion.

And yet they still find themselves victims of horrifically violent deaths.

The nation was stunned and outraged when Nick Berg, a young man from Philadelphia was beheaded in Iraq.

He was there repairing and rebuilding communication antennas.

This sort of Anti-American violence has spread outside of Iraq as well.

Earlier this month Paul

Johnson was slain in the same horrific manner in Saudi Arabia. Johnson had lived in Saudi Arabia for more than a decade and worked on Apache attack helicopters for a company there.

Johnson's death was followed by the kidnapping of a South Korean man in Iraq.

Shortly after his disappearance, a video surfaced showing him pleading for his life.

He, too, was killed in the same fashion as both Berg and Johnson, despite efforts by the South Korean government to secure his release.

Just this week, other videos have surfaced promising the same death for others.

This new method of terror is overwhelmingly heart-wrenching.

It gives war a sort of human touch we are not accustomed to.

It puts a face on violence that is so far away and so distant in our minds; on something that is so unimaginable and incomprehensible to so many of us.

It reminds us how fortunate we are to be here in Oakland County, enjoying our summer vacations and planning for the upcoming school year.

It also leaves us feeling rather hopeless in a world filled with so much bitter hate and unnecessary violence.

Hopefully it also reminds us to have empathy for those in the world who suffer firsthand the cruelties and consequences of war.

Let us remember this summer how truly fortunate we are to be here.

## GUEST COLUMN

# Student urges Governor Granholm to take a stand



CHARITY JONES

OU Student

I've not been raised Catholic but I know a lot about Catholicism, partly from attending catholic school and partly from having a lot of catholic friends.

We accept it as truth.

As a Christian, there is a certain standard that I am held to.

If I went on a killing spree, people would be scandalized, not only because of my actions but because I profess to be a Christian.

I would be labeled a hypocrite.

People would not believe me if I still claimed to be a Christian. No one likes a fraud.

I especially get upset when people claim to be Christian (a.k.a. follower of Christ and his teachings) but their life says otherwise. I get even more upset when people are not outraged at the false identity of some.

One of my biggest issues with Gov. Granholm is that she claims to be a devout Catholic. Where was Gov. Granholm's religion when she vetoed the partial birth abortion ban? (For those who don't know what partial-birth abortion is, it is when the baby is delivered partially out of the womb and the doctor crushes its skull.)

How can she say that she's Christian if she goes against all Christ stood for?

If she's Catholic, I'm sure she has a Bible at home. I would ask her to turn to Deuteronomy 30: 19 where it clearly states: "I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing, therefore choose life, that you and your descendants may live."

The thing is Granholm knows scripture, she knows truth, but only uses it when it's convenient.

Yes, I know it takes a lot of boldness to go against the party line to stand up for what you believe in, but isn't that why she was elected?

It's easy to get elected and sit and do nothing to make your party upset and everything to appease them, but what about character and integrity?

What ever happened to doing what's right when it's not popular?

What outrages me even more is that no one is appalled by her double life.

No one is calling for her to take a stand.

When she supports the slaughter of babies, no one cares.

No one holds her accountable. And she is left alone to use her Christianity for campaigning purposes and for personal gain.

And when the time comes for fellow Christians to count on her to stand for what's right — she forgets about religion and dreams about re-election.

We should be offended that someone would think that little of the common person, to assume that we don't know the difference between someone who lives what they preach and someone who doesn't.

We should no longer allow our governor to claim one thing but practice another.

It is time for us to be scandalized at this behavior, if not for you, do it for the hundreds of thousands of babies who have died as a result of double-mindedness.

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# Was this the right time to hand over control in Iraq?

## YES

By LIBBY BAKER  
MANAGING EDITOR

Why would we wait?

If we are liberators and not occupiers there is no reason why we should have waited any longer to hand over power to the Iraqi interim government.

The insurgents in Iraq have clear cut motives — murder as many individuals as possible and intimidate the rest to back down.

Their latest tactic is fear and this is exactly why the coalition had to stand firmly by the June 30 hand over date.

The attacks in Madrid are a perfect example of what

fear can do. In March, terrorists bombed Madrid's mass transit trains hoping to play on the emotions of the Spanish people.

Unfortunately, they accomplished just that. The events were timed perfectly to coincide with the country's elections. The Spanish people responded as the terrorists had hoped they would.

They ousted their prime minister and elected a new one who had vowed to withdraw Spain's troops from

Iraq if elected.

This sort of situation is exactly what the insurgents want and the rest of the world should work to avoid.

Terrorism cannot be used as a tool to sway world events and political elections.

In Iraq, the insurgents assume if they harm enough innocent Iraqi's who are working to rebuild their nation, eventually this will deter all further civilians from taking part in the reconstruction.

The coalition and Iraqi people had no choice, but to stand by their date.

There was no better time than now.

## NO

By ELIZABETH GORECKI  
LOCAL NEWS EDITOR

We study history to learn from the past, so we don't make the same mistakes again. Obviously, this administration hasn't learned anything from its past mistakes. Remember the Taliban? We supported them and helped them gain power, too, in the late 1980s and look how well that worked out.

Now, after a year of fighting against a regime our government helped rise to power, they are ready to do the same thing again.

As of the end of this month, more than 500 American soldiers and more than 5,000 Iraqi civilians



have been killed since the war officially ended.

The Iraqi people are definitely showing how different the new government is from the old regime. The videos of Iraqis beheading Americans and foreigners airing every other day is a great way to show the world that Iraq is a new and improved country now.

So how is the new "democracy" going to be different from "post-war" Iraq? Are the U.S. troops going to pull out? No. Will gas prices go back down? They should but it's unlikely. Crude oil is down almost \$2 a barrel but

motorists aren't feeling any relief at the pump.

While the world may think that they are ready to hand over power to the appointed "democratic" government in Iraq, the Iraqi people are not. The world expects Iraqis to change their beliefs, way of life and ideas to match the ones that America thinks they should have.

And to make sure the new, free Iraqi democracy works the way our government would like it to, we will station our troops in their country, enforce our laws and give power to those we deem worthy.

Here's to America's new meaning for "Freedom for all."

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## TEENS

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Based on the situation at Eastland and Fairlane, Joy Powell, mall manager at Oakland Mall said Oakland has not identified any similar problems either with any group of people, teens or adults.

"If we did have problems in the future, we might consider using a curfew, but we have no reason to change our mall hours or policies at this time," she said.

Curfews are nothing new, in fact, the Mall of America in Minnesota was among the first centers to implement a curfew on underage persons back in 1996, to allow their adult shoppers to visit the center in peace without being hounded by the rowdy teens that had overtaken the mall.

The curfew is only in effect Friday and Saturday at the Mall of America to stop the facility from turning into a weekend hotspot for the impossible youth.

According to an online article by the PriMedia Business Magazine, "thug-gish crowds did more loitering and carousing than spending," and this is the exact problem at Eastland and Fairlane.

Angry shopper Barb T. at Great Lakes Crossing thinks putting a curfew into effect at every mall is a smart plan.

"I used to work at Eastland Mall and the kids were constantly causing trouble and we were constantly calling mall security," she said. "These gangs exist at every mall. They are rude and their presence makes people not want to go to the malls."

Each mall has its own set ways to deal with disruptive groups, not just teens.

Whether they will catch on and follow suit with a curfew or policy to stop unruly behavior is up to them.

## CLUB

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Oakland County was also chosen to be the second chapter in Michigan because of the amount of club members in the area.

"We have a high concentration of Sierra Club members already, and we had to pick somewhere and start," said Melissa Damaschke, student-community organizer at the Clawson office.

Aside from spreading the word about the dangers posed to the environment, the Oakland County chapter is focusing on the high levels of mercury in the area.

"We need to make sure

(residents) know what mercury can do," Damaschke said.

Mercury is a neurotoxin, which can damage the brain and nervous system.

Infants, small children and women of childbearing age are the most at risk for mercury contamination, according to the United States Geological Survey.

The many lakes and rivers in the area make Oakland County a likely place for high mercury levels.

Mercury is released in air pollution, like that from coal power plants. Once in the

air, it affects the water supply, and consequently fish. People who eat the fish can end up with more mercury in their blood than the EPA considers safe.

Damaschke spent the spring visiting local colleges informing students about the Sierra Club. A visit to OU will likely take place during the upcoming fall semester.

For more information, call the Clawson office at (248) 435-5277, or stop by the office, located at 100 N. Crooks.

## OUCS

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In other summer business:

•Congress is working on voter registration drives for the upcoming presidential elections.

•Congress has assembled fundraising packets to assist student organizations with raising money.

•During the May 3 OUCS meeting,

Congress approved its spring / summer budget and the Student Activities Funding Board guidelines.

Congress approved Katie Livingston for the Administrative Assistant position.

•During the June 7 OUCS meeting, Congress heard the new proposal for the possible Grizzly statue. Congress passed bill 05-04, which states the SAFB is the only organization that can fund club sports.

•Congress approved its summer meeting schedule. They will meet on July 12 and August 2 at 4:30 p.m. in the Oakland Room of the OC.

and trade partner, President Fox and President Russi both understand that," he said.

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## FOX

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sixth visit from a world dignitary.

Fox's election four years ago, "marked the first peaceful transfer of power to the political opposition in Mexico in more than seven decades," Russi said, according to the release.

Fox's presentation focused

on world economics, labor rights, human rights, harmony between nations and educational opportunities.

The president "is committed to building a new and stronger Mexico through attracting foreign investment and trade, creating new jobs and improving

education," said Russi, according to the release.

He also mentioned the success of OU's Hispanic Outreach Program, in which OU students teach English as a second language to Pontiac Spanish-speaking residents.

According to the Detroit

Free Press, Fox's visit to Michigan included talks with Gov. Jennifer Granholm, Lansing Mayor Tony Benavides and Michigan automakers.

His three-day trip to the "Midwest" also included stops in Minnesota and Illinois, it also stated.

"This really puts Oakland on the map," said Ted Montgomery, media relations director.

"This is a place where foreign dignitaries want to be, because of our close location to 'Automation Alley' and our educational partnerships. Mexico is a neighbor

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## Fall 2004

Sports	Registration Deadline	Captain's Meeting
Soccer	9/10	9/13 @ 7PM
Flag Football	9/24	9/27 @ 7PM
All-Star Basketball	10/15	10/18 @ 7PM
4 Player Volleyball	10/29	11/01 @ 7PM
Special Events	Event Date	Time
DCR-v-UH Flag Football	9/08	5:30 PM
*Soccer Jamboree	9/14	6:00 PM
*Soccer Skills Challenge	9/14	6:00 PM
*Flag Football Jamboree	9/28	6:00 PM
Punt, Pass & Kick Competition	9/28	6:00 PM
Bench Press Competition	10/27	7:00 PM
Basketball Extravaganza	11/18	6:00 PM
All-Star Game	11/18	8:00 PM

## Winter 2005

Sports	Registration Deadline	Captain's Meeting
Basketball	1/14	1/18 @ 7PM
Rally Volleyball	2/04	2/07 @ 7PM
Racquetball	2/11	N/A
Table Tennis	2/11	N/A
Floor Hockey	3/18	3/21 @ 7PM
Special Events	Event Date	Time
*Basketball Jamboree	1/19	6:00 PM
*Volleyball Jamboree	2/08	6:00 PM
*Volleyball Skills Challenge	2/08	6:00 PM
*Pioneer's Cup	3/02	7:00 PM
*IM NCAA Bracketology	3/16	5:00 PM
*Floor Hockey Jamboree	3/22	6:00 PM
*Floor Hockey Skills Challenge	3/22	6:00 PM
Basketball Extravaganza II	4/07	6:00 PM
OU All-Stars-v-OCC All-Stars	4/07	8:00 PM
*Whiffleball Tournament	4/13	6:00 PM
4-on-4 Flag Football Tournament	4/16	10:00 AM

- All team sports, except All-Star Basketball, offer a Women's, Men's & Co-Rec division.
- A representative from each team must attend the captain's meeting.
- All captain's meetings will be held in the Recreation Center Wellness Classroom unless otherwise posted.

\* = New

~ = Bracket must be completed and turned in to the IM Sports office by 5:00 PM on 3/16 or it will not be accepted.

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Interested in being a part of an individual sport or a part of a team and would like to meet new people?

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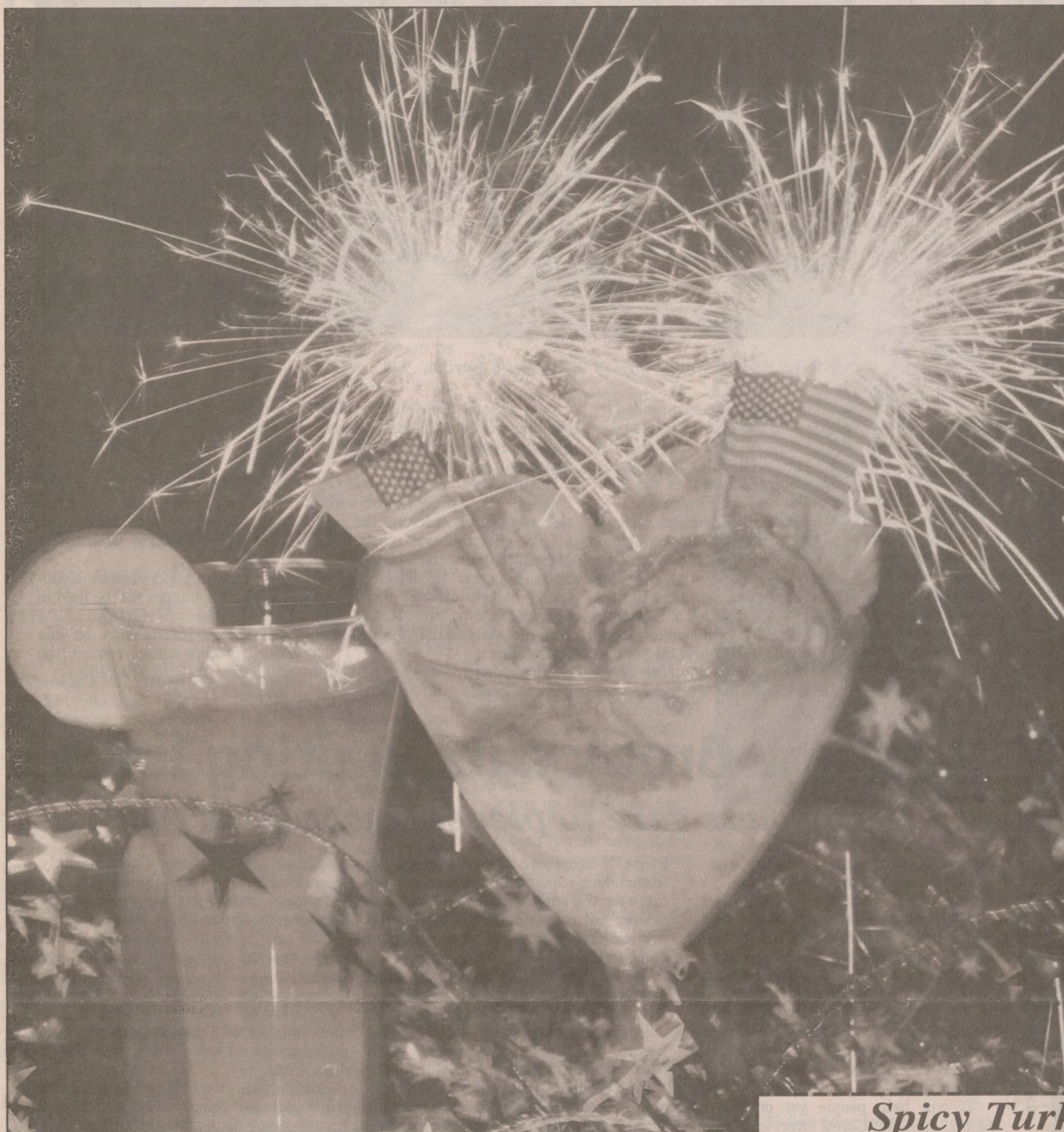
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## Sizzling 4th of July party

BY BLYTHE SIMMONS  
SENIOR LIFE WRITER

This Fourth of July is forecast to be hot and humid, so why not throw a sizzling feast with your friends, to spice up the day of our nation's independence!

The Post has put together the perfect party plan, complete with invitations, decor, tunes, food and a fireworks finale. Fire up the grill, grab a few ingredients and get started with some of our simple recipes that will definitely add heat to any hum-drum deck party.

First things first: deciding where to throw a summer bash. Throwing a shindig at home is always an easy option because it gives the most freedom and the most comfortable atmosphere to cook and carouse with company.

At home, there are always enough seats for everyone, a refrigerator to keep food cold and a bathroom for everyone's convenience.

If you (or your parents) don't like the idea of having your get together at home, try throwing a party at a local park. Try Metro Beach in Mt. Clemens for an excellent party location. It is only a short distance away from Oakland University. Picnic shelters and grills can be rented for a small fee and a picnic by the water definitely reinforces the spirit of summer.

Now that the location is decided, invitations and decorations are next on the agenda.

E-mail invitations are always a fun and effective way to get in touch with friends and family. Try some of the humorous flash e-cards from Hallmark.com, like "The Great American Cookout" or "Happy 4th" featuring Hoops, one of Hallmark's mischievous cartoon mascots. Most e-card services allow a 400-600 character personal message at the end, which is just enough room for party information.

The décor of any Fourth of July party must include the tried and true colors of our great American flag.

At this time of the year, every store carries flags and other red, white, and blue items of all sizes and formations. Grocery stores and party supply stores will be your best bet for stocking up on your patriotic decorations and tableware.

Streamers, balloons, rope lights, candles and flowers in red, white and blue are a cheap and easy idea for dressing up a patio or deck.

Some excellent lights to add some spice to your party are American Flag Net Lights (\$8.99, Target), Red, White and Blue Chili Pepper Lights (\$10.95, SunlandImports.com), and Patriotic Starlight Spheres (\$14.45, NoveltyLights.com). As your party wears into the night, the ambiance of these colorful lights and candles will add a glowing backdrop to a home-made fireworks display.

The tone of any patriotic celebration and the mood of the guests attending will definitely

be set by the toe-tapping grooves coming from the stereo.

Get the party hot and jumping by putting your favorite CDs in the disk changer or ask a friend to play DJ for the night and invite guests to pop in their favorite mix discs.

An indisputable favorite is the annual "Now! That's What I Call Music!" CD. The fifteenth volume of "Now!" includes 44 tracks of top 40 hits and remixes in 2004 from all genres in the musical spectrum. From Britney to Black Eyed Peas to Five For Fighting, "Now!" provides a beat that everyone can dance to.

A party just wouldn't be a party if food weren't involved. Favorite picnic and barbecue classics like hamburgers, hot dogs, baked beans, coleslaw and lemonade are all still guaranteed to satisfy everyone's summer appetites.

In keeping with the hot and spicy Fourth of July spirit, the Post has come up with a few recipes that will add some sizzle to your soiree: Spicy Turkey Burgers and Red, White, and Blue Sparkling Sugar Cakes. Both of these recipes are tasty and quite simple to make, even for a novice in the kitchen.

When everyone thinks of the Fourth of July, the first thing that comes to mind is the shimmering shower of fireworks cascading through the night sky. So why not put on a homemade fireworks finale?

### Fourth of July Party Checklist

- Spicy Turkey Burgers (see recipe)
- Sparkling Virgin Sangria (see recipe)
- Red, White, and Blue Sweet Cakes (see recipe)
- Cloth/Disposable Tablecloth
- Disposable plates, utensils, napkins, and glasses
- Charcoal briquettes and lighter fluid (for charcoal grill)
- Matches
- Extra ice
- Portable radio or CD player
- Mix CDs
- Disposable Cameras
- Lawn/Deck chairs
- Lanterns/ Outdoor Candles
- Trash bags
- Insect Repellent Spray
- Small first aid kit
- Sunblock
- Sparklers/Fireworks

### Safety First!

- Never drink alcohol when operating fireworks
- Keep a bucket of water nearby
- Don't try to handle or re-light malfunctioning fireworks
- Never ignite fireworks in a metal or glass container

~U.S. Consumer Product Commission

### Spicy Turkey Burgers

- 1 1/3 pounds of ground turkey
- 1 1/2 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1/2 teaspoon cayenne pepper
- 1 teaspoon cumin powder
- 1 tablespoon dried oregano
- 4 tablespoons of salsa
- 1 egg white
- Salt and pepper, to taste

#### Toppings:

- Wheat hamburger buns
- Lettuce
- Monterey Jack cheese, sliced
- Beef-Steak tomatoes, sliced
- Grilled vegetables
- Any spicy sandwich dressing

In a large bowl, thoroughly mix first eight ingredients. Shape turkey mixture into 5-7 burger patties. Grill patties on medium high heat for 6-8 minutes on each side. Cook until the center is no longer pink. Place a slice of Monterey Jack cheese on each burger when there is only one minute of cook time remaining. Place grilled burgers on wheat buns and top with lettuce, tomato, grilled vegetables, and dressing.

Serves 5-7 people.

### Red, White, and Blue Sweet Cakes

- 1 can refrigerated biscuits
- 2 tablespoons margarine or butter, melted
- 5 tablespoons granulated sugar
- 1 can whipped cream
- 1 pint strawberries, sliced
- 1 pint blueberries, sliced

Heat oven according to directions on the biscuit packaging.

Separate dough into 8 biscuit slices. Dip only the top and sides of each biscuit into the margarine and then sprinkle the margarine-coated surfaces with sugar. Place 2 inches apart on an un-greased cookie sheet. Bake as directed, until golden brown. Cool slightly.

Cut or split each biscuit and layer with strawberries, blueberries, and whipped cream for a sweet summer treat.

### Sparkling Virgin Sangria

- 1 24-ounce bottle of purple or white grape juice
- 1 24-ounce bottle of red grape juice
- 1 liter club soda or sparkling water
- 1 medium carton cubed pineapple

In a 4 quart pitcher, combine all juices and club soda. Add pineapple to pitcher or as a garnish for individual glasses.  
Serves 6-8 people.

### Sizzling Strawberry Ice Cream

- 3 1/2 quarts of strawberry ice cream
- 12 packages of your favorite flavor Pop Rocks candy

Either fold Pop Rocks Candy into the ice cream (any local Coldstone Creamery will do it for you) or just sprinkle the candies on top for a sizzling summer treat.

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# Music and lunch light up OC patio

BY LOREEN BAHRI  
THE OAKLAND POST

For spring and summer entertainment, the Oakland Center Patio Concert series offers an attractive variety of musicians, complete with a tasty outdoor lunch and an opportunity to relax with friends.

Kicking off the Patio Concert series on May 19 was Rock band PBM (Poor Boy Music). Hardly strangers to the Patio, PBM also participated in the concert series in the fall 2003.

"We drew a pretty large crowd because it was outside and kids were walking back and forth from classes," said Nate Castle, senior and lead singer/guitarist of PBM. "People were watching from the balcony. It was a lot of fun."

One of the highlights of the concert series in recent years was the African and Steel Drum Ensembles, who performed June

16. They engaged audiences through music and dance participation while providing education about African culture and its global influence.

"The African and Steel Drum Ensembles have always had a huge draw on campus," said Jean Ann Miller, director of the Center for Student Activities.

Upcoming performers in this outstanding lineup include Air Margaritaville (Jimmy Buffett tribute band,) who will be performing on Wednesday, July 14. According to the CSA website, they are known as one of the best tribute bands in the country. They have been entertaining fans throughout Michigan and the Midwest for more than 15 years, covering Jimmy Buffett classics like "Cheeseburger in Paradise" and "Margaritaville."

Alyssa Simmons, a 14-year-old vocal dynamo, is scheduled to grace the Patio on July 27. This



Photo courtesy of Air Margaritaville.net

Air Margaritaville will perform in the OC patio July 14.

local artist grew up surrounded by music, and has evolved into a powerful singer. Simmons recently won the WDIV/Marshall Field's Super Singer Contest at the 2003 Freedom Festival Fireworks.

But not all musicians selected are local. Past performers include Grammy winning singer and songwriter Barbara Bailey Hutchinson, who performs nationwide. Rick Kelly, a.k.a. "apathy's worst enemy," performed yesterday, and gave students quite a show. Kelly sings at universities, festivals, schools and corporate

events around the country. With the help of Motown R&B classics, he encourages students to play an active part in his routines.

Hosting these events is the OU Student Program Board, who strives to bring students the best in live entertainment each year. Miller attributes the success of the Patio Concerts in selecting top-notch entertainers to Oakland's affiliation with the NACA, the National Association for Campus Activities.

"Musicians are selected partially on availability and definitely on

reputation," Miller said.

Each concert is held from 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. and is free to OU students, faculty and campus visitors. Students can bring their own lunch or purchase snacks, beverages, desserts and vegetarian choices provided by Chartwell's Food Service.

In case of poor weather conditions, performances will be held in the OC Pioneer food court.

For more information on the Patio Concert series, contact the CSA office at (248) 370-2400.

Clockwise:  
Norah Jones,  
Lewis Black  
and Jewel  
will all perform at the Meadow Brook Music Festival this summer.



Photo courtesy of norahjones.com, lewisblack.net and jeweljk.com



## Meadow Brook cuts waiting lines

*Performers sure to please the crowds, too*

BY VIRGINIE PEROV  
CAMOUS LIFE EDITOR

As summer begins at the Meadow Brook Music Festival, the public will have the good surprise of entering the venue with a shorter waiting time.

This year there will be no separate charge for parking. The fee usually charged at the entrance of the lot will instead be included in the price of the concert ticket.

"It will help people get on the lot faster," said Jeff Corey, director of public relations at the Meadow Brook Music Festival.

Also this year, the Detroit Symphony Orchestra is returning to the Meadow

Brook Music Festival. Considering the tremendous expense involved in moving there for the summer, the DSO had considered not returning to the venue that was originally built as their summer home in the 1960s.

"We hope to attract crowds by using more popular programs," Corey said.

In that spirit the DSO will perform a "Classical Mystery Tour: A Tribute to the Beatles" on Aug. 8, a theme more likely to appeal to a larger audience.

The Meadow Brook venue can seat an audience of 7,700 but few shows fill it up, Corey said. Norah Jones, who will perform again Sept. 8, was one of the rare artists to gather that large of a crowd last year.

According to Corey, concert sales at a

national level have considerably decreased in the past few years, affecting all venues around the country, including the Meadow Brook Music Festival.

"We are trying to keep prices down, and hope the public will come," Corey said.

For instance, some of the shows including "Weird Al" Yankovic, will offer a limited number of \$10 tickets to the first lucky people to order them through the box office.

Some of the upcoming performances will include Jewel July 14, Harry Connick Jr. Aug. 6 and Lewis Black July 31.

For more information, visit the Palace Sports Entertainment website [www.palacenet.com](http://www.palacenet.com).

## Short fall for Harry Potter

BY ROQAYA ASHMAWEY  
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If you've read Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban, by J.K. Rowling, you know the movie didn't quite stay true to the book.

Take the earlier scene when Harry (Daniel Radcliffe) is picked up by the Knight Bus, Rowling didn't have a grotesque shrunken head giving directions.

The first two movies, directed by Chris Columbus, stayed closer to her words. But this time, Director Alfonso Cuarón added his own taste.

The movie's teaser is that the "mass murderer" Sirius Black (Gary Oldman),



Photo courtesy of Warner Bros

The new Harry Potter is a bit disappointing.

who sold the Potters to Voldemort, escapes from Azkaban to find Harry.

Radcliffe's talent has increased over the past three years. Ron (Rupert Grint) and Hermione (Emma Watson) both performed better, although Ron and Draco's (Tom Felton) cowardice were overdone.

We see Harry's emotional side a little more here as he talks with Professor

Lupin (David Thewlis) and when he learns that Sirius, his godfather, didn't betray his parents.

But the screens missed the late Richard Harris, who portrayed a kinder and more believable Dumbledore in the first two movies than did Michael Gambon in this one.

The last third of the movie was a little rushed which might confuse viewers who haven't read the book. Some important details, like how to turn into an Animagus, were missing.

Cuarón also left out that Harry conjured a Stag Patronus against the dementors because his father was a Stag Animagus.

And Hermione landing on top of Harry when they fell through the Whomping Willow looked a little like she was assuming the position; not appropriate for a PG rated movie that most little kids want to see.

*"Overall pretty good and suitably mystical"*

Roqaya Ashmawey

## Sloppy make-over for Stepford Wives

BY PAM AVOLEDO  
THE OAKLAND POST

Educated and successful women are a threat in the misogynistic remake of 1975's "The Stepford Wives."

After suffering a nervous breakdown, Joanna Eberhard (Nicole Kidman) and her husband, Walter Kresby (Matthew Broderick), move to the idyllic town of Stepford. There, the women keep their households running smoothly, read cookbooks for fun, and resemble Barbie dolls. Eberhard is unnerved by the women's behavior and demands a move. But in order to save her marriage, she stays.

"The Stepford Wives" tries to satirize the 1950s housewife and pop culture.

However, the attempts are neither witty nor funny. Midway through, the film also gives up its satirical theme and suddenly turns into a sci-fi thriller. However, it is without any of the creepiness of the original film. Instead the manufactured suspense is only a plot device to get to the predictable twists.

*"A muddled and confused remake"*

Pam Avoleto

Both genders are treated with contempt and represented with a stereotype.

Joanna is the ambitious, unfeeling career woman who has abandoned her family. Walter is insecure and passive. The other men in Stepford's secret society are hateful toward their wives and gladly order them around. A gay couple is also added to give the movie a con-



Photo courtesy of Paramount Pictures

The Stepford Wives don't live up to the viewer's expectations.

temporary update. However, their roles are written in the standard sitcom manner. Kidman and Broderick are miscast as a couple and do not have any chemistry together. Glenn Close is ridiculously campy as the perfect wife.

The Stepford Wives is a muddled and confused remake. According to Stepford society, the women are still scrambling to find a balance between work and family. But the movie seems to question the roles of modern women without making any real statement about them.



Photo courtesy of 20th Century Fox

Ben Stiller is faithful to himself in Dodgeball.

## Stiller shines

BY BRENDAN STEVENS  
EDITOR IN CHIEF

With plenty of shots below the waist and loads of gut-wrenching laughter, "Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story" scores a flawless victory this summer.

Pulling on the audiences heart strings, Pete (played by Vince Vaughn) leads his rag-tag bunch from his own "Average Joe's" Gym to the Las Vegas International Dodgeball Open in hopes of winning the \$50,000 needed to save his gym.

Ben Stiller stars as Pete's adversary, White, who is attempting to buy out the mortgage of the soon-to-be-forged Average Joe's.

When all hope seems lost, one of Average Joe's regulars remembers the ad in his Obscure Sports Quarterly that displays

the Las Vegas Open at its coincidental \$50,000 top prize.

A series of early round dodgeball matches take place with a variety of twists and turns as the outcasts of Average Joe's fight their way to the championship to square off against White's Globo Gym "Purple Cobras."

Full of cameos and on the edge jokes, this PG-13 flick isn't for all, with lots of mature comedy and language, but fans of Stiller shouldn't be disappointed.

It's not Vaughn's greatest role, but he doesn't cash it in either. Stiller's real-life wife, Christine Taylor, renews her character from Zoogland, and definitely gets the audiences attention.

All-in-all, this underdog story gets three out of four dodgeballs below the waist.



June 30, 2004

# Young doctor's research seeks to prevent cancer

By VIRGINIE PEROV  
CAMPUS LIFE EDITOR

At the age of eight, Darrin Hanna's inquisitive mind earned him the nickname of "doctor" from his stepfather. Today, at age 26, Hanna has obtained two bachelor degrees, a master's and a Ph.D. warranting him the title his step-dad foresaw 18 years ago.

Hanna is Assistant Professor of Engineering at OU as well as the president of the technology, engineering, and e-solutions company, TIGS, he founded eight years ago.

## "I don't clock in or out of anything."

-Hanna

"There is a lot of stuff to be done," Hanna said. "For me it's a life style; nothing really begins or ends. I don't clock in or out of anything."

Hanna is a true multitasker who decided to buy a computer system with two screens so he could work on a project, check his e-mails and chat with several friends and students on instant messenger, all at the same time.

And then there is the research project. Hanna wants to develop a bio sensor that can detect small concentrations of protein to be used for the early detection of cancer.

### The early years

A native of Michigan, Hanna spent his childhood between Rochester, Troy and Royal Oak. He attended

Rochester High School where he was a very active teenager engaged in activities such as the production of a play. Hanna said he had lots of friends who were very diverse, from the chemistry club to the Varsity football and the theater club.

"I seemed to fit in very different groups," Hanna said.

Hanna's first professional experience came when he was 12 years old and cleaned law offices with one of his neighbors to earn some extra pocket money. After a conversation with a local lawyer, Maxine Basso, she hired Hanna to set up the networking of her office.

### First jobs

At 14, Hanna started consulting for different companies. At 15, he began developing automating software for Lakeshore Stamping Co., Chesterfield, Mich., a supplier to the automotive industry.

At 17, he started his own company, Technology Integration Group Services, Inc. Hanna remembers that it was the summer of his sophomore year at OU and, "rather than finding a summer job, with a couple of friends we created one!" he said.

### Choosing a college

After high school, Hanna applied to the University of Michigan, University of Detroit and University of Chicago.

He said he didn't know anything about OU until he received a phone call from the vice president of admission, inviting him to attend.

"I remember it was a Saturday," Hanna said. "He invited me to come to his

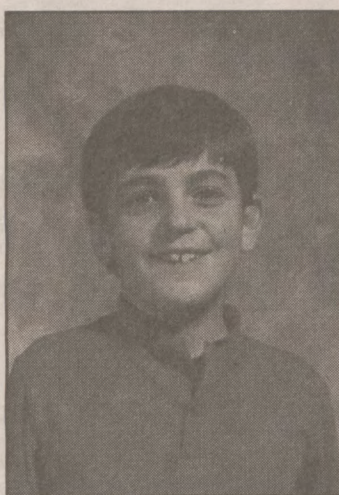


Photo courtesy of Linda Buck  
Hanna posing for his 4th-grade portrait.

house to talk, and we had coffee with his wife. That was fun!"

Hanna said the vice president let him know that he was very interested in him attending OU. Hanna also obtained different scholarships for OU and after attending the orientation and visiting the campus, Hanna decided to give OU a chance.

"I already had a strong interest in sciences and there was cool stuff going on. I also liked the way people interacted," Hanna said. "I think this is what convinced me to come to OU."

During his second semester at OU, Hanna started researching. He was still a freshman when he began working with Dr. Gopalan Srinivasan from the department of physics, researching Colossal Magnetoresistive Oxides. Hanna continued working on this project for a couple of years, until he obtained his bachelor of science in computer science and engineering as well as in mathematics.

Meanwhile, Hanna taught as a supplemental instructor for chemistry professor Jerry Compton and also published different papers.

### Life at OU

Hanna lived in the dorms at OU for almost 6 years and he loved it. "I think living on campus is something all students should do!" Hanna said. "It gives you a better chance to experience everything the campus has

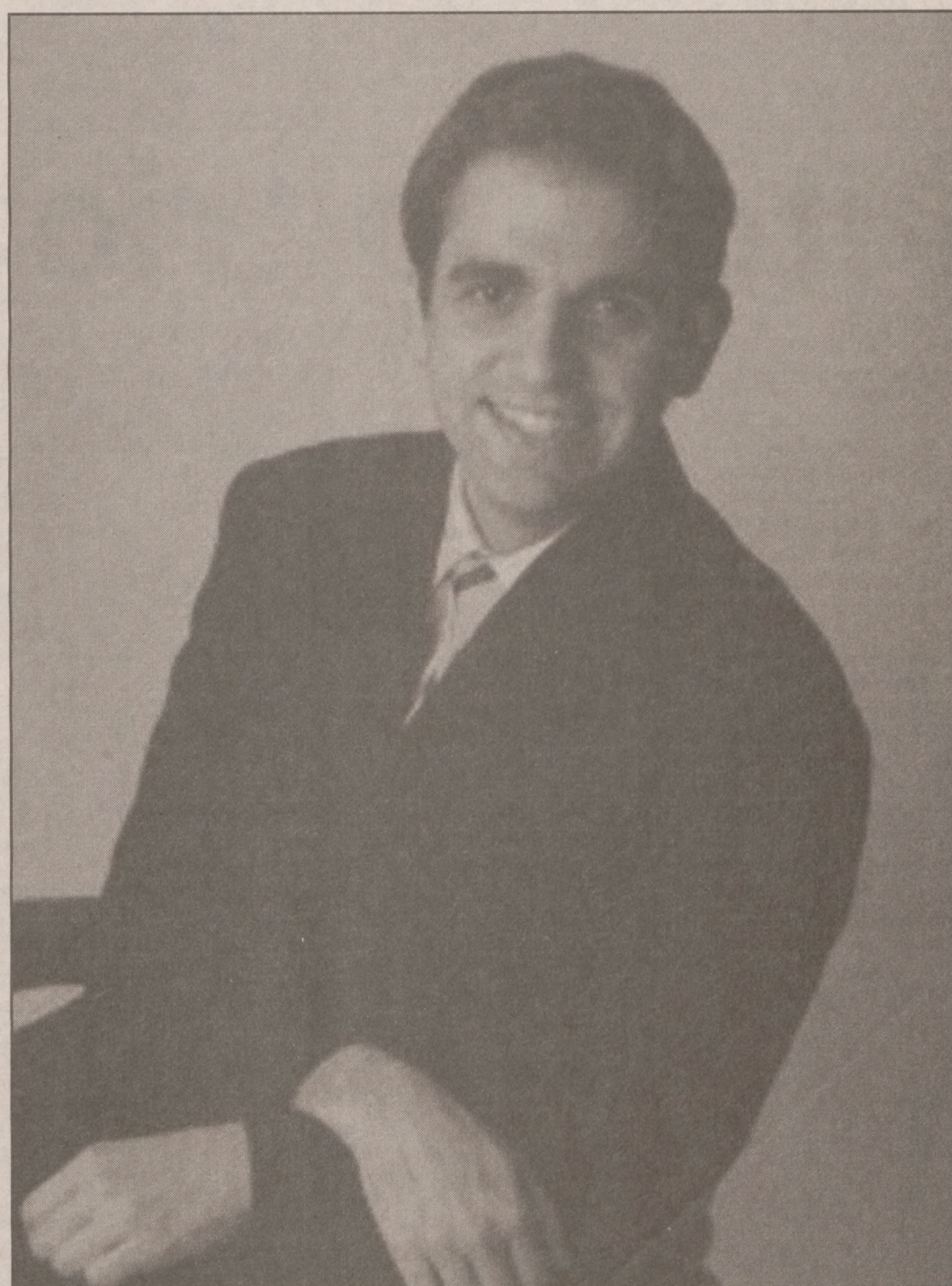


Photo courtesy of Darrin Hanna  
Professor Darrin Hanna teaches engineering science when he's not busy managing his own company or working on his research project.

to offer." He continued living there until the success of his company allowed him to buy a house. He knew lots of people on campus and loved campus life.

At 26, Hanna hasn't quite left the campus. He now teaches engineering and computer science classes to graduate and undergraduate students.

### A gift for teaching

"I always thought he would be somewhere where he teaches and learns, because he had always liked helping people to learn," Buck said. "He has the ability to show things in a different light."

Hanna realized he had this talent early in life. It was not unusual for him as a child to give advice to adults. When he was 12 years old, he gave a few words of support to one of his mother's friends.

"She called me shortly after," Buck said, "and told me that my son was smart and wise."

"I was a funny kid," Hanna said. "You could say I was a 'grown-up kid,' with a lot of attributes of a kid and of an adult. I had a lot of things in my mind, like I had been doing it for years," Hanna said.

All his friends were of the same age, though. Hanna said that they walked around, talked and hung around Meijer and Taco Bell like all kids do. "It was good, though, not to have any homework," Hanna said. "I usually did it all in the bus."

As a teacher, Hanna makes his students interact. He gives them feedback and tries to maximize what people are getting.

His greatest achievement is "being here for people."

"I have high regard for the value of people in anything in life," Hanna said.

### Going into research

The people of OU are the main reason why Hanna remained a student here for

his graduate studies. For his Ph.D., Hanna enquired and applied to the University of Michigan as well as University of California, Berkeley, where he thought he could open a new branch for his business. But Hanna was already working for Dr. Richard Haskell, professor of engineering.

"He is a brilliant person and a good man," Hanna said. "He is kind, generous, does not have a big ego and he really understands people. This is priceless."

## "I have high regard for the value of people in anything in life"

-Hanna

Hanna said he could have gone to any ivy-league school, but since he had an excellent start to what he was doing here, he decided to stay.

"The decision making process gave me headaches for weeks," Hanna said. This is the time when he stepped up from teaching assistant to visiting faculty at OU.

"OU has top notch faculty," Hanna said. He thinks that there is a lot going on at OU, and that if all the members of the community work together, "we can do even more than we are today."

"Dr. Haskell has been here for years," Hanna said. "I admire him. He cares about OU. He came here four years after the charter faculty. He treats OU like his baby. There are not a lot of people who understand and see its history."

The admiration Hanna gives Haskell seems to be mutual.

"Not only is Darrin the best student I have seen here at Oakland in 38 years, but he has very strong leadership and people skills which makes him a very exceptional individual,"

Haskell said. "He is an outstanding teacher and researcher."

Hanna is a true humanist who gets his energy from people. "What is fulfilling about teaching is that each semester, there is always a handful of students that you really get to know," Hanna said. He has been teaching full classes since he was 21.

### Genius and humanist

"As a child, he was intelligent and explorative," said his sister, Dawn, five years older than Hanna. "He was always into more intellectual things."

When he was in 10th-grade, she said, he actually helped her with one of her Master's class; logistics. She said that she actually had to leave the classroom and call him to ask a question.

"He is a good person," Dawn said. "Genius-like, but with good human skills. He's down to earth. He's a great guy and funny too, we laugh a lot. We are best friends."

"What makes me laugh? Everything!" Hanna said. "It's all fun!" With his sister Dawn, they leave each other personal silly phone messages and laugh about it. Hanna also likes talking nonsense with his friends.

Hanna's mother describes him as a brilliant and loving person. She said she admires his love for life and is very proud of Hanna's unselfish and open-minded personality.

"We raised our children to try everything," Buck said. "There is no limitation on what you can do in life."

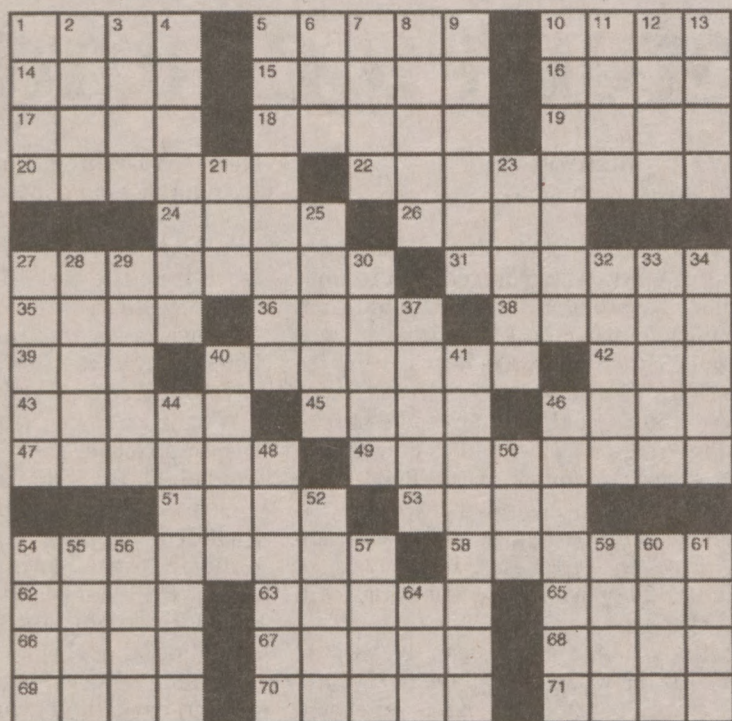
Hanna has been applying this advice to his life since he was a child. Hanna said he never thought he would become a professor, but he just takes opportunities when they present themselves.

Hanna sees himself as successful. "Success is working with and around good people," he said. "And it's also being lucky, hard working, smart and knowing when to take chances. There is always room to grow."

## Crossword

### ACROSS

- 1 Uneven cut
- 5 metabolism
- 10 Cracked open
- 14 Long sandwich
- 15 Not in a fog
- 16 Woolly sheepdog
- 17 Ashtabula's lake
- 18 Tears
- 19 Date tree
- 20 Increases
- 22 Give out
- 24 Scourge
- 26 Antitoxins
- 27 Ascorbic acid
- 31 Tech-heavy stock index
- 35 OK city
- 36 Sea of Asia
- 38 Stuffed (kishke)
- 39 Beat it!
- 40 U.S. peninsula
- 42 Cereal grain
- 43 Staring intently
- 45 Ear part
- 46 Writer Quindlen
- 47 Hermosillo, Mexico's state
- 49 Uncle Remus character
- 51 Caen's river
- 53 Vicinity
- 54 Putting into effect
- 58 Ill temper
- 62 Mindanao machete
- 63 Manual of medicine
- 65 Bogeyman
- 66 Projecting rock
- 67 Classic violin
- 68 Reminds, again and again
- 69 Gainsay
- 70 Frank Baum
- 71 Son of Seth



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## Hanna's favorites

- Favorite words: devotion, smart, compassion and compliment
- Favorite restaurant: Pizzapopolis, it has the best deep dish pizza
- Favorite quote: "Life is short, sometimes you just gotta let life live you."



## Pitching trio drafted

By DAVE PEMBERTON  
SPORTS EDITOR

**K**yle Boehm was the first of three OU pitchers drafted in the 2004 MLB Draft. Boehm was chosen in the 19th round by the Baltimore Orioles.

"I was excited to get drafted," Boehm said. "It was something I dreamed of since I was a little kid."

There was not much time for Boehm to celebrate. Days after being drafted he had to report to the Aberdeen Ironbirds of the New York-Penn (A) League for the start of their season.

"It's been a little crazy getting acquainted to the area but this is a great opportunity," Boehm said. "They have great facilities. It's been wonderful so far."

Boehm picked up a win in his first appearance against the New Jersey Cardinals. Boehm credits his experience at OU and hard work for getting him exactly where he wants to be, playing professional baseball.

"The biggest thing I learned at OU was just to try to set yourself apart from others," Boehm said. "Whether it's working hard in the weight room or on the field. Just present yourself in a good way so you can set yourself apart from others."

At OU, Boehm went 3-4 this past season with a 6.45 ERA and 73 strikeouts. Boehm said head coach Mark Avery really helped him to get drafted and he has a lot to thank him for.

Dominic Carmosino was the second OU player drafted. Carmosino was taken in the 27th by the Detroit Tigers.

Carmosino had a 15-29 record at OU with a 5.46 career ERA.

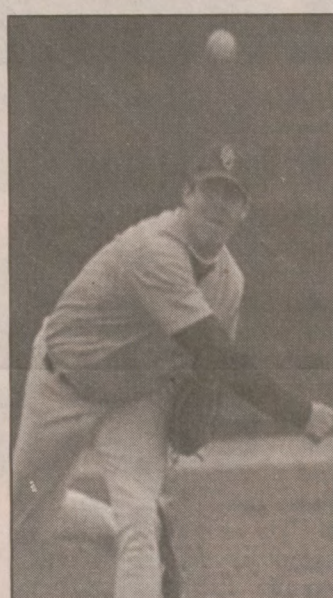
Carmosino was assigned to the Oneonta Tigers also of the New York-Penn League. Carmosino has appeared in two games so far. He has not allowed an earned run in more than four innings of work and has three strikeouts.

"Me and Dominic are excited to be in the same league," Boehm said. "Hopefully we will get to pitch against each other."

The third OU pitcher drafted was Brad Morenko. He was selected in the 40th round by the Cincinnati Reds.

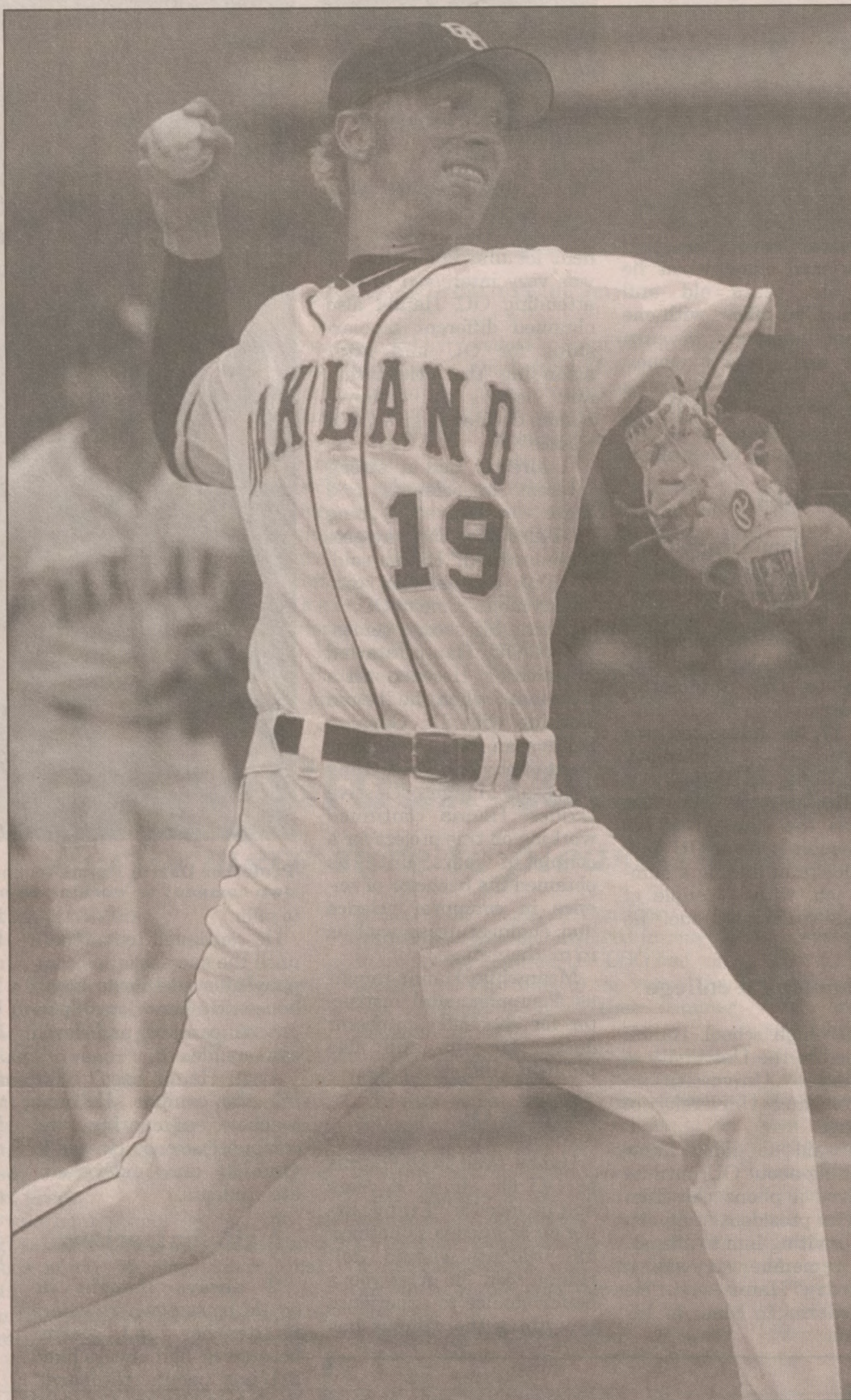
This past season Morenko went 3-1 with a 4.21 ERA in 22 appearances for OU. Morenko was voted the team's Most Improved Player and Pitcher of the Year.

Morenko was assigned to the Billings Mustangs. In his first appearance he pitched two scoreless innings to help the Mustangs defeat the Helena Brewers 15-7.



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Right: Kyle Boehm delivering a pitch last season. Above: Brad Morenko watches one of his pitches.



## Briefly around the horn

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Softball player Nicole Marzano has been named a 2004 second team All-Mid-Con Conference performer.

As OU's number one pitcher last season she had a 9-20 record and finished in the top-10 in the Mid-Con with an ERA of 2.56.

Marzano lead the Golden Grizzlies in every pitching category and finished among the Mid-Con leaders in strikeouts, innings and ERA.

She has reached 100 strikeouts in all three of her seasons at OU. Last season, she had a total of 125 strikeouts, which was fourth in the Mid-Con.

Along with throwing 19 complete games, including five shutouts, she was also a leader on offense. She finished among the team leaders in doubles, home runs and RBIs.

### Baseball players earn All-Mid-Con honors

Catcher John Sullivan was voted to the 2004 All-Mid-Con first team. Sullivan led OU with a .348 average and was second on the team with 12 home runs.

First baseman Ty Herriott made the All-Mid-Con second team. Herriott led the Mid-Con with 18 home runs and broke the OU single season record of 14.

### Former OU basketball player goes pro

Adrian Martin plans to play professionally in France next season. Since leaving OU, Martin has played for the Mexican National Team and the Tijuana Diablos of the ABA.

## Recruits join OU family

By DAVE PEMBERTON  
SPORTS EDITOR

OU teams inked a number of recruits for their upcoming seasons:

### Women's Soccer

Courtney McCracken, Kali Karibo, Kristi Mitchell, and Jessica Howard will all join OU next season.

McCracken earned all-state honors at Marian High School. Karibo and Mitchell both played club soccer for Vardar III 87, a Michigan powerhouse in club soccer. Howard was a three-time All League goalkeeper at West Bloomfield High School.

### Women's Golf

Kelly Wilke and Katie O'Donnel will be teeing off for OU next season. Wilke was the Lake Erie Golf Association Player of the Year in 2003. O'Donnel earned All-OAA honors at Troy High School.

### Women's Volleyball

Erin Palmer and Chelsea Licavoli have signed letters of intent to play for OU. Palmer played two seasons at Kalamazoo Valley Community College where she earned First Team All-Region honors. Licavoli played for Chippewa Valley High School where she earned First Team All-MAC honors.

### Women's Softball

Megan Thelan from Lansing Community College and Stephanie Zellner from Central Arizona College will play for OU next season. Thelan batted .484 at LCC with 39 RBI in 2003. Zellner hit .360 with 68 RBI last season.

### Women's Basketball

OU will add depth with the girls signed for next season: Lakeshia White, Monique George, Bethany Jury and Jenna Schroeder. White played two seasons at Hibbing Community College where she led the

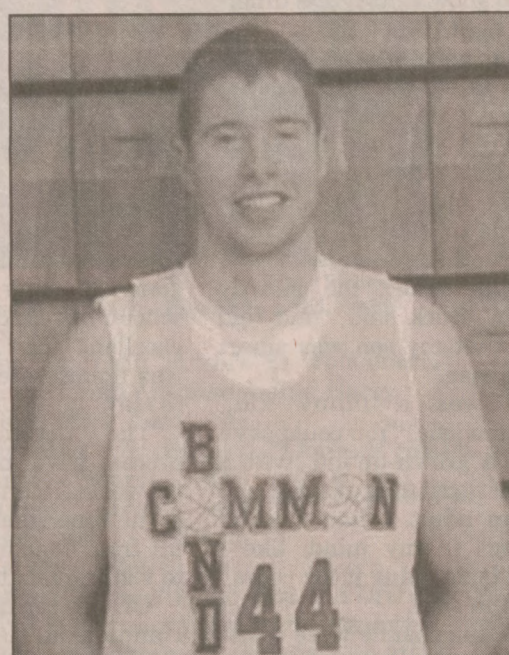


Photo courtesy of Common Bond

OU basketball recruit Patrick McCloskey.

NJCAA Division III in rebounds. George and Jury will add size to OU's lineup. Schroeder was a unanimous All-State selection at Clio High School.

### Men's Basketball

Kris Krzyminski and Patrick McCloskey have signed letters of intent to join OU next season. Krzyminski played one season at Mott Community College where he led them to the National Junior College Division II Championship.

McCloskey made several All-State teams at Marshall High School.

### Men's Baseball

Nate Recknagel and Taylor Traub will join OU's baseball team next season. Recknagel played catcher at Lake Orion High School.

Traub is a left-handed hitter that can play either the outfield or first base.

### Men's Soccer

Five players have signed letters of intent to join OU next season: Adam Brent, Jonathan Barth, Logan Lyon, Adam Kliebert, and Nicholas Nelson.

Brent won two state championships at Rochester High School. Barth played for the Metro Soccer Club.

Lyon played for the Michigan Wolves U-18 club team. Kliebert played for the Cardar U-18 club team.

Nelson played for the Kalamazoo TKO club team.

## Intern a champion

By DAVE PEMBERTON  
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The year did not start off well for Ryan Hoover. An ankle injury forced him to miss his senior basketball season at OU, but then opportunity came knocking. Hoover was asked to be the Assistant Video Coordinator for the Detroit Pistons.

Hoover would get the chance to be part of one of the greatest seasons in Pistons history. Hoover is a member of the 2004 NBA World Champions.

"I never experienced a championship before," Hoover said. "Just to be part of something that special was something I will never forget."

Basketball has always been a part of Hoover's life. Now that his playing days are over he wants to try out a career in coaching. What better way to get started than being around Larry Brown, one of the greatest coaches in basketball history.

"I learned so much this season," Hoover

said. "Everything from seeing the game from a coaching aspect to seeing it better as a player. The college and NBA game are two totally different levels. I got the chance to learn from the best. The stuff I learned was unbelievable."

Brown is known throughout the NBA for being a great teacher and good guy. Hoover says Brown earned all the praise.

"Coach Brown treats everyone with respect," Hoover said. "He looks at you as an individual. He is just a great guy."

Hoover's responsibilities with the Pistons included helping assistant coach Pat Sullivan break down game film of opponents. He would look for different players tendencies and pass it on to the coaching staff and the players. The experience has only made Hoover want to continue to be around basketball even more.

"Basketball has been a part of my life since a young age," Hoover said. "Basketball completes me. If I can continue to be around basketball that would be a dream come true."

## Around the Mid-Con

By DAVE PEMBERTON  
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### Five Oral Roberts Players Taken in Draft

Outfielder Matt VanDerBosch was the first Mid-Con player taken in the MLB draft, selected in the ninth round by the Boston Red Sox.

Shortstop Grant Plumley was also taken in the ninth round by the New York Yankees.

First baseman Josh Lex was taken in the 28th round by the Toronto Blue Jays. Catcher Nate Griffin was taken in the 40th round by the Yankees. Pitcher Rene Recio was the final Oral Roberts player taken, in the

47th round by the Detroit Tigers.

### Commissioner Cup

Western Illinois University captured its league-record fifth Mid-Con Conference Commissioner's Cup during the 2003-04 academic year.

The Commissioner's Cup is given to the institution that collects the most combined points between its men's and women's athletic programs.

Western Illinois won two championships - men's golf and women's basketball - and added second-place finishes in baseball, men's indoor track and field, men's and women's outdoor track

and field, men's swimming and diving and men's tennis.

### Mid-Con Athletes Earn All-American Honors

Western Illinois' Aubrey Martin finished sixth in the women's shot put to earn All-American honors at the 2004 NCAA Outdoor Track and Field Championships. Oral Roberts' Prince Mumba also earned All-American honors by finishing seventh in the 800 meter run.

Mid-Con Baseball Player of the Year Dennis Bigley earned five different All-American honors. Bigley finished the season with a 13-1 record, a 2.91 ERA and 100 strikeouts.