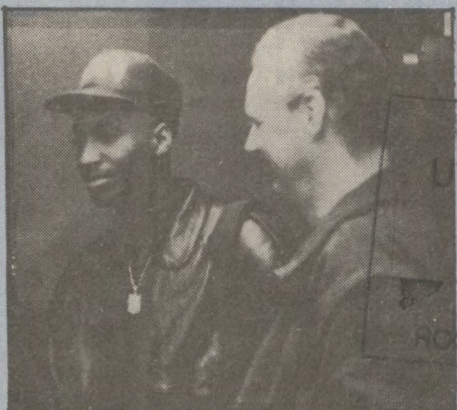


## LION BECOMES A PIONEER

Detroit Lion Willie Green trades team playbooks for textbooks.

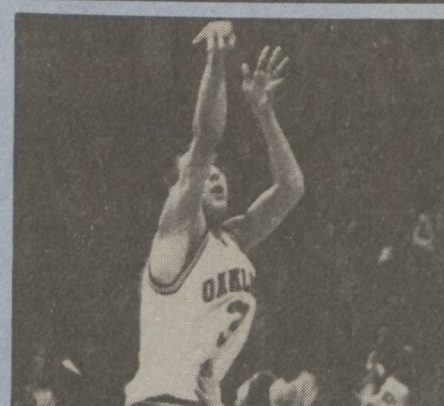
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## TEAM JOINS THREE-WAY TIE



Pioneer's basketball team's win puts it in three-way tie for third place.

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## Briefly ...

### KRS-ONE

Nationally known speaker and rap artist KRS-ONE will speak on the "H.E.A.L. Movement" (Human Education Against Lies) at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 5 in the Oakland Center Crockery. The lecture is sponsored by the Association of Black Students and the OU Student Congress.

### Michigan Artists Lecture

The Honors College will sponsor a brief introduction by Kiichi Usui to the current exhibition at the Meadowbrook Art Gallery "Michigan Artist" Thursday Feb. 6. The talk will be given at noon in the art gallery on the second floor of Wilson Hall. Pizza and pop will be served at 11:30 a.m.

### Reading Hour

The fifth monthly "Reading Hour" will be held at noon on Feb. 12 in 133 Varner Hall. This is an informal hour in which students, faculty and staff can present works-in-progress readings an audience. Sign up to perform by Feb. 10. Further information call 370-2045 or 370-4119.

### BAM Events

"Alumni Night," held in Hamlin Lounge at 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 6, will focus on a panel discussion about past, present and current experiences of African-American students who reside in OU resident halls. The play "Black Manchild" explores the Black Man as he reaches for upward mobility, super intelligence, senility and the revolution on Monday, Feb. 10 from 1-3 p.m. in the Oakland Center Gold Rooms. "Eyes on the Prize" Part IV will be held in the OC Exhibit Lounge on Tuesday, Feb. 11 at noon.

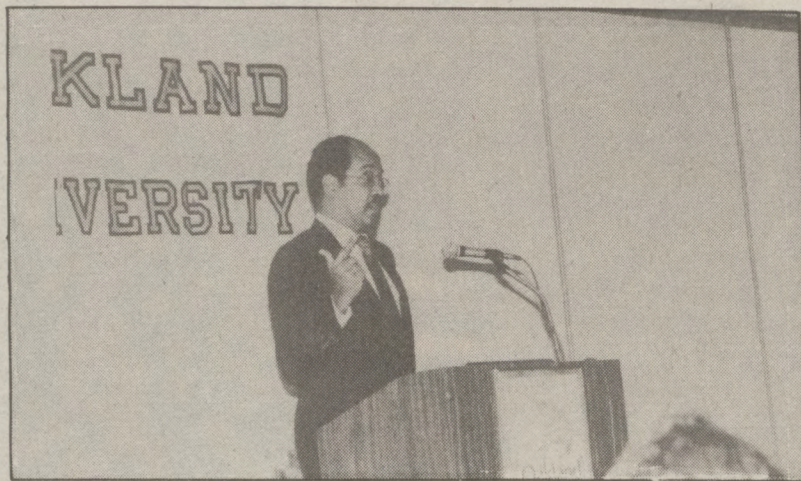
### False Alarm

Two units of Auburn Hills Fire Department responded to smoke coming from the telephone computer room in North Foundation Hall. No fire resulted from the incident on Tuesday, according to Chief Richard Leonard, director of OU Public Safety and Police.

### Teaching Excellence Award

Names of OU faculty may be nominated for an annual Excellence in Teaching Award. One award of \$2,500 will be presented to one tenured/tenure faculty at the fall 1992 commencement. Faculty may be nominated by any member of the OU community including: students, alumni, staff or faculty. The nomination letter should contain sufficient supporting statements to permit an initial review of the nominee. It might address one or more of the following criteria: superior classroom performance, innovative instructional practices, high education standards or concerns for students. Letters will be accepted through March 1, 1992 and should be addressed to: Dr. David Lau, Department of Rhetoric, Communications and Journalism, Oakland University, Rochester, Mi., 48309-4401.

## Gray is not just black and white, speaks on revolution



William Gray, III president and CEO of the United Negro College Fund, speaks about America in a demographic revolution.

By AL COOK  
Staff Writer

America is engaged in a demographic revolution which will transform it into the most pluralistic, diverse society the world has ever known by the year 2025, whether it likes it or not.

That was the message by William H. Gray III, president and chief executive officer of the United Negro College Fund, Monday in his speech at the OC's Crockery.

His address, hosted by the Student Life Lecture Board, posed the question, "Can we educate a multicultural society and be globally com-

petitive?"

He noted that within eight years, 85 percent of all new workers will be women, minorities or new immigrants.

"The diversity is going to happen folks; it isn't an intellectual discussion," Gray said.

He sees danger in abandoning affirmative action measures because women and other minorities still do not have the same opportunities as white males.

"Japan, South Korea, and - Lord help us - if China - with all its people gets its act together, and the European Common Market are going to educate everybody in their society,"

Gray said.

"They are going to give everybody the tools to be respected and competent because they understand their future depends on their human capital."

One valuable tool America has, he claims, is the black college system which his fund supports.

The 41 fully-accredited schools provide quality education for about 45,000 men and women.

"They are going to be more important as we talk about global competition because they know how to educate people who come from that background," he said.

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## Congress proposes gallop to Texas

By JENNIFER HEIL  
Staff Writer

University Student Congress executive staff members and Student Program Board members are planning to attend the National Association of Collegiate Activities (NACA) conference in Dallas for five days in February, Derek Wilczynski, Congress president, said.

Wilczynski and two executive staff members, executive assistant Amy Rickstad and student service chair Matthew Tazreak, will attend the conference to learn student government administrative skills.

SPB chair Melissa Winter four other program chairs, and Paul Frankli, CIPO Program Director, POSITION, will also attend NACA. The cost to Congress for each person will be about \$500, Winter said at the meeting.

At the conference the SPB chairs can choose entertainers and movies at discounted costs, and the money saved covers the cost of attending the conference, Brian Murphy, legislative affairs, said at the meeting.

Congress will pay for transportation, accommodations, and NACA registration fees with money from Congress' portion of the student activities fee, Murphy said.

Debate surrounding the representatives for the conference was raised by Congress members Chaunci Wyche and George Maalouf. Both members argued that non-Congress representatives from other student groups should be included at NACA.

"Why didn't you consult with us as Congress members, that's what I would like to know," Maalouf said at the meeting.

Wilczynski said that it is his right as president to choose who would attend NACA, and that the president and selected executive staff and SPB members have traditionally attended the conference.

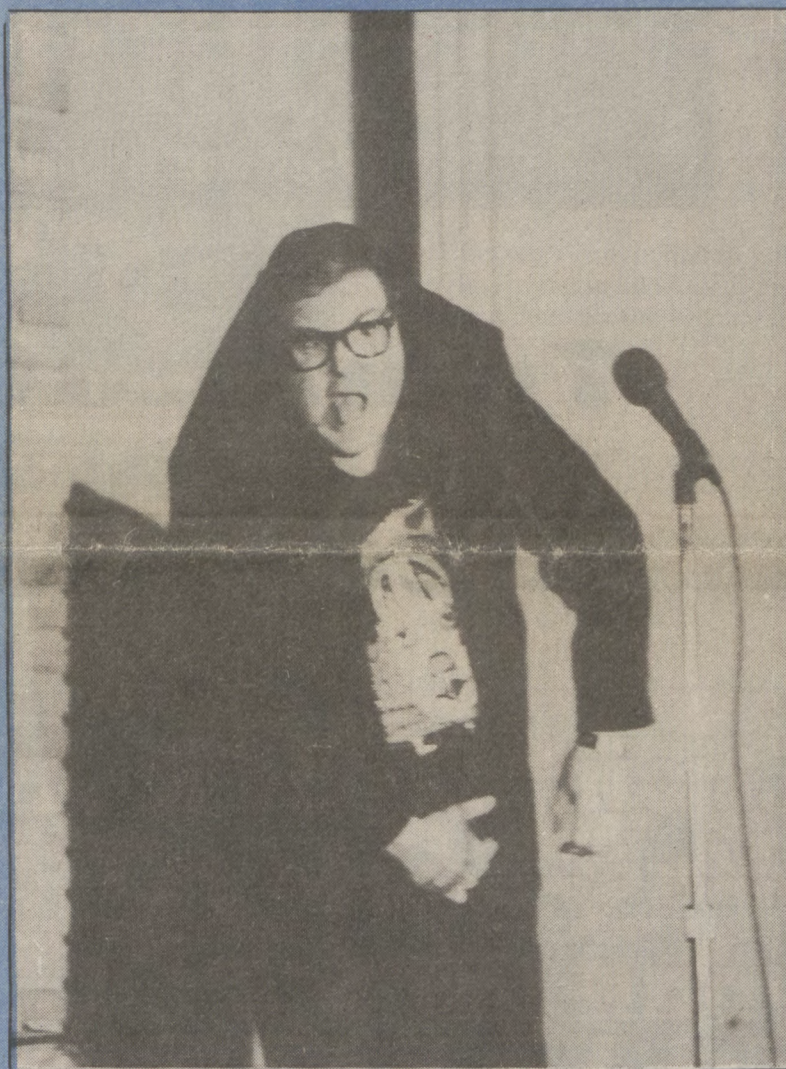
The problem some members have with the representation is that even though the SPB chairs have a valid reason to attend NACA, attendance by members from other groups could diversifying programming.

A memo was sent to student groups that told them they could attend NACA with the Congress members, but at their own cost, Wilczynski said.

Wilczynski said he did not receive any feedback from the groups he sent the memos to, but if he had, he would have considered financial help for group members who wanted

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## Nunnin' around



Comedian Vic Dunlop reflects back on childhood memories of attending Catholic schools. Student Programming Board sponsored the comic concert Jan. 30 in Oakland Center Crockery.

## Candidate sets sight on presidency

By MARGARET O'BRIEN  
and BRYAN LUXON  
Staff Writers

Although Luis Proenza spent a large portion of his career focusing on microscopic Glial cells in salamander eyes it has not blinded him to visions of running a university.

One of four finalists in OU's search for a new president, Proenza, 47, is scheduled to arrive on Sunday to begin two and a half days of meetings with faculty, staff and students and a public interview with the Board of Trustees Feb. 11.

Proenza has served as the Vice Chancellor for Research and Dean of the Graduate School since 1987 at the 6,000-student University of Alaska Fairbanks (UAF) where he has increased the research grant programs from \$15 million to \$45 million.

Proenza, leap-frogged a department chairmanship and took the path less traveled to the vice presidency, starting as an assistant professor of psychology, moving to zoology and then biology, eventually focusing on eye research. He then moved into administration after completing an ACE fellowship in the president's office at the University of Georgia.

"There's really more of a consistency than what's apparent there. The notion of moving from psychol-

ogy to a department of biological sciences or zoology is really a natural move," he said.

Proenza said his interest in abnormal human behavior led to research on sensory physiology and how the retina conveys information to the brain saying he just "fell in love with the retina."

Former OU President Donald O'Dowd, who went on to become president of the University of Alaska system, met Proenza in 1986 during interviews for the vice chancellorship of research. He and O'Dowd got to know each other quite well during O'Dowd's tenure in Alaska.



Luis Proenza

O'Dowd said that Proenza's non-traditional career track has provided him with a broad background and allowed him to prove how quickly he can master new tasks.

"In reality, nobody can be everything. I've known hundreds of university presidents over the last 30 years, and I haven't found one yet who has that kind of versatility

...In 1986 he knew as much about the arctic as I knew about tropical rain forests — nothing. He simply learned it," O'Dowd said. "And Luis is not exactly a native of an ice covered setting. He's probably the only Mexican who specializes in arctic

call her resident assistant for help.

According to Richard Leonard, director of Public Safety and Police, in the past it has not been the policy of public safety to push students to and from classes.

"Since she wasn't in a life threatening situation, since she wasn't stuck outside, public safety isn't responsible for the situation," Leonard said.

Had she been stuck outside and was in any sort of danger, public safety would have been in a position to help, Leonard said.

A public safety officer did show arrive at Pryale Hall, but did not assist Owens and her friends who helped her out of the building and into a friends car, according to Owens.

"All he (the public safety officer) did was explain why he couldn't help me," Owens said.

Jean Colburn, director of Special Advising, said OU is not legally required to help the students in getting from building to building. She also said OU could run into liability problems in assisting the students.

Mike Logan, a junior majoring in

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## Snow slows wheelchairs

By WILLIAM SOULE  
Staff Writer

Getting around in winter can be challenging to students who commute and those students living on campus, especially those resident students whose only means of travel is by wheelchair.

When the Jan. 14 snow storm dumped 11 inches of snow on Oakland County, the handicapped students found many problems getting to class.

Julie Owens, a junior majoring in psychology, got stuck in the snow several times en route from the Oakland Center to her class in Pryale Hall Jan. 15, the day after the storm.

Owens said the ramp in front of Pryale Hall had not been cleared of the snow and that she needed the help of five people to get into the building.

After class she feared a similar experience, so she called public safety for assistance.

"It isn't our job to push students to and from class," was the response Owens said she received from public safety. It was suggested Owens

research in the world."

Earning a doctorate from the University of Minnesota in neurobiology in 1971, he started a vision research laboratory at the University of Georgia shortly afterward where he received continuous grants from the National Eye Institute. Proenza has co-edited two books and jointly authored more than 50 articles and abstracts on eye research since 1971.

In 1983, he was selected for the ACE fellowship that allowed him to spend a year as an assistant to the president of the University of Georgia to learn about running a university.

"I've seen it as an invaluable experience because fundamentally, all the people that get into administration do it through a single department and then a school and only late (in their careers) coming to acquire university perspective. I've had well over 10 years of university-wide perspective — that's unique in my judgement," Proenza said.

Merritt Helfferich, Director of the UAF's Geophysical Institute described Proenza as "a man with a global vision."

Proenza's effective abilities in the science community and as a lobbyist in Washington D.C. enabled him to carry out successful negotiations

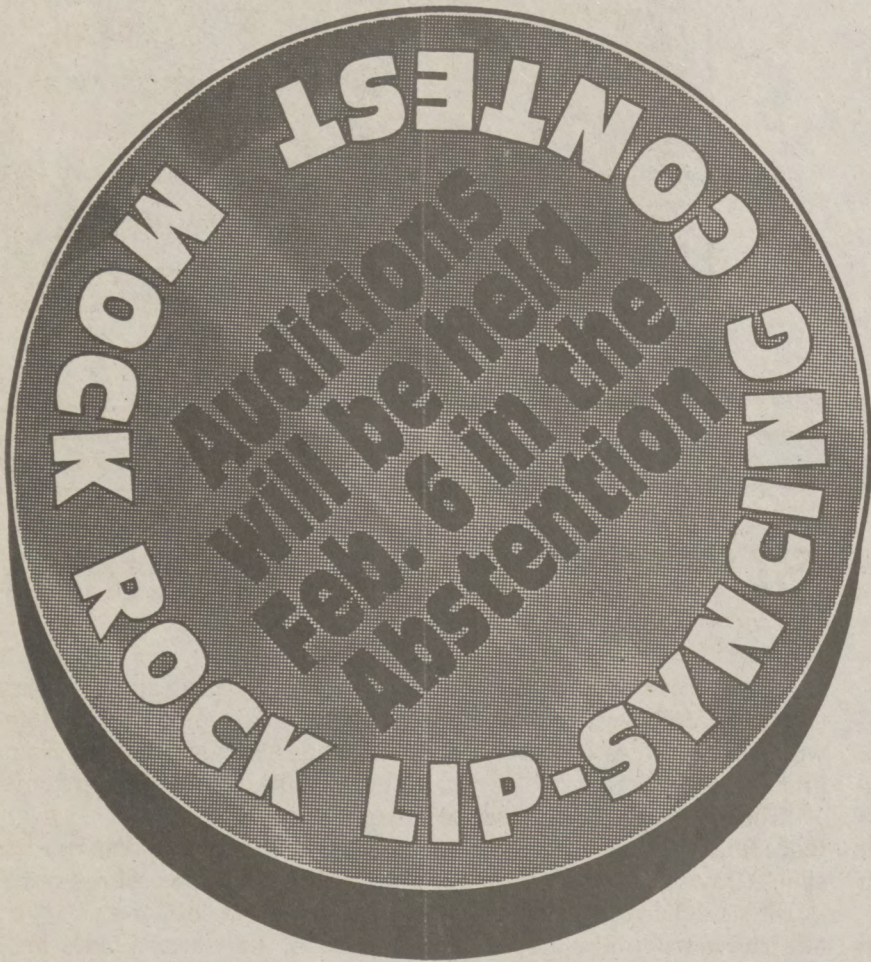
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## Campus Visits

OU will be hosting each of the four presidential finalist candidates for a two and a half day campus visit. Dr. Proenza's itinerary follows:

- Monday 4-5:30 p.m. A Faculty Forum open to the public will be held in the Oakland Center's West Crockery.
- Tuesday 3:30-5 p.m. A university wide reception will be held in the Oakland Center Fireside Lounge.
- Tuesday 7 p.m. Interview by the Board of Trustees at public meeting in the Ballroom of Meadow Brook Hall.





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## Proenza

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with the National Science Foundation and the Department of Defense, Helfferich said.

The gains made during deliberations brings a \$25 million Super Computer to the university which will make it one of three unique satellite tracking and receiving stations in the world.

"Luis Proenza knows how to make good use of what he has around him," said Jim Haselberger, Executive Director for the Governor's Office Fairbanks.

The capacity of Proenza to be a "possibility thinker and to look for and seize opportunities" has had the University geared for total expansion mode, he said.

Proenza's work attracted the attention of Alaska Governor Walter Hickel who appointed him as Advisor to the Governor for Science and Technology Policies last April.

However, he has not limited his efforts to just the hard sciences, said John Lehman, Dean of the UAF's Business School.

"It's true that the territory up here is generous for research activities, but Luis has done a wonderful job of integrating the school's business and management with the overall business community," said Lehman.

According to Lehman, Proenza has helped secure funds to support and intensify the international management program which has generated state-wide and international interest in the university's business graduates.

O'Dowd said he considers Proenza effective and able to run OU.

"He's very active, very charming. On the basis of what he was able to do in research and graduate areas in Alaska, where he specialized, yes, he could learn the job quickly. He did an extraordinary job in building research potential in the faculty and attracting tens of millions — darn near \$100 million — in outside funding over the last four or five years

which really has been a tremendous boom not only to the university but also to the state.

"He was helpful to me in providing some direct assistance, particularly in the development of research capabilities on the other campuses of the university system. So he had sort of an informal portfolio as the vice president of research for the university system. It was informal, but it did work," O'Dowd said.

On campus, the consensus seems to be that Proenza is well known but not often seen.

Chris Smith, editor of the weekly student newspaper the Sun Star, said Proenza keeps a very low profile.

"He's kind of a recluse so we don't hear or see much of him around here," Smith said.

UAF history professor John Whitehead, who has taught at the university for nearly 30 years disagrees. Although, he said Proenza is known for spending a substantial amount of time in Washington.

"Perhaps it's too much time, but I'm in history. To those who want to promote the arctic sciences, his time in Washington is well spent to stimulate interest in a neglected field.

"I think it is clearly accurate to say he keeps a low profile largely because he spends most of his time traveling representing the university on a lot of arctic commissions and atmospheric panels. A lot of his

mission as it evolved over the years is to give the university a profile in a lot of scientific agencies that it wasn't so well known in," Whitehead said.

Proenza said that he feels an effective president would have to spend substantial time away from campus meeting with state and federal lawmakers, business leaders and members of the community.

"If you ask anybody good at doing a presidential job, they'll tell you that they spend 75 percent of their time off campus. I don't know the situation (at OU), but I do sense that there is a great deal of concern about the previous president not being very active on campus. I've sensed that your search committee, your students and your staff want a president that's visible on campus and I think that is very important. But I think what's equally important is for the campus to realize a 100 percent campus-bound president is not doing your bidding properly," Proenza said.

Dividing his time between Washington D.C. and Alaska, travel has been a big part of Proenza's life. He got his first taste of travel when he left his family in Mexico to attend a military academy in Georgia.

His father, though born in Cuba, had lived in New York and decided that his only child should study in the United States.

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### CORRECTION

The names of under these two presidential candidates in last weeks edition should have read:



Richard Stuart Meyers



Luis Proenza

## Congress

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to attend the conference.

The involvement of other groups was hindered by "miscommunication, and registration deadlines," Wilczynski said.

"Perhaps we should have looked for more feedback from them, but it's been a busy month," Wilczynski said. He cited organizing his new executive staff and meeting with

interim president John DeCarlo.

Discussion on the conference was tabled until the next meeting.

In other business, Congress filled three member vacancies.

Kevin Laidler, a junior majoring in public administration, Chris Kobusa, fourth year engineering major and Joe Richards, a fifth year senior and electrical engineering major, were also elected Monday.

The next Congress meeting is Monday, Feb. 10, at 5:15 in the Oakland Room.

## Travel

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said he had a problem with getting up the curb cuts because the snow plows would come by, piling the snow along the curb cut, and making it impossible for him to wheel his chair up and down the curb.

He said that the snow plow drivers did drive him to class on Jan. 15 after they saw him having trouble getting through the snow even with a friend pushing him.

Logan received special permission from public safety to park his

car on Vandenberg circle until the snow removal was completed.

Logan and Owens both said travel was much better by Jan. 17.

Mike Peterson, USC steering committee chair, said congress is going to try to identify the issues facing the handicapped students and talk with Richard Moore, director of Buildings and Grounds, about steps that can be taken to solve some of the campus problems the students face.

Catherine Rush, director of Equal Opportunity, said OU is in the process of putting together information on who to call in a snow emergency if disabled students have a problem.

## Gray

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Mainstream institutions look for students with high SAT scores; alternative institutions take into consideration a wide range of factors that indicate human potential.

"The key for America's growth, vitality, and strength lies primarily, not in B2 bombers, but in A1 students," he said.

But great advances have happened, providing even minority students with more choices and fewer closed doors.

He expects many of the black universities to evolve into equally prestigious academies. The same encour-

agements must extend to women.

"Because in the next century, we are going to need 670,000 new engineers and scientists to make this country competitive," said Gray. We need to open up the door-way and have women engineers, physicists and chemists."

Not everyone agreed completely.

"I don't feel disadvantaged," Lakeshia Jefferson, a marketing sophomore, said. "You have to deal with what your given. I don't want something handed to me on a silver platter. I can get it for myself."

But for those that can't, even if they are poor, white males or of a visible minority, Gray insists the helping hand must not be taken away.

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## CRIME



## WATCH

The following is a summary of incidents on campus filed with the Oakland University Department of Public Safety and Police. The purpose of this column is to inform

By KEN POWERS, Jr.  
Staff Writer

Jan. 28-3:25 p.m. A man turned over to Public Safety a black wallet containing \$72 in cash and assorted credit cards. He stated that he found it in the second floor telephone booth in Varnier Hall.

Jan. 28-9 a.m.-3 p.m. A University Services Clerk reported that someone broke off the buttons from a lift gate of a university truck. Damage totalled \$70.

Jan. 28-7:10 p.m. An OU staff member reported to police that she was harassed by a man masturbating while she was walking from the Oakland Center to Vandenberg Hall. She stated that when she left the OC through the west doors, she noticed a man following her in an older white mid-to full size passenger car, with rust damage and many dents. She stated that the man in the vehicle drove slowly beside her until she crossed the street into the Northwest Parking Lot. She added that the driver opened the car door and said "come here." She also noticed that the man was looking at her and masturbating.

Jan. 29-5:40 p.m. An East Vandenberg student fell out of her wheelchair in a bathroom and struck her head on the floor. Police noticed she had a minor cut above her left eye. She told police she never became unconscious during the incident. FLEET ambulance service was called, but medical assistance was not needed.

Jan. 26-11:30 p.m. A man reported damage to his parked vehicle in South central Parking Lot.

Jan. 31-11:53 a.m. A \$43 vehicle hood ornament was reported missing from an OU staff member's vehicle. The staff member reported she told police that she drove her 1991 dark blue Cadillac to work and parked it the Oakland Center dock area on Saturday. On Sunday her husband noticed it was missing.

Feb. 2-1:08 a.m. OU Police officer arrested man for drunk driving and careless driving after he was seen driving recklessly over the snow and grass to West Oakland. The man did not stop for a stop sign at the corner of West Oakland and Walton. The police officer followed the man at high speeds down Walton and after traveling a half a mile the driver pulled over onto Patrick Henry. While talking to the driver, the officer noticed the driver's red and watery eyes. The driver denied that he had been drinking. He was asked to perform four drunk driving tests; he passed the tests, but failed the breathalyzer test by blowing a .11.

Jan. 31-11 p.m. A woman parked her vehicle in the Northwest Parking Lot and returned to discover that another vehicle dented the driver's side of her car.

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## OUR VIEW

## This is your life, Jeffrey Dahmer

The Feb. 3 issue of *Newsweek* ran an article about the Jeffrey Dahmer trial and reported that Prosecutor E. Michael McCann "worries that the (media) coverage will provide lessons to would-be sadists and give nightmares to children."

Would-be sadists can get lessons at many movie theatres and in books; children can overcome nightmares, but not a confrontation with a person like the accused Dahmer.

As the reporters who wrote the article said, "perhaps Jeffrey Dahmer will provide therapeutic shock to those who wallow so deeply in the pornography of violence in books, movies and on TV that they blur the distinction between let's pretend and the real thing."

A case like Dahmer's is real life, not entertainment, and pretending these horrors do not take place is a more dangerous cover-up, than any coverage given to it.

## Cosmetic fixes unleash beasts

The "Barbie" cartoon here is, at first glance, humorous, but careful thought reveals the tragic results of American society's promotion of "growing old artificially" rather than "growing old gracefully."

Men and women scurry to find the latest cosmetic wonder treatment, lotion, vitamin, surgery or pill. At some point in history, the fountain of youth became the latest fad on the market and those seeking eternal youth have avoided examining the long-term consequences of these so-called wonders.

College students, men and women, are high risks for eating disorders such as anorexia and bulimia. Their thinness, shocking to others, is never quite thin enough to them. They believe they are fat, society sees them as fat and therefore they will not be accepted.

Time, money, pain, disfigurement and tears are high prices to pay for even one victim of society's pressure to hide the inevitable wrinkles, to shrink the gravity-sagging flesh, to add bulges where none or little was meant to be. And, of course, death is the highest price paid by the physical-beauty-seeking individual.

At one time we might have looked at aged grandparents and wondered what events in their lives, pressed those creases into their faces. A lot of living filled with hard work, worries and happiness, as well as pain, marked their time on those faces.

Today, hard work and busy schedules cause "burn-out" and "stress" and instead of finding more peaceful ways of living, we seek the easy fix with no guaranteed results. We feel we are fighting with the help of cosmetic assistance the look of old age.

For those who seek cosmetic improvements because of

birth defects, accidents or the ravages of cancer, additional damage such as the silicone implants which reportedly can leak to other portions of the body are even more heartbreaking.

Science moves forward, the cosmetic industries move forward and some of their patients and consumers take steps backward on that road to the fountain of youth.

Accepting ourselves as we are, improving our minds and maintaining our health are the roads to beauty that we can control and anticipate favorable consequences.

The beasts that bombard us with quick fixes to eternal youth are superficial and can be deadly.

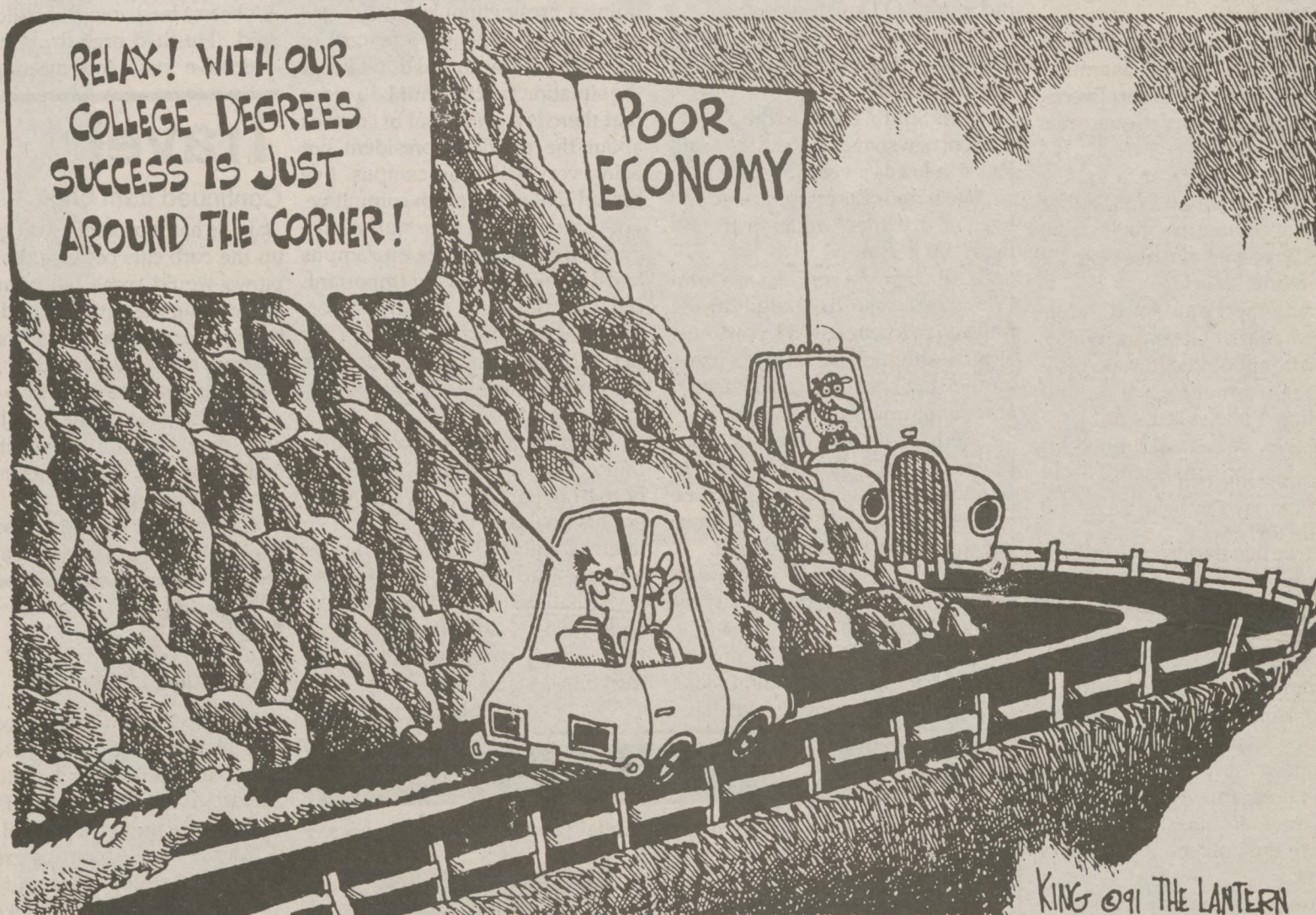


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## Professor praises presidential search coverage and process

I applaud the *Post* for its informative coverage of the presidential search. It is encouraging to read about the four finalists who have emerged in the most open and carefully structured presidential selection process in Oakland's history.

Having been dismayed, like many other members of the university community, to learn of a petition inviting the Board to in-

troduce a new candidate late in the search process (a candidate generally understood to have been excluded from the applicant pool by the terms of his current appointment), I applaud Interim President DeCarlo's disclaimer of any ambition to let himself be considered for the presidency.

With that matter settled, we can now proceed with the important tasks of evaluating what each of the

finalists offers this university and attempting to recruit the person best qualified to provide vigorous, constructive, unifying academic leadership.

It is essential that we maintain the integrity of the search process so that whoever the Board eventually installs begins her or his work with the community's trust.

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## Prepare for public education's testing debate

WASHINGTON—Brace yourself for the next irrelevancy posing as a cure for what ails public education: Get ready for the Great Testing Debate.

The people who have been plumping for a national test of what our children are learning just got a big boost. The congressionally appointed National Council on Education Standards and Testing (NCEST) has recommended the establishment of national standards for each subject, and tests to see how well those standards are met. Education Secretary Lamar Alexander predicts the tests will be in use, on a voluntary basis, within three years.

Is that, as Colorado Gov. Roy Romer, the council's co-chair, believes, "a turning point in American education"? Or is it, as some educators fear, just another attempt to embarrass the public schools without giving them the means to do better?

The correct answer (and the one least likely to be given by the partisans on either side of the incipient controversy) is: Neither.

Anyone who believes that national standards and national testing will cure the schools must also believe that the problem with education is that we don't know what we want our children to learn.

And anyone who doesn't want you to know how the students in your school stack up against their

counterparts across the nation thinks you wouldn't like the answer.

What NCEST (who dreamed up that acronym?) is recommending is not the standardized tests already in place in most of the country—the academic achievement tests, SATs and the rest. These are tests of general knowledge, and designed primarily to see how much test-takers know in relation to other test-takers.

The tests being advocated would measure students not against one another but against specific standards for specific curricula.

And what's the problem with that? Two things. First, the standards and tests don't exist and may be harder than generally believed to devise. Second, it isn't all that clear that Americans want a uniform curriculum in all academic subjects.

"There would be no problem agreeing on certain basics within every curricular focus," says Michael H. Kean, an executive of a major publisher of tests.

Here's the problem. If you stop at these basic, minimum requirements, you haven't accomplished anything very valuable. But if you go on to set higher standards, you move inevita-

bly toward a national plain vanilla curriculum that may leave no one pleased."

For instance, said Kean, in a telephone interview from CTB Macmillan/McGraw-Hill (Monterey, Calif.), where he is vice president for public and governmental affairs, Philadelphia social-studies classes may place a heavy emphasis on what

went on in and around Philadelphia during the Revolutionary War. San Francisco schools, while also teaching the

revolution, may put more stress on the Westward movement or the Gold Rush.

In history, in geography, in literature, says Kean, there would be little consensus—nor much need for it.

But there are points to be made on the other side. Parents are interested in knowing how their children compare with other children, whether within the school district or across the country.

Employers would like to know that a diploma has some meaning no matter where it was issued. Voluntary national tests would be a way of making useful judgments about individual graduates from different parts of the country.

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## NATIONAL VIEW WILLIAM RASPBERRY

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One of the reasons German employers have such confidence in their national apprenticeship program, for instance, is the fact that every apprentice in a particular field studies the same curriculum and is certified by the same test.

There may, in fact, be merit in pushing for similar national standards here, and for tests to judge how well those standards are met. That's a debate we ought to have.

What we are likely to get is an argument suggesting that national tests are a way to fix underperforming schools, to bring them up to the standards established by, say, middle-class schools in the suburbs.

But poorly performing schools are hardly a state secret. Teachers and the students themselves know where the bad schools are—even if they don't know how to improve them.

To believe that voluntary national standards and tests will improve poor schools is to believe that voluntary engine performance standards and fancy new digital speedometers will make cars run better, or that a new thermometer will take the chill off a cold room.

A test may tell you that something needs to be done, but it won't tell you what, or how, or who is going to pay for it.

William Raspberry is a Washington Post syndicated columnist.





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## Life's greatest search: trying to find Time

I know, I've heard it all before ... nobody said college was easy.

Something tells me you kind of have to read between the lines on that one. I'm proud to say I'm finally a senior here at OU, and this educational maze has been one tough, long and winding road.

I know I share my thorough exhaustion with many other college students, so allow me to entertain you with a little comic relief. If, of course, you can spare some time out of your studies.

Though I'm almost finished with my journey to a B.A. degree, things are not getting any easier. After four years of hard work and sheltered ... Beverly Hills 90210? A new program? ... study days, I will finish up this tedious, but honorable education in June of this year.

Don't get me wrong; I love college. It's a great experience and a wonderful opportunity to gain the knowledge ... who is this David Duke character, anyway? ... you need to plunge into a rewarding career. It is my hope that all young people will reach for a college education.

I don't know whether I'm coming or going half the time. Often, I don't know where I'm going. I have 16... oh, to be 16 again ... credits, which doesn't sound all that bad, but remember, what matters is quality, not quantity.

While plowing my way through environmental studies, American fiction and "read one hundred pages of court cases a week" journalism law, I'm trying to keep up ... didn't the Lions almost make it to the Super Bowl? ... with my internship Downtown three days a week.

In the midst of all these responsibilities, I must pay ... I need my minimum wage check - is it Friday yet? ... noble attention to not one, but two jobs. Unfortunately, at this time in my life I am by no means ... what was that, mom? Dishes? I forgot how ... financially stable.

Though the semester is only three weeks old, I've done enough reading to last a lifetime. In competition between my law and literature classes, I think law has a marginal lead for most reading in a semester. I believe my headache ... hey, isn't something going on with the automotive industry these days? ... is permanent this term.

One of my greatest challenges is getting from downtown ... let me see, can I read Moby-Dick while I drive? ... to school from the time I leave my intern at 12:30 ... what was that, officer, I was clocked at 80 mph? ... until the time my literature class begins at 1:20. And hey, no time to spare, because I have half an hour to get to work.

I squeeze study time in between my never-ending activities. Trying to keep up with these syllabuses is like trying to keep up with Madonna's lifestyle. My books are my best pals these days; they go everywhere ... presidential election? is it time for that again? who's running? ... I go.

Sorry my fellow college mates, I have no answers on how this life could be easier.

This educational journey is by no means a trip down ... down as in lay down, as in sleep- what's that? ... easy street. I know, nobody said college...hey, don't I have a research paper due soon? ... was easy. (sigh)

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## Lion's Green finds OU pass in his reach

*He enjoys the "hands-on" experience he gets in class*

By CHERYL ANGELELLI  
Special Writer

Detroit Lion Willie Green has gone from studying the playbooks to hitting the textbooks.

The 6'3" 180 lb. receiver who was a key player in the Lion's drive for a championship this season, recently started classes at OU this semester, and is majoring in communications.

Two years ago while attending the University of Mississippi on a football scholarship, Green was drafted by the Detroit Lions and made the decision to withdraw from school before the start of his senior year.

"The NFL is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity and I knew I could always finish school later," he said.

He admits it was a big gamble, but one that paid off.

Green knows and appreciates the value of an education and his motivation to return back to school stems from his early background.

One of 12 children born in Athens, Georgia, Green grew up in the projects where he said he was constantly pressured and tempted to deal and use drugs.

Green escaped the peer pressure because of his strong family foundation, and because seeing how drugs and alcohol had affected family members and friends made him realize that was not the direction he wanted to take in life.

"I wanted something better out of life," he said.

So it has always been a personal goal for Green to not only be the first and only member of his family to attend college, but to graduate as well.

Green excelled in several sports,



The Oakland Post / Angela King

Detroit Lion wide receiver, Willie Green, enrolled in classes this semester at OU. He is a communications major.

and it was his greatest love, baseball, that most people thought would land him a professional contract. No one really expected him to play professional football.

Among his heroes, Green lists his father, who worked as a janitor and encouraged him to get involved in sports.

Unfortunately, he did not live to

see his son play in the NFL. He died in 1986, the day after watching his son play college football for the first time.

At 25, success and fame haven't gone to Green's head. He said, "the worst thing you can do is to forget where you came from."

Green often returns to his old neighborhood where he speaks to

the youngsters who idolize him about staying in school. Green said school is a way out of the projects, and there's a positive outcome from getting a degree, but there's no success in drugs.

As a driven and focused individual, with a strong faith in God and a belief in himself, Green is a positive role model for today's youth.

Green is extremely down-to-earth and has been readily accepted by the students and staff at OU.

When asked about his impressions of Oakland he replied, "I love it, I like my classes and the people in my classes, and my professors have been really great."

Green likes the hands-on experience he gets in his broadcasting and television production classes.

He would like to become a sports broadcaster when his NFL career is over and says college and his interest in broadcasting has broadened his horizons, and made him more knowledgeable on a variety of subjects.

## Open forum on doctor assisted suicide is a life or death struggle

By ELIZABETH REGHI  
Staff Writer

The battle was on. Sides were chosen, lines were drawn and opinions flared during the open forum on doctor assisted suicide held January 28, in the Fireside Lounge.

Michael Alan Schwartz, one of Dr. Jack Kevorkian's attorneys and Edward Rivet, legislative director of the Michigan Right to Life Association, took to the floor in an intense hour long debate on this controversial issue.

"Naturally, people want to live," Rivet said. "I think Dr. Kevorkian is very presumptuous in advocating death and crusading for it as a legitimate institution."

He continued to say that Dr. Kevorkian was not devoted to the perseverance of life, but rather death.

"Maybe he has some secret humanitarianism hidden, but (it's)

not up front," he said.

Dr. Kevorkian said differently in a telephone interview.

"They (patients) seem to think I'm healing them. Right or wrong depends on moral code. The medical code (deems) the preserving of life and the alleviation, of suffering. It is a medical opinion to balance them, (you) have to balance the two," Kevorkian said.

The balance, according to Dr. Kevorkian is that by preserving life, suffering may continue and in order to end suffering, life may end.

"The welfare of the patient always ... comes first," Kevorkian said.

Rivet then focused on the specific issues of pain management and doing the right thing for the people.

"Our perspective opponent wants to make simplistic arguments about this," he said. "(They) shouldn't have left the impression that killing yourself is the only way

out.

They (people) want death with dignity, I say give them life with dignity and let them die naturally," he said.

Schwartz disagreed.

"Dr. Kevorkian helps people end their suffering, (but) not with heroin, as the other side suggested. The bottom line is to stop the suffering," he said.

Schwartz continued to argue that the victim that is suffering has to make the decision and that for some people, suicide is their only option.

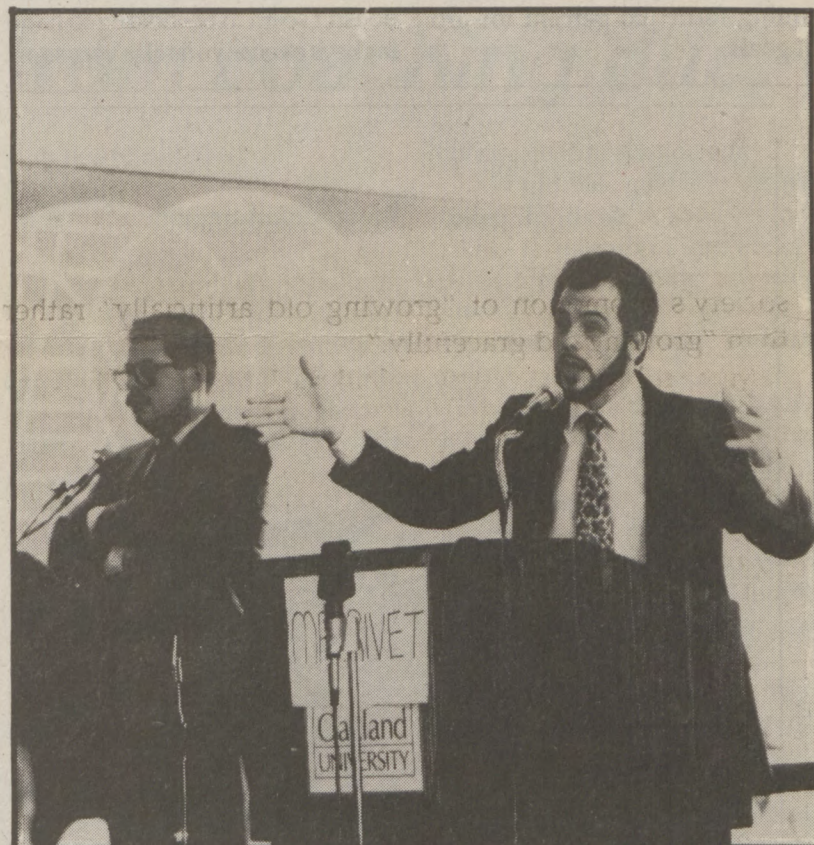
"It's a potential mode (for) ending suffering," he said. "For the other side, it's no resort and for this side, it's the last resort."

Rivet disagreed.

"They are driven to choose. People have an innate survival instinct," Rivet said.

Rivet then argued that Schwartz avoided the real question of what

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Edward Rivet, legislative director of the Michigan Right to Life Association, makes a point in last Tuesday's open forum on doctor assisted suicide in the Oakland Center. Alan Schwartz, an attorney for Dr. Jack Kevorkian listens in the background.

## Fraternity's message: stay in school

By JOHN HONOS  
Staff Writer

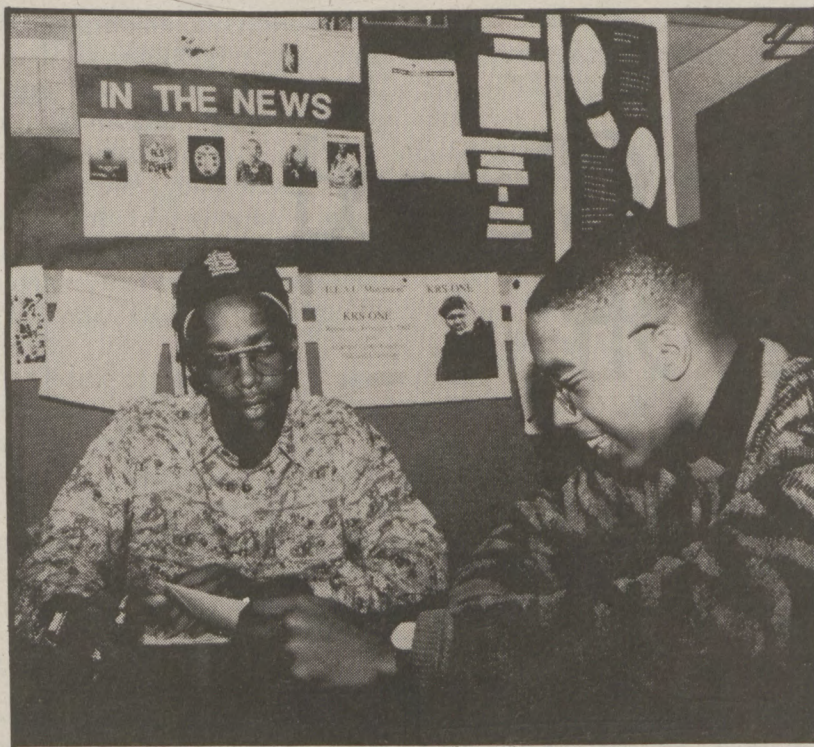
Campus fraternity Phi Beta Sigma is on a mission. Its goal is to educate young black men and help them to find success through education.

The fraternity has organized an on-going program for black high school students called Young Black Male Motivation Day.

"The whole purpose was because a lot of black males are in a state of emergency where we need more in college, and we need more positive role models in the urban areas so we can better the communities," said Robert Hudson, president of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity.

Hudson, a math major, spearheaded the program with 11 of his fraternity members who felt they needed to help convince young black males in high school that a college education is essential in today's society.

Hudson feels that there are too many black males dropping out of high school and that he and his fraternity, with their resources, can help.



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Robert Hudson (left), president of the Phi Beta Sigma fraternity, talks with a friend in front of the Association of Black Students offices.

"With the present crises among black males in the urban society which involves dropping out of school, crime, drugs, and no general love of one another, we need to reach the heart of our youth so that they will know of their capabilities to succeed," Hudson said.

The fraternity financed transportation by renting a bus for 15 students from Mumford High School to come to Oakland and spend the

day with fraternity members.

The total cost of the program was \$400 which also included a continental breakfast and lunch.

The day began with a relaxed round table discussion of the fraternity members discussing the importance of finishing high school and going to college by contrasting that with the harsh realities of leaving school early like unemployment

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## OU dean holds keys to mansion's future

By DAVID SALMONSON  
Special Writer

You can imagine the jealousy of all the other faculty members. Few of them could deny that Dean Emeritus Lowell Eklund was in a very enviable position.

After all, just how many people are handed the keys to a four-story, 100-room mansion and told, "Here. It's yours."

OK, so things didn't quite happen that way back in September 1971 when Eklund was made the executive director of Meadow Brook Hall, former home of the late widow of auto icon John Dodge.

But he was actually handed the keys, which he has used nearly every day for over 20 years, even on into his retirement of four years.

And he says he's only spent the night there about a dozen times. His office is on the fourth floor of the mansion and overlooks the circular courtyard at the entrance. In it there are no chandeliers or pieces of fine china on polished oak tables. Instead of delicate original paintings, the walls are hung with pictures of celebrated guests in unassuming frames.

Though wearing a suit coat and

tie, Eklund, 74, looks right at home in his dressed-down executive quarters as he freely discusses his many responsibilities as chief of the manor.

"I rattle my tambourines in the community to raise money," Eklund said.

He serves mainly as a consultant, responsible for preparing the hall for conferences and other events.

He first appeared on the scene in 1958, a year after Alfred and Mrs. Matilda Wilson donated the land that was to be Michigan State University—OU. Eklund and an operations engineer came over from MSU to "get the flag flying" at the new school.

Oakland began enrolling undergraduates in the fall of 1959, while Meadow Brook stayed a residence until the widowed Mrs. Wilson died in 1967.

After her death, negotiations began over who would receive the mansion. When it looked likely the university would have it, administrators had to wonder how a school would be able to maintain such a monstrosity of a home.

Enter Eklund: a man with a vi-

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to do with a person who is suffering while Schwartz argued that Rivet's point of using heroin would not work either.

The audience, which consisted of 250-300 people, had mixed reactions. Although the majority of them appeared to be for doctor assisted suicide, there were those who were not.

"Suicide is an intentional killing

of oneself. It is a singular and individualistic event that does not include euthanasia," said Kevin Early, professor of sociology. "I think what they are attempting to do is redefine suicide."

Early continued to say that the role of medicine is to "preserve life, not to terminate it" yet Dr. Kevorkian was doing what has historically been done for years, only he was "boldly doing it."

"(This) could lead to euthanasia clinics opening around the country," he said. "It (has potential to) get out of control."

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and homelessness.

"Unemployment is going up in urban communities, and, basically, you need a degree," said Hudson.

The fraternity members also thought that it was vital to help educate the high school students about their African heritage.

A general lack of confidence and self-esteem, Hudson feels, is the main reason young black males leave school.

The members of the fraternity used their personal struggles as examples to show them that it will not be easy and it will take hard work to attend college.

By gaining confidence in themselves, making goals, and staying focused toward their goals they can attain them Hudson said.

The fraternity members entertained a myriad of questions from the high school students pertaining to the importance of furthering education, prioritizing responsibilities, knowledge of one's self, and putting forth 100 percent toward all goals.

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sion.

"I proposed that the mansion be used as a conference center and hospitality house with special events for fund raising purposes," he says.

"I guess that concept had little competition," he recalls. Shortly thereafter, President Donald O'Dowd put Eklund in charge of Operation Meadow Brook.

Of the initial plans, Eklund recollects, "There were certain reservations but a considerable amount of excitement."

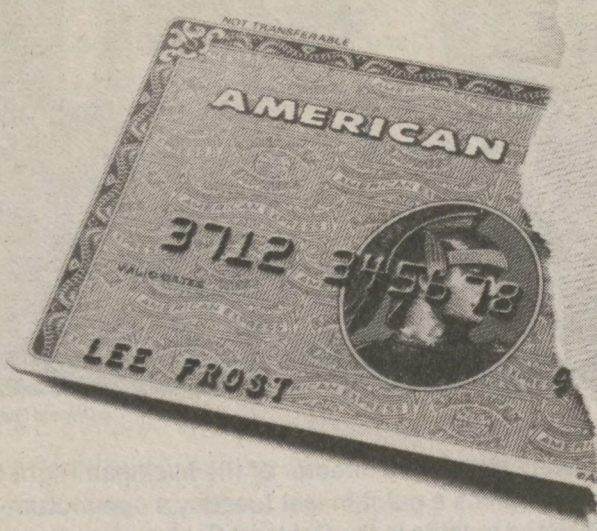
"The community was taken by the idea," he says, recalling memories of area volunteers coming out in force to help get the project moving. In 1971, its premier year as a public mansion, Meadow Brook Hall held its first annual Christmas Walk. People lined up in droves to tour the Wilson place all decked out in holiday splendor.

And even with nearly three quarters of a century behind him, Eklund doesn't seem to be looking to hand his keys over anyone else very soon.

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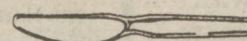
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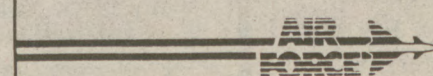
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## NBA All-Star game should be Magic-less

To paraphrase a semi-famous author, William Shakespeare, I come not to bury Magic Johnson but rather, to criticize the NBA. Come Sunday, Magic Johnson will be back in uniform again. He will also be playing basketball, this time it will not be by himself or in an informal pick-up game as he has been doing for the past few months, but with the elite of the NBA. Magic has been voted by the league's fans into the starting rotation for the NBA's annual All-Star game this Sunday. The question is not whether or not Magic can play, but **SHOULD** Magic have been allowed on the ballot and on the team.

I know there are legions of Magic Johnson fans who are simply overjoyed at the prospect of seeing him on the court again, but I cannot say that I am one of those people who are going to be applauding when they call number 33 before the game. I'll even go a little farther than that; I think Magic shouldn't even suit up for the game.

Magic is one of the greatest basketball players of all time, but he's retired from the game this season because of his contraction of HIV.

My reasoning for barring Magic from the game is not based on my being an AIDS-phobic, I'm just as scared of the disease as anybody else, but I am not scared of the people that carry it.

My quarrel with Magic's participation is that he is retired. My understanding of the concept of retirement is that you retire from something, that means you will not be doing it in a professional capacity anymore. You can always goof around and still play it, but your days of collecting a paycheck from it are over.

The only sport that I can think of where people can continually come out of retirement and get back into the playing arena without blinking an eye is boxing.

Of course, the world of boxing most certainly does not reflect reality.

If Magic's precedent of retirement etiquette for NBA players should hold true, I should be allowed to vote for Kareem Abdul-Jabbar as a center, Dr. J as a forward and Rick Barry as a guard. They are all retired from the NBA, like Magic. So theoretically, I could vote for an All-Star team comprised of active and retired players.

Magic will be the first officially retired player to play in an All-Star game in any professional league's history.

To honor retired players, there is usually an old-timers game held during the All-Star game festivities.

The fans cannot be blamed for picking Magic. He's a fan favorite and deserves the recognition for his great basketball skills.

Magic should have been removed from the ballot after he retired, plain and simple. That way, the fans could not have voted him into the game.

So while you are watching the NBA's All-Star spectacular this Sunday, you will probably see a few of Magic's no-look passes, three million of those nauseating Michael Jordan dunks and even a few rebounds from Dennis Rodman- consider this - as flamboyant boxing promoter Don King would say, "Only in America!"

## Pioneers split at home

John Honos  
Staff Writer

The OU men's basketball team received a late wake-up call against Northern Michigan Wildcats which helped it rebound from a heartbreaking loss to Michigan Tech Huskies to place it in a three-way tie for third place.

The GLIAC race continues to tighten up as there have been four lead changes in the last two weeks and there are six teams in close contention for the top spot occupied by Wayne State.

Michigan Tech holds on to second place, while Oakland finds itself in a tie with Saginaw Valley State and Ferris State, within striking distance.

Northern Michigan is also in contention, lurking in fourth place.

In Saturday's action the Pioneers tamed the Wildcats in a game in which they woke-up late. The Pioneers were down by as much as 14 points in the first half.

"I thought the beginning of the game was as ugly as you can play basketball," Pioneer Head Coach Greg Kampe said.

The Pioneers shot a dismal 32 percent in the first half and lost the battle of the boards to the Wildcats 22-15 though they recovered somewhat to end the half behind, 30-24.

The Wildcats jumped out to a 10 point lead in the first minute of the second half. Kampe called a time out and in the next seven minutes the Pioneers came back and tied the game.

Fitzpatrick stole a Wildcats throw-in and passed to wide open sophomore forward Tom Eller for the slam dunk to tie the game with 12:21 remaining.

"I was very pleased with the way we persevered and the way we came back again. I do not know, we are not shooting the basketball and we're struggling, but I cannot be upset with my team," Kampe said of his teams play.

Kampe felt the game's turning

point was senior center Lee Fitzpatrick's eight consecutive points to bring the Pioneers within two points.

"I don't think that I have ever coached a kid that wants to win as bad as Lee, he did everything possible he could do to win, he made plays and he did things he wasn't suppose to do, but it worked," Kampe said.

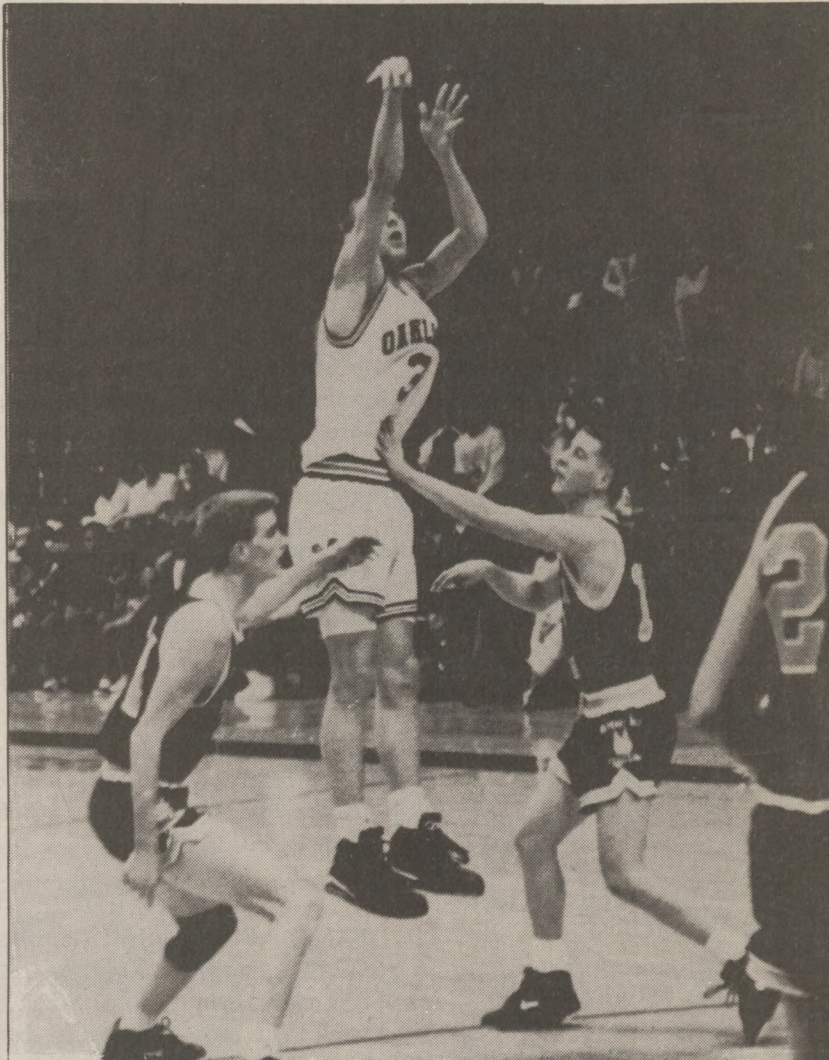
Fitzpatrick had the Pioneer high of 18 points, while Eller scored 14 points, they each grabbed seven boards.

The Pioneers took the lead at the 8:16 mark with a threepointer by freshman guard Mario McIntosh, after which he knocked down two more threes in five minutes.

Senior guard Eric Taylor capped off the three-point bonanza with one of his own which gave him 11 of his 13 points which was enough to stave off the Wildcats for good.

Sophomore guard Ty McGregor helped out with 14 points and three assists.

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Sophomore Tom Eller soars above his Michigan Tech competitors.

## Basketball gets help from coaching duo

By JOE PICKERING  
Staff Writer

The OU women's basketball team got a package deal when shopping for an assistant coach for this season with the acquisition of Ann Serra and Phil Dawson, two OU graduates who are returning to the university to give back some of what it gave them.

Ann Serra, 24, returns to OU after spending last season as a graduate assistant coach at Auburn University to become head coach Bob Taylor's top assistant.

Serra played for Taylor as point guard. She earned All-America honors her senior year of 1989-90 and holds the school record for assists with 483.

With these credentials, and her knowledge of the game, staff, school and players, since she played with many who are still on the team, Serra appears to be a valuable asset on the Pioneer squad.

Serra began coaching girls basketball at her alma mater, Waterford Our Lady of the Lakes High School, while still playing during her senior year at OU.

She graduated from OU in 1990 with a major in English and a minor in history. Serra became the athletic director at Lakes and coached a second season during the fall of 1990. In the two seasons as coach, she compiled a 40-9 record and in 1989 led the team to its first Catholic League crown in 17 years.

She then moved on to Auburn in Alabama to attend graduate school and serve as an assistant coach for the number five team in Division I.

Serra heard of the job opening at OU and suffering a slight case of homesickness she applied, got the job and returned home.

"I was far away from my family and I'm a big family person," Serra said, "So it was nice to get back home, closer to my family."

As an assistant at OU, Serra is in charge of recruiting, most of the budget, scouting along with Dawson, as well as on-the-floor coaching at practices and games.

Serra enjoys her position and opportunities as a coach at Oakland.

"I love the girls - they're great," Serra said. "I also like the responsibility coach Taylor gives me. I'm really learning a lot because there's more to basketball than X's and O's. I'm learning about recruiting and the business end of the game and Taylor's allowed me to do all that."

Serra is trying to learn all she can now in hopes of landing a job as a

college head coach someday.

"My ultimate goal is to become a college head coach, however long it takes - no ifs ands or buts about it," Serra aspired. "Being an athletic director was a good experience, but I wanted to concentrate on basketball."

Though Serra may not stay at OU long, the team will continue to benefit by her presence athletically, academically and socially because she's always there to help.

"I know Oakland and I know what it takes to win," she said, "Hopefully we're teaching the girls what it takes to win."

Phil Dawson, 26, began helping out the team as a manager while an OU student and tennis player under former tennis coach Taylor. He filmed games and did various other tasks before actually helping out at practices.

Dawson, a 1990 education graduate, teaches four math classes to eighth, ninth and tenth graders at Lakes and was an assistant there for Serra. He was also an assistant for the boys varsity team and the girls and boys junior varsity teams, all split between two seasons.

Dawson accepted the job as part-time assistant coach over the summer and works with Serra in recruiting, scouting and on-the-floor coaching.

"I'm really enjoying this year a lot," Dawson said. "I love all the people and players and I like working with coach Taylor - it's a real neat experience."

Dawson's future plans sway a bit from those of Serra.

"I'd like a full-time teaching job and my own varsity head coaching job at a high school - girls or boys," he said.

Dawson has little free time these days as he teaches until about 11:30 a.m. and heads over to OU in the afternoons for practices or games.

"I'm very busy," Dawson said. "I

go home late after an away game and have to make lesson plans or correct papers and have to be up at 6:00 a.m. It's hard sometimes to get everything in."

As a coach, Dawson likes to be friendly and positive.

"I try to pick up players and reassure them or say something positive if a coach or someone else comes down hard on them," he explained.

Taylor, on the committee that hired Serra and Dawson, has known the tandem for some time and likes working with them and is proud of their performances.

## OU fencing society still going strong

By KEVIN LOZON  
Special Writer

College athletics usually refers to the popular sports: basketball, baseball, soccer, volleyball, etc. However, there is another sport at OU that isn't as popular as those, but has a long tradition, fencing.

Fencing is a two-person duel with swords requiring hand and eye coordination, and good footwork.

Fencing started at OU in the sixties, died out, and was revived in 1983 when the theater department needed a sword fighting choreographer for cast members in the production of *Bloody Bess*. Collegiate fencer and present-day coordinator of campus programs, Paul Franklin, was recruited by cast member D.C. Moon. Moon decided acting was not enough, he wanted the "real thing" and formed what became the Fencing Society of Oakland University.

Fencing uses three weapons; the foil, epee, and sabre.



Members of the OU fencing society practicing.

The foil has a flat blade and was used as a practice weapon for duelist. Therefore, the fencer's target area is the trunk of the opponent's body. The match is a series of attacks and counter-attacks using speed and accuracy to outwit the opponent.

The epee requires controlled aggression, precise technique and mental discipline. Points are determined by touching certain parts of the opponent's body with the point of the weapon setting off the electronic scoring device.

Electronic scoring is also used in

sabre competition but unlike the other two types, the sabre contest is fast and slashing as befits the descendants of the eastern scimitar.

Franklin described 2 different types of competitions a fencer can participate in, individual and MCAA tournaments.

In individual competitions, matches are run through the United States Fencing Association. Matches can occur as often as a team wishes to enter into it. Most of these matches are held at OU. However, OU's team

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## OU takes two at Lepley

By JOE PICKERING  
Staff Writer

The race for first place in the GLIAC may boil down to a rematch between OU and Michigan Technological University on Feb. 27 in Houghton as the Pioneers defeated first place MTU and broke a second place tie with a win over Northern Michigan University at home last week.

The Huskies from MTU brought a 7-0 league mark into Lepley Sports Center on Thursday, Jan. 30, but were pounded 71-56 by OU to make them more vulnerable to topple out of the top spot in the league at only one and one half games ahead.

Senior guard Jennifer Golen was

the spark in the Pioneers' attack with 20 points and 12 rebounds. Junior center Stacy Lamphere added 15 points and sophomore forward Patty Robak contributed 11.

"We weren't going to lose," head coach Bob Taylor said. "It was a matter of we were going to take anything that came. I'm happy but I'm kind of relieved to tell you the truth."

A battle of the two second place teams took place on Saturday, Feb. 1 and OU surged from behind to defeat NMU, 93-84.

The Pioneers were down by as many as 13 in the first half but clawed back to trail by only four, 43-39, at halftime.

OU then went on to outscore the Wildcats 54-41 in the second half to

win by nine. It gave the Pioneers sole possession of second place with a GLIAC record of 6-2 and 14-4 overall.

Golen led in points with 22 while senior forward Jessie Powell anchored the defense with 12 rebounds.

OU also got 21 points from Robak and 18 from Lamphere.

"We started slow for some reason," Taylor admitted. "But we were persistent and have a lot of good athletes - this was a big week for us."

OU is in position to capture the GLIAC crown down the stretch and Taylor hopes that enthusiasm and strong play will remain at a high level.

## California State drowns tankers

By ERIC DEMINK  
Staff Writer

It was a telephone meet Friday eve, in which the Pioneers hoped to gauge their seasonal progress against archrival California State-Bakersfield.

On the basis of previous meets (winning their last five) the Pioneers found this result a little less to their liking, as Cal St. trimmed OU, 114-91.

Friday, pulling to within two points as late as the eighth event (the 200 Backstroke), but that was as close as they could come.

As OU has been apt to do, it got off to a quick start taking event one, the 400 Medley Relay. Juniors Carl Boyd, Jeff Van Norman, senior Eric McIlquham and sophomore Sean Peters smashed a pool record shared by Woods, Surowiec, McIlquham, and Kovach in 1990.

A one-two finish by Pioneers in the 50 Freestyle briefly vaulted them

points (39-35). Senior Jeff Seifert edged McIlquham by less than two-tenths.

Event seven found OU trailing by nine points (70-61), with Teal capturing it in :46.10. Meanwhile Boyd and McIlquham tightened the grip in event eight, the 200 Backstroke going one-two, but that was OU's last gasp.

In sweeping the 200 Breaststroke, Cal St.-Bakersfield could only look back. "That (event) killed us," said Coach Pete Hovland.



# Pioneers

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Thursday, the Pioneers lost in heartbreaking fashion to the Huskies 71-67.

The Pioneers were in control of the game in the first half, but things went haywire in the second, as leading GLIAC scorer Pete Hoffman of Michigan Tech sank 21 points. Despite the collapse, OU still was in

# Fencing

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does travel to statewide universities.

To enter a NCAA tournament, a team has to be invited by Big Ten varsity teams. However, OU doesn't qualify because it isn't considered a varsity team. If invited to these tournaments, it usually goes for the experience.

This year's team will not go to any tournaments because, "We're not strong enough, this is a rebuild-

contention, 70-67, with seconds left in the game. Fitzpatrick's inbounds pass bounced off a ceiling girder and a technical foul assessed to Kampe gave Hoffman the chance to ice the game with two free throws. He made one to seal the win 71-67.

Kampe said after the game that the team was disappointed.

"It's not the end of the world, but it's close," Kampe said.

ing year," Franklin said.

In 1985, OU welcomed Tom Decker to the club. Decker joined the club as an assistant coach and is still with the club today.

Decker got interested in fencing in "1966 at Wayne State. A friend of mine fenced for the University of Detroit, our rival," said Decker. "I went out for it and did fairly well. I took classes and was asked to join the team," Decker said.

Decker fenced for Wayne State for three years and eventually got out of the sport until coming to OU six years ago.

# Proenza

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"He didn't want me to go too far north because it might be too cold nor too far south because there might be too much Spanish speaking influence that I wouldn't learn English. We wound up putting me in the mountains of northeast Georgia. It was certainly a change for a youngster of that age, but it proved to be very beneficial and very rewarding," Proenza, who graduated as cadet colonel, said.

Today, Proenza speaks with no trace of an accent retaining his fluency in Spanish.

His father's high blood pressure, forced Proenza's family from Mexico City to lower altitudes, first to Cuernavaca and finally to Acapulco which is at sea level. Proenza equates his memories of Acapulco to paradise, remembering it as a beautiful bay full of sailboats — a memory that inspired him and his wife of eight years, Theresa, to build their own ocean-size sailboat.

Proenza said although the 44-foot,

two-masted ketch is near completion, he is ashamed to admit that he has been working on it since 1976.

"I kept looking at these things and knew I wanted one. I decided that the only way I was going to be able to do that was to start with what I could afford which was an empty hull and build the rest. I'm still not sure I can afford it," Proenza said.

The boat which is stored in Annapolis will be completed this April according to Proenza who plans to do some coastal or trans-Atlantic sailing that his transcontinental career has left little time for.

According to his wife, who recently completed her MBA, the couple has pursued a vigorous, career lifestyle peppered with free time activities such as boating, diving, symphonies, operas and cooking.

"Luis' favorite dish to cook is 'shrimp mosca', which we picked up while in New Orleans," said Mrs. Proenza.

Mrs. Proenza, 29, added that they have often assumed transposed roles so things can flow smoother.

The couple met when Proenza was an instructor of biology at the U of G and she was a 20-year-old

graduate student in science education. They married a year later.

Proenza said he and his wife keep telling themselves they are too young to have children. He says his current family consists of three dogs, two parakeets and two gerbils that would move to Michigan with them.

Proenza said his name is under consideration for two or three other positions but that he would "seriously consider" accepting the OU position if offered.

"I want to get a sense of where the university wants to go and see if there is an opportunity for me to contribute. I'm certainly not a manager of the status quo, that is not my style. If Oakland University wants to take some steps to move it ahead in ways that I could contribute, I would entertain the offer very seriously," Proenza said.

Proenza said he is looking for new opportunities and that his candidacy should not be interpreted to mean that he is unhappy with his role in Alaska

"It has been exceedingly rewarding, but opportunities come knocking and it's worth looking at them," Proenza said.

Lehman said Proenza may be considering the move after being passed over for the chancellorship at UAF during a search there last year.

"If you know what a dogsled is then you know that the view never changes unless your the lead dog. Unfortunately, when you're in administrative positions such as ours and you wish to continue climbing the ladder, you're forced to make changes.

"If he's elected, he'll certainly be missed," Lehman said.

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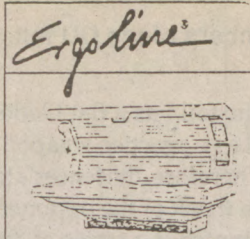
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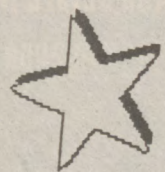
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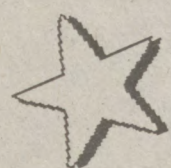
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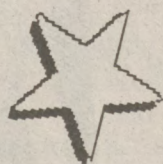


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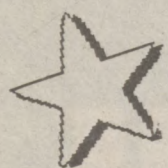


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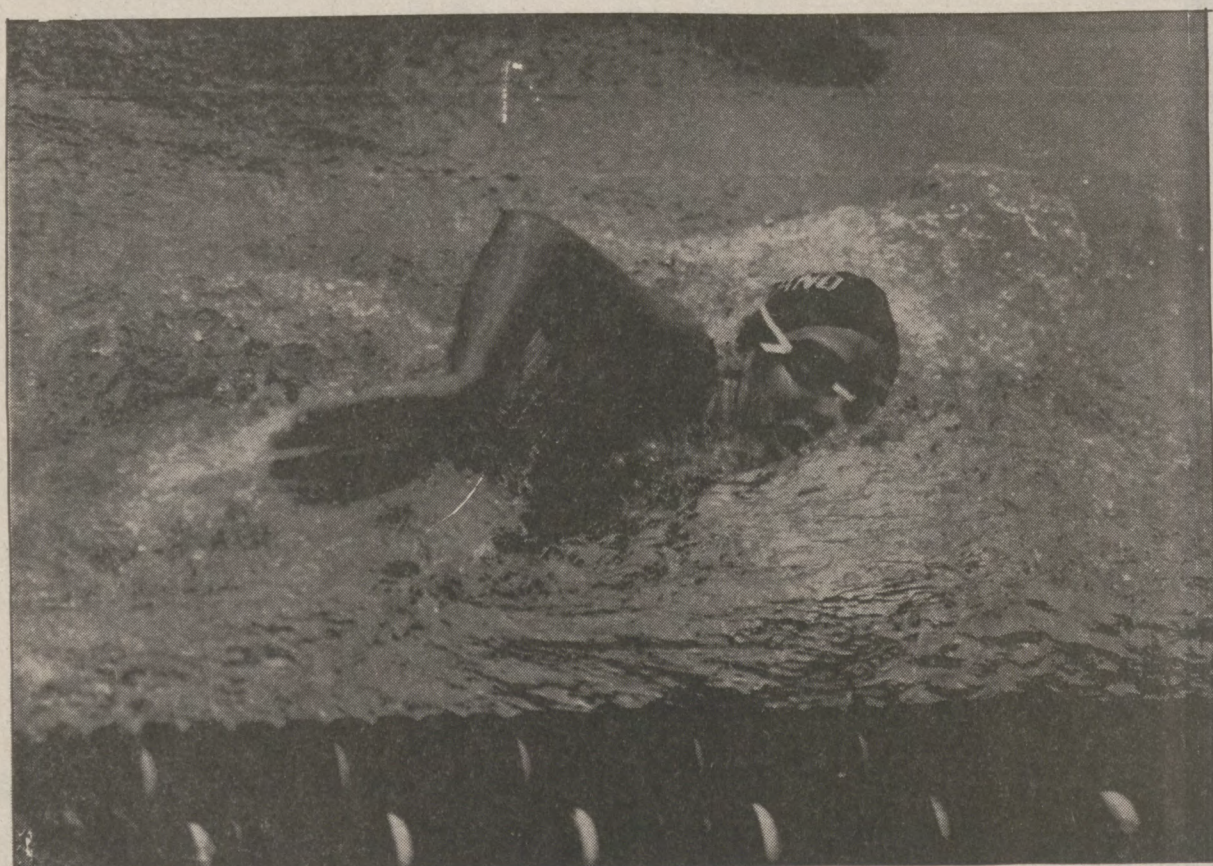
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