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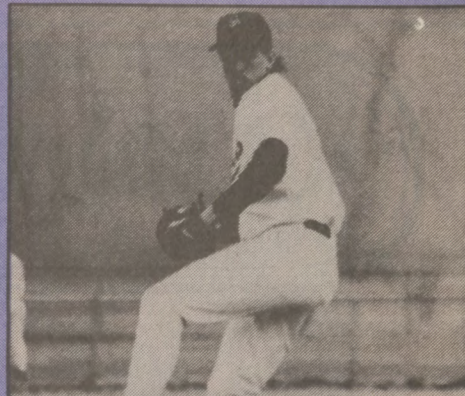
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OPENING DAY AWAY

The Pioneer baseball team opens home season at Utica H.S. with sweep of Hillsdale.

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Briefly ...

OU fire safety day

OU will be hosting a Fire Safety Day today from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the north central parking lot (between the Oakland Center and Beer Lake). A special mobile home "escape house" will be set up to show how to safely escape from a fire. Prizes will be awarded. In case of bad weather, the event will be held tomorrow. All OU employees and students are welcome, and are encouraged to bring along their young children if possible.

Golden Key honored

OU's Golden Key National Honor Society President Michelle Walk, a senior, was named as the Great Lakes Region Student Representative and advisor Jon Yates was named as outstanding advisor of the year at last weekend's conference.

Also, the OU chapter, which sent 10 delegates to the convention held at the University of Akron, was chosen to host the next conference in April 1994.

Task force meetings

- Today - Excellence and Distinctive on Task Force (contact Liz Barclay), 125 OC, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Today - Student Development Task Force Open Hearing (contact Katie Kazarian), OC Gold Room A, noon to 1:30 p.m.
- Today - Student Development Task Force Open Hearing (contact Katie Kazarian), OC Fireside Lounge, 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.
- Today - Community Outreach Task Force Open Hearing (contact Jackie Scherer), Meadow Brook Hall, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.
- Friday - Graduate Education Task Force (contact George Gamboa), 479 Varner, 3 p.m.
- Tuesday - Excellence and Distinction Task Force "blue team", (contact Liz Barclay), 370 SFH, 3 p.m.

If there are any students interested in joining a task force, or wish to have more information regarding the task force process, call Kresge Library Dean Suzanne Frankie at 370-2486.

Dates to remember

- Today - OU baseball vs. Northwood, Pioneer Field, 2 p.m.
- Tomorrow - Spring Campus Clean-up, meet by OC's Sweet Sensations, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., call 370-2998.
- Tomorrow - JSO/Hillel Interfaith Memorial Service for Holocaust victims, OC Lounge II, noon to 1 p.m.
- Tomorrow - "Humor as a Coping Strategy", OC Fireside Lounge, noon to 1 p.m.
- Friday - Massage Therapy, OC Fireside Lounge, noon to 1 p.m.
- Sunday - OU baseball vs. Northern Michigan, Pioneer Field, 10 a.m.
- Monday - Jean-Michel Cousteau lecture, OC Crockery, 8 p.m.
- Thursday - A Cloud Nine benefit performance will be held 8 p.m. on April 15 in the Studio Theatre in Varner Hall.
- In the month of April - OU student and faculty sculpture, painting and photography exhibit, Meadow Brook Art Gallery.

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Rickstad wins, disappointed by low turnout

Rickstad nets 150 of 202 votes

By PATRICIA YOUNG
Special Writer

Sophomore Amy Rickstad was elected OU Student Congress President in last week's election which was marked by a low voter turnout.

"I'm very pleased that I won but I'm disappointed that we had a low voter turnout. I'm excited to get to work and get things together," Rickstad said.

Rickstad received 150 out of 202 votes cast for president. Her opponent, sophomore Michael Kimsal, received 52 votes.

According to Congress Election Coordinator Jennifer Schutt, voter participation decreased because elections were

not held at registration time like they had been held previously.

"Last year during winter early registration we could grab students and get them to vote but this year we didn't have that luxury," Schutt said.

Approximately 1,000 students participated in voting during last year's elections.

According to Schutt only 235 voted in OU Student Congress elections this year.

Kimsal said that he feels Rickstad will do a good job and that he will continue to be involved in Student Congress activities.

"I think she'll be good. We both would have been good. If anything concrete will be accomplished of lasting value remains



President-elect Amy Rickstad

to be unseen. I'm still going to try to be involved on some level but it depends on my schedule next year," Kimsal said.

Kimsal believes his campaigning strategy was the main reason he lost to Rickstad.

"I didn't do any of the traditional campaigning," Kimsal said. See RICKSTAD page 9

Lowest-ever turnout for Congress elections focuses attention on apathy

By JOANNE GERSTNER
News Editor

With OU Student Congress' 1993 election turnout hitting an all-time low, both members and candidates are left searching for answers.

Both presidential candidates, winner Amy Rickstad and her opponent, Michael Kimsal, say that a delay in a mailing to some students hurt turnout.

"It affected it somewhat (the turnout), but it really affected me. Up until two days before the election, I thought that it could help me, in that I was talking to people around campus and telling them to look for the fliers in the mail to

read about my views," Kimsal said.

As for the impact of the delayed fliers on his campaign, Kimsal said, "I relied on that probably too much. I relied on it quite a lot, and now I realized that was a mistake."

Rickstad was also not pleased with the delay.

"It was a messed-up mass mailing, but I can't give that too much of the blame. I also think the fact that there was no controversy with this election was a factor too," Rickstad said.

Rickstad and Kimsal said that this perceived lack of controversy, coupled with Kimsal's strapped See APATHY page 9

Trashed



Doubling as both magician and comedian, Steve Trash entertained a raucous crowd of 75 students at noon last Thursday in the Crockery. The event was sponsored by Student Program Board.

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Board okays Russi

By JOANNE GERSTNER
News Editor

The OU Board of Trustees met and approved President Sandra Packard's request that Gary Russi be hired to serve as vice president for academic affairs.

In an expected move, Russi, currently vice president for research and strategic planning at Drake University in Iowa, was voted as OU's newest vice president, by the board which had to delay the meeting 45 minutes to reach quorum.

Andrea Fischer, Rex Schlaybaugh, David Handleman were absent from the April 1 meeting, with only Board Chairman James Sharp, Stephan Sharf, Larry Chunovich and David Fischer were present to hire Russi.

The former vice president for academic affairs, Keith Kleckner resigned during the summer of 1992 to return to teaching. Ronald Horwitz served as the interim vice president since August of 1992.

Recommended to the board by Packard, Russi was also granted status as a tenured professor of health sciences.

Russi, who was not present at the meeting, is expected to start on July 1, 1993.

Senate may soon snuff on-campus smoking

By SANDRA STANBURY
Staff Writer

Oakland University's Senate will vote on April 25 whether to ban smoking throughout campus, which would go into effect immediately if passed.

The policy would ban smoking in all enclosed areas of OU including offices. Exceptions will include private residences, such as married housing, Meadow Brook Hall housing, the president's residence and student rooms in the residence halls.

An exception will also be made for spaces designated, at the time of use, for special or private functions, research or performances where smoking is a part of the performance.

"We are not the morality police. We aren't asking people to stop, just to smoke elsewhere," Geoff Brieger, chairman of the Campus Development and Environment Committee.

President Sandra Packard and the Senate Steering Committee asked the Campus Development and Environment Committee to revise the university's smoking pol-

icy which allows smoking in designated smoking areas identified by "smoking" signs.

The committee based their decision on testimony from students and faculty and studies by the Environmental Protection Agency on the primary health effects of smoking. Second-hand smoke is responsible for 3,000 lung cancer deaths annually among adults in the United States, according to an EPA report.

"We had letters and testimony from faculty and students suffering severe health problems, who cannot get to class without going through smoke filled areas," Brieger said.

Oakland appears to be following the lead of several other Michigan universities which have clamped down on smoking during the last few years.

The University of Michigan revised its smoking policy in 1988, banning smoking in all campus buildings unless done in a designated smoking room, according to Joseph Owsley, director of news and information services at U of M.

See SMOKE page 9

Radioactive storage area receives clean bill of health

By LAURA OTENBAKER
Staff Writer

This year the situation seems to be contained at OU — the radioactive one, that is.

The unannounced inspection of OU's radioactive waste storage procedures, conducted March 3 by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), found no violations of safety regulations.

At the April 1 board meeting, President Sandra Packard

expressed her satisfaction that OU's Radiation Safety Committee ensured compliance with all of the NRC's regulations.

"Those are nit-picking inspections, which are very difficult to pass without any violations, so to be able to come out with a clean bill of health was quite an accomplishment," Ronald Horwitz, interim vice president for academic affairs, said.

Also pleased was Donald McCrimmon, director of research and academic development and

chairman of the Radiation Safety Committee (RSC).

"There has been an enormous effort by many people at this institution to pull this radiation program up to and beyond acceptable levels, and I think this shows the result of that. It's been a team effort ...," McCrimmon said.

Last year when OU was found to be in violation of nine safety regulations which included failure of the Radiation Safety Committee to meet the required four See STORAGE page 9



This innocuous-looking building actually houses radioactive waste. The storage facility is located behind Dodge Hall.

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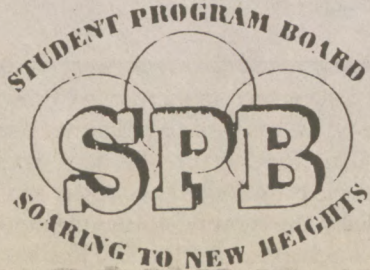
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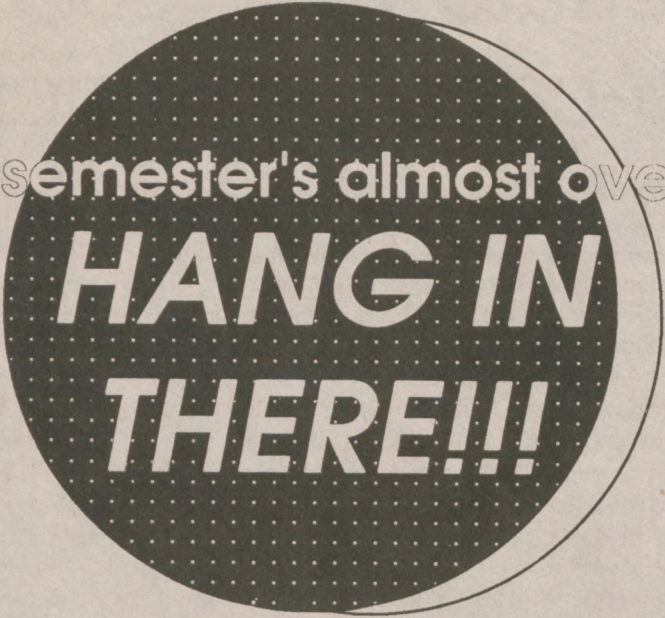
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**And again, a BIG thanks to
those students who cared
enough to vote.
Congratulations on making
your voice heard!**



The semester's almost over



Applications are being accepted for the 1993-94 Executive Staff. Applications are due Friday. For more information or to pick up an application, stop on by 19 Oakland Center.

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April 5 - 6:30 a.m. While on rounds in North Foundation Hall, an OU custodian noticed dig marks near the hinges on the Kotex machine in the ladies rest room and a closer look revealed that the change box had been broke into, according to the report. The custodian told OU police \$11 had been stolen and that the thief had jimmied the lock as the spring mechanism was broke.

April 4 - 1:15 p.m. A 24-year-old Fitzgerald female left her purse in the hall's lobby and discovered it missing when she returned to retrieve it. Various credit cards and \$40 in cash were among the items taken.

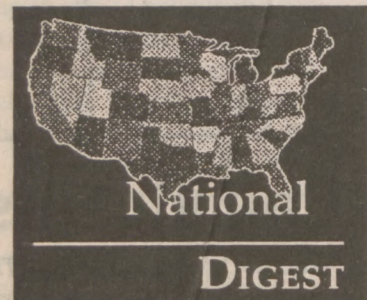
April 1 - 9:50 p.m. A 23-year-old OU female's purse was stolen from the theater's box office while working in Varner Theater.

April 1 - 3:30 p.m. A Dodge Hall Computer Center attendant had four game disks stolen from under her desk by an unknown person while helping other students in the lab. The game disks were valued at over \$50.

April 1 - 5:20 a.m. Upon arriving at 120 Varner Hall, an OU Instructional Technology Center (ITC) employee discovered the VCR/TV unit which they had dropped off there the day before had been vandalized and the VCR had been stolen, valued at \$250. According to the report, ITC records showed that the unit had been picked up by ITC personnel the day before, only one hour after it had been dropped off. ITC Supervision and Equipment Distribution Manager Pat McNeil said compared to the inventory the department has, the amount they lose is very small. "It was clearly my people's fault because they made a clerical error and logged in the wrong unit," which allowed it to remain in the hall overnight, McNeil said. McNeil also said the VCR undoubtedly has a sizable chunk taken out of its side as the cable lock which is laced through the machine was still on the cart and monitor. McNeil said the University's insurance has a sizable deductible so the loss will have to be covered by ITC budgetary funds when they have some to spare.

CRIME WATCH

By BRYAN LUXON



Contest tests creativity

WESTLAFAYETTE, Ind. (CPS) - Engineering students at Hofstra University in Hempstead, N.Y., captured the 6th Annual National Rune Goldberg Contest, which demonstrates the most ludicrous, complicated way to screw in a lightbulb.

The competition attracted 700 cheering students from around the country to the Purdue University campus. The prize? A five-foot trophy captured last year by the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

The winning contraption revolved around the creepy antics of a tiny Addams Family, complete with a graveyard, human eyeballs and a living hand in a box. Rules say each machine must require at least 20 steps to complete the task. Hofstra's entry required 26.

"Winning the contest was the best thing to happen to Hofstra University in 75 years," Chris Gerard, an engineering senior and team spokesperson said.

The contest was named for the late New York Daily Mail cartoonist who drew outlandish machines to do simple tasks. Judges look for ingenuity in screwing the light bulb. Points are taken off for human intervention after the machine starts

or taking more than five minutes to light the bulb.

April is for anxiety

MAPLEWOOD, N.J. (CPS) - As if you didn't have enough to worry about...

The National Anxiety Center has declared April to be National Anxiety Month and announced the winners of its third annual "Chicken Little Awards" taken from media reports.

Killer meteors, a \$40 billion space station and margarine were among those named. "If I tried to dream this stuff up, I couldn't," Alan Caruba, founder of the tongue-in-check contest said.

Winners included a report on an asteroid that was reported to have been a "close call" when it was 2.2 million miles away from Earth, a space station that has grown in cost from \$8 billion in 1984 to \$40 billion in 1993, and a study that concluded that margarine may be worse for people than butter.

Coffin turns up at MSU

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (CPS) - Memphis State University officials were perplexed by the presence and meaning of a metal casket found recently on a mall near University Center.

The gray-and-black coffin, with the message "Lil' Ant" painted on the lid in 18-inch letters, was discovered by an university employee.

University Center Director Jay Andersen said he has no knowledge of the origin of the casket, nor did anyone claim ownership.



Election 93?

Above: Not even the presence of a sax-playing "Slick Willy", alias Bobby Schneider of Harrison Twp, could encourage more than 232 students to vote in last week's Student Congress elections.

Left: One of the few who did chose to participate makes her choice at the ballot box.

Photos by Clive Savage.

Congress member fights for aid

By MARY LOWE
Staff Writer

Last summer Michael Simon came home after a hot day at work as an orientation leader in Oakland's unairconditioned dormitories and sat back to relax while fishing through the mail. He came across an envelope addressed to him.

Inside was a letter informing him of an \$961 scholarship that would be awarded to him for the fall semester of 1992. Simon was to receive a Michigan Competitive Scholarship on a dual basis of need and academic achievement.

Simon was elated and relieved that he had finally found a way to afford his tuition for the fall semester - until the first week of classes. That's when the Public Relations Director for Student Congress was informed that Oakland had withdrawn him from their enrollment because his tuition had not been paid.

The state of Michigan had revoked his scholarship because they had come across some good,

yet distressing information. On their income tax form, Simon's parents had filled in their anticipated income. This is the number the state based their idea of neediness upon. When the real figure came out, it just exceeded the state's definition of needy. And so, they took their money back.

Simon was given 24 hours to petition for reinstatement. He spoke to the Assistant Vice President of Student Affairs, Ronald Kevern and with a special assistant to the president, Mary Otto. Both tried to locate the money for him. Neither feasibly could do anything but promised to work hard so that something similar would not happen to other OU students in the future.

Choked by red tape, Simon kept struggling but the noose just kept getting tighter. He was already working two jobs. His mother was working to support him, his brother and sister. And after hearing of his problems his grandmother even came out of retirement to help pay the bills.

"They can't tell me I'm not

needy. They haven't seen my house, my brother and my stepdad. Do not tell me that I'm not needy," Simon said.

"It really pained me that my grandmother had to come out of retirement to help pay for the tuition of one of her 16 grandchildren."

"Sure, your parents can pay for college tuition. Just cut the heat down 30 degrees and have your sister wear your brother's clothes."

Simon isn't the only student who has encountered the inconsistencies and inadequacies within Michigan's educational funding programs.

Simon and congress member, Fariha Masud attended a Michigan Collegiate Coalition conference in Lansing on March 29. Simon presented the Coalition with his testimony. Both Simon and Masud listened to other testimonies from across the state.

According to the Michigan Collegiate Coalition, Governor Engler has proposed a zero percent increase in funding for public universities for the next two years.

As inflation increases, tuition will also increase (as can be seen by the proposed 13 percent increase in Oakland's tuition for the fall semester of '93).

According to Simon, the Coalition spoke and lobbied with state representatives. They asked them to realize that the students today need the same opportunities that they (the representatives) had when they were students.

"How can we accomplish these goals without a college education?" Simon said. "And how can we achieve a college education without money?"

Simon maintained his optimistic attitude yet spoke with an air of skepticism.

"The representatives were very responsive," he said. "Whether anything is going to come out of it, I couldn't tell you. Basically time will tell."

The Michigan Collegiate Coalition will meet again April 16-18 at Ferris State. They will collaborate and draw up a proposal that will be presented to representatives in Lansing later this year.

Broadcasting class tests student nerves

CHICAGO (CPS) - Learning to think on your feet is an understatement in the "On-Camera Reporting" class at Columbia College, where aspiring TV anchors broadcast from the streets of Chicago and are given 90 seconds to pull together a 45-second news story.

Roger Schatz, a 25-year veteran broadcaster known for his gruff approach, pushes students to the limit in his advanced broadcast journalism class.

"Students take all the skills they're trained in and present a erudite and substantive piece of journalism in 45 or 90 seconds," Schatz said. "If you blow it, you don't get a second chance."

Schatz takes the class on field trips to report stories from Michigan Avenue or from under the "El" (elevated train) tracks. Each student has a chance to go live with only 90 seconds to prepare from facts supplied by Schatz.

While Schatz's methods seem to work (graduates are now TV reports and anchors around the country), others have found the experience to be too unnerving.

During the filming of a remote, one student hailed a taxi and never returned to the school.

Campus Spotlight

OU summer orientation to highlight diversity

By ELIZABETH CARTER
Special Writer

Racial diversity and parental involvement will continue to be emphasized by OU's Orientation Board this summer at student orientation.

Although OU's campus is predominantly white, the board wants to increase the awareness of the incoming students to the diverse cultural makeup of its student body by presenting a segment called "Celebrating Diversity."

The board has hired 12 new undergraduate group leaders to help facilitate the program.

New students who attend OU each fall are estimated at 3,000, according to Beth Talbert, director of orientation. At orientation, which runs one and a half days, students not only learn what is expected of them academically but socially. They learn that attending college will be very different

from high school in respect to the amount of work required for each class and also the discipline each student will need to succeed in their classes.

After comparing the program with other universities, several changes have been made over the past year in regards to orientation, including an hour devoted to discussing in depth OU race relations.

In the past, students watched "Bill Cosby on prejudice" and then discussed the topics in the whole group which sometimes included as many as 200 students.

Greater social interaction is now being emphasized by splitting the students off into small groups led by group leaders. The use of small groups is thought to be a more effective method of communication, allowing the student to play a more active role in discussions.

Students can feel more relaxed and will not be as inhibited talking about racial issues.

"Students learn better when they are in the education process," Talbert said.

The board has since retired Cosby's movie and is now showing a film entitled "Living Together on Campus", which looks at campus life from a college students perspective and talks about racial problems students may encounter in college.

Students also read and discuss case studies concerning racial topics which include all aspects of discrimination.

Other activities include answering questionnaires that test the students knowledge on various cultures and watching skits put on by the group leaders concerning issues such as homosexuality, alcoholism, sexual harassment and mental disabilities.

The board finds these diversity sessions to be helpful in easing a lot of tension felt by minority students in attending a campus that is mostly white.

"We try to set the tone that everyone is equal and everyone should be treated as equal. We want them to feel like they are part of the university," said Dave Kniola, assistant coordinator of the orientation board and one of the group leaders.

Students in the past have reacted very positively to the "Celebrating Diversity" segment, according to Kniola.

"They seem to really enjoy the conversations more than anything," he said.

Students have found these sessions to be helpful in discovering the different cultures on campus and have found that the sessions dispel a lot of racial myths they had before they came to orientation.

"There are a lot of assumptions that blacks are here because of a quota," Lisa McRipley, director of the Diversity Resource Center and past group leader said. "There is no such thing," she added.

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OUR VIEW

Rickstad: show us your power

The student body elected Amy Rickstad as its new University Student Congress president last week.

However, we hope she considers the low voter turnout as an indication that there is a lot of work to be done.

OU has a student population of 12,000 plus and only 202 of those voted. That's approximately two percent of the student body who voted for the president and USC representatives. Last year over a 1000 students voted in the election.

Some say it was the new scantron type of voting.

Some say that not all students keep their student ID's on hand, saying the flimsy piece of paper doesn't hold up well enough to last very long in a wallet or purse. If a potential voter didn't have a student ID, that student could not vote in the election.

Some say that the mail held up a candidates' information packet from reaching the entire student body in enough time to make a difference.

Maybe some just didn't care enough to vote. Maybe some just didn't care for the choices. Maybe some didn't know the candidates and didn't want to vote for an unknown.

Whatever the reasons—the numbers indicate that a small number of people voted Rickstad and USC members into office. These very same people represent the whole of the student body.

Something needs to be changed. USC hung professional looking posters to publicize the election and to encourage students to vote. Maybe it was a waste of money since only two percent voted in USC president—ideally that should not be enough—but realistically it is.

Rickstad will be our president. She won fair and square.

We hope she looks at the dismal voter turnout as an indication of deeper and more serious problems. Rickstad must bring the USC into sharper focus on campus. She must show the students that USC can and will accomplish good for its students. She needs to show the student body something tangible, something it can see—something it can grasp.

Rickstad must show that USC has the power to make a difference on this campus.

Maybe then other students will jump in and participate in USC activities and maybe even get off their rear ends and vote.

ANOTHER VIEW

'Feminist' is not a negative word

Feminism. This word means many different things to many different people. Many are uncomfortable with the word.

Men sometimes fear the word, and yes, even some women cringe at it.

I don't understand this.

Being a feminist doesn't mean that you hate men, that you think women are superior, or that you'll never need help from a man.

Being a feminist, I think, means you want to be an equal rather than an "other," you don't want opportunities closed to you because of your gender and you want control over your life.

I don't know many women who don't want these things, but I do know many women who say they are not feminists.

Maybe they are afraid to make such a statement because of the negative images this word has acquired. However, I don't see this as such a bold statement.

I see it as a necessary one.

It means that I am an individual who expects to not encounter discrimination, stereotypes or harassment. It means that I want control over my actions, my words, my thoughts, my body and my life.

The other day I saw on a talk show about women who strip in bars in order to put themselves through college. One woman particularly made me want to vomit. She stripped down to nothing in order to make it through law school. She said that she was going to be a very successful lawyer someday and put her life as a stripper behind her.

I just want to say thanks for not making it any easier for yourself and the rest of us women to be considered good lawyers or anything else, besides sexual beings.

I want to know why she didn't see that she was encouraging men to think of her as a body and show piece for their enjoyment.

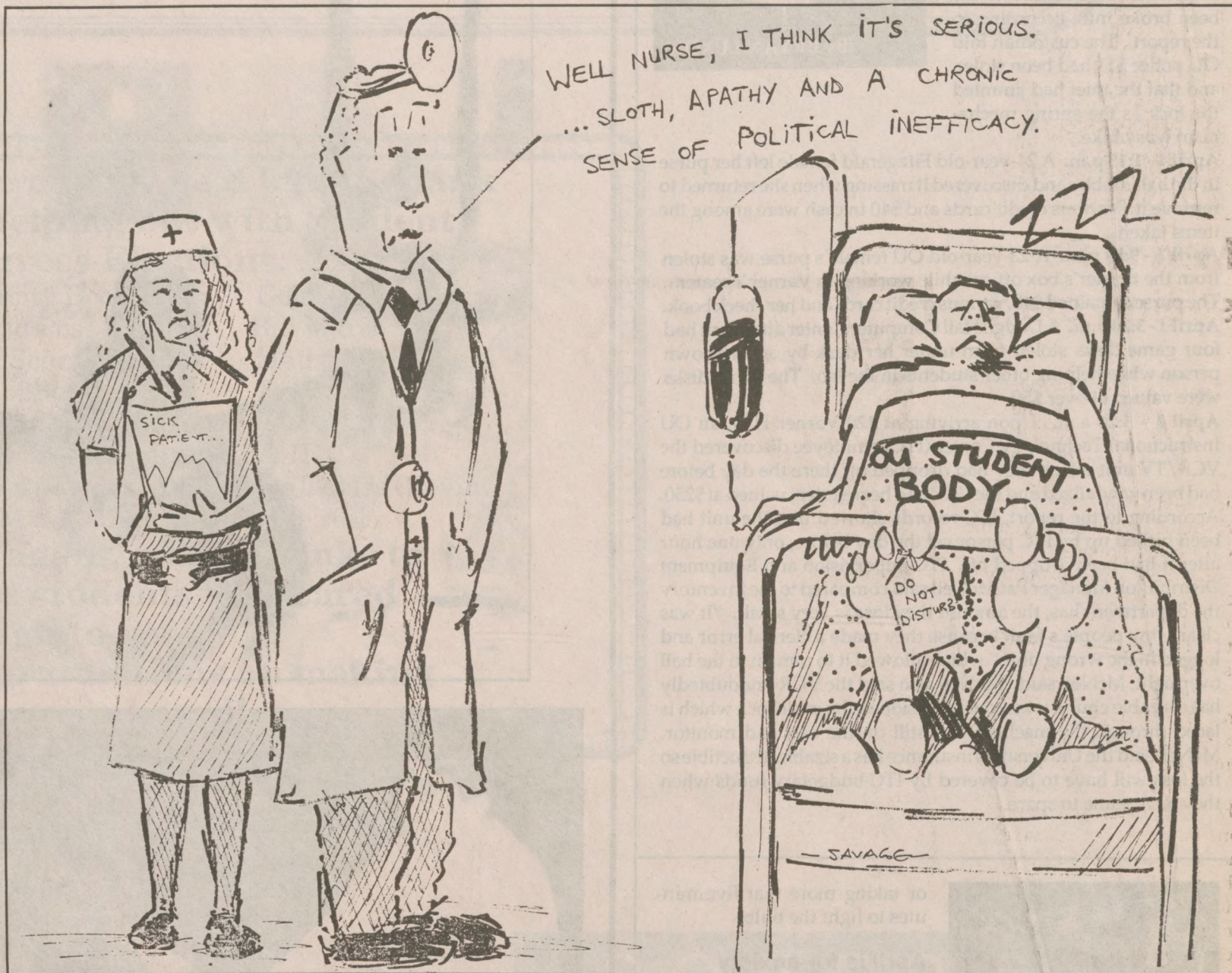
I want to know why she couldn't see that she was exploiting herself, and no matter how successful she becomes as a lawyer, she'll always remember the indignity she felt while she reduced herself to just a body.

I understand the importance of me voicing my opinion, because it matters and the importance of making it known that I am an individual.

I wish everyone knew that without asserting these things many doors will shut in women's faces.

I don't want to have to understand that.

KARYN DUNFORD
Staff reporter



Letter emphasized the tendency to forget all victims

I would like to reply to Rita Gray's letter of March 24. I would have preferred to let my original letter stand on its own merits. But Ms. Gray and some other readers may have misunderstood my intent, so I will try to clarify it.

With regard to the issue of vandalism vs. rape, I have neither "equated" them nor did I "confuse" the two. As I wrote, what was "worse, the implied assault on our fellow students, a violation of their dignity and civil rights, is being forgotten before it was even remembered."

I wrote my letter to decry these actions and to note that, in a reaction similar to rapes on campus, these events were being forgotten by the university community as a whole, instead of being condemned by them.

In no way did I intend to imply that the severity of these wrongs were comparable to the injury done to a rape victim (they are

not), and I regret any such implication you or others may have inadvertently drawn. Were I to feel that they were comparable, I would indeed be insensitive. My remarks were neither insensitive nor sexist; but perhaps they were not explained in the best possible of words.

Regrettable, your letter tends to illustrate my point in a way. The ugly message underlying that act of vandalism is very clear: its author was implying that black students on campus deserve to be treated violently, even killed.

It is this outrageous underlying message that I was criticizing. Contrary to what you might have thought, it wasn't the building I

was worried about—it was what was implied by that action that was so bad.

Yet, since this vicious, hateful act was not "your problem" because you are more concerned with rape victims than victims of racism, you didn't even mention it in your letter. You did just what I thought people would do: you forgot about them before you even remembered them.

However, if you read my letter closely, you will see that I also describe the fact that suffering of rape victims is also too easily and quickly forgotten by others.

It is the tendency to forget victims that I was equating, not the degree of harm suffered by them.

I did not pick the headline, *The Oakland Post* did; so I cannot speak to that part of your complaint. As for the rape awareness class, it is clearly needed, and perhaps with your level of interest, you could organize it. I would be happy to attend. I do not claim to have the answer to this or any other problem on campus. I simply did the only thing I knew how to do, when faced with a reprehensible situation which I could neither accept nor forget: I complained about it. Ms. Gray, I urge you and others to do the same.

By the way, I personally consider rape to be as reprehensible and unacceptable as murder, and deserving of equal punishment. Please do not label me with feminist clichés that don't apply. I "get it" just fine.

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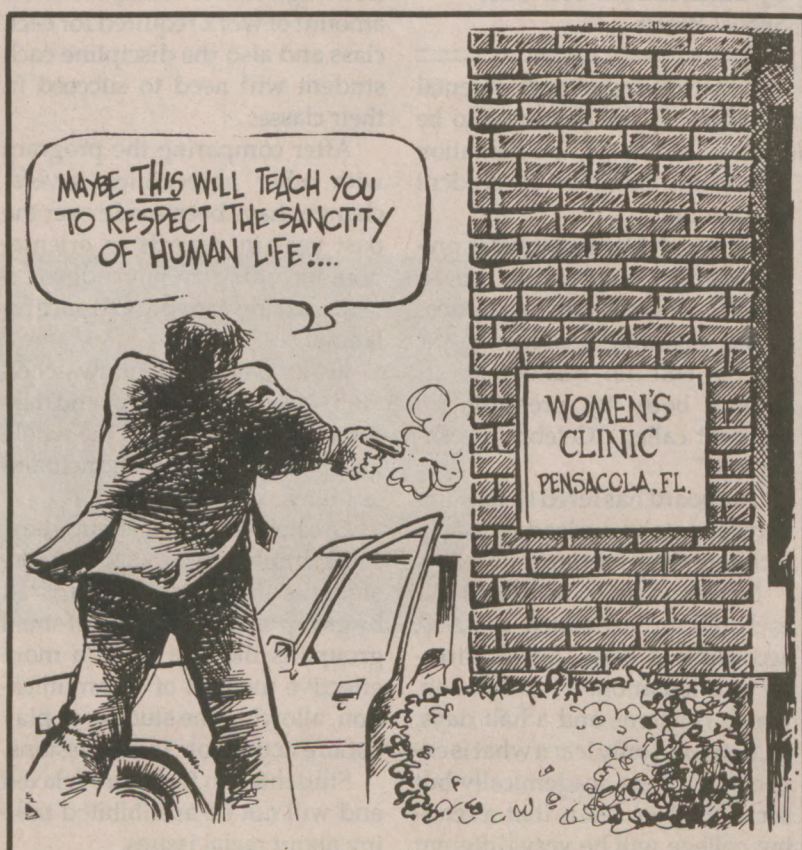
Group doubts campus safety after theft

College campuses are sometimes seen as their own little world. It is a comfort zone where students attend class and live. One hopes that they are safe in their "home."

After an incident in which contents in our office were stolen and a locked drawer was broken into, we find it disturbing that there is that chance that people can't be trusted and that when we return that our belongings might not be there.

People talk about the high crime rate of Detroit and being afraid to attend Wayne State University because of this reason. We would like to think that this doesn't happen in Rochester Hills, but it obviously does. If one can afford to pay tuition to attend Oakland University, or any university, one doesn't need to steal other people's property.

JESSICA STEIN SAUL GRUNFELD LISA SANDLER
The Jewish Student Organization/Hillel



WRITE A LETTER

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Controversial organization should not be given paper's advertising space

These past semesters, my involvements in activities both on and off campus have been accelerated by a number of factors including the national elections and a heightened public curiosity about the affairs of state. Among other things, I have become active in a number of organizations with political agendas or at least involved in the political arena.

I have also began reading a lot more circulating sources of information including *The Oakland Post* to keep me up on the current events in my area and around the world.

However, I was not pleased to discover advertisements for People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PeTA) prominently displayed in the back of the last issue of *The Post*.

In the past, the activities of this extremist organization have been controversial and questionable to say the least. PeTA is actively involved in campaigns involving the slandering of legitimate business and recreational practices,

support of anti-establishment activities and in the dissemination of misinformation.

Amongst the shining glories of this national, so-called "animal welfare" organization include the equating of human children with rats, pigs and dogs, the equating of anyone who eats meat with mass murderer Jeffrey Dahmer (by way of a \$10,000 plus full page newspaper ad bought with donated funds)...

Though I am not against free speech and expression, and though I can understand the appeal of pushing various ideology with a college newspaper, I do however believe that the inclusion and sponsorship of a national—profitable—animal welfare propaganda organization will add a negative slant on my personal opinions of *The Post* and the quality of journalism therein.

SCOTT WOOD
Computer Consultant
Kresge Library



**JANICE
TROMBLEY**

Media has us seeing stars

While watching the Oscar's the other night, I became disturbed by the manner in which the media portrayed the actors being honored.

The media was constantly referring to everyone who graced the camera, walked the stage or took the microphone as a star.

I believe the definition of a movie star has been grossly exploded by television and entertainment magazines.

Hollywood is caught up in the image of the people without letting the actors make a name for themselves through their work. I believe the constant exposure of everyone in magazines, newspapers and television interviews muddles the definition of a movie star.

There is a huge difference between starring in a movie and being a movie star. An actor who stars in a movie is its leader; the focus of the story.

He or she may have their name in bright lights on the matinee, first in the opening credits or they may be the movies' identity, if they shine enough.

An example of this could be Al Pacino in "Scent of a Woman". Someone may ask if you've seen "that Al Pacino movie". But he really isn't a movie star-not yet anyway.

A true movie star is one who can be identified with an era. A star creates a look, style or attitude that is constantly being reflected within society.

Some movie stars may be created from the media environment but the true ones are pioneers of a time and become known and emulated by everyone all over the world.

Audrey Hepburn, Marilyn Monroe, Gene Kelly, and Rita Hayworth all possessed a distinctive style. During their time, women tried to capture their elegance and grace. Even now, references and still made towards their influence.

Madonna copies the look of Marilyn Monroe and other stars try to capture the sex appeal made popular by Kelly and Hayworth.

Though they are often copied, true movie stars can never be recreated.

But, the stars mentioned are from another generation. What about names from the present that we can identify with? Sure there's Robert Downey Jr., Winona Ryder, Julia Roberts, Mel Gibson, Whoopi Goldberg, Spike Lee and Danny Glover, but are they really stars?

When Winona Ryder appeared, there was much speculation that she has that something special. Perhaps she does, and the work so far has been good.

But it takes time for a star to get all five points, to stand in a separate light and be recognized and adored by everyone. She will have to make an impact on the times to make history and earn the right.

Roberts has that star potential. She's created a look, a style and an attitude that has been accepted by society. Girls want to have hair like her, other movie roles copy her attitude and commercials feature people who suspiciously resemble her in many

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Features



Photo courtesy of Renee Pontseele



Photo courtesy of Renee Pontseele

Photo above: OU senior nursing student, Renee Pontseele, assists residents of the Shelby Nursing Center in Shelby Township in making bears that will be distributed at a baby shower for Native Americans.

Photo left: Kara Bonino, a senior nursing student, explains the proper way to bundle a newborn baby to expectant mothers at the American Indian Health Center.

Expectant mothers showered with tips

By THERESA O'KRONLEY
Features Editor

Some OU students changed their roles last week when they became the teachers for several expectant mothers.

As part of their community nursing class, seniors Renee Pontseele, Kara Bonino and Linda Gallup hosted a baby shower on March 30 for several teenage Native Americans at the American Indian Health Center in southwest Detroit.

The project included games that were designed in a prenatal teaching format and provided the moms-to-be with many necessities such as cupboard locks, electrical plugs covers, emergency phone numbers, as well as diapers, milk and other baby products.

"At first we didn't really know what we were going to do. When this teaching plan came about, we just realized that we had a chance to do something big and we just went for it," Pontseele said.

The students experiences went beyond planning a shower though.

In addition to planning the events that ranged from bathing and bundling demonstrations to safety quizzes, the group also solicited support from local businesses, worked with nursing home residents to make stuffed bears and spent countless hours of free

time learning about the Native American culture and population characteristics.

"I really learned a lot about the culture and this kind of made us realize that although we sometimes lose focus, we're all part of a culture too," Pontseele said.

To prepare for the shower, the OU seniors attended pow-wows and researched various rituals that they incorporated into the event itself.

They planned a traditional Native American blessing to start off the shower and also learned how to make a "Dreamcatcher," which according to their legend, is a weaved ornament that is placed at the head of a child's crib or bed.

The ornament supposedly filters out bad dreams before they can enter a child's head and allows good dreams to pass through a tiny hole in the center.

"We realized that it's important for them to hold on to their cultural beliefs and by showing that we cared for that, we hoped to increase their self-esteem by giving them something that they could relate to," Pontseele said.

According to Ruth Davis, a community health worker at the American Indian Health Center, the students succeeded in their efforts.

"They did so much for these

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Volunteers opt for alternate vacations

Organization provides opportunity to help the impoverished

By THERESA O'KRONLEY
Features Editor

Forget the week in Florida. By-pass the take-off to Tahiti. Many college students are forgoing such traditional vacations and opting for spending their free time helping to improve the standard of living in underdeveloped rural communities around the globe.

Global Volunteers, a non-profit corporation founded in 1984, was established to enable people with non-specialist backgrounds to contribute their skills in a meaningful way to various development projects.

"This is a great alternative to the Peace Corps. People who want to make a difference can contribute something without having to make that long term commitment," Krista Twesme, college program coordinator for the organization said.

The purpose of the organization, according to Twesme, is to recruit teams of volunteers to travel to an established worksite in groups of 12 or more, led by a guide who has knowledge of the language, area people and projects.

The groups then work for one to three weeks in jobs that include digging latrines or wells, tutoring children, teaching English, assisting in health care and

helping to build and repair community buildings.

The typical workday runs from about 7 a.m. until 5 p.m. and volunteers are provided the opportunity, during their free time, to see more of the area and to visit nearby cultural attractions.

Global Volunteers currently



participates in projects in Russia, Poland, Tanzania, Indonesia, Tonga, Jamaica, Guatemala, Mexico, Costa Rica and the Mississippi River Delta.

Twesme stressed that Global Volunteers only travel to sites where local leaders have asked for assistance and that all host communities select and are responsible for the work projects that are undertaken by the groups.

"We're not an all-powerful group that comes in, takes over and tells these people that we know what's best for them. We

actually let the people who live in the community decide what is best," she said.

Volunteers for the program are allowed to select when and where they would like to volunteer but are required to cover travel expenses to and from the sites.

In addition, a fee is set, according to group size, and includes living expenses, food, leader funding and other necessities.

Though many may think the cost may discourage students from taking part, Twesme pointed out that options such as alumni contributions or sponsorships may cut down on the overall expenses.

Past participants in the project feel their money spent was well worth it.

"If there is anyway for anyone to go, I would definitely encourage it. It's a great opportunity and I hope to do this as many times as I possibly can," John Hoven, a senior at Hamline University in St. Paul, Minnesota, said.

Hoven participated in a two and a half week trip to Jamaica, where he took part in building a church addition, developing an irrigation system for a local schools garden and installing a sink in a local school.

He feels the most rewarding part of the trip was, "Getting to know the local people. We got to work with them really close, we stayed in their homes and got just

emerged in their culture. It was a great time," he said.

Jon Richards, a volunteer from Los Angeles who took part in a trip to Mexico, agreed that getting to know the people was very rewarding.

"We were in a small village, which allowed us to really get a sense of the culture and the dynamics of the village. I got to listen to a lot of the men and understand what's important to them - their perspective on life. It was a real pleasure for me to see that they have a much broader perspective of the world than I ever imagined," he said.

When asked if he too would take another trip with this organization, he said, "Absolutely. No doubt about it."

The organization was first conceived by Burnham "Bud" Philbrook and his wife Michele Gran while honeymooning in a remote village in Guatemala.

mala.

They initially had planned to take a cruise, until Gran decided that she wanted to do something more meaningful than just sit in the sun.

Once they returned, the then-Minneapolis Star published an article about their alternative honeymoon and the responses they received from people got them wondering about a future in this for others.

So, Philbrook, who now

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Photo courtesy of Global Volunteers

A Global Volunteer participant during a recent trip to one of their host communities.

CIPO THIS WEEK

(Campus Information, Programs and Organizations)

CIPO Programs

CIPO Programs will offer a variety of programs this year which we hope the OU community will find interesting and enjoyable. Upcoming programs include:

Less Stress Week

We dedicate the of April 5-9 to the reduction of stress. Finals are coming, papers are due and along with that is the search for a summer job. Join us for a week-long series that will give you helpful hints to reduce stress and make your life easier. Remaining programs are:

Thursday,
April 8

Humor as a Coping Strategy

Dr. Jack Wilson will discuss using humor for stress reduction. He will be speaking in the Fireside Lounge from 12:00 noon to 1 p.m..

Friday,
April 9

Massage Therapy

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Thursday
April 15

The Meadow Brook Estate

This will be the farewell concert for five very talented seniors. Don't miss your last opportunity to see them perform. The concert will take place noon in the Gold Rooms

The Student Life Lecture Board Presents: Jean-Michel Cousteau

Jean-Michel Cousteau is the son of legendary ocean explorer, Jacques Cousteau will be here to speak Monday, April 12, 1993 8 p.m. in the Oakland Center Crockery.

Since 1979 Jean-Michel has served as Vice President of the Cousteau Society and has spent his life exploring the seas about the Calypso. Jean-Michel has been the executive producer of several Cousteau Society films including *Jacques Cousteau: the First seventy five years; Cousteau/Amazon* and the Emmy Award winning *Cousteau/Mississippi*.

Tickets are:

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Association Members

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Tickets purchased Friday,

April 9 will be discounted \$1.

Coming Attractions:

Student Organization Recognition Night

This gala event be held on Friday, April 16th to recognize the hard work, dedication and programs put on by the students and their organizations. To R.S.V. P., please contact Felecia Bumpus at 370-2020.

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in Lounge II of the Oakland Center.

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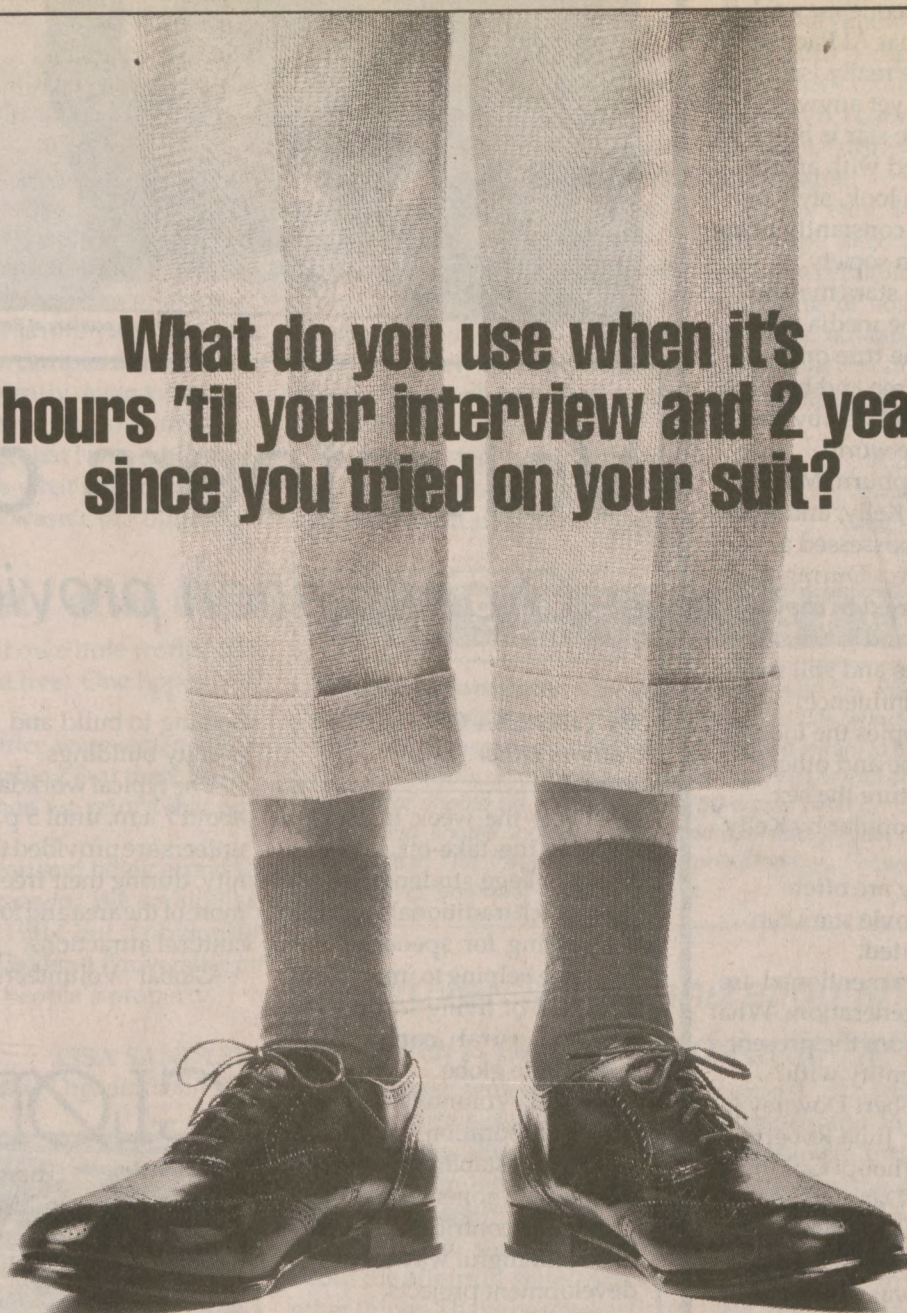
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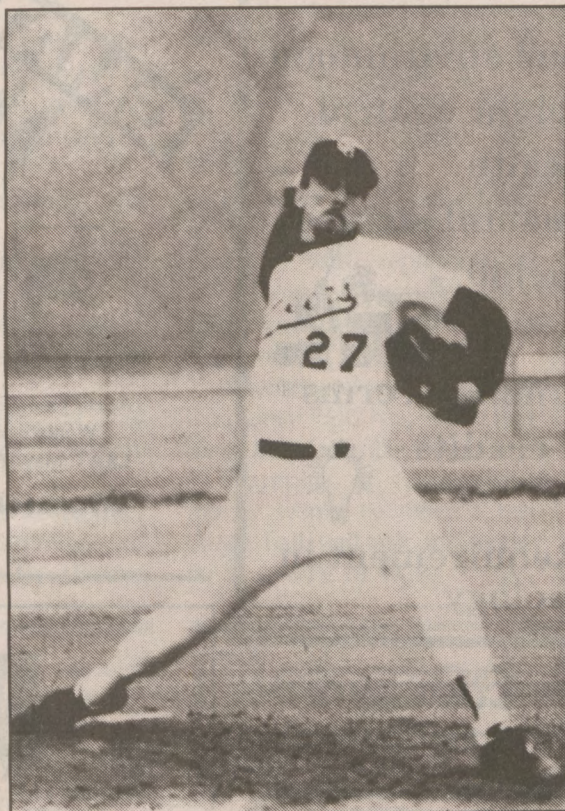
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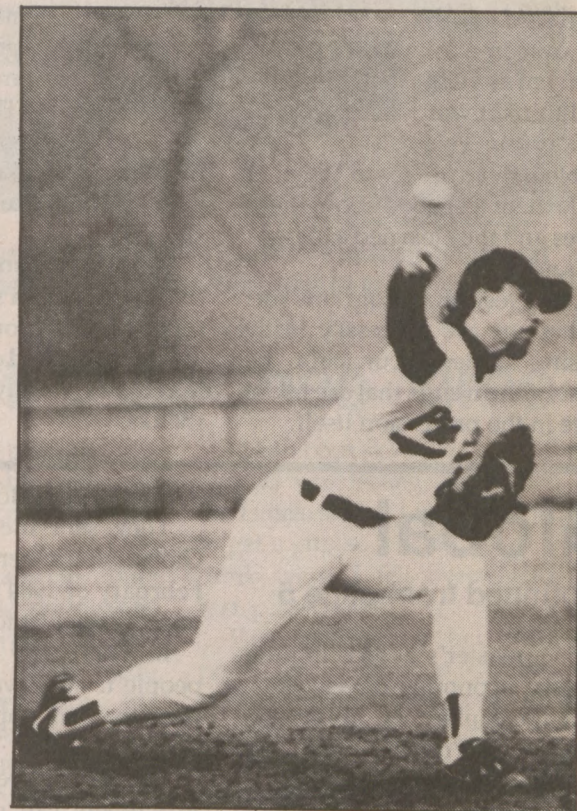
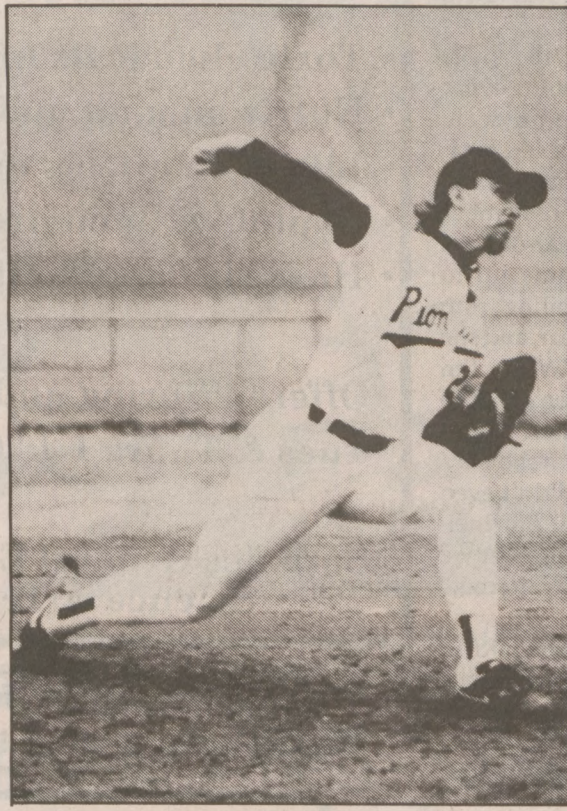
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Sports



Photographed last year, senior right-handed pitcher Matt Byrd.



The Oakland Post/Clive Savage

Take two !

Pioneer baseball sweep GLIAC rival Hillsdale in double header

By JOE PICKERING
Copy Editor

Since Pioneer Field is as saturated as a sponge, the OU baseball team had to open its home season at Utica High School on April 4.

And since the team has been unable to practice on its own home turf, now a swamp, the venue switch didn't hurt the Pioneers as they responded with a double-header sweep (3-2 and 4-1) over GLIAC rival Hillsdale College.

In the first game, OU gave up a run to the Chargers in the first inning, but struck back in the third inning with all three of its runs.

Consecutive base hits by junior catcher Matt Konwerski, sophomore shortstop Ted Allesie and sophomore outfielder Mike Armstrong loaded the bases for junior third baseman Dylan Raymond who singled with one out to score Konwerski and Armstrong.

An ensuing walk was issued to sophomore Tom Kretschmer to reload the bases and sophomore Ryan Mullins came through with a sacrifice fly to bring in Allesie for a 3-1 lead.

Pioneer errors in the seventh and final inning brought the Chargers into the game when HC's Joe Ransley singled and scurried

around to third base after throwing mistakes by Kretschmer and senior pitcher Matt Byrd. Ransley came in to score on a groundout by Hillsdale's Bob Finkovich to cut OU's lead to one, 3-2.

The Pioneers settled and Byrd struck out the final Charger batter to win the game.

Byrd pitched the entire game, gave up four hits, walked two and struck out six to even his season record at 1-1.

The second half of the twin bill saw the Pioneers take another one away from Hillsdale, this time 4-1.

OU scored first, in the first, on a

gimmee courtesy of Charger pitching. Four Pioneers were walked, forcing in a run and giving OU an early 1-0 advantage.

HC matched OU on the scoreboard with a run in the fourth, and in the bottom of that inning, the Pioneers notched two more for a 3-1 lead.

Senior catcher John Karam singled with two outs followed with a walk to Armstrong. Junior outfielder Eric Resch reached first and Karam scored on an error by Hillsdale's first baseman, Marty Walsh. Raymond singled to score Armstrong for OU's third run.

OU sealed the scoring in the

fifth inning when sophomore Dave Bullock, running for Konwerski, scored from third on a single by junior Derek McGaughey with two outs.

Junior Ralph Muglia started and finished the game for his first win of the season. Muglia gave up only four hits, walked two and struck out five.

The pair of wins evens OU's season record at 2-2, the two losses came against Hanover College (Ind.), 1-0 and 2-1 where Byrd and Muglia took the losses consecutively. The Pioneers are atop the GLIAC at 2-0 with seven games slated for this week.

Pioneer

•April 7-Northwood University (home), 2 p.m.

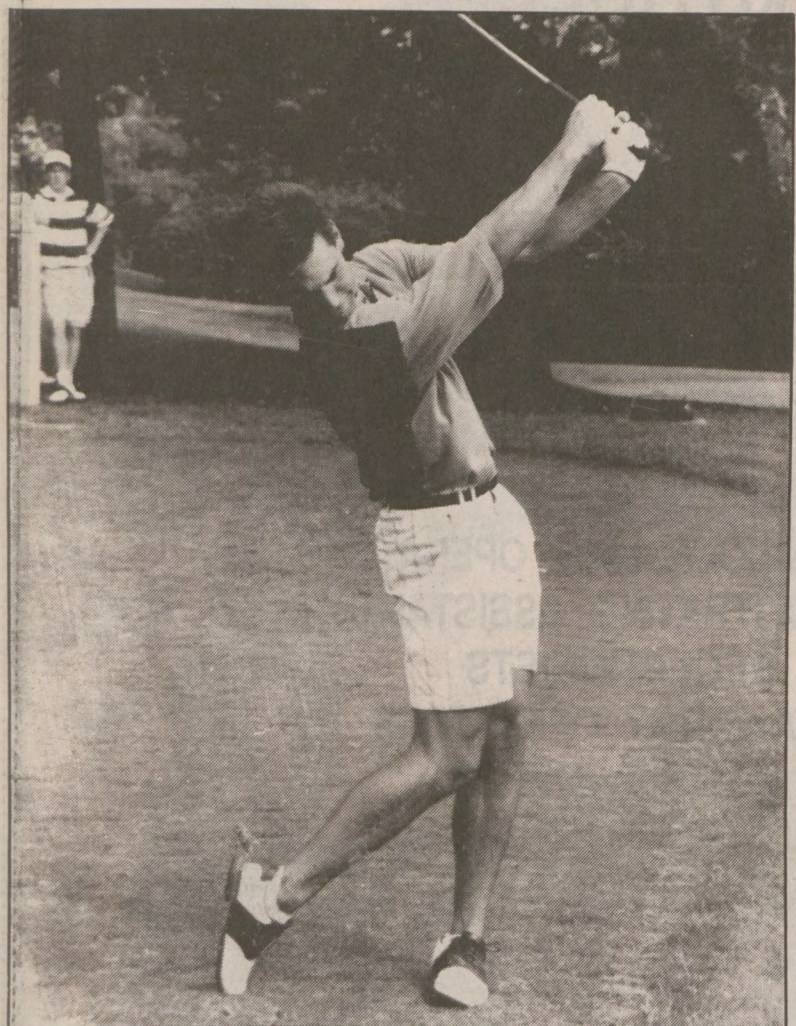
•April 9-at Mercyhurst College, 1 p.m.

•April 10-at Mercyhurst College, 1 p.m., -vs. Edinboro.

•April 13-at Ashland University, 1 p.m.

Docket

Golfers tour Kentucky bluegrass



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Pictured last fall, Todd Heifner led OU to an eighth place finish in the Bellarmine tourney and tied with two other Pioneers Kevin Valentine and Ron Prohm with Oakland's low score of 81.

By JOHN HONOS
Sports Editor

In the state where horses and bourbon are the major commodities, golf took precedence on Monday, March 29, in Kentucky as it played host to 16 golf teams in the Bellarmine Invitational.

But the OU men's golf team bypassed the horses and bourbon and finished in the middle of the pack with an eighth place finish.

Division I Louisville ran away with the tournament and won by

20 shots.

Louisville was followed by Division II powerhouse and host Bellarmine College, ranked 19th nationally in Division II preseason poll, and Ball State, from the Division I Mid-American Conference, rounded out the top three.

"The object of going to Louisville was to get some practice against the southern schools who have been playing for a month," head coach Dave DeWulf said.

The Pioneers left at 10:30 p.m. Sunday night after the athletic

banquet and drove all night arriving at about 4:30 Monday morning in Louisville. The team awoke at 9:30 a.m. after just five hours of slumber to hit the driving range for some pre-tournament practice.

But to no avail, the range was closed and the Pioneers had to tee it up without even so much as hitting a ball.

Clad in short sleeve shirts and shorts, the only time they can during the season according to DeWulf, the Pioneers stormed the somewhat chopped up course under sunny skies in 75 degree weather with nothing to lose and everything to gain.

Most of which, to gain some true tournament experience.

"We learned a lot from this trip. We got in some tournament play and shot 18 holes. It was a positive experience," DeWulf said.

The Pioneer contingent was led by Oakland's version of the super sophomores of Todd Heifner, Kevin Valentine and Ron Prohm.

Each posted an 81 and tied for OU's low score.

Senior captain Matt Holmes finished close behind them at two shots back by firing an 83.

Sophomore Dave Hubert shot an 88 to round out Oakland's qualifying scores while freshman Jeremy Niederstadt's 94 was dropped as it was the highest of the Pioneers' six shooters.

In the Louisville tourney, six golfers from each school qualified, but only the top five scores counted.

"We knew what we were getting into when we went down there. We knew that there would be some good teams and some Division I teams," DeWulf said.

The Pioneers next tournament will be on Monday April 12, at Tiffin University in central Ohio.



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Oakland University junior Mike Vogel, no. 2 doubles, returns serve with a grimace.

Netters slide continues; drop three in the U.P.

By ERIC DeMINK
Copy Editor

OU netters continued to stumble this weekend, dropping a triad of matches to Michigan Technological University, the University of Minnesota-Duluth Saturday, and Lake Superior State University on Sunday afternoon.

The inauguration of the 1993 GLIAC season turned out to be a little more sour than expected as the Huskies of MTU stopped the Pioneers, 4-5, in a contest which came down to the sixth singles matchup.

The Pioneers stalled early in the opening doubles contest as seniors Jim Fleming and Dave Brown fell 6-1, 6-7 (two tie breakers), 0-6.

But sophomore Brett Edwards and junior Mike Vogel knotted the affair in the second match, with a 6-4, 6-0 conquest, setting the stage for freshman Matt Brown and sophomore Steve Acho.

After, taking the first set 6-2, the duo begrudged a hard fought 6-7 setback which featured five tie-breakers and bowed out in the last set, 2-6, not able to replicate first set magic.

Fleming's opening singles match loss (2-6, 7-6, 6-4) was a distraction but by no means a contraction, as the Pioneers reeled off three straight triumphs.

Dave Brown led the charge, with a 6-2, 6-4, decision. Edwards then followed with a 6-2, 6-2 triumph, See SOUR page 9

OU soccer to showcase spring talent

The Oakland University soccer team will play the University of Wisconsin in the first Spring Soccer Showcase on Saturday night, April 17. The game, which will be a fundraiser for the Oakland soccer program, will be played at Rochester High School and will kick-off at 7:00 p.m.

Wisconsin, a Big 10 and NCAA Division I school, was 11-6-2 during the 1992 season. The Badgers have a number of local players, including leading scorer Travis Roy, a freshman forward from Livonia who scored eight goals and 21 points to lead UW. Other local talent

playing for Wisconsin include Jeff Gold, a sophomore midfielder from Plymouth who scored five goals a year ago, Scott Lamphiere, a defender from Livonia who started all 19 games for Wisconsin as a freshman in 1992, and Mike Gentile, a freshman midfielder from Livonia who is brother of Oakland junior John Gentile.

Oakland, 18-3-1 in 1992 and a NCAA Division II semi-finalist, is led by second-team All-American Mali Walton from Flint. Walton was 11th nationally in scoring last year with 17 goals and 14 assists for 48 points. The sophomore was OU's number two scorer behind another sophomore, Eli Tiomkin.

The native of Raanana, Israel was ninth nationally in scoring with 20 goals and 11 assists for 51 points.

Other local players on the Pioneer roster include juniors Gentile, Mike Sheehy (goalkeeper, Farmington), Dominic Scicluna (midfielder, Redford), Jim Harrison (defender, Royal Oak), freshman Will Bothe (defender, Lake Orion), and Chad Schomaker (midfielder, Troy).

Tickets are priced at \$5 for adults and \$3 for youths, and will be available at the gate. For more information contact the Oakland athletic department at 313-370-3190

Shower

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girls and I think they helped encourage them to come back for their appointments and to make a point of doing so. It's really important," she said.

Sonia Duffy, professor of nursing at OU and the person responsible for introducing the students to the center, was impressed with the outcome of the event as well. "I think it was wonderful. This enabled them to come together, made them feel good about themselves and they learned a lot too," she said.

Duffy feels that programs such as this one are necessary in the nursing students curriculum because of the trends that are taking place in the profession itself.

"This program brings nursing out of the hospitals and into the community. More and more, it is being brought into the community because health care costs are rising so quickly. The needs are out there," she said.

When asked what the most memorable part of the entire event

"This program brings nursing out of the hospitals and into the community."

**Sonia Duffy
Professor of Nursing**

was, Pontseele didn't even hesitate in answering. "I just remember a 17-year-old girl that came up to me, smiling from ear to ear, and she said, 'Wow, I'm not even going to get this much at my own shower.' They didn't even get that much either, but it was knowing that we made a difference that mattered," she said.

In appreciation of their efforts, the center held a surprise brunch for the OU group on Tuesday morning and had one of the expectant mothers deliver a message of thanks.

Global

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holds a master's degree in international economic development from the Hubert H. Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs, and Gran, who holds a master's degree in international communications from Hamline University,

decided to just do it.

They sent the first group of Global Volunteers to Jamaica in February of 1984 and from there, the concept just took off.

In 1991, they sent about 300 people to their various sites and plan to send approximately 500 this year.

Persons interested in Global Volunteers can contact Michele Gran at 1-800-487-1074.

Column

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ways.

Who knows, maybe she has what it takes to become a star.

I hope the media blitz ends soon.

And, in the future, when a true star is born, I hope they will not become so laden with media weight and have eyes so glazed over from the many flashbulbs that they fall and burn.

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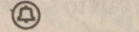
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RHC reports 1992-93 expenses

By MELISSA LAROSE
Staff Writer

When residence halls students moved in this past fall semester, they each received a potato chip clip courtesy of Residence Halls Council (RHC).

This year, \$850 was spent on 1500 chip clips, according to Brendan Brinn, RHC treasurer.

Students living in the residence halls pay \$5.50 each semester for programs sponsored by Residence Halls Council (RHC) whether they take part in the activities or not.

RHC receives \$4 out of the student activity fee each semester and the individual house councils get \$1.50.

"Most of our money goes to-

wards programs, maintenance and supplies for the office and conferences," Joel Gibson, RHC President, said.

Every year, residence hall students receive gifts from the RHC Executive Board who decide on what to give over the summer.

Other expenses include activities such as Homecoming held last fall.

"Homecoming was a big one for fall semester," Brinn said. "It didn't end up being a money maker so we got help from Student Life."

According to Brinn, "at least \$2000" was spent on Homecoming.

As treasurer, Brinn keeps track of RHC accounts, committee accounts and taking and evaluating

requests from the House Councils.

Jean Ann Miller, assistant director for student development, said there is not much of an opportunity for fundraising.

"People don't seem to respond well to fundraisers," Miller said.

The Monetary Request Board is a volunteer committee composed of RHC representatives who looks at proposals from residence halls that are requesting money.

"Basically all we do is budget the money RHC has," Tony Bauman, boardmember, said.

Examples of requests for money would be when a residence hall will ask for money for a new TV or VCR.

Storage

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times per year, the storage of food and beverages in areas where radioactive materials are stored or used, and the failure to dispose of radioactive waste in specially designated areas in a timely manner.

"I think this shows that we have taken the original violations quite seriously and have cleaned everything up and we are in real good shape now," Kathleen Moore, associate professor of chemistry and a member of the RSC, said.

Moore said it is a normal practice for a university to store radioactive waste. "It's a very low level of radiation and we have no choice but to store it," Moore said. Moore uses Carbon 14, a radioactive isotope, in biochemical and metabolic tests as a tracer to follow the metabolism of certain molecules.

OU was fined for its violations, but most heavily for sloppy book-keeping.

"I think the fine was \$5,000," Craig Taylor, radiation safety officer, said.

"The fines were the NRC's way of saying, 'Get your bookkeeping in order, but you're not really jeopardizing anyone's health,'" Rikki

Schwartz, director of environmental health and safety, said.

According to Taylor, OU averages six 55-gallon drums of radioactive waste per year, two of which contain radioactive isotopes that can be disposed of as regular trash after they have decayed into "background" radiation and are not threatening to humans or animals, according to Taylor.

Schwartz said campuses in Michigan are forced to store radioactive material on-site because there is no place to take it.

Taylor said that because Michigan does not accept radioactive waste from other states, it is not allowed to ship its waste out for disposal.

"Michigan has been prohibited by the NRC from shipping any radioactive waste out of the state. The dump sites in Nevada, South Carolina and Washington are no longer open to us," he said.

Schwartz said storage space on campus is not an immediate problem and that there is a backup storage area if the shed becomes filled to capacity.

"We have an alternate site — two root cellars across from the golf course. There's lots of storage capacity there and they meet the requirements for storing radioactive waste," Schwartz said.

Rickstad

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"I couldn't afford a ton of fliers. I was out-flied five to one. I campaigned for myself. I talked to people in classes and in the halls. I found it to be more in depth and my point came across to the people I spoke with."

Re-elected USC member Matthew Tazsreak, the top vote-getter in the USC member election with 76 votes, was pleased with presidential results.

"The students chose the best possible person for the job. Amy has established herself with the OU administration as a competent and able representative of the students on many issues," Tazsreak said.

Rickstad said her first plan of action is to get organized and hire an executive staff.

Voters also voted for USC members as follows: Oluwayemisi Bain, Kelly Cashman, Ebony Coleman, Darisha Davis, Jennifer Dooley, Anrea Kozak, Genevieve Long, Fariha Masud, Tameka Medley, Heather Nicholson, Jodi Pearson, Matt Pfeilstucker, Tracy Polega, Tazsreak, Omari Thomas, and David Wisz.



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Two Fleet Ambulance Paramedics attend to a 45-year-old Royal Oak female Tuesday afternoon outside Varner Hall. The woman was rushed to Crittenton Hospital where she is currently in stable condition.

Paramedics perfect response time

By BRYAN LUXON
Staff Writer

During the past week, Fleet Ambulance Paramedics have become very familiar with the OU campus as they made three separate emergency calls.

OU police responded early Tuesday afternoon to a call that a female was having seizures near her car outside Varner Hall.

Arriving at the scene, officers found a totally unresponsive, 45-year-old Royal Oak female, sitting on the ground huddled in a blanket that bystanders had wrapped around her.

OU police first attempted to

question the female and after getting no response she went into mild convulsions, according to the report.

Paramedics already in route were notified of the priority-one situation and arriving shortly after, administered minor medical treatment before rushing her off to Crittenton Hospital.

The female is currently in the facility's critical care unit with a stable condition.

Saturday night while standing in line at the Marriott Cafeteria in Vandenberg Hall, a 19-year-old VanWagoner female became woozy while standing in the serving line.

"I had been sick all day with the flu and was feeling dehydrated," the female said. "I was just trying to get a cup so I could get a cold drink when I felt overwhelmed and passed out."

Fleet responded and transported the female to Crittenton Hospital where she was treated and released that evening.

The previous Thursday, a male OU student from Detroit was discovered unconscious in the Northwest parking lot near South Foundation Hall.

OU police dispatched Fleet who transported the male to Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital where he was treated and released.

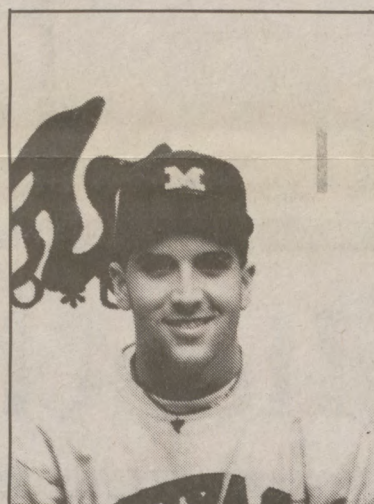
WOUX's Fleming takes top broadcast honors

By ERIC DeMINK
Copy Editor

Competing on April 3 against 160 high school and university radio stations from across the state, WOUX's Mike Fleming took first place (college division) for sports play by play at the 1993 Michigan Association of Broadcasters Awards held at Central Michigan University.

Fleming's demo tape of coverage of Oakland University basketball this season was selected for the honor which earned him a Certificate of Achievement.

The senior communications



Senior Mike Fleming

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Apathy

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financial resources unable to match Rickstad's fliers, caused the low turnout.

"I don't know. Toward the end, I felt that I was campaigning all by myself," she said.

Kimsal sees a more lasting effect to the evidence of a low turnout besides on the election itself.

"Because of the low turnout this election, it has no weight," Kimsal

said. "There's no legitimacy. This is no mandate. We can't have a mandate with only two percent or something less than that of people voting. Look, this isn't sour grapes, I would have been scared to spend anybody's money if I had won with no real support."

Congress Election Coordinator Jennifer Schutt presented a different reason for the low turnout saying that having students present a valid semester OU identification card before voting seemed to cause problems for potential voters.

"While having people present their ID's is part of the Congress rules, I'm going to suggest to next year's CEC (Committee and Elections Coordinator) that maybe we should do something different," Schutt said.

She said she tried to make the election more accessible and convenient for students.

"We had tables all over campus, in the Oakland Center, in the Vandenberg cafeteria during dinner and lunch rush, Hannah, but for some reason, that didn't seem to overcome that," Schutt said.

Smoke

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Residence halls are excluded from the policy where smoking is allowed in the public areas of the dorms, such as lounges, according to information officer Bernie De Groat. However, certain student rooms, as well as entire corridors in some dorms, are designated as non-smoking.

"Smokers have no rights, they have to shiver and smoke outside," Owsley said.

Wayne State University's latest smoking policy was adopted in 1987.

The policy states that smoking is prohibited throughout WSU except in identified, designated smoking areas.

Also included is the protection of the non-smokers health and comfort over a smoker's desire to

smoke.

WSU's smoking policy is not quite as limiting as either OU's or U of M's, however in 1991 WSU pulled all money invested in any tobacco-related companies after a movement by faculty members in the nursing department.

"Colleges should be in the lead, because smoking is lowest where education is highest," John Banzhaf, director of Action on Smoking and Health, said.

Sour

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and Matt Brown scored a two set, 6-0, 6-4, win to complete the treble and put the Pioneers up 4-3.

The lead did not hold up, though, as the Huskies battled back with two consecutive decisions of their own to push OU over the brink.

On Saturday afternoon against Division II powerhouse, U-M-Duluth, it wasn't even close as the Pioneer netters dropped three of

their first four matches and eight of their last nine, falling abysmally, 1-8.

Matt Brown provided OU with its lone triumph in the fourth singles match with a 7-6, 7-6 decision. Brown faced five and four tie breakers, respectively, in reining in his second victory of the weekend.

LSSU handed OU its sixth straight setback on (and second in the GLIAC) on Sunday, as the Lakers swamped the Pioneers, 7-2.

The Pioneers dug themselves a hole early dropping three doubles contests which set the tone for the

rest of the day.

Still, OU would not go quietly. Avenging two earlier defeats in singles matches, Fleming opened fire on his Laker foe, and salvaged his weekend with a two set, 6-4, 6-1, triumph.

The Pioneers, though, would not see daylight again until the sixth singles, as LSSU pounded out four straight.

Although, Acho broke up the run with a 6-0, 6-3, decision in the sixth match, OU's boat had already taken on too much water, and its bailing out was hampered by sieves.

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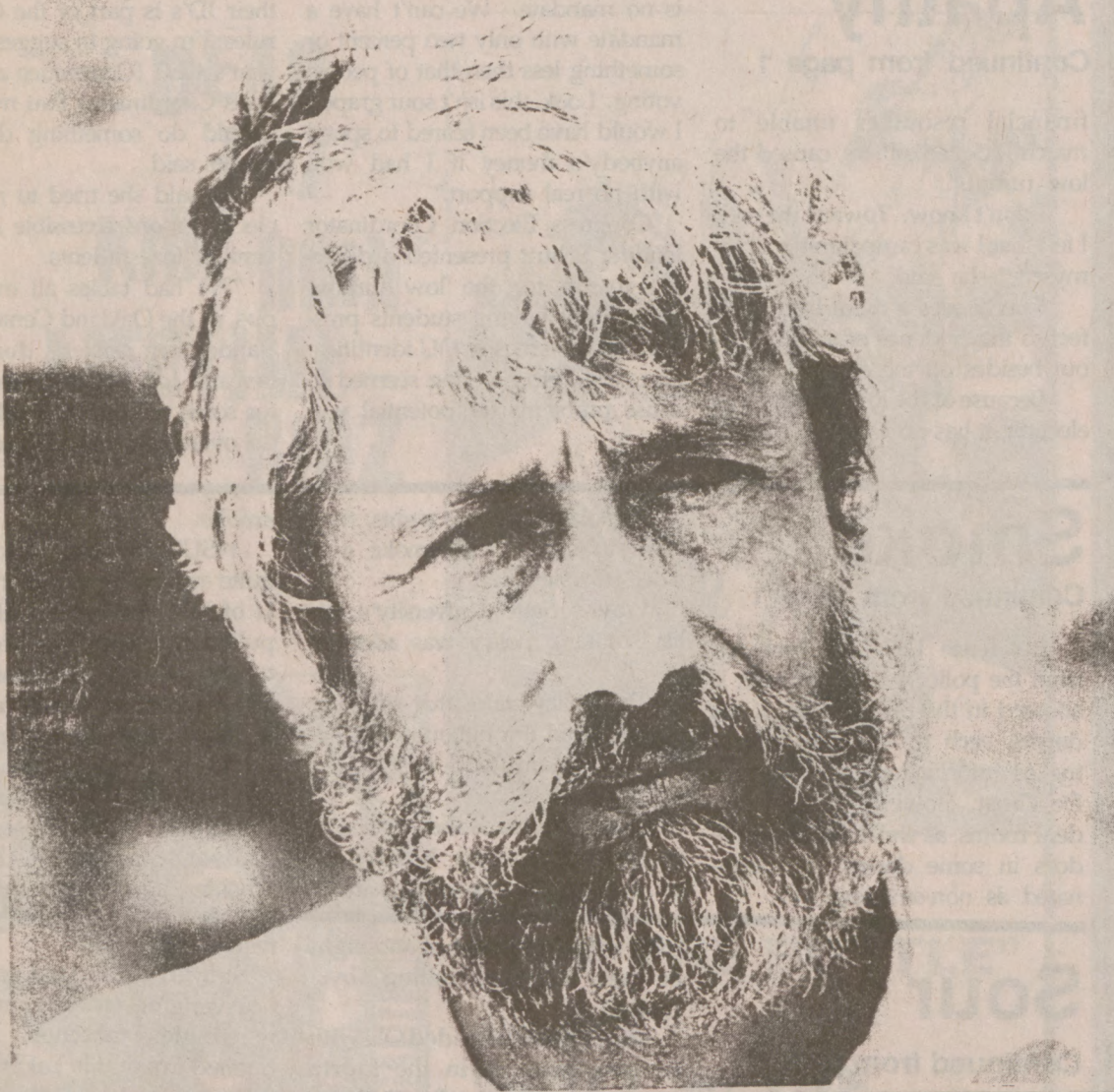
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