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# Mid-term grades online

By Kimberly Garcia THE OAKLAND POST

tarting this semester. mid-term student evaluations will be available online to all students enrolled in 100 and 200 level courses.

According to Charles Clark, director of the

is not a new practice.

"Previously, mid-semester evaluations were only available to students involved in a variety of programs on campus, such as athletics, but the process was not streamlined," said Clark.

According to Clark, it was a lengthy paper process,

Academic Skills Center, this which gave students about a week to decide if they wanted to withdraw from a class or not.

> "The problem with the process was that by the time it got to the students, it was too late for them to do anything with it. It just wasn't useful," he said. Last spring, the Faculty

Senate passed a policy, which stated that all students must be given some indication of their academic process at least one week prior to the withdrawal date, Clark said.

A proposal was made to improve the efficiency of the process, which was approved by the President through the Faculty Senate.

"By putting the evaluations online, students are aware of their progress at least three weeks in advance," said Clark. "Which gives them time to pursue a number of options, such as seeking assistance in the Academic Skills Center, changing their

behavior or talking with their professors.

"This process will also save money in terms of staff time and materials," Clark said.

Amy Klemm, sophomore, said she thinks it will be helpful.

"If you're doing bad, you

Please see GRADES on A6.

# Professor, student feud in court

BY REBECCA WYATT EDITOR IN CHIEF

A student and a professor squared off in 52nd district court last week, but it wasn't a class that took them there.

Associate professor of Engineering, Keyu Li, is suing student Kathryn Borig, senior, for \$3,000. Her suit alleges the tenants trashed the house Li had rented to her earlier this

Borig claims the house was already in need of "deferred maintenance" when she and her two roommates moved in last January.

According to Borig, the dishwasher was broken, the chimney needed cleaning and a toilet was broken. Borig claims she called Li on several occasions to have the repairs made, but Li never addressed

Li said Borig only called her regarding the chimney. She said she told Borig to have it cleaned and she would be reimbursed.

Li claims Borig and her roommates damaged many things in the house, including the front door, which she said are estimated to cost \$1100 for a replacement. Li also alleged the hardwood floors were scratched, the bathroom

and bedroom doors were broken and nail holes were put in the walls. She also said a light fixture was broken by the group and replaced with one that didn't match the room.

The two agree there was an original walk-through done at the beginning of the lease. Borig said she filled out a twopage inspection sheet, though she said probably not as carefully as she could have.

However, upon checking out, Borig said a different list, a much longer list, was used.

Li had a friend check the students out of the house since she was out of town. The man admitted to editing the list to make it more thorough, but Borig said the list contained things not on the check-in list, including the front door.

The lease between Li and Borig stipulates the first checklist must be identical to the outgoing checklist.

'They are almost identical," Li said.

Li originally returned \$200 of the security deposit to the students, saying she was keeping the rest for damages. She said if the three disputed the damages, Li would have the right to sue them for \$3000, which she said is the total cost

Please see LAWSUIT on A6.

Survivors
Dealing with the effects of breast cancer By SARA WEIGOLD

& VIRGINIE PEROV THE OAKLAND POST

Like "Six Degrees of Separation," breast cancer seems to connect us all through parents or friends who are affected by the disease.

The numbers speak for themselves. According to the National Association of Breast Cancer Organizations (NABCO), one out of nine women will develop breast cancer in their lifetime.

Junior Amy Pignanelli's mother was one of them. She was diagnosed at age 48 during her yearly mammogram. The disease was caught in its early stage and the radiation treatment that Pignanelli's mother received was suc-

cessful. Please see "Battling Cancer: stories of

survival" on page B5.

Rebecca Wyatt/The Oakland Post Penny Crissman, an OU Board of Trustee member is a breast cancer survivor.

### Former lecturer gets ethics lesson

Some OU students who took Administrative Ethics a few years back got a lesson from someone who is truly learning the consequences of poor ethical decisions.

Steven Duchane, the nowfired city manager of Sterling Heights, taught the Administrative Ethics class at OU during July and August of

Duchane was fired last week from his job as city manager for lying about his credentials.

He claimed on his resume that he had a bachelor's degree from the University of Michigan-Flint. According to a U-M-Flint official, Duchane never attended the school.

Duchane also said he had a bachelor's and master's degree from Century University in California. However, Century University is a non-accredited Internet school.

Ted Montgomery, director of media relations, said it is highly unlikely that OU will take any action against Duchane for lying about his credentials.

~REBECCA WYATT EDITOR IN CHIEF

# OU's recycling campaign falls short

More on Breast Cancer

·See "Researcher receives"

award" on A3

By Christina Pierson THE OAKLAND POST

Many students have already taken advantage of them, but some are still unaware of the existence of recycling bins on campus.

For three years, recycling bins have been located in the Oakland Center (OC) for plastic and glass. Newspaper bins have been in place for one year.

When the recycling program began, 3,000 bottles were recycled. Now 6,000 bottles are recycled every year. The OC also recycles 30-40 tons of cardboard annually.

Plastic and glass bins are located next to the garbage cans in the Pioneer Food Court. In the expansion of the OC, they are built in next to the garbage cans.

Newspaper bins are located by the newspaper stand outside the Pioneer Food Court and across from the computer lab. In the basement of the OC there are bins for all of the products.

"We are the only department that has

made a strong initiative to get recycling bins," Richard Fekel, director of the OC, said

OU's President Gary Russi funded the initial costs, such as providing the bins, so that the department could initiate recycling. There is an extra expense in having the recyclables picked up by an independent company, but fewer products are placed in trash bins.

The department informs the company when the bins are full so payments are made based on amount of times they pick it up rather than by a set rate. It hopes to break even by recycling more and using the trash less.

Fekel said he believes that it is a worthwhile cause for the school.

Less garbage in landfills is a plus and students can get in the habit of recycling on and off campus.

In every building, except the Education building, there are yellow bins for paper recycling. For plastic, glass and newspaper,

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Margaret Pasikowski/The Oakland Post

Bins around the OC provide convenient ways for student to recycle things like pop bottles, newspaper and glass containers. Some OU students are pushing for more bins to make it even easier for students to help cut down on trash.

## Cooley celebrates first year at

By Nikki Beattie THE OAKLAND POST

OU's partnership with Cooley Law School has been discussed since the 1980s and in the works for the past three years. This fall,

it is celebrating its one year anniversary. To officially commemorate this unique relationship, Cooley will hold its ribbon cut-

ting ceremony Monday, Nov. 3 on campus. 'Oakland University is a great place to have a law school," said John Nussbaumer, associate dean at Cooley. "From our standpoint it's two things: location in Oakland County and bringing legal education to students where it is more convenient and accessible for them."

Virinder Moudgil, vice president of Academic Affairs and provost said the partnership helps OU as well.

"We are able to expose a whole new contingent of students to the outstanding amenities available on our campus; the robust student life, the beauty of our grounds, and the proximity to many potential employers," said Moudgil. "Finally, we gained added visibility in the community through this partnership, while helping bring an important program to this market."

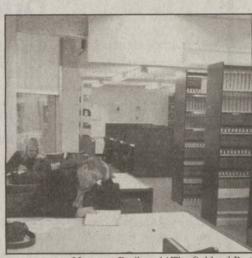
The Detroit College of Law recently moved

to East Lansing and took 1,000 law school seats out of the area. This caused a large demand for a local law program for those students who don't want to make the long commute to Lansing.

Currently, beginning law school students enrolled at Lansing's Cooley Law School can take their first two years of classes, or 60 credits, at OU.

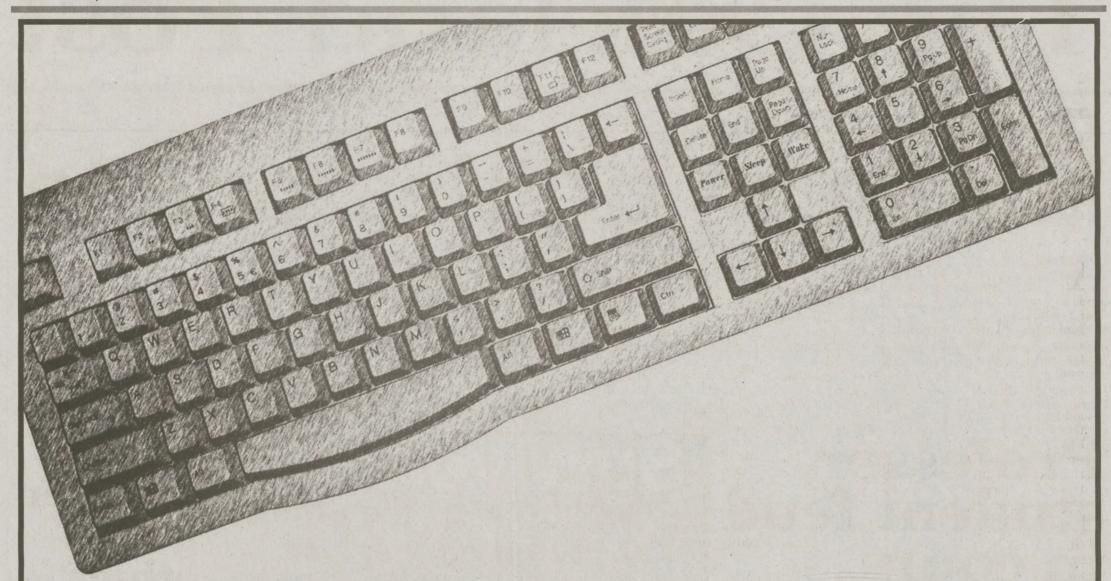
But, the two schools have been discussing the possibility of adding a third year into the deal starting the fall semester of 2004, in order to make the Cooley law program at OU a full law school.

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Margaret Pasikowski/The Oakland Post Students use the Cooley Law Library in O'Dowd. Cooley is celebrating it's first complete year at OU.

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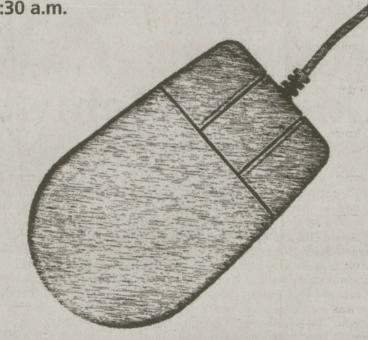
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# Researcher receives award

By Ashley Wohlgemuth THE OAKLAND POST

t OU, a number of scientists are engaged in research on the basic mechanisms of cancer development.

Masters student Narine Mirijanian presented at the Second International Young Medic's Conference on Sept. 26-27 in Yerevan, Armenia.

"I was thrilled to be invited to present my research findings at the Second International Young Medics Conference," she said. "I saw it as a perfect opportunity to showcase the research that we do at OU at an international level."

She said the conference gave her a chance to learn about basic and clinical research from other research scientists.

Mirijanian said she met scientists in the fields of Oncology from Armenia, Genetics from France and Embryology from the U.S.

The opening ceremony was held at the building of National Academy of Science of the Republic of Armenia, said Mirijanian.

"Although the main languages in Armenia are Armenian and Russian, the lectures and written information were in English," she

She gave an oral presentation titled, "Hormonal Regulation of Oncoproteins, c-Src and v-Src in Breast Cancer Cells."

Also see "Battling cancer: stories of survival" on B5

She said at the closing ceremony, it was announced that her presentation received an award from the National Academy of Science of the Republic of Armenia and was also chosen as the "Best Presentation in the Section of Oncology."

"I was very touched and excited," said Mirijanian.

Virinder Moudgil, vice president of Academic Affairs and provost, said this research is important to breast cancer patients.

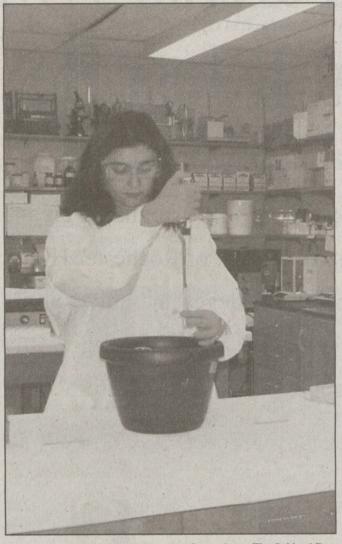
New knowledge results in better diagnosis and treatment, he said.

Current students involved in this research include undergraduates. Jaspreet Gill, Nichol McKinney and Courtney Seabolt, and graduate students Amelia Sanchez, Seema Shah and Mirijanian.

The team also includes Dr. Sumi Dinda, an adjunct assistant professor in Biological Sciences.

Mirijanian said attending this was a rewarding experience and a good example of team effort.

"It would have been impossible for me to have this opportunity if not for the constant guidance and support of my mentor, Dr. V. K. Moudgil, as well as help and encouragement from my senior laboratory colleagues, Amelita L. Sanchez and Dr. Sumit Dinda," said Mirijanian.



Laura Angus/The Oakland Post Masters student Narine Mirijanian works in the lab

#### More on Breast Cancer

By ASHLEY WOHLGEMUTH THE OAKLAND POST

Today, patients with early diagnosis and management of the disease live relatively

longer, productive and enjoyable lives. • About 10 percent or fewer cases of breast cancer are due to inheritance. In nearly 90 percent of the cases, breast cancer develops due to physiological and environmental reasons.

• By regular exercise, following healthy nutritional and physical habits, one can reduce the chances of developing breast cancer, postpone and in some cases even prevent the disease from expressing itself.

· One in seven girls born in this country would be at risk of developing breast cancer in her lifetime. About 40,000 women will report diagnosis of breast cancer this year.

• Nearly one third of breast tumors contain estrogen receptor proteins that mediate estrogen action. Such "hormone dependent" tumors appear to respond favorably to hormone therapy that includes use of antiestrogens or removal of sources of estrogens, such as the

• The other two-third of breast cancers are hormone-independent and benefit from this knowledge and seek alternative therapy, like radiation or chemotherapy.

-Information from Virinder Moudgil, vice president for Academic Affairs and

### **Tubas** on display

Students can enjoy tricks and treats at the Tuba/Euphonium Ensemble Concert at 8 p.m. today in Varner Recital Hall.

There will be a costume contest, trick or treating for kids and Halloween themed music.

Prizes from local merchants like Borders, BD's Mongolian Barbeque and T.G.I. Friday's will be awarded.

The performance is part of OcTuba Fest, a nationwide

"Audiences are always amazed at what tubas and euphoniums are capable of," said Ensemble's Director Ken Kroesche, assistant professor of music.

-Photo courtesy of MTD



## Free adult fun at **Meadow Brook**

By ELIZABETH GORECKI SENIOR NEWS WRITERS

in Dodge Hall.

Meadow Brook Theatre (MBT) is opening its doors Monday nights in hopes of giving students something fun and free to do on

The Edge of the Brook Series opened Monday, with a live show from the Fozzys.

This new Detroit band amazed an OU audience by performing hits off of its recently released album. There was also Halloween fun and a costume contest.

Monday, Nov. 3, a little adult humor hits Meadow Brook. Students are invited to experience "An Adult Evening with Shel Silverstein."

The BoarsHead Theater Second Company Production will bring its renditions of 10 Shel Silverstein poems to life using adult language, sexual content and partial nudity. The plays illustrate what

the Company calls "an absurd series of relationships in pure Shel Silverstein fash-

Students can look forward to skits including a woman's shipwreck fantasy, a bus stop battle of wits and a series of bizarre birthday gifts.

Students think the "Evening with Shel Silverstein" sounds like a good time. Jamie Walters, sophomore, plans to attend the event.

"I've never heard of something like this before," she said. "It sounds hilarious."

Kevin Markham also likes the idea. "I remember reading those poems in grade school," Markham said. "It will be fun to see how they're changed to be adult themed."

Because of the content, the performance is rated R and not recommended for chil-

Please see MBT on A8.

# hts, camera, action

By ELIZABETH GORECKI SENIOR NEWS WRITER

TV studios like Channel 4 and FOX 2 have control rooms and equipment worth thousands of dollars that get put to use everyday.

It would be tragic for equipment worth that amount of money to go to waste. But that is what is essentially happening here

The Student Video Club (SVC) and OUTV are two of the groups on campus that work to produce programming on channel 74, OUTV, each day. Unfortunately, few students know about the advantages, equipment and knowledge that are available to them.

Tony Prainito, president of the SVC wants more people to get involved in TV and broadcasting opportunities that are available to students on campus.

"It's about students taking their time at OU and utilizing it to the fullest," he said. "They'll be gaining priceless experience they can use to get ahead."

Prainito said he just wants more students to be aware of the equipment and resources available to them.

He said that with the state-of-the art equipment OU is using, students have the chance to get one step ahead of the competition.

His motto for OUTV is "Get in, get experience, get ahead."

All of the students

involved with both the SVC and OUTV are volunteers. They give up their own time to rehearse, plan, tape, edit and produce the shows and some of the commercials that air everyday on OUTV.

Mariana Perin, junior, is the Program Director for the SVC. She also feels that it's a shame that so few students are aware of the equipment they have access to on campus.

"It's one of the greatest gifts on campus and no one knows about it," she said.

The SVC is a relatively new club on campus, so everyone is trying to get accustomed to their new positions and jobs, Perin said.

"There are seven officers

now but we don't get many new members." Perin said that the SVC has over 150 e-mails from interested students but few actually show up to work on shows or use equipment.

The crew consists mostly of classes that work on the shows for credit," she said. The club is always looking

for new members. "We need help, we need producers, we need a crew, field producers, writers. You name it, we've got it," Perin said. "We just need

people." OUTV and the SVC try to make themselves known around campus by setting up a table in the OC and handing out stickers as well as giving students information on the broadcasts, but



Elizabeth Gorecki/The Oakland Post Students work on the show "Lunch Break" in the control

room of OUTV. Perin said there's only so much they can do to get

people interested. "You can only give away so many stickers," she said.

Then it's up to the student, she said. Perin said the first step in

Please see OUTV on A8.

#### **Police Beat**

 A non-OU student was arrested Friday, Oct. 24 for an assault that occurred on Oct. 22. A student reported that he called out to his friend from his car and then was confronted by the nonstudent. The man thought the comment was directed at him and threatened the student. The student claimed the man flashed a gun but the man denied it. OUPD found that the student's

description of the gun matched one registered to the non-student, but he stands by his statement.

 OUPD was called to the OC on Oct. 22 where two members of the cleaning staff had a confrontation. One party claimed the other threw him to the ground, but the other denied it. The other party said he never touched anyone. No witnesses were present.

 A non-student approached the OC Welcome Desk around 8:30 p.m. Oct. 22 and asked for a staff directory. The man, holding a copy of The Oakland Post featuring an article on OU President Gary Russi and the City of Rochester, looked up Russi's number and asked if a number for the mayor of Rochester was available. He was advised it was not.

 A student was the victim of road rage in the traffic circle Oct. 22 around noon. The person in the car behind her began honking when she pulled next to a friend's car to talk. The driver of the other car got out of the car and pounded on the student's window, returned to his car and took something from the trunk. While driving away, he threw something at the student's car.

 A man was asked to leave VanWagoner after making what students felt to be crude comments to them. The man would not leave. A check by OUPD found he had a warrant out for his arrest.

The man paid his fine, was told returning to campus would result in an arrest for trespassing.

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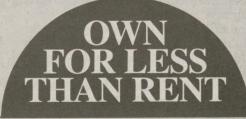
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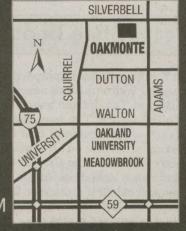
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# Angel's night set

#### Detroit looks to volunteers to make the two days before Halloween safe

By TARA FUGATE THE OAKLAND POST

ngel's Night volunteers will begin patrolling the Astreets of Detroit today in hopes of diminishing the pre-Halloween arson spree known as "Devil's Night."

Angel's Night began in 1984 in Detroit and has continued ever

Secretary of State Terri Lynn Land said the program has been very beneficial in the past.

"By working together, we can ensure that this world-class city is treated with the dignity and respect it deserves," she said. The goal of Angel's Night is to make Detroit streets more safe during the Halloween celebra-

In the 1980s, the height of arson in the city greatly increased and a movement to take back the city was born. The results have been dramatic.

From 1985 to 1995, the number of fires reduced from 297 to

In 2002, the number of volunteers for the Angel's Night program reached 40,000. This set a record for Angel's Night volunteers. It is a record Detroit Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick was only too happy to break.

Volunteers for Angel's Night 2003 will be patrolling the streets, wearing white ribbons as identification on the two nights before Halloween.

Not all participants patrol, however. Volunteering in the Angel's Night program can be as simple as turning porch lights on or keeping a watchful eye over a neighborhood.

Though many metro-Detroiters have already signed up for the campaign, it is not too late to get involved. The Angel's Night Campaign is always looking for more volunteers to help make it successful.

For more information on volunteering call (313) 224-4415 or visit the Angel's Night Web site at www.angelsnight.org.

# Charity benefits Special **Olympics**

By TARA FUGATE THE OAKLAND POST

The Greater Detroit Bowling Association and the Bowling Centers Association of Southeast Michigan are teaming up for a fundraiser to support the Special Olympics.

The Bowling Strikes Gold fundraiser will run throughout November. Currently, 16 bowling centers have joined the charitable campaign.

Mark Martin, the executive director of the Greater Detroit Bowling Association, said the event is very important and he encourages families to come out and pledge their support.

"There are only a few charities more respected than Special Olympics Michigan," he said. "We expect a strong turnout to support the charity and everyone will definitely have a lot of fun over the course of the

Each participating bowling center will host a series of events, open to all people of all ages

Participants are asked to pay a \$10 fee per event and can participate in unlimited events. Likewise, each bowling center will offer at least four events to choose from.

Events taking place include open bowling and raffles. One item being raffled off at the various bowling centers are Burnswick Cosmic bowling balls.

Bowlers who roll a strike when a golden pin is at the head of the rack will win a commemorative campaign gift.

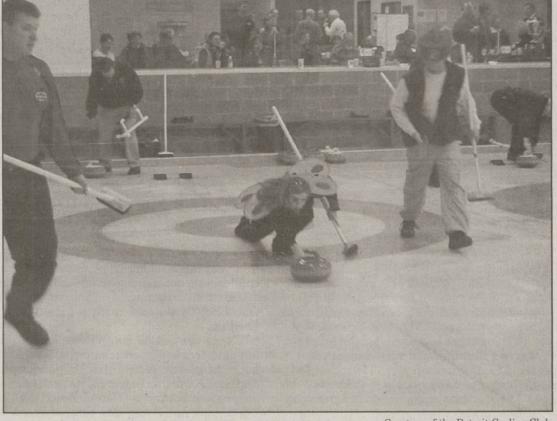
In addition, these winners will be entered into a drawing to win an all-expense paid trip for two to Las Vegas.

Other surprise events will be hosted, depending on the bowling center. Net proceeds raised throughout the month will be

donated to Special Olympics Michigan. The money will be used to sponsor sporting events as well as pay for the transporting of

the athletes to events throughout the state. For more information call (586) 773-6350 or visit its Web site at

www.bowlingstrikesgold.com. A complete listing of participating bowling centers is available on the Web site.



Members of the Detroit Curling Club practice their techniques during a practice last

### week. The club is looking for new members to help promote the sport. Detroit curling season starts

By Tara Fugaté THE OAKLAND POST

Curling is not a sport regularly aired on the mainstream sports stations.

Until recently, it was primarily a Canadian sport. However, the 2002 Winter Olympics changed that and the popularity of curling began to grow in the Northern regions of the U.S.

The Detroit Curling Club in Ferndale was one of many clubs that prospered from the Olympic coverage.

"After (the Olympics) our membership doubled to about two hundred members," said Shelley Dryda, member and media director of the club. "But we would still like

Curling consists of a four-person team armed with brushes and an oversized puck called the rock. One member releases the rock on ice and the sweepers direct it and slow it down to stop in a target area.

An open house was held last week to raise

awareness of the sport, encourage new members and officially kick off the new sea-

"We also let them sweep and deliver a few stones," said Dryda.

The Detroit Curling Club has an annual fee of \$400 per season. This allows members to participate in as many games as they want, unlimited practicing time, special privileges within the club and enables them to participate in tournaments.

The Club offers new-comers a lower annual fee, which jumps up to the normal price after two years.

"It's sort of like a trial," said Dryda. Younger members between the ages of 18 and 28 are also given discounted fees. The club is also trying to organize and promote a junior curling program for kids between

the ages of 10 and 17. Though the popularity of curling is beginning to grow, it still hasn't been adopted as an American sport, Dryda said.

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#### **Bookmobile** makes library comeback there are more than 700 computers hooked up to

WOHLGEMUTH THE OAKLAND POST

The bookmobile, a relic of the rural past, is making a comeback in many urban and suburban areas.

The Rochester Hills Public Library, which serves more than 90,000 people in 72 square miles, is purchasing its first bookmobile.

Rochester Hills' bookmobile is the first of its kind. It sits lower to the ground than the traditional vehicles, and is also much larger.

The goal is to give users quicker and more access to the Internet and different books.

In the United States,

bookmobiles in operation, according to Sandra Matsco, the library's director. She said during its peak from the early to mid-1900s, there were more than 2,000 bookmobiles.

Many urban and suburban areas are purchasing bookmobiles instead of opening branches of libraries, she said. In Michigan, there are about a dozen bookmobiles in cities such as Detroit, Ypsilanti and Kalamazoo. Rural areas also continue to operate bookmobiles to reach a variety of patrons.

Modern bookmobiles still carry books, but they also have CDs, DVDs, reference materials and

the Internet. Not only can people check out and return books, they can surf the Web, get a library card or do research.

Most modern bookmobiles are more advanced than a simple van or

trailer. The humble bookmobile had a modest start in 1905. A horse-drawn wagon bookmobile used to roll along the roads of Washington County, Md. In the 1970s, it declined in popularity, given a gas shortage and tight municipal budgets. Recently, more communities are turning

to the mobile libraries to increase circulation and Please see BOOK on A8

# Global Glance

 Southern California was officially declared a disaster area by President George W. Bush Monday after wildfires swept its forests. Thousands of people have had to flee their homes and 15 people have reportedly died from the fires that have charred more than 300,000 acres. Weather predictions indicate dry and hot conditions will continue. This has become the worst blaze in California history. Flames reported as high as 100 feet have made areas like Los Angeles, San Diego and Ventura counties officially disaster areas. California Gov. Gray Davis summoned the National Guard to help with disaster relief. Davis said 135 fire engines are headed into these disaster areas from other states to help contain the flames.

• A bloody string of car bombs in Baghdad has left dozens dead. A U.S. Army general said the recent attacks against coalition and Iraqi police do not fit the pattern of former Iraqi leader, Saddam Hussein's loyalists. However, the general wouldn't say what group could possibly be behind the bombings. The four suicide car bombings killed at least 30 people Monday, including two American soldiers, and injured more than 200 other civilians. The bombings targeted the headquarters of the International Committee of the Red Cross in central Baghdad and three Iraqi police stations.

• Robert Durst, eccentric millionaire, said he doesn't remember killing and cutting up his best friend in a scuffle in 2001. The New York real estate heir testified Monday in the murder of Morris Black, 71. Occupants in the Galveston, Texas courtroom gasped as Durst described using two saws and an ax to cut up the body and then dump the parts in the Galveston Bay after drinking a fifth of Jack Daniels. The trial con tinues this week. Durst, 60, could face up to 99 years in prison if convicted.

Russia's stock market and currency went reeling after one of the wealthiest people was detained at a Siberian airport Saturday. Mikhail Khodorkovsky, head of oil giant Yukos, was seized by special forces, sent to Moscow and charged with a \$1 billion (30 billion rubles) fraud and tax evasion. The arrest is said to be politically motivated by Yukos - as well as Russian businessmen and politicians. Khodorkovsky's fortune is estimated at \$8 billion by Forbes magazine. The fear is international companies will pull out of the market, causing it to continue to fall.

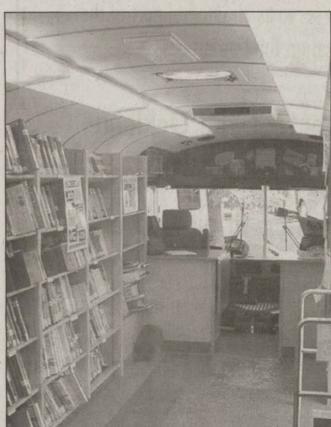
#### Global

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• Blood for beer was the topic of interest during a recent blood drive in Durango, Colorado. Each pint of blood donated was rewarded with a pint of beer at the United Blood Services of Durango blood drive. Four area breweries sponsored the Halloween-themed blood drive, where volunteers dressed up as vampires to take the blood. The beer for blood campaign had an added bonus - the owner of the brewery that collected the least amount of blood would have to dye his or her hair bright red.

~ Compiled by Adam L. Neal, Local News Editor

Information taken from various news sources.



Courtesy of the Rochester Hills Public Library A model display of the bookmobile coming to the Rochester Hills Public Library. The mobile unit is expected to be up and running by next summer.

#### **GRADES**

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can check your grades and talk to teachers privately," she said. Lydia Ladah, senior, agrees that it

will be beneficial.

"I'm done with my 100 and 200

level classes after this semester, but it would help other students to stay on top of things," she said. Nicole Calhoun, senior, disagrees.

"I don't think it will help because one grade does not determine my grade in the class," she said.

According to Clark, students evaluations note progress, not an exact grade.

"If a student receives a U, for unsatisfactory, that means their instructor has determined the student is in danger of receiving a low final grade in the course. If the student is doing (satisfactory), there is no evaluation given," he said.

To alert students about the new evaluations, e-mails were sent to all students enrolled in 100 and 200 level classes.

The e-mail included instructions

for accessing the evaluations, determining academic progress and seeking assistance if necessary, Clark

Some students have commented that they did not receive anything.

"None of my teachers put anything in," said Melissa Muylart, senior.

If students do not see evaluations, and their professors told them that they put one in late, check again, said Clark.

At this time there are no plans for including evaluations for 300 and 400 level courses, he said.

"The further students are in their academic careers, the more they understand what is involved. They have a better handle on what they need to do," Clark said.

To access mid-semester evaluations, go to sail.oakland.edu, select "Login to Secure Area," then "Student Services and Financial Aid." Next, click on Student Records and Account Summary and then click on Mid-Term Grades.

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#### LAWSUIT

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of the damages to the house.
"I was trying to be nice," said
Li about originally returning
some of the money.

According to OU records, the land in the Meadow Brook subdivision is owned by OU. The owners of the house do not own the land. OU has stipulated in the land lease agreement that only full-time employees or professors can occupy the houses in the subdivision and they can only be sublet with university permission.

Li said she did not know of

the stipulation and did not have permission.

The verdict in the case was to be mailed to Borig and Li this week. The Post will continue to follow the story. Check back next week for the verdict.

#### RECYCLE

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the OC is the place

Many students are unaware that they can use the paper bins, while others use them for trash.

Herb Lucre, custodial supervisor, said students often put trash in the bins, which then contaminates the whole bin and prevents the contents from being recycled.

The cost of having the paper recycled from all of the bins is \$112 dollars each month. No matter how much is recycled.

"Students need to make a conscious effort," Lucre said.

Lucre suggested the university inform students at orientation about the existence and location of the recycling bins. This way, they will be aware of them and they can encourage others to recycle.

Bretton Jones,
Campus Greens president, addressed OU's
Student Congress
(OUSC) last spring
about his idea of having trash cans taken
out of classrooms and
placing a couple in the
hallways.

The majority of things students throw away in the classrooms are recyclables, but they could still have trash cans available.

Jones said he thinks the OUSC is "being irresponsible about recycling."

He stated that if OUSC legislators wanted to, they could pass an amendment concerning recycling, but they don't make it an issue.

Kenton Lewis, vicepresident of OUSC, said Student Congress hasn't done anything within the past year to encourage students to use the recycling bins.

"It is a topic we are looking into," Lewis said.

The students and faculty have to make an effort to utilize the plastic, glass and newspaper bins. With bins only located in one building it means a long walk for those students who don't regularly venture through the OC.

Aitomi Suzuki, freshman, is one student who does not use the bins.

"I don't go over there," Suzuki said, referring to the food Emily Morrow, sophomore, said she does not use the bins on campus simply because she, "never has anything to recycle."

Another factor that may contribute to the lack of use is that some of the bins do not have signs. And ones that do aren't read because of their location next to the trash.

Universal labels have been ordered for all of the bins, but they are not in place yet.

"I haven't really noticed (the bins)," Whitney LeMarbe, freshman, said.

Ed Richards, junior, was unaware of the bins, but said in the future, he will make an effort to use them.

#### COOLEY

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"We are very interested in creating joint degree programs in a short period of time, this has benefits for everyone," said Nussbaumer.

In return for space, Cooley puts 8 percent of their law student's tuition into OU's academic budget, said Media Relations
Director. Ted Montgomery.

Moudgil said most of the costs for the program is shared between OU and Cooley.

For example, the classroom renovations that took place in O'Dowd Hall will also benefit OU students for years to come, said

Mondoil.

Cooley has 10 faculty members teaching at OU full-time and four open positions that should be filled soon. These staff members are paid by Cooley Law School.

"I think what sets our teachers apart is the fact that they are very student centered," said Nussbaumer. "They go out of their way to be accessible to students."

The students of the program agree with

Nussbaumer.

"Most of the teachers show a high level of interest in their job," said Jordan Bush, a first year law student. "Their classes are challenging, but manageable."

The curriculum taught on the campus of OU is exactly the same as it is taught in Lansing.

"Exams are challenging. There aren't any mid-terms, just one exam that's three hours long," said second year law student, Jim Stellabotte, as he sat in the newly opened law library in O'Dowd Hall.

"Oakland has a very nice campus," said Stellabotte, who is originally from Pennsylvania. The appealing campus and the school's increasing prestige among nationally ranked universities were two major attractions that Cooley saw in OU, said Nussbaumer.

"OU is moving into the big leagues. It is a great opportunity to be linked with an institution like Oakland. I think that feeling is mutual and hopefully OU's success will rub off on us and vise versa," said Nussbaumer.

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## Letters to the Editor Editor's View

DEAR EDITOR,

Brian Welch's Oct. 22 Point/Counterpoint serves as just another reminder that whenever any politician speaks of making a decision for "the needs of students" or whatever body they represent, some great disservice is usually being per-

I was at the OUSC meeting when the 60 minute time limit was first approved. Some of the "exchange of ideas" and "abundant benefits generated by democracy in action" were repeatedly striking down amendments to bills and resolutions for mere grammatical errors that, under Mr. Galecki's vision, should have been cleared up before the meeting ever took

To quote Mr. Welch one more time, "The job of a congressperson is to listen in order to discover what students need." What we need is a Congress that comes to meetings prepared to do their business without wasting the precious time of the students who show up to the meetings to feel like they have some little say in the legislative process.

RANDY S. DUDEK SOPHOMORE MUSIC EDUCATION

#### **Corrections:**

• In the article "Money talks at OUSC" The Post identified Mary Beth Snyder as a guest speaker at the OU Student Congress meeting. That speaker actually was Lynne Schaefer, vice president of Finance and Administration.

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#### Featured columnist

#### Chief stresses consequences of alcohol use and abuse



SAMUEL LUCIDO Chief of Police OU Police Department

We are now well into the start of a new Fall Semester - a time for new experiences, making new acquaintances and renewing old friendships. It becomes a time for new educational challenges and for making memories that will last a lifetime.

Unfortunately for some, however, it is also a time for dealing with the potential aftermath of alcohol use and abuse: jail and arrest records, vandalism, violence, sexual aggression and even death.

According to research summarized in a 2002 report published by the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA), the consequences of excessive drinking on college campuses are more costly than many of us realize and the impact is felt by all students whether they drink or not.

Some of the more specific findngs of the research indicate:

• More than 1,400 students ranging in ages from 18-24 die from alcohol-related injuries each year, including motor vehicle crashes.

· Young drivers are over-represented in both alcohol and nonalcohol related fatality rates and the rates are nearly twice as great among 18-20 year olds, as compared to the population over 21.

· A total of 500,000 students aged 18-24 were injured while under the influence of alcohol.

• More then 600,000 students aged 18 to 24 were assaulted by another student who had been

· More than 70,000 students aged 18 to 24 are victims of sexual assault or date rape in which alcohol is involved.

· An estimated 110,000 students aged 18 to 24 are arrested for an alcohol related violation such as minor in possession or driving under the influence.

In light of these grim statistics, our criminal justice system has taken a progressively stronger stand over the years against alcohol related offenses. Relative to drunk driving, for example, on Sept. 30, 2003, Michigan became the 44th state in the nation to lower its drunk driving standard from .10 percent blood alcohol content (BAC) to .08 percent.

A first time offender convicted

- of drunk driving faces: · Up to 93 days in jail
- Up to a \$500 fine
- · Up to 360 hours of community
- · Up to 6 points on the driver's
- · Up to 180 days suspended license

Convicted drunk drivers are also subject to a new additional \$1,000 penalty that is included in a recently approved driver responsibility program. The \$1,000 penalty will be imposed for 2 consecutive years. And, any driver who refuses a breath test during a "first time" drunk driving investigation is given an automatic one-year driver's license suspension, rather than the previous six month suspen-

Aside from drunk driving issues, simply possessing, con-

suming or purchasing alcohol carries significant consequences for minors under the age of 21, including an arrest record and conviction for a criminal offense. Adults (aged 21 or over) who knowingly sell or furnish alcohol to a minor can also find themselves facing a criminal convic-

During the investigation of such offenses, minors will be offered the opportunity to take a Preliminary Breath Test (PBT) upon the request of a police officer to detect the presence of alcohol within a person's body.

Refusal to take such a test will result in the automatic issuance of a citation. In addition, the investigating officer may still charge the minor for being in possession based on other criteria, including the officer's observations of the minor's behavior.

The primary mission of the Oakland University Police Department remains the protection and safety of all of our students, faculty, staff and visitors. To that end, we strictly adhere to a zero tolerance policy when it comes to under age drinking, furnishing alcohol to minors, and drinking and driving. The provisions of state law, as well as the University's local ordinances, are strictly enforced and there are no exceptions - plain and simple.

The men and women of the OUPD want to do our part to help ensure your experiences here are challenging, rewarding and enjoyable and we want you to continue to find Oakland University to be an extremely safe and secure environment in which to pursue your educational goals.

#### Life after Life Make an early decision

Editorial at

a glance

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Students have enough to worry about juggling classes, work, family and friends. How can they be expected to think

about something like death?
Well, they need to because of Terri Schiavo. She's the woman in Florida who is in a vegetative state. We don't even know if she realizes the fight that's going on over her life.

Her husband, who is also her

legal guardian, wants to remove her from her feeding tube, meaning she would die, and her parents are fighting for her to live.

Schiavo has been in this "coma" for 13 vears as a result of a heart attack she had when she was 26 years old. That's not much older than the average OU student. Certainly it's unusual for 26 years old to have

heart attacks, but it's not impossible.

No one knows what Schiavo wants. She can't communicate. She can't feed herself, but she responds to stimulus and her parents. Doctors say there is very little chance of recovery.

Her husband has been fighting for years in court saying she would not want to live in her current state, but her parents don't want to see her die. It's tearing up the family and

This ongoing saga leads to the question, would you want to live in that condition?

There are ways to avoid the dilemma tearing apart Schiavo's family.

Appoint an advocate who knows what you want if you are ever seriously injured this can help take the burden off an already traumatized family.

Have a durable power of attorney, which states exactly what heroic measures you want taken should the unfortunate occur.

Schiavo did not sign a living will, which would have outlined exactly what she wanted, but she also probably never believed she'd suffer from a heart attack at the age of 26.

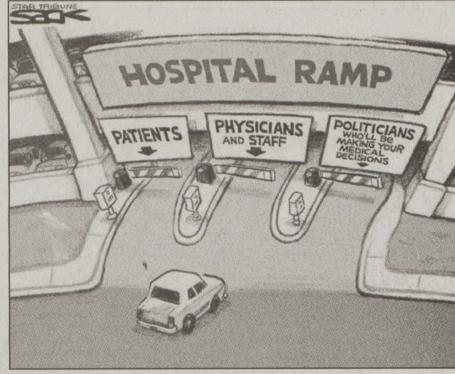
At the very least make sure your parents, spouse or children under-

stand your wishes and what type of care you want if the unthinkable should happen.

It's certainly not what we expect or want to happen, but a tragic event is something we should all at least think about. As educated people, we all

know what we want out of life. Schiavo's situation may

be a lesson to people to make those desires known ... just in



# Point / Counterpoint

### Should "God" be removed from the pledge of allegiance?

By ELIZABETH GORECKI SENIOR NEWS WRITER

It's everywhere; on money, in the court system, even in Presidential speeches. God and religious influences turn up everywhere, but does that make them right?

The Supreme Court is considering this question now that they agreed to hear a case concerning the removal of the phase 'under God' from the Pledge of Allegiance.

In a country that prides itself on having rights such as the freedom of speech, freedom of religion and the separation of church and state, it is amazing that references to God turn up as frequently as they do.

The reference to God in the Pledge is just one example of the unconstitutional religious influence our country forces

upon its citizens. There are those who are offended by a reference to

God and others who do not acknowledge a god at all. Is it constitutional to make these people recite what is essentially a Catholic prayer for our country and, ironically, the 'liberty and justice' we all supposedly have? While this country was

built on a religious foundation, it has since evolved into the free nation that it is today, giving all of its citizens the right to freely practice any religion and express any belief they please and not to be forced to partake in those they do not.

The original Pledge of Allegiance, written in 1892, did not contain the phrase 'under God.' It was added in 1954.

The original writer of the Pledge knew that it was wrong to force religious beliefs upon the population, so why do we feel we have the right to do so over 100 years later in the so-called open-minded times we are in

By ADAM HITCH SENIOR SPORTS WRITER

The argument seems stupid does it not? The United States Government is attempting to change something very special to our nation all because a small minority of people are offended

The Pledge of Allegiance is very patriotic, it is purely American and when we say it, it broadcasts that we are proud to live in the greatest nation in the

I remember going to elementary school when I was young and every morning saying the Pledge and feeling like I was part of something.

Coincidentally, at this time we were taught to be proud of our nation and not despise it. The elimination of "God" in the

pledge underscores a serious problem in our country. It proves that I learned more about what it means to be an

American back in elementary

school and junior high than I could ever possibly learn in col-

Back then, I learned that America was based on the principle of "majority rule and minority rights." Today, in college, I am learning that it actually is minority rule and the majority have no rights.

If this were not the case then this discussion would not be taking place.

The word "God" in the Pledge of Allegiance does not offend the majority of the people in the United States. I know this because a glimpse of census data shows the vast majority of Americans believe in a God.

Careful understanding of the language says that the "God" in the Pledge does not mean any specific god. It is just god.

I do not understand the thinking of minority groups when it comes to a situation like this. Do they need the attention that much that they are willing to forgo common sense to get press time?

If someone does not want God in the Pledge of Allegiance then just do not say it.

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#### **MBT**

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Brett Rominger of MBT said that the series would hopefully bring students into the theater.

"We're now running the theater so we thought what the heck, let's open it up," he said. "We want to reach out to the student population and give them something to do on Monday nights."

The performances are free and donations are accepted at the door. Doors open at 7:30 p.m. and the show starts at 8 p.m. at the Meadow Brook Theatre.

This isn't the first time MBT has tried to provide free entertainment for students. Rominger said there used to be local bands who frequently played at the

There used to be jams at Meadow Brook one Sunday

a month for years," he said. Those concerts were also open to the public.

Rominger wants to keep up this tradition by inviting bands to Meadow Brook and by taking student recommendations about new

"We want to try to find bands that students on campus want to see," he said. "We're hoping to keep 600 seats filled, showcase local talent and have a little bit of everything for stu-

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#### OUTV

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becoming part of OUTV or the SVC is getting trained.

'I was trained in about an hour," Perin said. "Now I'm the program director."

Students can look forward to a variety of new shows on OUTV thanks to the SVC. One new show, Spotlight, will begin airing at the end of November and feature local bands.

Perin, along with sports direc-

tor Kevin Eastin, are also working to cover basketball games, something that has not been done in the past. They are also trying to start up a sports desk

The newest project is a show called "Lunch Break."

The show features two communication majors, Kara Coraci, junior, and Ryan Hoffman, junior, in a Regis and Kelly type produc-

tion. The show first aired yesterday and OUTV and SVC hope to get it broadcast throughout the Oakland Center at lunchtime.

Any student is welcome to join the SVC to learn to use the equipment, work on productions and gain experience for a job after school.

Interested students should stop by OUTV, located at 111 Varner

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#### BOOK

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promote literacy, Matsco said. Rochester's bookmobile is slated to debut in July 2004, and will cost \$175,000.

The Friends of the Rochester Hills Public Library plans on paying for it through fundraising. Library officials will be designing the bookmobile during the next few months and will set routes this spring. Matsco said

the bookmobile will allow residents outside of the Rochester Hills area a chance to see what the library has to offer.

"People think bookmobiles are part of the past because they don't see them around much," Matsco said. "But there are many active around the coun-

#### **CURLING**

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The teams and clubs that do exist are mostly in the northern U.S. and Canada.

"Part of the problem is climate. The ice we use is different than hockey ice. It's sort of beaded and it gets softer faster," she said. "It's really hard to play on soft ice."

Dryda's advice to those interested in the sport is to read up on it and to come out and try it. Like any sport, curling is either something a person likes or doesn't

like, she said.

For Dryda, curling was addictive. She said once she tried it she was hooked, and that her interest stemmed from watching games on the Canadian station.

Something Dryda said she would like to see is curling teams being created in colleges.

"Eastern Michigan formed one," Dryda said.

However, not many colleges have teams for them to compete

"It'd be great if there were college competitions," said Dryda.

She said the Club encourages new potential members to come out and try the sport, in hopes that, like Dryda, they will fall in love with the game.

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# League domination

Women clinch regular season crown

By Brendan Stevens SPORTS EDITOR

or the third time since joining the Mid-Con, the OU women's soccer team recorded an undefeated conference record.

The team wrapped up its league schedule with a 5-0 victory over Indiana University-Purdue University-Indianapolis (IUPUI) Sunday on the Lower

The win also clinched sole possession of the Mid-Con regular season title for the Grizzlies, on of the team's season goals.

"I think it's always good to accomplish goals," head coach Nick O'Shea said. "Teams are getting better and the teams are learning how to play against us. We still have to win the tourna-

OU set records for most consecutive games without a loss and most consecutive wins with 10 straight victories, dating back to a 3-0 win over Eastern Michigan University on Sept. 19 in

"I think it's good and it is something that we're proud of," O'Shea said. "It's the type of thing that it's not the big goal. It's a step along the way.

In win number 10, the Grizzlies' offense and defense were firing on all cylinders.

OU's offensive got the ball rolling quickly when junior forward Shelly Piccirillo tallied her team-high 10th goal of the season by beating freshman IUPUI goaltender Jessie Mann in the upper right corner of the net.

Senior Grizzly midfielder Erica



Bob Knoska/The Oakland Post

Sophomore forward Kristi Swaving heads the ball past the IUPUI goalkeeper and defense.

Demers set the play up by stealing the ball away from the Jaguars' defense and passing to Piccirillo on the left side of the 18-yard box.

Junior midfielder Laura Cowham set up OU's second goal by drawing a free kick in the box. Demers took the penalty kick and put the ball passed Mann in the lower right corner for her second goal of the year.

Less than 30 seconds later, the Grizzlies went up 3-0 when freshman midfielder Lisa Marie-Woods put a loose ball in the back of the net.

Buckland kept IUPUI off the board by getting a hand on a shot by Jaguars' freshman midfielder Samantha Sliney, forcing the ball to hit the post and stay out of the

A goalie change by IUPUI at halftime was not enough to slow down OU's offense as sophomore forward Kristi Swaving tickled the twine for the fifth time this season five minutes into the sec-

Demers put a corner kick toward the net and Swaving skied to head the ball past the replacement Jaguar goalkeeper, senior Connie Bigott.

The Grizzlies wrapped up the scoring at the 74:04 mark with a goal by junior midfielder Lindsey Mathus, her second of the season.

Buckland combined with freshman goalkeeper Amber Gale for the shutout, OU's ninth of the season. Buckland made five saves in more than 74 minutes of action and Gale was untested in more than 15 minutes of play.

OU takes on intrastate foe Western Michigan University at 3 p.m. Thursday in Kalamazoo and then ends its regular season with a contest against Indiana University at 1 p.m. Sunday on the Lower Fields.

BRENDAN **STEVENS** 

Sports Editor

#### Three line headline goes here

Am I the only one who doesn't like to hear million-dollar athletes complaining about not making enough money?

After pulling such antics as taunting opponents, bumping into an official and kicking a pylon during pre-game warmups, Tampa Bay Buccaneers defensive tackle Warren Sapp is doing just that.

Fined \$50,000 for his stunts, Sapp played dumb during his Sunday Conversation on ESPN, asking what he has done.

He quoted NFL Commissioner Paul Tagliabue saying Sapp was "lucky to be playing" in Sunday's

A dumfounded Sapp continued to ask what he had done.

He pursued the correct channels and, with the support of the NFL Players Association, has appealed the hefty fine.

Sapp argues the NFL broke its own rules of progressively fining players for abusing officials, and he may very well be correct.

But then Sapp made a comment that I consider inexcusable and completely inappropriate:

"Like I said before, it's a slave system. Make no mistake about it, slave master say you can't do it, don't do it. They'll make an example out of you," he said during an interview on CBS' "The NFL Today" last Sunday.

Rush Limbaugh "resigned" from his job as an analyst on ESPN's Sunday NFL Countdown for accusing the media of wanting African-American quarterbacks to succeed merely for their skin color.

But in Sapp's case, he was given interview after interview to explain himself and few people questioned the racial motivations behind the comment.

I believe Limbaugh's resignation was appropriate for making such ignorant comments. Sapp's "punishment" on the other hand ems beyond insufficient.

A man who has made millions upon millions of dollars by playing in the NFL had the gall to call his bosses in the front office "slave masters."

I don't want to go into great depths about the hardships real slaves faced in this country, or the problem of racial equality that still haunts our society

I am just a sports guy. What I do know, however, is Sapp is far above a slave and his

bosses are much better than

slave masters. Sapp said his nine-year career has been full of injustices

against him by the NFL. He takes no responsibility for his role in the turmoil.

During his opportunity to explain his comments Sapp went out of his way to make matters worse.

He once again attacked the league office for forcing players to keep their helmets on while on the playing field, saying the NFL forced its players to wear masks, preventing them from self-promoting.

Last time I checked, football was a team sport.

Sapp said football is the most popular sport in the world, but that no one knows who the individual players are.

That's just naive.

Most of us know who Sapp is, and just like any other professional arena, those with extraordinary football skills stand out above the competition.

And that is putting aside the fact that football is the most team-oriented sport of the big

Millionaire athletes need to stop complaining about their wallets and just play the game, cause that's what it is, a game.

Brendan Stevens is a junior

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Senior OU goalkeeper Sarah wimmers start with win

By DANA UTZ THE OAKLAND POST

OU's men's and women's swimming and diving teams had their first meet of the season Saturday.

The Golden Grizzlies hosted their annual Quadrangular meet with West Virginia University (WVU), the University of Akron (U-A) and Wayne State University (WSU).

Both of the squads came away with victories.

The men's team defeated WSU 161-80 while the women's team was undefeated, beating U-A 124-119, WSU 202-41 and WVU 153-90.

Some of the outstanding races swam by the men came from junior Chris Sullivan, sophomore Nick McCollum, freshman Mohamed Awad, junior Blaine Dolcetti and freshman Hunor Ma'te'. Each of them came away with individual victories.

Awad, Dolcetti and Ma'te' took first, second

and third, respectively, in the 200-yard IM.

Ma'te' and Awad swam neck-to-neck in the 200yard breaststroke, but at the end Ma'te' beat Awad by two seconds.

Sullivan won both 50and 100-yard freestyle races, and McCollum won the 200-yard backstroke.

When it came to the men's relays, sophomore Horacio Munoz, senior Sean Broadbent, sophomore Eric Lynn and Sullivan took the win in the 400-yard free relay.

In the 400-yard medley relay, freshman Bryon Tansel, Broadbent, Lynn and Ma'te' garnered the Grizzlies another firstplace finish.

"This meet was a good start to the season," said Sullivan.

On the women's side, freshman Melissa Jaeger touched out senior Tanya Korniyenko by threetenths of a second to win the 200-yard IM.

Senior Shelley Aurit



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Junior freestyle swimmer Oksana Strelets during Saturday's competition.

took first in the 200-yard breaststroke and junior Oksana Strelets dominated the freestyle events taking a first in both the 50- and 100-yard free.

Winning the 200-yard freestyle was sophomore Line Jensen.

In women's diving competition, freshman Liz Herrington placed second. At the end, the women's meet came down to the 400-yard free relay with OU and U-A tied.

Strelets, Jensen, freshman Jenna DeJonge and freshman Amanda Burwell swam to a victory, giving OU the win.

"Akron is one of the top teams this season and one of the most favored and improved," said head coach Pete Hovland. "This

meet is not necessarily an indication of how the rest of the season will be, but I was very pleased with the outcome of the meet."

The men's and women's swimming and diving teams will take a break before hosting Wright State at 5 p.m. Friday, Nov. 7 followed by a meet against Cincinnati on at 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8.

# Tournament a certainty for men

By ADAM HITCH

SENIOR SPORTS WRITER

OU's men's soccer team secured a spot in the Mid-Con Conference Tournament and improved its winning streak to four games, defeating Bowling Green State University and Valparaiso University during the past week.

The first game of the week was Tuesday as the Golden Grizzlies traveled to Bowling Green.

It took a goal by sophomore defenseman Danny Ng late into the game to secure the 1-0 win.

"Danny has combined starting with coming off the bench this year and has contributed in both roles," said head coach Gary Parsons.

The goal came off a rebound

after a shot by junior midfielder Doug Rice in the 81st minute.

The defense was the story though, as it held the Falcons to six shots in the game.

Sophomore goalie Jeff Weise did not have to make a save. "I thought we played well defensively," said head coach

Parsons on the team's web site. "We had a few chances to score but couldn't capitalize. We limited their chances on our goal and

result," he said. OU had an easier time at home Saturday versus Valparaiso.

overall we were happy with the

Led by junior forward Philip Braathen who scored two goals, the Grizzlies won 6-0. Sophomore forward Chris

Edwards started the offensive

onslaught with his sixth goal of the season in the 10th minute.

OU led only 1-0 going into the second half, but six minutes into the half Braathen scored his two goals five minutes apart to build the 3-0 advantage.

Frustration would get the best of Valpo with James Flugstad kicked out of the game with a red card in the 63rd minute.

Junior midfielder Shahar Ktovim would make them pay with his third goal of the season six minutes later.

The final two goals came off the feet of sophomores Mark Thomas, midfielder, and Mike Matalavy, forward, their first tallies of the

The goalkeepers again had an easy time with Weise and sophomore Josh Slaughter not facing a shot for the combined shutout.

"The Valpo win was huge as it assured us a spot in the Conference Tournament and allowed us to control our destiny for the regular season league championship," said Parsons.

The victories improves OU record to 8-3-4 overall and 3-1 in the Mid-Con.

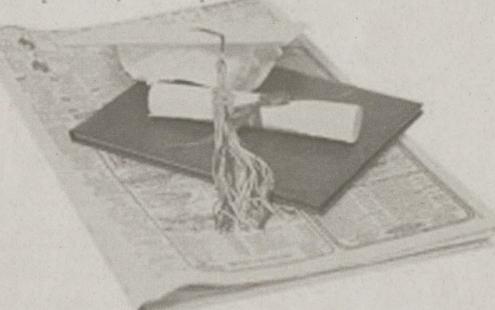
The team will face the University of Cincinnati at 7 p.m. today on the road. Returning to conference play,

the Grizzlies take on the University of Missouri-Kansas City at 2 p.m. (EST) Saturday, also on the road. The week will wrap up with a 7

p.m. Tuesday contest at Wright State University.

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#### November 12- Randi Driscoll

8pm Fireside Lounge

Named an "up and coming acoustic act" by *Rolling Stones* magazine, Randi Driscoll's talents have earned her opening spots for Pat Benatar and Linda Ronstadt. Her piano driven acoustic music is as hauntingly modern as it is classic.

#### November 13- Soledad O'Brien Lecture

4pm Ballroom

Soledad O'Brien anchors American Morning on CNN with Bill Hemmer. In 2003, she covered the Space Shuttle Columbia disaster and later anchored NBC's weekend coverage of the war in Iraq. The lecture is free and no tickets are required for admission. Seating will be on a first come basis.

#### **November 14- Murder Mystery**

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#### Men's Soccer

Wednesday Oct. 29, 7 p.m. @ Cincinnati Saturday Nov. 1, 2 p.m. @ UMKC Tuesday Nov. 4, 7 p.m. @ Wright State

#### Women's Soccer

Thursday Oct. 30, 3 p.m. @ Western Michigan Sunday Nov. 2, 1 p.m. vs. Indiana (@ Lower Fields)

#### Volleyball

Friday, Oct. 31, 8 p.m. @ UMKC Sunday Nov. 2, Noon @ Western Illinois Tuesday Nov. 47 p.m. vs. Toledo (@ 'O'rena)

#### Men's and Women's **Cross Country**

Saturday Nov. 2, TBA Mid-Con Conference Championship (@ Oral Roberts)

#### Men's Club Hockey

Friday Oct. 31, 8:30 p.m. vs. Central Michigan (@ ONYX in Rochester) Saturday Nov. 1, 8:30 p.m. vs. Ferris State (NY) (@ ONYX in Rochester)

#### Women's Club Hockey

Friday Oct. 31, 8:15 p.m. vs. Northern Michigan (@ ONYX in Rochester) Saturday Nov. 1, 7 p.m vs. Northern Michigan (@ ONYX in Rochester)

# unbeaten in eight

Friday night's OU men's club ice hockey game versus Grand Valley State University (GVSU) was the season, with the Golden

GVSU sophomore goalie Chris

the first period, GVSU junior forward Mike Kadzban slammed teammate junior forward Erik Prins' rebound home to give the Lakers a 1-0 lead 3:05 into the second period.

deked Moore out of position and

At the 10:21 mark of the second period, junior defenseman Kevin Holleran scored an unassisted goal

With 7:37 remaining in the second, the Grizzlies went on their third power play of the game and senior defense captain Karl Borgquist capitalized by knotting the score at two.

Kolito had a chance to give OU the victory in overtime but failed to

"I thought we played extremely well," said senior defenseman and captain Karl Borgquist. "I think that goalie ended up stealing the game from us. The effort was there. We can't fault our guys."

Head coach Craig Furstenau said

# Netters down foe

By ADAM HITCH SENIOR SPORTS WRITER

he losses stopped as OU's volleyball team defeated Centenary on Friday in three straight games while losing Saturday to Oral Roberts in three. All games were at home at the

Centenary, a newcomer to the Mid-Con, came out strong taking an early 9-13 lead before OU rallied back and securing the victory off a kill by sophomore Becca

Moller.

'O'rena.

The second game was similar as Centenary continued to play better than its 0-8 Mid Con record and tied OU mid-way through the game at 18-18.

The Golden Grizzlies responded to the threat, earning 10 of the next 11 points for the victory.

OU never let the visitors get close in the third and final game as sophomores Stephanie Linz and Heather Lippert ended the match and game with a block

Linz led the team with 12.5 points while senior Cortney Varterasian and Lippert each had

"We moved Katie Lozier to Libero, and Lauren Bramos to defensive specialist," said head coach Dave Schmidlin.

"Both players handled the switch and performed well in their new roles. Cortney Varterasian continued to play well since moving to the right side. Karen Conger came off the bench to solidify our blocking. Overall, the team played well

as a unit and hung in there to get the win."

Saturday's game was different story as Oral Roberts swept OU in three games by scores of 30-22, 30-28 and 30-18.

The first game showed OU get close at 22-25 but the 7-2 in Mid-Con Golden Eagles proved too much and took the game.

The second game was exciting, as OU jumped out to a 13-6 and leading most of the way until the match was 28-28 and a Oral Robert's kill and senior Patti Hunter's hitting error game the visitor's the match.

Oral Roberts dominated the third game jumping on OU 22-9 early for the victory.

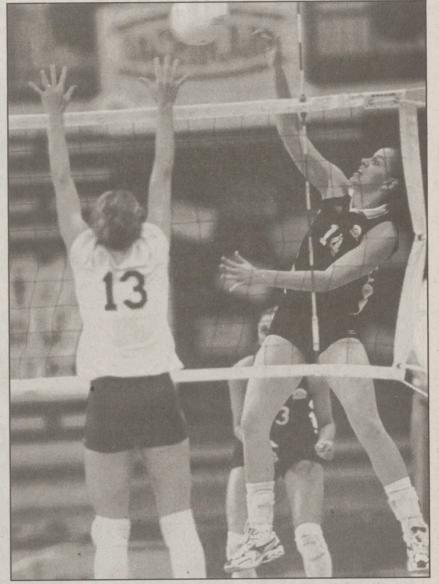
Leading the Golden Grizzlies was junior Sara Miller with 14.5 points, Linz with 10 and Lippert with 9.5.

"We played them tough in the first 2 games. We served very well, allowing our defense to set up. We passed well in serve receive, allowing us to take advantage of the mismatches in our favor," said Schmidlin.

"Even though we lost, I think we what we can take from this match is the belief that we are capable of winning the next four conference matches, which would put us in a position to get into the conference tournament.'

The weekend leaves OU's record at 4-15 overall and 3-6 in the Mid-

The team will next play Friday at University of Missouri, Kansas



Bob Knoska/The Oakland Post

Junior Sara Miller goes for the kill in the OU women's volleyball team's 3-0 sweeping loss to Oral Roberts University on Saturday in the "O'rena. The Grizzlies are now 4-14 overall.

# Preseason polls out

By BRENDAN STEVENS SPORTS EDITOR

With the 2003-04 basketball season just a few weeks away, preseason polls were released for both the men's and women's leagues.

Led by senior Mike Helms, the OU men's basketball team was voted by the league's coaches, sports information directors and media members to finish first in the Mid-Con for the first time since joining the conference. The Grizzlies were awarded 26 of the 33 possible first-place votes.

Helms was tabbed as the preseason Player of the Year after earning the honor last season by ranking third in the nation in scoring average with 26.9 points per game and being named an All-American.

Joining Helms on the conference preseason first team all-conference team were juniors

Rawle Marshall and Cortney Scott. Marshall was named Newcomer of the Year and Defensive Player of the Year in the Mid-Con last season, while Scott led the league in rebounding.

The women's squad, with many new faces on this year's roster, was picked to finish

fourth in the conference behind Western Illinois University, Valparaiso University and the University of Missouri-Kansas City. OU did earn one first-place vote.

Sophomore Jayme Wilson was the lone

Grizzly named to the women's all-conference teams, earning a first team all-conference honor after being named to the Mid-Con allnewcomer team and receiving honorable mention honors in her freshman season.

Last season, Wilson was second on t in scoring average with 15.5 points per game, placing her third in the conference, and

ranked 15th in the nation shooting 43.1 percent from behind the three-point arc.

Also returning for the women's team are junior forward Amanda Batcha and sophomore guard Anne Hafeli.

Batcha ranked 22nd in the nation with 10.1 rebounds per game last season and Hafeli contributed 11.3 points per game as a starter in her freshman campaign.

The men's team will host Hillsdale College in an exhibition game at 6 p.m. Nov. 8 and will begin the regular season versus the University of Michigan at 7 p.m. Nov. 21 in

The women will play no exhibition games this season and will start their season a day later than the men, with a 2 p.m. Nov. 22 contest against Boston College. The team will then play its home opener at 7 p.m. Nov. 25 against Central Michigan University.

# Grizzlies

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arguably the team's ugliest game of Grizzlies tying the Lakers, 2-2.

Moore came out with an outstanding performance, saving his team from losing the game.

After a plethora of penalties in

More than a minute and half later, OU senior forward Ron Kolito scored to tie the game up.

to put the Lakers up 2-1.

convert the scoring chance.

he knew what the Grizzlies had to



Photo courtesy of Oakland University Club Hockey Senior goaltender warms up before a game earlier this season.

do to step their game up for Saturday's game against Siena

University. "We need to work on burying our chances," Furstenau said. "We did a pretty good job defensively (against GVSU), but we didn't take advantage of the opportunities that we

The team took both the encouragement and criticism well and stepped it up for the Siena game,

At 16:35 of the first period, the Grizzlies went to the first power play off an elbowing penalty. With six seconds left in the penalty, Kolito scored to give his team a 1-0

Five minutes and seventeen seconds later junior forward Marc Granger tallied to give OU a 2-0 lead, which would carry them into the second period.

In the second period the Grizzlies came out slow, but by the 15minute mark the team regained momentum. Senior goaltender Shaun Zeldes backed his team up making great saves.

With 5:27 left in the second, sophomore forward Ryan Teasdale scored on give-and-go passing by Kolito and freshman forward Jordan Ingram, to give OU a 3-0

At the 14:34 mark of the third period, Kolito took a pass from Ryan Teasdale and slammed the puck home, putting the Grizzlies up

Finally, Siena got on the scoreboard as Wirkus blasted the puck past Zeldes with 18 seconds left in a holding penalty to sophomore forward Toshi Gunn.

After the goal, the action settled down for the rest of the game with OU getting a victory over Siena.

"I think Craig challenged us and we stepped up, showing him that we could play 60 minutes," Zeldes said. "That's what happens when we play 60 minutes of hockey."

The Grizzlies take on Central Michigan University on Friday and Ferris State University on Saturday. Both games will be played at 8:30 p.m. at the Onyx Ice

# **Broncos** beat

BY BRENDAN STEVENS SPORTS EDITOR

Playing with a short bench in both games, the OU women's club hockey team dropped two games against Western Michigan University (WMU) this weekend.

Friday, the Golden Grizzlies were able to get the lead in the second period but the Broncos used an early third period rally to overcome OU, 5-3.

Saturday's rematch was dominated by WMU as the Broncos won, 6-1

WMU opened up the scoring the first period in Friday's game, the only tally for the

In the second period, OU's offense got rolling with two goals to grab the lead.

Senior forward Lauren Brick tied the game up with a goal that was assisted by freshman forward Jacqueline Galofaro and senior center Kristin Czarnecki put the Grizzlies ahead with her goal.

The Broncos scored two goals at the beginning of the third period to steal the game back from OU, but the Grizzlies

would not be held down long. Freshman defensman Sarah Costigan tied the game for the second time when she tallied a goal, assisted by freshman center Daniela Marrocco, midway through the third period.

With 4:42 left in the game, WMU broke the tie for good and, after OU had pulled its goalie with less than a minute and half remaining in regulation, sealed the game with an

empty netter with 25 seconds left in the game.

Looking to avenge Friday's close loss, the Grizzlies could not take advantage of home-ice advantage as WMU scored the first goals of the game on the way to victory.

in all three periods before OU could remove the goose egg from the scoreboard with less than three minutes remaining in the game. Galofaro recorded the

The Broncos scored two goals

Grizzlies' lone goal, assisted by Marrocco, with 2:38 left.

While OU was dominated on the scoreboard, the team was able to test WMU, outshooting the Broncos 27-25.

Head coach Shana Osler said that a short bench, seven players for Friday's game and only one more for Saturday, had a great deal to do with the tough weekend.

"We only had seven skaters for Friday night's game and the girls played very well," Osler said. "They didn't give up at all, they skated well, passing looked good.

"Saturday, the fatigue carried over from Friday was definitely a factor in our loss. We just have to shake this one off and get ready for Northern this

weekend." The Grizzlies will take on Northern Michigan University in back-to-back games this

weekend. At 8:15 p.m. Friday, OU will begin the weekend and wrap it up at 7 p.m. Saturday. Both of the games will take place at the Onyx in Rochester.

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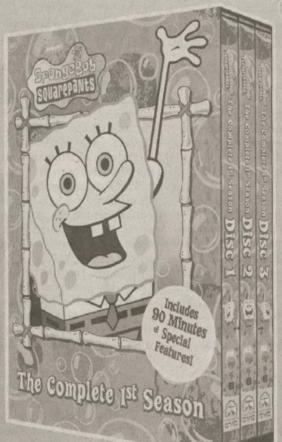
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# Battling cancer: stories of survival

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By VIRGINIE PEROV & SARA WEIGOLD THE OAKLAND POST

"Early detection prevents death," said Joanne Talarek, adult nurse practitioner and coordinator at OU's Graham Health Center. "There is not enough prevention."

A display in the lobby of the center promotes Breast Cancer Awareness Month, which is October. According to the National Alliance of Breast Cancer Organizations, (NABCO) it is the leading cause of cancer death for women between the ages of 20 and 59.

According to the American Cancer Society (ACS), the most prominent risk factors include, a history of breast cancer in close family, such as mother or sister, late age at the time of birth of the first child, obesity, high-fat diet, daily alcohol consumption and smoking. However, most women who develop breast cancer do not present any of these known risk factors.

This is why Talarek emphasizes that all women over the age of 20 should be doing a self-exam once a month, preferably three days after menstruation.

She also recommends having a professional exam during the annual gynecological visit. She explains that mammograms are not really useful before the age of 35 due to the nature of breast tissue. However, after the age of 40, all women should have a yearly mammogram.

Talarek's patients are usually young women, and breast cancer is often not a concern of theirs. But occasionally, students come to her after discovering lumps. Most of the time, they are false alarms.

"It is normal to find lumps during your menstruation," said Talarek. "It is part of the cyclical breast changes."

According to NABCO, approximately 80 percent of breast lumps are found to be benign or non-cancerous. But breast cancer incidence increases with age, rising sharply after 40. According to NABCO, about 77 percent of invasive breast cancers occur in women over age 50.

Penny Crissman, vice-chair of OU's Board of Trustees and director of

Government Relations at Crittenton Hospital, was first diagnosed with breast cancer at age 45.

After a self-exam, she discovered lumps in her breast and was shortly after diagnosed with fibrocystic disease, which is a non-cancerous condition in which multiple cysts or lumpy areas develop in one or both breasts. The treatment involved aspiration, or removal, of the cysts.

A biopsy was performed on them and the cancer was discovered.

"This was an horrifying diagnosis," Crissman said.

More than 200,000 women and 1,300 men will be diagnosed this year with breast cancer. Depending on the stage of the disease, there are several treatment options available. These include chemotherapy, hormonal therapy, surgery

and radiation therapy. In Crissman's case, a mastectomy, or removal of the cancerous breast, was required. Since she was told that there was a 90 percent chance for the cancer to occur in the other side, she chose to remove both.

Then, after 5-years of being cancer free, Crissman once again discovered a lump.

"I was pretty emotional that time, I wanted to see my grandchildren grow up," Crissman said.

Crissman thinks that the disease is more difficult for the patient's family than it is

for the individual going through it. "It was hard on my husband," she said. "Too many men hold in their feelings and it

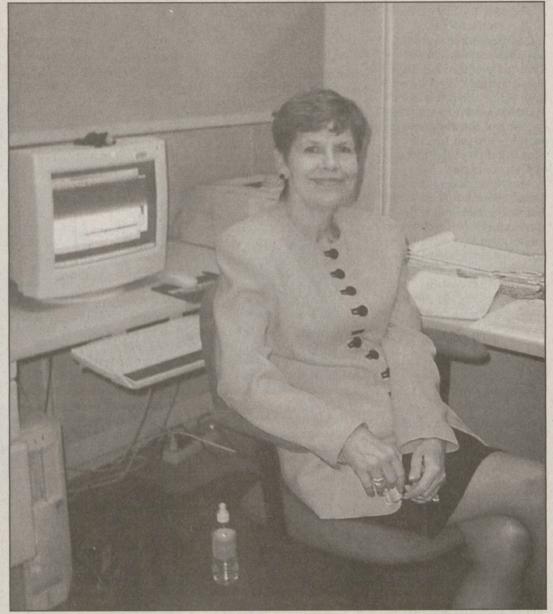
is not good for their emotional balance." The best way for her to deal with the disease was to have a sense of humor, keep her faith and stay active. Crissman continued working through her treatment.

According to NABCO, the breast cancer survival rate now reaches 86 percent.

"It is not a death sentence," said Crissman, 14 years after her first diagnosis. "I am still alive and still kicking."

Like many survivors and their families, Crissman and Amy Pignanelli are actively involved in promoting breast cancer aware-

In May, Pignanelli and her sorority, Gamma Phi Beta, raised \$3500 for the ACS by joining the "Relay for Life" walk for cancer. Also, this summer, with her family, she participated in the Cattle Barons' Ball



Rebecca Wyatt/The Oakland Post

Penny Crissman, member of OU's Board of Trustees and director of Government Relations at Crittenton Hospital was first diagnosed with breast cancer at age 45.

in Detroit, which raised more than \$1 million for the ACS.

For breast cancer awareness month, Crittenton Hospital organized a walk and has recently announced an association with the Karmanos Cancer Institute.

Graham Health Center will be handing out information pamphlets in the Oakland Center Nov. 3, in association with the school of nursing.

For further information, visit the ACS website at www.cancer.org, or call toll free 1-800-ACS-2345.

Sting's album, 'Scared Love,', released last month, features songs with Mary J. Blige.

### Pop singer 'Stings' listeners

By KATIE MANIACI THE OAKLAND POST

Last month, pop icon Sting, released his album, Sacred Love," which was a highly anticipated.

The singer's first album since 1999 is a collection of Sting-esque mel-Review low reflections on life and love.

Though always known for his socially conscious, spiritual lyrics, Sting takes his reputation for slightly offbeat, alternative-ish music to an extreme level on "Sacred Love."

The first track on the album has a guitar opening that resembles the Twilight Zone theme in a very cool way, but its unique beat does not make up for the lack of sense "Inside"

"Whenever I Say Your Name," a beautiful slow duet with music artist Mary J. Blige, is the first of few bright spots on the album.

With a track that

reminds listeners of meteors shooting through the sky, this flawless blending of voices makes listeners

think of how their troubles melt away at the thought of their one-and-only. Sting, however, soon takes

the record on a depressing downward slide with the "Dead Man's Rope," and "Never Coming Home."

Just reading the titles of the songs can become bad day-inducing.

"Stolen Car" makes no sense whatsoever, and is only tolerable when fol-

"It's such a narrow

life we tend to live."

Tamara Machmut-Jashi, assistant

professor of Art History

lowed by the awesome and bluesy "Forget About the Future." This danceable tune, similar to 1940s skat music is another of the few bright spots on "Sacred Love."

Other examples of the redundant, philosophical doom-and-gloom tunes on the album include "This War" and "The Book of My Life."

Listeners who can relate to having found the love their lives will enjoy the song "Sacred Love," a beautiful ballad about finding the person who completes your life.

This was a good one, but again was a blatant attempt to compensate for the overall melancholy, songs-to-meditate-to, snooze-worthy vibe of "Sacred Love."

### Continents to collide during cultural awareness

BY DAVID KILKENNEY THE OAKLAND POST

or the sixth straight year, the seven continents will drift back together and collide for one short week at OU, beginning Monday, Nov. 3.

Cultural Awareness Week 2003: "Celebrating our Differences," promises to be the best of this series OU has presented

All events are free and everyone is invited to attend and participate as much as

The theme of this year's week is to acknowledge and celebrate the international population at OU.

"The focus will be to make people more aware of the cultural texture of this campus, and to celebrate that texture," said Dikka Berven, co-chair of the Cultural Awareness Week 2003 Committee.

With students showing off language skills, faculty members sharing experiences from around the globe, and internationally known businessman, President and CEO of DaimlerChrysler Services, Juergen Walker, speaking on campus, students can expect to experience first-hand some of the cultural differences and similarities everyone

In addition to basic funding from the

Center for Multicultural Initiatives, the Judd Endowment for the Arts is sponsoring a grant for this year's Cultural Awareness Week. Money from the grant will be used in the form of 12 prizes to be handed out to students in the dictation, translation and speech contests.

"These contests give the students a sense of accomplishment in using their skills,"

The presentation on Thursday by Walker will be the first of a series of seven presentations to be made on the OU campus this year. Each of the scheduled presentations will be given by local business persons with much international knowledge and experi-

Berven hopes that many business and engineering students come to participate and learn.

"They are the ones that really need it," said Berven. "They can find themselves working for international companies very

Ron Rapin, associate professor of Spanish, visited Cambodia a couple of years ago.

it is to get to see places that they didn't think they could ever get to," said Rapin. Students will have an opportunity to listen to stories of Rapin's travels and the his-

"I want the students to realize how easy

tory of Cambodia at 3 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 4 in Lake Superior Room B, in the OC.

Tamara Machmut-Jashi, assistant professor of Art History, will speak from 4-6 p.m., Monday, Nov. 3 in Kresge Library following a viewing of "Lilya 4-ever."

Lilya is a teenage girl in 'nowhere' Russia. Her mother abandons her to go to America and Lilya, when her boyfriend moves her to Sweden, falls prey to the still existent slave trade that targets young women as sex slaves.

Machmut-Jashi says she wanted to show this film because she believes Russia is an important part of the world and conditions in Russia, at the moment, should be of concern to people here.

"The more you learn about the world, the more you broaden your horizons," she said. "It's such a narrow life we tend to live."

Bonnie Koch, interim assistant director of the Office for International Students and Scholars and Member of the Cultural Awareness Week 2003 Committee, got involved out of a desire to see OU's domestic student population open their minds and realize that international students are "just like them."

International Night Café will take place from 7-10 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 6 in the Pioneer Food Court, in the OC. With a

variety of music, dancing and participation of athletes from around the globe, Koch promises a night of great fun. About 400-500 people are expected to attend the event and all are welcome and encouraged to

stop by, said Koch. As the closing event, and a first for the Cultural Awareness Week, all international faculty members are invited to a recep-

tion at 4 p.m., Friday, Nov. 7 in the Atrium of the School of Education and Human Services Building (SEHS). Welcoming comments will be given by India native, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, Virinder K. Moudgil.

Cultural Awareness Week 2003 is sponsored by the Center for Multicultural Initiatives, Judd Endowment, University Student Congress, Department of Modern Languages and Kresge Library.

# Trouble in paradise

#### What to do when the honeymoon phase of living in the dorms ends

BY REBECCA WYATT THE OAKLAND POST

hhh, freedom. Moving into the dorms brings the first taste of freedom for many students, but it can also bring about a bitter battle between roommates.

Many of the residents on campus are not used to sharing a room, let alone with a stranger.

The combination can bring about situations that can make living in the dorms an unbearable experience. But it doesn't have to be that way, said Dave Moroz, assistant director of University Housing.

#### Luck of the draw

Many students take their chances when it comes to roommates.

They allow the Housing Department to match them

According to Moroz, the matching process is pretty random.

Smoking/non-smoking requests are honored first. Residents assigned to special floors like the living, learning and international floors are accommodated next. After that, the office staff just tries to honor students' first and second

Moroz said other schools have a high tech system for matching up roommates, but he does not see a need for that at OU.

"Ultimately, they have the same number of conflicts," Moroz said.

Moroz said most problems occur between people who came in as friends.

#### **Following** the rules

"The challenge here is that you have so many people here with different backgrounds and expectations," said Moroz.

Resident students are granted certain privileges under the Residence Halls Student Bill of Rights.

Under these guidelines, a student has the right to read, study and sleep in his or her room. A student can also use any part of the residence hall for its intended purpose, free of excessive noise and other distractions or pressure from a room-

Students also have their right of respect from roommate toward personal belongings, shared appliances such as the phone and guests.

But, when these rights are not granted to one roommate, there can be problems.

Resident Assistants (RAs) are trained by the Housing staff to be able to handle situations like fights between roommates.

"RAs become involved when students involve them," Moroz said.

Moroz said RAs do not have a "magic wand" and can't fix problems without the commitment of the students.

He said if the RA cannot help students come to an agreement, the hall director can step in and determine if the roommates need to be separated immediately or can wait until one of the three room change periods.

"That's been happening less and less," Moroz said. "I believe it's because the Ras

are doing a really good job at that."

#### Real world

Matt Snitgen, sophomore, and his roommate didn't know each other before this year and have been getting along fine.

"We haven't had anything major yet," Snitgen said. He said they have very similar personalities and interests, but the biggest key to their success as roommates has been compromise.

"If he wants me to get my clothes out of the way, then I shove them under my bed," Snitgen said.

Snitgen, a second year dorm resident, took his chances of being matched up by the housing office last year. He said he and his roommate got along.

Mario Hagar said his experience in the dorms has been different.

Hagar, a Vandenberg resident, said he didn't get along with his roommate, who has since moved out. The two didn't know each other very well before moving in this semester.

"Our schedules were different. I think that played the biggest role," Hagar said. "We talked about it and he decided to move."

He said the two had different sleeping schedules, different values and would argue over when guests should be present.

#### Keys to success

"I think that, starting from day one, they should have some conversations about expectations," Moroz

According to Moroz, com-



Laura Angus/The Oakland Post

Matt Snitgen, sophomore is cleaning his room by shoving his clothes under his bed.

promise and communication between roommates is the best way for the relationship to work.

He also suggests students should keep peers and parents out of the situation. Mediation should be handled by the impartial RA.

Hagar said he advises students to have a level of respect for other students' values and possessions.

#### Life

While dealing with an annoying roommate may seem frustrating, Moroz said it truly helps students grow as people. He said it teaches the students how to work things out and is something students will take with them in the

lessons

"That's why the residential experience is so valuable," Moroz said.

Having good relationships with roommates is something that can be a lifelong experience and it can also mean lifelong friends.

Snitgen said he will walk away from his experience in the dorms with two more friends.

### Take part in 'Great Sex' show coming to campus

BY ELIZABETH GORECKI SENIOR NEWS WRITER

"On the count of three, everybody yell SEX!"

Shocked, surprised, giggling? This is how the Touring Theatre Company from Western Michigan University (WMU) wants students to feel when they attend the "Great Sexpectations" show.

The Company is part of a peer education group at the Health Center on the campus of WMU. They use theatrical performances to educate students about the truths of sex, alcohol and relationships, as well as issues like depression, eating disorders and suicide.

Jean Ann Miller, director of the Center for Student Activities (CSA), said the show uses vignettes, skits and songs to get students thinking about their own attitudes

"The show does not advocate or promote anything in particular," Miller said. "It helps reinforce the student's own value system."

The production covers a variety of issues, said Kevin Dodd, coordinator of the Theatre for Community Health.

"We discuss a wide spectrum of topics like sexual orientation, STDs, relationship abuse and other issues concerning students," said Dodd. "The show is very contemporary. We hit on things students want to know about."

The "Great Sexpectation" show will be held at 8 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 4 in the Vandenberg Dining Center. According to Dodd, students should expect a good time watching and interacting with both funny and serious skits and topics.

"It can be a little shocking at first. We open by having students yell out sex and such," Dodd said.

He said this is to make students laugh a little and become more comfortable with the topics that will be dis-

Stephanie Healey, senior, thinks the show sounds like fun and plans to attend.

"I've never heard of a production like this before," she said. "It would be fun to see how they act out some of those situations."

The production has come to OU before and Joanne Talarek, nurse practitioner and director at Graham Health Center, said the turnout of more than 200 students, lefd GHS to invite the show back.

She said that the show is very educational, especially for college students, in its portrayal of real life situations.

"College students are faced with new experiences and decisions, and they are often dealing with them without the support of family and friends," Talarek said. "Students just don't go out and make bad choices, they are the result of many actions. The program does a nice job of illustrat-

Dodd agreed the show covers issues important to students. He said students like the presentation and has received positive responses.

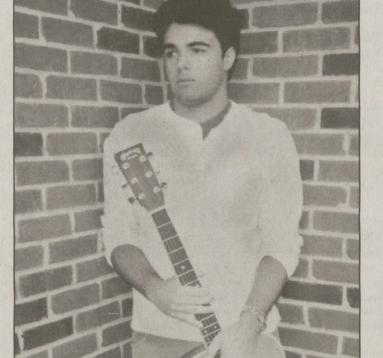
"We're always well received. We often see people come back to see it again and again every year," he said. Dodd also said the show changes slightly every year with new performers and is updated according to what students

Joe Calvin, a junior at WMU, has attended the produc-

tion numerous times in the past three years. "I've seen it five times and it just keeps getting better," Calvin said. "It's hilarious, but at the same time it's really

The Great Sexpectations Touring Theatre Company will be putting on 23 shows this year, most of which will be at

The other shows will be at Kalamazoo University, OU and Battle Creek High School. For more information on the Great Sexpectations show at OU, contact the CSA or Graham Health Center.



Tommy Butwin, freshman, a solo music artist touches students hearts with his lyrics.

## Student sings music solo

### OU freshman musician uses realistic lyrics to make songs universal

By Ava HaberkornHalm THE OAKLAND POST

Down to earth lyrics accompanied by mellow instrumentals are what makes Tommy Butwin's music so easy to get lost in.

Butwin, freshman and solo music artist, has been playing the guitar since eighth grade.

He describes his music as Acoustic Pop Rock that is very guitar oriented and has some jazz influences. Music artists, "Dave Matthews," "Sting" and "John Mayer," have also influenced Butwin's music.

As a solo artist, Butwin said he has a clear vision of what he wants to do and feels less restricted.

"My music, I try to keep it very real, by writing about things that everyone experiences and can relate too." He describes his songs as "poppy

but intellectual – but not too intellec-The following is a verse from

Butwin's song, "I Love it when it rains/ I love it when it rains / I keep my window open so / I can feel the water on my face / All I can see is everything around you/And everything around you is where I'll be.'

"His lyrics touch my heart," said Stephanie August, freshman.

"He's really good at the guitar and the vocals go along with it really well," said Dale Mills, freshman. "It combines into something that is really great to listen too."

While Butwin's goals for the future are primarily focused on music and recording records, he's earning an

education at OU., in the meantime.

He is working on performing at an upcoming show at Mr. B's, a sports bar in Troy and at Xhedos Café in Ferndale.

Butwin is occasionally accompanied by Ryan Pas, saxophone and bass player, who has also co-written a couple songs.

"Butwin has an extreme passion for his music. You can just see he loves what he does," said Julia Pickert, freshman. "He has an awesome stage presence that gets you into the music

For more information on show dates and to listen to Butwin's songs, log on to www.tombutwin.com

Wednesday, Oct. 29

Eta Kappa Nu presents a

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Free Press from 12-1:30 p.m. in the Oakland Room,

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bake sale from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. in Dodge Hall of Eng-

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# College couturier

By KANIQUA S. DANIEL THE OAKLAND POST

amar Lockhart, junior, isn't wasting any time with fantasies. He has turned his dream of becoming a fashion designer into reality with the release of his very own clothing line, "JamArt."

Inspired by "Miskeen," a unisex designer that hand-paints scattered images on different articles of clothing, Lockhart decided he was ready to design his own attire.

"It all started about two years ago. I was getting fed up with the clothing lines that were coming out,"

Student Profile

Lockhart said. "Every brand pretty much looked the same, so I decided to make my own clothes."

Ranging from \$15 to \$45 dollars, "JamArt" consists of clothing with hand-painted portraits of famous icons such as Michael Jordan, or the late rapper, 2-Pac.

Lockhart's original pieces also feature multi-colored collages, which are hand-painted on clothes as well.

Lockhart will design any piece of clothing per customer's request. The most popular trends thus far have been T-shirts, jeans and denim

T've created about eight different designs for shirts and denim apparel," said Lockhart.

Needless to say, his items are sell-

Loyal customer and fellow classmate, Willie Childs, supports Lockhart's clothing line. Childs purchased jeans and a few shirts from the aspiring businessman.

"I believe in Jamar. I think he's really gonna make it," Childs said. "Jamar has found a way to create what's hot right now-nice clothes that are better and cheaper than what you would find in the stores." Childs agrees with Lockart that

most designers lack creativity, and he too was growing tired of the same old fashions. Some brand names that both young men continue to wear are "SeanJohn," "Rocawear" and "Miskeen."

According to Childs, these are designers that can relate to the hiphop urban culture, and Lockart is on the same track.

"He knows what people like, and he's a people person," Childs said. "Jamar has a drive to achieve anything he wants, that's how I know he'll be successful.'

Currently majoring in communications, Lockhart plans to use his

degree as a gateway to explore different avenues of achieving his life-long dream.

Next semester, he will add studio art as a minor and hopes to join an art club on campus.

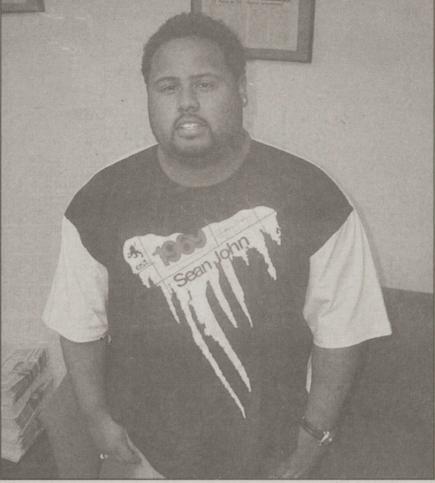
Aside from designing the latest trends, Lockhart is sergeant at arms for the Association of Black Students (ABS), and a lead mentor in the King-Chavez-Parks College Day Program.

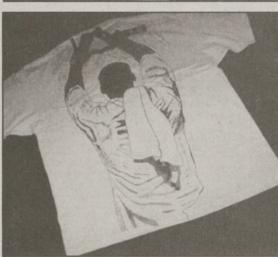
The busy 21-year-old funds all of his own projects and vows to never give up until he reaches his goal of managing a world-known clothing line.

"I want to form my own business one day...to control the direction of my designs. Hopefully, I'll be able to give advice to future entrepreneurs as to how I became so prestigious," said Lockhart.

As advice for other students who are hesitant about fulfilling their dreams, Lockhart said to stay committed and remain focused on whatever you want to become in life, and to never sell yourself short.

For more information about "JamArt," contact Lockhart at (248) 364-9311 or e-mail him at jlockhartj@aol.com.





Tracy Estes/The Oakland Post Top: Jamar Lockhart designs the artwork for his own clothing line, JamArt, which he hopes to turn into a great business one day.

Photo courtesy of Jamar

Left: Lockhart has many image creations that he draws and paints on shirts and other clothing, including pictures of 2-Pac Shakur and Scar-face.

#### Saturday, Nov. 8 The Gaming Guild of OU

is hosting Starcon from 10 a.m.-11 p.m. in the OC. Admission is free and events include an Anime room, Magic: The Gathering, Dungeons and Dragons and much more.

Tuesday, Nov. 11

The Student Program Board is hosting an Art Gallery from noon-2 p.m. in Gold Room C of the OC.

Wednesday, Nov. 12

The Center for Student Activities is hosting its current events panel from noon-1 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge.

Career Services is hosting the Health and Life Sciences Career Fair from 1-5 p.m. in the Gold Rooms of the OC.

The Student Program Board is hosting Rhythms Den with Randi Driscoll at 8 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge of the OC.

Thursday, Nov. 13

The Student Life Lecture Board is hosting Soledad O'Brien to speak at 4 p.m. in the Banquet Rooms of the OC.

Friday, Nov. 14

Friday Night Live with Troy Thirdgill will take place at 7 p.m. in the Vandenberg Dining Center of Vandenberg Hall.

The Student Program Board will be presenting the Murder Mystery at Meadow Brook Hall at 8 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 15

Meadow Brook Hall is hosting the Fall Ball from 8 p.m.-1 a.m. Tickets can be purchased at the Center for Student Activities.

Sunday, Nov. 23

The Golden Key International Honor Society Induction Ceremony and Reception will take place in the Banquet Rooms of the

Wednesday, Dec. 3

The Student Program Board is hosting a concert with performer Vanessa Bell Calloway at 8 p.m. in the Pioneer Food Court of

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Friday Night Live with Scott Kennedy will take place at 7 p.m. in the Vandenberg Dining Center of Vandenberg Hall.

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"Feel lucky? Well, do ya...punk?"

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### OC maestro loves music

RICHARD FEKEL, DIRECTOR OF THE OC

•Where did you go to school and what is

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your degree in? I earned my bachelor's of arts from Buena Vista University in Storm Lake, Iowa and I earned my M.A.E.D. of college and university student services from the University

of Northern Iowa. Professional profile •Do you have any

hidden talents? I enjoy broadcasting. I used to be on the air with my own live radio production. I took part in this

•What is your most embarrassing moment? When I was a teenager, I worked at a radio station. One day I went in early, and didn't know it. I

for some time and it was a big part in my life.

actually put the station on the air an hour before we were supposed to. I had to call my boss and tell him so we could document the mix up.

·What are a few of your hobbies outside of I enjoy collecting antique radios from the 1920s

and 1930s. I am also a big music fan and I like to record my own CD disc compilations,

so I can listen to my favorite

What is your greatest accomplishment in

My greatest accomplishment is having the professional satisfaction of working in a field I love.

Richard Fekel

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Part-time live-out nanny wanted for 6-month old in Royal Oak. Flex. 2 day schedule any day except Friday-Sunday.. Young children exp. preferred.

Call Cassandra at (248) 210-4113.

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