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PHOTO OF THE WEEK

GRIZZLIES STUMBLE, BUT NEVER FALL // On Saturday, Oct. 17, the Oakland University Football Club faced Miami Ohio. Although they played a tough game, they were unable to defeat Miami and lost 48-9.

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After being named the Defensive Player of the Week, junior volleyball player Alli Gutschow is the one to watch.

POLL OF THE WEEK

Halloween is creeping up now, what are your plans?

- A** My risqué costume is ready for the parties!
- B** A lonely night of drinking and eating candy :|
- C** Trick-or-treating, it's free food technically
- D** I'LL BE WITH YOU ALL NIGHT LONG

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LAST WEEK'S POLL

Midterms are upon us already! How do you feel about it?

- A** Everything hurts and I'm dying :)
10 votes
- B** I'm a rare individual who's actually prepared!
2 votes
- C** My books are still wrapped in plastic...
0
- D** [Pauses Netflix] WHAT MIDTERMS!?
13 votes

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

October 20, 1993

A 33-year-old Rochester Hills man was arrested after an alleged indecent exposure charge in Kresge Library. He was linked to five similar cases and faced possible life imprisonment.

October 19, 1994

OU was compared to 70 other universities nationwide and found 74 percent of OU students used alcohol in the past 30 years. This number was under the national average.

October 23, 1996

Plans to change the 30-year-old seats in the Varner Recital Hall were forced to be put on hold thanks to the University Fund Drive.

— Compiled by Cheyanne Kramer, Staff Reporter

BY THE NUMBERS

Oakland men's basketball

31

Years Greg Kampe has been head coach

11

Projected number of players in Oakland's rotation this year

1

Number of Horizon League preseason Player of the Year award winners

32

Miles from OU to Joe Louis Arena, home of the Horizon League Tournament

2

Number of NCAA Division I tournaments appearances

Editorial: Where has all the Golden Grizzly pride gone?

Scott Davis
Managing Editor

Oakland is at an all-time high in enrollment. For 17 straight years, the school has experienced growth, and this year was no different, with a reported 20,711 students enrolled at OU.

Along with the growth the school has experienced, there have been many changes around the university as of late. New buildings, a clock tower, a remodeled Oakland Center and, most notably, the tuition hike.

A lot has changed during my four years here at OU, but something that has not changed is the seemingly lack of school pride from the students.

Let me clarify what I think school pride is. It isn't wearing face paint everywhere you go or being in the student section of every sporting event (but if you do that, good for you). School pride is being proud of the place where you learn, grow and develop into an adult.

I understand that all college students complain about their school, but this is especially the case at OU. Yes, parking is a pain. Sure, some part of campus always seem to be under construction and don't get people started about that tuition hike.

Did I mention people do not like the parking situation?

Many will be quick to point out that OU is mostly a commuter school, which certainly makes it harder to create an identity. Most students come to school, go to class and then leave for either work or home. Other colleges have the luxury of having majority of their students on campus, which makes it easier for students to make it feel like home.

Just because OU is a commuter school does not mean that it shouldn't feel like a home for students. There are plenty of places where students can hangout on campus and there are cool events happening almost every day.

Sports are obviously one way universities try to increase school pride on and off the campus. Most people who watched the Michigan State at Michigan game this past weekend didn't attend either of those schools, yet those people show an immense amount of pride for them.

OU sports teams might not generate as much attention as Michigan or Michigan State, but they are something that many more people should be paying attention to.

Basketball gets the most publicity, and although it is for a good reason, many other teams on campus should make students prideful of OU.

Men's soccer had their most successful season last year by advancing to the

second round of the NCAA tournament. Women's volleyball also made the NCAA tournament and the swim team has been a powerhouse for over three decades.

This is just an example of how there are so many more positive things happening on campus. The school is going through a growth spurt and continues to put students and education first.

Is everything perfect? Absolutely not, and guess what, that's okay.

Whenever people talk about OU, it always seems to be a complaint or something negative. It's almost never about how the business school is top-50 in the country or how advanced the Beaumont building is.

OU students need to be reasonable with their expectations for the school. I understand they pay a large sum of money for their education and have high expectations, but this place isn't as bad as many students make it. There are so many ways for you to further yourself, you just have to make the most of the opportunity you have.

Next time you think about your OU experience, ask, 'what you are doing to make it better?' Are you taking advantage of the things offered here or just complaining about parking? It's easy to complain, but I encourage you to take a step back and realize all of the possibilities at Oakland.

Corrections Corner

In last week's story about MTD's "Oklahoma!" production, we incorrectly identified Emma Griffith as an understudy. We apologize for the mistake.

Also in last week's issue, the photo credit for the American Marketing Association article was given to Alvin Pitris, but the photograph was courtesy of Summayya Master.

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A better yOU: Let's get ready for flu season

Stay safe by getting vaccintated, eating healthy, staying hydrated

Katie Rose
Contributor

We all hear those horror stories about deaths by flu, and how easy it is to get the flu virus during this time of year.

Influenza 101

What exactly is this "flu", and how can we stop it? The flu is actually short for influenza, and it is an extremely contagious viral infection. There are a couple different types



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Environment,
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of flu virus, A or B. Symptoms for the flu include high fever, chills, cough, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, body aches, fatigue, and headache. Overall, if you feel like you have a really intense cold, you may have the flu. So, how do we avoid coming in contact with this nasty virus? Here are some suggestions:

Get a flu vaccination

No, vaccines do not cause autism. No, natural immunity is not better. No, vaccines do not contain unsafe toxins. Yes, you should get a flu vaccination.

By getting a flu vaccine, you can also help Oakland advance in the Flu Challenge, which is a competition between colleges in Michigan to see what school has the most vaccinated students or faculty members. As silly as it sounds, it is mostly to encourage everyone to get vaccinated. The real winners will be those that get vaccinated.

When you do get vaccinated, you can record it through www.surveymonkey.com/r/

CFC1516, which only takes about 15 seconds to fill out.

You can get your vaccination at your local CVS or Walgreens. There's actually a CVS right down the street from campus! You have no excuses (unless you are allergic to chicken eggs, because the vaccine is made in chicken eggs, or you have another health issue!)

Wash your hands

I know this is common sense, but please make sure you are washing your hands after using the restroom, before eating, after you cough in your hands, or just for fun throughout the day.

If you don't have access to a sink, carry around some hand sanitizer. Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth as well. Germs are easily spread when they come in contact with these areas.

Eat healthy and stay hydrated

Eating too much sugar can impair your immune system. Boost your immune system by eating foods rich in vitamins or take supplements to ensure you're getting the right amount. Preventing dehydration is another step towards staying healthy.

Sleep

Keep your body's natural defense system strong by sleeping at least 8 hours per night. If you're not sleeping enough, your immune system will surely take a hit.

If you do get the flu

What happens if you do have flu-like symptoms? Call your doctor for professional advice. A flu test can be performed to figure out if you have the virus.

If you do have the flu, you may need antiviral drugs. In most cases, the infection will resolve on its own if you are practicing good health.

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10 a.m.-12 p.m. Leaders for Environmental Awareness and Protection Weekly Clean, Bald Mountain Lake Orion

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3-4 p.m. Animal Awareness Society General Meeting, Lake Superior B Room in the Oakland Center

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9:30 a.m.-1 p.m. The Greening of Detroit Grace College Planting, Grace College in Detroit

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5-9 p.m. Aspiring Surgeons fundraiser for the Children's Hospital of Michigan, CoolYo Frozen Yogurt

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12-1 p.m. Biomedical Science Society General Meeting, Lake Michigan Room in the Oakland Center

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12-1 p.m. American Red Cross Club General Meeting, Oakland Center Room 127

9 a.m.-3 p.m. Benefits and Wellness Fair, Rec Center 3-Court Gym

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Crude conduct at club football game

Mary Catherine Moeller
Contributor

This past Saturday, I was appalled at the behavior that I witnessed at the Club Football game against University of Miami - Ohio by the OU pep band. Vitality Dance and the Winter Guard Club both perform at every club football game and when both teams took the field for their performances, they were met with jeers, sexist comments and belittling remarks by the pep band. It was incredibly disheartening to hear that they view these verbal attacks as traditions that showcase their school pride. It was even more disheartening to hear that they have been acting similarly at the OU basketball games for a number of years with no repercussions. Their behavior is not

the kind of behavior that I would expect from a fellow Oakland University organization, especially from an organization that was created to showcase pride.

It is often felt that since OU is a commuter-based university that we lack in school pride and listening to the pep band tear down fellow organizations makes it seem almost hostile. Club football is relatively new and I feel there is an opportunity to create a new culture of school spirit, but the pep band has diminished that and has represented OU negatively to our opponent.

OU is growing so quickly as a school and it is important that our pride grows with it. I believe that we need to support all other Grizzlies in all of their endeavors because at the end of the day we are all Golden Grizzlies.

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The Real Deal: OUSC moves to apply tuition equality

Aditya Tiwari
Contributor

Hello again, readers. I'm sorry for my absence, but I hope that you've been enjoying reading our weekly column as much as we enjoy writing for all of our readers. For this week's article, I'm actually going to be talking about something a bit more local, and that is the issue of tuition equality. It is an important issue for us here in Michigan, particularly at OU. For those of you who might be unaware of what tuition equality (or tuition equity) is, it refers to efforts or laws that may be passed at a university or in a respective state to grant in-state tuition rates to students who may be undocumented if they are seeking to become citizens. Otherwise, they would be in the position of paying higher tuition increments, despite living in the state for a similar amount of time as their peers, or even if they completed elementary through high school in the state.

This has been a long-standing movement across the country's state legislatures and college campuses, including the state of Michigan. In 2013, state representatives Rashida Tlaib and Jeff Irwin sponsored a bill in favor of implementing tuition equality for undocumented students who qualified for other programs. They also sponsored a host of other packages intending to make access to services more accessible for undocumented immigrants. While the bill was unable to go through — mostly because of the Republican-controlled legislature — Michigan remains fairly unique on this issue in that, compared to the other 50 states, we do not have a statewide law that makes tuition equality a reality at our colleges and universities across the board. We do, however, have internal rulings made at some of our schools to implement tuition equality.

I would like to praise the University of Michigan (not for that game, though) and Eastern Michigan University for their decisions to implement tuition equality. In response to student protests and pressure from non-profits and advocacy groups, these schools have set a new precedent for their counterparts across the state and have held true to the idea that America is made stronger when we include more people in our society. These people have fled poverty and violence in their native lands to seek opportunity in our country, and I personally believe we



Contributed to the Oakland Post

Aditya Tiwari is an environmental science major who is also interested in politics.

"For those of you who might be unaware of what tuition equality (or tuition equity) is, it refers to efforts or laws that may be passed at a university or in a respective state to grant in-state tuition rates to students who may be undocumented if they are seeking to become citizens."

ought to be flattered that they choose to come to us despite our economic and social woes. We may as well argue that their arrival here is illegal, but we should not be punishing those who have adopted the American spirit into their own. These people want to give back by getting right with the law and eventually becoming hard working members of our societies.

As for the state of tuition equality at Oakland University, it is still in the works. The OU Student Congress legislature has recently made a unanimous vote for a resolution to apply tuition equality at our school, but we have yet to know how much further this resolution has to go or whether everyone will support these members of our community. For those of you who wish to get further involved, I would urge you to attend an OUSC meeting to voice your concerns or to talk a legislator or the Diversity and Inclusion Director Anders Engnell.

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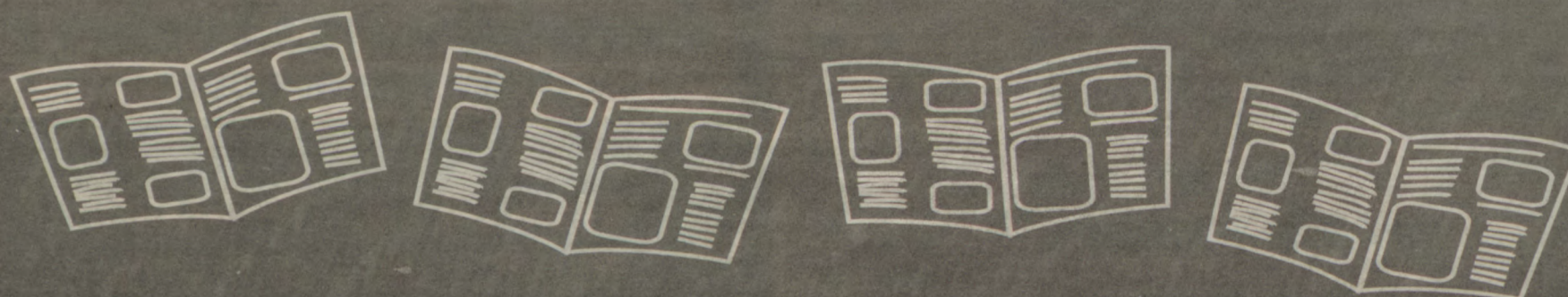
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Grizzlies on the Prowl



"What do you think is the biggest distraction while driving?"

Extended edition: This week is National Teen Driver Safety Week



Brandyn Sobecki, junior, mechanical engineering

"Personally, I think the aux cord is the most distracting. It increases the availability for music distractions."



Melissa Filar, freshman, studio art

"I would say it's cell phones because you end up looking at the phone and not the road. Sometimes I wonder while driving if I would get in an accident because someone else was texting and driving."



Garret Reedy, sophomore, marketing

"Snapchatting while driving. The new features with the face filters are really distracting."



Natalie Borkosh, sophomore, business

"Texting and drunk driving. Just trying to use the phone is really distracting. People need to realize how dangerous these are while driving."



Ashley Luckee, senior, journalism

"In-car distractions — things that are in the passenger's seat and cell phones. Hearing the notifications makes you want to check your phone."



Chaz Bowles, senior, finance

"Having a friend in the car is distracting, specially when they try to show you something from their phone."

— Compiled by Nowshin Chowdhury
Photographer

Student veterans of OU giving back

Organization plans to engage in more service, events

Jake Smith
Staff Intern

The Student Veterans of Oakland University are heating up this semester as they engage in on-campus activity like never before.

In 2009, veteran Mike Brennan noticed the influx of veterans coming to Oakland and started the Veteran Support Services (VSS) office.

As the only student-run office under the Student Affairs Division of OU, the VSS office, led by Jeffrey Schuett, offers a variety of services to student veterans such as priority registration, four free, electives, universal in-state tuition rates and SVOU.

Branching out from VSS, the Student Veterans of Oakland University is a student organization on campus that aims to bring veteran students together for volunteer and so-

cial events. Starting this year, SVOU has put their "boots on the ground," making strides to become more prevalent on campus.

"We've gone from, 'hey, we're here to answer questions about the GI Bill' to, 'hey, we're doing campus community involvement, we're advocating, fundraising, and we have major corporate sponsors for our events,'" Vice President of SVOU Kevin Ferguson said. "There are big things that we're doing and we're trying to push that out there."

For their event called the Road March to End Hunger on Nov. 12th, SVOU will team up with Theta Chi, Alpha Delta Pi and the Oakland Red Cross to collect non-perishable food to be donated to a homeless shelter for veterans.

SVOU hopes that in addition to making more of a name for themselves on campus, co-

ordination with other student orgs will allow everyone to put on bigger and more impactful events.

Due to the helpful services VSS provides on top of standard government benefits and the community involvement SVOU creates for student veterans, Oakland University was awarded the title of veteran-friendly campus from GI Jobs Magazine.

Located in 116 North Foundation Hall, the SVOU office is open to Oakland's growing population of over 300 student veterans to come in and get involved.

"We have a strong veteran population, which we strive to provide with the most pertinent information available as far as veterans services — both on campus and in the local community," Ferguson said. "The path that VSS, SVOU and Oakland as a whole are on



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Jason Hale, right, Student Veterans of Oakland University president, stands alongside fellow OU students and a local color guard unit during a moment of silence outside Elliott Tower on Sept. 11.

should naturally draw in more veterans."

With increased activity on campus, VSS and SVOU hope to keep making Oakland an exceptional place for veterans

to finish their education.

"As veterans, we like to leave things better than the way we found them and that's what we're trying to do for Oakland," Ferguson said.

Golden Grizzlies have numerous opportunities to volunteer in community

Alexus Bomar
Staff Reporter

Getting involved while being enrolled in college is important because it shows that you are doing more in college than just studying. Getting involved with your community is also something that employers could look at.

Jordan Belanger, career ambassador for Career Services, said that having volunteer experience on a resume is excellent.

"It shows that you are a well-rounded student and you actually do something on campus besides going to class," Belanger said.

Belanger explained that having volunteer experience on your resume could help a student stand out when they are up against other candidates.

Niko Parks, career ambassador for Career Services, said that having volunteer experience on a resume shows that the student is going above and beyond in their college experience.

Students don't have to go far to get involved in community service. There are many service-based student organizations on campus.

Both Belanger and Parks agree that any volunteer experience a student has should be listed on a resume.

"If a student was just a member in an organization, then it should be listed under volunteer experience, and if a student took on a leadership role, such as president, then that should be listed under leadership experience," Belanger said.

According to GrizzOrgs, there are 22 organizations

dedicated to service, including Actively Moving Forward at Oakland University, Rotaract Club of Oakland University, Student Organic Farmers and Rebuilding Together Oakland University.

Alternative Spring Break (ASB) is a nonprofit service and student organization that changes people's lives by having students volunteer at out-of-state organizations and communities during OU's spring break.

Vincenzo Julian, president of ASB, has been involved with the organization since 2012.

"I've always been interested in volunteering so the idea of traveling and volunteering really appealed to me," he said.

ASB plans four different trips every year, and in addition to those trips, there is at least one weekend trip in the local area.



Contributed to the Oakland Post

Alternative Spring Break (ASB) is a nonprofit student organization that allows students to volunteer out-of-state during OU's spring break.

There are also fundraisers to help raise money for ASB overall.

Julian said that participating in ASB teaches leadership, maturity and selflessness, which he considers to be very important benefits.

"Students should know that these trips aren't necessarily luxurious, but they can be life changing," Julian said. "The participants on these trips can

really make a difference in the communities they are serving and I think the students will always remember their experience with the people they are helping."

Julian says it is incredibly important to get involved.

"Whether it's on campus or off, whatever you choose to do outside of class can really make your college experience worthwhile," Julian said.

Cox stresses importance of allies in the LGBTQ+ community

Gaining perspective, becoming more open-minded

Sarah Lawrence
Staff Intern

On Oct. 8, Oakland University's Student Life and Lecture Board teamed up with the Gender and Sexuality Center to welcome "Orange is the New Black" star and LGBTQ+ activist Laverne Cox to the O'rena.

In her lecture "Ain't I A Woman: My Journey to Womanhood," Cox spoke about the struggles with equality that transgender women of color face each day.

She also took time to express the importance of allies in the

LGBTQ+ community, as well as ways for individuals who aren't in the community to become an ally.

The message of overall acceptance and promotion of LGBTQ+ awareness surrounding Cox's lecture, paired with her personal testimony of experiences as a transgender woman of color, helped reinforce the significance of support.

"Laverne is such an important figure in the community. She plays an incredibly large role, not only in the LGBT community, but in other minority groups as well," Jasmine Semma, president of the Gay Straight Alliance at OU said.

"Having her here at OU helped bring starter-knowledge and perspective to those without experience with the community and allowed others to

"Having [Cox] here at OU helped bring starter knowledge and perspective to those without experience with the community."

Jasmine Semma
President of the Gay Straight Alliance at OU

see that we're all just human beings too."

Semma emphasized the importance of community support. She said allies are important because they "may become a voice for someone who doesn't have one."

"Anyone who is properly educated may be considered an ally," Semma said. "[They] will help increase the overall visibility and awareness that is needed



Dani Cojocari / The Oakland Post

The GSC is the main on-campus resource for the LGBT community.

to promote overall acceptance."

For those seeking more information, the Gender and Sexuality Center is located in the basement of the Oakland Center and serves as a main on-campus resource for the LGBTQ+ community.

The GSC provides on-campus S.A.F.E. training, safer sex supplies, general information and various resources for students,

in addition to being a safe space for those seeking assistance.

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The Gender and Sexuality Center is located in the basement of the OC

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It's the most talented team he's ever coached.

Just one week into practice, head coach Greg Kampe already made that statement about this year's men's basketball team.

That's bold, considering Kampe has over three decades of coaching under his belt.

"What I'm saying is this team, from one through 11, is the best collection of talent that I've ever had," Kampe said.

"When you get to eight or nine, we're still as good as two or three and I've never had that. I've had teams that have gone seven or eight deep - never 11 deep."

The Golden Grizzlies had their first official practice of the season on Sunday, Oct. 11. Last week, they were picked to finish second in the preseason poll to Valparaiso, the defending league champions.

Although Valparaiso is the league favorite, Oakland is expected to present the greatest obstacle in its quest to repeat.

A glimpse at the roster

Leading Oakland is junior point guard Kahlil Felder, who was tabbed Horizon League preseason player of the year and played 38.5 minutes a game last season.

The two-time all-league selection is joined by his fellow recruiting class, redshirt sophomores Jalen Hayes and Nick Daniels. Both Hayes and Daniels were Horizon League all-freshman team selections last season.

The trio was Oakland's first Horizon League recruiting class. Kampe said they are at the core of this year's team.

He added that this year's freshman — Bradley Brechting, Xavier Hill-Mais and Jaevin Cumberland — have a skill

TEAM 49

Expectations high for Golden Grizzlies with return of key players, addition of talented transfers this season

Kristen Davis
Editor-in-Chief

level comparable to Felder, Daniels and Hayes when they first came in.

Senior Max Hooper and sophomore Femi Olujobi will also return for the Golden Grizzlies.

Three other newcomers will suit up for Oakland. Iowa State transfers Percy Gibson and Sherron Dorsey-Walker are eligible to play right away, while Martez Walker from Texas won't be eligible to play until after the fall semester.

The team will be without starting forward Tommie McCune, who would've been a redshirt senior this season.

McCune transferred to Oakland from West Virginia in 2012. He played in 64 games, making 45 starts while averaging 6.1 points and 3.4 rebounds.

According to Kampe, he and McCune decided together that basketball was a deterrent to his pursuit of a college degree.

Benefits of Spain

Over the summer, Oakland took an international trip to Spain, where it

played and defeated three professional teams.

Not only did the trip allow Kampe to see new players in action, with the exception of Walker, but he was also able to put the "beginning of the season drills" in during the 10 days of practice the team had before departing.

As a result, Kampe said the team is currently "way ahead of the curve."

"We have the base offense and base defense in, now we can start tweaking and adding more plays, more sets, more wrinkles defensively," Kampe said. "The players want to play [games] now."

Two other Horizon League teams took international trips this summer: Valparaiso and Youngstown State.

Early focuses and goals

Valuing the ball and minimizing turnovers is the main area of focus in the weeks leading up to the first non-conference game on Nov. 18 at home against Eastern Michigan.

The reason these are areas of importance is because turnovers lead to

less chances to score, which hurts the team's strength of offense.

Last season, the Golden Grizzlies led the Horizon League in scoring offense with 74.2 points per game. But, Oakland also turned the ball over 12.6 times a night.

In Spain, the team averaged 99 points a night against professional teams with a 24-second shot clock.

Beyond the obvious goal of winning the league and making an NCAA tournament appearance, another goal Kampe has is to post a winning non-conference record.

Oakland will play 14 non-conference games and face tough power conference opponents like Michigan State, Georgia and Virginia, but Kampe believes the goal is achievable with this year's team.

High-profile recognition

Despite the amount of new faces on the roster, expectations are still high for the Golden Grizzlies.

ESPN college basketball analyst Fran Fraschilla tweeted that he sees Oakland or Valparaiso as this season's mid-major dark horse.

This hype wasn't something the team received last season, when it was picked to finish seventh in the league.

Despite this, Oakland contended for the title through the final week of play and finished third with an 11-5 record.

The buzz about this year's team is something Kampe thinks is beneficial.

"I really do think we should be good and we shouldn't shy away from it, but we aren't going to go out there and thump our chest either, we haven't done it yet," Kampe said.

"This is our third year in the Horizon League, we were fifth the first year, third the second year, so maybe we can take two more steps and be first."

Felder looks to continue dominance

Star point guard is expected to shine in his third year at Oakland

Jackson Gilbert
Sports Editor

Junior point guard Kahlil Felder has emerged into the national spotlight after two stellar underclassman seasons at Oakland. This year, the Golden Grizzlies will go as far as Felder will take them.

Earlier this week, Horizon League coaches, media and sports information directors selected the point guard as the preseason HL player of the year.

"I take it as an honor, though I still have a lot to do," Felder said at the Horizon League media day in Chicago last week.

Felder is the returning leader in three stat categories: scoring, assists and steals. He was the only player in the country to average over 17 points and seven assists last season.

Playing at a generously listed height of 5-foot-9, Felder has made a name for himself as being one of the more athletic players in the country.

He made Sports Center's Top Ten twice last year with a cross over on Youngstown State's Bobby Hain and a half court



Nowshin Chowdhury / The Oakland Post

Felder was selected as preseason player of the year last week at media day.

alley-oop to Tommie McCune against Eastern Illinois.

Fellow teammate and redshirt sophomore Nick Daniels says Felder's hype is well deserved.

"He's put lots of work in this summer to get to where he needs to be," Daniels said. "He's really put an effort in to learn how to be a leader."

Daniels says all of the attention that Felder and Oakland basketball has received this year hasn't gone to their heads, but it's hard not to feel good about progress when the best are even acknowledging Felder's talent.

Former Michigan State power forward and current NBA star Draymond Green tweeted his

feelings about Felder on Oct. 13.

"Kahlil Felder should play in the NBA... Hopefully the league is now to a point where they will look at his game rather than his height!!!" Green said in his tweet.

Felder's freshman year was somewhat overshadowed by Travis Bader's quest for the NCAA three point record.

His sophomore year, he was given more reigns over the offense and was only overshadowed in the Horizon League by Green Bay star Keifer Sykes.

The primary competition for player of the year in the Horizon will come from Valparaiso's Alec Peters, who has been a star in his own right for the Crusaders and was named to the preseason all-league team last week as well.

Although Valparaiso was picked first in the preseason poll, it's anticipated that Felder will do all he can to stop that from happening.

Felder will be joined by former high school teammates Sherron Dorsey-Walker and Martez Walker. Both are transfers from the Big 12 and played with Felder at Detroit Pershing high school.

This year, Oakland and the Horizon League will be his for the taking.

"We expect Kay to dominate and we expect to win the league tournament," Daniels said.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Did you know students get in free to all home Oakland athletic events? Mark your calendars for the following home games to come support the Golden Grizzlies.

Nov. 18 // EMU // 7 p.m.

Dec. 12 // Binghamton // 7 p.m.

Dec. 28 // Chicago State // 7 p.m.

Jan. 2 // Cleveland State // 3 p.m.

Jan. 4 // Youngstown State // 7 p.m.

Jan. 8 // Valparaiso // TBA

Jan. 10 // UIC // 3 p.m.

Jan. 19 // NKU // 7 p.m.

Jan. 29 // Wright State // 7 p.m.

Feb. 11 // Milwaukee // 7 p.m.

Feb. 13 // Green Bay // 3 p.m.

Jan. 26 // Detroit // TBA

FIVE THINGS TO KNOW

With four weeks remaining until the home opener, there's still time to catch up on Oakland basketball. Here's five things to note before the season tips off on Nov. 18 at against Eastern Michigan. An additional thing to note is the annual Tip-Off Breakfast on Oct. 29 for fans, friends and family of the Oakland basketball team. The breakfast will take place in the O'rena at 7:15 a.m. The cost is \$15 for Oakland students and \$20 for single reservations. More information can be found on the Golden Grizzlies athletic website.



NEW ADDITIONS

THREE BIG 12 TRANSFERS and three freshmen aren't the only new additions to the Golden Grizzlies team. Assistant coach Dionne Phelps joined the staff on Oct. 12. Phelps spent four years as head coach of Oklahoma City University as assistant coach at Oklahoma. Phelps has 26 years of coaching experience.



MOTOR CITY MADNESS

FOR THE next five years, the Horizon League tournament will take place in Detroit. The move comes after an agreement between the Horizon League and Olympia Entertainment was made over the summer. The neutral site will bring all 10 league teams together to determine who will be tournament bound in March.



GRIZZ GANG

WHO'S GOT spirit? One of the highlights of basketball season for Oakland students is taking part in Grizz Gang. From themed games to flash mobs and organized cheers, being part of the "best student section in the Horizon League" is a good way for students to support the team while enjoying a few hours away from the books.



RULE CHANGES

OVER THE summer, the NCAA made several rule changes which will be inacted this season. Perhaps the most notable change is the shot clock, which will go from 35 seconds to 30. Additional changes include an expanded restricted area under the basket, no five-second call, less TV timeouts and more tweaks to the charge call.



NON CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

KAMPE'S GOAL of posting a winning non-conference record won't be achieved easily. Oakland's set to face tough opponents in the preseason, including a match-up with the Michigan State Spartans at the Palace of Auburn Hills on Dec. 22. Trips to Virginia, Georgia, Robert Morris and Washington will also test Oakland.

Students balance school, being Pistons entertainers



Contributed by the Detroit Pistons Dancers

Six Golden Grizzlies dedicate their time to be a part of the Detroit Pistons Entertainment Team.

Rachel Williams
Staff Reporter

Taking on a full course load while juggling a part-time job is hard enough as is. What if you had to factor in entertaining auditoriums full of devoted fans, perfecting choreographed dances and collaborating with different groups to come up with exciting new performances?

This is the reality for six of Oakland University's students. The six all work within Pistons Entertainment — four are dancers, one is a cheerleader and one is a Flight Crew member.

These performers make up the "cast" who entertain Pistons fans weekly. The Detroit Pistons Dancers are one of the groups that is a part of the Detroit Pistons Entertainment Cast, which also includes the cheerleaders, Flight Crew and D-Town, a male dance group.

The Pistons Dancers rehearse for three days a week for three hours each day. These rehearsals can go longer if the group is preparing for a halftime show or special performance. On average, the commitment for these dancers is approximately 20 or more hours a week.

Kendall Duda, Pistons dancer and Pistons Performing Arts Center instructor, has worked for the Pistons for two years and has been dancing for 18 years. Duda is currently a senior at Oakland majoring in communication.

She explains that it can be stressful to balance both work and school, but that it is all worth it.

"The most rewarding part of working for the Pistons is the satisfaction of knowing you practiced for so long, and it was so tiring, but that it pays off on the court," Duda said.



The practices and games enlighten the students as they continue to perfect one passion while studying the other.

"There will never be a practice where you don't learn something new," Nick Willson, Pistons dancer and graphic design major, said.

"There will never even be a game where you don't learn something, or at least attempt something new because of how creative, inventive and willing people are with new tricks or dances."

The students find ways to manage their hectic schedules through blocking out time throughout the week to devote to entertaining, rehearsals and school.

Duda said she sets aside mornings for school work only, then allows her afternoons and evenings to be centered on dance and instructing.

"I balance school and work by setting days of the week, Sunday and Monday, to solely focus on school," Rachel Clancy, Pistons dancer and pre-physical therapy major, said.

Duda encourages anyone within the entertainment industry to look into working for the Pistons, as they provide creative opportunities for those in the arts.

Oakland has given Duda and the other members of the entertainment team the opportunity to create strong friendships, while pursuing their passions outside of classes.

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Spreading heritage through food fights

La Tomatina held to honor Hispanic Heritage Month

Kevin Teller
Campus Editor

Last Saturday, Oct. 17, approximately 60 Oakland University students gathered at Meadow Brook Field and began throwing tomatoes at one another.

However, this was not part of an angry uprising against produce as it may have looked to those driving by at the intersection of Walton and Adams. Rather, this was La Tomatina, an event planned by the Center for Multicultural Initiatives in partnership with OU Student Congress.

In addition to the tomatoes that were being thrown, a tarp was draped over the field on which many more tomatoes were thrown to make the ground slippery and add to the mess and chaos.

Overall, one and a half tons were used for the festivities of the three tons of tomatoes that the event started with. The rest were donated to Forgotten Harvest.

Spanish for simply "the tomato," La Tomatina is a tradition that started in Buñol, Spain in the 1945. It started as a celebration in honor of the surplus of the agriculture that the country was experiencing.

People began throwing the unsellable, overly ripe tomatoes at each other, and soon the whole community was abuzz with this messy game. Beginning as simply a small number of people who participated and morphing into a government-sanctioned event, La Tomatina has since been an annual tradition in Buñol.

Although this is the first time that it has occurred at OU, as it was part of this year's Hispanic Heritage Month.

This month is an annual tradition full of events put on by the Center for Multicultural Initiatives. It began on Monday, Sept. 21 with a guest lecture about racial discourses in colonial Mexico and will end on Oct. 23 with La Latina, an event dedicated to enriching the skillset and preparedness of Latina women.

Anders Engell, diversity and inclusion director of OUSC, said that Hispanic Heritage Month is done in an effort to give students a "cultural experience." According to Engell, this is achieved by creating events to educate students on something outside what they might already know.

"We want to show people the true side of Hispanic culture and the heritage that that culture comes from," Engell said.

"Oftentimes you'll see that people have their own ideals or stereotypes that they'll associate with a specific group because of whatever media they have been influenced by," Engell added.



As part of the month's events, those involved have spent much time in community-building events in which many non-Hispanic students were able to interact with Hispanic Americans in Detroit. The students heard stories about the lives of those impacted by the plights that much of the Hispanic American population has to face in their lives.

One of these aspects of Hispanic Americans' lives is in the fact that tuition equality for college students does not exist for a vast majority of Michigan schools. This means that an undocumented student may not be eligible for the same scholarship or grant opportunities that documented students are.

OUSC and the Center for Multicultural Initiatives are working to raise awareness about these and other issues in the near future, including guest lectures, protests, and other events. They have already announced that La Tomatina will happen again next year.



Dave Jackson / The Oakland Post

La Tomatina is a tradition that began in Spain in 1945 as a way to celebrate the overabundant harvests by having fun while eliminating the rotted and squishy tomatoes that were no good for eating. In honor of Spanish Heritage Month, the Center for Multicultural Initiatives, in partnership with the OUSC, hosted their own for students to participate in at OU.

Behind the ghost stories

Cheyenne Kramer
Staff Reporter

Oakland University is known for its history. Meadow Brook Hall is known for its ghost stories, and who can resist a spooky tale about the old labs deep in the forest. However, there are a few stories that are actually true concerning the spooky spots on campus.

1. The lake is terrifying

Mary Issacs has been working at OU for about 30 years. In that time, one of the strangest things she's ever seen happen on campus was the time a car was found in the lake. However, this is not the story of the car that slid into the lake in 2014.

A car was found in Bear Lake after draining it to do some landscaping around the area. This ended with a mid-80s model station wagon being found, with suitcases, hair curlers and even a purse inside.

2. Yes, the mansion is haunted

Issacs said that when speakers used to come to campus, they'd often be placed in the mansion as lodging for the night.

"Mark Brown, a children's author, was so excited to be there. But at 3 a.m., I got a phone call [from] him begging me to take him to a hotel," Issacs said.

"He was terrified, said he kept hearing things and needed out at that exact moment. So we drove him to a hotel for the night."

John Tufnell, former resident assistant and Oakland alum, remembered hearing rumors about a groundskeeper in the mansion finding something that looked like a body under a sheet moving around in the basement.

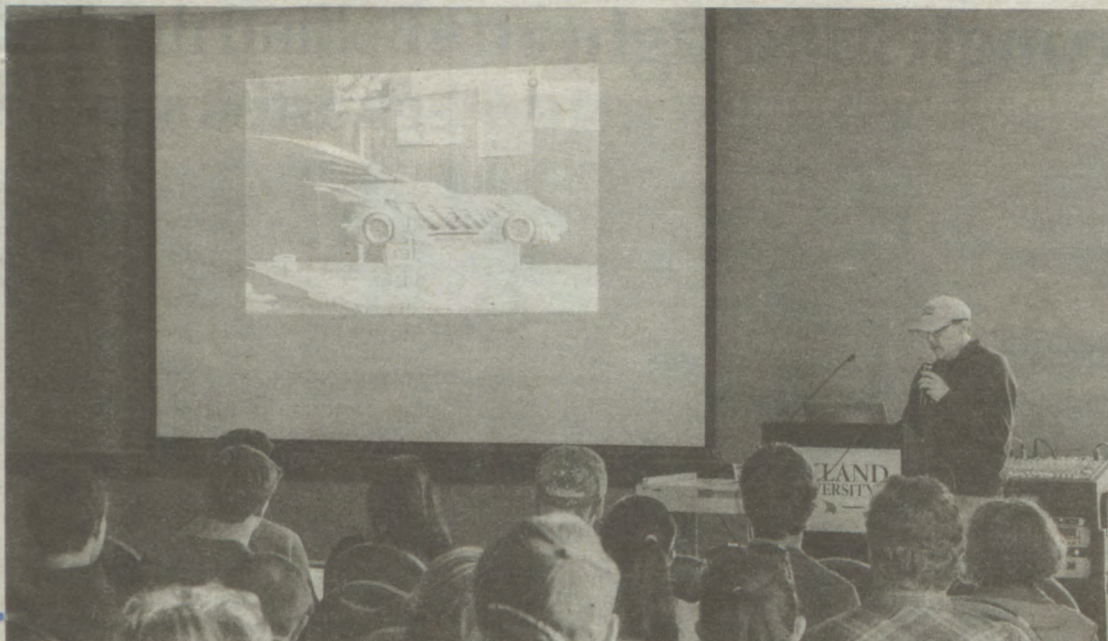
"The scariest part was apparently nothing was supposed to be down there at the time," Tufnell said.

3. The strangest stories aren't the scariest

Richard Fekel, director of the Oakland Center, said that the strangest thing he'd ever heard of on campus was the time a group of student-athletes stole a Big Boy statue and placed it into the lake.

"Another time students dumped laundry detergent into the lake filling it with suds. There was also the time someone put a mannequin in the lake, which was creepy," Fekel said.

Apparently, students had an affliction with putting things in the lake.



Conceptual Designer Tim Flattery visited Oakland University to talk about his 25 years of experience in the entertainment industry.

The art of special effects

Concept designer talks working on Hollywood movies

Scott Davis
Managing Editor

With over 25 years of experience in the entertainment industry, conceptual designer Tim Flattery spoke about his process of designing some of Hollywood's biggest movies.

With credits that include Captain America: The Winter Soldier, Transformers and Batman Forever, Flattery was able to share his vast knowledge with OU last Wednesday. The multi-talented creative concept artist designs many of the film's more fabricated elements, like futuristic vehicles, robots, cities and whatever else the script calls for.

"When I get hired on a movie, I get hired to design elements of the movie," Flattery said. "Whether it is the Helicarrier from Captain America or the Batmobile from Batman, I'll work with the production designer and the director. I'll read the script and interpret the aesthetic of the film."

Flattery explained his creative process behind designing some of those movies' most innova-

tive concepts. Many of the designs did not happen overnight. He showed early versions of his concepts that looked vastly different than the final product. Flattery said it's the knowledge he has gained over the years that helped him craft the complex concepts audiences see in the movies.

Flattery moved from Michigan to Los Angeles 28 years ago to work in the entertainment industry. He always considered himself a geek and loved anything science-fiction related. He chased his dream of working in movies and after he graduated in transportation design, he started working for some of Hollywood's biggest names.

Throughout his presentation, he mentioned working with J.J. Abrams, Michael Bay and possibly most notably Tim Burton. Flattery talked about each of the directors' unique styles, including Burton's unorthodox approach to design. He explained how it is his job to take what the director has envisioned for the story and make it a reality, no matter how crazy it might be.

"What I've learned from working with these people...they see the world differently with how they tell their stories, and that has inspired me to see the world differently so that I design things in a unique manner to serve their stories," Flattery said.

Flattery moved back to Michigan this year and is currently Chair of Entertainment Arts at the College For Creative Studies in Detroit. He creates curriculums and mentors new designers for those who dream to work in the entertainment industry.

Flattery's movie resume includes:



2015
Tomorrowland



2014
Captain America:
The Winter Soldier



2007
Transformers



1990
Total Recall

Grizzlies bust their bubbles in tournament

Students participate in Oakland's first bubble soccer tournament

Rachel Williams
Staff Reporter



Fans braved the cold to cheer on teams made up of eight registered students. Four players from each team were allowed on the field at a time, having to include two male and two female players.

A \$25 deposit was required in order to participate in the bubble soccer tournament held at the Recreation and Athletic Outdoor Complex on Friday, Oct. 16. The price included pizza and refreshments for the fans and players.

Two teams played each other at a time in 10-minute games. The winning team of that bracket would go on to play in the next level, and so on.

The tournament's final winners were the members of the team dubbed "The Heavy Balls."

This event could potentially open the door for many unique sporting event opportunities in which all students can participate.

If you are interested in finding out more about Bubble Soccer, visit the U.S. Bubble Soccer Association's website: usbubblesoccer.com.

Team Names

- Alpha Sig
- Theta Chi
- Son of a Pitch
- Bubble Butts
- Bubble Wrappers
- Untouchaballs
- Bubble Butts #2
- Kicks for Kids
- Untouchaballs 2.0
- Sigma Pi
- Heavy Balls
- Terriballs
- Participation
- Untitled
- Stinky H.



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The Student Program Board hosted the bubble soccer tournament on Friday, Oct. 16. A total of 16 teams participated in the event.

TEDx Oakland University speaker series: Former OU Professor Richard Stamps

Rachel Williams
Staff Reporter

Richard Stamps will be returning to the TEDx Oakland University conference this year. Stamps served as a faculty member at the university for more than 37 years, though is currently retired.



Richard Stamps

When Stamps was 19, he traveled to Taiwan for his first of what would become many times serving as a Mormon missionary. In the 53 years since that time, Stamps has traveled and resided in Asia for a total of seven years.

His first time in Taiwan inspired him to dig deeper into Asian culture from a holistic approach.

Stamps' explanation of this holistic approach includes viewing one being who is surrounded by a greater culture of government, economy, kinship or family patterns, and the supernatural or religion. These subsets of culture are continually interacting with the surrounding environment, which is shaped by the culture's history.

Stamps believes that one cannot look simply at one subset of a culture, but rather examine the subsets individually within the whole and how the subsets and culture affect one another.

He was first hired at Oakland as a special instructor, and retired as an associate professor of anthropology and Asian studies.

In his time at Oakland, Stamps took students to mainland China on one month study tours from 1981 to 1988,

and then from 1990 to 1991.

In 1994, he moved to Taiwan for three years with his wife and youngest child to serve as a mission president for Young Mormon Missionaries.

Among the other reasons he returned to Asia was with the Alumni Association, with the former provost, with Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson and 12 Michigan companies working on a trade delegation.

"I created my own opportunities to go back," Stamps said. "I stuck my nose in the door and explored my options."

Not surprisingly, Stamps' TEDx presentation will focus on China and is titled, "Dealing with China: How to Peel a Banana."

He explained that he will break down why people should study China, though did not elaborate on how to peel a banana.

Stamps will state his call to action, encouraging attendees to take note of China, saying that it is prevalent in everyone's future, no matter one's field of study.

He stated that he hopes attendees will take away a "greater awareness and a greater appreciation for China," as well as the mindset that there are different ways of doing things and that neither is right or wrong, simply different.

Stamps' presentation is sure to educate and provide insight into new ideas for attendees, including the proper method for peeling a banana perhaps. Though he is well-versed in all things concerning China's culture, he is humbled by the fact that there is still more to learn.

"You can study until late in the evening, and you'll never study at all," Stamps shared, translating a Chinese proverb into English.

Other Speakers

Trevor Anulewicz: Vector-form

DocAppella: OUWB School of Medicine choir

Elaina Farnsworth: Mobile Comply CEO

INTRIGUE: OU hip hop dance team

Ron Kagan: Detroit Zoological Society CEO

Gerald Knight: GO! Comedy founder

Amy Morin: social worker, psychotherapist, instructor and author

Neil Rockind: Rockind Law founder

Ara Topouzian: Armenian-American musician

Lisa L.M. Welling: Oakland University Assistant Professor

'To unite people, on one day of service, to make a difference'

Students, volunteers will take time out of their lives to inspire, help others in community

Alexus Bomar
Staff Reporter

On Oct. 24, 2015, volunteers across the nation will come together to impact the lives of others with Make a Difference Day.



Dongfu Han / The Oakland Post

Emily DeLano has been overseeing Make a Difference Day for the last three years.

According to Make a Difference Day's website, the event is a USA Today initiative backed by the Gannett Company and is the nation's largest day of community service.

"Our goal is simple. To unite people, on one day of service, to make a difference in their communities," the website said.

Volunteering with local non-profit organizations will not only benefit the community, but it will also benefit those who decide to volunteer.

"Serving is one of the most important ways to give back and help those in need. It shows the community that we care and we just want Michigan to be in a better place," Emily DeLano, leadership and service learning coordinator, said.

"Students who participate in Make a Difference Day will learn about a community they've never been to, learn about what others go through, become thankful for the things they have and

learn new things such as how to plant trees, how to waste less food and more."

There are 600 spots in total for students who are interested in volunteering.

There are also 16 different non-profit organizations participating in Oakland Universities Make a Difference Day, including Greening of Detroit, Gleaners Food Bank in Pontiac and Gleaners Food Bank in Detroit, and Forgotten Harvest.

"Students can't give back money but they can give back time," DeLano said.

DeLano has been overseeing Make a Difference Day for three years and OU has been doing it since its founding in 1991.

Niko Parks, career ambassador for Career Services, says that having volunteer experience on a resume shows that the student is going above and beyond in their college experience.

"Getting involved whether it's on or off campus is priceless," Parks said.

"You really get to know your professors and peers more."

The last day to register to volunteer is Thursday, Oct. 23. For more information on Make a Difference Day, go to GrizzOrgs and search "Make a Difference Day 2015."

Agenda for Make a Difference Day:

7:55 a.m. - 8:10 a.m. Volunteer Registration at Oakland University's Fireside Lounge

8:20 a.m. Depart from OU

8:30 a.m. - 9 a.m. Arrive at designated site and begin service project

1:00 p.m. Participants have completed Make a Difference Day!



Erika Barker / The Oakland Post

David Lau is the interim director of the school of integrative studies at Oakland University.

OU aligns with Wayne for law

A forthcoming partnership could help students save time, money

Shelby Tankersley
Staff Reporter

Two schools are better than one.

Oakland University currently offers pre-law courses, but no law degree. Realizing this, officials have teamed up with Wayne State University to offer OU students an opportunity worth seizing — a bachelor's degree from OU and a law degree from Wayne State in just six years.

"We're very happy to be working with Oakland to provide this unique opportunity to OU students," Shawn Starkey, director of marketing and communications for Wayne State University Law School, said.

Students who meet Wayne's Law School's entrance requirements can start classes at Wayne during their senior year at OU and transfer their credits back to OU for a bachelor's, saving them a year.

"Wayne's minimum is a GPA of 3.4 and a LSAT of 157," David Lau, interim director of the school of integrative studies at OU, said. "The GPA and LSAT are the two things they really pay attention to."

The GPA for law school is dif-

ferent than the average — it takes into account every class a student has ever taken.

"If a student has to take a class more than once, OU takes the highest grade they receive," Lau said. "But with law, it will take into account every attempt made of said class, so it works a little differently."

Law school also looks at every college the student has gone to.

"At Oakland, your GPA starts the minute you start taking OU classes," Lau said. "At law school, they look at every course you've ever taken at any institution."

But if a student can maintain these requirements, they can get a jump start.

"On average, a bachelor's degree takes four years, and a law degree takes an additional three years, making seven years of schooling for the student," Starkey said. "The program lets the students accepted do dual enrollment during the fourth year, which takes off a year of them having to be at a university."

Lau also said that the point of the program is to help OU students save some time.

"The heart of this is a three plus one. Where students save time is during the first year of law school that transfers back

"We're very happy to be working with Oakland to provide this unique opportunity."

Shawn Starkey
Director of Marketing and Communications for Wayne State University Law School

here," Lau said. "If they can meet the requirements, this special arrangement will greatly help them."

Starkey mentioned that this is the first time Wayne has partnered with another university to offer an opportunity like this to students.

To contrast, Oakland has worked with other schools to make similar programs, so it is confident going into this partnership.

"We're excited for this. Wayne has a strong law school," Lau said.

Lau also mentioned that as far as he knows, there is nothing currently in the works to form an OU law school, which is why they want to give students somewhere to go.

Concealed weapon carry laws coming under fire

In response to campus shootings, lawmakers push for leniency

Grace Turner
Life Editor

Michigan law may soon allow concealed weapons in schools.

The Senate Judiciary Committee in Lansing approved two bills that would allow those with concealed pistol licenses to carry in places where they currently can't, according to the Detroit Free Press. However, open carry won't be allowed. The bills still have to be approved by Michigan's Senate.

This legislation will iron out disputes in other parts of Michigan. An Ann Arbor resident sued the University of Michigan in June because he wasn't allowed to carry a gun on campus, according to the Detroit Free Press.

Similar legislation has been worked out in other parts of the country. In June, the Texas Legislature approved a law permitting college students who are at least 21 years old and licensed to carry a concealed firearm to have guns on college campuses, according to the Huffington Post. However, the president of each university will decide which buildings the law applies to.

This legislation hits closer to Oakland University than many students realize. An armed man attended the Judith Butler lecture at OU on Oct. 8.

Lori Ostergaard, associate professor and chair of the department of writing and rhetoric, attended the lecture on non-violence and caught a glimpse of the man's gun as he stood up and sat down. She called OUPD.

Two officers confronted the man and found out that he was an off-duty police officer from another city. Police officers are allowed to carry a concealed weapon most

places, Mark Gordon, chief of OUPD said.

"He was not breaking the law," Gordon said. "He did nothing wrong."

OU has an ordinance that does not allow firearms on campus. However, this can only be enforced with students, who agree to not violate any campus ordinances when they sign their application for admission, and employees, who are required to follow campus rules, Gordon said.

OU is a public university, and anyone can come on campus, firearm or no firearm.

However, visitors with concealed weapons are not allowed in residential or academic buildings, Gordon said.

Under the ordinance, faculty can ask students with guns to leave, Kevin Grimm said. Grimm just finished his two-year term as president of OU's branch of the American Association of University Professors. This organization serves as the faculty union. If the students refuse, faculty can call OUPD.

"Remember that the instructor has not only a right, but a responsibility to ensure a safe learning environment in his/her classroom," Grimm said in an email.

All this may change if the bills become law.

Ostergaard said she has no problem with people's right to own guns, but there's a time and place for everything.

"We have these rights, but we don't always use them. It's not a situation that calls for a gun," she said of the lecture.

Ostergaard posted about the event on Facebook. Many of her friends, who are faculty at OU and other colleges, called for increased awareness of the specifics of OU's policy.

"They really want to know what this ordinance does and does not allow," she said.

However, this awareness may not matter much longer.

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TOP 9 HALLOWEEN COSTUMES

Halloween is right around the corner and if you're still searching for a costume, look no further! The Post has got you covered.



1. Left Shark:
Flashback to Katy Perry's Super Bowl half time performance and awkwardly dance all night.



2. #TheDress:
Blue and black or white and gold? Either way, you'll look hot.



3. Orange is the New Black Prison Outfit:
Throw on these comfy khakis and a blonde wig and *viola!*



4. Leslie Knope from Parks and Rec:
Bonus points if you trick-or-treat with waffles while riding Lil' Sebastian.



5. The Grizz:
Find a bear costume, throw a Grizz Gang shirt over it and your costume has school spirit!



6. Donald Trump:
Buy this mask or get a blond wig and you'll be the talk of the Halloween party.



7. Owen Grady from Jurassic World:
Raptors not included.



8. Minion:
Despicable! Get some overalls, a yellow turtleneck, black gloves and some goggles.



9. 50 Shades of Grey:
Raid your local Home Depot for this costume.

— Compiled by Faith Brody,
Copy Editor

YAKS of the WEEK

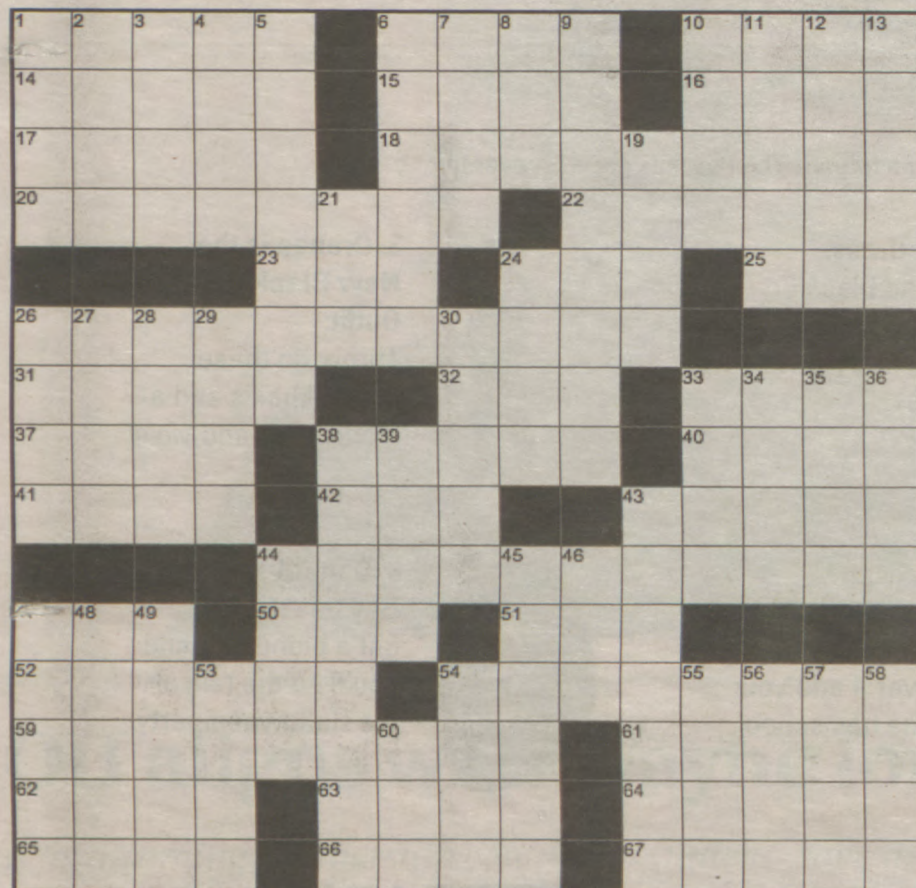
Yik Yak:
The voice of the people

1. "IF YOU CAN'T HANDLE ME AT MY WORST I don't blame you, neither can I most of the time."
2. "Dentist: *shoots you* 'You're bleeding because you don't floss.'"
3. "I love asking little kids what they want to be when they grow up because I'm still looking for ideas."
4. "Can I use yakaramas to pay my tuition?"
5. "You shouldn't have to go to class if it's darker than your future outside in the morning."
6. "Pro tip: if you leave your homework until the last minute, it will only take a minute."
7. "If you're really glad it's Friday clap your hands *clap clap.*"
8. "When can I stop playing college? This is quite exhausting."
9. "What is this 'free time' you speak of?"
10. "Yik Yak will be the reason I flunk out of college."

— Compiled by Shelby Tankersley,
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Puzzles



Across

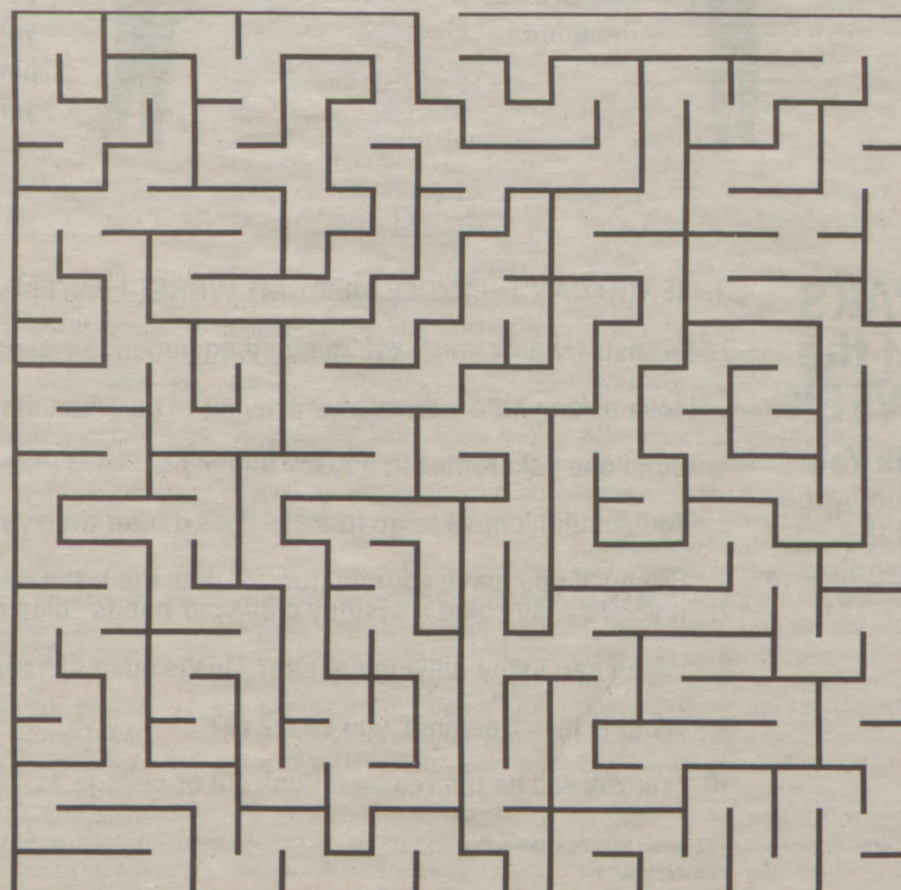
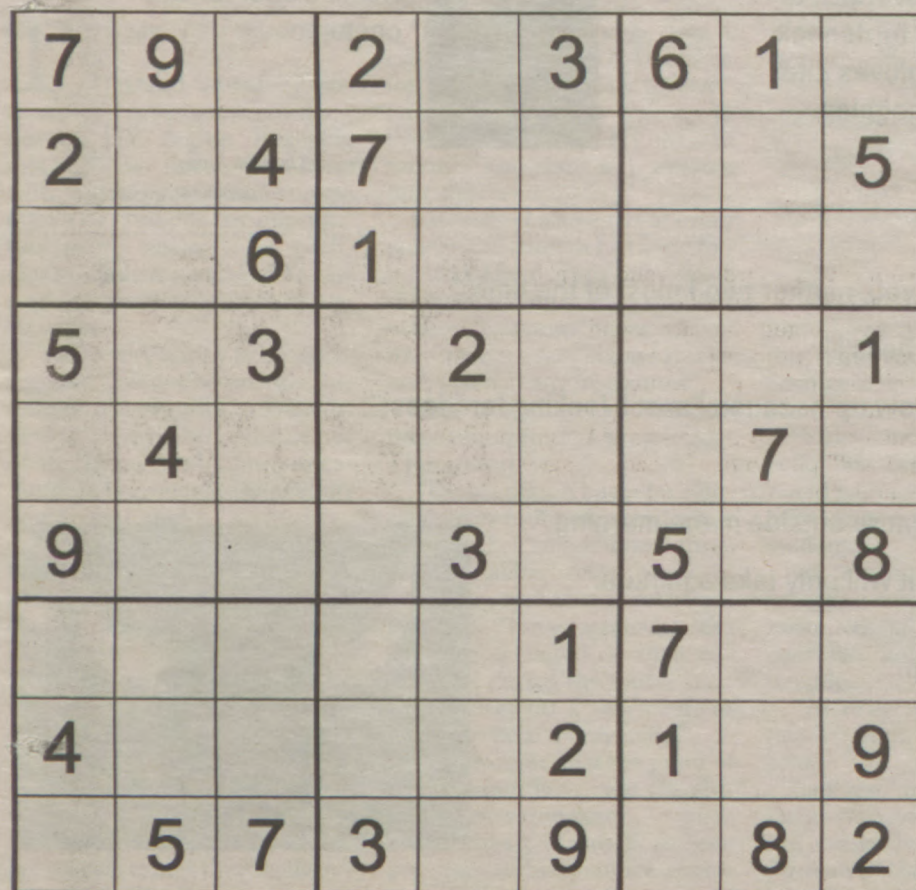
- 1: Simple organism
6: Word on an octagon
10: Diminish
14: Paris, to Romeo
15: Breathing space
16: Keeps cold
17: Slow to act
18: Offensive ones?
20: Floppy, for one
22: ___ Leone
23: 'Sweet Pea' singer
Tommy
24: Chess piece
25: Cargo compartment
26: Bit of high jinks
31: Animal with twisted horns
32: Peak stat
33: Bridle path excursion
37: Used to be
38: Romantic bouquet
40: Freshly
41: Prospector's bonanza
42: Away from the office
43: Wash or rinse, e.g.
44: Uninvited guest
47: Confession topic
50: NPR has none

- 51: Come to pass
52: Grassy hills
54: Advanced study groups
59: Unseen
61: Inner legbone
62: Ground corn
63: Silently sullen
64: About
65: Mouse, to an owl
66: Spots
67: Potted plant place

Down

- 1: Like the Atacama
2: Revealing dress
3: Holiday nights
4: Cork, essentially
5: Amended
6: Torrents
7: Package carrier
8: Food scrap
9: Russian Revolution participants
10: Tour de France vehicle
11: Sour
12: ___ firma
13: Piece with a purpose
19: French film
21: Diminutive dog

- 24: Eminem's '8 ___'
26: Whimper
27: Table spread
28: Aromatic ointment
29: Joint with a cap
30: Hurried pace
33: Solar beams
34: Screen-measuring unit
35: Proofreader's mark
36: Large pitcher
38: Fruit stand locale, often
39: Inning enders
43: Accumulated wealth
44: Women, to a buckaroo
45: TOAST
46: St. Louis griddle
47: Cut back
48: Kind of circle or tube
49: Super stars
53: Blossom from a bulb
54: Turn on an axis
55: Span's inches
56: All tucked in
57: Frodo's burden
58: Stuff to the gills
60: 'Whew!'





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Oakland University tied with UDM 1-1 after going into double overtime, resulting in one point for both teams in the Metro Series event.

OU looks to defend Metro Series competition title against UDM

Annual Metro Series competition begins again, Grizzlies aim to keep the trophy

Katlynn Emaus
Staff Reporter

Metro Series may be a popular term around Oakland athletics, but a majority of the student body doesn't know what it is.

The Metro Series is a combined athletic competition between Oakland and the University of Detroit Mercy (UDM), established last September. Oakland won the first Metro Series 26-10.

The series isn't just one soccer game or one basketball game, but a combination of all sports that the two schools compete in. The multiple games all count towards a final score.

The included sports are men and women's basketball, men and women's cross country, men and women's golf, women's softball, women's tennis and men and women's track and field.

For cross country, track and field and golf, the teams are scored by their place-

ment in the Horizon League Championship. Last year, the Grizzlies swept both indoor and outdoor track and golf for men and women's competition.

Oakland's women's cross country team placed higher at Horizon League's last year and Oakland also took softball.

On Sept. 30, the first Metro Series game of 2015-16 took place when women's soccer took on Detroit. The game went into double overtime and resulted in a tie.

"In the Metro Series you get two points for a win and nothing for a loss," head coach Margaret Saurin said.

The women's soccer team took the field last Wednesday, Oct. 14, in the chilly 50-degree weather. Twenty-six minutes in, Jennifer Borawski from UDM scored the first goal of the game. However, during the 67th minute, Oakland's Alice Palmer, who was dealing with injuries during the week, scored a goal to tie the game up.

"It was great to be back playing with

the team. It was a hard week and I'm glad to be back and playing Detroit," Palmer said. "It was a good break we had a few crosses and it was nice just to tap in."

Since that game, the women's soccer has gone 2-0-1 in Horizon League play with victories over Valparaiso and Wright State. They'll play in the Horizon League tournament beginning Nov. 2.

The next Metro Series game will take place this Wednesday, Oct. 21 with Oakland hosting Detroit's men's soccer team at 7:30 p.m.

The marquee matchup between the two men's basketball teams will take place at Detroit on Jan. 16 and at Oakland on Feb. 26. The women's teams will play at Detroit on Jan. 23 and at home on Feb. 27.

Looking ahead, the Metro Series will continue through the spring with the final event being the outdoor track and field championship from May 1-3 on Oakland's track.

SPORTS BLITZ

Men's Soccer

Oakland men's soccer defeated Green Bay in Wisconsin 1-0 on Saturday. Jacob VanderLaan assisted on Austin Ricci's game winning goal for the Golden Grizzlies. Oakland's defense and goal keeper Elliott Tarney allowed no goals, making this Tarney's third shutout. Oakland's Horizon League record currently stands at 2-2-1 and the team's overall record of 5-6-1.

Women's Soccer

The Golden Grizzlies' women's soccer team hit the road to play University of Illinois Chicago over the weekend. The game ended in a 0-0 tie despite Oakland leading in shots, shots on goal and in corner kicks. Alice Palmer was named player of the game with five shots and two on shots on goal. Goal keeper Emily Zweng had two saves, recording her third shutout of the season. Oakland's Horizon League record is currently 3-1-2, overall it stands at 4-5-6.

Volleyball

Oakland's volleyball team toppled Wright State on Saturday. The Golden Grizzlies won in three straight sets. With 13 kills, Jessica Dood tied for the match-high in kills and Ciara Schultz had 40 assists for Oakland. Amanda Baker was named player of the game with 12 kills. Oakland lead in serve aces and blocks. The victory pushes Oakland's record to 6-2 in league play and a 4-0 travel record.

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Ready, set, spike!

Volleyball player honored with Horizon League Defensive Player of the Week

Ally Racey
Staff Reporter

Grand Rapids native Alli Gutschow was named the Horizon League Defensive Player of the Week for the week of Sept. 28-Oct. 4.

Gutschow, a junior at Oakland, averaged 5.3 digs per set over two matches and tallied a career-best 27 digs against Valparaiso on Oct. 2.

She followed with another outstanding performance with a match-high 10 digs against UIC on Oct. 3.

"I was very surprised, humbled and grateful to be named Defensive Player of the Week. It's such a team sport and we all help each other succeed. So it was a honor to be singled out like that," Gutschow said.

Several universities including Central Michigan, Hope College, Indiana Purdue Fort Wayne and Ohio State were interested in enlisting Gutschow's services, but she ultimately fell in love with Oakland.

"Meeting the Oakland volleyball team had a big impact on me. They were very friendly and welcoming. It was also nice because I'm from Grand Rapids, so it was far enough away but I could still see my parents," Gutschow said.

Gutschow started playing volleyball in fourth grade.

"My parents suggested it because I could jump pretty well and, at the time, the doctors expected me to be over six feet," Gutschow said.

She played on an AAU club team for most of her childhood. During her junior high and high school days, she played on Forest Hills Eastern teams and participated in travel volleyball in the off-season. Gutschow also played for the Michigan Volleyball Association club program.

Gutschow said she knew she wanted to play a sport in college because she is too competitive and too active to not do anything.

"I come from a skiing family so I debated doing that collegiately but fell in love with volleyball," she said.

Gutschow said volleyball is such a team sport where you can get the ca-

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Alli Gutschow

maraderie, support, and friendships.

"I love the challenge of being pushed to always compete at a high level. There's never a time when you can't get better in some aspect of the game, no matter what age or level you're at," Gutschow said.

She believes each person on the team is a leader and they all give 100 percent every day in practice and on game days.

When the team is down, Gutschow wants to encourage them to push and persevere and never stop striving forward.

"As a team, we all make each other better," she said.

Against Valparaiso, Gutschow's former teammate from one of her travel teams played for the Crusaders. It made the match particularly important for both of them.

"Valpo is especially a key rivalry, so that is one key motivator when we play against them, we want to win," Gutschow said.

She went on to say that UIC has a strong middle player, so she and her teammates were all the more determined to defend against her attacks and shut her down.

There are only four points that separate the team from being undefeated. Gutschow wants to beat Cleveland State because they lost to them by two points earlier in the season.

The Golden Grizzlies want to win the Horizon League again this year and get to the NCAA again.

"My personal goal is to do everything possible to make this happen," Gutschow said.

The Black and Gold will play UIC at home on Oct. 30.



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Alli Gutschow was named Horizon League Defensive Player of the Week on Sept. 28.

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