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Women's basketball squad picked second in GLIAC. Desire, depth to drive the Pioneers to the top. See page 9.



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The Campus Karate Club hones and sharpens the body's skills in strength of mind above physical ability.

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The Pioneer soccer team, ranked seventh in the nation, blanks Northeast Missouri State, 2-0, to advance in NCAA tournament.

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Briefly...

Trustee meeting

There will be an Oakland University Board of Trustees Investment Advisory Committee meeting on Thursday, Nov. 18, at 8 a.m. at the Handleman Company. This meeting is open to anyone interested in attending.

OU budget hearings now in session

The 1994-95 Oakland University budget hearings are set to begin Nov. 17, at 7:30 a.m. and will continue through Dec. 15. Divisions include Academic affairs, Student Affairs, University Relations, the Board of Trustees and Finance & Administration. Extensive topics and departments pertaining to the divisions will be discussed at the hearings.

Big fish, little fish

This week the environmental film series is focusing on life under the sea. The lifestyle of Pacific Island fishing communities has been threatened by large industrial nations depleting fishing waters with high-tech ships and canning equipment. New training programs and fishing limits have resurrected the local fishing industry. The film, which is half an hour long, will be shown at noon in the Oakland Center.

Native American celebration

The international students organization is sponsoring a Native American celebration Tuesday, Nov. 23 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Gold Room A in the OC. Wayne Jackson will be appearing, with an introduction to the Native American culture, its rites, songs, dances and costumes.

A Chinese night

The following week our Prof. Richard Stamps will be in Lounge II in the OC with his slides and information from his recent trip to the old China. The presentation will be held Monday, Nov. 29 from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Cultural reading club

OU students, faculty and staff have formed the multicultural reading club. The first meeting will be held on Dec. 3, from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge in the OC. For more information call Helen Woodman or Jodi Miller, 100 North Foundation, 370-4216.

Merger downed by OU Senate

By MARY LOWE
News Editor

The University Senate defeated Vice President of Academic Affairs Gary Russi's proposal to consolidate the School of Nursing and the School of Health Sciences Thursday with a vote of 26 to 18.

The vote was as much a condemnation of the initial short circuiting of the university's governance process as the proposal itself.

Russi had already proposed the merger to a Board of Trustees committee before

enlisting the Senate's Planning Review and Budget Review committees, the Human Relations committee and others for input.

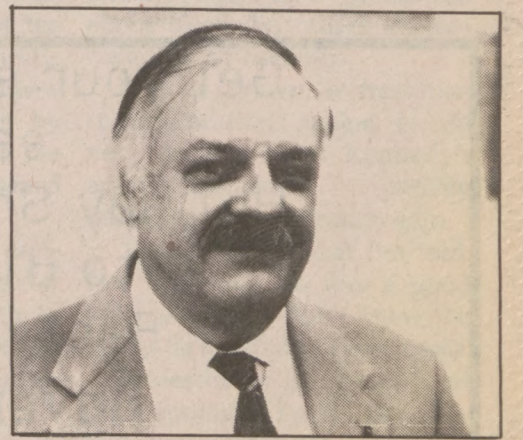
During the 80 minute debate, which included a passionate defense by Nursing Dean Carol Zenas and a dispassionate advocacy by Planning Review Committee chairman Curt Chipman, an associate professor of mathematics, many senators said that the decision making lacked sufficient information and detail including a valid cost savings assessment, comprehensive data on the impact of similar mergers at

other universities nationwide and the reasoning behind those consolidations.

"We have not yet seen a major cost benefit analysis," Senator and Assistant Professor of Nursing Mary Mittlestaedt argued.

The accuracy of a Budget Review Committee analysis that a merger could save about \$200,000 with the elimination of one dean and support staff was one issue raised. Others concerned the loss of students and reputation in a merged unit.

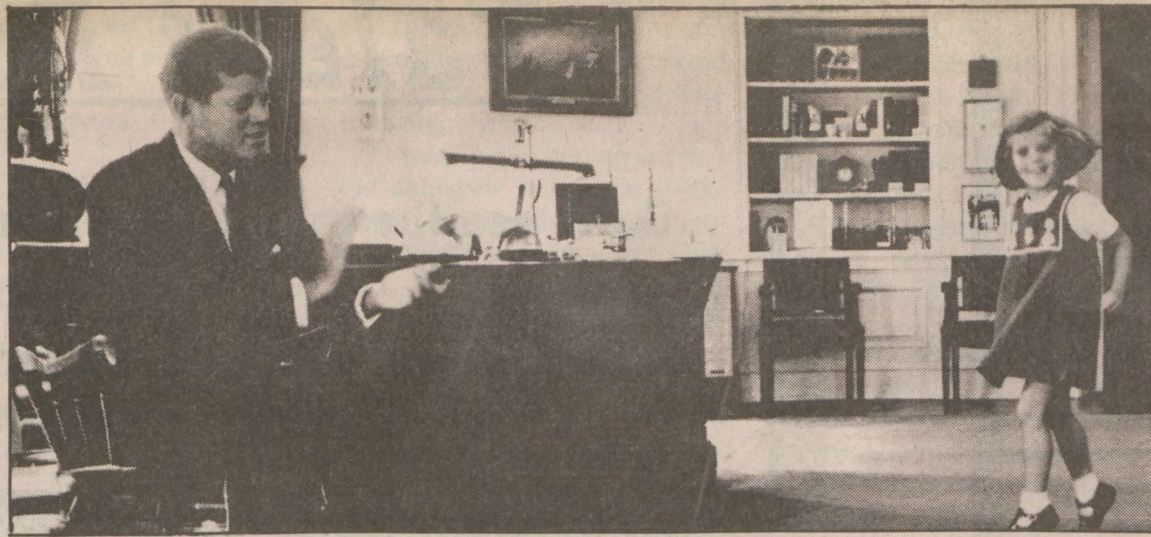
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Vincent Khapoya
Political science professor



This Monday marks the thirtieth anniversary of the assassination of President John Fitzgerald Kennedy. Above, he is shown playing with daughter Caroline.

Torch still lit for JFK

By DARYL M. PIERSON
Feature Editor

On the 30th anniversary of the assassination of President John Fitzgerald Kennedy, Monday at noon in the Fireside Lounge of the Oakland Center, the Honors College will sponsor an informal discussion by four faculty members.

The discussion will be on the impact, the changes, visions and revisions over the past three decades since Kennedy's death.

Political science professor

Discussions, memories mark anniversary of leader's death

Vincent Khapoya, who was a high school student in Kenya when Kennedy was assassinated, says that Monday's discussion will be beneficial to students who might have the wrong perception of Kennedy.

"I think they really don't have the right perspective," Khapoya said. "Kennedy has

been trivialized by reports of his private life. Just because somebody has charisma doesn't mean that he is perfect."

But Khapoya does believe that Kennedy was excellent presidential material.

"I look at some of his old press conferences and I'm amazed at how much he is in control. Of course Reagan was the charmer, but the intellect was just not there. Kennedy had a combination of charm, wit and charisma," he said.

Many students also feel the

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President awaits interim VP name pool

By ROBERT SNELL
Editor in Chief

After corking three vice presidential holes last year, President Sandra Packard is working to plug a fourth and has empowered the Office of Student Affairs to recommend an interim vice president for

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Faculty, students object to Palace commencement

By ROBERT CARR
and DEBRA HOLBROOK
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There's a question going around Oakland University's campus; a question a lot of students don't know is being asked.

Should the commencement ceremonies that are held by OU be switched from on campus to the Palace of Auburn Hills?

"It's just a matter of discussion at this time," Priscilla Hildum, assistant to the vice president of academic affairs. She is responsible for the coordinating of commencement at OU.

Hildum said that the original proposal was to have one ceremony a year, instead of many. To do this would require a lot of seating, and a lot of space, and she said in looking around the

Palace is the best possibility.

Currently, the commencement ceremonies are held twice a year. The major ceremony is held in June, with the different colleges holding separate graduations at the Meadow Brook Pavilion. The other commencement is held in Sept. and recognizes the spring and summer graduates within one large ceremony.

"The advantages of this plan would be able to have a gathering of a larger group of people, larger than we get now, to be at our commencement," Hildum said. "We could even get a speaker of significant note to speak at the Palace during the event."

Hildum said that the idea is in the feedback stage, and she has

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Office of Minority Equity draws criticism from ABS

By KEN POWERS
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The Office of Minority Equity is receiving criticism from the Association of Black Students with respect to scholarship funding, staff employees and the newly appointed interim director Kevin Early.

"Although the establishment of the office did heal some

wounds between the African-American students and the administration, I don't see it as progress. It is not progress to me to give me something, I already should have had," President ABS Omar Brown said.

Brown said that Assistant Professor of sociology Kevin Early's appointment as interim director to the office was but a small step—in the wrong direc-

tion. "With Kevin Early there is not a total commitment because he is still a teacher. Even though it is good that he organized the retreat last week, I'm still waiting for him to directly address the bigger issues like minority retention and financial aid," he said.

ABS Vice President Omari Thomas says that he has not seen

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Omar Brown, president of the Association of Black Students, believes that the Office of Minority Equity should address issues such as minority retention and financial aid.