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## OU faculty may strike

BY JULIE KAHLER  
News Editor

Oakland University's Sept. 3 start of classes could be delayed by a faculty strike if a contract agreement is not reached between university administrators and the American Association of University Professors.

The 350-member faculty has repeatedly stated its position of "no contract, no work." The contract for most of the faculty expired at midnight, Aug. 14.

William Connellan, assistant provost and chief bargainer for the university said on Friday, "my assumption is that we will have a new one (contract) next week."

But Paul Tomboulian, head of the union team said on the same day (over the AAUP hotline), "the administration continues not to respond meaningfully to our proposals or to present any new proposals that would address unresolved issues." He had little hope that any substantial agreement would be made before Wednesday's 8 p.m. faculty meeting in the St. John Fisher Chapel.

Strike authorization will be discussed at the meeting.

"On August 1, the administration offered us a one percent lift of (salary) scale, and they have not budged since," Tomboulian said.

In a telephone interview, he confirmed an Aug. 14 *Oakland Press* report that the AAUP had requested an 8 percent lift of

scale. He added that it would take a 13 percent increase to make the average OU salary comparable in the market to what it has been in the past.

Salaries were at their best, he said, in the late 1970's when the average OU faculty salary was in the top five percentile for similar U.S. universities.

"Salaries have deteriorated dramatically since then," said Tomboulian.

In this context, Tomboulian did not believe an 8 percent request to be extravagant.

Connellan refused to confirm any number figures, saying only that the administration preferred to do its talking at the bargaining table.

In addition to the administration's "inadequate salary offer," Tomboulian listed layoff, early retirement, and discipline and discharge procedures as points of disagreement. He would not elaborate on these items.

Two faculty strikes have occurred in OU history: a nine day strike in 1971 which required residence hall students to be sent home; and a three day strike in 1976.

Tomboulian said OU faculty members have been working under three year contracts since the early 1970's.

Daily reports of current negotiations are available through the AAUP hotline, 370-2004.

## University Congress reveals '85-86 plans

BY MICHELE BROZOWSKI  
Staff Writer

University Congress will have a busy year in 1985, according to student President Mike Carbone.

He said Congress's plans call for management of new funds, formation of a legislative affairs committee, additional social events for students, and an increased Congress publicity campaign.

Congress members are budgeting funds to be obtained through the recently increased student activity fee.

Students voted last winter to raise the fee from \$7.50 to \$9.75, and the decision was approved by university administrators over the summer.

Congress will direct part of the new funding to specified campus organizations, including WOUX and the *Sail*. Other sums will be used more generally, such as \$50 to increase the dance disc jockey fund to \$200; and \$500 to increase the miscellaneous student program fund to \$2,000.

Also included in the budget will be a transportation fund providing 20 cents per mile for various teams on campus.

In a new policy change, Carbone said organizations will have to start programming fundraisers and social events in advance if they want to receive money from the Congress Student Activity Board. Requests will only be accepted at a specified time during the semester rather than intermittently throughout the fall.

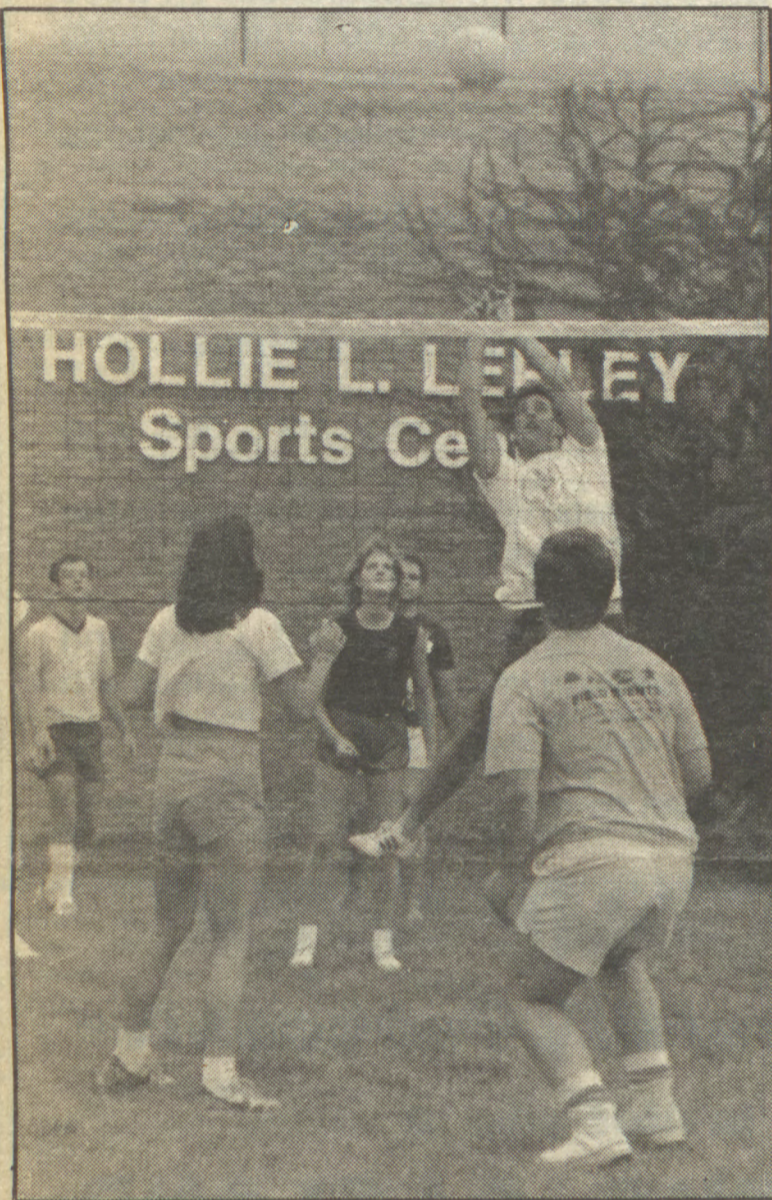
"We are striving for organizations to prepare their programs in advance so everything will go

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Patio concert series graced outdoor luncheons.  
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Children enjoy summer swim camps.  
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A group of summer freshmen orientation students enjoy an evening of recreation on the volleyball field.

## Construction to aid OU commuters

BY JULIE KAHLER  
News Editor

Parking hassles traditionally result in many a tardy student as each semester begins, but while no one is guaranteeing miracles, university officials anticipate fewer problems this year, due to recent construction efforts: A pair of new campus access routes and a 51-space parking lot will be open time to ease the crush of fall traffic.

The entrances will sandwich the main University Drive entrance, creating two more points of access from Squirrel Road. One entry/exit will feed directly into the large parking lot in front of North and South Foundation Halls, while the other one attaches Squirrel Road to the previously dead-end Pioneer Drive.

"Students coming from I-75 and bound for Dodge and Varner Halls will be able to avoid

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Robert, John and Art Marino smooth the new curb prior to the laying of the north Squirrel Road entrance. The Marinos are from the Sherwood Company of Rochester.

## Congress

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more smoothly and students will know what is going on during the semester," Carbone said.

A date of application for funds has not yet been set.

The University Congress hopes to establish a legislative affairs committee that will deal with state issues and proposals affecting Michigan universities.

On the entertainment side of things, the movies sponsored by the Student Programming Board will not only be held in the evenings as in the past, but also in the afternoons, so students commuting will have a chance to see a movie at a low price.

Two programs still "up in the air," according to Carbone, are an ethnic festival in the Crockery, and a new group called Campus Information Network (CIN), which will allow campus organizations to compare notes and publicity ideas for various events.

Carbone reiterated his winter campaign sentiment that students should become more involved with Congress, and that both Congress members and students need to work together more to better serve student needs.



Mike Carbone

Toward this goal, Congress has put out a brochure explaining the functions and goals of OU's student government, with information on how anyone can become involved.

Also scheduled to improve Congress effectiveness is an inner-Congress, self-help style program designed to bring out the leadership ability in each and every Congress member, Carbone said.

Students wishing to express concerns or find out about University Congress can attend meetings Mondays, 5 to 7 p.m., room 126-127 in the Oakland Center.

The first meeting is scheduled for Sept. 9.

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