

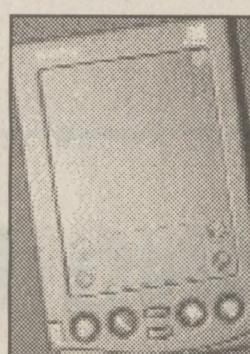
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• The Meadow Brook Holiday Walk 2000 will be held at Meadow Brook Hall until Sunday. The tours are given daily from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. The price is \$12.50 for adults, and \$6 for OU student, staff, faculty and alumni with ID.

• Join SPB for it's annual Stress Free Zone from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. today in the Fireside Lounge of the Oakland Center. Take a break from exams, lectures, and reading to enjoy some time to unwind.

• The Visiting Nurses Association will be giving flu shots from 8 a.m.-noon on Tuesday in the main hall of the Oakland Center. The cost is \$10 and certain insurance plans are accepted. Pneumonia Vaccines will also be offered at a charge of \$25.

This is our last issue of The Oakland Post for this year. Have a great holiday, we'll see you in January!

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UG catalog scratched

By Michael Hoskins
LOCAL EDITOR

After months of waiting and wondering about the status of the 2000-2001 Undergraduate Catalog, it's now confirmed that it will most likely not be printed at all.

Louis Esposito, Provost of Academic Affairs, indicated that "maybe we're so far down the road that we might not want to print the catalog and wait for the next one."

The catalog, usually distributed during freshmen orientations and also during the first week of school, is the responsibility of the Academic Affairs office.

"The fact that it didn't get done should be blamed on the Provost," Esposito said. "I consider this very unfortunate. It's probably one of the most embarrassing administrative moments in my entire career as an academic administrator."

The project fell under the supervision of

Katherine Haig, assistant to the Provost.

Both Esposito and Haig confirmed that the catalog is not completed.

Haig said that she is working to finish her work on the catalog, but does not know when it will be finished.

"This is the first time I have done this, and this year the scholarship information was more expanded," she explained.

These final changes impacted the table of contents and therefore, the index page num-

bers had to be adjusted, she said.

She will, however, be leaving OU on Friday to fill the "Confidential Assistant to the Provost" at Wayne State University, and would not comment on the catalog's state after her departure.

Esposito and Haig will meet this morning to discuss the Undergraduate Catalog.

According to Haig, everything except the index has been sent to the printer already.

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Deans, VPs' salaries up

By Cara Plowman
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Although President Gary Russi has yet to hear the jingling of a pay raise in his pockets this year, OU deans saw the largest overall increases in salary for the 2000-2001 fiscal year.

Last year, Russi took home a base pay of \$175,000 as well as a \$20,000 bonus. At the time, the Clerical and Technical staff was in negotiations. Many were angered that the president was receiving such a large raise, because it was more than some of them were taking home.

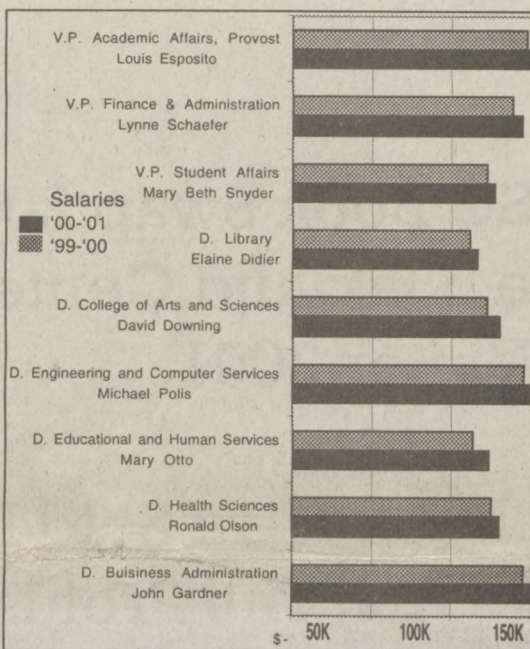
Russi has yet to receive his raise this year, which has to be approved by the Board of Trustees. His cabinet and the academic deans, however, have seen raises ranging from 3 percent to 8.84 percent.

Of the six academic deans (exclud-

ing the dean of Nursing, which is currently filled by an Interim), Mary Otto, Dean of the School of Educational and Human Services, received the highest raise. Otto's salary last year was \$112,550 and increased 8.84 percent to \$122,500.

Mary Beth Snyder, Vice President for Student Affairs and Lynne Schaefer, Vice President for Finance and Administration are the only two female vice presidents. They, along with Otto, the only female academic dean, received the highest percentage pay increases but are still among the lowest paid.

The new Interim Dean of the School of Nursing, Kathleen Emrich received an 11.65 percent raise, but is still making less than the previous dean.



*Geoffrey Upward and Kathleen Emrich are not included in this graph because they are the acting and interim deans, respectively.

Justine Speer, the previous dean of the department, transferred to the faculty staff last year, but left making \$122,300. Emrich will make \$95,000 this year.

Geoffrey Upward replaced David Disend and is the new Acting Vice President for University Relations. Disend left the position making \$127,775, and Upward will receive \$109,265.

Dorm residents discover their number is up

OU to change resident's phones to '364' by January

By Lisa Remsing
NEWS EDITOR

Nearly 1,500 students will be seeing a change in their phone numbers beginning next semester due to a need for extra extensions all across campus. The new extensions will begin with the exchange 364 and end with an 8000 or 9000 number.

According to Judith Wharry, Telecommunications Manager, OU had to change the prefixes to access other available numbers. The 370 prefix is also used by Ameritech customers in the Auburn Hills and surrounding area. This number is not used exclusively by OU.

"We have run out of direct inward dial numbers. There were no other numbers left in the 370 exchange for us to

draw on," said Wharry.

According to Wharry, it was easier to change the phone numbers in the residence halls because there are fewer numbers than in administrative offices.

"It seemed more reasonable to confine these changes to one area," she said.

The university attempted to make these changes over the summer, but according to Wharry, it could not work the change through with Ameritech, OU's phone service provider. Ameritech has been under fire statewide for service related problems.

The Housing Department phone number will stay the same, as well as the offices in any of the residence halls.

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GOING the distance



WALKING FOR A CONTRACT: The Clerical and Technical staff held another protest in response to the universities' stalling to settle contract negotiations. Last week the staff took their lunch break to walk around the center of campus, dressed in black and carried protest signs.

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Varner, budget on BOT agenda

• Meeting at 2 p.m., auditorium of Elliot Hall

By Mike Savage
THE OAKLAND POST

The Board of Trustees are expected to vote on whether or not to submit the current capital outlay budget to the Michigan Department of Management and the Budget to get funding for its top priorities at its meeting today.

The top priorities listed in the budget call for an addition and renovation to Varner Hall and a new automotive technology facility.

The Varner Hall project would cost an estimated \$50 million and involve the renovation of a significant portion of the existing building and a 215,000 square foot addition.

Varner's renovation would be focused on academic spaces for the performing arts including rehearsal, performance and classroom space.

According to a university

audit report, OU is second last of Michigan's 15 universities in square footage per student.

Enrollments in music, theater and dance have been growing at a rate greater than the overall growth of the university, according to the audit report.

The BOT's second priority, to construct a new automotive technology facility, would cost \$45 million and be approximately 55,000 net square feet.

The new building would provide space for the Schools of Engineering and Computer Sciences, Business and Administration and Health Sciences.

If approved by the state, planning and design for both projects would take an estimated one year and the construction is expected to take two years.

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