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Pioneer pros? Some former OU athletes suceed overseas in sports. See page 10.

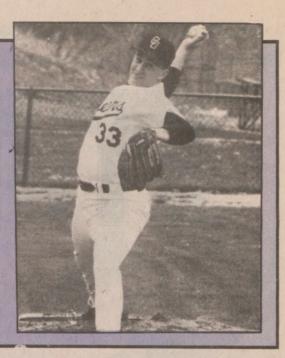


Features

Every cloud has a golden lining for members of Golden Key Honors Society, which honors students who excel academically, "And no pocket protectors!" Page 7

Sports

First-year Head Coach Steve Lyon will rely on speed and pitching to make claim to the GLIAC title in 1994. The Pioneers are off to a 10-5 start, 2-0 in the league. Page 9



The Oakland Post

Tuition rate expected to balloon soon



8% hike projected

By ROBERT CARR News Editor

Students at OU will probably see their tuition costs go up by 8 percent, starting this summer, regardless of an apparent increase in state appropriations.

The vote for state monetary help will occur this summer, and it has been speculated by Oakland's administration that the Higher Education appropriations committee in Lansing will vote a 2.3 to 4 percent increase in aid to colleges throughout

However, a tuition hike is still expected, no matter how much is given to these schools, according to Paul Bissonnette, vice president for finance and administra-

"We expect about \$800,000 in aid," said Bissonnette. "That's not very much money when you're dealing with a \$75 million

He said that part of an increase would go toward infla-

Search

pursues

The search continues for a

new vice president for student

affairs to replace Wilma Ray-Bledsoe who resigned from the

A 17-person committee composed of student and academic

affairs personnel, faculty mem-

bers, students and one Board of

Trustee are still screening appli-

cants and will invite candidates

to Oakland University's campus during April, according to the

chairperson of the political sci-

ence department and search

committee chair, William

tion confidentially at the candi-

dates' requests," he said. "I

don't think the final decision

will be made by the board of

trustees until sometime in May,"

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"We are holding the informa-

position last November.

team

By EILEEN OXLEY

Staff Writer

Macauley.

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Kilbourne Lecture

Dr. Jean Kilbourne, internationally recognized authority on the media, advertising and sex roles, will be on OU's campus on April 5 to speak about Naked Truth: Advertising's Image of Women," a lecture that examines the perpetuation of women as sex symbols and other negative images in advertising. Tickets are available at the CIPO service window in Oakland Center's lower level.

Human Rights Rally

A human rights rally in memory of Martin Luther King, Jr. takes place at noon on Tuesday, April 4 outside the Oakland Center.

Summer Scholarship

The English Speaking Union is offering a \$1,000 scholarship to anyone who wishes to take part in British Studies at Oxford University this summer. Call Prof. M.B. Pigott at ex. 4131 before April 8 for further information.

arrives at OU By ERICA BLAKE

Ethnic diversity

Staff Writer

A new class requirement which explores American ethnic diversity was added to the list for those students entering Oakland University in Fall 1994

been in the works since the

University Senate approved the legislation in April of 1992, can be fulfilled through courses which have been approved by the University Committee on Undergraduate Instruction.

"There are various ways of looking at ethnic diversity, This requirement, which has there are multiple perspectives,"

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The Director of the Office of Minority Equity Glenn McIntosh hopes the new classes will enhance ethnic understanding.

'Jane, how do you stop this crazy thing?'



Kathleen White and Danielle Miller test out their rollerblades on Beer Lake's bridge last week. Students and Ground Maintenance workers (below) seized an opportunity to go outside last Thursday and Friday and enjoy temps of 75 degrees.

"I played a lot of Frisbee and just stayed outside because I knew the weather was too good to last."

> Rick Allio Freshman



"I felt like a male peacock for the first time. I was able to spread my wings and show my true colors."

> Brendan Tully Senior

Inter-racial dating still viewed in bad light by peers, family

By LARRY V. WEISS Staff Writer

When interracial love blossoms, bigotry can wilt the relationship, or make love grow

Spike Lee's movie, Jungle Fever, shows the saga of a Black/White love affair doomed to failure. Lee, who refuses to date white women, concludes Bensonhurst and Harlem can never reconcile.

246,000 interracial marriages exist in the United States.

Yet the rising numbers of interracial couples do not indicate a lessening of racial prejudice, heads still turn even at Oakland University.

"I've dated the whole rainbow ... I get focus occurs. stared at all the time," said Michael Simon, 19, a communications major at OU.

Simon is also the newly elected student Despite that kind of attitude, love still con- congress president. He recently attended a

quers. Last year Jet Magazine reported forum on interracial dating. Simon, who has "dated more people of non-African descent" took some heat for his views at the confer-

> "I was called a weak link in the chain to keep the black race strong."

Race is a volatile issue when the social

But the real pressure comes from parents. And it doesn't matter whether they're black, white, Asian, Arabic or Indian, mom and dad

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STUDENT PROGRAM BOARD

CONCERT / DANCE

THE BATTLE OF THE BANDS SIX BANDS COMPETE FOR \$500

Featuring:
The Dabblers
Dawn Marie Prince
The End
Pot Swamp
Steve Acho
West African Drumming

Wednesday, April 6
O.C. Crockery
8:00pm
Free Admission

SPECIAL EVENTS

MURDER MYSTERY II
Last fall's murder mystery had such
a great response SPB and STAGE
decided to do another one.
This one will be a masquerade with
a Mardi Gras Theme.

Friday, April 8
Meadbrook Hall
8:00pm
Tickets \$3.00 at the CIPO service window.

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JOY LUCK CLUB

COFFEEHOUSE Dood 7: \$1.50

HONORING EARTH MONTH
After the featured performer
there will be an open mike
segment in which both students
and staff are welcome to perform.

Saturday, April 9
Abstention (a.k.a. The Underground)
8:00pm
Free Admission

Friday, April 8 and
Sunday, April 10
Dodge Hall both nights
7:00pm both nights
\$1.50 admission at the door

MAINSTAGE

THE SPENCERS
These two magicians will be performing David Copperfield style illusions.

Thursday, April 14
Varner Recital Hall
8:00pm
Free Admission