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Lot's more crowded

By KRISTIN SOMMER
THE OAKLAND POST

For the students living in Anibal and Fitzgerald houses, the walk from their cars to their rooms is now significantly shorter, but students and faculty coming to class might find it harder to park.

Just in time for the winter weather, the Campus Parking Committee, OU Student Congress (OUSC), OU Police Department (OUPD), Dean of Students Glenn McIntosh and about 60 residents and parents met to discuss the parking regulations in lot P-16.

Prior to this meeting, only 40 of the 250 parking spots were designated for overnight parking.

The meeting resulted in an agreement to not enforce the

overnight regulations in the lot for the remainder of the semester.

"We are doing research on that lot right now, (to decide) what the exact number of overnight spots should be," Parking Committee Chair Greg Kampe said.

Before the decision was made, the students who didn't get one of those spots were left to park in lot P-11, near the upper fields, and walk to their dorm.

During the fall semester, OUSC and resident advisors in Anibal and Fitzgerald received dozens of e-mails from residents complaining about both the long walk and safety issues.

Cadets from the OUPD were also available upon request to escort students to and from their cars if they felt unsafe.

Although this decision is only temporary and will not be settled until the end of the semester, OUSC president and senior Jonathan Parks is still working on it.

"I'm trying to make it final," Parks said.

Many people played a key role in helping this change come about, including OUSC legislator and resident advisor Montrell Porter.

"It was just a lot of complaining to me," Porter said. "It was unfair to residents as a whole."

The change has already made a considerable impact for residents in Anibal and Fitzgerald, according to Porter.

"I've got a lot of feedback since the policy was changed; a lot of thank yous and appreciation," he said.



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P-16 is now open for overnight parking for residence halls students. The change in parking rules may create an overcrowded lot for people trying to get to class.

Snow beats campus

Last Wednesday, Michigan was buried by the first winter storm of the year. As a result, OU classes were canceled after 5 p.m. on Jan. 14.

Generally, snow days do not need to be made up, just the work that was missed, said Ted Montgomery, director of Media Relations.

He said OU administrators and the police work together to decide whether classes should be canceled, based on current conditions and forecasts from the National Weather Service.

In case of inclement weather, and possible campus-wide cancellations, students should check OU's Web site, radio stations WWJ AM 950 and WJR AM 760 and TV stations 2, 4 and 7 for reports. Also, students can call (248) 370-2000 for information on cancellations.

—LAURA ANGUS
CAMPUS NEWS EDITOR

Wisdom captured from veterans

By AVA HABERKORNHALM
THE OAKLAND POST

American war veterans are dying at an alarming rate.

Because of this, the U.S. Congress, in an effort to preserve such noble pieces of American history, authorized the creation of the Veteran's History Project.

The project elicits the help of volunteers nationwide to record veterans' stories.

The goal of this initiative is to have the American Folk Life Center at the Library of Congress collect as many audio and video taped histories of veterans and as many documents as possible.

The Veterans History Project focuses on World War I (WWI), World War II (WWII), the Korean War, the Vietnam War and the Persian Gulf Wars. It also documents the experiences of any participant in any war, whether they were civilian or military.

OUTV became actively involved in the project when they were approached by Brenda Cornock, the wife of WWII Veteran, Bud Cornock, who asked if the station would tape his interview.

OUTV chose to turn the taped histories into a television program

that will run on OU's cable television channel 74.

Since Cornock, two additional interviews have been taped. Robert Burke, a veteran of the Korean War and Gary Vancena, a Vietnam War veteran, both have given interviews.

OUTV is scheduled to interview Alice Carleton, who served in Vietnam, and Graham Smith, who served in WWII, next week. The TV station already has 10-15 more veterans scheduled for interviews, and hopes to have many more in the near future.

Eventually, OUTV would like to be recognized as an official partner in the Veteran's History Project and have a link on the U.S. Congress Web site directing viewers to the OU project archive.

Julie Voelck, associate dean, and Bill Cramer, assistant professor at Kresge Library, have worked with OUTV to turn room 233 of the library into a storage and exhibit room.

The room will store episodes able to be viewed and any documents veterans wish to donate. The room is currently empty, however, as the project is still in the

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Photo Courtesy of Oakland University

OUTV students prepare for an interview as part of The Veteran's History Project. The station has 10 to 15 more vets lined up for interviews. The interviews are aired regularly on OUTV.

Snuffing out a bad habit

By LIBBY BAKER
SENIOR NEWS WRITER

Smoking is taking its toll on the nation, and OU's Graham Health Center is stepping up its efforts to help students, faculty and community members kick the habit.

Graham Health Center's "Freedom from Smoking" program begins tomorrow and runs every Thursday from noon until 1:30 p.m. until March 11. The program costs \$50 for students and \$70 for non-students.

Jodi Brucia, family nurse practitioner at Graham Health Center, said the first week of the program is an informational, non-committal session where participants

are given information about the program, discuss smoking cessation and participate in short quizzes that help determine how ready they are to quit.

The remaining sessions focus on issues such as dealing with addictions, permanent quitting, strategies for success and a formal quit day.

Brucia said the number of participants in the program has declined, in part because those who really want to quit already have.

"It's usually just a few 'each time,' she said. 'We've skimmed off the real willing group.'"

The program is open to anyone desiring to quit, even if they have previous

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Students smoke outside the Oakland Center. Graham Health Center is starting a program to help students quit.

Staying or going

Survey measures where students want to live after graduation

By LAURA ANGUS
CAMPUS NEWS EDITOR

As part of Governor Jennifer Granholm's "Cool Cities" initiative in Michigan, current students and recent graduates are asked to fill out an online survey about what they want in a place to live.

Questions cover topics like ideal cities and housing, as well as characteristics students would like to see in their future neighborhoods. According to the Web site, the survey takes 10 minutes to complete.

Rochelle Black, director of Government Relations at OU, said Granholm launched the "Cool Cities" campaign after the Census Bureau reported the Detroit area was first in the nation for the flight of young adults between 2000 and 2002.

Black said the Census reported more than 30,000 people ages 25-34 moved from the Detroit area during those years.

She said the goal of the campaign is

to "... make Michigan cities more attractive to young, bright, talented and creative people."

Black said the survey is one way for Granholm to hear directly from the people she is trying to retain.

"(Granholm) appropriately recognizes that Michigan's future economic vitality and prosperity is greatly dependent on its ability to attract and retain young people," she said.

Jean Ann Miller, director of the Center for Student Activities (CSA), said she took part in a "Creating Cool" conference in December of 2003.

She also said feedback from the survey might be used to improve OU.

"Not only do we want cool cities, we want a cool university," said Miller.

Miller said the purpose of the survey is to find out what students want, and create opportunities for them in Michigan.

"I think the concept behind it is so great for students of Michigan," said Miller.

To fill out the survey, go to www.michigancoolcities.com.

From the director of **LEGALLY BLONDE**
KateBosworth TopherGrace JoshDuhamel

In every love story, there's only room
 for one leading man.



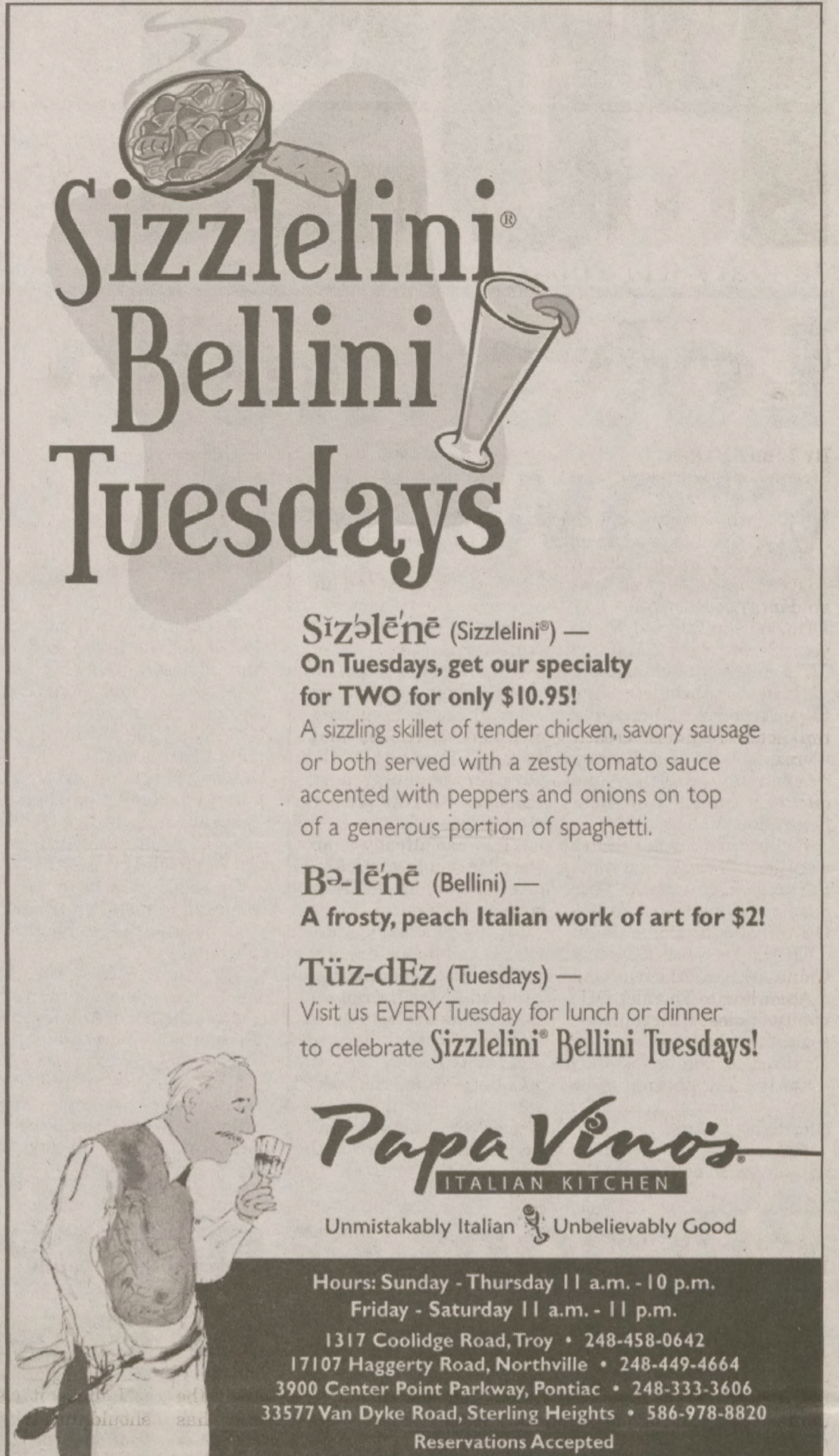
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Celebrating Freedom through Education

Friday, January 16

Intrigue Hip-Hop Dance Team: Hip-Hop Phenomenon
 8:00 p.m., Varner Recital Hall, Varner Hall *

Monday, January 19

MLK, Jr. Celebration Day
Association of Black Students: Annual MLK, Jr. March
 11:30 a.m.-Noon, Meet in First Floor Lobby, Vandenberg Hall

Student Life Lecture Board:

Sister Souljah

Noon, Meadow Brook Theatre, Wilson Hall

Association of Black Students: Dinner and Candlelight Vigil Honoring MLK, Jr.

6:30 p.m., Banquet Rooms, Oakland Center

Monday, January 19 - Tuesday, February 17

MLK, Jr. Celebration Essay Contest

First Prize: \$300, Second and Third Prizes: \$100

Tuesday, January 20

African-American Celebration 2004 Kick-Off

Noon-1:00 p.m., Fireside Lounge, Oakland Center

Wednesday, January 21

Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc.:

Film: Imitation of Life (1934 version)

7:00-10:00 p.m., Gold Rooms, Oakland Center

Thursday, January 22

Educational Resources Lab: Multicultural Storytelling

5:30-7:00 p.m., Atrium, Education Building



Sunday, January 25

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.:

Sunday Night Highlights

7:00 p.m., Lake Superior Room A, Oakland Center

Tuesday, January 27

Center for Student Activities: Reflections on Historically Black College Experiences

Noon-1:00 p.m., Fireside Lounge, Oakland Center

Thursday, January 29

Career Services: Diversity Career Fair

11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m., Banquet Rooms, Oakland Center

Monday, February 2

Educational Pathways of African Americans - Piney Woods

11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m., Gold Rooms, Oakland Center

Tuesday, February 3

Cooley Law School: "Brown vs. Board of Education" Mock Trial

5:00 p.m., Banquet Rooms, Oakland Center

Wednesday, February 4

Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc./NAACP: NPHC Panel Discussion

Noon-2:00 p.m., Fireside Lounge, Oakland Center

Thursday, February 5

School of Nursing: Health Fair

11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m., Fireside Lounge, Oakland Center

Honors College: Poetry Reading

Noon, 112 Vandenberg Hall

Friday, February 6

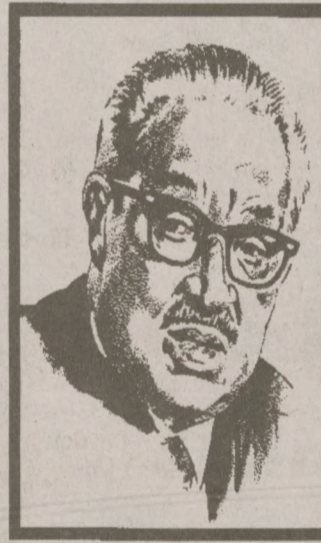
Taste of Africa Gala

4:00-7:00 p.m., Banquet Rooms, Oakland Center *

Tuesday, February 10

Department of History: Black Workers in Revolt: The Story of DRUM

Noon, Gold Rooms B & C, Oakland Center



Tuesday, February 17

Closing Ceremony & Announcement of the MLK, Jr. Celebration Essay Contest Winners

Noon-1:00 p.m., Fireside Lounge, Oakland Center

Thursday, February 19

Keeper of the Dream Scholarship Awards Banquet with Keynote Speaker: First Gentleman of Michigan, Daniel G. Mulhern

6:00-9:00 p.m., Shotwell-Gustafson Pavilion *

Thursday, March 18

Honors College: The Art of Slavery Colloquium

Noon-1:00 p.m., Oakland Room, Oakland Center

Saturday, March 20

Diverse Voices Conference

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African-American Celebration 2004 Committee:

Sherry Abernathy (co-chair), Sara Crampton (co-chair), Mondraea Teague (student co-chair), Stefan Welch (student co-chair), Vanessa Bard, Chardin Claybourne, Scott Crabill, Omar Brown-EI, Mario Hagar, Jo Hairston, Charles Hughley, Tyshara Lawson, Andre Love, Cheryl McPherson, Jean Ann Miller, Jude Nixon and Chaunda Scott



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