

OU NEWS

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Scherer studies communication networks

The National Institute of Education has funded a \$198,166 study of the relationship between school and community social networks during a decade of Pontiac desegregation.

Jacqueline Scherer, associate professor of sociology and director of the Center for Community and Human Development at Oakland University, will conduct the research. The focus of the study will be the City of Pontiac from 1970-1980.

Scherer, a community sociologist, will be assisted by James McGinnis and Shae Howell, social linguists at the university. The two and one-half year project begins May 1.

The study will analyze how communications pass along various social networks, black and white, formal and informal, and on how these communications influence the behavior, relationships, and ideas of persons within those networks.

The Pontiac research will also look at how patterns of communication have changed during a decade of desegregation.

The researcher defines social networks as patterns of communication between specific persons or groups of persons.

Scherer is the author of the book **Contemporary Community-Sociological Illusion or Reality?** She views the community as an

interorganizational unit in which the school and other organizations compete for resources, influence, and leadership. In addition to serving as a consultant for the Pontiac School District, Scherer has completed numerous other research projects including one on school desegregation for the National Institute of Education, a study on race relations, and one on the sociology of education, among other topics.

Assisting in the current study is a Pontiac advisory committee composed of Gwen Heard, acting personnel director for the City of Pontiac; newspaper publisher C. Don Davidson; Al Shaw, director of the Oakland County Chapter of the NAACP; Wilma Rae-Bledsoe, director of the Department of Urban Affairs at Oakland University; and Lewis N. Pino, director of Research and Instructional services at OU.

Phoebe Snow performs

Blues and jazz singer Phoebe Snow will perform at Oakland University Friday, March 30, at 8 p.m. in the Sports and Recreation Building.

Corky Siegel, versatile blues musician, will open the show. Tickets are \$7 for general admission. OU students will be admitted for \$6 only if the tickets are purchased in advance at the Campus Ticket Office, room 49, Oakland Center.

Phoebe Snow, whose latest album is Columbia Records "Against the Grain," is noted for her nonstop performing style, belting out blues and jazz with a voice that runs the gamut of expression. Critics say the artist handles piercing high notes and chesty, contralto sounds with equal ease.

The singer cut her first album in early 1974 released by Shelter Records and entitled simply "Phoebe Snow." The album and her first single, Poetry Man, started climbing on the charts. The album was a Gold record seller.

Snow's latest album, "Against the Grain," has drawn rave reviews and observations that the artist has reached a new, exciting performance level. Tickets are available at all Metropolitan Detroit Hudson's stores, at Peaches Records in Dearborn and Fraser, at Full Moon Records in Rochester, and at the Record Outlet in Farmington Hills. In addition, tickets can be purchased at the Campus Ticket Office in the Oakland Center. For information call 377-2000.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

"Outlook '79" will discuss female alcoholism with two recovered female alcoholics at 12:30 p.m., Saturday, March 17, on WPON-1460 AM.

"Outlook," an Oakland University produced public affairs talk show is now broadcast on a week delayed schedule over WCZY—95.5 FM at 6:30 a.m. on Sundays.

This year's March of Dimes Walk-a-thon will be held at Oakland University on Sunday, April 29, from approximately 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. Registration for the event will be held in the Fishbowl in South Foundation Hall.

The Department of Mathematical Sciences hosted a tournament of the Michigan League of Academic Games on February 17. About 240 junior and senior high school students from 15 schools competed in the event, which was held in the Oakland Center. Coming up on May 5, the department will host the regional finals of the State Middle School Mathematic

Competition. Approximately 300 students are expected to compete with about 500-600 parents on campus that day. The department is interested in campus events available for the non-competitors during the exam and for everyone during the grading period which follows it. Any group which wishes to have a display or tour available should contact the mathematics department at 377-3430.

There are three registration periods scheduled for the spring session. Early registration, at the registrar's office, 161 North Foundation, will begin Monday, April 9 and continue through the week. The hours will be 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Friday, April 13. Early registration will be conducted according to the total credits earned at the end of fall semester, 1978.

Regular registration will be held Friday, April 30 from 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. in the Oakland Center. Registration times will be determined by last names.

For those who have not registered by the start of classes, late registration will be held Tuesday, May 1, through Monday, May 7, at the registrar's office during regular business hours.

The spring/summer schedule of classes will contain the schedules for both early and regular registration. Information about tuition and fees, with deadlines for payment, can also be found in the schedule of classes.

Jerry Rose, director of admissions, presented a program on "Meeting Enrollment Needs in the 1980's" at the College Board meeting on February 13 in Chicago. The program, attended by admissions officers from member colleges in the midwest, concerned itself with recruiting ethics, professional preparation of admissions officers, and potential enrollment problems.

Robert Ebenwein, English, presented a paper on "Suture, Segment, and Narrativity in Film" at a Florida State University conference on Ideas of Order in Literature and Film. He has also been appointed to the editorial board of the Ohio University Press for a series on film books.

FOR YOUR INFO

Jim DeMeglio, deputy director of Oakland County Legal Aid Society, and **Jeff Wilson**, OU student legal aid intern, will present "How to Cope with Your Landlord," a clinic on tenant's rights on Wednesday, March 21, at noon in Lounge II of the Oakland Center. The clinic is open to the public.

The Department of Mathematical Sciences will offer a summer mathematics camp for boys and girls aged 10-15 the weeks of July 9-13, 16-20, and 23-27, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The camps feature advanced mathematical concepts in simple settings, simple-to-state mathematical problems looking for solutions (they've never been solved), mathematical games and strategies, and intriguing mathematical films. The fee is \$50, including lunch. For further information, contact **Wanda Mourant**, 551 Vandenberg Hall West, 377-3447.

Applications are available in the financial aid office, 205 Wilson, for the

Oakland University Women's Club Scholarship for 1979-80. The scholarship is a tuition award for a fulltime women student who has reached junior status with a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.2. Preference in selection of the recipient will be given to an Oakland University employee, or the spouse or daughter of an employee.

The scholarship is provided from funds earned by the Oakland University's Women's Club through the International Scholarship Coffee events the club has sponsored for several years. Scholarship applications should be filed with the financial aid office by May 15.

An article by **Elinor Waters**, director of the Continuum Center, and **Nancy Schlossberg** of the University of Maryland, entitled "Counseling: Shifting the Balance from Problem to Possibility" appeared in a compendium of papers, **Women in Midlife—Security and Fulfillment** submitted to the U.S. Senate Select Committee on Aging.

Badie Farah, economics and management, presented a talk on "A Stochastic Model for a User in a Batch Mode Configuration" at the ACM (Association for Computing Machinery) '79 Computer Science Conference held February 20-22 in Dayton, Ohio.

Carl F. Barnes, art and art history, reviewed Louis Grodecki's **Gothic Architecture (History of World Architecture)** in the **Journal of the Society of Architectural Historians**, 37 (1978), 316-317. This is the fourth book Barnes has reviewed for this journal.

Barbara Hedberg will join the university on March 19 as supervisor of voucher audit and the cashier's office. She will be replacing Nancy Wagoner, who transferred to the housing office: Hedberg is a graduate of Oakland University and has been employed by Kingswood School Cranbrook.

Assistant Director, AP-5, a permanent full-time position in the Admissions Office.

Assistant to the Dean, AP-4, a permanent full-time position in the School of Engineering.

Admissions Advisor, AP-3, a permanent full-time position in the Admissions Office.

Area Secretary, CT-5, a permanent full-time position in the School of Education.

Technical Secretary, CT-4, a permanent full-time position in the Modern Language and Literature Department.

Admissions Clerk, CT-3, a permanent full-time position in the Admissions Office.

Graduate Admissions & Records Clerk, CT-4, a permanent full-time position in the Graduate School.

JOBS

Director of Conferences, AP-5, a permanent full-time position in the Conference Department.

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CALENDAR

TUESDAY, MARCH 13

- 12nn-1 p.m. "E.R.A.: What It Is, What It Isn't" by Laura Callow of the Women's Justice Center, Gold Room A, OC, Women's Center
12nn-1 p.m. Laurel & Hardy Film Festival, Art Lounge, OC, CIPO

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14

- 11:30 a.m. Brown Bag Flicks, **Desire Under the Elms**, Abstention OC, English Dept.
12nn-1 p.m. Laurel & Hardy Film Festival, Art Lounge, OC
12:30 p.m. Divorce/Separation Group, 18 OC, Women's Ctr.
2:30 p.m. Dr. John L. Watson, "Recent studies utilizing scanning electron microscopy," 373 Hannah Hall

THURSDAY, MARCH 15

- 12nn Pre-Law Society Meeting, Lounge II, OC
5 p.m. Repolitik Meeting, 125 OC
7:30 p.m. "What you always wanted to know about nursing but were afraid to ask," reception, Oakland Room, OC
9 p.m. Walt Szymanski Big Band, Abstention OC
9 p.m.-1 a.m. Concert lecture board presents, "Blind Man's Bluff," Crockery OC

FRIDAY, MARCH 16

- 7 & 9:30 p.m. Movie, **Slap Shot**, 201 Dodge Hall
6:30 p.m. Divorce/Separation Group, St. John Fisher Chapel
8 p.m. OU Wind Ensemble in Concert, Varner Recital Hall

SATURDAY, MARCH 17

- 12:30 p.m. OUIlook '79 Radio Show, Discussion of alcoholic mothers with the Chief Counselor of the Sacred Heart Women's Day Care Center, Detroit, WPON 1460 AM

SUNDAY, MARCH 18

- 1-5 p.m. Meadow Brook Hall Tours
3 p.m. Special Multi-Media Concert, Varner Recital Hall, \$4.50 gen., \$2 OU students & senior citizens

MONDAY, MARCH 19

- 7:30 p.m. Ice Capades, Olympia Stadium, Adm. \$5, CIPO

Meadow Brook Theatre presents, **The Deadly Game**, Tues.-Fri., 8:30 p.m., Wed., Matinee, 2 p.m., Sat., 6 & 9:30 p.m., and Sun., 6:30 p.m.

Jesus Christ Superstar, Studio Theatre, Fri.-Sat., 8:30 p.m., and Sunday, 6:30 p.m.

Meadow Brook Art Gallery, **Visions of Courtly India**, Tues.-Fri., 1-5 p.m., and Sat.-Sun., 2-6:30 p.m.

For news of daily campus events, call the OU Hotline at 377-4650
Calendars are published every Tuesday during the academic year. Event listings should be submitted one week prior to publication of Campus Information, Programs, and Organizations, 49 OC, 7-2020