

OU NEWS

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First doctoral degrees granted

The first doctoral degrees granted at Oakland University were awarded to three students at commencement ceremonies June 3. The three were all doctoral candidates in the school of engineering.

The students were Howard Charles Crabb, Grosse Pointe; Burdette Terry Beck, Pontiac; and Bushan Lal Bhatt, a native of India now residing in Auburn Heights.

Crabb, 39, began studying at OU in 1969 after completing his bachelor's and master's degree work at the University of Detroit. Crabb is employed by the Ford Motor Company.

Beck and Bhatt were both full-time students at Oakland. Beck, 28, received his undergraduate and graduate degrees from Oakland, completing his master's in 1974. Bhatt, 38, was admitted to the engineering doctoral program in 1973. He holds a bachelor of science degree from the University of Jammu (1959), an engineering degree from the University of Rajasthan (1963), and a master's in engineering awarded in 1971 from the Institute of Technology and Science in India.

The doctoral program was approved for Oakland by the State Board of Education in June, 1972, and began in September of that year. The degree — in systems engineering — was the result of a

three-year planning effort by OU to develop a program to train engineers to work with the complex large-scale technological problems facing society.

Wilson award winners

Oakland University graduates from Livonia and Flint were selected by the university as Matilda R. and Alfred G. Wilson award winners, the recognition given each year to outstanding members of the senior class.

The Matilda R. Wilson award recipient is Jean Ann Miller, 23, of 38138 Jamison in Livonia. Dale Martin Carpenter, 22, is the Alfred G. Wilson award winner. He resides at 4068 West Carpenter Road.

Each student receives a cash award and a medalion, and their names are inscribed on a plaque on display in Wilson Hall. Winners are chosen on the basis of scholarship and contributions to university life.

Jean Ann Miller was graduated cum laude with a major in psychology. As a student she was active on the student advisory board, worked to determine the needs of commuter students, and served as chairperson of the concert/lecture board.

Dale Martin Carpenter was a management major who has held office in the university's Area Hall Council, served on the university's program committee, and was co-author of a new student survival handbook and a residence hall publicity handbook.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

A world premier musical dealing with the many aspects of love from birth to death opens at the Student Enterprise Theatre at Oakland University on June 23.

The work is entitled **Agape** for the ancient Greek Christian Word meaning "love festival." The musical will be repeated June 24-25 and the following Friday, Saturday and Sunday, June 30 and July 1-2.

The music was written by Darien Martus, an OU alumnus, and the book for the musical is provided by a collection of prose and poetry by Thomas A. Aston, director of Student Enterprises at Oakland University. Aston will direct the musical.

The play will be repeated for a three week public run on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday nights starting September 8, and during this period it will be reviewed as the university entry in the 1979 American College Theatre Festival competition.

The Barn Theatre productions feature original plays by contemporary American playwrights. **Alice**, another Barn Theatre original musical, was selected this season for the American College Theatre Festival regional competition. The best productions across the country are selected each year for a final competition in the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington, D.C.

Curtain time for the June and July performances will be 8:30 p.m. The fall performances on Fridays and Saturdays will be at 8:30 p.m. with Sunday curtains at 6:30 p.m. Special 99 cent Sunday matinees are scheduled for September 17 and 24.

All performances are in the Barn Theatre on campus. General admission is \$3, OU student tickets are \$2. For information call 377-2245.

Lisa Hru of Birmingham and **Robert S. Randell Jr.** of Berkley were honored Friday, June 9, as the authors of the top two research papers submitted in a competition sponsored by the Oakland Health Education Program (OHEP).

The winners of the OHEP Research Awards in Medical Laboratory Technology were announced at a dinner held at Meadow Brook Hall. The competition was open to any medical technology intern enrolled at an OHEP member hospital.

OHEP is an association formed by Oakland County hospitals to coordinate and develop regionalized health education. Oakland University is a member of OHEP.

The research awards were given in two categories: Science and Technology and Management and Education. Randell's paper, evaluating the effectiveness of two laboratory tests, was selected in the Science and Technology category. Hru's paper concerned a teaching guide for instructors of medical technology students and was selected tops in the Management and Education category.

The chairman of Oakland University's physics department has been appointed to a state advisory commission. Abraham Liboff will serve on the Governor's Science and Technology Commission, a voluntary task force which serves as an advisory group to Governor Milliken and his Office of Science and Technology.

The commission was formed last year and as one of its major functions sponsors periodic "Governor's Conferences," which offer experts an opportunity to discuss technological problems and issues they feel require some public policy action. The first such conference was held in April on "The Impact of Science and Technology on the Quality of Life in Michigan."

High school seniors from Mt. Clemens and Sterling Heights have each won \$10,000 scholarships to attend Oakland University.

The students selected as Foundation Scholars are Julia A. Hendrick, 37572 Via Rosalie, and Kathleen E. Simonyi, 37112 Camelot.

The OU Foundation Scholarships are the university's premier awards, and they give each winner \$2,500 a year for four years. Funds are provided by the OU Foundation, an organization supporting the university and its programs. The awards are made without regard to family income.

A \$222,400 grant from the National Science Foundation has been awarded to Oakland University to strengthen its undergraduate science program.

The funds were granted to finance a proposal which calls for improvements in the quality of general chemistry courses, introductory lab classes, non-science major courses, and courses using computer technology.

The project would be organized under a director, executive committee, and four task forces. Specific aims of the project would be to expand the use of demonstrations and audio-visual techniques in general chemistry courses, reorganize the introductory labs to increase their effectiveness, develop a new course to interest non-science majors, and introduce all chemistry majors to computer interfacing.

All faculty will contribute to the project, according to the proposal, to "result in a department organized, trained, and supported by staff and equipment to offer the highest quality science instructions for students in the coming decade."

Two Honors College students recently received special honors for their work.

Lenora Ledwon of Southfield was one of 40 students in the country selected to participate in the United Nations

Semester, a fall student program sponsored by the National Collegiate Honors Council. Ledwon is a junior pre-law student.

During the fall semester, she will live in New York, study at the UN, and receive instruction from faculty members at Long Island University. Theme of the semester program is "International Conflict Resolution."

In addition to her regular studies at OU, Ledwon is about to begin her Honors College independent study project, a study of the popular culture in the Detroit area Polish community.

Julie Hough of Lansing has published an article in the current issue of **Odyssey: A Journal of the Humanities**. The article, entitled "Hemingway's 'The Sea Change': An Embracing of Reality," was originally written for an Honors College core course taught by Gertrude White, English. Hough has also been awarded the prestigious Oakland University Foundation Scholarship.

FOR YOUR INFO

Ten students from the biology department at Oakland University presented the results of their own research at the ninth annual conference on student research in the biological sciences, held on campus Saturday, June 10.

The undergraduate and graduate students presented the results of their own original research in various fields of biology. Their work is done in close collaboration with faculty members, as part of an overall program to encourage close association between students and faculty.

A number of studies presented at previous conferences have been published in reputed national scientific journals. The student research is supported by the National Science Foundation, the National Institutes of Health (NIH), biomedical funds of the NIH, and Oakland University grants.

Students who participated this year were: Ellen Collarini, James M. DeMorrow, Thomas E. Eessalu, James D. Foster, Craig J. Gordon, Christopher J. Healy, James M. Hopkins, Marilyn Mihay, Steven H. Sutherland, and Barbara Tysell.

The **Alumni Relations** department has been selected as a finalist in the Alumni Giving Incentive Awards Program sponsored by the Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) with a grant from the United States Steel Foundation.

Now in its 20th year, the program recognizes institutions that have made outstanding efforts to encourage and maintain alumni annual giving at a high level. More than \$690,000 in awards have been presented since the program began. This year up to \$60,000 in grants will be made. The announcement of awards will be made in Hollywood, Florida on July 18 at the CASE Annual Assembly.

The alumni relations director at OU is Elaine Petz of Rochester. This is the second year in a row Oakland has been selected as a finalist, placing the school among the top 20 percent of all colleges and universities in the country.

A comprehensive study of U.S. government repression of political dissidents during the last century was recently published by Robert J. Goldstein of Birmingham, political science.

Goldstein's book, **Political Repression in Modern America: From 1870 to the Present**, (Schenkman Publishing, Cambridge, Massachusetts) is the first and only comprehensive history of governmental repression directed against American political dissidents during the last 100 years.

Beginning with a discussion of discrimination against the labor movement in the late 19th century, the book comes up to date with a discussion of recent abuses of the American intelligence agencies and also covers all of the intervening period.

Regular registration for the summer session of 1978 will be held in the Oakland Center on Monday, June 26. Registration for each student is conducted according to the alphabetical schedule listing published in the **OU Spring/Summer Schedule of Classes**. Students registered during the summer early registration period will not be permitted to adjust registrations until the drop/add period begins. For details, consult the **Schedule of Classes** for Spring/Summer, 1978.

Phillip Singer, sociology/anthropology, lectured before the Center for Forensic Psychiatry of the state department of mental health in Ann Arbor May 31 on "Parapsychology — The Treatment of Demons Possession and Subsequent Healing by Witchdoctors."

Jesse Pitts, sociology/anthropology, gave a lecture on "The United States as a Post-Industrial Society" at the Arthur K. Watson International Education Center in Belgium.

David Jaymes, modern languages and literatures, delivered a paper on "The Energy Crisis: Global Interdependence and Humanist Values" at a conference on humanist values and foreign policy held at Wayne State May 22-24. He also gave a paper on "The Articulation and Coordination of High School and College Foreign Language Study: Problems and Solutions" at a meeting of the American Association of Teachers of German at Calvin College in Grand Rapids.

Keith Stanovich, psychology, presented two papers at the meeting of the Midwestern Psychological Association.

tion held in Chicago in May. The papers were entitled "Experiments on the Spelling-to-Sound Regularity Effect in Word Recognition" and "The Development of Automatic Contextual Facilitation."

Donald E. Morse, English, chaired a session on "Literacy and Standards" and Suzanne Allen, learning skills, delivered a paper on "The Part-time Composition Teacher: If It's Tuesday, This Must be Wayne State" at the annual conference of the College English Association in Boston. The theme of this year's conference was "The College Teaching of English: The State of the Profession."

Gertrude M. White, English, had an article on Ernest Hemingway's story "Cat in the Rain" accepted for publication in the 1978 issue of the **Fitzgerald Hemingway Annual** and another entitled "Two Catholic Poets: Different Worlds in Verse" published in **The Chesterton Review**.

Pete Rowland, political science, chaired a workshop on judicial policy evaluation at the Southwest Social Science Association meeting in Houston, Texas, in April.

Richard Barron and Harold Cafone, education, presented papers at the 23rd annual convention of the International Reading Association, which was held in Houston, Texas, in May. Barron's paper, "Remediation of Process Confusion," and Cafone's, "Instructional Miscues and Process Confusion," were presented at a session concerned with Reading Disability.

Sylvia Fink and Adele Weaver, Continuum Center, presented a two-day assertiveness training workshop to staff and volunteers of the Michigan Cancer Foundation at a conference held at the Kellogg Center, Michigan State University, May 17 and 18.

Dolores Burdick, modern languages and literature, has published a poem entitled "Maybe I'd Better Not" in the May 1978 issue of **The Writer** magazine. The poem is featured in a column discussing the craft of light verse.

Douglas Gregory, economics and management, has been granted a one-year leave of absence during which he will establish a Center for Applied Administration Research at Henry Ford Hospital. Gregory will act as director of the center.

Harvey R. Hohaus was recently appointed to the Resource Development Advisory Committee by the Michigan League for Human Services. This committee of industrial, financial and union representatives advises private non-profit agencies how to investigate and utilize grants and contracts from public and private (foundation) sources.

Donald Malm, mathematics, has been selected chairperson of the Michigan section of The Mathematical Association of America. He was program chairperson for the annual meeting of the Michigan section which was held at Michigan State University, May 5-6.

Low Pino, Office of Research and Instructional Services, was elected president of the Detroit Association of Phi Beta Kappa for the coming year. Some 500 members of Phi Beta Kappa reside in the tri-county area and belong to the association.

The Detroit Association is celebrating its 40th birthday this year. One of the major activities of the association is the annual Honors Convocation held in May at Ford Auditorium. This year, in the 30th Honors Convocation, nearly 1800 students from 111 high schools attended. In order to qualify, a high school senior must have earned a cumulative average of at least 3.7 in academic subjects.

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CALENDAR

THURSDAY, JUNE 22

- 7:00 p.m. OU Outlook, "Sleep—The Gentle Tyrant," featuring Harold Zepelin, psychology, WPON, 1460 AM
8:30 p.m. Gala Opening Night, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Tickets 377-2010

FRIDAY, JUNE 23

- 8:30 p.m. Ella Fitzgerald, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Tickets 377-2010

SATURDAY, JUNE 24

- 8:30 p.m. Detroit Symphony Orchestra, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Tickets 377-2010

SUNDAY, JUNE 25

- 1-5:00 p.m. Meadow Brook Hall Tours, Adm. \$2 students, under 12 and over 65; \$3.50 adults
7:30 p.m. An Evening with Henry Mancini and the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Tickets 377-2010

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28

- 8:30 p.m. Bobby Vinton, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Tickets 377-2010

THURSDAY, JUNE 29

- Noon Patio Series, Scenes from *Agape*, OC Patio, CIPO Programming
7:00 p.m. Film Festival, Old Comics, Vandenburg Multi-purpose Room, CIPO/Residence Halls
7:00 p.m. OU Outlook, "Energy—Here Comes the Sun," featuring Paul Tomboulian, chemistry, Abraham Liboff, physics, Robert Edgerton, engineering, and James Dow, sociology and anthropology, WPON, 1460 AM
8:30 p.m. Vladimir Ashkenazy, conductor and pianist, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Tickets 377-2010

FRIDAY, JUNE 30

- 8:30 p.m. Tony Bennett Sings, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Tickets 377-2010

SATURDAY, JULY 1

- 10-5:00 p.m. Meadow Brook Hall Tours, Adm. \$2 students, under 12 and over 65; \$3.50 adults
8:30 p.m. Detroit Symphony Orchestra, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Tickets 377-2010

SUNDAY, JULY 2

- 1-5 p.m. Meadow Brook Hall Tours, Adm. \$2 students, under 12 and over 65; \$3.50 adults
7:30 p.m. "Up With People," (Fireworks Display), Meadow Brook Music Festival, Tickets 377-2010

MONDAY, JULY 3

- 8:00 p.m. Bible Study, Prayer Meeting, 125 OC, Deeper Life

Barn Theatre presents *Agape*, Friday, June 23-Sunday, June 25 and Friday, June 30-Sunday, July 2, 8:30 p.m., S.E.T. Production, \$2 students; \$3 general.

Studio Theatre presents *Jacques Breil is Alive and Well and Living in Paris*, Friday, June 23 and Saturday, June 24, 8 p.m., Varner Hall, \$3 general, \$2 students.

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 at Campus Information, Programs, and Organizations, 49 Oakland Center, 7-2020.