

The Oakland Post

Volume XV, No. 21 The Oakland Sail, Inc.

March 12, 1990

Oakland University, Rochester, MI

Women swimmers win national championship

By MARC MORANIEC
Sports Editor

The women's swim team won the national swimming and diving championships Saturday in



Coach of the year Tracy Huth.

Buffalo by a 423-419 margin over second place Cal St. Northridge.

OU trailed North Dakota by 24 points coming into the final day of competition. Northridge was third at the time.

Sophomore Lyn Schermer capped the Pioneers comeback with a strong anchor run in the 200 Free relay, the meet's last event and OU's last chance to become champs.

Schermer and senior Nikki Kelsey each won an individual national championship. Kelsey on the 3-Meter boards and Schermer in the 200IM championship," she said.

OU coach Tracy Huth was named Coach of the Year in Division II.

Women's swim team wins national championship

WHAT A WEEKEND

Women's basketball team captures regional crown

Pioneers pounce Pumas, advance to quarterfinals

By MARC MORANIEC
Sports Editor

March Madness lives.

The women's basketball team has moved into the quarterfinal round of '8' in the NCAA Division II tournament this week after disposing of St. Joseph's College 89-86 in the Great Lakes regional final Saturday night.

With the win, OU will take on Central Missouri in one of the four quarterfinals this weekend with game day, site and time to be announced today.

There is a chance the quarterfinal game could be on OU's campus in the Lepley Sports Center or War-

rensburg, MO. If held here, the game would either be played Friday night or sometime during the day or night on Saturday.

OU reached the regional final by defeating Indiana-Purdue at Fort Wayne Friday, 87-83, while St. Joseph's beat Grand Valley State University in its first round game, 83-72.

NCAA Quarterfinal

Oakland, 26-4
vs.
Central Missouri, 29-2
Site: TBA

ISIS project encounters rough road

By JOHN COUGHLIN
Special Writer

The initial version of the ISIS computer system, costing about \$360,000 and designed by SCT Corporation to keep track of student records, has been abandoned due to defects in its programming, according to the ISIS steering committee.

ISIS, an acronym for "Integrated Student Information System," is intended for use by student oriented departments such as financial aid, admissions, and registration and is meant to replace the current CREDITITS system, considered obsolete by university officials.

In a memo published by the ISIS steering committee, the program was characterized as "defective in many respects." These defects occurred when SCT delivered revised program modules that had not undergone sufficient testing.

As a result, a number of bugs were discovered that rendered the program largely useless. The memo indicated that the original version of the program was dumped in favor of a more sophisticated version.

The memo also stated that "significant milestones were missed" during both the installation and training phases of the changeover.

Associate Provost William Connellan that these problems are "not unusual during the installation of a large, complex system." He said the original timetable was "very aggressive. We wanted a strong target."

"Had there been no problems, we would still have been on an aggressive timetable. We have worked hard with SCT to resolve the issues, and the problems encountered were not surprising considering the complexity of the system and vendor training," he said.

An updated version of the ISIS system is set to be installed and running by the spring semester of April 1991.

"A major advantage of the ISIS system," Connellan said, "is that SCT will continually update it."

Connellan said that although the ISIS system has encountered problems at OU, it proved very successful at Hartford University and the University of Seattle.

"We made the decision to go with ISIS after site visits and discussions with vendors," he said. "And yes, there might be more bumps down the road, but we are confident that we will get the system up this Spring."

Keeping chins up



Tom Voytas / The Oakland Post

Dance students pursuing an independent study, practice their techniques in the basement of Varner Hall.

WOUX advancing toward FM goal

By KAREN ARGANO
Special Writer

Campus radio station WOUX overcame its first major obstacle this semester in its struggle to become an FM radio station by receiving approval from OU administration to proceed with steps that will allow the station to become eligible for an FM license.

The WOUX board of directors

met with Wilma Rae Bledsoe, vice president for student affairs, and David Herman, dean of students, in January and received permission to search for an FM frequency and apply for a construction permit with the Federal Communications Commission. The station also received the support of president Joseph Champagne through Bledsoe.

The station's general manager, Rob Kuron, stresses that WOUX has

not yet been given permission to obtain an FM broadcasting license.

Before the board of trustees will consider signing for a license, the station must complete two tasks.

First, a frequency search must be completed. A recent computerized frequency search failed. The station directors are now pursuing a hand frequency search. This process is a costly and tedious one.

See WOUX page 3

Secondary ed may be revived

By CAROL ZITO
Editor in chief

The long-awaited revival of the secondary education major may come to pass as soon as fall, 1990, since the Faculty Senate Thursday approved a five-year program, which would extensively overhaul the way to teach teaching.

Provost Keith Kleckner said the major, which hasn't been offered for nearly six years, could be ready to implement this fall if the board of trustees and state officials agree with the senate's recommendation. The proposal should be on the board's agenda by May, Kleckner said.

The program, described by some as revolutionary, requires that students earn a bachelor's degree in a specific subject, such as math or science, while taking a few education courses. After graduation the student would teach for one year while taking more teaching methods classes. The standard procedure has been for students to major in a four-year education program and student teach for only 15 weeks.

Student senator Lisa Stamps said the revamped program "will be one of the toughest majors at Oakland University." But, she said, that means "we will graduate the best and the brightest" teachers, who would be first choice in the highly competitive market for teachers.

Birmingham Schools Superintendent Roger Garvelink would agree. In a 1986 letter to Gerald Pine, OU's dean of Human and Educational Services, Garvelink wrote, "If I were hiring new teachers and knew that one of the candidates were a gradu-

ate of your five-year program as proposed, that candidate would most definitely receive preferential treatment."

Although the program is lauded by many educators as visionary, its approval was a slow process that spanned several years. Pine, chairman of the Secondary Education Council that developed the program proposal, said it took a long time because so many people were involved.

"When each department is ready to participate in this program you could have English, business, chemistry, biology, mathematics, foreign languages and so forth," Pine said. Therefore, the program needed approval from the College of Arts and Sciences, from SHES and from numerous committees and subcommittees.

Despite the expected student demand for secondary education classes, Kleckner said no new faculty positions will be created in the first year, due to lack of funds. However, a program director will be hired at a salary ranging from \$30,000 to \$40,000, according to Pine.

Without new positions, many departments can't offer secondary education classes. The only departments ready to offer them are math, science and modern languages, Pine said.

Pine is optimistic that the board of trustees will grant approval, however, "I never assume anything is final," he said. "If the board has questions, we have to be prepared for that."

Stamps said the board needs to See SECONDARY page 3

Student Congress lobbies for federal aid in Washington

By SHARISE WEBB
Staff Writer

Two members of University Student Congress traveled to Washington, D.C. March 5 to lobby the government for more federal funding, meeting with various aides, including the deputy chief of staff for vice president Quayle, Spencer Abraham.

Robert Seffinger, federal affairs chairman for Congress Legislative Affairs Committee and Holly Lashbrook, legislative affairs director, voiced their concerns about federal aid to aides for U.S. Reps. Robert Carr and Sander Levin and for U.S. Sens. Donald Riegle and Carl Levin.

"We had appointments with aides and talked to them about our concerns. They were very interested in OU and very open. They liked our information," Lashbrook said.

Lashbrook and Seffinger pushed for the reauthorization of

the Higher Education Act of 1965, which would re-establish grants and loans, provide more financial aid for the middle class and remove any penalties for the underprivileged, such as working students on welfare.

Lashbrook said the trip was immensely successful in that she and Seffinger made many contacts.

"We got to see the deputy chief of staff for vice president Quayle. He told us if we have an education issue, vice president Quayle will hear it. That was great," Lashbrook said.


Seffinger said that although they would have liked to meet vice president Quayle, meeting Abraham was beneficial.

"We extended vice president Quayle an invitation come to our school and we would give him a tour. We gave him (Abraham) three OU T-shirts: one for himself, vice president Quayle and his wife."

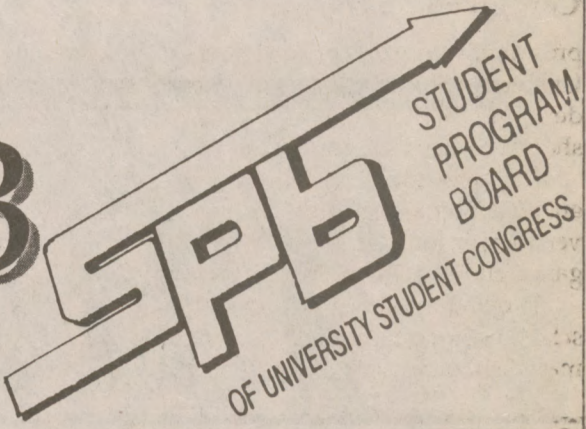
The Congress members were able to gain access to the vice See LOBBY page 3



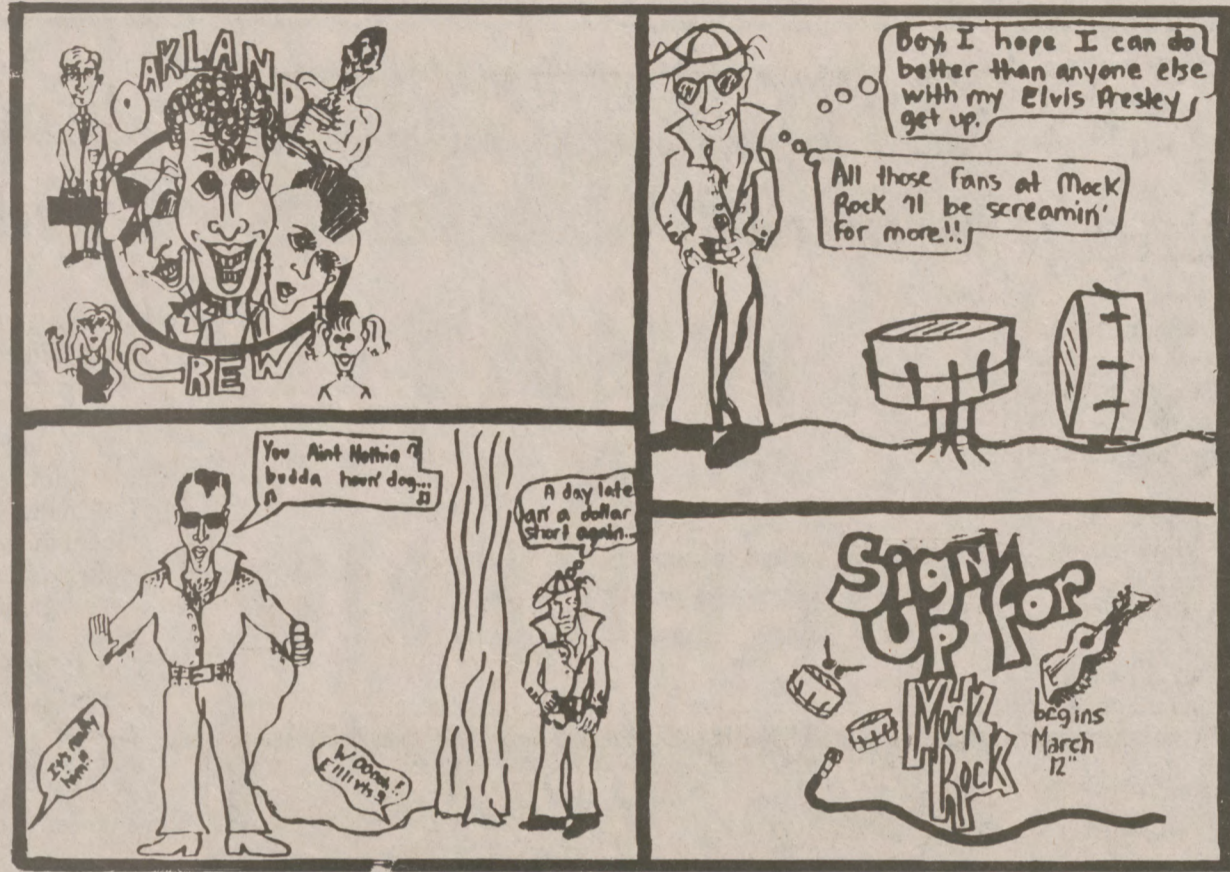
Deputy chief of staff for vice president Quayle, Spencer Abraham, Robert Seffinger, and 1981 Student Congress president Jane Hershey pose during National Student Lobby Day March 5.



OUSC and SPB



THIS COUPON
good for a
FREE SPB HIGHLIGHTER
when presented at an
SPB/CONGRESS
sponsored event. * GOOD WHILE SUPPLIES LAST! MARCH 29
limit one coupon per student per event.




Music/Video
Traxx
March 23

Record your favorite song
and then make a video while
lip-synching.

Look for more info
next week.

Call SPB at 370-4296.

A look ahead:
March 29
Mainstage: Dave Wopat.
April 7
Dance: T.G.I.A.O.
(see ad below)
April 10
Henry Cisneros Lecture

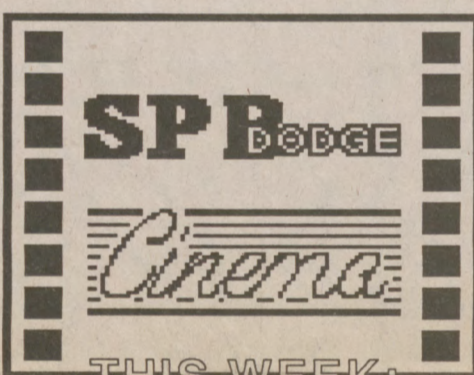


Oakland University
STUDENT CONGRESS:

March 19 Congress Meeting:
featuring Mel Gilroy,
Public Safety.
Subject: Safety Concerns

March 26 Congress Meeting:
featuring Bill Connellan,
associate Provost.
Academic affairs and Provost.
Subject: Computer Usage Fee.

Join us tonight and every Monday
at 5:15 p.m. in the Oakland Room,
located behind J.W.'s.



THIS WEEK:

LOOK WHO'S TALKING

"The eyes of John Travolta,
the nose of Kirstie Alley,
the voice of Bruce Willis!"

Friday, March 16 at 7:00 and 9:30 p.m.
Sunday, March 18 at 7:30 p.m.

All movies are shown in 201 Dodge Hall.

O.U. students may bring one guest.
Admission \$1.50 per person.



The All NEW Air Band
LIP SYNCH COMPETITION

sign-up sheet available at CIPO

SIGN-UP
MARCH 12-18
CIPO.
AUDITIONS
MARCH 19
7-10 p.m.
PERFORMANCE
MARCH 27

Tired of singing
along with your
favorite musicians
in front of the mirror?
Don't miss your chance
at fame--even if your
voice is comparable to
Weird Al's.

PRIZES OF \$100, \$75 AND \$50
FOR THE TOP THREE ACTS.

FOR MORE INFO CALL SPB AT 370-4296

SPB CLASSIFIEDS

If you have any questions regarding student activities on campus, call the Student Program Board (SPB) at 370-4296. We'll be glad to answer any questions you may have. Better yet, join SPB! We always have room for more members on our committees.

COMMITTEE:	CONTACT:
Club SPB (Dance).....	Julie Root
Film (Dodge Cinema).....	Brian Wall
Lecture/ Special Events.....	Desiree Deschamps
Mainstage.....	Laura Passariello
Publicity.....	Mike Slater
Promotions.....	Charles Wollborg
Recreation/Leisure.....	Keith Hall
SPB Tech.....	Paul Jozefowicz

Call SPB at 370-4296.

MORE CLASSIFIEDS

LAC (Legislative Affairs Committee) and MCC (Michigan Collegiate Coalition) are having a rally on the Capitol, in Lansing, MI, on April 5, 1990. Call Holly Lashbrook at 370-4290 for specific details, or just stop by the University Student Congress Office for an info sheet.

Student Congress is always there to help, call 370-4290 or stop by at any time. We're always open to new ideas and we're here for you.

The Film Committee would like to apologize for the sound problems at SPB Cinema. Hopefully no more problems will occur. We hope to see you at the show!
-Brian Wall (Film Chair)

Come and play:
WALLYBALL!

Get a team together and play in our WALLYBALL Tournament!
\$8.00 per person.

Sign up in CIPO: March 5-22.
Play Wallyball: March 24, 12:00 noon.

Event held at the University Raquet Club.

CASH PRIZES!

Call SPB for more info: 370-4296.
University Raquet Club: 373-1446.

Coming next week to SPB Dodge Cinema:
LETHAL WEAPON
2

Coming April 7th:
T.G.I.A.O.
BEER BASH - DANCE
'90

SPONSORED BY:
WOUX
KAT
SIGMA PI
SPB DANCE COMMITTEE
ABS

DON'T MISS IT!

Stop by the University Student Congress Office and the Student Program Board.

In the lower O.C., across from the Bookstore.

Call Congress at 370-4290 and SPB at 370-4296.