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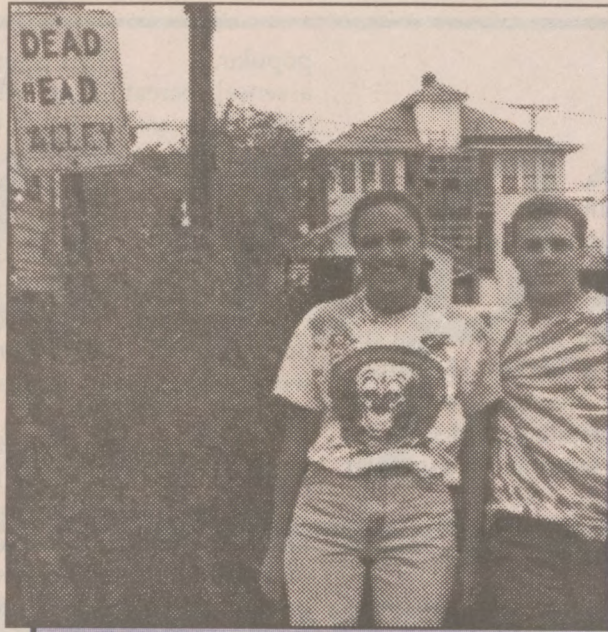
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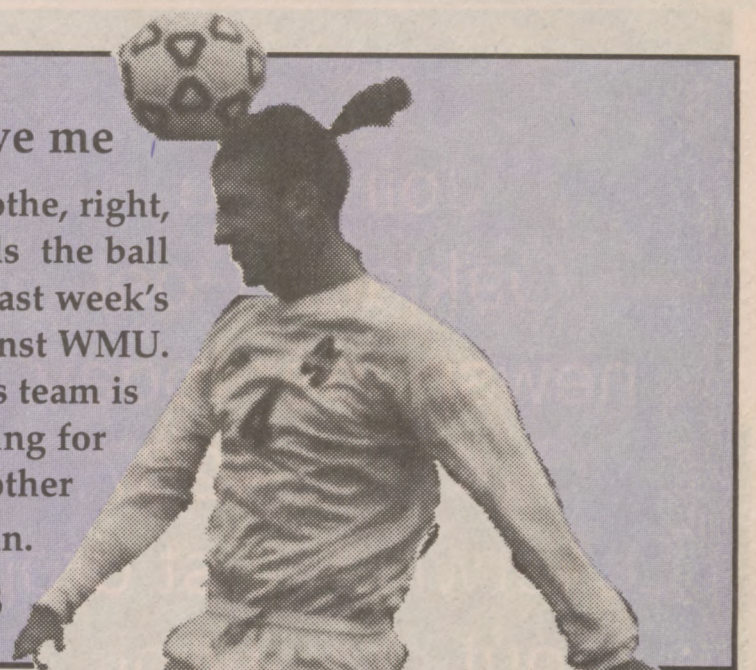
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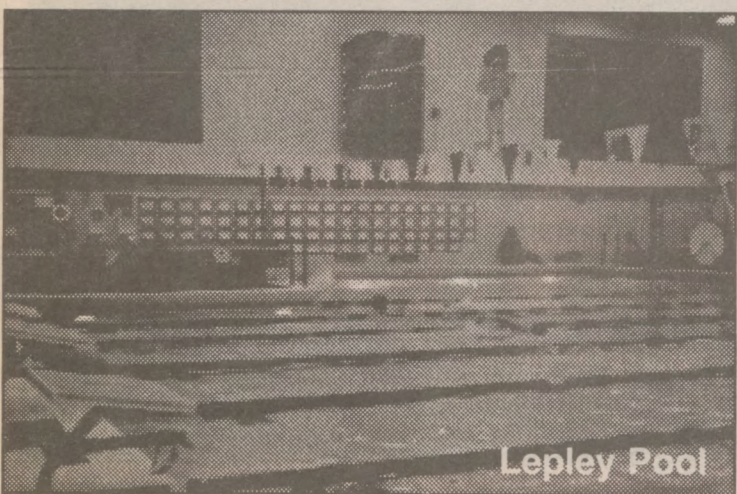
Will Bothe, right,
heads the ball
during last week's
game against WMU.
The men's team is
preparing for
another

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Lepley pool beats the rap



Lepley Pool

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OU swimming competition stays

By ERIC DeMINK
Sports Editor

A state health department regulation that could have permanently shut down the pool in the Lepley Sports Center for competitive swimming never got off the starting block.

The regulation, which was scheduled to go into effect during last summer, was tabled by the

State Health Department in 1992.

Had the regulation been implemented, it would have required that all pools in Michigan which host competitive swimming meets at their facilities, conform to a uniform 6 feet 6 inch depth beginning at the starting block.

The Lepley pool depth is four feet at the starting block.

OU also stands to lose Oly (Oakland Live "Y"ers) and high

school

events which bring in revenues of up to \$5,000 annually, according to Pete Hovland, coach of the men's swimming team.

Thanks, in part, to the effort and pressure of OU officials and special interest groups from other schools, Lepley's pool remains open.

After hearings, the Health Department, decided to exempt collegiate competition and limit enforcement to high school and United States Swimming Association (governing body for amateur swimming) pools.

Lepley's pool is in compliance with Act 368 of the Public Acts of 1978 (R325. 2132) Rule 32 section (1) "In a swimming pool smaller than 800 square feet in water surface area, with a shallow area for walking or standing, the water depth shall not exceed five feet" and section (4) which states "Nothing in this rule shall preclude the use of swimming pool

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Briefly

Fall Schedule reminders

Nov. 2 - The Winter 1995 Schedule of Classes will be available November 2 at 100 O'Dowd Hall. Early registration will take place Nov. 7-16 in the Oakland Center Crockery. See the Schedule for your designated day and time.

Nov. 9 - Last housing payment and final tuition payment due.

Nov. 10 - Last day for official withdrawal.

Nov. 23 - Thanksgiving recess begins at 10 p.m.

Nov. 28 - Classes resume at 7:30 a.m.

OU Speaker

Poet and Fiction writer Nance Van Winckel will be read Tuesday, Nov. 8 at 3 p.m. in rooms 126-127 in the Oakland Center. Winckel is the author of "The 24 Doors," "Advent Calendar Poems, Bad Girl, with Hawk" (poems), "Limited Lifetime Warranty," (a novel in stories), and "The Dirt" (poems) which has been nominated for a Pulitzer Prize in Poetry.

Admission is free; a reception will follow the reading. Presented by the OU department of English.

Congress resolution charges board members with disrespect

By JILL ROBINSON
Assistant News Editor

A resolution that questions board etiquette was passed by Student Congress Monday, although some members disagree on the strategy used.

"I felt this resolution needed to be written so people realize that they need to keep an eye on the board," said SC member Jim Ureel, "they have shown disrespect to both students and administrators."

According to Ureel, some board members have been getting up for drinks and food during meetings. At the Oct. 6 meeting at least two members left during the Rec Center presentation. "The reason (for them leaving) given was that the information had been presented before" said Ureel, "My question is: then why was it on agenda? I was appalled."

"It is supposed to be an honor to serve on board," said Ureel, "if they don't have 100 percent enthusiasm they should step down."

Ureel admits that not all members are guilty of such behavior. He commends those who are doing a good job.

Despite Ureel's objection to board behavior, some SC members feel they need to take a more conservative approach.

"You shouldn't bite the hand that feeds you," said member Matt Karrandja.

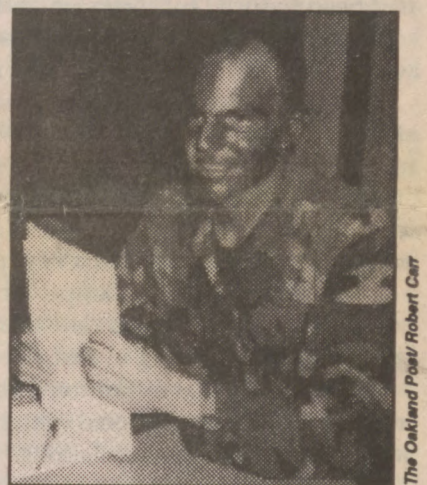
"If we say they are slacking off, how will they respond? If we attack the entire board, the students of OU will suffer." Karrandja, who was not present, but saw a video of the Oct. 6 meeting thinks the trustees are doing a good job.

"We need to talk to them face-to-face instead of publishing a resolution that will hurt ties," said Karrandja.

"I think his (Ureel's) intent is very good," said SC president Michael Simon, "I'm hoping it will make them reevaluate their position."

Simon believes that if someone criticizes the board, SC members must look at their actions during their own meetings. "We don't want to be hypocrites," said Simon, "We are obligated to set a similar example."

"Basically, I'm telling the board we expect professionalism from them," said Ureel.



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"(The trustees) have shown disrespect to both students and administrators."

-- Jim Ureel (above)
Congress Member



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40 take AmeriCorps pledge at MBH kickoff



In a 1990's version of domestic Peace Corps, 40 Oakland University students formally joined Charles M. Tucker Jr., chief assistant to the mayor of Pontiac, "we are going to get things done."

Community work-study program launched

By DAMON BROWN
Staff Writer

Hot on the heels of the AmeriCorps program, the new Federal Community Service Work-study Program gives qualifying students a chance to serve the community as well as gain job experience.

"The purpose of the program is to allow students who are eligible for Financial Aid to work in an off-campus setting," said Assistant Director of Financial Aid Lisa Siudym. "We are trying to place people in the work area they are going into with jobs in the community."

"We don't want [students] to answer phones, type, or

do any desk jobs," says Siudym. "We want them to have some real good hands-on experiences. That not only gives them help but it helps the community also."

According to Financial Aid Advisor Lee Anderson, the uniqueness of this program lies in that it gives true-to-life experience.

"[The] focus is to give [students] real life experience for their resume."

Anderson said that the workstudy program is far from new.

"This program has been around for a few years, but with the new higher education mandates, all colleges will have to partake in the community workstudy program and

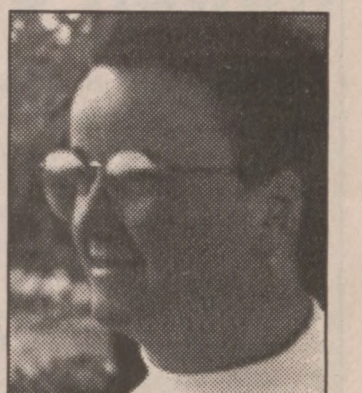
5 percent of the funds in the whole college workstudy program would have to be allocated for community service. This law was passed in fall 1994," he said.

Anderson also said, "There has been quite a stir about giving back to the community in general, helping out. Congress passed the amendment in order to make a statement about giving back, which was why community work-study was started."

The amount of students and communities to be involved are still questionable, however a definite demand exists.

"We are taking the problem slow of seeing the demand

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Lisa Siudym

Work

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in the community. Many letters have been sent out to nearby communities. Some have responded, such as Pontiac, Auburn Hills, and Bloomfield Township, others have not. But [there is] a demand out there," said Anderson.

"Right now, a number of students are being interviewed at the Oakland Livingston Human Services Agency (OLHSA). Hopefully, 15-20 students will be involved by winter, maybe more," said Anderson. "Payment is based on the job and the rate provided by the employer. College students will be paid the same as their regular employees.

Anderson said that, as with the Federal Work Program, 75 percent of the funding is through the government, 25 percent of the employer."

According to OLHSA Development Manager Greg Piazza, the payment program is well done.

"Money has not been a problem with our office. Since the federal government pays for a good chunk of it, we have little burden getting the funds. I cannot see any major negatives with this program as of now," said Piazza.

Siudym agreed, but said she hopes the program becomes more

popular. "This program is starting rather slow, but we are [in a sense] recreating the wheel. We're starting at a slow pace, at a crawl, then we will begin to walk and pretty soon the program will be up and running, just like our other programs."

To get involved, a student need just apply for financial aid.

"Students, when applying for financial aid, are asked if they want a job as part of their financial aid," says Anderson.

"Most of these jobs are on-campus positions, since demand is high on-campus. And many residents hall students don't have transportation. But, in the future, as the communities get more involved with the community workstudy program, more will be available," he said.

OLHSA is trying to start this trend nicely with the opening of new positions especially made for this program.

"We made five more openings just for this program," said Piazza. "Three teachers aid positions within the Headstart program, one in Community Family Services, and one in Housing and Energy.

"We also provide services for seniors, AIDS patients, pregnant teens, and youths," said Piazza.

Despite its initial problems, the Federal Community Service Workstudy Program will do well, said Anderson.

"We are still feeling our way a bit, but this program has a lot of potential," he said.

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Pool

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for competitive swimming."

"We dodged a real bullet," Pete Hovland, coach of the men's swimming team said. "Early on, we thought we might have found a loophole in a grandfather clause. But, if the legislation would have passed, it would have gone into effect immediately."

Hovland said that OU teams still would have been able to practice here, but they would not have been able to schedule any competitive meets here, thus having to swim "home" meets off-campus. He said also that recreational use would be limited to swimming with supervision only.

"Then too, we would have had to realign the pool so we that would have been swimming into the diving area," he said.

An even bigger worry for Hovland and the athletic department was that in the short run, the regulation might have cost OU's swimming program if athletes transferred because of inadequate facilities. In the long run, it might also affect the recruiting process.

The major concern of the Health Department, however, was the prevention of neck and spinal injuries. But according to Hovland, if the department did change the law it was not considering the fact that someone might also drown in 6 feet 6 inches of water.

"I'm 6 feet 4 inches tall, but if I stand on the bottom in 6 feet 6 inches of water, my head won't be sticking out."

The Lepley pool, built in 1962, has had other maintenance problems in the past but nothing of this magnitude.

Over the summer, renovations were done to correct a water flow problem caused by obstructed pipes.

According to Hovland, the water lines are lead pipes. Over time, the diameter of these pipes had been reduced by corrosion and deposits to between 50-75 percent of their original size.

Inspection reports indicated that the clean out was sufficient and that backflow problems were remedied. The flow rate was improved by removing deposits from the water lines.

The Lepley Pool also had an antiquated heating system making it difficult to maintain a constant water temperature. Often on windy days burners would blow out. The university installed new boilers over a year ago.

But to conform to a new regulation on depth, would have been cost prohibitive as former athletic director Paul Hartman found out two years ago. "Probably, in the neighborhood of what it would cost to build a new pool," he said.

According to Greg Kampe, Acting Athletic Director, there is a chance that the regulation could be changed at a later date to include collegiate swimming, although the health department is not currently moving in that direction.

"If and when that might come about is not known, but we (the athletic department) are hoping that the new recreational center will have been built by then with a new pool in compliance with the 6 feet, 6 inch regulations," he said.

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Presenter: Tim Ehinger, J.D. Indiana University
Attorney, Michigan Court of Appeals

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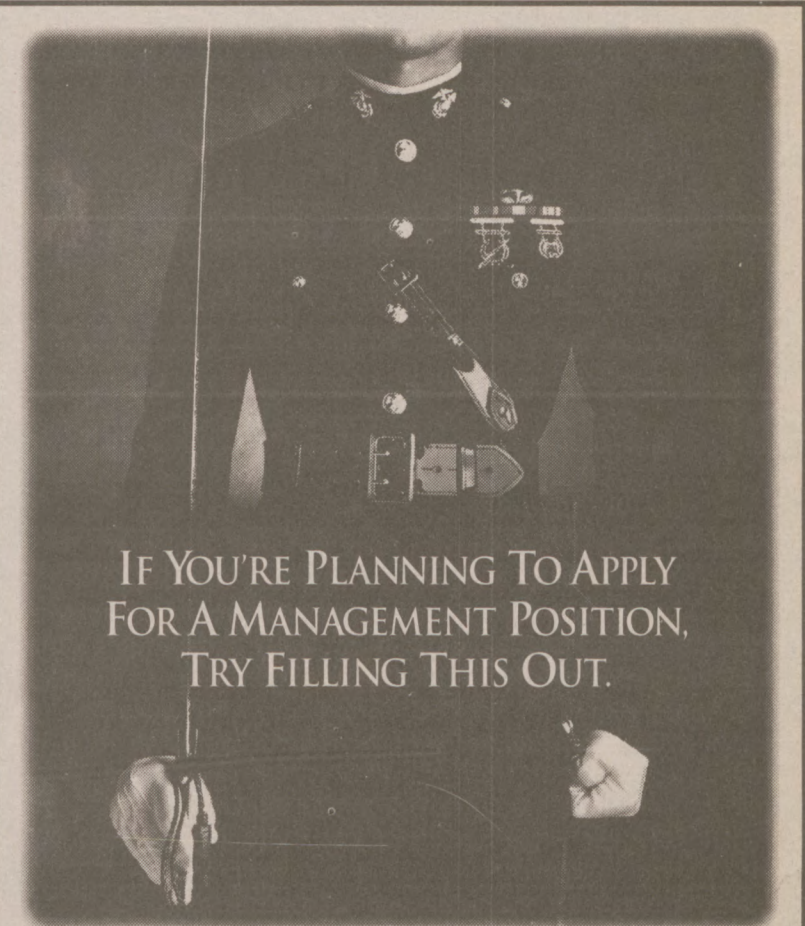
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