



OU NEWS

News briefs

Provost studies changes

The OU community is cordially invited to attend a Professional Development Workshop to be presented by the Oakland University Chapter of A.C.E. on February 4 and 6 in the Oakland Center.

This year, nine sessions will provide information and resources for individuals wishing to realize their career potential within the university. Presenters will include William Connellan, director of public relations and information services; William Kendall and Gwen Heard from Employee Relations; Barbara Murphy, affirmative action officer; and Sarah Uhle of the Continuum Center.

Registrations can be accepted through today, January 22. For more information and registration materials, please call Marcia Allen (7-3163) or Mary Chadwick (7-3159).

The University Senate has approved a resolution of appreciation and commendation for Interim President George T. Matthews. The resolution, approved at the Jan. 15 session, cited Matthews for his role as interim president and for his contributions to the University Senate over the years. In other actions the Senate approved a resolution of welcome to President Designate Joseph E. Champagne and approved a recommendation to the president for the establishment of an annual award for teaching excellence.

On March 3 the Urban Affairs Center and the Area Agency on Aging will host "The Regional White House Conference on Aging." This intrastate conference will include 200 participant delegates from our six county district. Conferees will select delegates for future state and national meetings. In addition, a platform of issues pertaining to the needs of senior citizens will be developed for consideration at the state of Michigan conference to be held later this year.

A new administrative model for the Office of the Provost has been proposed by an advisory committee formed for that purpose.

The recommendations are being studied and some form of reorganization will be undertaken as soon as possible said Frederick W. Obear, academic vice-president and provost.

Obear formed the committee in September of 1980 and charged its members with developing an organizational plan (or plans) designed to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of his office.

The proposed administrative model would ultimately reduce from three to two the number of staff members reporting directly to the provost and reduce the number of deans and directors from 13 to 6.

The model would still provide a direct reporting line from the provost to the academic deans, with the Provost's Personnel Committee serving as the advisory group for these officers who still represent all tenure-track instructional faculty.

Obear stressed the fact that the committee recommendations represent a working model, one that is receiving careful consideration. He said he will meet with the committee for clarification on some items, meet with members of the Provost Office, and then meet with Interim President George T. Matthews and President Designate Joseph E. Champagne to determine the extent of his authority to reorganize. Within those parameters a new organization model will be implemented. The issue will not be shelved, Obear said.

The community programs and student services areas would answer to an associate vice-president for academic affairs and the academic policy, planning, programs, and resources areas would be presided over by another associate vice-president for academic affairs.

Members of the advisory committee say they did not try and march people with positions but worked to develop the leanest workable administrative structure.

The provost called the current administrative structure for his office "unworkable" with as many as 15 persons reporting directly to him. The problem was intensified with the recent shift of continuing education and student services functions to the Office of the Provost.

Obear said his agenda was too often filled in responding to the concerns of the many persons reporting to him. In the future more time will be devoted to planning new initiatives.

Commenting on the advisory committee he said, "It appears to me as if the members of the advisory committee approached the task with thought and with an openness to new organizational procedures. In respect to the recommendations they advance—there is an obvious logic supporting them."

Obear said these recommendations were "not the only answers" that could have been proposed, but that they will receive careful study "To see if the virtues outweigh some of the problems other people have raised."

Members of the advisory committee were Jane Eberwein, chair, Rosalind Andreas, Carl Barnes, George Coon, and Ronald Horwitz.

Fine arts

The Mozart Sonatas for Two Violins, Cello, and Organ will be featured at the Jan. 23 concert by the President's Trio of Oakland University.

The 8 p.m. program in Varner Recital Hall includes the Schubert String Quartet in C Major, Opus 163 and Dohnanyi's Serenade in C, Opus 10. Joining the trio for the Mozart works is OU faculty member and organist D. Kent McDonald. Tickets are \$3.50 general admission and \$3 for OU students and senior citizens. For information call 377-2000.

The Meadow Brook Theatre production of "Arsenic and Old Lace" opens Jan. 29 for a four week run. The play continues to flaunt the taboo that murder cannot be played for laughs. Tickets for Arsenic and Old Lace and for the three remaining plays of the Meadow Brook 1980-81 season can be obtained by calling 377-3300.

The Mime Ensemble production of "Jeririgg" was reviewed in Akron last week-end after being chosen to participate in the American College Theatre regional festival. Ten productions from regional festivals throughout the U.S. will be selected to perform this spring in the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

Meadow Brook Invitational: Outdoor Sculpture is the title of the new exhibition that opened Jan. 18 in the Meadow Brook Art Gallery in Wilson Hall. The exhibit runs through Feb. 27. The works of 14 Michigan artists were selected for the show from 76 entrants. The artists are showing their maquettes, drawings, and simulated installation photographs. Six artists will have their full scale works selected for an outdoor sculpture exhibition on the Meadow Brook Hall and festival grounds. The project is supported in part by funds from the National Endowment for the Arts and the Michigan Council for the Arts.

Winter Carnival Jan. 26-31

All Week: Winter Olympics
Saga Indoor Picnic
Snow Sculpture Building

Sun., January 25
Superbowl on Widescreen TV in Oakland Center

Mon., January 26
Opening Ceremony
Floor Parade
Meadow Brook Estate Performance
Skating Party
Men's Basketball

Tues., January 27
Kissing Booth
Hot Chocolate Giveaway
Jazz Vocal Octet
Gong Show

Wed., January 28
Student Orgs Day/Games Booths
Gourmet Night
Scavenger Hunt

Thurs., January 29
Folk Guitar
Snowman Building
Vandenberg Ice Cream Fest
Women's & Men's Basketball

Fri., January 30
Snow Sculpture Judging
Pie Throwing
Men's & Women's Swimming
Bugs Bunny Film
Winter Ball—semi formal alcoholic event

Sat., January 31
Anything Goes—conclusion of Winter Olympics
Men's and Women's Swimming
Men's and Women's Basketball

For Information 377-2020

Nursing accredited

The National League for Nursing Board of Review has granted initial accreditation to the Oakland University baccalaureate program in nursing.

Geraldene Felton, dean of the OU School of Nursing, said the accreditation is effective immediately and retroactive to spring 1980. The next accreditation review by the league will be in six years, Dean Felton said.

The dean expressed pleasure at the accreditation vote noting that "Nursing accreditation is important to society, to

organized nursing and to health care. This is so because it certifies the quality of our educational program which prepares a national public servant, the nurse."

Dean Felton says, "The NLN's accreditation process is designed to stimulate faculty to improve the nursing program and to provide a mark of recognition that our program meets qualitative criteria organized under the five major headings: Organization and Administration, Students, Faculty, Curriculum and Resources, Facilities and Services."

Faculty notes

Marcia Allen, Senior Scientific Programmer in the Office of Computer Services, attended the ISSUE '80 conference held recently in Alexandria, Virginia, October 5-8. ISSUE is an organization of SPSS computer statistics users.

Paul Amaranth, scientific programmer in the Office of Computer Services, attended Forum XXXI of the Honeywell Large Scale Users Association, held last fall in Phoenix, Arizona. He presented three papers: "A Preprocessor for Use with Multics PL/I," "Software Tools and the Installation of a Large Software Library," and "Conversion of ESP to Multics—A Case Study."

Charles Akers, history, has written the "Foreword" to the new edition of Arthur M. Schlesinger's *Prelude to Independence: The Newspaper War on Britain, 1764-1776*. The "Foreword" summarizes the contributions of this book and reviews new research on the subject since the first edition of the *Prelude*. This "Northeastern Classics Edition" also contains a personal note concerning his father's book by Arthur Schlesinger, Jr.

Lawrence Orton, history, presented a paper on "The Formation of Modern Cracow (1866-1914)," at the annual meeting in Washington, D.C. of the American Historical Association in December, 1980.

Paul Bator, visiting assisting professor in the Department of Learning Skills, recently published his article "Aristotelian and Rogerian Rhetoric" in the December 1980 issue of *College Composition and Communication*. CCC is a National Council of Teachers of English publication.

Egbert W. Henry, biological sciences, was invited to read National Science Foundation proposals submitted to the

Research Apprenticeships for Minority High School Students program.

The review panelists met in Orlando, Florida, January 9-10, 1981 for proposal evaluations.

The Career Advising and Placement Office has received a booklet entitled "Journalism Career and Scholarship Guide 1981," prepared by the Newspaper Fund, Inc. Persons wishing to review the Guide may do so by coming in to the Placement Office at 201 Wilson Hall.

Feb. 9 lecture

More and more physicians will be turning to the computer for aid in a difficult medical diagnosis, a computer expert claims.

The public is invited to hear Peter Szolovits of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology discuss "Medical Diagnosis Via the Computer" in a Feb. 9 lecture at Oakland University.

The free talk is at noon in the Gold Room of the Oakland Center. He appears under auspices of the President's Club Lecture Series.

Szolovits says that computer programs can model expert behavior in providing advice on medical decisions. He will describe the artificial intelligence techniques used at MIT, present some of the accomplishments and some of the difficulties that remain in this field, and speculate on the impact of the computer on future methods of health care.

The 1980-81 President's Club Lecture Series has the theme "Intelligence: Man-Machine Interface."

Sports report

The Lepley Sports Center will be the place to be in the month of January as 25 home athletic contests will take place.

The OU men's basketball team is 5-9 overall and 1-4 in the Great Lakes International Athletic Conference under the direction of head coach Lee Frederick. Junior forward Bill Peterson is the Pioneers' leading scorer (16.3) and rebounder (10.2).

First-year OU coach Dewayne Jones and his women's basketball team is 6-5 overall and 4-1 in the GLIAC. Sophomore Linda Krawford is the nation's ninth-leading scorer with a 23.7 scoring average. The men's swimming program will attempt to defend its NCAA national championship this year, while the women swimmers are 1-1 in the early part of the 1980-81 season. Jack Gebauer's wrestling team features seven freshmen in the starting lineup and are 1-4 for the year.

Van pool

Oakland University provides the mechanism for forming Ride Pools and Van Pools.

Persons interested may fill out an application at CIPO, 49 Oakland Center, or call 377-2020.

The more people who fill out the interest forms, the better the computer matching will be for participants.

CALENDAR

THURSDAY, JANUARY 22

5 pm Women's Basketball vs. Wayne State
Lepley Sports Center
Men vs. Wayne State, 7:30 pm
Don Juan in Hell, Meadow Brook Theatre

8:30 pm

FRIDAY, JANUARY 23

2, 7, and 9:30 pm "And Justice For All" Film
Gold Room, OC
Don Juan in Hell, Meadow Brook Theatre
8 pm The President's Trio, Varner Recital Hall

SATURDAY, JANUARY 24

4:30 pm Women's Basketball vs. Northwood
Lepley Sports Center
Men vs. Northwood, 8 pm
Don Juan in Hell, Meadow Brook Theatre
6 and 9:30 pm Men's Basketball: OU vs. Northwood
8 pm Lepley Sports Center

SUNDAY, JANUARY 25

6:30 pm Don Juan in Hell, Meadow Brook Theatre
8 am Winter Carnival, Oakland Center

MONDAY, JANUARY 26

7:30 pm Men's Basketball vs. Saginaw Valley
Lepley Sports Center

TUESDAY, JANUARY 27

8 am Winter Carnival, Oakland Center

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28

8 am Winter Carnival, Oakland Center

THURSDAY, JANUARY 29

5 pm Women's Basketball vs. Michigan Tech.
Lepley Sports Center
Men vs. Michigan Tech., 7:30 pm
Arsenic and Old Lace
8:30 pm Meadow Brook Theatre

FRIDAY, JANUARY 30

8 am Winter Carnival, Oakland Center
6:30 pm Men's and Women's Swimming vs. Chico
State, Lepley Sports Center
7 pm Bugs Bunny Film Festival, 201 DH
8:30 pm Arsenic and Old Lace
Meadow Brook Theatre
9:30 pm Bugs Bunny Film Festival, 201 DH

SATURDAY, JANUARY 31

8 am Winter Carnival, Oakland Center
2 pm Arsenic and Old Lace
Meadow Brook Theatre
2 pm Men's and Women's Swimming vs.
Western Ontario, Lepley Sports Center
2 pm Women's Basketball vs. Lake
Superior, Lepley Sports Center
7 pm Men's Basketball vs. Lake Superior
Joe Louis Arena
8:30 pm Arsenic and Old Lace
Meadow Brook Theatre

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3

6:30 pm Arsenic and Old Lace
Meadow Brook Theatre

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4

Noon "Of Time, Tomb and Tutankhamun"
Crockery Alcove
2 pm Arsenic and Old Lace
Meadow Brook Theatre
8:30 pm Arsenic and Old Lace
Meadow Brook Theatre