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Although OU's Women's Swimming and Diving Team took second to Drury College at the Division II National Championships in San Antonio for the third consecutive year, spirits, camaraderie and support were obvious.

"That's just Oakland and that's how it's always been. We by far have the best fan support I've ever seen in swimming," said Clarice Gelmine, junior.

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The election booth was scheduled to open at 10 a.m. Tuesday morning, yet no volunteers could be found in sight. The booth was empty for another hour due to lack of volunteers. Despite this, Congress President Garrick Landsberg felt their was a strong turnout.

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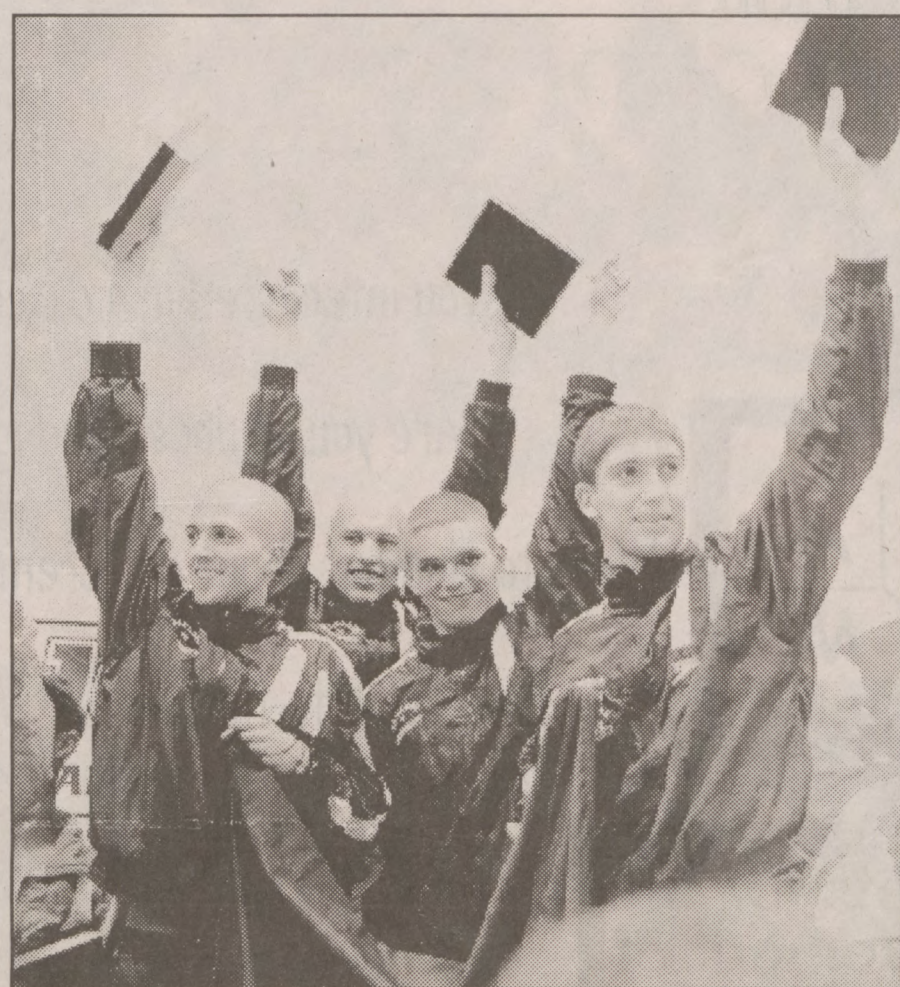
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Student claims THE POST is partly to blame for lack of student interest in VPAA search interview process.

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Pioneers claim victory in Texas

Men win fourth straight national championship



Post Photos / Jeanne Kirkaldy

NATIONAL CHAMPS, AGAIN: The relay team consisting of Raffi Karapetian, Mark Gole, Joe Snyder and Ken Ehlen took first place in both the 200- and 400-yard relays with times of 1:21.99 and 3:00.38. The Men's Swimming and Diving team captured first place at the nationals for the fourth year in a row last weekend and celebrated in the pool. See page 9 for the Women's team national results.

By HEIDI HEDQUIST and
JEANNE KIRKALDY
Editor-In-Chief and
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SAN ANTONIO- The sounds of chanting, electronic buzzers and splashing filled the natatorium at Palo Alto College last Wednesday-Saturday as OU's Men's Swimming and Diving team fought hard to bring home its fourth consecutive NCAA Division II Championship.

"After last year, we lost a tremendous amount of leadership and talent. We also saw how fast Drury was improving," said Jay Judson, senior.

The team knew it would not be an easy win going in. "It went just like we thought. We knew it would be a close meet," said Judson. "We knew the last day was our strongest day Pete (Hovland, head coach) really made sure we understood we wouldn't be ahead by 500 points."

"I was definitely pleased (with the win)," said Courtney Dunlap, freshman. "But I was more in awe to know I was swimming with all these great swimmers. It's an honor to be able to swim with national champions."

Although Drury College, took several first place finishes, OU had the depth to pre-

vail. OU's first place finishers included Judson in the 200 yard breaststroke with a time of 2:01.59 and Yoav Ritter, freshman, in the 200 yard butterfly with a time of 1:50.89.

First places were also taken by three of OU's relay teams.

OU's 200 yard freestyle relay team had a time of 1:21.99. The team was made up of Raffi Karapetian, senior; Mark Gole, junior; Joe Snyder, senior and Ken Ehlen, senior.

The 400 yard freestyle relay team had a time of 3:00.38 and also included Karapetian, Gole, Snyder and

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Finalist withdraws from search, Post profile blamed as reason

By JAIME SHELTON
News Editor

The last finalist for the VPAA position withdrew Sunday from the search, claiming THE OAKLAND POST went too far to get a story.

Interim VPAA at State University of New York at Albany Judy Genshaft pulled her name from the finalists list after reporters from THE POST allegedly used techniques that were "unprofessional" to research information for her profile, said Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and VPAA Search Committee Chair, David

Downing.

"It was the unprofessionalism of some students" at THE POST which caused Genshaft to withdraw, he said Tuesday.

Downing said the "unprofessionalism" included such tactics as calling sources at home and not identifying themselves as POST reporters.

POST Editor-in-Chief Heidi Hedquist denied the allegation, saying reporters followed the same guidelines as for other stories.

Hedquist said reporters always say who they are and from where they are calling. She added that message takers could

have miscommunicated the information.

"Reporters even double clarified that they were from the newspaper and not from the university," Hedquist said.

POST reporters started researching for Genshaft's profile before spring break, and Hedquist said that from the start, Genshaft was unwilling to grant an interview.

Genshaft was the only finalist who refused to talk to the newspaper, Hedquist said. In addition, various colleagues' names given to the search committee as references also refused to return phone calls, she said.

Hedquist added, however, all other finalists took time from hectic schedules for callbacks and interviews even on deadline.

According to Neal Shine, retired Detroit Free Press publisher and OU journalism professor who teaches newspaper ethics, THE POST did not cross any lines when researching Genshaft.

"THE POST was pursuing a story that is of vital interest ... in a way that is appropriate at the college and professional level. ... There was no deception from what I could tell," Shine said.

Downing said that Genshaft had contemplated the decision for a while, but that it was only



Dr. Judy Genshaft
Interim VPAA, SUNY

formalized on Sunday.

Downing said that at this time, the committee will not recommend another finalist to replace her.

The next VPAA search committee meeting has been scheduled for 7:30 a.m. Tuesday, March 24, in the Meadow Brook Room in the OC.

Presentation continues with campus closing

By JAIME SHELTON
News Editor

Marlene Strathe, VPAA and provost at the University of



Post Photo / Nelson Moy

ON STAGE: Marlene Strathe, VPAA and provost at University of North Dakota, answers questions.

North Dakota, and Dagmar Cronn, dean of the College of Sciences at the University of Maine, came to campus to meet various groups and answer questions. They are the last VPAA finalists.

Though the university was closed Friday due to an ice storm and all but one door to the OC was chained, faculty and administrators still attended Strathe's public presentation. However, President Gary Russi was absent.

Due to the closing of the university, Strathe was unable to meet with campus groups during her second day of visit. For this reason, her public presentation was more informal, with only a brief introduction.

Strathe was able, however, to

answer various questions from the audience, ranging from criteria used to decide new programs to implement to faculty involvement in policy making.

In regards to shared governance, Strathe commented that input from a variety of groups is important to the decision-making process. This includes the student affairs department, faculty, staff and students, she said.

"Everyone is a part of what we (the University of North Dakota) are about," she said.

Strathe also answered questions about her collective bargaining experiences at her university. She said the at the University of North Dakota, there are many grievances. She said at OU, however, she noticed

little problems, such as those at her institution.

Strathe also said that groups involved with collective bargaining should not lose sight of the real reason the university exists. "We function here to educate learners," she said.

Her belief on the use of part-time and visiting faculty was also questioned at Strathe's presentation. "Done well, they (part-time and visiting faculty) can really contribute to a university ... and can save resources," she said.

Unlike Strathe, however, Cronn, the last VPAA finalist not only had a full second day to meet with students and deans, she also spoke to a larger crowd at her presentation yesterday.

Cronn was the founding dean of the College of Sciences, but due to restructuring of the University of Maine, her college will cease to exist in July. In its place will be the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

As a result of her experience in getting the College underway, she said she understands much of the disciplines associated with liberal arts. This, she said, complements her chemistry degree.

During her presentation, Cronn addressed such issues as shared governance and her involvement with dispersing limited resources and funding.

According to Cronn, arguments between departments over resources will solve no

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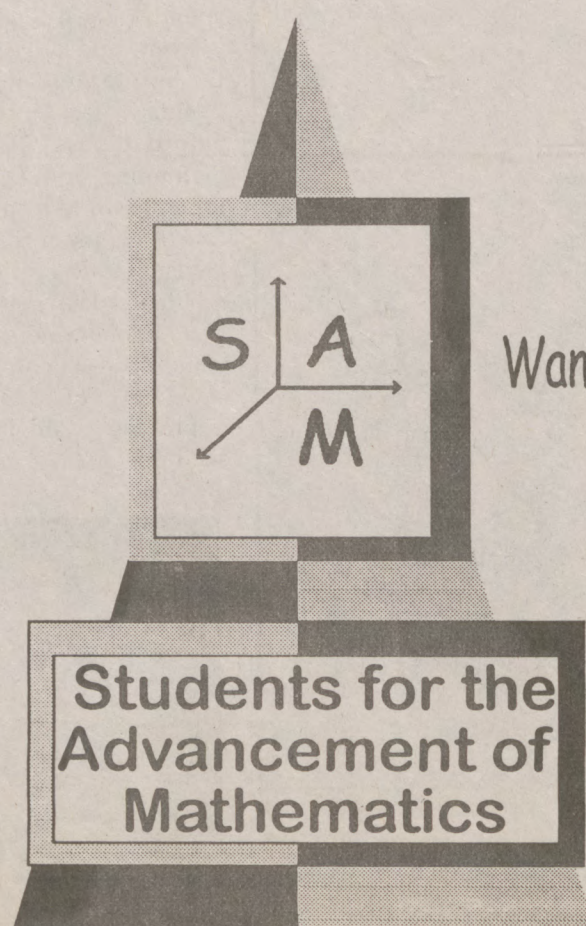
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LECTURER DR. JUDY KURIANSKY

Friday, March 21

She's simply known as "Dr. Judy" by her fans. She's the talkshow host on 89X's (88.7 FM) LOVE PHONES aired Monday-Thursday, 10 P.M.-Midnight. Dr. Judy is also the author of "Generation Sex" and "The Complete Idiot's Guide to Dating." She'll be here to answer your questions and talk about love, sex and relationships in the Gold Rooms of the Oakland Center at 8 P.M. Afterwards, you can personally meet her and get your books and photos signed! Only \$5 gets you in the door! Tickets are being sold at CIPO.

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