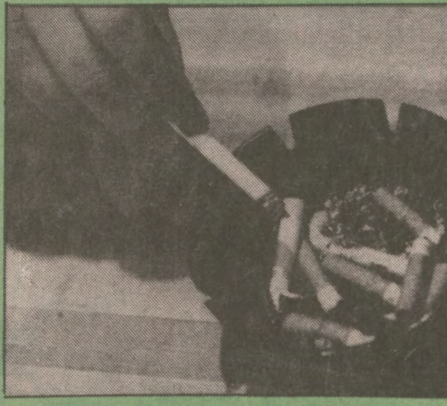


## SMOKE-OUT ON CAMPUSES

Banning smoking on state property affects campuses.

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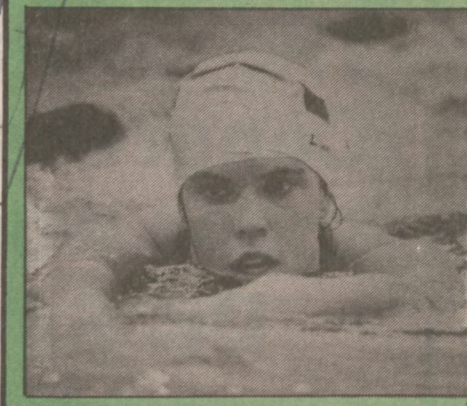
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Women's team swims to victory, capturing the NCAAII title.

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## Land deal close to completion

By ROBERT PARKER  
News Editor

Though there are still loose ends to tie, the OU Board of Trustees is ready to enter into formal negotiations to finalize a \$4.09 million land deal with Auburn Hills.

A disagreement over a scholarship provision was resolved by the board, clearing the way to finalize the city's three year, on-going proposal to purchase 23.5 acres of campus land to widen Squirrel Road.

The city outlined the details of a \$750,000 scholarship fund for three Auburn Hills high schools at the

January 8 board meeting. The fund would be administered by the university through an interest bearing escrow account.

The scholarship is designed to give 12 scholarships a year for 37 years.

According to William Hampton, Auburn Hills' city attorney, the scholarships will be placed under the administration of the university based on the stipulation that for the first four years, two of the scholarships will come from the endowment, with the university funding the third. After the fifth year, all three scholarships will be derived from the scholarship fund.

Hampton said after the fifth year, the university would be paid \$500,000 interest free from the scholarship fund, and would continue to administer the endowment based on university criteria.

A stipulation in the provision allowing outside parties to participate in the administration of the scholarships drew strong disapproval from the board.

"This would be a lawyers dream in the future," Trustee Brooks Patterson said. Patterson said the provision would set a dangerous precedent, and that scholarships should be restricted to administrative. See SQUIRREL page 3



Sandra Packard

## Packard to announce acceptance

Sandra Packard is expected to formally announce her acceptance of the job as Oakland University's president today at a news conference scheduled for 1:30 p.m. in the Faculty Lounge.

Packard, who was on campus yesterday to negotiate her contract with board chairman Howard Sims, said she is pleased with everything she has seen at Oakland.

"It's an outstanding university, and I look forward to accepting the position here," Packard said yesterday.

According to Phyllis Googasian, vice chairman of the Board of Trustees, Packard has accepted the position upon settlement of the contract.

"Yes, she has accepted based on the stipulation that they reach a financial agreement," Googasian said.

Packard also spent time going through Sunset Terrace and the university-owned home on Munster, the two homes she will have a choice of as her presidential residence.

## Senator Simpson stumps at OU

By JOANNE GERSTNER  
Sports Editor

Minority Senate Whip Alan Simpson (R-Wyo) paid a visit to OU last Saturday to campaign on behalf of President Bush in Oakland County.

Simpson was greeted by a crowd of 40 Bush/Quayle campaign workers and a few OU students in the decorated side room of West Crockery. He was on a weekend campaigning blitz in Michigan and Illinois to gain votes for Bush in Tuesday's Republican primaries.

He said that the GOP's goal is to win at least 65 percent of Michigan's Republican vote on Tuesday and that Oakland County will play a very important role in attaining that goal.

"This is a very interesting campaign," Simpson said. "I've been hearing that people are disappointed with him (Bush) with what he hasn't done, but I say, look at everything he has proven and done while in office."

On the subject of Republican challenger Pat Buchanan, Simpson said, "Republican staffers and incumbents are telling Buchanan to get out unless he's



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Minority Senate Whip Alan Simpson (R-Wyo)

really running for something. He's not only hurting Bush and Quayle but the entire party. And if he wants to destroy the party in '92, keep going. But if he really is running for '96, clam up so you don't alienate the other two thirds of the

party." The Oakland County Republican Party had originally scheduled the rally for Oakland County Community College in Royal Oak, but due to last minute itinerary changes, it was switched to OU.

## Maybe asks Congress for help

By JENNIFER HEIL  
Staff Writer

University Student Congress passed two bills during its meeting Monday evening that together call for the allocation of over \$1,400 in Congress funds.

Members passed a bill that allocates \$1,100 for 14 orientation group leaders and two assistant orientation coordinators to attend the National Orientation Directors Association regional conference in Columbus, Ohio this spring.

The bill states that Oakland University could not pay the total cost of the conference "due to budgetary considerations." The Department of Orientation is paying for transportation.

"The reason we want to go is to help the group get diverse interse-

### Congress quote of the week

"We (Congress) have absolutely no credibility on this campus."

Michael Peterson  
Steering Committee chair

sions," Fran Mayfield, orientation coordinator, said.

Another bill that Congress passed allocates \$367.22 to Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. for accommodations and car rental during its Great Lakes Regional Conference

in Akron, Ohio this April.

Four delegates will attend the conference April 9-12, which "is essential for enhancing programming ideas and for campus life, Greek life, and daily operations on campus," the bill states.

Congress voted to suspend the bylaws that require two readings for bills that allocate funds, allowing both bills to be approved after one reading.

Congress read the final budget for the Winter 1992 semester for the first time at the meeting. \$1,220.58 in unbudgeted funds remains for the rest of the semester after Congress allocates the funds for bills passed at the meeting.

A third bill calls for the formation of a Congress mission statement and the establishment of an ad-hoc See CONGRESS page 3

## Survey shows students know new president; disgruntled over process

By JOANNE GERSTNER  
Sports Editor

An informal survey of OU students revealed that most knew that Dr. Sandra Packard was named as president but there were mixed opinions regarding the level of student involvement in the presidential search process.

The typical response was given by Steve Gonzales, 19, saying when asked if he knew who OU's new president was, "Oh, I know it's a woman...I know her name...I got it, Sandra Packard."

While the students knew about Packard's appointment, they did not know about the selection process that made her OU's new president.

Ray Thomas, a 24-year-old finance major said, "I didn't hear a lot about the selections. If you are a commuter you didn't get to see as much as the on-campus people did. And God forbid that OU would send anything out to us in the mail about this."

During the search process, on-campus interviews were held with

the four candidates for designated student leader representatives, faculty and administration forums and the Board of Trustees.

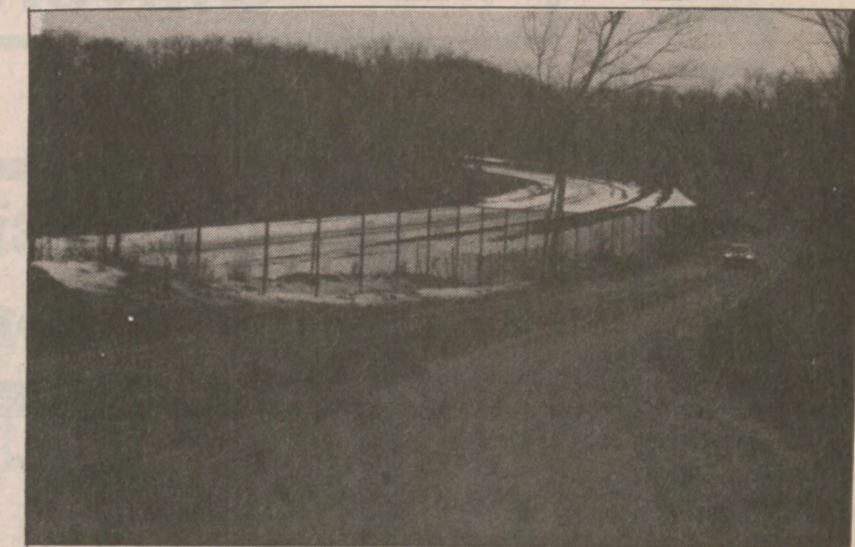
The student leaders that were invited were from on-campus organizations WOUX, Association of Black Students, Tau Beta Pi, Greek Council, The Oakland Post, Residence Halls Council and Student

Congress.

Student Congress President Derek Wilczynski said that he was disappointed with the low turnout during the student leader sessions.

"Only one-half of the invited people showed up. It's just another symbol of the apathy that has enveloped this campus," Wilczynski

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The Oakland Post / Meg O'Brien

After more than three years, the Board of Trustees is ready to enter into formal negotiations with the city of Auburn Hills to widen Squirrel Road.

## Dorm rate hike OK'd

By ROBERT PARKER  
News Editor

Students will have to dig a little deeper into their pockets if they want to live in the residence halls next year.

A recommendation to increase residence halls' rates by six percent and on-campus apartments by 10 percent was submitted by Wilma Ray-Bledsoe, vice president for student affairs, and approved by the Board of Trustees last week.

The recommendation stated, "the occupancy decline and resultant decrease in generated revenue in residence halls has required a reduction in the monies made available for yearly restoration."

The memo went on to say that the repair reserve for residence halls needs to be continually funded to keep up with increasing salaries, wages, food services, utilities and inflation.

Board members originally wanted to table the recommendation for further discussion, but they moved for approval after Bledsoe said it would smooth out the registration process for the 1992-93 academic year.

Under the new residence halls' rates, room and board for the regular academic year with a 19-meal plan will increase from \$3,500 to \$3,715 and rent for the Matthews Court Apartments will increase from \$400 to \$440 per month.

The proposed budget also elimi-

nates the student aid expense line.

According to Eleanor Reynolds, director of residence halls, the rate increases will allow the halls to resume directing money towards renovations and repairs, which was halted last year due to budget cuts.

The new budget stated that the major repair reserve will be funded \$55,000. The repair reserve has not been funded from the operating budget for three years.

"Last year, we had to stop our carpet and furniture replacement schedule," Reynolds said. "Now we can get back to that."

According to Reynolds, the residence halls are scheduled to replace some of its institutional furniture with more modern furnishings.

Approval of the proposal concerned board members Andrea Fischer and James Sharp, who raised questions concerning the already high costs facing college students.

Trustee Fischer called for a space analysis of the halls to see if there was a possibility of taking a hall and converting it entirely into office space. This, according to Fischer, may help reduce rates.

Last year, the residence halls experienced a 7.5 percent increase in rates. The recommendation for that increase cited occupancy declines

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## Briefly ...

### Life As Art

The women of OU's March Brown Bag Luncheon Series present "Life As the Secret of Art." Oscar Wilde's famous sentence will be discussed by Honors College Director, Brian Murphy, March 18 at noon in the Oakland Center's Gold Room A. On March 25, Marion Bunt will discuss her trip to Antarctica and give a video and slide presentation at noon in the Oakland Center's Gold Room A.

### Women's History

A visual memory of Latin American Women's History through a slide lecture will be presented by Howard University History Professor, Asuncion Lavrin, on Wednesday, March 25 from 1:20 to 3 p.m. in the Oakland Center Gold Room C. Lavrin was born and educated in Havana, Cuba and earned a Ph.D. at Harvard University. She has since taught at seven American universities. She is the editor and co-author of *Latin American Women: Historical Perspectives*; and *Sexuality and Marriage in Colonial Latin America*.

### Correction

The Oakland Post would like to apologize to OU Interim President John De Carlo for not contacting him for his official position on the signage proposal story run in last week's issue. De Carlo said that he has not approved the proposal. The story relied on Robert McGarry, vice-president of Finance and Administration's comment that De Carlo had approved the proposal.