OCC student body ages, so do its leaders

Does mother know best?

By MICHAEL MATUSZEWSKI

Greying and 40, but not over the hill Greying and 40, but not over the hill.

Nancy Vangilder, a 40-year-old West
Bloomfield resident with short, pepper-grey hair and three children, is in an unusual position—student government president at Oakland Community
College's (OCC) Orchard Ridge

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That job traditionally goes to some-one pretty and popular or a diehard activist.

Mrs. Vangilder, though charming and gracious, does not fit into the youth culture's definition of "pretty and popular." Her 19 year-old daughter. Luanne, just might.

And instead of an activist, she calls herself a concerned taxpayer.

SHE DENIES that her tenure in ffice might be better billed, "Mother

Actually, it is a product of the times.



Nancy Vangilder: community involvement.

According to the college, Orchard Ridge's average student is a female between the ages of 26 and 28.

Other student government leaders cut across age lines. Vice-president Tom Schuler of Farmington Hills is 19. Secretary Mary Rockol of Detroit is 28, and Treasurer Peter Schrier of Southfield is 24.



"Nobody else was involved . . not 'Mother Knows Best' . . . greater

The ages of the 15 other student rep-

The ages of the Is other student representatives range from 17 to 28.
STUDENT GOVERNMENTS at
CCC's three other campuses and
around the country are floundering.
The activist days have long similar passed. Students in the late-1970s are
demanding jobs, not student rights.
The student government at the
Orchard Ridge campus in Farmington

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Hills was floundering too. But, under Mrs. Vangilder, it has made some innoads and has stirred up some student support. But it is far from a healthy organization.

"This is the first year that we had more candidates in the student government elections than positions to fill," Mrs. Vangilder said.

Fulltime students just don't have the

"That means 12 credit hours. Our students are working after school. They have families. They have social obligations. For them it's really difficult to carry 12 hours and still devote time to student government," she said.

AMONG THE people with the time to devote to student government are women like Mrs. Vangilder—the women who are not tied down by young children or a job.

young cinturn or a great back to college because she wanted to go back to work. With hopes of becoming a personal income tax consultant, she took her first OCC accounting course. She then got involved in a student government which was afflicted with terminal apathy.

"I got involved because nobody else was." Mrs. Vangilder said. "I found out that student input was welcome, but no on was offering it." She said administrators and the col-

lege's board of trustees were making decisions—large decisions—without any student opinions.

"I was at a board (of trustees) meeting once." Mrs. Vangilder recalled, "when someone asked.7if crough college catalogs were being made available to students. An administrator got up and said "Of Course." I knew better I couldn't get a catalog."

DESPITE THE frustration of watching the vast majority of Orchard Rudge's 10.000 students remain uninvived. Mrs. Vangilder said the job, is assistying one.
"I see the prospect of things getting accomplished in the future — things hat were definitely not possible when I first came here." She said.

"I see greater involvement by the college in the community and greater community involvement in the college:

"I see students becoming more con-sumerish. They're demanding their money's worth and they're doing if partially through student govern-ment." she said.

"I put in a lot of hours, but it's defi-nitely worth it," she concluded.

Road workers get 6 per cent pay hike

The Board of Oakland County Road Commissioners and representatives of salaried employees have signed their first contract, with terms generally following the same pattern as an hourly employees' contract signed

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receive less than a two per cent base wage increase and the same cost of living and longevity pay benefits. "With signing of the contract, salaries within the classification system will range from \$8,771 to \$19945, plus \$55° cost of living earned to date. "Beginning July 1, 1978, salaries within the classification system win range from \$8,70° to \$324.6, plus so the salaries within the classification system win range from \$8,70° to \$324.6, plus so of up to \$264, and will be eligible or additional cost of living allowances of up to \$264 and will be eligible or additional cost of living allowances of up to \$264 and will be eligible or additional cost of living allowances of up to \$264 and will be eligible or continuous contract of the salaried employees employees for the salaried employees employee of the contract include typist clerks, receptionists, stemographers, secretaries, key entry operators, rodmen, account clerks, temographers, secretaries, key entry operators, rodmen, account clerks, engineers, right of way negotiators, environmentalists, planners, foresters, environmentalists, planners, foresters, environmentalists, planners, foresters, and or a dio communicators."

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