

Witch Watch

by GUNDELLA



All life has rhythm

Here it is again, the time of the full moon. A month ago when the moon was full, I was in southern Florida. As I watched that enormous orange ball rise out of the Atlantic, I could understand how the lyrics of "Moon over Miami" came to be written.

Even in these modern, ultra-technical times, the full moon suddenly reminds us of forces greater than ours which affect our earth and its inhabitants.

Of course, the moon itself is one of these forces, especially when it's full.

Tides fluctuate most during a full moon. Romance blooms, and so does lunacy. In fact, the very word "lunacy" comes from "luna, Latin for moon."

During the time when the moon is full, the rate of insane acts, suicide and similarly deranged behavior reach their peak.

WHAT CAUSES these rhythms? The planets? The stars? The hour of one's birth? Who knows?

It is certain that any thinking person must admit the earth alone does not set our patterns, and that we are all part of some very large structural plan, like various shaped pieces of a jigsaw puzzle which fit together to make a complete picture.

In our present state, our view is limited, and we see only ourselves and the puzzle pieces closest to us. But in the future, perhaps, we will all be allowed to glimpse the entire picture.

THESE RHYTHMS vary greatly from person to person. Some of us are day people, and some are night people.

I am a day person by nature. I like to get up very early in the morning and go to bed very early at night. However, my present lifestyle does not offer allow this.

Since most of my work as a lecturer and entertainer is done between 8 p.m. and midnight, I frequently do not get to sleep before 2 a.m. As a result, I tend to sleep later in the morning.

Whenever I have two or more vacation days, however, I fall back into my natural habit of early to bed, early to rise.

There are many people, though, who do not come alive until late afternoon. They are at their best in the middle of the night, and seldom go to bed until dawn.

It can really cause havoc when one of these night people happens to live with a day person.

Oakland University accepts grants

The Oakland University Board of Trustees has accepted research grants and financial aid funds totaling nearly \$795,000.

The funds include gifts, grants and an allocation of \$545,000 from the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare to support the basic educational opportunity grant financial aid program. Among the major research grants were \$60,585 from the Oakland County Employment and Training Administration for a student internship program.

Two chemistry professors earned grants. Michael Sevilla received \$44,917 from the U.S. Department of the Army for research on "Electron Spin Resonance Investigation of Free Radicals in Photolyzed and Irradiated Highly Viscous System of Model Lipids." Farbury Schmidt received \$30,000 from the U.S. for research on "The Application of the Theory of Electron Transfer Reactions to the Investigation of Possible Battery Systems."

Other grants include one of \$10,050 from the Borg-Warner Corp. to Harvey Hobauser, a professor of urban affairs, to support a student intern program, and one of \$19,123 from the B.F. Goodrich Co. to Y.Y. Hung, professor of engineering, to conduct a belt strain analysis on passenger tires.

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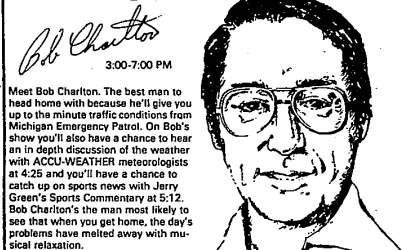


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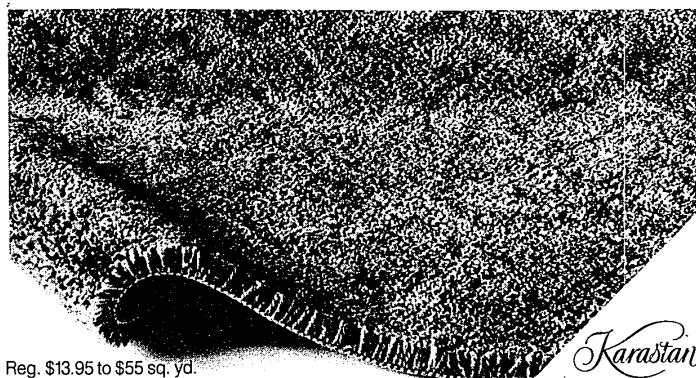
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