

## Pro-choice speaker set for library

Mary Dent Crisp, the main spokeswoman for the National Republican Coalition for Choice, will give a free lecture beginning 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 9, at the Bloomfield Township Library.

Crisp's talk is called "Where Do We Go From Here" and concerns her work in trying to con-

vince Republicans to be pro-choice on abortion.

The purpose of the aforementioned coalition is to get pro-choice Republicans elected and to convince the Republicans to change the party's position from pro-life to pro-choice.

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"I think it's really crazy. They're all pointing the finger at each other. They're all a bunch of liars!"

Such was the unrepentant opinion Monday of Oakland University student Ellen O'Connor on our national mudwrestling marathon, officially known as the campaign for president of the United States.

O'Connor is not alone. Even television newsmen David Brinkley, on the program "Later with Bob Costas," called the 1992 presidential campaign "the nastiest one I've seen." And Brinkley goes back to Franklin Roosevelt's last two years.

Likewise, nearly all the OU and Oakland Community College students contacted by the Eclectic Monday, ahead of the election, complained about the gratuitously screeching personal attacks that blotted the just finished campaign like ink stains on a white shirt.

## Dope smoking

"I'm tired of the bickering between the candidates," said Judy Cavender. "I could care less if Clinton smoked dope once 20 years ago. I don't care about the

## Young voters

## Area students vote, don't like bickering

## OU, OCC

It's an insult to us. I'm embarrassed for our country that they have to put each other down like that."

Another OCC student, Lori Koran, complained about the bickering too, but also lamented the fact that Libertarian candidate Andre Marrou wasn't invited to the debate, while Ross Perot was. "It's pretty sad that the Libertarian party has never been invited to a debate," Koran said.

John Honos, the sports editor of OU's student newspaper (The Oakland Post) rubbed his chin and thought carefully before giving his views on the campaign.

The candidates, he said, "are really not hitting the issues. They're trying to appease the people with political rhetoric. It all comes down to show business. They seem to dance around the crux of the issues."

Sandra Stanbury, a member of OU's Women in Communications club, voted for the first time this year. She was disappointed for two reasons:

■ That the lesser-known candidates drew the media attention.

■ And that Perot's tactics sunk into the primordial slime after a lot of earnest talk about discussing the issues.

"When this dirty tricks thing

came out about his daughter's wedding, it just went downhill from there," Stanbury said.

## Incumbents are bad

Rochester Hills resident Michelle Mawson, the president of OU's Phi Sigma Sigma sorority, is angry about the government in general. "I don't think people would like my opinion," she said. "I'm voting for anybody who is not an incumbent and is pro-choice. Whatever (the incumbents) have been doing they haven't been doing a good job."

Some of the students complained as well that the questions asked of candidates by television news people are too technical. "They're not asking questions that pertain to us," Cavender said. "If (the questions) were in simpler terms, we could understand them."

Rochester Hills resident and OU student Adam Goslin agreed. "Joe Schmo working in the factory, he's not going to understand (those questions)," he said.

O'Connor said that it's better for average people who "live life at a reality level" to ask questions of the candidates. The main media, she continued, asks "questions that people lose track of or they don't understand."



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