

Plenty of parking spots

By Brad Emons staff writer

What's the parking situation for the U.S.

Open? Things will remain pretty much the same when Oakland Hills Country Club hosted the 1981 U.S. Senior Open and the 1979 PGA Tournament.

1979 PGA Tournament. The man responsible for parking during those two tournaments, Mack Quick, re-turns for the 1985 event (June 13-16). "We can take 10,000 cars on the North Course," said Quick. "They're all pre-paid."

Parking is included on the pre-pald \$25 admission ticket for the championship rounds (Thursday through Sunday), as well as the \$15 admission ticket for the prac-tice rounds (Tuesday and Wednesday).

In the event that the tournament is not sold out, parking spots will be made availsolo out, parking spots will be indee availed to the able to the general public for \$4 on the North Course. (Tickets can be purchased at Oakland Hills or ordered over the phone, using your Master or Visa Card number, at 644-1985).

All coupon, clubhouse and season tickets were sold out last month.

PARKING IS ALSO available at the St. PARKING IS ALSO available at the SL. Regis Church, Brother Rice High School and Marian High School complex at \$5 per car (located on Lasher, just south of 14 Mile Road). Three vans will transport fans to and from the bus unloading zone on the south side of Maple Road (where the course is located), 100 yards south of the pedestrian bridge, which links the North and South courses. and South cours

We're encouraging fans to park there if

they don't have a sticker which will get them into the North Course," Quick said. The task of routing traffic in and out of the Oakland Hills Course is under the ju-risdiction of the Bloomfield Township Police

Oakland Hills members will enter the Gilbert Lake Road entrance, near the No. 18 hole on the North Course. The huge me-dia entourage and tournament staff offi-cials will be directed into the club's main

cials will be directed into the club stratm lot (off Maple) by valct service. According to Bloomfield Township Dep-uty Police Chief Dennis McGee, as many as eight lanes, if necessary, will be opened for the Maple Road entrances (just east of the Maple Road entrances (just east of Telegraph) in and out of the North Course parking lot.

"WE CAN EMPTY OUT pretty quick harring rain," McGee said. "Things ran pretty smooth around there in 1979. But if it gets soggy (on the North course), we could have some problems.

"We'll have 10 additional men, all regu--We'll have 10 additional men, all regu-lar police officers, there on Friday, Satur-day and Sunday. We also have men on the pedestrian bridge crossing to make sure everything Is safe and orderly. -We had very few traffic accidents (In 1981 and 1979)." The main actery in which fore the

The main artery in which fans can reach Oakland Hills is Telegraph Road.

McGee said that it's not really neces-sary to have officers direct traffic on that main thoroughfare. "Things don't get backed up that far," he

said

McGee added that upwards of 35,000 fans will invade the course during the fi-nal three days of championship play.

