

# OU privatizes student bookstore

To achieve additional revenues and cut costs, Oakland University is turning to outside vendors to run the its office supplies operation and the university bookstore.

Board of trustee actions June 10 authorized the vice president for finance and administration to enter into a contract with Silvers and the university bookstore.

The lease to Barnes & Noble will be for five years with an option for

three more years. The Silvers contract is for five years.

University officials said the office supplies contract has the potential to save \$90,000 a year through standardization of catalog supplies and lower costs. Additional savings are realized through the elimination of the director of university services position through retirement.

The lease of the bookstore follows a practice of 14 other institutions in Michigan, OU officials say

Barnes & Noble was chosen to provide additional income to the university while maintaining high quality services and reasonable costs for students and faculty.

The bookstore has been earning a profit, OU officials said, but the buying power of Barnes & Noble will double that profit on a yearly basis.

Terms of the agreement being negotiated call for a guarantee to OU of \$420,000 in year one. Pay-

ments over five years will total \$1.8 million. Barnes & Noble would pay the university more than the above figures if gross sales exceeded defined targets during any of the contract years.

University officials say current bookstore employees will be retained by Barnes & Noble, and the university inventory is being purchased by the firm. The lease will be effective July 1 or as soon as both parties agree.

# OCC incumbent falls another notch

Final Oakland Community College vote totals brought only more bad news to defeated incumbent, Sam Yono.

Instead of finishing ninth in the 11 candidate field, Northville resident Yono actually finished 10th, placing ahead of only Laurence Imerman.

Adjusted vote totals showed Jean Benzing of Clarkston placed 23 votes ahead of Yono, who served less than a year as a board appointee.

Election winners Anne Scott, Judith Wisser and Janice Simmons will be sworn in at the board's Mon-

day, July 6 meeting.

Scott, a Royal Oak businesswoman was the leading vote-getter. West Bloomfield resident Wisser finished second in gaining a second six-year term. Simmons, of Rochester Hills, finished third.

Official vote totals for the win-

ning candidates were: Scott, 14,445; Wisser, 12,498; Simmons, 12,348.

Vote totals for other candidates were: Paul Bailey, 8,838; Richard Lindgren, 8,141; Gary Walsh, 7,196; D'Arcy Gonzales, 7,035; Karen Apolloni, 6,932; Benzing, 5,879; Yono, 5,846 and Imerman, 4,465.

# OCC screens would-be chefs Saturday

Screening of applicants for the Oakland Community College special chef apprenticeship program will occur at 9 a.m. Saturday at the Orchard Ridge Campus, Farmington Hills.

Screening will occur in Room J

305, Tirrell Hall.

Applicants must bring an \$80 check made out to the Michigan Chef de Cuisine Association. They must also bring their high school diploma, resume, record of work experience, handwritten 150-word es-

say on their desire for a career in culinary arts and college transcripts, if applicable.

Applicants must also successfully complete a written entrance exam. The \$60 fee is returned to unsuccessful applicants.

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