# Che Almanian 

# Slagle elected student body president 



Student Council President-elect Tom Slagle [left] and present Student Council President John C. Morris prepare for a smooth transition for the 1981-82 academic year.

## ACUB, Scotsman, Almanion

## Organization leaders chosen

By Tony Bogar<br>Staff Writer

The 1981-82 leaders for Union Board, Scotsman and The Almanian were announced last week. Next year's WABM station manager has not yet been announced.

Union Board president for the 1981-82 year will be Chuck Lewis. Heading the Scotsman will be Dawn Roberts while Barb Gordon will return as editor-in-chief of The Almanian for the second year.
Lewis, a junior, has been with Union Board since his freshman year and worked as Union Board's Technical Supervisor this year.
"ACUB is interested in working in cooperation with other organizations in putting on decent entertainment," stated Lewis.

Lewis said one of his main goals is to eliminate conflicts arising from Greek organizations scheduling entertainment at the same time as Union Board.
"It is our aim next year to have open communication between each of the different entertainment planning organizations to reduce conflicts and improve quality, commented Lewis.

Roberts, a sophomore, will be editor-in-chief of The Scotsman next year. She has been involved with the theatre department for two years as well as working on the yearbook.

Her goals for next year
include getting the college face finder out earlier in the fall. However, she expressed some concern about the lack of applications for staff positions next year. She said anyone interested in applying for a position may obtain an application at the Student Affairs Office.

Gordon, a sophomore, has been a member of The Almanian staff for two years. She worked as feature editor before taking over the edi-tor-in-chief position at the beginning of this year and is also editor of the Pine River Anthology.
"I've enjoyed watching the talents and abilities of

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By Leslie B. Southwick Staff Writer

A large voter turnout last Wednesday elected junior history major Tom Slagle as student body president. Slagle will officially assume the position, now held by Senior John "Chet" Morris, next fall.
Sophomore, biology/ chemistry major Fred Reyelts ran unopposed for student body vice president and will assume those responsibilities next fall as well.

The class of 1982 chose Cookie Novitsky to serve as their president, Linda Ban, vice president, Tracie Eadie, treasurer, Julie Niesen, secretary and Keith Hunt, associate trustee.

The class of 1983 elected Greg Hatcher their president, Tom MacFarlane, vice president, Brian Lambka, treasurer, Anna Moore, secretary and Gary Stano, associate trustee.

Unfortunately, due to a clerical error, the class of 1984 election was re-scheduled for Wednesday, A pril 1. None of the results were tallied once it was discovered that one candidate's name was left off the ballot.
Morris commented, " I'd like to publicly appologize to the candidates and voters for any inconvenience this error on the part of the student council in preparing the ballot may have caused. I hope that all the candidates will remain in the running.'

The candidates on the ballot will be as follows: president, Lee Bunemann, Joe Naughton; vice president, Tony Bogar, Phil Robinson, Jeff Soper, Tania Westfall; treasurer (running unopposed), Gary Cutler; secretary, Christine Cornwell, Rick Glasser; associate trustee, Tom Hill, Don Le-


Alma College student Jack Ziem celebrates the beginning of spring with a game of frisbee. For the first time this year temperatures climbed above 50 degreesSpring Fever is here, Catch-it.
right, Tom Miller, Lisa Tomei, Tony Trupiano.
Lame duck president Morris reflected on his years of involvement in student government. This past year as president, Morris felt the high point of the year was President Remick's inauguration. Morris commented, 'It was good to see students active here. The inauguration reflected expressions of where the student's rights will be held in the new administration.
Other controversies that challenged Morris include sorority housing, the parking


## Fred Reyelts

system and Saga foods. In the next few weeks, Morris will be working with Slagle, instructing him in the functions of the office. Morris stated, "I see no difficulties working with Tom. I personally get along well with him." He continued, "Tom is the type of person who always volunteers to do any kind of work for student government. That impresses me. I'm glad he's won, ... and I'll do all in my power to help him become a very effective student leader."
Slagle has been a student council member for two years. He has served on numerous ad hoc committees as well as Provost's Advisory Committee. Next year as president, he will serve as associate trustee as well as on the Provost's Advisory Committee and Student Life Committee. Slagle stated, "Actually, l've been running for this position all year long. I knew a long time ago that I izally wanted to do this. The president represents the feelings of the whole student body, and it's hard to get elected if you don't know people or try to get to know them.
Reyelts has also had council experience. Morris remarked, "Fred is a very conscientious person and I have full faith that he will work to the height of his
abilities as vice president: It's a very demanding job., ${ }^{1}$ Reyelts will serve as the chairman of the Election Committee as well as the Student Budget and Finance Committee. He has definite ideas of some improvements he'd like to see in both of these areas.
In order for budget planning to run effectively, Reyelts would like to work closely from the beginning with the leaders of the six major organizations on campus, so that the students get the best quality programs from the amount of money they pay. He commented, "Some students felt that too much money is paid to these organizations. I would like to look into ways we can hold the budget where it is, but if increases have to be made, I'd like to make public the specifics of why the budget was increased." He contin-

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## Error forces election retake

By Victoria M. Stevens Staff Writer
A clerical error on the class of 1984 election ballot has caused the need for an additional election count. In the March 25 election, a candidate's name was accidentally left off the ballot.

In all fairness, Bill Healey, chairman of elections, and Chet Morris, president of Student Council, felt that a retake was necessary.

Student Council has taken full responsibility for the delay, explained Morris.
He said, "We apologize for the inconvenience and extend a special apology to the candidates who have worked hard on campaigns."

Morris encourages the future sophomore class to vote again and hopes that all candidates will remain in the runnirig.
The re-election will take place Wednesday.

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## Girdle wins millions

Knut L. Bjorn-Larsen's faith in the American way held up in the stretch. A jury put the squeeze on a large clothing manufacturer to pay him $\$ 31$ million for stealing his invention--the garterless girdle.
Bjorn-Larsen invented the garment in the early 1960's because his wife complained that garters on her girdles caused her stockings to run.

A federal court jury ruled that Munsingwear Incorporated had stolen his design and ordered the Minneapolis based clothing manufacturer to pay him \$31 million.

## Faygo Kid rides again

Trying to bring back the good old days, Faygo will revive the famous Faygo Kid TV commercial of 1954. It will run for three weeks in May
'We just want to bring back a little life," said a company spokesman. For those who don't remember the Faygo Kid, he is a comely cartoon character who always wears a tall white hat and rides around on his horse fighting off villains who try to steal Faygo.

## \$7,000 please

Keeping his promise to crack down on scofflaws, Chief Judge M. John Shamo of Detroit Traffic Court ordered a woman to pay $\$ 7,000$ in fines for 300 tickets

Since 1978 Mabel Adamson had amassed more outstanding parking tickets than anyone the judge had seen in his 28 years at court.

## Males get short end

The Supreme Court upheld statutory rape laws that make it a crime for a male to have sexual intercourse with a consenting minor girl--but do not make it a crime for her.

The court ruled 5-4 in the case of a 17 year old boy and a 16 year old girl who, in the words of the California Supreme Court, shared 'an amorous interlude on a park bench."

Under California law she is innocent, but he could be sentenced up to one year in jail.

## Man bills Express

In a case of turnabouts, a credit card holder billed American Express $\$ 5$ for inconvenience and extraneous correspondence. And the company paid.

Bill Rabe, a public relations live wire, recently ran into a personal billing problem with American Express.

Arrierican Express said it paid up "as a matter of public relations.'

## Chicago mayor moves

Mayor Jane Byrne and her husband are moving from their prestigious apartment to the violent, gang-infested Cabrini Green public housing project "for as long as it takes to clean it up.' Byrne says.

Since the beginning of the year 10 people have been killed, at least 35 wounded and more than 50 firearms confiscated at Cabrini Green. Gunfire is frequent. Rival gangs are warring the streets in the project for the control of drug traffic and prostitution and gangs shake down tenants for protection money.

## Klan demands probe

A Ku Klux Klan leader Culled for a Justice Department investigation of a group that attacked KKK marchers in a bloody confrontation that injured 21 people, mostly policemen.

Klan leader William Wilkinson said he wants the federal government to investigate this incident so it will not happen again.

## Loan freeze may cause trouble

(CPS)--The Reagan administration's 45-day freeze on processing applications for federal financial aid has virtually paralyzed most college student aid offices, but promises to cause even more problems for students during the summer, according to various aid officers.
They predict students, when they are informed of how much aid they'll be getting for the 1981-82 academic year, will probably be getting much less than they had anticipated. Because of the delay caused by the freeze, however, students may not hear until the summer, when they may not have enough time before the start of fall term to scrape together money from other sources.

As a result, some administrators expect there may be an exodus next fall of students from private colleges to less expensive public colleges.
The uncertainty prevalent in most financial aid offices since President Reagan proposed massive cuts in student aid programs--including Pell Grants (formerly Basic Educational Opportunity Grants), Guaranteed Student Loans and National Direct Student Loans--was replaced by a more urgent, frustrated atmosphere last week when Secretary of Education Terrel Bell announced the freeze.
Bell said the government would process no more Pell Grant applications until Congress acted on his proposals to change the eligibility requirements for the grants.
But because Pell Grants help determine what other kinds of financial aid students can get, the freeze has effectively stopped the awarding of all federal aid during this, the busiest time for assembling aid "packages," says Dallas Martin of the National Association of Student Financial Aíd Administrators.
Colleges are adopting two different strategies to cope with the emergency. One is to wait until it's settled. The other is to, as one administrator put it, "go through the motions." Both, aid administrators say, do little more than delay the effects of the freeze until the summer.
'Going through the motions" allows aid offices to continue to construct aíd packages for students even though the packages will probably fall apart during the summer, says Joanne Eberle, aid officer at Lehigh University. Until the summer, all anyone can do is wait, she says.
'We can't do much now in the way of estimating awards or projecting effects on enrollment,": agrees Norman Beck, director of Ball State University's aid office. "But we'll be pushed into high gear over the summer, between processing awards and talking on the phone to students and parents who
are worried they won't get enough money to go to school in the fall.

Beck says the time between a student applying for aid and getting the aid can normally stretch to three or four months.

A school screens aid applicants in late winter, forwards the survivors to the federal government for re view, and finally hears of the fate of each application in March, April and May, Beck explains. Then his office scrambles to complete the aid package with money from other sources. The student usually hears about the final package in late May or early June
But this year, most students won't learn their fates until just a few weeks before the beginning of fall term For those students who receive less from the government than they requestedand many students will get less if the president's budge cuts are approved--those las few weeks will be nothing less than "havoc" as they try to find the rest of the money they need in time Eberle says.

Nevertheless some schools prefer "going through the regular motions" to "sitting in a holding pattern,"' notes University of Virginia assoc iate aid director James Ramsey. Thus his school is forging ahead assembling aid packages just as it did in March of last year. The difference is that this year the packages are temporary, he says.

Right now we're sending letters on the assumption that students will receive the full amount requested from the government," Ramsey notes. "But we're adding a warning that these projec tions are only temporary.

Moreover, Ramsey adds that for the first time he can remember UVa is offering students "two or three hun dred dollars less than they need

He worries that bills for
uition may arrive before aid packages can be revamped in the summer, and that "this is going to cause a lot of hassles for students who panic that they can't pay the bills.

Other administrators don't see much reason to go through the motions. At the University of Washington, aid officer Catherine Dyson avers, "We can't decide how to deal with it until summer. We can't recruit actively because we can't offer potential students money.

Adds the University of Wyoming's Delbert Smith, "We're in a holding pattern. We can't even judge next fall's enrollment.

To ease students' worries many schools are devising temporary loan plans specifically tailored to help meet the first tuition bill of the fall. Virginia's Ramsey notes his school has a good reputation for "covering such immediate needs," and is sure he can uphold the reputation as long as students repay the loans within a few months.
Beck says Ball State has already begun a plan to provide temporary financing to students, which means "there'll be a problem in cash flow, obviously at a cost to the institution. But we have to do it," he concludes.

None of the aid officers contacted for this article by College Press Service, however, had much hope of making up ali the money lost if the Reagan cutbacks are approved.

There simply aren't enough university funds to make up the difference, Eberle says, voicing a common lament. She adds that most schools' top priority will be to provide for currently enrolled students, usually with temporary loans.
If a two-month loan isn't sufficient, "students are going to have to make fast decisions about staying here or withdrawing,', she mourns.


# The Almanian 

## Freshman crowned Alma's 1981 Queen of Scots

## By Marjorie Rowe

Staff Writer
The young lady who will reign over the fourteenth annual Alma Highland Festival as the Queen of Scots was chosen Wednesday evening, March 25
As the evening of interviews drew to a close, freshman Angie Stewart was crowned the 1981 Queen of


Angie Stewart

## Are you one of the lonely people?

(CPS)--Eighteen to 20 year-olds are probably the loneliest people in America, at least according to studies done by Dr. Robert Weiss of the University of Massachu-setts-Boston, along with Dr Richard Maisel.

We surveyed all different age groups, from 18 on up, and our results suggested that older teens begin to feel very much alone when they cannot find substitutes for the emotional security previously offered by home and family.
Weiss says the loneliness is compounded by the feat that " 1 'm the only one who feels this way." An incoming student will look around and see others happy and surrounded by friends, and will feel like a failure in comparison
Weiss told Seventeen magazine that young people idealistically expect to have many deep, lasting relationships. Failure to realize these hopes can lead to depression--another part of loneliness.

Older people, with a lifetime of experience, tend to be more realistic, however, and are not affected as deeply as teen-agers.

Scots

Stewart was chosen from among three contestants on the basis of an interview. The contest, sponsored by the Business and Professional Womens' Association of Alma, provided judges who represented local clubs and organizations. The judges looked for qualities of poise, personality and public relation abilities in the three girls.

The new queen, a physical education major who would like to be a physical therapist said of her new position as "Alma's Ambassador of Friendship," "I was really excited, everyone has told me what fun it is to be in the parades and stuff!’

This will not, however, be Stewart's first parade in Alma's Highland Festival. The new Queen of Scots has been a participant in the May festivities for seven years. Stewart has entered the contests and parades of the festival as a bagpiper and highland dancer since she was a seventh grader in Howell, Michigan. Last March, during the mid-winter break, Stewart travelled with the Alma College Kiltie Band to Washington D.C. as the Concert Band's bagpiper.

When asked why she decided to enter the contest Stewart said, "I was involved in the parades for seven years and this year am a committee salesperson for
the -advertisement of the Highland Festival." Stewart also had encouragement from her dance teacher who instructs the highland dancers here in Alma.
Further support came from her family who attended the contest last Wednesday evening. Needless to say, the-new queen's parents were proud and "very excited.
As the Queen of Scots, Stewart will act in the position of a public relation's person. She will attend dinners and appear on television and radio stations throughout the upcoming year. Next month, the new queen will make her debut in representing Alma and promoting the Highland Festi val in the Shepherd Maple Syrup Parade May 23 and
${ }^{24}$ Further travels will include parades and festivals throughout the summer in Grand Rapids, Greenville and Frankenmuth. During the Highland Festival, Stewart will present the awards to the participating bands, bagpipers and highland dancers. Already positive in her new role, Stewart quips, 'Come to the Festival...it will be a big deal
The 1980 Queen of Scots, Alma College junior, Tina Freeman, relinquished her crown and said of her experience as the Queen of Scots, 'it was a very rewarding and special experience...and a lot of fun.'


Student Council President John C. Morris discusses the need for a student chairman for the local food co-op program. A replacement for the position is needed, otherwise Alma College students will lose membership in the program.

## Food Co-op chairman sought for program

By David W. Green Staff Writer

A report on the student membership of a local food co-op was given during last week's student council meeting. Senior Sue McGregor explained the mechanics of the co-op and stressed the importance of finding a replacement for her position as chairman of the student's membership.

The local non-profit o ganization buys organically grown and processed food products in bulk quantity once a month at reduced prices. Every other month, members are required to spend four hours dividing

## Students voice opinions on policies

## By Pamela R. Leverett

 Staff WriterThe 1980-81 academic year at Alma has been characterized by change, from the installment of a new president to new policies which set rules of precedent for the college. However the reaction to the anti-hazing and alcohol policies by Alma students is not favorable.

Among the gripes over the anti-hazing policy by those students surveyed came the unanimous conclusion: though a policy is needed, the existing one is too vague.
'The anti-hazing policy is necessary, there must be guidelines," stated senior Amy Gillard. She felt that the current policy contained "too much ambiguity" which was due to the limited amount of time that was used to put the policy together. The time factor, she explained, created a lack of communication between the Greek system and the ad-
ministration.
Members of the Greek system were more ardently opposed to the anti-hazing policy.
"I feel it could possibly be the first step in destroying the Greek system,’' stated Delta Gamma Tau fraternity member Kyle Chudom. Chudom pointed to the history of fraternities on campus explaining that they have done a lot for Alma College.
'Many of the pledging traditions that we are so proud to participate in are what make the fraternity so strong," stated Jeff Pinderski, a new Zeta Sigma member. "Everything done during the pledging process was done with kindness rather than malice.
Lance Mead, a new Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity member, echoed these sentiments. "We couldn't experience some of the same things the others did. Mead felt that it created a distance between new and
old members, not because of anything they said but because of the difference in the pledging experience.

Recent Alpha Theta active Andrea DeBruin, summed up the sentiments of her last pledge class

The activities that they (the administration) banned are the ones that bring us closer together.
The general concensus of those students surveyed on the alcohol policy drew this conclusion: while the policy is necessary, it cannot and will not be strictly enforced.
'The college doesn't have much of a choice on what the goal of its alcohol policy should be," stated freshman Darryl Nelson. Nelson felt that it puts RA's in a very awkward position, in that they have to seek out drinkers and enforce the policy. 'RA's are supposed to be our peers, not policemen
Sophomore, Sue Gerish, spoke up for student rights.
'This is our home now. I feel See POLICY Page 11
incoming foodstuffs. Members may defer use of the co-op for three months out of the year.
The chairman of the student's co-op membership is responsible for placing student orders at the monthly meeting, working with the co-op to divide foodstuffs and dividing student food orders. If Sue McGregor's position as student membership chairman is not filled, Alma College students will lose membership in the coop.

Student Council President John C. Morris emphatically stated, "The food co-op is a quality program that I would strongly encourage students to participate in and not let e program die
In other business, J. Thomas MacFarlane, sophomore history major, gave a report on the National Collegiate Assembly that took place at the University of Alabama.
Senator Joseph Biden, from Delaware, spoke to the assembly on United States Foreign Policy. Senator George McGovern spoke on the right wing fundamentalist political action groups and the danger they pose to our political system.
The assembly also formed committees and drew up resolutions which were debated in a plenary session. Resolutions were voted on and will be sent to various lobby groups and congressmen in Washington D.C.

In final business, President Morris announced that President Remick will attend this week's council meeting to discuss campus affairs. The meeting will take place in AC 113 at 7 p.m. All students are encouraged to attend.

# editorial comment 

## Do we dare lower our academic standards? <br> By Tony Trupiano <br> Co-News Editor

With the announcement of the increases for the 1981-82 school year there comes a cry from the students, "How will we survive?' ' This is a very good question, but sorry folks. I can't answer it

I think a better question is, "How are we going to get any high school seniors to look at Alma?'

Alma is known for its fine academic standards, fine faculty and fine administration, but if we don't fill the classrooms we won't need the above

It is obvious that enrollment will be down next year and that the attrition rate will most likely be at an all time high. So what do we do? Well, one possibility is lowering our academic standards for admissions. Yet if enough students are not admitted, prices will undoubtedly rise. How can we fill a private institution with prospective leaders if they can't afford to attend this private institution?

President Remick stresses that we will keep our academic excellence and in order to do this we must increase cost. But this still doesn't answer how we're going to fill the classrooms

We all know that our faculty, administration and staff must eat and pay essentials for their families.
Cost increases are necessary. We need them to survive and to keep us in operation. We have to understand that the administration is doing what they think is best for the student.

There is a ray of hope. It is in the form of financial aid. Financial aid has been increased by 24 percent. The administration has taken care of us in this respect. Contrary to popular belief, they do at times think of the students.

We will have to wait to see what happens in the upcoming year. Will Alma College set the academic standards a little lower so that they can compensate for these hard economic times? Or will they keep their standards high, decrease the number of incoming freshmen and raise student costs?
We all need to understand that these are hard economic times--it's time to bite the bullet.

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## Letters to the Editor

## Newberry residents get response

## Dear Editor,

I feel the need to write in response to the Newberry residents' concern about the selection of the R.A.s for next year in their dorm. Yes, they have most of the facts straight. There was indeed "one too many R.A.s" selected for next year. Every year 10 women resident assistants are chosen for the staff in Newberry. For several years there have been more residents than the nine corridors can house making it necessary to have a temporary hall in the basement. During staff selection this process was followed once again. Unfortunately it was discovered sometime after selection that the number of incoming freshmen was far below the normal amount for this time of year. If the number remains low there will be no need for a temporary corridor in the basement of Newberry. Holding this to be true there would be no need for 10 R.A.s, but nine.

My main concern is the residents at large (not only those who wrote to you) that may view this situation as 'another slur by the administration." All of the R.A.s chosen are highly qualified in various areas. By far this is the weightiest of all measurements in the selection process. Once the list is somewhat finalized, the 'feelings" mentioned in the previous article come into play. Questions like "How will this person fit in with the staff (campuswide and within the dorm)? How will this student handle the pressures of the job?" and "What kind of character qualities will this person display as an R.A.?' are posed. Ultimately they are answered by how the interviewers feel. This is the case in any interviewing situation, be it corporate or campus. All 10 of the women selected proved their qualities throughout the process including this last point. Since all of them are qualified in various areas and to differing degrees they had not been ranked. Having assumed that all would be employed there would be no need to do so. When the housing numbers became available the situation changed.

Again, the facts presented in the previous article were correct. Returning R.A.s are guaranteed their jobs if their evaluations have been good. Further, current juniors would not have another opportunity to become R.A.S while sophomores could. After having the situation explained to them no one chose to voluntarily leave the staff. Realizing that there was no ranking according to ability little choice seemed left in the search for a fair solution. The result was that all 10 women decided that only the sophomores would draw lots
to pick who would stay and who would not. This approach was taken by the women themselves and was not a command from the Student Affairs Office. A separate meeting of the sophomore R.A.s was called during which "the draw" took place. Each woman was aware of the consequences and no obiections were raised about the procedure.
The friend of the Newberry residents is now the top female on the alternate list in the Student Affairs Office. Although not all alternates are placed there are generally two or three positions that open over the summer. Hopefully, she will get a job this summer and begin in the fall with the rest of the staff. The mistake made was an honest one that any of us (students or staff) could have made

## Susan Preshaw

## Dear Editor

d like to make an informed repiy to the letter from "some concerned Newberry residents." I am presently a Newberry R.A. and will be one next year. I attended both interviews for next years R.A.s and the meeting during which the ter, selected 1981-82 Newberry R.A.s were informed that due to a lack of communications between admissions and Dean of Students Anand Dyal-Chand and Newberry Head Resident Donna Kocher an extra R.A. had been selected.

The ten R.A.s, Kocher and Dyal Chand were present at the meeting. The situation was explained to us. Due to declining female enrollment for the fall term, the basement of Newberry would not be used for Fall housing, thus eliminating one R.A.

The situation was this-one R.A. would have to be put on the alternate R.A. list. Dyal Chand promised the bumped person first priority on the alternate list, a single room if desired and a job on campus. The second year R.A.s were guaranteed their jobs, leaving seven first year R.A.s--three of them seniors next year-in the elimination stage. I suggested that the future seniors should have priority since they wouldn't have another chance to R.A. and the juniors would. The whole group agreed. The four future juniors agreed to go through a lottery to determine the alternate. Ironically, the strongest objections to this method came from the girl who lost her jod. She felt that Donna should eliminate the least qualified person. Donna naturally refused.
Tell, me "concerned residents," would you have preferred that one of the girls be told that she was inferior to the rest of the group? Of course not! The
method used was the least painful alternative. The situation was very unfortunate but unavoidable.
You people conveniently forgot several other facts in this incident. Your friend agreed, however reluctantly to the method. Also, she will be guaranteed of a job winter term since a Bruske R.A. will be leaving. In addition, an average of three R.A.s don't return, so she'll probably get a job anyway. also, this publicity will prob ably hurt your friend. know tor a fact that it has caused hard feelings towards her already

Since I know who wrote the letter, I know why you did it. At least one of the persons who signed their names to the letter didn't themselves get an R.A. job Sour grapes?? One other thing--why didn't you all sign your names publicly to the letter. I think that was pretty gutless.
The incident was the private affair of the persons involved. Any mature person could have seen that. All of the people involved wish that the 10th R.A. could have kept her job, but we know that she'll have a job sometime next year, and it wil probably be in the fall
Your concern for your friend was touching, but the malice behind the letter was obvious. The least you could have done was tell the whole story, not just a few facts that, taken out of context make Donna, Dyal Chand and the Newberry staff look unprofessional. I just hope that none of the trouble caused by your letter will hurt your friend in the long run. Maybe you should have thought of that sooner
Maxine K. Button
Newberry R.A.

## Saga is still a problem

## Dear Editor:

would like to make a case in point to the administrators responsible for the poor food service here at Alma College. I realize that this point has been clearly addressed throughout the year but I would like to review the basic complaints brought to my attention so that in the next academic year a substantial change may be made.
The first point I would like to make is that the food served is of the cheapest quality. The taste of the food is bland, and it is non-filling. The taste that most of the food has is of grease or whatever one might put on it to hide the boring, insipidity of the food.

The second point I would like to make is that the food is not prepared well. The meats are not cooked thorughly, and the food is warm

# Aberdeen offers alternative 



The Kings College at the University of Aberdeen, Scotland, is a college of arts and social science. Four Alma students studied at the University last year
(photo courtesy of Peg MacDougall)

By Tony Bogar Staff Writer
'Independent'' would be a good word to describe the way Alma seniors Peg MacDougall and Madeline Hansen felt during the year they spent at Aberdeen University in Scotland. As juniors, they, along with two other Alma students--Mark Tarpinian and Martha Baker--were overwhelmed by a sense of independence of study, social life and ifestyle in general

Academically, Aberdeen was considered more difficult by the students. 'You're not spoon-fed. You make it on your own, or you don't make it," explained MacDougall. In each class, students are given a list of subjects and a list of books and are then on their own to study in-depth the subjects of their choice
The Alma students liked this plan because it allowed
them to plan their own out-of-class study time, and with no grades per se, MacDougall noted, "There's not the competitiveness there. You're there to be scholars together.
The social life experienced in Aberdeen was also less structured than on an American college campus. Social gatherings take place to meet people, not necessarily to drink, and pubs are a place to talk or throw darts in a relaxed atmosphere "They're not hung up on drinking,', noted Baker

People go to the pub and knock off a pint like we go to the Union and have a cup of coffee,', explained MacDougall.
'People aren't as trendy,'" said Baker. They are very individual in their tastes and stress that.
'People are so genuine,' said MacDougall. "They're not just being polite; they truly are interested in you

## Letters

## African Fellow enjoying time in Nigeria

## Dear Editor,

Hey--thanks to Alma for sending me out here. I am enjoying Nigeria and its people. it is really an interesting country--not always easy or beautiful, but I enjoy the challenge it offers. It is sometimes difficult because you must totally rearrange your expectations and as-sumptions--things like first come, first served, efficiency, common courtesies, normal reactions and services that we have come to expect as Americans. (Power and water shortages frequently and no telephone service.)
The land itself is lush green and tropical. There are trees and bush everywhere, especially around where am. As for the buildings and the towns, they are dirty and ugly. Very little sense of aesthetics in that way. The people themselves are fascinating; warm and friendly, yet quick tempered, suspicious, blunt and often greedy

There is one cardinal rule I have learned--nothing is ever as simple as it seems.
It is also much more expensive than I expected You can't always find what you want, and if you cañ it's often out of the range of a teacher's salary. Oh, what I wouldn't give for a Pizza Sam's over here!
The sun is very strong (I have the sunburn to prove it), but the heat is not unbearable. They think it is so odd that white people actually sit out in the sun to get darker while they avoid the hot beating sun A.......cually it dope -. sound rather absurd. What we go through for a tan! They are all fascinated by my long blonde hair and by the fact that I am lefthanded. That perplexes them to no end

The people the
beautiful; proud faces, high hea, are very real enemies cheekbones, strong, firm here. I just got done nursing bodies, though often plump. The men usually dress very cheaply or sloppily. The women are very colorful, with yards of lace or cloth wrapped around their bodies and head, depending on their status. There is quite a bit of western dress, though they carry their children on their backs--tied with cloth. They are tremendously strong and can carry a great deal of weight. The men dress up in what is called an agbada for business or special occasions and sometimes everyday dress. It consists of a big flowing wide robe with matching trousers and undershirt.
My house is made of concrete -- one story -- two bedrooms, kitchen, bath, sitting and dining room. There is no air conditioning, just a simple fan. I also have a small gas stove and a refrigerator. There is no hot water! You know, the hardest part so far has been doing laundry and learning to cook. I guess I'm not very domestic! It is really nice to have a house of my own, though. It feets very special. I live on the edge of the school compound, literally in the bush; but I like it, it's quiet and very pretty--facing west so I can watch the sunsets in the evening.
School started September 26. I was a little nervous, having never really taught before. I am teaching English to Class 1 studentswho ara
anout 12 years old--male and female. A few of them are illiterate so my essons are teaching the basics--reading, writin? spelling, etc.--basic grammar.

Healthwise, I have been quite lucky. Malaria, food poisoning, hepatitis, diarr
a friend who had hepatitis and had to return to Canada for treatment for a month Hospitals here are something else! I take a weekly pill for malaria, though, and watch what I eat and drink As long as you take good care of yourself and eat properly, it's not too bad

## Food service needs change <br> From page

while being served. Some of the cake that is set out is past the "getting hard" stage and some of the vegetables taste like waxed wax.
The third point I would like to make is that the menu is inconsistant and varies greatly from day to day. On Saturday evenings this great food company sells me three special meal choices. Then for the rest of the week, no one decent dinner, like those three served on Saturday, will be put on the menu. Poor choice of timing is a fault here. It is not that the food is better on Saturdays than at any other time, it is just that tough steak is better than synthetic hamburger
The fourth point I would like to make is that I do not receive the quality of food that I pay for. The above statements illustrate that this is so. If the food was of better quality and was prepared correciliy, paying the price that
wouldn't bother me so much
The inconsistancies and inequalities of the rood and the wav inat it is served should be brought before the administrators of this college and delt with accordingly. After all, should we be required to pay for something we don't want?
Jack E. Ziem

Their sense of home much different from ours. With westerners, a man's house/dorm room is his castle and very livable. Here they live in shacks with corrugated tin roofs. Maybe a bench and a table with some chairs out front. They live very different lives than we, and their outlook is sometimes not always the way we see things. Underneath, they feel many of the same feelings, share the same joys, and care for each other the way most people do.

Hope to hear from any of you who can put pen to paper (one of those last skills at school!). I think of Alma and all my friends. Hope you are all well--yet I wouldn't trade places with you. The year is going by so quickly
Your eyes and ears in Africa-

Debbie Hinman

People go out of their way to help you," she said, "Tha makes anything bad that happens bearable.

Suddenly you realize that you're in a foreign country,' recalled Baker.

It's more fun to find things out the hard way,' added MacDougall learn how to work things ou on your own; everybody you meet has something to learn.

There is a misconception that you don't have to know a language to go there," said MacDougall
'But you have to learn one once you get there,'" added Baker. "Tell a man you like his suspenders, and he'll probably slap you, and 'scotch' is something you drink.
The students also commented that they learned to put up with more minor inconveniences because the Scottish do not complain as much in relation to Americans. MacDougall noted, "It gives you a different perspective on American life.,
Traveling was generally considered the best part of the experience. "If you're going to go, plan on doing a lot of travelling," recommended the students. Students are free to do or go wherever they would like during the three week Christmas break and the four week Easter break.
"I borrowed a pack and a sleeping bag," Tarpinian said, "and travelled around the isles and the continent.
Baker flew to the continent and travelled by train. "It was really interesting to listen to the people talk, she recalled.
The students agreed that the people of Scotland are genuinely outgoing. "People will meet you for the first time and take you in, MacDougall said. "There is an attitude of 'what's mine is yours!
MacDougall explained, "As a student, you are thrown into the culture; you learn what it's like to live in a country, not just visit it.'

## Scholarship applications available

(CPS)--The Scholarship Bank announces that applications are available for thousands of summer job openings for college students interested in work in their career fields, as well as applications for fall scholarships
According to Steva Danz, director of the Nation-Wide College Scholarship Search Service, many scholarships for fall require action by April or May. Danz students to - yet busy finding their best scholarship or work opportunities and apply now.
"If the choice is between a low-paying campus job busing dishes or possibly working as a professional aid for a company or individual in your major field, jump in now and get the position tha
will give you experience aña 'help your resume'

## The Who rocks again

By Rick Krueger<br>Staff Writer



After fifteen years, the Who has changed occupations; where they used to drop bombs, they now bury land mines. Beneath the sanded-down surface of "Face Dances" (the first all-new Who record in over two years) is music smoldering with new directions, new passions and the same old kick-in-the-behind this band has always delivered. That the results live up to the freshness of the approach is more proof (if more is needed) that the Who has been a pivotal group in rock history
Working with producer Bill Szymczyk (best known in association with the Eagles), the band has scaled its sound from its former grandiose heights; Roger Daltrey's vocal roars and Pete Townshend's ringing guitar riffs, such obvious trademarks previously, aren't as easy to find. Daltrey opts now for a feisty, flip delivery that features a low, smooth growl (such as on "How Can You Do it Alone'') and often leads to joyously comical effects (he's obviously having fun on 'You Better You Bet'"). Meanwhile, Townshend mixes expert, sturdy banjo and acoustic guitar lines in with his usual electric chordal stings and searing solos, sounding much looser and freer than he has in a long time.
Part of this added freedom is due to the recent additions to the band. Drummer Kenney Jones has practically accomplished the impossible, stepping into the late Keith Moon's shoes and making his simpler style fit by paying attention to filigree while never forgetting how to rock out. Another plus is the sadly uncredited contribution of John
"Rabbit" Bundrick, whose frentic piano arpeggios and consistently tasty organ fills allow Townshend to be more decorative and keep the beat flowing.
This surprising blend--a relaxed sound from a band whose previous best work has always stemmed from tension--suits Townshend's newest songs almost perfectly. Realizing that hoping to die before he gets old isn't viable now that he's pushing forty, Townshend is trying to write about growing up and staying there with the same commitment he brought to his previous messages. This process (begun on his solo album "Empty Glass") reaches full flower

The love songs on "Face Dances" are undeniably sexual--the single version of 'You Better You Bet'" lost its second verse to AM radio considerations--but they're not sexist. For Townshend, a lover knows when to say you're wrong, not just stroke your ego. "Don't Let Go The Coat", ('I try to explain but you never understand it/I need your body but I can't just demand it'') sums up his view, of the needs/passions/pain struggle with a grim determination to hang on to what's required. On the other hand, he's fascinated by independence; "How Can You Do It Alone" wavers between pity and admiration for those who make it on their own, enhanced by a naturally building melody and a weirdly appropriate synthesized-bagpipe and drum break.

Another of Townshend's favorite subjects, his work and lifestyle, provides more food for thought. "Daily Records," the most autobiographical tune, confronts rock ' $n$ ' roll as a problem that everyone but the singer wants to outgrow. "This is no social crisis/This is you having fun," as Daltrey and Townshend harmonize spiritedly on "Another Tricky Day," defending the music while realizing its relative importance. Of course, by now Townshend has realized that rock won't solve all your problems; there are still people out to nail an easy mark (the hypnnetic "Did You Steal My Money") and traps that might or might noi be worth watking into ("Cache Cache''). By dealing with these diffíiculties on his own terms, Townshend breaks fertile new ground that yields fruitful music.
Bassist John Entwhistle, best known as the one who just stands there on stage, steps out as a songwriter with two of his typically odd, disquieting vignettes. "The Quiet One" destroys any preconceptions the title may inspire immediately with the fastest, hottest groove on the album, wailing guitar solos and a demonic vocal by John himself (I ain't quipt/Everybody else is too loud'). "You'" is a more conventional surd about a conventional Entwhistle love affair (that is, a self-destictive one), notable for the way its choruses consistently build to lyrics prick the balloons they've inflated.

With more than a decade of supergroup status behind them, it's hard to imagine the Who surprising anyone anymore, but "Face Dances" does just that. With new musicians and new ideas goosing them on, this quintessentially British band has come up with a subtle but not subdued sound that fits beautifully some of their most mature lyrics to date. Many argue that the Who are the greatest rock band ever; for this reviewer, "Face Dances'" is clear-cut evidence

## Areview

## Orchesis gives fine perfornoonce

By Colleen Rossiter Staff Writer

The Orchesis dance troup welcomed in the sprinig with their spring concert on Friday and Saturday, March 27 and 28. Students danced to a wide variety of pieces ranging from the Spanish "Man uel de Falla" to Dr. Phillip Griffith's naration of a poem Griffith's naration of a poem. the music and offered a wide range of color and style.

The show opened with Judy Baginski and Mike McClanahan doing an encore performance of "'Stopping the World" which they performed for the fall Orchesis show. The two showed nice body lines and executed many lifts to provide an opening piece that displayed good use of costumes, lights

## Thesis play to debut

## Kristy Mathews

 Staff WriterCompleting his thesis to obtain honors in a theater major, senior Mark McDaniel will direct the play "The Real Inspector Hound.
'It's going extremely well, although it's not an easy play to do," he commented

McDaniel described the play as a satire on the theatre, its critics and its conventions. When asked why he chose this particular play, McDaniel explained the two considerations in choosing a play. First, the people needed for the cast must be available. Second, there should be some sort of personal reaction from the director about the play. He saw the play as making fun of individuals that fail to pay attention and get taken in by the crowd.

Upon graduation, Mc̣Daniel plans to attend graduate school. Because he also has a secondary education major, he hopes to teach theatre education in high school and work up to college level. His long-term goal is to open his own fine arts and performing arts school

Thankful to his cast and crew, McDaniel is pleased with the plav's progress. Because the play has several levels of reality and fantasy, the actors play different characters. "Their enthusiasm and dedication has been more than I could ask for, McDaniels said of his cast "And I think that's what will make this a good show. really appreciate their etfnri.

Cast members inciuae. Ross Parcels, Byron Onisko Deanıa Cross, Michael McClanahan, ivary Switala Carol Black, Jim Brow: ${ }^{\text {n }}$, and Mark Ashman.

The play will be presented Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. in Dow Auditorium. Student price is $\$ .50$, adult admission is $\$ 1$
and movement, tools a few dances failed to take advantage of.

Juliee Hazel, Deana Cross and Wendy Wiseman used various colored veils in dance movements to a Connie Walters choreographed dance. The dance had potential but was too slow, and when the music prepared for a climax, the dancers failed to change pace.
Carol Black brought a touch of originality to the show with her dance "Ode to the Lovelorn," performed to the poem of the same title
Dressed in black and white, Mary Boyce made good use of the stage in her jazz solo. Although "Energy in Motion" was at times repetitious, the piece was uplifting and entertaining.
'The Body Shop"' showed Black and Cross exercising to a song from the movie "The Main Event." AIthough their expressions changed little, the movements did, and the dance ended in an accurate portrayal of sheer exhaustion.
Jeanne Beckstrom and Tina Freeman choreographed an "upbeat jazz'
number which they performed with Hazel and Walters. The women did a nice job of entertaining through the dance medium, combining syncopation and ensemble movements to create a colorful, lively atmosphere.
Baginski and McClanahan continued to please the audience with their dancing abilities and use of lights, costumes and props in "Soft Ache.

Orchesis instructor Minna Davidson performed a solo entitled "Stormwatch" which was well-received by the audience, although it resembled her performance of last term in its tempo and general feeling.

The show closed with the entire troupe performing a "Ritual Fire Dance." The use of color and lights gave the performance an impressive overall effect, but in an art literally crying for more male participants, it was a shame McClanahan wasn't used more in lifting and jumping work..

Overall, the hard work and many hours put in by all those involved was evidenced by the generally fine performance.


The Orchesis dance troupe and instructor Minna Davidson receive applause after their annual spring performance last weekend.

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Recitals to fulfill final senior requirements

By Laura Wonacott Feature Editor

Four seniors--Karen Moyer, Ann Simaneck, Cindy Jones and Aaron Smith--will complete their final requirement for music performance majors over the next few weeks by performing in individual recitals.

The music that will be sung or played during the performance will be a representative sample of four years of study at Alma College. Moyer, a soprano vocalist explained, 'The repertoire is a smattering of what l've done in college. Everyone picks their own repertoire and does their own program

A member of the A Cap pella Choir and a former Alma Singer, Moyer will sing a variety of songs including: Handel Art Songs and Arias, Brahms Art Songs, an Aria from Die Selder Mause and some contemporary pieces.
'It's taken me all year (to prepare for the recital),' commented Simanek 'There's no credit and no grade, but it's still a requirement for the music performance major

I'm hoping to get maybe $30-40$ people (to come). An audience will make it more difficult but more fun," the senior flutist added.

Simanek chose to play Mozart's second concerto,

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Bach's sonata in B minor, Catible and Presto by Enesco and a contemporary piece with a saxaphone accompaniment by Aaron Smith.
'Excited and nervous" was the way clarinetist Cindy Jones described the way she: feels when thinking and: preparing for her upcoming solo performance. She too expects a small audience and added "It won't be a large group, but l'd like people to come.

After graduation from Alma, the three intend to eventually study music at a graduate school. Both Simanek and Jones plan to work
toward degrees in music therapy, a kind of occupational therapy, while Moyer eventually would like to go into opera performance and education.
Smith, who was unavail able for comment will perform a saxaphone recital.
Jones will give her recital April 4; Moyer will sing April 8; Smith will perform April 9 and Simanek will play April 10. All concerts are scheduled to take place in the Chapel at 8 p.m. (Moy; er's will begin at 7:30 p.m.) Students are welcome to attend free of charge.

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On Saturday a chapter of the national physics honor society, Sigma Pi Sigma, will be established at Alma College. The installation of the eleven original members of the chapter will take place at a brunch in the Faculty Dining Room. Following the brunch, J.E. Hills from the Cook Nuclear Power Plant will give a talk on Alternative Energy Resources and Energy and Jobs. The lecture will be in Dow Auditorium and the entire college community is invited to attend
Candidates for Sigma Pi Sigma must have an overall 3.0 Grade Point Average and must have completed 18 credits of physics. New members are also required to join the Society of Physics Students (the physics club) at the time of their induction

Honors convocation will take place Wednesday, March 8, at 10 a.m. in the Physical Education Building. Attendance is required.

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Four Alma College students and members of Phi Alpha Theta, the international history honorary society, will be presenting papers at the annual state Phi Alpha Theta conference. The meeting this year is at Andrews University in Berrien Springs, Michigan, on Friday, April 10. Currently there are students from at least six other colleges who will be giving papers also.

The following are requirements for membership in PAT: (1) At least four history courses with better than a " $B$ "' average in them. (2) At least a "B" average in two-third's of a student's remaining course work. (3) A rank in the upper 35 percent of the student's class.
The four students and the titles of their papers are: Mark A. Tarpinian, "Thomas More's Utopia; A Product of English Flux,"' Margie Rowe, "Eleanor Roosevelt: First Lady of the New Deal," Timothy Miller, "The Tudor Merchant Adventurers: The Growth of Mercantilism'' and Mitchele Harlan, "State Police Powers versus Federal Police Powers: Roosevelt's Fight.'

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## Entertainment

## Orchestra prepares for youth concert; <br> Union Board plans mud wrestling

## By Laura Wonacot

Feature Editor
Several talented seniors will provide the Alma College community with quite a bit of entertainment during the final weeks of winter term, but they won't be the only ones. In addition to the senior thesis play and the senior recitals scheduled, the Alma Symphony Orchestra will take the stage to present a youth concert and Union Board will take to the mud with mudwrestling
Senior Mark McDaniel will fulfill his final requirements for graduation with honors when he presents his thesis play, "The Real Inspector Hound." Described as a satire on the theatre, its critics and its conventions, the play will be performed April 3 and 4 in Dow Auditorium at 8 p.m.

Also fulfilling graduation requirements, seniors Cindy Jones, Karen Moyer, Aaron Smith and Ann Simanek wil perform individual recitals for their music degrees. Jones a clarinetist, will perform Saturday, April 4; Moyer, a soprano vocalist, will perform Wednesday, April 8; Aaron Smith, a saxophonist, will perform Thursday, April 9 and Simanek, also a flutist, will perform Friday, April 10. Al of the recitals are scheduled to take place in the chapel
The Alma Symphony Orchestra will feature thre talented musicians during its youth concert on April 5 Three young soloists--a high school student and two college students--will perform with the orchestra as accompaniment. Between the three of them, the students will perform works by Mozart, Vinter and Von Williams The orchestra will also perform "Overture to Candide"' by Bernstein and "The New World Symphony"' by Devorak The concert will take place in the chapel at 7:30 p.m

April Fools night should be exciting as the lung promised, long awaited mud wrestling event arrives. The TKE and Union Board co-sponsored event will take place in Tyler Auditorium Wednesday at 8 p.m. According to Julie Johnson, U.B. publicity director, anyone can challenge friend or foe to a match in Chuck Lewis' gian mudbox, but it must be arranged prior to the event

The Tyler movie will roll Wednesday as soon as the mud is gone from the auditorium (about 9 p.m.). "Silent Movie'' features a cast of notable comics including: Marty Feldman, Dom De Louise and Sid Caesar, and was produced by none other than the king of comedy himself Mel Brooks.

And in response to popular demand, "The Rocky Horror Picture Show" will make a return trip to campus Friday at 11 p.m. and Saturday at 8 p.m. in Tyler According to Union Board members, the Friday night show is "rowdy night," while Saturday's showing will be for those people who just want to watch

## Comedy show a hit

## By Carolyn Latreille Staff Writer

Edmonds and Curley, comedians, kept a full house laughing last Friday evening during the comedy show. Union Board's last major event of the year took place in Tyler auditorium and was very well received.
The two men quickly developed a good rapport with Friday's audience, students related well with their humor, especially their closing line, "You might as well flunk, because there's no jobs out there." The hour long show moved quickly.

At one point they reenacted a first date with junior Mary Andrakowicz. This scene brought much laughter from the audience. Other acts satirized common situations such as commercials, men watching soap operas and an airplane ride.

Curley did a fantastic job with sound effects, imitating everything from a sports car with a bad muffler to an army sergeant barking ou orders. While Curley narrated and created sound effects, Edmonds acted out many of the scenes.
Following their college tour, the two comediens who have appeared on the "Tonight Show," plan to perform again on television and finish their own movie.

Other UB events this term have included many Coffee Houses featuring groups such as Kim and Reggie Harris and a special Irish Pub with Jim Corr during international week. A concert with Spheeris and Voudoris was another UB success.

On April 1, April Fools Day, Union Board will sponsor mud wrestling at 8 p.m in Tyler. All students are invited to attend

# Your Turn 

## Professor lists no-no's

By Robert W. Smith
Professor of Speech and Theatre
Professors are strange creatures, "fearfully and wonderfully made," say some; "cantankerous, crotchety slobs," reply others. "Indeed," the latter group continues, "the College had a building in the 1970s which it labeled N.O.B. 'New Office Building,' they called it, but most of us knew it really stood for 'Neurotic Old Bohemians.
Whichever view you may hold, the fact remains that the faculty is an integral part of the college scene, still responsible for their classes and for the curriculum in general. A few students and administrators, through community government committees, provide input into the academic side of the college, but the faculty is generally in charge, both by choice and by mandate, for what goes on during a particular hour or laboratory. They set the standards, they determine who passes and who fails, they largely determine whose petitions are granted and whose are not. Like it or not, one must consider some of their likes and dislikes when they do have this moral and legal responsibility.
In the course of more than a quarter-century of teaching I have encountered several reocurring matters which most of my colleagues and I find inappropriate in a competitive liberal arts college--' "no-no's,"' I would call them. When we hear them or encounter them we typically are negatively inclined. I pass them along to readers of The Almanian, believing that they too may profit by knowing and recognizing them. Note the following:

1. "Mr. Smith, may I take the exam early? I would like to get home early to interview for a job (or go with my parents to Florida)?'" Almost surely the answer will be no. All of us have good reasons why we would like to leave early, but, to paraphrase John Milton, "All good things come to those who study two days longer and go home after the test.
2. A variation on the first no-no: "I won't be in class on Friday. Will I miss anything important?" Or, "I missed class on Tuesday. Did anything important happen?"' Of course! If the class were not important, we should have cancelled it. Whether we talked about theoretical materials, heard your peers speak, or analyzed the debate between Aeschines and Demosthenes, the material was important to the course.
3. Phone call: "Could you tell me the materials we will cover on the test? I forget what the notice said." Since it's posted on the bulletin board, I will probably not supply the information. If I should forget even one item, the caller could plead, "But you did not tell me that when I talked with you.' Better come by and check it for yourself.
4. After missing a 30-point question on a test: "I didn't, know that would be on the test. I was absent that day.' Sorry. One is always held accountable for what transpires in class no matter why he is absent--for illness, vacation, field trips, whatever.
5. "Mr. Smith, I have a cold and don't feel like speaking today." Sorry again; you're an adult now. Many times we professors would also rather be home in bed, but we are accountable for a corpus of information for our courses. (Serious illness most of us understand.) If students are not at least exposed to sufficient material in the course, the faculty bears responsibility, particularly for poor scores on GRE's. Years ago one of Babe Ruth's fans remarked to the old Yankee slugger, "Babe, you come out here day after day, week after week, always putting everything you have into your game. Surely you must have up-days and down-days like the rest of us. How do you do it?'" The old Babe looked at him and replied simply, "I do it because I am a professional." True, the faculty are professionals, but they would like to develop that same committment in undergraduates: the sense of professionalism, of maturity, of responsibility when others expect high performance without apologies like, "I have a really bad zold; you'll just have to bear with me. "
6. "Will the final exam cover all the material or just that assigned from the last test?'" Since the syllabus points out that (1) the final exam will take place during the final exam week, and (2) it will be comprehensive in nature, you may assume that the syllabus is correct.
7. 'I didn't have time to prepare for your class today because I had a paper due in another class." Does this suggest that one class is not as important as the other--an inference no professor wants to entertain--or that you did not set your priorities soon enough? Don't expect special consideration. At the same time this can work to your psychological advantage if the statement is meant that one is prepared to take the consequences. It suggests maturity

## Speakers to compete for award

Speoch Department--The Department of Speech and Theatre announces the Fifteenth Annual Speech Night to take place Wednesday, April 8, at 7 p.m. in AC 110

Established in 1967 for the Preston Bradley Speaking Award, the event places in competition the campus' outstanding student speakers.
"No doubt this year's affair will again allow us to hear some of the best speakers from our student body we will hear all year,'' remarked Professor Robert W. Smith of the speech and theatre department.
"It's the frame around the picture that the students have worked on all year. It sets apart the unusual from the usual. I am looking forward to it,"' he said.

The Bradley competition, named in honor of Dr. Preston Bradley, a former Alma student and founder and emeritus minister of The People's Church, Chicago, is open to all full-time students. The rules are simple, Smith said:
--Pick a topic about which Alma students have a genu-
ine difference of opinion; --After researching it, construct a full-sentence outline, using at least two mainpoints each of which is developed with no fewer than three subpoints; write out the Introduction and Conclusion, and attach a bibliography;
--Present the oral version, about ten minutes in length, to a jury; and
--Participate in the finals on Wednesday, April 7, if one
survives the jury screening.
The winner of the finals chosen by the audience, receives a gavel hewn from trees of Thomas Jefferson's estate, Monticello, in Charlottesville, Virginia, and will have his name emblazoned on a placque permanently housed in Reid-Knox Building.

Students wishing more details should contact Smith in SAC 328 or by campus phone, ext. 7238.


Alma College debaters [from left to right] Mitch Harlan, Darrell Nelson and Rusty Gaines took the affirmative side in a Parliamentary debate arguing that political activism by religious organizations is harmful to the American political process against Central Michigan University debaters.

## greek spotlight

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The Brotherhood of Zeta Sigma plans to continue its leading role as providers of Alma College social life during spring term and fall term next year. That is, if certain forces let us resume our social activities. We regret that due to circumstances beyond our control, we couldn't sponsor our
normal type of activities. But even though these forces did put a damper on this year, we would like to thank those who helped us through certain problems.
We hope that we can have the Charity Bowl next year, that is, if the athletic department will allow us to play. We will also sponsor the ski trip next winter. In addition, we will continue to supply the student body with an active social life. Thank you to the Alpha Thetas. You've been a lot of fun this year. You're a fantastic bunch of girls, and we'll do our best to keep this relationship strong.
The Sigs hope that everyone had a great time at Greek Ball. Our membership had a great time. We'd like to commend IFC for a job well done.
At this time the underclassmen Sigs would like to pay tribute to our graduating seniors. We're going to really miss your humor, spirit and leadership. Good luck to you wherever you go, be it New York or Texas! Special congratulations go out to Boffer. The green and gold wish everyone good luck on exams and have a great summer!

Happy Birthday Kappa lota! The KIs are out and about romping around in the (it's too good to be true) spring weather
We have many announcements to make this week. New officers for the 1981-82 year were elected this past week and they are: president Laurie pultz; vice president Kristen Keyes; recording secretary Robin Rauser; treasurer Terri Rogers; alumni chairperson Julie Jones; corresponding secretary Sue Drafta; and social chairperson Jean Heinen.
We have also made an addition to our brother organization with new brothers being Hal D'Arpini, Mike Martin, Jim Lincoln, Dan Pierron, Tom Miller, Ron Wiley 'Mike Graubner, Dave

Solberg, Mike Ombry, Tom Klugh and Bill Parkhurst. Fondest welcome to our rambunctous organization!
Additional congrats go out to Robin Rauser and Terri Rogers for being selected to O.C. next year and to Dawn Roberts for her selection as editor-in-chief for the 198182 yearbook.
Frohliche Geburtstag Pulzation! This is definitely a "no class" spotlight. Fire up for the end of the term. Pink Flamingos reign! Let's get tacky tonight! KI enthusiasm theme for the week: "Happy Birthday to ya...Stevie Wonder.'

## AO

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The baseball team is preparing for their home opener this Saturday against Saginaw Valley. Pictured above is pitcher John Bryant as he delivers a pitch in an inter-squad game on Bahlke Field.

# Women begin tennis action this Friday 

By Maxine Button Staff Writer

Alma College Women's Tennis coach Barb South ward has a tough time predicting the order of players for her six singles slots. According to Southward, "On any given day the positions could change.
Lynne Conner, a freshman from Port Huron, has the number one slot after defeating all of her teammates in three set matches. Nancy Hallquist returns to singles play after a knee injury las year. She'll start the season in the number two position and probably will remain in the top three slots. Sophomore Barb Buck is number three with last year's number one player Heidi Klein fourth on the roster Sophomores Jan Bukowski and Gretchen Resteiner are fifth and sixth singles slot holders, but freshman Dan ette Skowronski and sophomore Theresa Plichta are contenders for those slots.

The biggest surprise of the season is Heidi Klein. Her unaggressive pre-season play dropped her a full three notches on the starting ladder, but Southward predicts that she'll bounce back, probably to the number two slot She said, "Heidi will im prove, right now she's got double pressure because she had started out number one The other girls had nothing to lose when they played her, but she stood to lose every thing.
One fact is obvious--Lynne Conner is definitely the number one player. But he play, like Hallquist's, is hampered by injured knees Both players have excellen strokes, but a problem with movement on the court
The doubles assignments are Conner-Hallquist at number one. Buck-Klein are number two and Skowron ski-Resteiner have a sligh lead over Bukowski-Plichta lead over Buko
for the third slot. and Nance look super together. Barb and Heidi a should improve. Theresa they Jan are better hey've shown. With experthird place.
Southward is in her twentieth and final season as Alma's coach. She plans to leave Alma at the end of the year. Her last team here should be her best team in memory. Last year they were 2-4 in the MIAA with a 3-6 overall record and a fourth place finish on the season. This year she said, "The team is much stronger than last year. The biggest problem is fear of failure and aggressiveness on the court is always needed. The intercompetition is also good for higher last year are fighting for spots. None of the girls have easy matches against each other. They're pushing each other and that's good.'

The season will open this Friday with a league contest against Olivet at Olivet. The meet will begin at $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. The team will play nine other teams this season before the SMAIAW tournament on May 7-9.

## Baily hits all-American mark again: finishes in tenth and eleventh place <br> finished second from both

Mike Learman prepares to stroke the ball over the net in practice sessions. a tennis challenge match during one of last week's

## By Mike Asiala Sports Editor

Senior Scott Baily won all-American honors for the fourth straight year as he finished in eleventh place from the one meter board and tenth place from the


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Scott Baily
three meter board in the 1981 NCAA division III national diving championships. For Baily it was an improvement on his last year's performance from the one meter board where he finished twelfth and the end to his brilliant career
'I won't dive any more, at least competitively," said Baily, "now I'll concentrate on some other things that haven't had time for.'' Baily is planning on going to graduate school for a career in public relations, but hopes that he can find a job and go to school at the same time. That would be the way to go,'’ he commented, "I hope I can do it that way

This year's national championships, held at Oberlin College in Oberlin, Ohio, had better competition than any of the past four years as witnessed by Baily's point totals; he scored more points on each board this year, but still lost ground from last year on his three meter performance where he finished third in 1980. "The competition was much better this year," said Baily, "in fact it has gotten better in each of the past four years, however, consistancy is still the name of the game in diving. The guys that don't
miss on
hat win
Baily was extremely consistant in his required dives (five dives from each board that all the divers must do) but he missed on some of his optional dives (six dives from each board that are by choice of each diver) and the difference was enough to put him out of the top positions in the standings. " 1 was very pleased with my required dives, but too inconsistan with my optional ones. You just can't miss and win That's the way it is," stated Baily

The MIAA, where Baily
The Wizard Of Oz

## Sportspersons of the year

## By Mike Asiala

Sports Editor
Notes to the new editor-
Beware of student apathy. I'm personally shocked at the number of students that aren't willing to even attempt to write an article for this paper. Complaints are numerous and I might add, usually well-founded, but the fact is, talk is cheap and talk is all you get from most of the students. They seem to forget that The Almanian is a paper of and for the students. Well, don't worry, you'll find a way to handle the situation
Beware of special interest groups. Everyone thinks that the paper is free advertising for their special inte.est group, and of course that their interest is of primary news importance. The sports editor can only put on the sports page what he or she considers real news. Groups will not always be satisfied, but then what the hey, you will never be satisfied, at least not completely: not even when you publish a good sports page. That's the nature of journalism.

The opportunity to work on a news paper is a great one: just one of the advantages of attending Alma College and working your rear end off.
Alma College athletes and coaches are cooperative and helpful so don't worry about them; they make the job, if not easier, not a bit more difficult.

Alma College Sportsman of the Year--
This is a difficult pick. Not only do we have spring sports yet to come, but the field has no clear winner. Candidates are: MIAA most valuable wrestler Neil Tuomi, MIAA and all-American diver Scott Baily and all-MIAA first team basketball guard Jeff Meath. And the winner is--but first a comment on all three. They reflect the true spirit of athletic competition not only in the way they perform, but also in their personal lives. They represent Alma College with the great qualities that make them liked before, during and after competition: responsibility, honor, talent and dedication. They help make Alma College one of the finest institutions in the nation. Without them and many others like them, Alma College would be just another place.

Anyway, and the winner is--Jeff Meath (and that was a tough decision), who scored over 1,000 points in his four year career while playing for three separate and distinct coaches. Meath's talent has shined even when his teams haven't. His unselfish attitude toward a game that tempts even the strongest willed players to "blow their own horn," makes him the Sportsman of the Year

Sportswoman of the Year, Alma College--
This one's not so tough for me. This woman has the same qualities as the Sportsman of the Year plus. She plays three sports, all very well. She is not only the Sportswoman of the Year, but also, in my opinion, the best women's athlete at this school. And the winner is--of course, it's Linda Ban. Take a bow Linda.

Congratulations Section--
Congratulations to Jeff Meath for winning the honor of first team all-MIAA. Also, congratulations to Scott Baily for his fourth consecutive year as an all-American diver

## Don't forget--

There is a baseball game this Saturday at Alma High School. The Scots are playing Saginaw Valley. boards this year, was well represented at the national championship; they were the only conference in division three to place more than one man on each board. Two MIAA divers finished ahead of Baily on the one meter board and one did better than him on the three meter Baily commented, "I think that says a lot for our conference. It shows that we really have some tough com petition in the MIAA

The end of Baily's career is the end to the career of one of Alma College's finest athletes eve
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Last week's warm weather was just right for the softball team as they went outside to practice on the football field

## Weekend sports update

## Tigers lose to Cards

Exhibition baseball--The Detroit Tiger's pitching ace Jack Morris was knocked around by the St. Louis Cardinals on Saturday as the Cardinals whipped the Ti gers, 7-1
Morris pitched six innings, allowing nine hits and five runs (4 earned) to the Red Bird hitters. The Car dinal pitchers, on the other hand, scattered nine Detroit hits and walked only one while striking out four.
Vern Followell led the Tiger attack with three hits including two singles and a double. The other Detroit
hits were by six separate players: Peters, Lentine, Cowens, Parrish, Garby and Brookens all had singles.

Dennis Kinney and Ken Saucier followed Morris on the mound and pitched the final three innings. Kinney allowed two St. Louis runs in two innings of work and Saucier shut-out the Cardinals during his one inning stint
The loss dropped the Tigers to $16-8$ in this year's spring training circuit, and put them in third place in the American league standings.
president Joan Lewis; vice president Helen Maynard; recording secretary Laurette Perkins; corresponding secretary Sue Sulisz; Student Council rep. Chris Stewart and Pan Hel reps. Mindy Meyers, Beth Harvey and Rebecca Smith.
Kim Taylor will reign as Pan Hellenic president
Congratulations and grod luck, ladies!
Also, congrats to Katy C. and Jeanne B. for completing their theses which is more than some of us can boast.
AO's would like to thank the brothers of Tau Kappa Epsilon for a fantastic party last night.

Compliments to Shelia, whose Coffeehouse with Jamie Locke proved very entertaining. No one ever dreamed a Theta-Sig combination could demonstrate such talent!
By the way, " $H$ "' and " $P$ "' are leading porcelain mass tomorrow night

## AZT

The sisters of Alpha Zeta Tau are very proud to inform you of our 1981-82 executive council. Directing the whole crew will be Sue Reinhold as president, with Katie Campbell as vice president, jeanne Andrews as treasurer, Sherrie Hedlund as corresponding secretary and Lisa Adams as recording secretary, trimming the sails. In addition to these

## greek spotlight <br> Teke Sisters who were selec-

accomplished
have three more -- Julie Johnson, Anna Moore and Linda Ruehl -- who will be representing us on the 1981 82 Pan Hel Council. Congratulations to all of you. We made some very excellent choices!
Also in the leadership area, Donna Hollis was chosen to be our candidate for the Senior Leadership Award. A well-deserving honor for all the superior work she has done for Alpha Zeta Tau.
Another lady worthy of recognition is Jeanne Andrews who coordinated alumni day. It was good to see the familiar faces and find out what life is like once graduated from Alma College. Thanks Jeanne!
One more thank-you goes out to the Gams for joining us in a ransom party. They received their hijacked possessions by meeting our terms of "!iquidation." However we seemed to have misplaced our 1980 composite. Oh, where could it be?

## TKE

TKE's would like to congratulate Bruce and Scott Parkes who were given all MIAA honorable mention in basketball. We expect even more next year.
The chapter wants to congratulate the frater and three
ted for Orientation Committee next fall. They include frater John Bryant and sisters Amy Falvey (co-chairperson), Carrie Paris and Diedre Corbett. True to our Teke orientation tradition, the group is expected to be friendly, cooperative, loyal and "quick to see virtue in other groups but slow to censor their faults." Nice job, brother and sisters!!

A big thanks to frater Dr. Richard R. Warmbold '68, now Dean of Students at General Motors Institute, for his inspiring and interesting words to old and new members at the associate member initiation ceremonies last March 22.

Fraters Roger Plont and Mike Kreiner will be representing Zeta Delta Chapter at the forty-first biennial conclave in Roanoke, Virginia, August 25-27. Always a very important event in Tekedom, the conclave will include various educational and management clinics, guest speakers, special events and the meeting of the grand chapter which enacts all legislation for the fraternity.
Good luck to the Alma College track team in the remainder of the season!

We, the men of Delta Gamma Tau, have been on our honor not to release the story of our probationary incident. We are somewhat disillusioned by the administration releasing the story to The Almanian. However we now feel that the "untold story" can now be told
On the morning of February 21, 1981, our pledge class was walking back to the house after an evening of activities. Unknown to them they were on government property, an MX missile base at that. A squadron of green berets surrounded our brave pledges and a small skirmish followed. (One pledge was grazed on the arm, but fortunately there
were no fatal injuries sus tained by our forces.)

The FBI notified the ac tives and they took appropriate action. They loaded up their troop carriers, grabbed their guns and promptly freed the seventeen hostages.
The Pledge Class was awarded the Barney Roepcke medal of honor for their extreme loyalty and bravery. We regret that Ms. Sachs did not know the true story. We do not agree with the one printed in The Almanian. I hope that the mystery is cleared.

We'd like to congratulate Bill McHenry on his Delta Gamma Tau social membership. Also, we'd like to thank the AZT's for the great time last Wednesday


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## Student leaders elected

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ued, 'Students don't understand the increases because all they see is the surface changes. I want to let students see more than the surface." As chairman of the Election Committee one of Reyelts' first projects will be organization of the freshmen elections.

## One of Reyelts key aims as

 vice president will be to increase involvement in student government and with professors. He stated, 'There also needs to be a greater awareness of what goes on in student government committees. In the Student Life Committee, for instance, no one on campus took the hazing policy seriously until the committee was done because no one knew how to get involved with itThe transition between the Morris administration and
the Slagle administration should be a smooth one. Morris reflected, "l thoroughly enjoyed my job. I don't regret for a minute the commitments that I chose to make. I'd really like to thank all the people on student council for their support, a
special thanks to my secretary Sally Galer, and the student body for keeping us a unified, efficient respondent organization." On a final note, Morris added, "I feel like a disposed Shah, except I don't have cancer. I'm graduating, not dying.

## Leaders outline plans

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the staff develop. I feel we have a solid foundation to build on for improvements next year," said Gordon.
She anticipates the perennial problem of getting students involved

They just don't realize what a valuable experience it can be," she added.
While the staff's for The Almanian and The Scotsman are still incomplete, ACUB has announced their 1981-82


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## Your Turn

## Typing improves petitions <br> From page 8

8.Finally, when submitting petitions to the Academic Standards Committee or other body from which one wants positive action do not scrawl it out in pencil and in junior high school grammar. As a past member (six years) of the ASC, I can say that its membership is not impressed by such petitions. Better: write out your request first in longhand with a clear statement of what you want and supported by the appropriate evidence and arguments. Let it sit for a day or two, then return to it, clean up the grammar and polish the vocabulary. Finally, type it on the proper forms. If the petition is important to you, pay a friend a dollar or two to type it rather than run the risk of a negative reaction from the Committee because of the paper's sloppy appearance or uncouth language. "But the committee should consider the content, not be swayed by cosmetics.' Sure, but its members--human beings, all--normally have some aesthetic tastes. To have them is not a sin, so far as I know.
If these suggestions, meant for help not for scolding, can help Scots work more effectively in and out of the classroom, they will have achieved their purpose.

## Policy views expressed

From page 3
that we should be able to do what we want as long as we aren't bothering other people.'
Freshman Kristy Mathews also advocated student rights. "I know that they
(the administration) have to comply with state laws, but college students who can drink responsibly should be able to.
Debruin also spoke about the alcohol policy, saying with the enactment of the two policies, it seemed as though the administration was trying to kill the social life at Alma.

Gillard was more optimis ic about the policies "There are still some things that need to be worked out.' However, she felt confident that there will be a good and effective policy enacted. "The time and energy will be exerted so that people will know their responsibilities, and who they are responsible to."


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