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African Fellows tell of experiences

By Chris Brelín
Staff Writer

Like most of us, David W. Green and Matthew Steinmetz left their homes and families last August, 1982, to return to school.

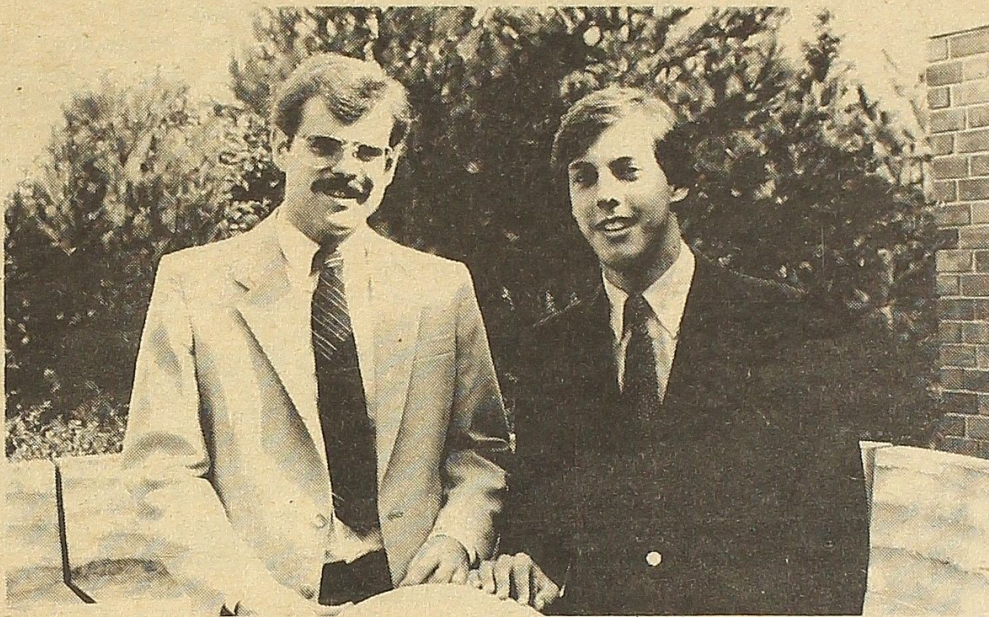
Unlike most, they went this time as teachers, not students, and instead of Alma College, they went to Africa.

Alma's Jerry G. Smith African Fellowship program provided their experience. Since 1963, either one or two students have been selected to provide service as teachers in Nigeria and cross-cultural enrichment of the Alma College campus.

Green and Steinmetz spent approximately 11 months teaching English and mathematics at the Mayflower Senior School in Ikenne, Nigeria. Ikenne is near Lagos, the capital of the country.

Mayflower School, where most of the African Fellows have taught, is a boarding institution of 1300 students. Pupils work to support the school, in addition to studying. The students' chores range from cutting the grass to working in the fields, and agriculture is a mandatory course.

Although Green's and Steinmetz's students were eager to learn, teaching there was a much different experience



Matthew Steinmetz (left) and David Green

from anything the two had known before.

One thing that frustrated them was the number of holidays the students had.

"School was totally disorganized; it was always chaotic," Green commented. "If the moon was in the right place the Muslims would take a holiday."

"If there was a short holiday and the students were supposed to be back on

a Tuesday, they wouldn't show up in class until Wednesday or Thursday, and after that there would be another holiday again," Steinmetz added.

They were also disturbed by the teaching resources available to them. Green noted that, "It took me three weeks to find books and hand them out."

"There weren't any English books for

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Sigma Betas give \$1950 to program

By Zabrina Santiago
Staff Writer

The African Fellowship Program last week received \$1,950 from the Sigma Beta service fraternity for funding of this year's program.

The fraternity presented a check to President Oscar Remick.

To raise money for the fellowship program, the Sigma Betas sponsor the annual Faculty Auction. In addition, a tax voted by the student body is used for funding.

Each year the fellowship committee carefully selects a student who best represents Alma to spend one year teaching in Africa. This year's recipient, Phil Robinson, is presently in Ikenne, Nigeria teaching at Mayflower High School.

Though the committee has not met to discuss next year's program, possibilities of expansion to other schools and countries exist.

"We must maintain campus interest and support," Vice President for Academic Affairs Ronald O. Kapp, chairman of the committee, said.

ACCD: New directors, new philosophy

By Victoria M. Stevens
Associate Editor

Upon entering the Advising, Counseling and Career Development Center (ACCD) on the second floor of Swanson Academic Center, one's eye wanders to a low table strewn with a variety of magazines from U.S. News and World Report to Sports Illustrated.

On the walls, brightly colored modern art prints replace last year's dark oriental prints. The atmosphere is a mixture of professionalism, comfort and optimism.

Along with the change in surroundings, the doors of director and assistant director of ACCD bear different names from last year.

Dr. Robert J. Perkins, director of ACCD and David M. Kaplan, assistant director of ACCD, seek to make their presence felt on campus, from initiating new programs and techniques to sprucing up the decor in the waiting room where many students come for counseling.

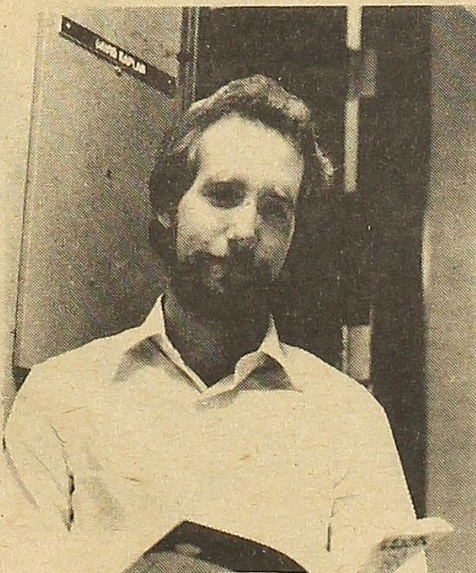
They replace former Director of ACCD, Dr. K Richard Pyle and assistant director of ACCD, Dr. Lesley Jones.

"We've modified the environment — added colorful art prints, plan on changing the waiting room furnishings — to make it more conducive for people to come in and see us," Perkins said.

This may seem insignificant, but it reflects Perkins' and Kaplan's philosophy of ACCD's purpose.

Their philosophy is complex and new to Alma. It's called Ecological Management or Systems Influence.

"For example," Kaplan explained, "if a person has a problem, it may not be the person; it may be the structure and



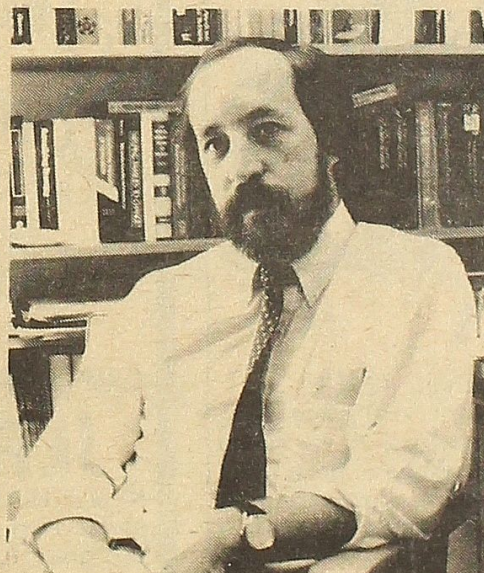
David Kaplan

environment of the system. We take a look at the system and see how it's promoting the mental health of students and see how we can promote better mental health by improving the surroundings."

The system has a multitude of variables: class work load, administrative hierarchical structure and family situations to name just a few, Kaplan said.

Their approach to counseling includes a myriad of services. The two new members, in conjunction with part-time ACCD Counselor and Bruske Head Resident Leigh Robertson, offer several programs including group and individual counseling, a new Outreach Program, crisis intervention and referrals along with the traditional career preparation program and academic support services.

Perkins, who has a doctorate in counseling and guidance from the



Dr. Robert Perkins

University of Michigan, and Kaplan, who is a doctoral candidate in counseling psychology at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, were chosen out of approximately 165 inquiries.

A board of faculty, staff and five students selected Perkins and Kaplan.

"Both are extremely competent," Dr. Daniel Behring, vice president of student life and career programs, said. "I expect the students will find them to be skilled counselors and educators, good friends and two people who are extremely committed to this education."

"They bring to Alma together probably the broadest base of counseling skills and self-help programming capabilities we have had in a long time."

Both Perkins and Kaplan admit that coming from different environments and larger universities to a small cam-

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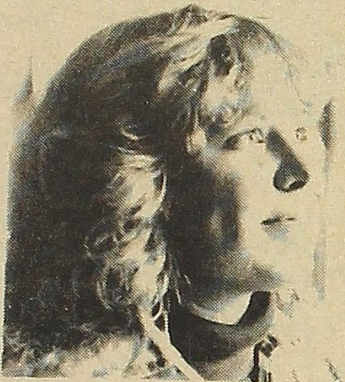
By Tracie Young
Staff Writer

Q. Do you feel that Preterm '83 was a good and valuable program?

A. Kari Barto: "Yes, I got to know a lot of students and everyone on my hall. You get to become friendly with people a lot easier because everyone is in the same situation that you are. It's kind of fun to discuss which classes you have."

A. Heather MacNeill: "I think it was very valuable. It really helped me out a lot to adjust because it didn't give you much time to think about getting homesick or anything. You were always busy doing something. By the end of preterm, when you did have time to think about it, you weren't homesick anymore. It really helped out a lot."

A. Judy Braisted: "Yes. When we started classes it didn't feel like we were starting college for the first time. There wasn't that big shock. We were already going for ten days so it was no big deal. It was just like another day of seminar. It was a good way to meet people. The seminars were small so you really got to know people- you didn't just know their names."



A. Matt Turner: "I thought preterm was really good. The only thing is there was a lot of free time in the preterm and it would have been good if they had some other stuff planned. Also, I didn't like the common reading- I thought it was irrelevant. I don't see what we're going to use it for at all during our year in college. It would have been better if there was something pertinent that we could have used."

A. John Brandow: "I thought it was good and valuable. Since I was here for that first week, once it was over I had no trouble getting used to my classes as they are now. It got me used to using the library, the computer room and the other parts of the school that I would need for the regular year. I thought it was a real good program."



A. Debbie Garno: "It was O.K. but it was really too busy. They always had things for you to do and you never really had any time for yourself. I think it would have been more productive if they didn't have so many activities going on that were required. It really helps coming early but the other things were ridiculous."

A. Ed Osowski: "I think it was a good experience for freshmen to be up here without the upperclassmen, to get used to dorm life a little bit and to make friends easier. Preterm was valuable in that it gave us a little taste of what college life was going to be like."

A. Michele Draper: "I think it was a good program because it helped us to get to know the campus and some of the teachers, other freshmen and our R.A.'s. I know who to go to if I need help. The preterm I had was French and I thought it was a lot of fun. We learned a lot. We had assignments so that we had to use the library so we got to learn about it and where to find different things. I thought it was an interesting way to go about orientation."



Cost of education jumps

By College Press Service

Colleges are more expensive this year, as campus inflation remains frighteningly high despite the taming of inflation elsewhere in the economy.

While the nation's inflation rate over the last year has varied from 2.6 percent to 4.8 percent (depending on which federal agency is counting), four-year public college costs have soared 12 percent to an average of \$4,721, according to the College Scholarship Service's (CSS) annual survey.

Four-year private college costs are up 11 percent, to an average \$8,440, while community and junior college costs show an eight percent increase to an average of \$3,400 in 1983-84.

The increases, moreover, follow even larger hikes last year. In all, 1982-83 college costs were 20 percent higher on public campuses and 13 percent higher on private campuses than 1981-82 costs, the CSS reported last year.

It's worse at some schools than at others. Students at the

University of North Dakota, for example, are suffering through a 27 percent increase this year. While GM car prices went up two percent, tuition at the General Motors Institute in Detroit went up 32 percent. The hike hit 53 percent at Mankato State University in Minnesota.

According to a letter released last February by Alma College President Oscar E. Remick, Alma's costs are up \$506, representing a 6.3 percent hike in tuition, room and board costs for the 1983-84 school year.

"Analysts see average college costs outpacing inflation rates through 1984," says Cathy Henderson, author of the American Council on Education's "College Costs: Recent Trends, Likely Future."

C & O repairs railroad tracks

By Cindy Johnson
Co-News Editor

Repairs for the railroad crossing on Superior St. near Wright Ave. were expected to be completed Monday, according to Alex Radzibon, director of the city's public works department.

The C & O Railroad has completely rebuilt the crossing, upgrading the track for both rail traffic and crossing vehicles, said Radzibon. City forces were expected to have put in asphalt approaches by Monday night, weather permitting.

Radzibon indicates that the city has urged C & O to

upgrade the crossing for 3-4 years and that the work was finally done "in response to the city's numerous complaints."

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Work to renovate Tyler now underway

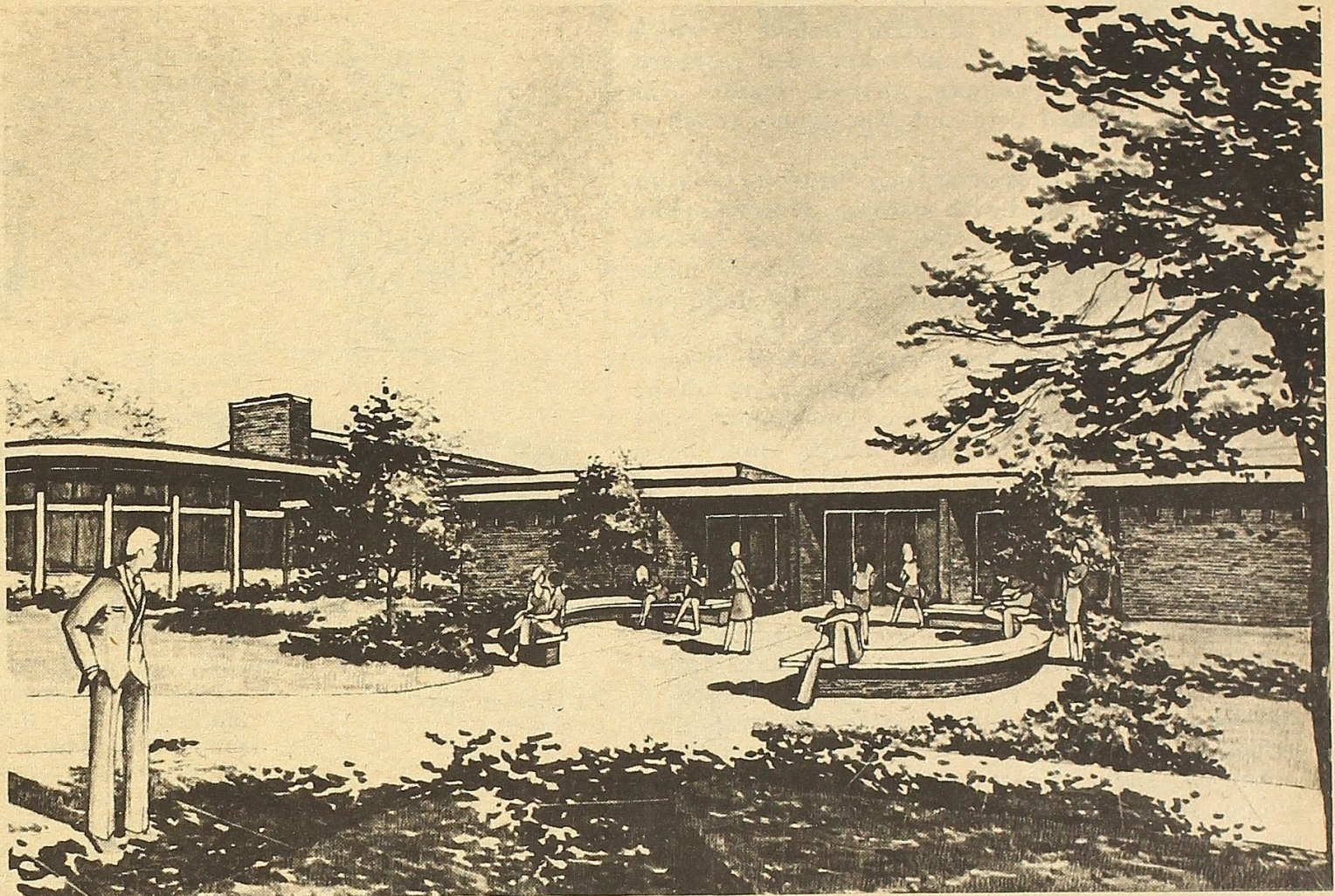
By Kim Grange
Staff Writer

On Monday, Sept. 12, Gust Construction Company of Cedar Springs, Mi, began renovation of Tyler-VanDusen students activities building. When completed, the renovated center will provide a game room for students, a student bookstore, a snack bar and several offices for campus organizations.

The renovation is budgeted at approximately \$1,544,000. Financing for this budget is not being directly provided for entirely by Alma College

All of the money is coming from individual or organizational grants or gifts. The initial \$200,000 has been provided by the grant from Kresge Inc. This grant was the basis for the construction.

Completion of the Tyler-VanDusen renovation is scheduled for June 1, 1984, barring any unforeseen complications.



Artist's conception of the remodelled Campus Center

The new building is expected to be ready for occupancy by the start of the 1984-85 school year.

One of the reasons for the decision to renovate the center was that having two dining facilities was unnecessary because of the number of students enrolled. A second reason was that

school officials felt that the students needed a center where they could all come together and interrelate. "It is going to provide an activity hub for the whole campus," said Kathy Callahan, Assistant Dean of Students. "It will be very beneficial to the whole student body."

The idea of the renovation originated with Dr. Daniel Behring, Vice President of Student Life and Career Programs, about seven or eight years ago when he took some Alma campus organizations around the state to look at the way other student activity centers were set up.

Council gears up for year

By Lori Wilson
Staff Writer

The Alma Student Council held its first meeting Wednesday and set the tone for what appears to be an optimistic and intense year ahead, according to Council President Tony Trupiano.

Student Council plans to revise the Council's Constitution this year. The basic reason for this is to insure clarity by terminating the sense of vagueness that is found in the present document, Trupiano said.

This year Student Council intends to expand and clarify the responsibilities of their officers and members. New committees are planned, designed to better delegate work and accomplish more.

Unanimously approved at the meeting was a motion which transformed the Provost's Advisory Council into what will now be called the President's Advisory Council.

The function of this new council is to advise President Oscar Remick regarding various matters including: planning and evaluating long and short term college goals, reviewing budgets, inspecting policies and, if necessary, recommending changes in Constitutions and Bylaws of Community Government Organizations. Trupiano stressed the importance

of Student Council. "We have a voice," Trupiano said, "and this year we are going to be heard."

Trupiano asked that members continually bring a sense of objective insight to Council meetings and that they exercise responsiveness and consideration regarding all aspects of Alma College.

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Tony Trupiano

Larry Baker, Dan Pitt snag top freshman jobs; foresee productive year

Shirey, Long win Sec'y, Treasurer

By Lori Wilson
Staff Writer

Larry Baker, Dan Pitt, Erin Shirey, and Wendy Long were elected to freshmen class offices last Wednesday during polling in Hamilton Commons.

Baker will serve as president; Pitt, vice president; Shirey, secretary and Long, treasurer.

It is Baker's hope that the freshmen will support him in his decisions and plans this year. "I hope that as a unified group, the freshmen class will accomplish a lot this year," he said.

"It looks as if it's going to be a really fantastic year," Pitt, who describes himself as being "fired up" for the future, said.

Pitt hopes to include as many of the freshmen as possible in class activities. "I think spirit will be created in the freshmen if they become involved in what's happening," he said.

"I'd like to spread excitement throughout the freshmen class," said Shirey. "I think it's important that everyone be aware of what's going on, and I guess that's what my job is about."

Besides seeing freshmen get active in school events, Shirey would like to meet all her classmates and have them meet each other.

"I would like to see freshmen involved and participating in what the officers will be doing," Long said.

"I would also like to see a lot of participation, because it makes an officer's job more worthwhile," she added.

"I think spirit will be created in the Freshmen if they become involved in what's happening." -- Dan Pitt

The fact that so many freshmen wanted to run for an office appears to be a sign of optimism.

"I was really enthusiastic and surprised to see such a large number of people running," said Student Council Vice President Teresa Murphy.

Murphy said that approximately 57 percent of the Freshmen Class voted on the election day, which is somewhat below average for a class election.

Editorial

Raising expectations

The opening night of Student Council '83 was a smashing success. It included reknowned speakers, inspirational performances, election results, the year's first Council vote and, yes, even a touch of humor.

In the lead role, President Tony Trupiano gave his best oratory yet, filled with emotion, dedication and a dream. His dream was that of an active Student Council, a council that will be heard, that will make a difference, that may even make it to the mountain.

Special appearances included the Rev. David McDaniels, who began the evening with the invocation. He made possibly the strongest point of the evening: the council members must have humility and the ability to laugh. Dr. Daniel Behring spoke next, and the cameos were then capped off by a message from Dr. Oscar Remick, who was unable to attend.

For the entire evening, the atmosphere was charged with the excitement of unlimited possibilities. Trupiano did a fine job of evoking compassion from even the most skeptical spectators. The year is filled with promises, and Student Council can help fulfill those. With such dedication at the helm and the pledge of full support from the administration, the future may indeed be bright.

But with such a success at the opening, we can only hope that the encore performances will stand up to our high expectations.

Unanswered questions

The world was shocked, disgusted, appalled that such a callous act could have taken place. The Soviets had murdered almost 300 innocent civilians when they shot down a Korean airliner last month. Or so it is claimed.

The Soviets assert the Korean aircraft was on a spy mission for the United States. Others claim that to be utter nonsense. The facts are uncertain, due in part to American security considerations.

An American military plane was in the vicinity. How close was it to the Korean jet? When did it leave the area? Did the Soviet jet fire warning shots? Exactly how did it attempt to force the Korean plane down? Many other questions surround the incident, many questions that the American intelligence community will not answer.

Thus, perhaps all accusations and sentences should be not withheld, but moderated. There is no way to justify the Soviet action, but, without the proper information, neither can we fully condemn the unfortunate incident.

Editor's Notebook

By Mark Rollenhagen
Editor-in-Chief

By the middle of last week I was seriously considering putting a small box on the front page of this issue containing text that would apologize for The Almanian's appearance.

"Please pardon the mess — newspaper under construction" was the wording I had decided upon.

But after carefully studying the pasted-up pages hung on the wall of our layout room, I was glad the words had never been set in type.

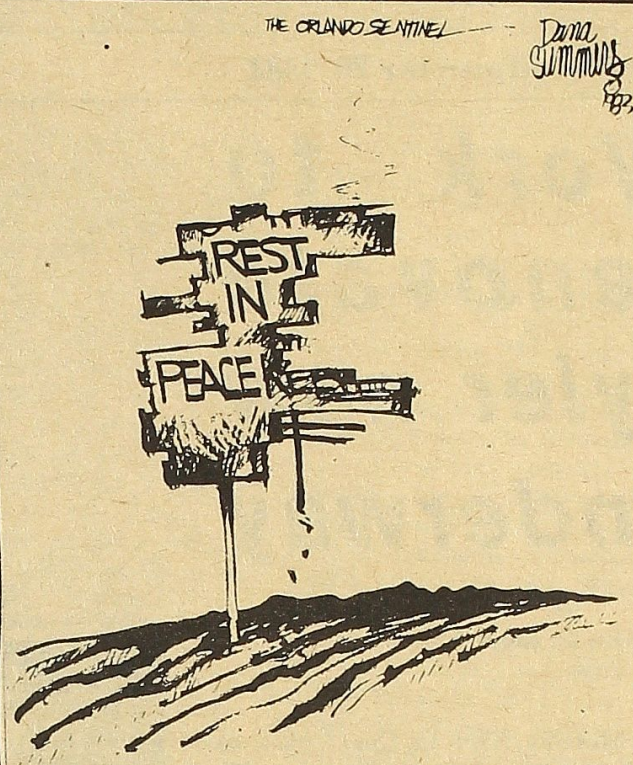
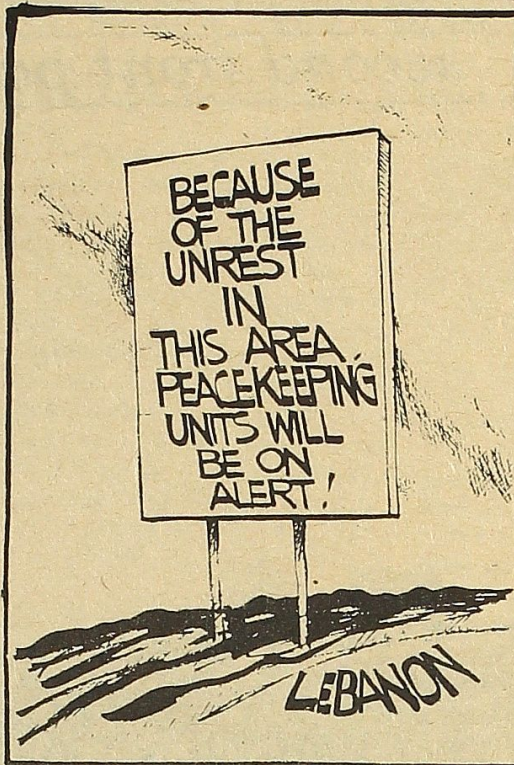
It is nothing less than a small miracle whenever any newspaper is published. So

many things may go wrong that there is never any doubt several will.

We acquired a new computerized typesetting system that soon should make production much easier and improve both the appearance and content of The Almanian. But the process of becoming familiar with the new technology has created its own problems.

The Almanian staff encountered a number of difficulties in the past week and handled them all extremely well.

If this issue resembles a "mess," it is certainly a minimal mess which holds great promise for the coming months.



U.S. backing Latin reactionaries

By Orestes Valera
Gramma Staff

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following article is a special feature taken from Gramma, a weekly review printed in Havana, Cuba.

The Reagan administration has its guns trained on Central America and the Caribbean in an effort to destroy the Sandinista Revolution and the revolutionary movements in El Salvador and Guatemala. These are the main objectives in the aggressive and dangerous policy that the United States is pursuing in the region.

As in the times of cowboy Teddy Roosevelt, Reagan strives to make the sovereign peoples of Central America and the Caribbean submit to the monopolistic interests which he represents.

Right after the revolutionaries' victory in Nicaragua, the United States started to try to destabilize the Sandinista government in Managua. Economic, diplomatic and military attacks were used overtly to try to overthrow the new government in Managua.

Thus, the United States organizes, directs, finances and trains the Somocista butchers who constantly raid Nicaragua from Honduras with the backing of the Honduran army. It also supports the counterrevolutionary forces headed by Eden Pastora and based in Costa Rica.

The coup in Guatemala,

which was directed by a high-ranking U.S. officer, is another indication of Reagan's endeavor to ensure the United States a more defined and belligerent position in the area and, as was pointed out by the Guatemalan National Revolutionary Union (UNRG), this "aggravates the conflicts" in the area.

With the Guatemalan coup, the United States seeks to form a strategic triangle for staging direct attacks on Nicaragua, charged Commander Carlos Nunez Tellez, member of the FSLN National Leadership and president of the Council of State.

In mid-August the first of 800 U.S. soldiers—out of a total of 5000 who will participate in the U.S.-Honduran Big Pine II maneuvers—arrived in San Pedro Sula, Honduras. At the same time, an airlift of military supplies was concluded. With the backing of the president and the armed

forces commander of Honduras, the United States has turned that country into a base for attacks on Nicaragua and other nations in the region.

On August 23, the United States started a new deployment of forces off the coasts of Nicaragua and the rest of Central America and the Caribbean, with the participation of 32 warships whose number will gradually increase to 43. This is considered as the most dangerous U.S. provocation so far against the peoples of Central America and the Caribbean.

In spite of all his schemes, Reagan will, however, be unable to intimidate the Nicaraguan, Salvadoran and Guatemalan revolutionaries, who will keep on struggling until they achieve final victory over their eternal deadly enemies, who are the U.S. imperialists and their Central American allies.

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Opinion

War powers and Lebanon

When Congress returned to Washington last week, it faced not only the perennial budget problems but also an agenda of foreign policy questions.

The Soviets downed a Korean airliner, civil unrest resurfaced in Chile and U.S. marines died in Lebanon. All these problems require some action, but it is the last that could prove to be the most interesting. Members of Congress are attempting to invoke the War Powers Act to remove American troops from Lebanon.

This act, passed in the post-Watergate fear of the "imperial presidency," is widely considered ineffective and possibly unconstitutional. Yet it has never been directly tested.

Under this act, the president is supposed to consult Congress whenever he deploys troops to a hostile situation. While President Reagan did not do this, no president has, and this passage is completely ignored.

The conflict arises from the time limits set upon the president. Sixty days after deployment, the president must gain

approval from Congress. If the legislature has not approved the deployment, the troops must be removed within 30 days.

"Congress must accept the responsibility it claimed for itself."

What all this means is that Congress can now order Reagan to remove the marines from Lebanon. If Congress were to do so, it is very unlikely that Reagan would comply. How could he? We have committed ourselves to keeping the peace in the Mideast, and such action would destroy any credibility the U.S. has in that region.

So why have I bothered to write any of this? Because the Mideast is not the only trouble spot in the world. Despite the recent lack of publicity, Central America is still boiling over, and the potential for troop deployment there is great.

When Reagan finally decides to send troops to El Salvador, it is doubtful that he will consult Congress. It is

also unlikely that Congress will have any say in the matter whatsoever. And if Congress cannot express the American mood, who will? The

chances of being dragged into another war are greater than we think — unless Congress can assert its power to control

initial troop deployment.

It is time for Congress to admit to itself that the War Powers Act is powerless to control the president. Congress must accept the responsibility it claimed for itself and devise a method to retain control of troop deployment.

Only then can legislators, both liberals and conservatives, pacifists and hawks, legitimately discuss the extent

of U.S. involvement in other nations. For, despite all their claims and rhetoric, the chief executive can turn a deaf ear and do as he wishes.

Should American troops be removed from an international peacekeeping force? Can they be removed without the U.S. suffering a loss of prestige? Probably not, but the question must nevertheless be considered.

Tony
BOGAR



"One Nation, One Destiny!"

Nigerian democracy challenged

Editor's note: The author returned in August from an 11 month stay in Nigeria through the Jerry Smith African Fellowship sponsored by Alma College.

August elections in Nigeria resulted in the election of President Shehu Shagari and the deaths of an estimated eighty persons in post-election violence.

Eight election officials died as their vehicle was torched by angry crowds.

One reelected governor was reported dead, but turned up in Lagos, the capital, after fleeing from an attack on his residence by an irate public.

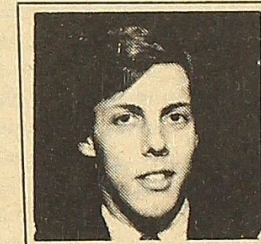
For the time being, events seem to have stabilized however the real challenge lies ahead.

Large loans from western banks and the International Monetary Fund (IMF) are necessary to prop up the Nigerian economy and stabilize the political situation.

Negotiations are presently going on between the IMF and Nigerian officials. If austerity measures are agreed to, loans should be available this fall.

But oil producers and third-world debtors do not get much sympathy in the U.S. American bankers and the Administration are leary of helping Nigeria through its short-term debt crisis on account of overexposure in Brazil, Mexico, Zaire and Poland.

The great Nigerian oil boom of the late sixties and seventies, which transformed Nigeria into a consumer society with a dislike for agriculture, has all but dried up due to the world recession, a drop in oil consumption and



David W.
GREEN

lower oil prices. Oil revenues, which account for over 90 percent of the country's foreign reserves, have dropped 45 percent since 1980.

During the high riding oil days, Nigerians developed a taste for consumer goods of all types and spent their money on imported Western goods, often to the detriment of industrial development.

Agriculture was also neglected and today Nigeria imports with precious foreign currency produce that once was grown on fertile lands.

"The great Nigerian oil boom...has all but dried up."

Besides these grave economic problems, government corruption and mismanagement and tribal and religious animosity will challenge the domestic stability of this most populous African nation.

The official Nigerian capital, Abuja, is a monument to the inefficient and corrupt government. Begun in the oil boom days, billions of dollars have been spent on the capital, with a shell of the presidential palace the main building to date.

In January 1983 the skyscraper exterior telecommunications building in Lagos was destroyed by arson. The

Shagari government was carrying out an investigation of allegations reporting \$20 million in embezzled funds.

Angry university students reacted to the fire by going into the streets of Lagos and demanding an explanation from the Shagari government. Deaths were reported.

The eighty million people of Nigeria are divided into 250 ethnic groups. Tribal animosity is not evident as during the bloody Biafran civil war of the 1960's, but the challenge of national unity still confronts Shagari.

Religious division in Nigeria is confined mainly to sect violence among Muslims. On October 26, 1982 Muslim rioting left 400 people dead in the Northern town of Maiduguri. Earlier riots in 1980 resulted in 1,000 deaths in similar upheaval.

For long-term stability, Nigeria and her people need time to develop democracy. Tribal and religious divisions require time to heal, so that at some time in the future the Yorubas, Hausas, Ibos, Muslims, Christians and Pagans can honestly accept Shagari's campaign slogan: "One Nation, One Destiny!"

Moreover, political leaders need time to root out corruption and inefficiency in the bureaucracy, so that citizens view their government as something other than an institution to produce millionaires with political and tribal biases.

The nearly collapsed Nigerian economy must be propped up in order to meet consumer demands and hopefully develop capital investment in industry.

The United States must be at the forefront assisting Nigeria secure loans. If not, we risk losing the fourth largest democracy in the world.

Items From Our Catalog



Bob Needham & Tony Trupiano

The idea for this collaborative effort is a result of selfish desires through two members of this fine editorial staff. Our so called "selfish" desires are in fact a very sane approach to insanity.

Now, what we are proposing is a pseudo-intellectualist melange configured to accommodate forethought and wisdom, satire and pathos, creationism and satanism, the best of times and the worst of times. In other words: it is time to have a little fun.

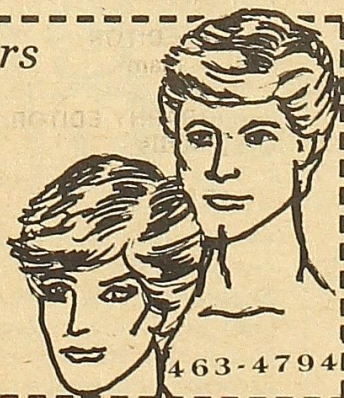
We see this column as a celebration of hypocrisy, a festival of foolishness, a futuristic look at today's world with nostalgic overtones.

We are building what may be a monument to society. Please realize that this week we are merely digging the basement.

We're so glad we had this time together. Just to have a laugh and sing a song. Seems we just get started and before you know it, comes the time we have to say so long.

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Features

The die is cast as "Mousetrap" is set Fall play auditioned

By John White
Staff Writer

Dr. Phillip Griffiths set his trap for characters with the Sept. 13 and 14 auditions for the fall play, Agatha Christie's "Mouse Trap."

The play, which opens Nov. 4 in Dow Auditorium, will be directed by Griffiths with a cast of three women and five men.

Griffiths said that his main concern in this play is reality. He requires realism from both actors and setting. He said he wants the cast to be made up of "people who have some emotional fluidity," who can become quickly upset or angry.

"I think it's important that they (the cast) are able to make action flow easily and believably," Griffiths said. He wants his actors to "have a sense inside them that it's (the action) happening."

And he thinks that the setting, too, should be realistic. "It has to be realistic," Griffiths said, "the people inside it are realistic. They (the au-

dience) should get a sense that it's a real room."

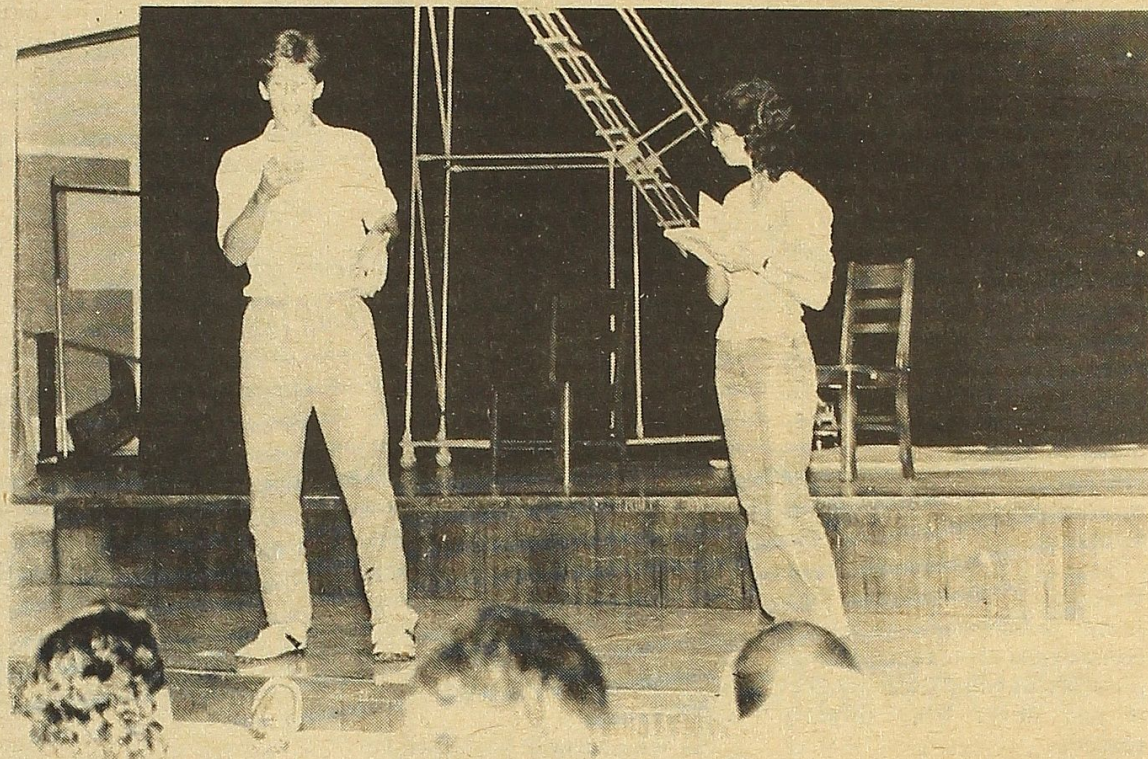
Griffiths requires dedication and discipline from his actors. He believes that "to make an effect on an audience...you have to be disciplined."

And considering that his eight actors were picked from a group of 20 students, it seems possible that he will get what he wants.

The play takes place in the late 1940s at a small guest house in the countryside of England. It is a murder mystery, with every character a suspect.

The characters are all unique. The three women in the play are Mollie Ralston, a modest and unassuming young lady, played by Victoria Stevens; Mrs. Boyle a large, imposing, bad tempered woman, played by Leslie Hagen; and Miss Casewell, a very masculine young woman, played by Elizabeth McLaughlin.

The larger male cast features Dave McMillan playing Giles Ralston, Mollie's attractive but arrogant husband; and a wild looking,



Freshmen Dave McMillan and Barb Hess read a portion of Agatha Christie's "Mousetrap" script during an audition last Wednesday night. Competition for parts was stiff, as only eight actors were chosen from a field of 20.

neurotic Christopher Wren, played by Todd Wynne-Parry. Jim Lauderdale plays Major Metcalf, a square shouldered man with a stolid professional air.

Chip Soules, playing Mr. Paravacini, a stocky Italian,

becomes a prime suspect in the case and Mark Petz appears as Sgt. Trotter, the common place young detective.

"I hope that we will frighten the audience...to the point where people are popping out of their seats," Griffiths said.

He hopes that "we can get a sense that we're getting into a real purposeful experience...that we might take away and remember."

The play will be performed Nov. 4, 5, 11 and 12 in Dow Auditorium.

Collective reading receives divided response from faculty and students

By John Rowland
Staff Writer

For the first time in roughly ten years, members of the Alma College faculty and administration got together and decided to throw the book at the incoming freshman class.

This pre-term, the Class of '87 was to have come to campus having read Theodore Roszak's "Person Planet." Roszak, an activist and author who gained popularity in the sixties, wrote "Person Planet" in 1979 to show where he believed the world was headed.

For the most part, Roszak's view is not a happy one.

Using historical background, he emphasizes the disintegration of the urban, industrial society and how this decay will contribute to the ruin of the planet and the individual. In the book, Roszak offers his solutions to the problems he believes the world faces today.

According to Pre-Term Coordinator and Assistant Provost Dr. Joseph Walser, campus-wide readings were a common practice at Alma until about 10 years ago. Collective readings are still very much in use at other colleges.

At Alma, freshmen were encouraged to discuss the book during their mini-seminars and amongst each other. Members of the Orientation Committee and resident assistants were

also required to read the book and to stimulate discussion.

Later in pre-term, a panel made up of Dr. Tracy Luke, Dr. Caroline Slater, Dr. Timm Thorson, Dr. Sam Cornelius and Walser held a mandatory panel discussion for freshmen in Dunning Memorial Chapel.

Each panel member gave a summary of what he or she believed Roszak was saying in "Person Planet." After the discussion, the freshmen broke into seminar groups to

"If they found a better book, it'd be a good idea."

discuss the book more thoroughly.

"A common reading can accomplish a number of things — sometimes the book is good, sometimes it's not so good," Walser said. "But the main thing the student has is an opportunity to interact on one common thing."

"Secondly, I think (the students) get a chance for the first time to see how different people, especially staff members, analyze a book. As Carol Slater said in the panel discussion—there are 300 different people in this room, and 300 different readings of this book."

"A lot of people come to college thinking there's only one way to read a book; and that's

the teacher's way...we really have to shove it down your throats to get you to think for yourself, read for yourself and decide whether you like (the book)," added Walser.

About the only problem Walser could pinpoint in the program was the selection of the book, which was handled by a small group of faculty and administrators this summer.

Not everyone is a Theodore Roszak fan, certainly not many freshmen. But the freshmen are not alone. According to Walser, there were more negative comments about the book from the staff than from anywhere else.

Overall, however, the assistant provost was pleased with the program and would like to see it continued.

"I think there's a lot of merit in a common reading," Walser said. "I think we need to start earlier and give more ownership in the program, to involve more of the staff and students. I don't know why this year's freshmen class couldn't be involved in the selection of what next year's reads. If they have good ideas, let's use them."

Luke, who served as a panel member, didn't think it was important who chose the book.

"It was a marvelous idea," Luke said. "Sure, there was a

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Student art exhibit offers humanities new exposure

By Lora Helou
Staff Writer

Art has taken on many new faces this 1983-84 year.

The Flora Kirsch Beck gallery is now showing its latest exhibit, the Selected Student Works From 1982-83.

Chosen works were "art that was generated from classes and independent studies," said new gallery director Robert Rozier. "Some were actual assigned projects. Others were students exploring on their own."

Representatives from the department selected the work, Rozier said.

This year, the reading of student poetry and prose was included in the opening reception, given on Sept. 9. Sophomore Deb Burzyck read her poetry selections and junior Rodney Curtis presented his works in prose. "It was appropriate in this art show to bring in their (Curtis' and Burzyck's) own medium of art," Rozier said.

"Writing is a form of art. It's not really unusual to see different forms of art put together. Now, we put them in new ways. It's creative," Assistant Pro-

fessor of English William Palmer said.

Rozier said that the students and faculty attending the reception were a very supportive group.

"It wasn't very well advertised. But for the people who attended, it was well-received," Palmer added.

Burzyck was pleased with the opening. "I thought the response was really incredible. The people that were there could relate to the poems. That impressed me," she said.

Unlike past years, there seems to be much more three-dimensional work, Rozier pointed out.

"It's expressive and unusual. There is certainly more ceramic work," He added. "The drawing and photography is also very good this year."

Senior Chris Cornwell has had her work in the show each of the four years she has been at Alma.

"There's a lot of diversity this year. We have everything from print-making to a working chime," Cornwell said.

According to Palmer, the art, English and humanities departments felt a need to do more this year for the fine arts.



House Calls Dysmenorrhea cramps your style

Q.--What is dysmenorrhea?

A.--Dysmenorrhea (Dis-men-o-rea) is the medical name for the pain of severe and disabling menstrual cramps. Many women feel some mild abdominal pain briefly at the beginning of their periods, but dysmenorrhea is present when pain is severe enough to justify treatment.

Q.--Is dysmenorrhea common?

A.--Very. Approximately 52 percent of women are affected by dysmenorrhea, about ten percent of which are incapacitated for up to three days each month, according to

one recent report. Dysmenorrhea is the greatest single cause of lost working hours and school days among young women.

Q.--What causes dysmenorrhea?

A.--Unfortunately, except for the unusual cases where some disease is responsible (called secondary dysmenorrhea), the cause is still unknown. Currently there is great interest in a group of substances called prostaglandins that are produced by the lining of the uterus and make the muscle wall of the uterus contract (go into spasm), pro-

ducing the type of pain most women with dysmenorrhea have. It is now thought that certain prostaglandins play a crucial role in primary dysmenorrhea, in which no disease or abnormality of the pelvic organs is present. Women with severe menstrual cramps appear to produce more of these chemicals than do women with mild or no cramps. Fortunately, there are drugs that are effective against the pain of dysmenorrhea.

Q.--What kind of drugs are these?

A.--They are a group of drugs known as prostaglandin inhibitors. The group includes aspirin and some similar drugs.

Q.--Are there other symptoms of dysmenorrhea?

A.--Yes. The primary symptoms are pain, cramping and lower abdominal aching that may begin 24 to 48 hours before the flow. Many women also complain of diarrhea, nausea, vomiting, feelings of

dizziness or faintness and flushing. Headache is another common problem with dysmenorrhea and some women regularly have severe backaches with every period. There are also some emotional changes.

Q.--Does dysmenorrhea run in families?

A.--Yes, it seems to. One explanation for this is that the blood vessel supply to the uterus may be similar in mothers and daughters, which may be partly responsible. Or the trait of producing too much prostaglandin may be inherited, although this is not yet known.

Q.--I've heard that the birth control pill helps dysmenorrhea. Is this true? Why?

A.--Birth control pills do help many women with dysmenorrhea because they prevent ovulation. Some clinics prescribe birth control pills for dysmenorrhea, but usually only if the woman also needs or wants to prevent pregnancy.

Q.--What else can be done to relieve dysmenorrhea?

A.--Prompt use of aspirin or other over-the-counter pain killers helps, and many women get additional relief by the use of a hot water bottle or heating pad for the first few hours. Normal activities should be pursued if possible, including usual types of physical exercise. Special types of exercise that have been advocated for preventing dysmenorrhea don't seem to work very well for most women.

Q.--If these simple measures don't work, what additional measures can be prescribed?

A.--Besides assuring you that your dysmenorrhea is not due to any disease or abnormality of the pelvic organs, the clinic can prescribe stronger drugs to relieve the pain. Something can almost always be done if dysmenorrhea interferes with your normal activities.

New Chapel Choir assembled to meet campus choral needs

By Simone Heidrich
Staff Writer

New tones have been added to the sea of voices at Alma College this year.

They stem from the newly-formed Chapel Choir, which is under the direction of Kevin McKelvie. The choir contains 15 members, including faculty, staff, students and community members.

McKelvie said that the reasoning behind this new development is that in the past, there wasn't a working music program of this kind and lately, the need for a vocal ensemble has grown. Thanks to Rev. David McDaniels, who is the originator of this idea,

the Chapel Choir has been formed.

The group, which rehearses Thursday nights from 7 to 9, is still welcoming auditions. The tryouts are "simple, short and painless," McKelvie said, and the intention is not to find out how well you can sing, but the potential of your voice. Experience is not required, however, McKelvie feels that an instrumental background is a bonus.

The choir will be performing sacred and choral types of music four times throughout the fall term. Dates include Sept. 18, Oct. 2, Oct. 30 and Nov. 13. Performances will be held in the chapel during the 11 a.m. church service.

Reading

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lot of flap in the faculty about the book, but whenever school is starting up there's a lot of flap about everything — students don't read in the summer, faculty want to know who picked this 'stupid' book....We shouldn't take it too seriously. It's not a bad book....I don't agree with (Roszak), but he needed to write the book....I didn't mind reading it."

Luke would also like to see the program continue.

"Part of the intellectual process, particularly in the liberal arts schools, should be in our own lives and for the people around here in their lives to be able to pick up a book and

develop the resources to have an appraisal or opinion about (the book); one that they're willing to defend," Luke said.

"Maybe that's one of the goals of liberal arts education: by the time you leave a place like this, you don't have to have somebody else tell you what to read," he added.

Grace Hinnon, a freshman from Sterling Heights, pretty much summed up overall freshmen comment.

"I think the program is a good idea," she said, "but the book was above our comprehension level for the summer — it was too long and

wordy."

"I learned more from the panel discussion than from the reading," she added.

Lori Dunkle, a freshman from Traverse City, was more direct in her appraisal: "If they found a better book, it'd be a good idea," said Dunkle.

The last chapter of this year's campus reading isn't quite finished. Roszak will be on campus Sept. 26 for a lecture in Dunning Memorial Chapel at 8 p.m. He might be surprised to find a freshman class at a small Midwestern liberal arts college is ready for him.

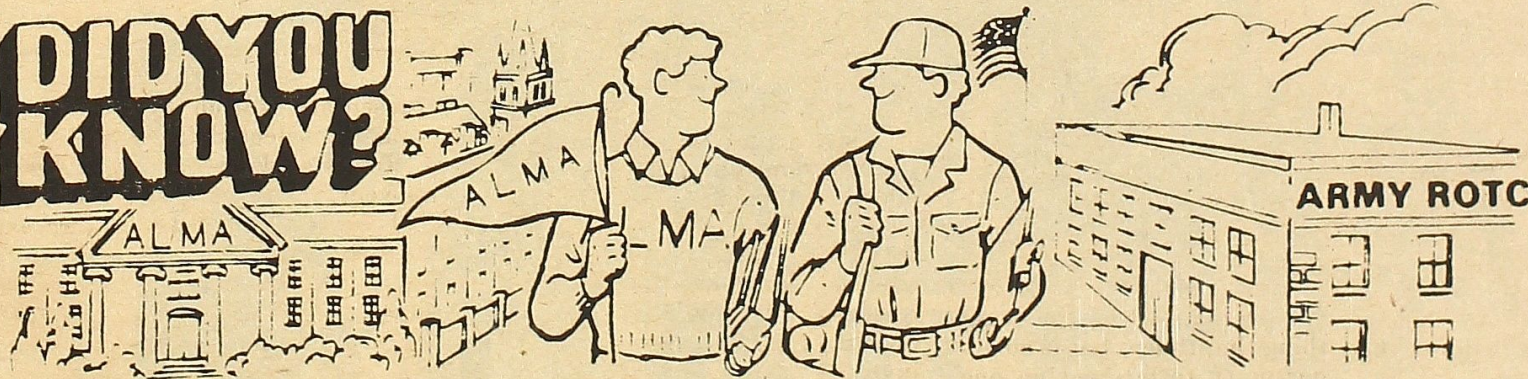
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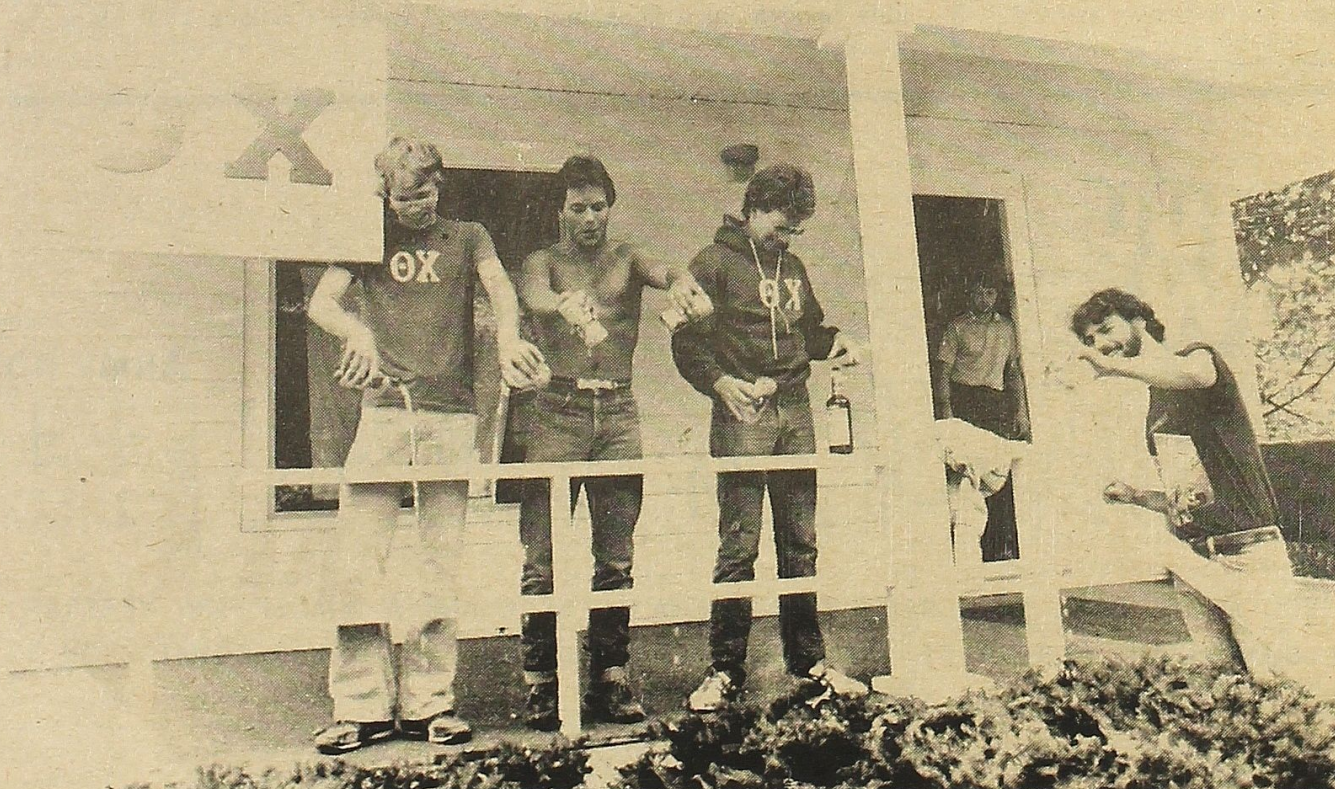
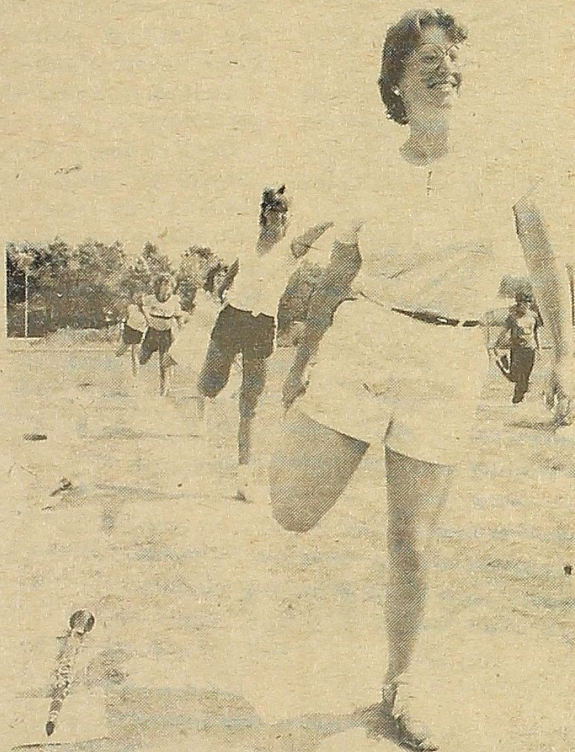
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Preterm '83

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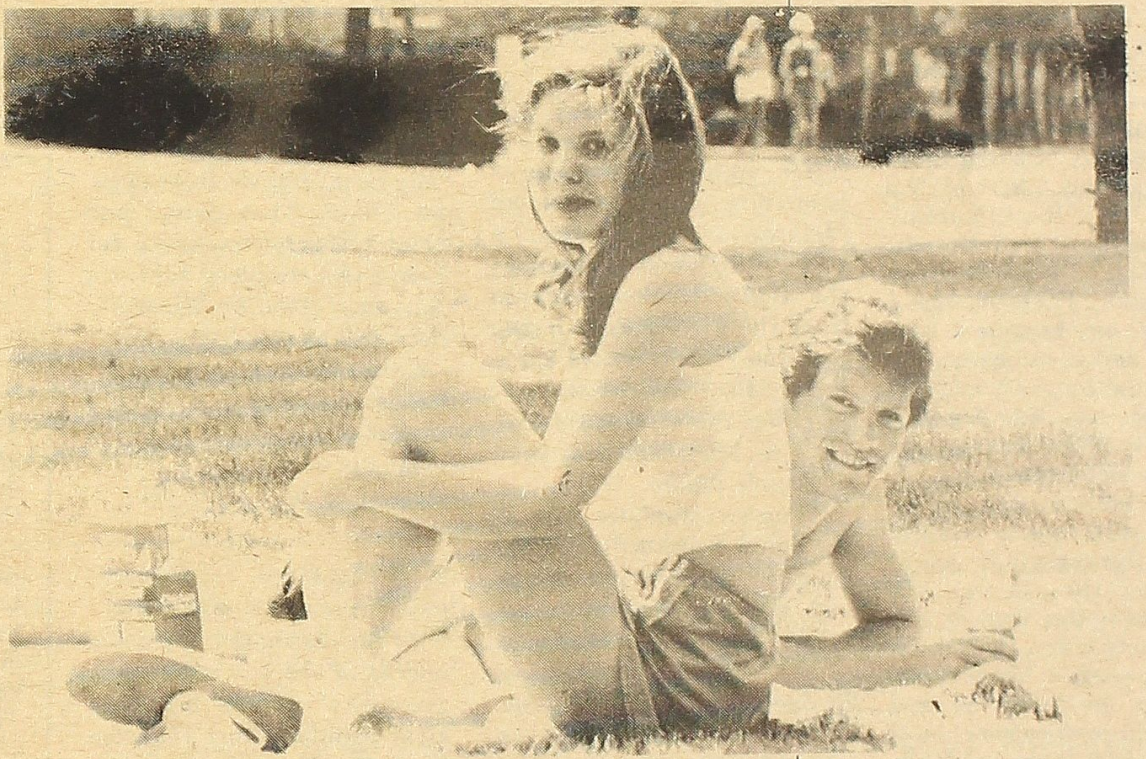
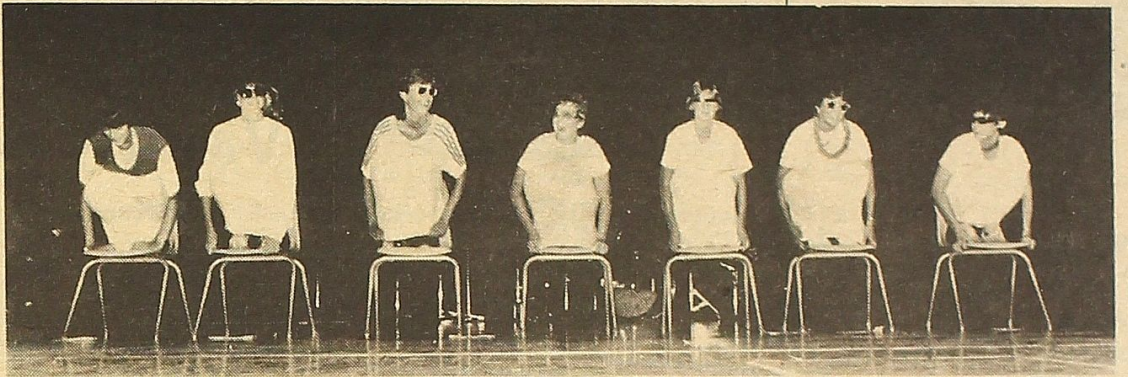


Preterm is essentially an orientation for incoming freshmen. It also involves individual activities and the Alma College community.

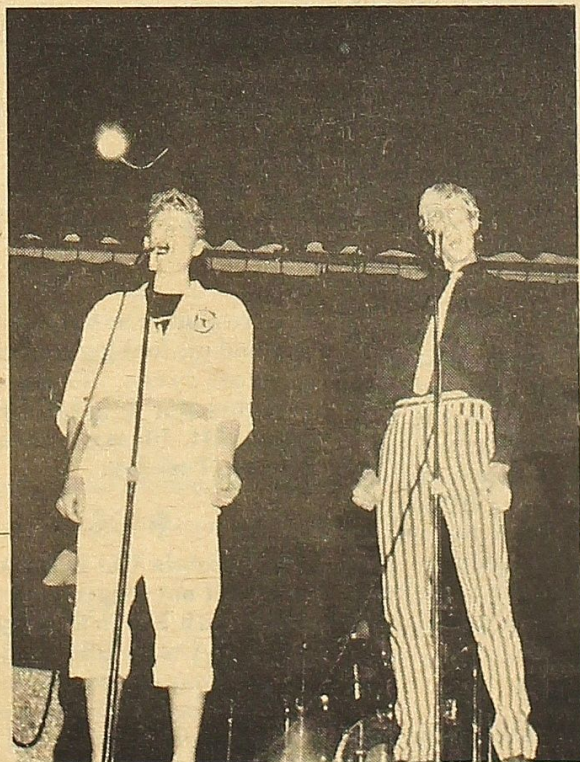
Clockwise from top left: many R.A.s let it all out and Doug Gruber.

At the activities, freshmen writers check Mark Johnson and classic Beatle tunes. Chi fraternity celebrates their alcohol after the house for the fall.

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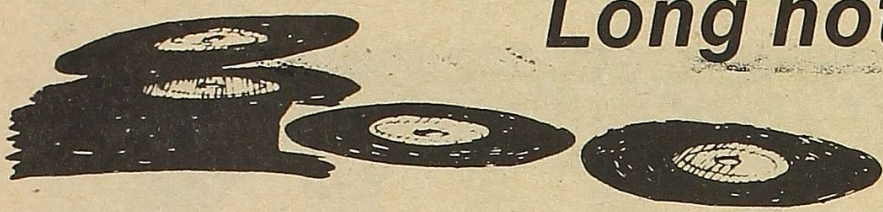


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Entertainment

Long hot summer yields cool tunes



Variety of successes abound

By Don Wheaton
Staff Writer

DEF LEPPARD-- "Pyromania" ★ ★ ½

A new category in music has been initiated by Australia's Def Leppard: heavy metal/pop. The same characteristics of heavy metal are still present, but have been streamlined and geared to the masses. The result is a set format into which any one of the ten songs on "Pyromania," the band's latest release, can fit comfortably. Highlighting are the tracks "Photograph," "Foolin'" and "Action! Not Words." "Rock! Rock!," "Rock of Ages" and "Comin' Under Fire" are okay supporting tunes. "Rock of Ages," however, has become a rock anthem and been beaten into the ground by radio overkill. The disc even has its own metal love song, "Too Late for Love," which is good, but oh, so predictable. In fact, predictability is the whole problem with "Pyromania," as it features the same old repetitive guitar solo on virtually every track, the painful plodding songs (a heavy metal tradition, plodding is) and generic, fit-in-anywhere power chords, drum lines and backing vocals. It's a hit, it's an undisputable money-maker and since each song sounds like any other, it's not really very exciting.

DAVID BOWIE-- "Let's Dance" ★ ★ ★ ½

For the first time in his career, David Bowie has won

a mass audience with the release of his danceable album "Let's Dance." Granted, many of the songs are overplayed, but the disc is tight and well done.

Bass lines are upbeat with the aid of Chic's Carmine Rojas, yet Omar Hakim's drum patterns are boringly similar. Guitarist Stevie Ray Vaughn adeptly performs some tough strains and Bowie's vocals are his usual fine job. The record is worth the money.

NAKED EYES-- "Naked Eyes" ★ ★ ★ ★

All right, so "Always Something There to Remind Me" was overplayed, but it's still a good song. It leads off the fantastic debut album from the duo of Pete Byrne and Rob Fisher, Naked Eyes. With "Promises, Promises" climbing the charts, the two have put together a very solid listenable album.

Byrne's voice glides through the songs beautifully; Fisher supplies well-played music and the combination is excellent. The only drawback comes with "Burning Bridges," a rather dull tune. Nine good tracks out of ten makes for a fine average, though.

Synth-pop and mellow listeners will enjoy this record, while die-hard rockers will shun it. A pleasant surprise in new music and all music.

B-52'S-- "Whammy!" ★ ★ ★ ½

Irreverence is bliss. The self-

proclaimed "tacky little dance band" from Athens, Georgia has put forth its best and it shows. If their fourth album, "Whammy," doesn't put a dance-velexation on you, you must be dead, in the boonies, or umbilically attached to unadulterated rock.

Side one is unreal, with their leadoff smash "Legal Tender," followed by the widely-played "Whammy Kiss," "Song For a Future Generation" and "Butterbean." Side two falters on "Queen of Las Vegas" and "Big Bird," but the instrumental "Work That Skirt" and "Don't Worry" make up for lost time. Mindless fun in a zany vein abounds, especially in "Future Generation." "Wanna be the Captain of the Enterprise/ Wanna be king of the Zulus/ Let's meet and have a baby now!" Only the B-52's. Only their best stuff yet.

THE POLICE-- "Synchronicity" ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

By far the most impressive release of the summer, "Synchronicity" is the best and most popular effort yet from the Police. Every track on the album is tightly orchestrated and performed with intense, urgent energy by the Anglo-American trio of Summers, Copeland and Sting. Their musicianship is their finest and the record holds together impeccably. It has sold tremendously despite Sting's starkest message-laden lyrics

to date.

In "Walking in Your Footsteps" he compares man to the now-extinct dinosaurs: "They live in a museum/ It's the only place you see 'um/ Walking in your footsteps." In "O My God" he questions a distant God, saying, "How can I turn the other cheek/ It's black and bruised and torn." "Synchronicity II," "Tea in the Sahara" and "Wrapped Around Your Finger" have all received wide airplay, while "King of Pain" is climbing the

charts and may replace "Every Breath You Take" at the top spot.

The two tracks not written by Sting are what constitute the weakest moments of "Synchronicity," yet even they are fairly strong. Summers' "Mother" is a bizarre cut, sure to be the least-liked, and Copeland's "Miss Gradenko" almost seems too slick to be on the album. But "Synchronicity" is sure to be one of the best, if not the best, release of the year. Don't miss it.

Rendezvous

Aqua Fins

Alma College's synchronized swimming team, The Aqua Fins, is having an organizational meeting Tuesday, Sept. 21 in the P.E. Center at 9 p.m.

No experience is needed to join the team, but interested people should be fairly competent swimmers. Highlighting the 1983-84 season is Ruth Pickett Thompson, ex-U.S. Synchronized Swim Team member, who will be coaching the Aqua Fins on a weekly basis.

Chess club

The Alma Chess Club has resumed meeting. It meets every Thursday evening beginning at 7 in room 201 of the P.E. Center. Play usually continues until 9 or 10 p.m. and interested per-

sons are invited to drop in at any time to observe or participate. There is no membership fee.

Peter Dollard, Coordinator of the club, has indicated that the Chess Club offers opportunities for casual chess play as well as the chance to play in tournaments. A Speed Tourney is scheduled for early in the term and a freefound open tournament is scheduled for November. In addition, on Saturday, Oct. 12, Dollard will direct a tournament sanctioned by the U.S. Chess Federation that will attract players from all over Michigan.

If you'd like to be on the chess club's mailing list or for further information, call Peter Dollard at the library (7227).

Greek Spotlight

KI

Greetings to all returning upperclassmen and the class of 1987! Kappa Iota is excited about having a banner year ahead, and we wish the very best to everyone. Our gang's all here - minus Jackie, who will be Parising it for the year...(sigh). We have a newly redecorated basement, also newly cleaned basement (thanks Jimmy) to go along with the shining kitchen (thanks Denise!) Come on over on Fridays between 7 and 9 and visit us - we love to see 'ya!

ΣAE

The new school year has but begun and already great things portend. From plumbing to porches, the maintenance department has re-fitted us well in the past summer months, and we're ready for a new season of Greek life. Our

heartfelt thanks to our sisters for being such gracious hostesses last Saturday. Q.B.'s are back in swing, and IM's will soon be the thing! May our teams fare as well this year as they did last. BLAD

TKE

Tau Kappa Epsilon is confident that staff and students had an enjoyable summer. We would like to congratulate Greg Hatcher, class of '83, in being awarded Top International Teke of the Year. Greg is the first Alma Teke ever to win this distinguished award. Greg's dedication and excellence in both the classroom and the fraternity will be greatly missed. Teke deke of the week goes to Bob Sievewright. Bob, do bean bags fly?

ΔΦΩ

Welcome back everyone! The

DPO's were very productive this summer. We now have a room in the basement of Newberry. Congratulations to all you moms and groovy daughters. We're in the process of putting our grand ideas into motion, so expect to hear and see a lot of the DPO's this year. A weekend retreat at Higgin's Lake is planned - no doubt it will prove to be both productive and a great time. Fire up DPO's!

AG

The Thetas are back and, under the direction of newly-engaged president Lynne Conner, we're anticipating a great year. Thanks to all who ordered carnations and welcomed that special someone in style. The new kitchen looks fantastic; thanks to every one who helped out. Good luck all fall sports teams and welcome back everyone.

ZΣ

We are glad to be back on campus and are looking forward to a great year. Thanks to everyone for a great Friday night. Mt. Pleasant must be nice on Tuesdays.

ΦΛΧ

Phi Lambda Chi is back and better (if not bigger) than ever. Even with Kevin (Happy Birthday!), Craig, Billy and Bob B. off-campus, we continue in the winning tradition: a round of applause to Scott and Bob, the award-winning kings of Greek Cookery. (Little Don already got his applause - it is a small world.) Stay tuned for details about Icebreaker Party and the Dating Game.

ΓΣΣ

Gamma Sigma Sigma is the only service sorority on campus. We welcome all females

to join whether or not they go through formal rush. We carry out various campus and community projects which include our yearly projects like the Red Cross Blood Drive, Eat-a-thon for Epilepsy, and coordination of the Mother's March of Dimes Walk. Watch for information about our upcoming tea! Fire up for a fun-filled time at the convent Saturday!

The school bell chimes, calling us all home...bong!...bong!...bong!...We would like to say hello and welcome all new freshmen to our friendly Alma College community. We are sure you will grow to love and respect it, as we do. Things are not always as we would like them to appear. As for you I.M. folks, beware of the mean, military red machine led by a balding Hebrew, and managed by Abraham Wolfowitz.

Briefs Nation/World

Reagan harangued

MOSCOW -- Lambasting Ronald Reagan as a "blood-thirsty ignoramus," the Kremlin has turned its propaganda barrage over the South Korean airliner into one of the angriest and most sustained personal attacks against any U.S. president.

Departing from the previous policy toward American presidents, the Soviets have named Reagan in virtually every press commentary on the plane over the past two weeks, lending a highly personal touch to the constant flow of anti-American propaganda in the state-controlled press.

A Soviet interceptor shot down the South Korean jumbo jet Sept. 1, killing the 269 people aboard, and the Soviet Union has accused the United States of sending the plane over Soviet territory on a spy mission.

Government newspapers have run a series of biting cartoons caricaturing Reagan as a blind cowboy, a bloody-fanged gorilla and a Nazi-like propagandist bellowing into a megaphone.

In the first "government statement" on the airliner, the Kremlin immediately singled out Reagan as the purported

mastermind of what the Soviets insist was a spy mission.

Saying Reagan "makes himself out as an ignoramus" about international law, the Soviets accused him of fanning anti-Soviet hysteria to disrupt the Geneva arms talks and drum up support for his military policies.

"The flights of the spy plane and the hullabaloo raised by Washington...are far from accidental," Pravda analyst Vladimir Bolshakov wrote Friday. "On the muddy wave of pathological anti-Sovietism, the White House is trying to get agreement...on all the issues which in the recent past encountered opposition."

The Soviets have claimed all along that Reagan "callously" ignored the safety of those aboard the South Korean plane, but Bolshakov took that one step farther. He claimed the 747 "was sent deliberately into Soviet airspace with an obvious hope that it would be destroyed by the Soviet Union"

Soviets up nukes

BRUSSELS -- The Soviet Union is rapidly modernizing its battlefield nuclear forces in East bloc countries, adding new artillery and deploying

sophisticated SS-21 rockets at a rate of four a month, according to NATO sources.

The SS-21, with a range of 75 miles, is a mobile surface-to-surface missile being phased in to replace Frog-7 missiles with about half the range, sources said.

The Soviet Union is distributing new nuclear-capable artillery to its forces in Eastern Europe, including about 150 artillery pieces in East Germany, said the sources, quoting a new NATO report and speaking on condition they not be identified.

The Soviet Union this year threatened to deploy nuclear weapons in Eastern Europe if NATO goes ahead with plans to put 572 new Pershing 2 and cruise missiles in Western Europe starting in December.

The Soviets are also building three new bases for mobile SS-20 nuclear missiles to be targeted on Western Europe while negotiating with the United States for reductions on both sides, Pentagon sources in Washington say.

The sources, who requested anonymity, said the bases will be able to house 270 missiles with 810 warheads.

Currently, the Soviet Union has 243 of these triple-headed missiles aimed at Western Europe and another 108 targeted on Asia.

Army keeps pace

WASHINGTON -- The Army, trying to keep pace with fashion, has decided that for the first time, women in uniform can wear earrings.

The decision by the Army's Uniform Board was taken to meet the demands of women in the service who wanted to be able to wear jewelry on duty.

While the Army says earrings can be worn, they have to be conservative-spherical, no larger than one-quarter inch in diameter and made of gold, silver or pearls.

In addition, dangling earrings are not allowed.

The earrings can be worn only with the dress or service green uniforms, meaning none of the Army's 75,000 women can wear them while in combat fatigues.

Women make up about 9.8 percent of the Army's 768,000 personnel.

The decision brings the Army into line with the Navy and Air Force, where women have been able to wear similar jewelry for several years.

Drug problem

WASHINGTON -- Robert F. Kennedy Jr., under investigation by authorities in South

Dakota, said Wednesday he has admitted himself to a private hospital for treatment of an unspecified drug problem.

"With the best medical help I can find, I am determined to beat this problem," the 29-year-old Kennedy said in a statement issued through the office of his uncle, Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass.

His statement followed an announcement Tuesday in Pennington County, S.D. that there is an "ongoing investigation involving Bobby Kennedy, Jr."

Rod Lefholz, state's attorney, said he could not characterize the probe as a drug investigation, but police secured a search warrant for "contraband and controlled substances in Kennedy's luggage after he became ill Sunday night on a flight to Rapid City."

"I deeply regret the pain which this situation will bring to my family and to so many Americans who admire my parents and the Kennedy family," Robert Kennedy Jr. said.

"I am grateful for the support of my wife Emily, the other members of my family and my friends during this very difficult time."

As of Wednesday, Kennedy had not been charged with a crime.

Stateline

Dioxin studied

LANSING -- Final details of a proposed study on dioxin contamination in Michigan, particularly in the Midland area and in rivers around the state, will be discussed at a public briefing Oct. 4 in Midland County, officials said Wednesday.

The 7 p.m. briefing by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency at Ingersoll Township Hall is the last step scheduled before soil sampling and other field activities begin

later in the month, EPA spokesman Bob Hartian said.

The EPA expects to spend about \$3 million in Michigan on the study.

The briefing will include details of soil sampling plans and a summary of public comments received after the draft study plan was released.

Satellite launched

DEARBORN -- A satellite launched for the government of India by space shuttle

Challenger is ready for electronic systems tests after all its external equipment was deployed Wednesday, a spokesman said.

Testing of Insat 1-B had been delayed earlier when solar panels powering the satellite could not be deployed.

Engineers of Ford Aerospace and Communications Corp. and the India Department of Space Engineers managed to turn the craft toward the sun to thaw a frozen hinge last weekend.

A 40-foot solar sail boom, which balances the solar panels, and one antenna were extended Wednesday, said William Sheehan, spokesman for the Ford Motor Co. subsidiary which built the satellite. Another antenna had been extended 24 hours earlier.

"On-orbit testing of the spacecraft's electrical systems will take place over the next two weeks, after which the satellite will be ready for operation," Sheehan said.

The 2,625-pound satellite is designed to provide round-the-clock weather data, thousands of channels for the overloaded Indian telephone system and facilities for national radio and television networks.

Workfare debated

LANSING -- Poor people will die from the Michigan cold this winter if \$43 million in fought-over state money is spent on a workfare program instead of home heating assistance, welfare rights advocates told a House committee Wednesday.

"I don't know how we're going to make it through this winter," Westside Mothers spokeswoman Selma Goode of Detroit told the House Social Services and Youth Committee. "If we have a normal winter, we will see people dying, literally freezing to death."

The committee is hearing suggestions on how to spend \$43 million the legislature set aside for use in home heating aid and workfare programs.

Committee Chairwoman Rep. Theola Hunter, D-Detroit, said her panel hopes to come up with recommendations within a few weeks on how to spend the money. The ideas will be submitted to the governor, the speaker of the House and the Appropriations Committee, she said.

Goode said it was "a waste of time to even consider using the money for a workfare pro-

gram to make welfare recipients earn their benefits when there is a pressing need to block utility shut-offs."

Flag protested

LANSING -- A Chinese flag was removed from a pole at Lansing Community College Monday after state Sen. Alan Cropsey called college officials to protest its display.

Cropsey, known as one of the Legislature's most conservative members, said flying a communist nation's flag was "an affront" to non-communists, especially because of the recent incident in which the Soviet Union shot down a Korean Air Lines passenger plane, killing 269 people.

"We have a whole series of flags we fly as part of our international awareness program," said Robert Bouck, a spokesman for the college. He said the Chinese flag was removed "in deference to the senator."

Judge disqualified

PONTIAC -- The judge assigned to hear the Recall Blanchard Committee's challenge to Michigan laws on ousting a governor disqualified himself from the case Wednesday to avoid the appearance of impropriety.

Oakland County Circuit Court Judge John N. O'Brien removed himself from the case after recall organizers complained that he had made a campaign contribution to help elect Gov. Blanchard.

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New staff members join faculty

By Lisa Wilson
Staff Writer

According to Provost and Vice-President of Academic Affairs Dr. Ronald O. Kapp, eight new faculty members have been hired into various departments this year.

The Music Department has added two instructors, Kevin McKelvie and William Nichols.

McKelvie is replacing former instrumental music director Mallory Thompson, currently on a one year sabbatical. His responsibilities include conducting the Kiltie Marching Band, Jazz Band and Symphony Orchestra as well as organizing the newly formed Chapel Choir and acting as organist for Chapel services.

McKelvie stated, "My work certainly keeps me busy, and the enthusiastic students I work with keep me hopping and energetic. I really like the atmosphere."

Choir director and vocal instructor William Nichols believes that "choir offers an opportunity to become involved in a creative art." His goal is "to make the Alma A Cappella Choir the best liberal arts choir anywhere." Nichols also stated that he'd like to increase the number of choirs offered at Alma.

Nichols' experience ranges from Michigan State University

Choirs to the public schools in Greenville, where he resides.

The computer science program continues to grow with the addition of new instructor Theodore Hertzog. Hertzog classified the equipment here as "very good" and speculated that Alma, "probably is in the top 15 per-cent of schools as far as student access is concerned."

"I also feel lucky to work in a field that is constantly growing," added Hertzog.

The Business Department has also expanded, with one new member: Ned Pfeiffer. His previous experience includes positions at the Ottawa Savings and Loan Association in Holland; The National Bank in Houston, Texas; and most recently, Western Michigan University. Pfeiffer commented, "I've found the change from Western in Kalamazoo to Alma and its small community very relaxing." Pfeiffer's main field is marketing.

"Discussion, I think, is the best way to learn about politics," remarked Thomas Shevory, assistant professor in the department of political science. Shevory has accepted a one-year appointment replacing Dr. Bernet Davis, while Davis instructs at the American University in Washington D.C. Shevory's interests include the American political theory, where he

considering the organization of a political discussion group on campus. He would also enjoy writing articles for professional journals in the area of American Politics.

"Choir offers an opportunity to become involved in a creative art." -- McKelvie

Dr. Clyde Sweet, the newest professor in Alma's Science Department, believes that he leans towards the environmental sciences because, "I like the way it effects people through the usage it has towards understanding and solving practical problems in every-day life."

He is teaching General Chemistry this semester and will instruct Quantitative and Advanced Analysis for the Winter term. Dr. Sweet finds the Central Michigan Area "A very exciting area to live in,

resulting from the chemical industry located here."


In the department of art and design, Assistant Professor Robert Rozier isn't entirely new. He served as a sabbatical replacement during Alma's 1981 fall term. Currently, his responsibilities include instructing painting, drawing and design courses as well as directing the gallery located in the Clack Art Center.

Library instructor Kimberly Allen has gained all her experience at the University of Michigan libraries in Ann Arbor. She said, "Here at Alma, it seems much easier for students to find their way through the library; they don't have to search for for a librarian who specializes in that particular field. Here, we seem to 'wear many different hats' instead of one specific task." Several parts of Allen's job are the bibliographic instruction, Circulation and In-

terlibrary loan.

The larger number of new faculty members (the average is about five) is somewhat misleading, Kapp said, since several faculty members are currently on sabbatical. They are: Davis, political science; Dr. Bowker, biology; Dr. Simutis, mathematics; Thompson, music; Tipton, English and Dr. Massanari, religion.

Kapp stated, "The usual process of hiring Alma Faculty begins with advertising in professional journals, reviewing applications, interviewing the prospective faculty members and finally, making a selection of the personnel."



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Sports

Coaches cite keys to success

By Don Wheaton
Staff Writer

"We'd like to put the first two games behind us and go on straight from here," said Head Coach Phil Brooks about the 1983 Scot football season.

Brooks commented, "We've got a group of players that wants to win and is ready to pay the price to win."

And so far that price has been expensive.

"All four of our league kids have been banged up and that has affected what we can do," Brooks noted.

The offensive backfield is hurting because junior co-captain Mark Konecny is out with a stress fracture in his left foot that will keep him out of the lineup until the Adrian (Oct. 8) game at the earliest. Meanwhile sophomore Tom Beale has severely sprained his ankle and reinjured the ankle in the Mt. Union game, which keeps his status questionable weekly.

Also hurting are senior Brian Murphy, hampered by a pulled hamstring; senior Phil Annese, nagged by a lower back problem; and sophomore Mike Fisk, who will be out the rest of the season with a broken wrist.

"Healthy people are very important to our cause," said Brooks. "Barring any more injuries, and getting our guys healthy, we should be back on track."

"We're gunning to prevent errors like offensive turnovers that result in gift touchdowns," continued Brooks. "We need a good game against Michigan Tech."

Senior co-captain Scott Vicari shared Brooks' sentiment. "We need a win to really bring the team together, to gel us."

"We could use a big confidence boost," Vicari added.

Things aren't all bad for the Scot gridders, though.

"[Sophomore Ken] Toth is running well in Konecny's absence. He'll be a big

gun this year," said Brooks.

"Jeff Rowley has come off his knee injury admirably," injected Brooks, "but he has adjustments to make because of the injury."

"Our offensive line is improving every day, our quarterbacks are getting experience, and we've got a really good group of freshmen. There's nothing but positiveness from the freshmen and they will improve the program," Brooks added.

Offensive coordinator Jim Cole said, "Our seniors are playing well, especially Matt Pohlman and Steve Glasser, who are doing better than ever in the offensive line."

Cole targeted spots for improvement that included seasoning of the rookie quarterbacks, health of key squad members and continued progress on the offensive line.

Vicari noted that "the offense is very young, having to fill [graduated quarterback Mike] Boyd's shoes and trying to plug the holes created by Beale's and Konecny's injuries."

"The defense has been out a lot," added Vicari, "and we get tired and break down."

Both Brooks and Cole stressed consistency from the team is important, but especially from the offense right now.

"We need all 11 guys on the offense to eliminate the little mistakes which keep us from getting good drives," Cole said.

"No more offensive errors which break us down and cost so much," added Brooks. "We have to cut our turnovers markedly."

"We also have to improve our running game to complement our passing attack," said Brooks.

Defensively, Brooks pointed out that "we have to shape up against the draw and the lead."

Brooks stressed that he would be depending upon the senior members of



Following Jeff Rowley's touchdown against Mt. Union, the official affirms extra point by Steve Hatch in Alma's 35-8 loss.

the squad.

Those members are Pohlman, Glasser, Murphy, Vicari, Rowley, Al Goetz, Phil Annese, Tony Annese, Sean Burns and Jamie Harrison.

New freshmen to look for on offense that Brooks noted are Ron Hamilton (QB-P), Mitch Beekman (RB), and Jamie Werbish (K). Frosh offensive linemen Vince Consolo, Ken Kasprzak, Jeff Brown and Dave Belutz were noted by Brooks.

On defense, Brooks named freshmen

Matt Vicari, John Brandow (after recovering from a broken toe), Dan Simet, Doug Wilson, Ken Graham and Dave Fata.

Cole spotlighted sophomore Mark Baker and juniors Amos Rinks and Mike Ayling in the offensive line, saying "they have to consistently play well to help the freshmen along."

Brooks is looking for a good season despite the first two games.

"Our program is coming back. Just watch," he said.

Dismal openers for gridders in question

Scot statistics proclaim promise

By Don Wheaton
Staff Writer

The Scots dropped their first two games to Valparaiso and Mt. Union by scores of 31-7 and 35-8, respectively.

Against Valparaiso the Scots gained a net 43 yards rushing and had 136 yards passing. Valpo countered with a net 181 yards on the ground and 170 yards in the air.

The Scot quarterbacks completed 14 passes of 30 for a 46.7 percent rate.

Although the Scots only fumbled once and didn't lose the ball, they threw three interceptions. Valpo threw two interceptions but did not fumble.

Alma had a stunning average of 41.7 yards per punt and were penalized seven times for only 36 yards.

Ken Toth and Mark Konecny were the big ground gainers for the Scots with 38 and 46 yards, respectively. Konecny scored the lone touchdown on an eight-yard gallop.

Receivers Tony Annese and Tony Patritto snagged 59 and 69 yards,

respectively, for the big leaders in that department.

Scott Vicari and Bernie Konkle stole one interception apiece.

The defense played a solid game, one reflected in the statistics.

Against Mt. Union, the Scots out-passed the Purple Raiders but the Raiders ran off with the rushing stats.

Alma had 153 net yards passing to Union's 121, but the Raiders had 152 net yards rushing to the Scots' 61.

Alma's turnovers were at 2 apiece: two fumbles (both lost) and two interceptions.

The punt average was down ten yards to 31.4, but lost penalty yards remained the same at 36 on six violations.

Toth topped the ground game with 87 yards while Mitch Beekman scampered for 22 more.

Jeff Rowley sat atop the receiving crew against the Raiders with 41 yards and one TD. Al Goetz, Annese and Patritto each contributed 33, 28 and 27 yards, respectively.

Scot statistics scream disaster

By Mary Douglas
Sports Editor

It was a long weekend.

On Thursday night, the bus pulled out for Houghton's Michigan Technological University. No one expected that the return trip would find the Scots' football team with a third loss, especially one so devastating.

Tech. embarrassed the Scots with a 36-0 massacre. Alma went through three quarterbacks and completed only 153 yards.

In the first quarter Tech. scored nine points. But the second quarter proved disastrous as they ran the score to 33-0.

After a scoreless third quarter, Tech put the final blow to Alma, connecting on a 49 yard field goal to set their school record.

The final score was 36-0, but the final statistics scream the humiliation.

To Alma's 153 yards, Tech completed 319. They also had 16 first downs to our ten.

Four turnovers came from the Scots as they fumbled four times for two losses and then threw two interceptions. There is a brighter side, though.

Senior co-captain Scott Vicari snagged two interceptions for Alma's cause. The MIAA's interception leader in 1982, Vicari is eyeing the school record which stands at 10 in one season. He already has three interceptions behind him.

Interception

record attainable

for Vicari

Also showing promise for the future was freshman Dean Eulrich who entered as third quarterback late in the game.

Eulrich had a good afternoon completing 8 for 11 passes for 70 yards. His 25 yard pass to Al Goetz was the longest of the day.

Spikers undefeated after five

Lori Wiest
Sports Writer

The 1983 Alma volleyball team is ready to contend for the MIAA conference championship. According to third year coach John Chiodini, "We have the talent to beat everyone in the MIAA." He feels this way because "everyone is back from last year."

Last year's team had an impressive 19-4 non-league and 11-2 league record. That was good enough to tie Calvin for first place in the league.

Senior captains are Mindy Meyers, Jill Forhan and Vicki Schmidt.

The Scots also welcome back Denise Schurr, Deneen Clark, Leslie Bauman, Carolyn Howell, Lisa Woods, Cathy Lombardo and Dana Johnson.

Four freshmen will add needed support to insure the future success of the program: Laurie Hauet, Joni Morrison, Ellen Pougnet and Beth Wales.

The Scots are well-balanced.

They do not depend on any one player to carry the team. Chiodini said, "It takes eight people to get the job done."

On Tuesday night the Scots took a step toward attaining the conference championship by defeating both Grand Rapids Junior College and Delta Community College.

The GRJC match went to three games, ending in an exciting 18-16 battle.

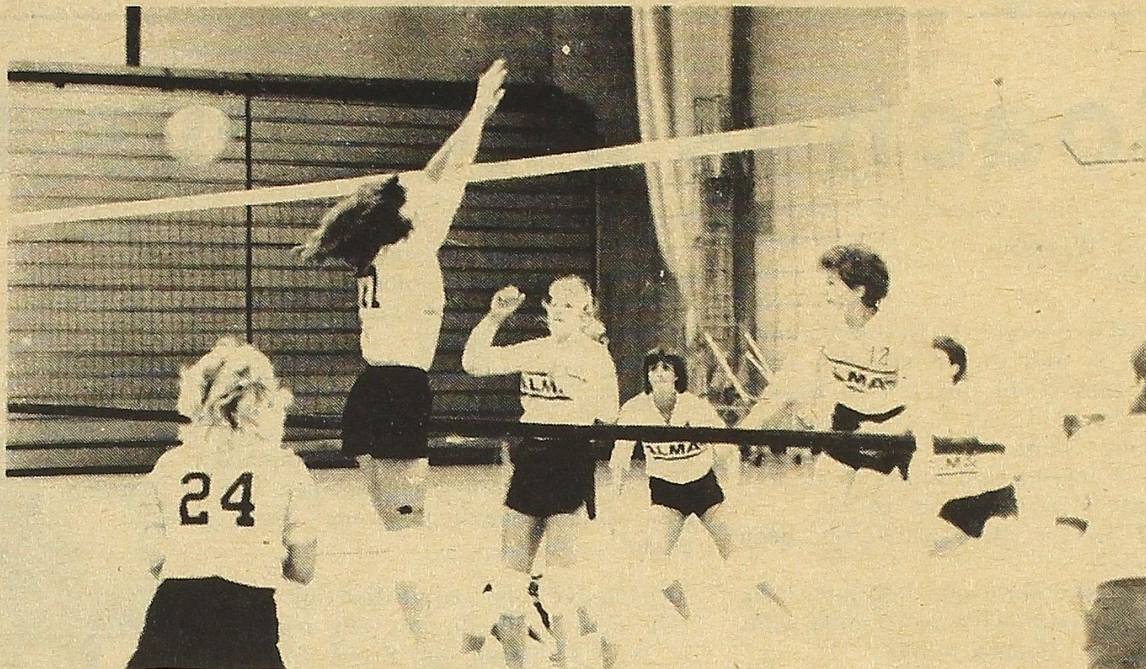
Alma defeated Delta in two straight games with scores of 15-1 and 15-9.

On Thursday, the Scots easily knocked off Adrian in 3 straight games to open league play. The scores were 15-2, 15-9 and 15-1, but Alma had to fight back from a 1-9 deficit to win the second game of the match.

Clark had an excellent match, posting a .500 attack percentage. Bauman had three service aces.

The JV squad also defeated Adrian convincingly. The scores were 15-1 and 15-9.

Pougnet and Hauet compiled .500 attack percentages.



An Adrian player attempts to block Mindy Meyers' shot as Scot teammates prepare to help out.

Howell and Woods both served three aces.

On Saturday the Scots won again. They defeated both Northwood Institute and Aquinas in non-league play. The scores of the Northwood

match were 15-5, 12-15 and 15-8, respectively. Alma came from behind in both games to beat Aquinas 15-11 and 15-12.

Forhan, Lombardo, Johnson, and Meyers had excellent matches. They have

played well all week.

Don't miss their next home game Wednesday against Calvin. Both teams would like to be the undisputed league champs.

Getting set for victory

Freshmen pace Scots

By Cindy Hultquist
Sports Writer

"We've gotten off to a great start," said Keith Bellovich, captain of the men's cross country team, after the Scots placed fifth overall in the Hope Invitational.

Hans Martin, a freshman from Midland, was Alma's number one runner. He placed 11th with a time of 26:25.

Pete Bolen, a freshman from Gaylord, finished 12th in 26:31.

Bellovich cut 34 seconds from last year's comparable time. "It is a team of the future that will certainly improve," said Coach Charles Gray.

The Scots also competed in the Calvin Invitational meet

this past weekend.

Division II Ferris dominated the meet scoring 25 points. Calvin finished second with 52 and Aquinas totaled 75. Alma finished a close fourth with 83.

Martin was once again the number one runner for Alma. His time of 27:04 gave him seventh place overall. Bolen finished ninth for the Scots with a time of 27:17.

Sam Lewis claimed 24th place in the meet and Eric Gardney, 28th. Dave Sherwood, Rex Hart and Phil Carino placed 31st, 36th and 37th respectively.

It looks like an exciting year ahead for the Scots. The team will compete at the Ferris Invitational this Saturday.

Women to defend title

By Cindy Hultquist
Sports Writer

The women's cross country team successfully defended their championship title in the Hope Invitational.

Alma dominated the fourth annual event with a total score of 44.

Hope finished a distant second with 81 points. Spring Arbor, Albion, Sienna Heights and St. Francis totaled 81, 118, 140 and 149 respectively.

An excellent run by Jill Charron, a freshmen from Charlotte, claimed sixth place with a time of 19:13.

Sue Morton came in seventh with a time of 19:30. Karen Gamble, a freshmen from Big Rapids took eighth place and Stephanie Godek, tenth.

Heidi Klein, Leslie Burgess, Cathy McDonough and Missy Linehan also ran, along with Cindy Pierce and Lovey Jones.

"I am pleased by the performances of the freshmen in their first competition," stated Dr. Gray, head coach for the Scots.

Last year the team claimed the MIAA title. With only one senior gone, the team's potential looks good.

Athlete Of The Week

Junior volleyball standout Dana Johnson has been named Alma's first "Athlete Of The Week." Her fantastic performance Wednesday night helped the Scots to a 15-2, 15-9, 15-1 decision over Adrian in their MIAA opener at home.

In 20 attempts, Johnson tallied 11 kills at the net with only three errors for an attack percentage of .400. She also managed two service aces, three solo blocks and 15 blocking assists.

"She does that all the time," Coach John Chiodini credits. "If there is someone I would want the other team to hit the ball to, it would be Dana."

Earlier in the week, Alma scored 11 of 15 points against Delta when Johnson served. She had successful serving strings of four, four and

three in the scrimmage.

The Scots tied with Calvin for league championship at 10-2 last year.

Johnson, a 5'10" center block and hitter from Flint Carman, received first team All-League honors along with Mindy Cubitt and Jill Forhan.

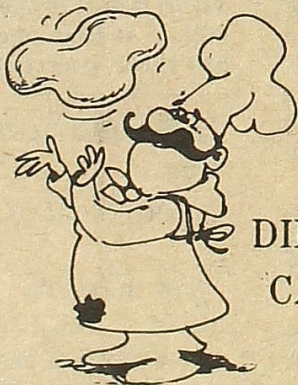
Also a powerhouse on the basketball court, co-captain Johnson claimed All-League recognition as center in the 1982-83 season.

Johnson, an Elementary Education major, is a member of the Alpha Zeta Tau sorority, a Tau Kappa Epsilon little sister and secretary of Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Commenting on Johnson's strength in volleyball, Chiodini added: "I'm sure glad she'll be back again next year."

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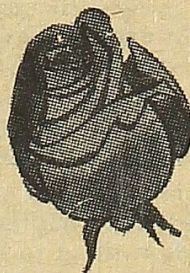
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the upper levels; you had to rely on your own resources," Steinmetz recalled.

Also, students used three separate books in one mathematics class, which made teaching and learning even more difficult.

Despite these inconveniences, both Steinmetz and Green said the students were receptive to teaching and open to learning, which made the experience beneficial for both the students and the Fellows.

There were also good relations among the other teachers, some of whom were also involved in one-year programs and others who had been there a number of years. The founder of Mayflower, Dr. Tai Solarin, impressed them both by his openness and helpfulness, combined with his belief and application of the work ethic, an idea common in the western world but rare in most parts of Africa. Dr. Solarin has maintained a close association with Alma College, and it is partly through him that the African Fellow program has grown.

The two were also impressed by the general receptiveness and helpfulness of other people they met. Steinmetz noticed that, "People were friendly and open," Steinmetz said. "They always wanted to help and they always looked out for you."

Green and Steinmetz said they saw no signs of racism.

"You just didn't think about it," Steinmetz said.

Green remarked that at first "you felt odd. But the only time I really felt that

there was racism against me was with the principal's dog."

The dog once attacked them and their dog, Garp, who had been left to them by a former African Fellow.

But with the exception of the principal's dog, Green and Steinmetz appreciated the friendliness of the Nigerians they met.

They usually had no trouble communicating with the people they met. Although most Nigerians did speak English, Steinmetz explained, "English is not their indigenous language," so they had a rather limited vocabulary.

"We understood them well enough, but they didn't always understand us," he said.

In general, though, communication was never very difficult.

They also found little difficulty adjusting to daily life there. Contrary to some popular beliefs, many African cities, particularly Lagos, are quite wealthy and modern. "It's a myth" that all African towns are primitive, Green said.

"It was a consumer society," Steinmetz noted. "You could buy anything there" — from video cassettes to doorknobs, cheese, liquor and even telephones (although people generally didn't have telephones in their homes).

But even though Nigeria is the wealthiest black African country, Steinmetz pointed out, "at the same time you see more poverty there." As in any modern society, both extremes can be seen.

Green and Steinmetz, living in the

Alma Cottage which is provided to all African Fellows, considered themselves fairly well-off. Even so, as Green remembered, "the electricity and water would go off sometimes for any length of time," from a few hours to a few days, or even a week at a time.

They recalled one unfortunate time when "the refrigerator, the motorcycle, the gas, everything, was off." For the most part, though, they agreed that they lived in comfort.

They ate well, too, even without the benefit of American fast food or pizza places. They believed that they ate better there, at least during the first term, than they did here, having the opportunity to try a wide variety of fruits and other natural foods. But then came the dry season, and they lived on "a lot of rice, beans, eggs, and brown bread."

For Green, "the biggest adjustment was the amount of starch we ate." Also they had to be careful about drinking the water if they were away from Mayflower.

The pair travelled quite extensively, touring Kenya for three weeks during their Christmas vacation and visiting many European countries for about a month before returning home.

Their most memorable trip, said Green, was during their Easter break when they travelled, mainly by bus, through West Africa "and just basically suffered for three weeks."

The purpose of their excursion was to visit many towns along the way and to get to know the people there.

"We did see a lot of towns and stuff,

but most of the time we spent on the road suffering," Green said.

Steinmetz explained that in the bus, "seven people would sit in a space intended for four people," and if the bus broke down or stopped, "everybody would get out and push the bus for a while."

Due to transportation breakdowns, stopping to let the Muslims pray five times a day and other factors, "a 13-hour bus trip would turn into 52 hours." At times they had to simply wait for help, so, as Steinmetz said, "you face a day in 120 degree heat and just sit and wait."

At one point they became frustrated after waiting for help while the bus drivers did nothing. "It was 120 degrees and they were sitting around drinking tea!" Green said. So when a passing cement truck stopped to see what was wrong with the bus, they decided to take the long, dusty trip with the truck back to a town rather than waiting with the bus.

"We basically lived like cattle for three and a half weeks," Green said.

Green and Steinmetz agreed that their experience in West Africa was one that they will never forget.

Considering all the aspects of their trip — the adjustments, the problems, the tensions, the people they met and the many experiences they had — Steinmetz spoke for both when he said that they would return again "without hesitation."

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pus requires a different approach.

"We see many potentialities," Kaplan stated. "We get to break new ground and develop new ideas that we have used in different settings but have never been tried here."

One of those ideas is the Outreach Program mentioned earlier, which focuses on a more preventative approach, to educate and make students aware before complications begin, both explained.

Groups of 8 to 12 students will meet to discuss topics of personal concern. For instance, personal growth, eating problems, sexual assault and abuse, gay support and students from alcoholic families will be the groups this term.

Perkins and Kaplan have already begun to build a rapport with students by speaking with student leaders, resi-

dent assistants, fraternities and sororities and small housing managers.

They stress their broad background in crisis intervention, women's counseling, assertiveness training, college survival tactics and vast counseling center experience to draw students from the professional perspective.

Perkins and Kaplan see no problem reaching students regardless of gender, nationality or religion. They are sensitive to the potential problem of lack of female counseling. With the aid of Robertson, the group hopes to fulfill all student needs.

Both Perkins and Kaplan have always seen more female than male clients because more females seek counseling, they said.

"Thus, we have more professional experience with women because we counsel more women than men," Kaplan stated. "Besides, whether or not

the counselor is good is more important than other factors — the research is there to substantiate that."

"We wish to solidify the image of ACCD to myself, David and Leigh," Perkins stated. They all agree that if

the need is there, the service will be provided.

ACCD is open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. All three counselors are on call 24 hours a day seven days a week.

Pyle, Jones leave ACCD

Dr. K. Richard Pyle, former director of ACCD, and Dr. Lesley Jones, former assistant director, resigned last spring.

Pyle left after he and his wife, Betty, both received offers from the University of Texas, Austin. He is now director of Career Outreach at the university.

"The move was not anticipated," Dr. Daniel Behring, vice president for student life and career programs, stated. "It was professionally advantageous for him and his family."

Jones, who lives near East Lansing, left because maintaining a long-distance relationship with her husband was becoming difficult, she said. Her husband is a staff member at Michigan State University.

Behring said he gave Jones a long period of time to resolve the issue.

Jones said she submitted a proposal she hoped "could meet my needs and

the college's needs simultaneously."

She proposed to work part time — two days and one evening each week.

"In addition, I proposed to hire a Ph.D-level intern full time for nine months, splitting my salary between the two of us," Jones said.

ACCD would have "gained one and one half people for the salary of one," Jones said.

"Jones' proposal was not in keeping with the way in which we would staff ACCD or the college in general," Behring said.

"We believed we could offer the student a more available and broader range of services with a full-time counselor in the community and available seven days a week," Behring said.

Jones said that she is considering several positions in private practice.

-V.M.S.

Blood drive scheduled

By Cindy Johnson
Co-News Editor

The first of three American Red Cross blood drives at Alma College this year will be a two-day drive on Monday, Sept. 26, and Tuesday, Sept. 27, from 11:45 in Dow Lobby, according to Gratiot County Red Cross Blood Coordinator Suzanne Detwiler.

"Donating blood brings donors the satisfaction of helping others in need by giving precious medicine available only from the human body," said Detwiler.

"Blood is one of the few things in life that can be given at no expense. People have a special gift that someone needs

— blood, the gift of life," she added.

Potential donors include anyone between the ages of 17 and 66 who weigh at least 110 pounds and are in good health, according to Detwiler.

An information area will be located in Hamilton Commons Friday, Sept. 23 during the lunch hour. Red Cross personnel will be present to answer any questions prospective donors may have.

During 1982-83, a total of 432 pints were collected through Alma College blood drives. The goal for all three drives this year is to collect 475 pints.

Additional drives are scheduled for Tuesday, Jan. 24, and Thursday, March 29.

Council

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Apparently, the goal of this year's Student Council is to set a tone of importance and relevance matched by enthusiasm. Vice President Teresa Murphy said "The students of Alma College are ready to be active par-

Participants on campus. This year that can happen."

Student Council meets in Dow 100 Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. and according to Student Council Officers, the presence of the student body is appreciated and encouraged.

Classifieds

There will be an Amnesty International meeting Thursday, Sept. 29 at 7 p.m. in B-11 of the Academic Center. Anyone interested is invited to attend.

Dr. Sardonicus,
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Rollo

MacZapf,
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Gurt

WANTED-Photography Editor for the Scotsman Yearbook. Salary: \$400. Find out more by picking up an application in the Student Affairs Office located in the basement of the Chapel. Applications are due Friday, Sept. 23. Any questions can be directed to Tammy Stull at ext. 7790.

Wench,
It sure isn't the same around here without you. Best of luck to you and Dr.FAR. And remember-once an Almanian always an Almanian. Or something like that.
The Almanian Staff

Batwoman,
It's not The Albanian but you have the chance to move up again. Kepp a stiff upper and take care of Dick. We sure hope that you can cook more than pasta.

Shelli,
Thank you so much for the carnation. You always seem to add a bright spot to my sometimes dull outlook. I seem to be finding out that I need you more and more every day.
Me

Freeman,
Surprise! Surprise! Surprise! It's not the Washington Post, but it'll do.
Bogar

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The Health Service now has Flu Vaccine. The charge this year will be \$5.00/injection. Flu vaccination is strongly recommended for: All persons over the age of 65, or all persons having chronic medical problems.
Any questions regarding Flu Shots may be directed to the Health Service at ext. 7181.

Any student interested in being a part of the Gay Support Group please contact Leigh Robertson at ACCD by phone, or leave a note marked "confidential" in her message box.

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Scots, Olivet tie in in double overtime

By Mary Douglas
Sports Editor

Alma opened field hockey league play Saturday at Olivet. After a scoreless second half and two 10-minute overtimes, the Scots went home with a 1-1 tie.

First half action was back-and-forth between goals as the two teams battled with first-game mistakes.

Comet inner Sue Cobbins scored within 25 minutes to scare the Scots 1-0.

Four minutes later, however, freshman Kim Neimeyer used a pass from freshman Chrystal Palmreuter to secure the tie.

"In the first half Olivet cut to the ball better," Coach Peg Ciccolella said. "We had a solid second half though. We had good interchange of players with good sticks."

In the second half and overtimes, Alma took the ball to the baseline and centered it well, but further scoring attempts were unsuccessful.

"We play with the ball too much in the circle," Ciccolella explained. "There's a time to crank on the ball and send it into the goal."

During the second half, the Scots took 11 unsuccessful shots against Olivet's goalie. The Comets never got off any shots on goal.

By the end of two scoreless overtimes, Alma had taken 25 shots and 16 penalty corners. Olivet was held to 15 shots and nine corners.

"We controlled the game offensively after the first half," Ciccolella stated. "If you look at possession time, the disparity was enormous."

Ciccolella continued, "We had numerous opportunities to score. The bottom line is that we did not put the ball in the cage."

"I'm still very optimistic," added Ciccolella. "Offense has been a problem for us in the past. We just have to work on deflecting centered passes into the cage. We were conditioned, though, and able to tolerate two overtimes. That's 90 minutes of continuous play."

The Scots travel to Albion on Tuesday and host Kalamazoo Friday at home.

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Tuesday	Sally Lund Coffee Cake Pancakes Scrambled Eggs Lyonnaise Potatoes Soft & Med. cooked eggs	Tomato Soup Hot Dogs Macaroni & Cheese Ham Salad on Whole Wheat Carrots Baked Beans Potato Chips	Turkey Rice Soup Veal Scallopini Italian Lasagna Cheese Omelets Parsley Potatoes Mixed Vegetables Garlic Bread
Wednesday	Homemade Donuts French Toast Fried Eggs Hearty Fried Potatoes Scrambled Eggs	Beef Noodle Soup Ham & Cheese Hot Wraps Ground Beef Pie Egg Foo Yong Green Beans Potato Chips	Canadian Cheese Soup Baked Meatloaf Batter Fried Fish Cheese Enchiladas Oven Browned Potatoes Spinach Hard Rolls
Thursday	Cinammon Coffee Cake Waffles Scrambled Eggs Hash Browned Potatoes Cheese Omelettes Bacon	Cream of Mushroom Soup BLT Sandwich Eggplant Parmesan Casserole Egg Salad on Whole Wheat Green Peas Potato Chips	Beef Barley Soup Roast Turkey with Dressing Grilled Beef Patty Broccoli Cheese Casserole Whipped Potatoes with Gravy Vegetable Trio
Friday	Homemade Donuts Pancakes Soft & Med. Cooked Eggs Home Fried Potatoes Scrambled Eggs	Pepper Pot Soup Fishwich with Coleslaw Ground Beef Stroganoff Ham Salad on Rye Harvard Beets Egg Noodles Potato Chips	Cream of Turkey Soup French Dip Sandwich Au Jus Baked Fish with Tartar Sauce Ham and Cheese Omelettes French Fries Carrot Coins Sesame Seed Rolls
Saturday	Homemade Donuts French Toast Scrambled Eggs Hearty Fried Potatoes Soft & Med. Cooked Eggs	Meatless Veg. Soup Beef Patty on Bun Egg/Onion/Green Pepper Hero Apple Fritters Cauliflower with Paprika Potato Chips	Split Pea Soup Savory Baked Chicken Top Sirloin Steak Pizza Deluxe Peas and Onions Baked Potato Baking Powder French Fries Biscuits
Sunday	Raisin Nut Muffins Waffles Fried Eggs Hash Browned Potatoes Scrambled Eggs	Corn Chowder Hoagie Sandwich Tuna Noodle Casserole Egg O' Muffin with Ham & Cheese Mixed Vegetables Braised Celery Corn Chips	Tomato Soup Baked Ham Patty Melt Liver with Onions Baked Potatoes Broccoli Cuts Spiced Applesauce Dinner Rolls
Monday	Homemade Donuts Pancakes Scrambled Eggs Home Fried Potatoes Breakfast Biscuits Shaved Ham	Lima Bean Soup Sloppy Joe on Bun Macaroni and Cheese Turkey Salad on Wheat Green Beans BBQ Chips	Minestrone Soup Breaded Veal Cutlets Swedish Meatballs Spinach Crepes Egg Noodles Buttermilk Biscuits Green Peas

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