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Albosta, Schuette debate

By Kay Hilber
Staff Writer

Alma will host the first public debate between state congressional candidates Don Albosta and Bill Schuette at 8 p.m. this Thursday in Dunning Chapel.

Pi Sigma Alpha, the political science honor society, will sponsor the presentation. Incumbent Albosta and challenger Schuette are candidates in the representative race for Michigan's 10th district, which includes Gratiot County.

"It's a Reagan-type Republican versus a Mondale-type Democrat"

—Dale Martin

The society is sponsoring the presentation to "bring public affairs to the attention of students on campus," said Pi Sigma Alpha advisor Dr. Robert Johnston.

"It's an effort to bring public affairs events on campus and get students knowledgeable about issues and the campaign," Johnston added.

Pi Sigma Alpha President Dale Martin said that the representative race approximated the Reagan-Mondale campaign.

"It's a Reagan-type Republican versus a Mondale-type Democrat," Martin said. "The same ideas are there. It will, in a wider scope, depict that race."

The presentation will begin with a 15-20 minute statement by Albosta and Schuette on topics of their choice. Each member of Pi Sigma Alpha will then address one question to the candidates, after which the audience will be allowed to ask questions.

Johnston began setting up the presentation in July.

"It mainly involved a lot of phone calls," he said. "I called the campaign schedulers of both sides, getting them to give the dates the candidates were free."

The main difficulty in arranging their presentation lay in finding a day when both Albosta and Schuette were free.

Both candidates stipulated before agreeing to come that the presentation be open to the public. Johnston agreed to this and extended publicity to St. Louis and Ithaca as well as to Alma.

"Having both candidates instead of just one helped in getting the word out," Johnston said. "It will be a non-partisan presentation."

Martin said that he helped in arranging the presentation by acting as a liaison between Alma and the Schuette committee.

Both Johnston and Martin approved of the presentation.

"It'll help increase the political awareness on campus," Martin said.

"I think it'll be a good event," Johnston added. "It will be an opportunity for the community to meet its congressmen and ask them questions."

The presentation will be in the Dunning Memorial Chapel at 8 p.m.

1984 Homecoming court



Left to right: Beth Jordan, Sari Smith, Roxann Reid, Kathy Topping and Leslie Hagen.

photo by Rodney Curtis

Big screen T.V. purchased for Tyler

By Kerry Wilson
Staff Writer

A large screen color television set with a VCR player located in Jones Auditorium in the Tyler center is now

operational. Union Board is arranging a program schedule for the set.

The Student Affairs Committee, Vice President for Student Life, Daniel Behring, Student Congress and the Union Board joined forces to complete this project, which has been under con-

sideration for three years.

The television had originally been cut from the Tyler renovation budget, so the supporters had to find alternative sources for funding the project. The new financial sources included \$1000 from Student Congress and the remaining \$2000 from a restricted Tyler improvement fund which comes from the video machine revenue.

The television and VCR will remain locked except during times previously scheduled by the Union Board.

Union Board President Cathy Lazar is considering conducting a student survey to find what programming would best suit the students. Some of her ideas include open showings of Hill Street Blues, St. Elsewhere and other popular shows. Lazar hopes that these showings on the color set with excellent reception will help revitalize the community atmosphere on campus.

It will revitalize the community atmosphere on campus

Student Congress approves committee appointments

By Jodie Hernandez
Staff Writer

Student Congress last week approved the appointments to the constitutional review committee.

Those appointed to the committee were Chairman John Bradley, Karen Sullivan, Larry Baker, Cathy McDonough and Heidi Spindler.

Congress decided to award the Certificate of Appreciation, awarded to outstanding faculty and staff, again this year.

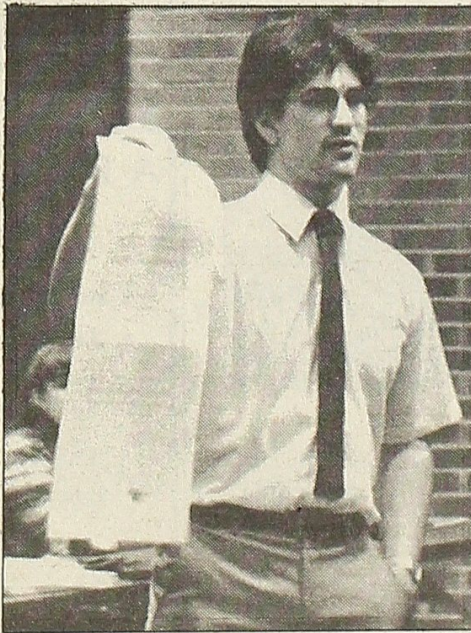
It was also decided that a limit of 100 people would be invited to attend leadership day, tentatively scheduled for Nov. 29.

A decision was made to have congress sponsor a child from overseas through the "adopt-a-child" program.

It was announced that through the voter registration drive, approximately 56 new voters were registered and 130 absentee ballot applications were distributed.

Congress began discussion this

week about what response to make to last week's *Almanian* editorial challenge, and will make a decision next week.



Kevin Dean

photo by Ed Teall

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'Varsity sport of the mind' to begin

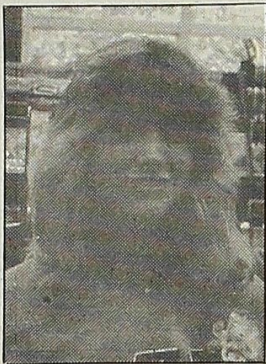
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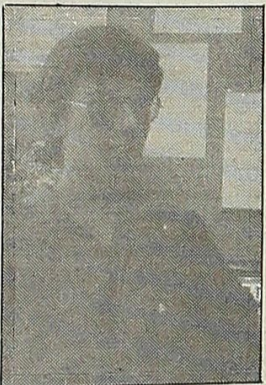
Question: How do you feel about the new male cheerleaders?

A. Dean Ulrich: "I think it's good because it gets people more involved. I think it's better for the whole student body."

A. Simone Heidrich: "I think they really catch the attention of the crowd a lot more and they add a little bit of humor that appeals to the crowd. That's the whole idea of what the cheerleaders have to do is get the crowd's attention and they do it well."

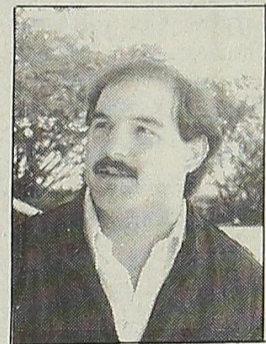


A. Chris Avison: "I think they give depth to the cheerleading squad. It breaks an area of Alma that traditionally was a female area. And I think that the gentlemen that are participating give a good broad background of a lot of different students that we have on campus."



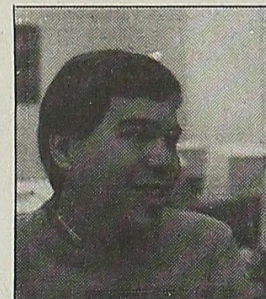
A. Mark Petz: "First of all, I think it's good. It's very positive and I think they bring a lot of spirit that was never in the cheerleading squad last year. They bring a little variety to the football game which is really good, plus the acrobatics, which is nice."

A. Michele Draper: "I think it is a good idea. It breaks the stereotype that cheerleaders have to be female."



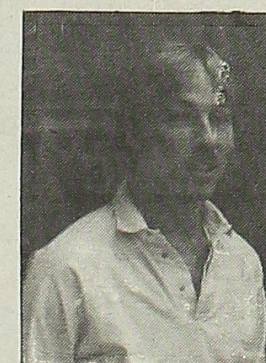
A. Pat Buzolits: "I think they've got a lot of guts to do what they're doing, and to do what they really want to do. I think they are doing a pretty good job."

A. Mandy Still: "I think that guys can do a lot of cheering stunts that girls can't. And it's really good for the guys and girls to work together. It looks professional and more interesting."



A. Bill Sailors: "I think they were a lot of fun at the last football game. I think it added a lot to it."

A. Julie Baumgardner: "I am really impressed with the fact that we've got guy cheerleaders now. I think people are more fired up at the games because of them and it looks like all the cheerleaders are having more fun. Last year the girls did a nice job, they were really sharp but the enthusiasm wasn't there and the fun wasn't there. Now that the guys are there it looks like they're all having a good time and I know the games have been a lot more fun for me."



A. Sumner Camisa: "I think it's a good addition to the Alma campus. I think they really know what they're doing, they look really professional. I've heard a lot of good comments on what they do."

College Bowl, "the varsity sport of the mind," will be played this fall beginning October 15. The first organizational meeting is scheduled for tonight at 7:30 p.m. in the Van Dusen Fireside Lounge.

Over the past thirty years, College Bowl has been played on campuses all across America.

Like the popular G.E. College Bowl television series and

High School Bowl television programs, the game features two teams of four players each competing to score points to toss-up and bonus questions.

The questions cover literature, science, history, current events, religion, philosophy, art, mythology,

music, drama, rock 'n' roll, sports and film. The emphasis is on quick recall and entertainment for both players and

the audience.

Students who want to play in the campus tournament should contact the ACUB office or Tait Norton. A \$5.00 tournament fee must be paid before teams may begin play on October 15.

The team which wins the campus tournament will represent Alma at the ACU-I College Bowl Regional Championship Tournament with all expenses paid by ACUB.

Creative teaching speech scheduled

By Melissa Birks
Feature Editor

On Friday, October 12, Alma will be visited by Ed Jacomo, head of the Department of Creative and Performing Arts at University Liggett School in Grosse Pointe. A former art professor at Alma, Jacomo will be returning here to give a presentation about creativity in teaching.

The presentation, funded by Alma's Development Office, Admissions Office, and the Education Department, will be at 8:00 p.m. in the Louanna Baker Jones Auditorium.

Entitled "More Than Just Plain Vanilla," the lecture, free to all students, is aimed at people interested in becoming a teacher. According to Educa-

tion Department Chairperson Lynda Markham, however, "anybody who is looking for a creative approach to life will enjoy the presentation."

Jacomo's teaching credentials include being a faculty member at such universities as Florida Atlantic University, Central Michigan University and University of Connecticut.

While at Alma, he was three times selected distinguished professor in the Humanities Division. In 1977, his honors included the Art Educator of the Year award.

In addition, Jacomo is a nationally recognized artist and a frequently published author. He is an experienced speaker who lectures before all age groups in nationwide workshops.

Markham, who describes Jacomo as "fun to listen to, in-

spirational, creative, and always caught-up in his presentations," encourages all interested parties to attend the lecture.

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Sigma Beta fraternity faces uncertainties

By Kerry Wilson
Staff Writer

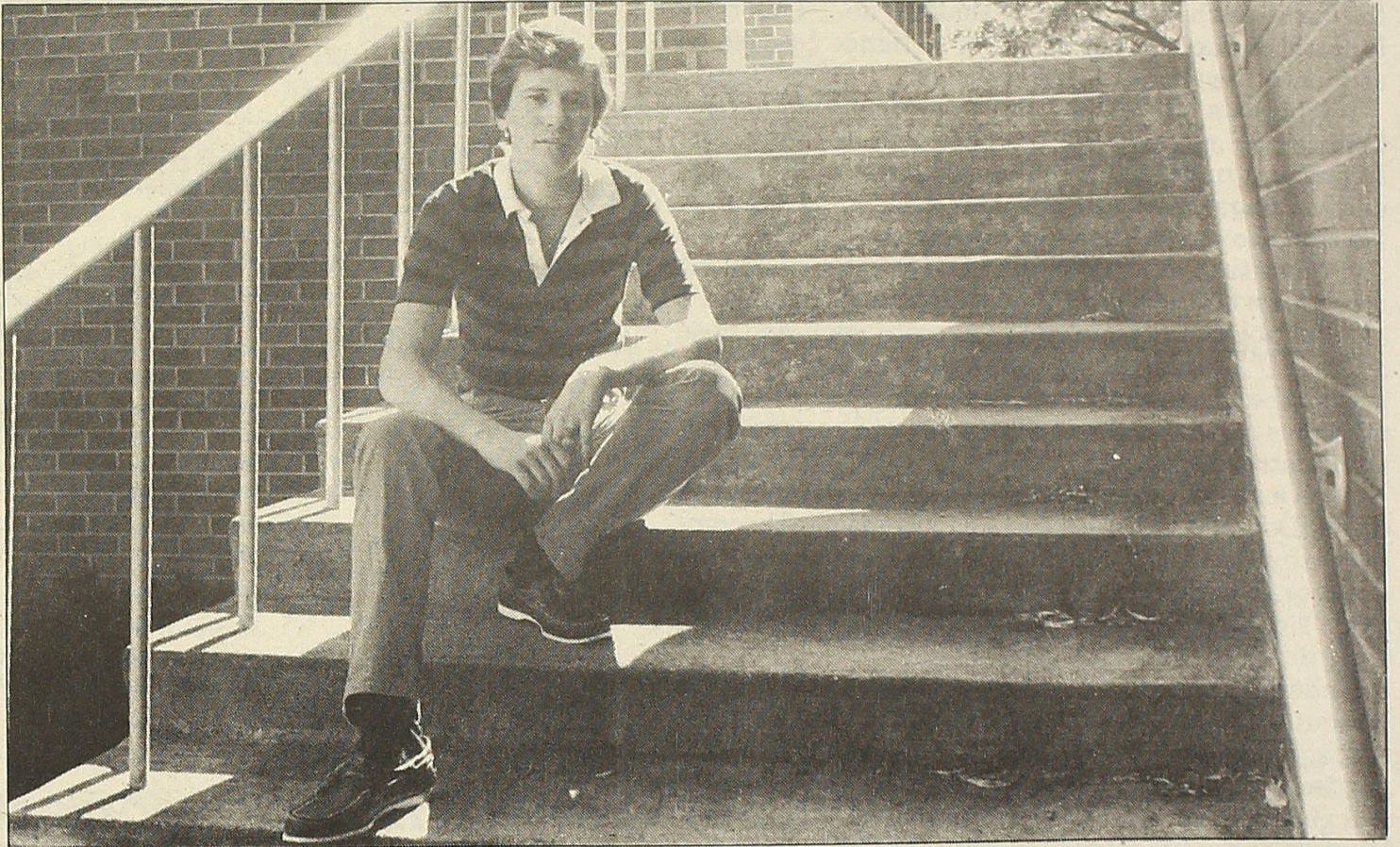
The Sigma Beta service fraternity did not participate in fall rush or runouts because, according to President Brad Atwell, it would have been inappropriate to pledge new members at a time when the group's future is uncertain.

The major obstacle facing the Sigma Betas is the lack of active members, Atwell said. The problem, which he said, "should have been faced long ago," now may force the fraternity to cease operation.

Atwell said he is not sure how the group can solve the numbers problem, but the Betas are now reviewing the Interfraternity Council constitution to learn what action is available to them.

Sigma Beta is the only exclusively service-oriented fraternity on campus at this time, and until a positive decision is reached, Atwell said the group is still an active part of the campus.

The Sigma Betas are "still committed to service to this campus and community. We are making every effort to stay here and continue that service," Atwell said.



Sigma Beta President Bradley Atwell

photo by Brenda Baxley

Alma's test scores decrease

National ACT and SAT test averages increase

By Rachel Bearss
Staff Writer

After recent drops, the national ACT and SAT average scores have risen slightly, according to the *Chroni-*

cle of Higher Education and the College Board. In contrast, admissions reports that the average ACT score of this year's freshmen entering Alma decreased by a little over two percent.

National ACT averages have chang-

ed no more than two-tenths of a point in the past five years, fluctuating between 18.5 and 18.3. SAT data is shown in the chart below.

Alma's average ACT scores based on entering freshmen have varied more

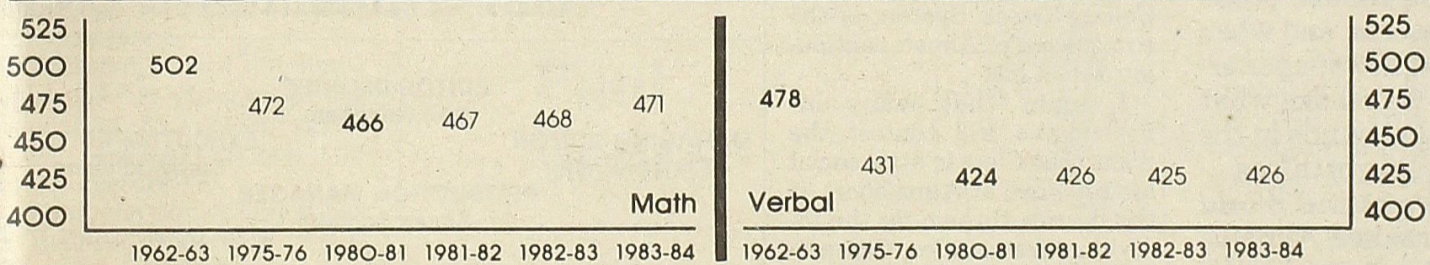
widely, but have traditionally stayed within the 23-24 range.

The present senior class had the lowest average, 23.47, while the sophomores were on top with a 24.2. The juniors' scores fall in the middle with an average of 23.97. Class sizes have differed substantially.

SAT scores in the nation cannot be easily compared with Alma College data because few entering freshmen have taken the test.

The Rise, Fall & Rise of S.A.T. Scores

SOURCE: COLLEGE BOARD



Alma's Victory Bell rings again

By Kerry Wilson
Staff Writer

The traditional victory or "spirit" bell returned to the Alma football field during the home game Sept. 29 after an absence of several years.

The bell has been a part of the Alma College tradition for many years. It is rung every time the Alma football team scores, one ring for every point on the home scoreboard.

The college stored the bell after it cracked several years ago and just recently soldered the crack to prepare the bell for its reappearance.

Dean of Students Anand K. Dyal-Chand said that the college does not live with enough tradition today. Dyal

Chand said that over the school's history, many traditions have been given up. The victory bell will provide, according to Dyal-Chand, "a sense of continuity and belonging."

homecoming.

The victory bell, however, has one problem. The soldering caused the tone to go bad and the college would like to find another bell. These bells are

The victory bell will provide "a sense of continuity and belonging"
—Anand Dyal-Chand

This particular tradition is part of a bigger picture. Dyal-Chand believes the bell will give Alma a sense of time and making history.

A new tradition is currently being developed: a "spirit rock" that should be installed on the campus before

no longer made, but an effort to find another bell is underway.

Until a new bell is found, the old bell will be used. Dyal Chand invited any organization interested in sponsoring a new victory bell to contact the Student Affairs office.

Eleven pledges gained through open bids

By Jodie Hernandez
Staff Writer

Eleven new sorority pledges were gained through open bids this past week.

The Alpha Zeta Tau sorority gained six new members, while the Delta Phi Omegas claimed five.

The new members of Alpha Zeta Tau are Jeannine Cormier, Beth Dunbar, Tracy Engle, Heidi Hillstrom and Kris Johnson.

The new Delta Phi Omega members are Alison Flagg, Debra Garino, Janelle Kauffman, Heather McNeill and Julie Visscher.

Editorial

Drink intelligently

Recently, students from Wisconsin colleges organized a mass "drink-in" on the steps of the state capitol to protest an effort to raise the drinking age to twenty-one. Spurred by a profane motto, the students issued a statement: "We, as students, understand that we and our peers will not stop drinking because the law dictates that we do." This rally illustrates the current mood of defiance by college students toward drinking policies.

Michigan's state law sets the drinking age at twenty-one and this places a burden on the college to prohibit underage drinking. Understandably, the drinking-age laws are not the easiest to enforce. Neither, however, are they the most difficult.

At North Carolina State University, a recent crackdown netted eighty-nine violators of the school's alcohol policy in two nights. Arrests such as those at NCSU are becoming more and more frequent across the country. Let us hope that the students' attitudes regarding alcohol here do not prompt harsh administrative action.

Such a crackdown can be easily avoided: think, then drink. Do not drink with the sole intention of becoming intoxicated and unruly. Do not create excessive noise or trouble while drinking. Do not be afraid to say, "No, I'd rather not drink." If you do drink, drink with intelligence and responsibility.

Underage drinking presents a definite problem for administrators, but students can ease this problem through responsibility. The elimination of free-for-all parties, and such activities as the "Harlow" trophy will go a long way to serve this end. Collegiate drinking will never be entirely eliminated, but problems that accompany it can be greatly reduced. The solution is to prevent the problems.

College ratings

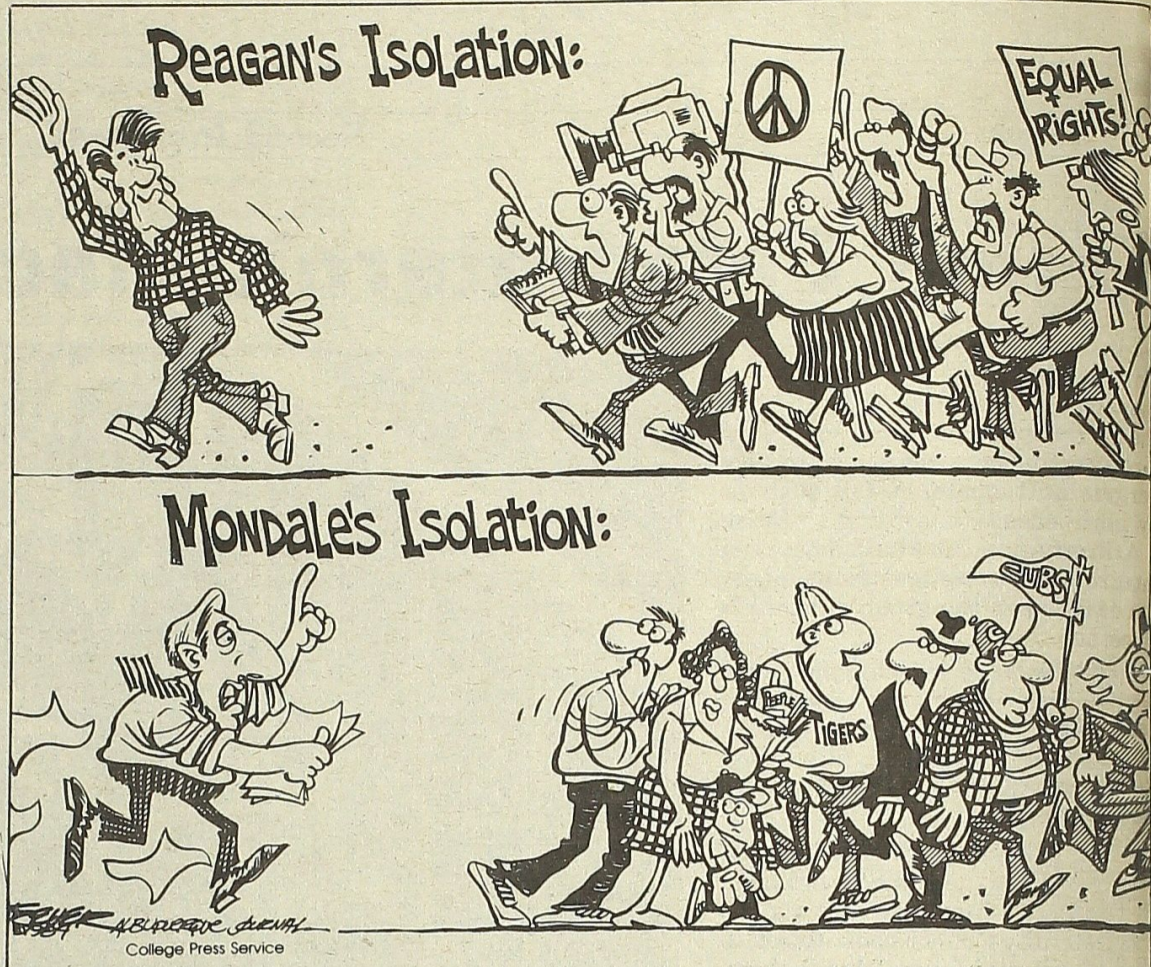
Recently, Times Books asked certain students at Alma and at schools across the country to fill out a questionnaire about academics, social life, sports and many other qualities of their respective schools, the information to be used in preparing a new edition of the *Selective Guide to Colleges*.

We are all familiar with this publication — which claims to cover "the best and most interesting" schools — or one like it, such as Barron's. Such books practically choke the shelves in bookstores, and when we recall the number of magazine and newspaper articles which also "rate the schools," we realize what a tremendous amount of this material abounds in the marketplace. And most of it is nearly worthless.

Remember last year, when a *U.S. News and World Report* survey of college presidents ranked Alma as the second-best small liberal arts college in the midwest or west? It was fun to brag to friends about, but did anyone really believe it? Earlier in the year, a similar study reported in *The Detroit Free Press* did not even mention Alma. Among the college rating books, Alma's ranking varies widely.

The major problem with these surveys is that the people doing the rating, through no fault of their own, have very little idea what they're talking about. How could those college presidents possibly know what really happens here? How can Barron's shove a school into a meaningful category with its minimum of research? And how can the students participating in the Times Books study accurately evaluate their schools when most students have no basis for comparison?

They can't, of course. Therefore, most such ratings are for the most part meaningless, and should probably be taken with several grains of salt, if not ignored altogether. Of course, as long as there are high school seniors, there will be a market for college rankings. But let's try to start giving these ratings the inattention they deserve.



Letters

Greeks have self-correcting mechanisms

Editor:

In my estimation, the erroneous nature of Susan Schmitt's recent articles impart a shallow understanding of the Greek system on Alma's campus.

With winter runouts bringing the Greek population close to 50 percent of the college total, Alma's fraternity system is much stronger than the Greek communities of other campuses. While the reasons for this phenomenon can be attributed to many factors, one point stands out above all others: The Alma College Greek System is the cornerstone of Alma's continuing social life.

I doubt that many independents will contest the point that there is little social life provided at Alma short of the parties thrown by the individual fraternities. Campus groups like the Union Board do a great job of providing activities for the student body, but they have extremely limited resources. A two-hour movie on Saturday night does not provide adequate and meaningful social interaction.

It is within this social void that the image of the fraternity system has been asked to evolve.

I believe that the leadership void reputed to exist within the Greek community exists in image only. It is incredible that the Greek system is cut down by the same individuals who utilize the social advantages without contributing anything to the group. These people only view fraternities as places to exhibit irresponsible behavior — behavior that the Greeks themselves would not condone.

Maybe that is the whole pro-

blem at hand, if there actually is one. The Greeks contribute an invaluable asset to the independent population free of responsibility.

The contention of Ms. Schmitt of Sept. 25 that the Greeks have the problem "that they are not responsible to anyone but their own members in terms of leadership, interpersonal relations, and personal development" must be contested at this point. This view is definitely one that is uninformed as to

the daily workings of the individual groups.

The need for leadership within a group, especially a group that lives together, helps develop leadership skills among people who might not otherwise have the chance to develop their potential. Coupled with the added confidence a fraternity can help build, it is inevitable that a disproportionate number of leaders on campus are Greek affiliated.

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Opinion

Reagan's policy is only alternative

The recent state visit by Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko raised the hopes of many that a new stage in U.S./Soviet relations would begin. While most people simply hoped for a general thawing of the frigid relations, the overly-optimistic hoped for a return to the nuclear arms bargaining tables in Geneva by both sides.

Arms control discussions on intermediate-range nuclear forces (INF) have been broken since the Soviets walked out on November 23, 1983 in response to the U.S./NATO deployment of missiles in Europe. The Strategic Arms Reduction Talks (START) are similarly stalled.

Because of the lack of negotiation, many of President Reagan's opponents have asserted that he has not made an effort at arms control.

Critics who berate Reagan for hawkish policies overlook many facts. In December of 1979, before Reagan took office, NATO voted to deploy intermediate-range nuclear missiles in Europe. The NATO deployment was to begin in late 1983 with the installation of Pershing II missiles and ground-launched cruise missiles.

When President Reagan entered office, he revived the B-1, MX and Trident projects in order to replace out-dated weapons systems. Mr. Reagan also initiated the INF discussions in November, 1981, and the START in June, 1982.

In response to the growing threat of Soviet missiles targeted at Europe, Mr. Reagan supported the approved NATO deployment scheduled to begin in November, 1983. The Soviets then left Geneva after numerous attempts at compromise failed.

Those who place the blame solely on Mr. Reagan for the lack of an arms control agreement perhaps overlook two major factors.

First, the Soviet Union has a definite leadership crisis. They have had three leaders since Mr. Reagan took office. Each change of Soviet leadership involves unseen power plays and manipulations. Another change looms closer as Chairman Chernenko's health deteriorates.

The second, and perhaps most important, factor is that arms control agreements as we used to know them (SALT I and SALT II) are antiquated. They are extremely

difficult to negotiate and even more impossible to enforce. What, then, can be done to bring about arms control?

Perhaps Mr. Mondale can provide a few insights. What would be Mr. Mondale's arms control policy? Basically, he is a proponent of the idealistic bubble theory: the mutually verifiable freeze. I hate to burst his (and many others') bubble, but current military weaponry and technology have made verification next to impossible, especially in conjunction with the Soviet rejection of on-site, no-notice inspection.

New weapons are highly mobile and small, making them easy to conceal; chemical and biological weapons are even easier to conceal (although the Soviets have made no effort to hide their 70,000 tons of nerve and poisonous gases).

A verifiable agreement would not eliminate the desire to achieve a military advantage and new technology would outstrip an agreement in the long run. A Mondale-sponsored freeze (like the one on the Michigan ballot in 1982 — what an impact it had on U.S. policy!) is utterly useless and even more ridiculous.

Mr. Mondale has also suggested a "pause" in U.S. weapon research, production, and deployment which would be called off if the Soviets do not respond. President Carter attempted such a strategy and the Soviets responded: an une-

qualified military build-up that left the United States in a distinctly inferior position. It appears that Mr. Mondale's proposals are as ineffective as his presidential campaign.

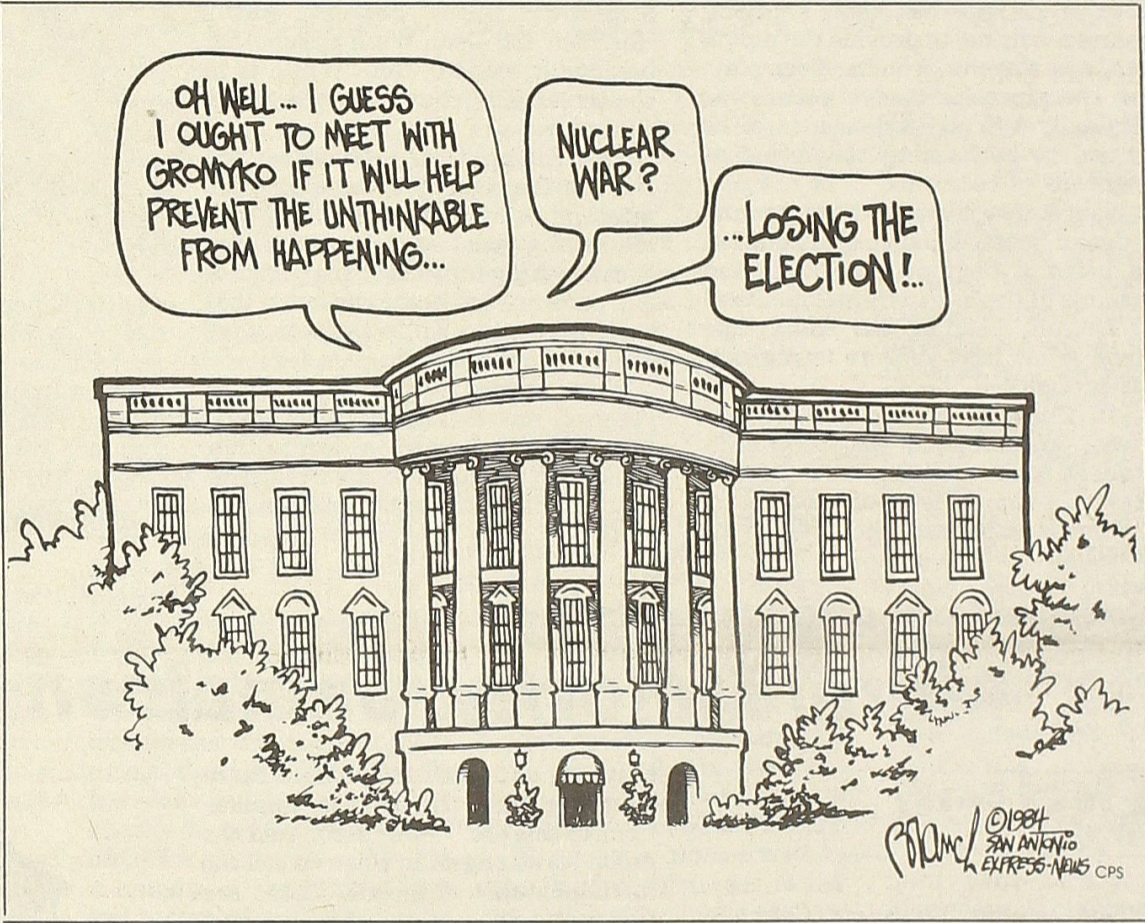
Is arms control really that futile? If past techniques and proposals are used to formulate an arms control agreement, then I believe that it is. A new development or breakthrough that removes the loopholes of technology

and noncompliance is necessary for future arms control. The only purpose which an archaic arms control treaty (one drafted in a similar

fashion to SALT II) would serve would be to pacify the leftist whiners who mistakenly believe in such documents.



Dale Martin



Flat tax best for everyone

Paul Winter



It has been said that only two things are certain in life — death and taxes. And up to now, it has also seemed imminent that those taxes would increase. But if either one of two tax plans before Congress pass, all that could change.

The present tax system is very complex, and becomes more difficult to interpret every year. Simply, it is supposed to be set up in a progressive manner with higher

income earners paying higher tax rates.

Until a couple years ago, the highest income earners paid a marginal tax rate of 70 percent of their income. Recent ceiling reductions have dropped the top rates to 50 percent of income.

At the time of the reduction in tax rates, liberals assailed the package for favoring the rich. Although Congress dropped the marginal tax rate for the highest income earners, that group has actually paid more in taxes over the last two years. Instead of hiding income in the form of tax shelters, the "rich" have been more eager to have their income taxed. In 1981, for every \$1.00 collected, \$1.18 was lost in tax shelters.

Not only did high tax rates have an impact on the rich, they also affected the middle

class, who were pushed into higher tax brackets due to inflation. Warren T. Brooks indicated in his October 4th column that in 1965 less than 3 percent of all Americans paid a marginal tax rate of 28 percent or more. By 1979 35 percent of the American taxpayers were in that bracket.

Typically, it has been Republicans who have pushed for lower taxes, and Democrats who historically endorse tax increases. The Reagan/Mondale disagreement over the issue reinforces this.

Of late, however, both Democrats and Republicans have been out to pass separate measures to reduce and simplify taxes.

Sen. Bill Bradley, D-N.J., and Rep. Richard Gephardt, D-Mo., are sponsoring a plan which would tax most Americans at 14 percent with a maximum rate of 30 percent.

Another bill is sponsored by Sen. Bob Karsten, R-Wis., and Rep. Jack Kemp, R-N.Y., which would establish the top rate at 25 percent.

In addition, Treasury Secretary Donald Regan has indicated that the treasury will draft a tax simplification plan.

A flat tax rate at a moderate level makes good sense. For too long the American people have slaved trying in vain to do their taxes, only to hand the information over to a C.P.A. later.

Not only will the simplification process be welcome relief, but it will also make the tax structure more equitable. With a reduction in the number of tax loopholes, which encourage tax shelters for the high earners, taxing will be a fairer process. It will be fairer for the lower and middle class, who do not have the capital to shelter.

In short, a flat tax rate would be beneficial to all. It was the original intent of lawmakers that each pay his fair share and that fair share be reasonable. That has become distorted over the years, but a tax at a constant percent of income would reverse that trend.

Letters Policy

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should be addressed to: Editor, The Almanian, Newberry Hall, Alma College, Alma, MI 48801.

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Feature

Pipe band strengthens Alma's Scottish heritage

By Lora Helou
Staff Writer

Since bagpipes seem natural to the home of the Scots, the all new Alma Pipe Band is heading the campaign of enhancing Alma's Scottish heritage.

Formed in late September, the Alma Pipe Band is acclaimed as a way to "strengthen and perpetuate the Scottish arts with a motif that is very real to us here at Alma," Provost Ronald Kapp, the program's organizer, said.

Kapp looked to Bill Weaver, a student at Central Michigan studying sports medicine, to provide the piping tutelage. Weaver, who has been playing the pipes for twelve years, was originally a Scottish dancer until he turned to performing the music as well.

Weaver now serves as a teacher and judge of Scottish dancing in addition to being a bagpipe instructor and member of the St. Andrews Pipe Band of Detroit. Leading the Alma Pipe Band is his first venture into group instruction.

"I think it's going to work out great," Weaver said, "as long as each student works at home and they all stay at a similar level of progress."

Weaver explained the prelude to

piping: a novice begins on a chanter, similar to a recorder. After some five to eight months of practice and learning technique, the promising pipers graduate to actual bagpipes.

Presently, nineteen members make up the band, with two beginning groups and one section of three who already play the pipes. Alma students, staff and community comprise the collection of pipe enthusiasts.

Michelle Curry, Bill Kent, Meg MacDonald, Loree Probert, Scott Rumsey, Susy Stark and Polly Vedder are in one novice section.

Lora Helou, Jennie Kilburn, Dawn Matzkows, Kathy Sargent, Kathy Sheffield and Dean Winn are another beginning section. John White is in the three-member experienced piping ensemble.

Said Kapp, "Only a few other colleges in the country feature Scottish arts, and we have discovered that they are having great success with them. We're looking forward to the prospect of a performance-grade ensemble that can support the Kiltie Dancers, give concerts and march in parades."

Weaver added, "The Alma Highland Festival usually starts the piping season and I foresee the Alma Pipe Band participating in it one day as well as other festivals around the state."



John White

photo by Rodney Curtis

Common Hour presents two lectures

Moral Majority, Jamaican program discussed

By John E. Dunning
Staff Writer

This coming Thursday, Common Hour will present two different programs: The Moral Majority and the Jamaica/Alma Connection.

Rev. Dan Barker of the Liberty Baptist Church of Alma will present the views and beliefs of the Moral Majority.

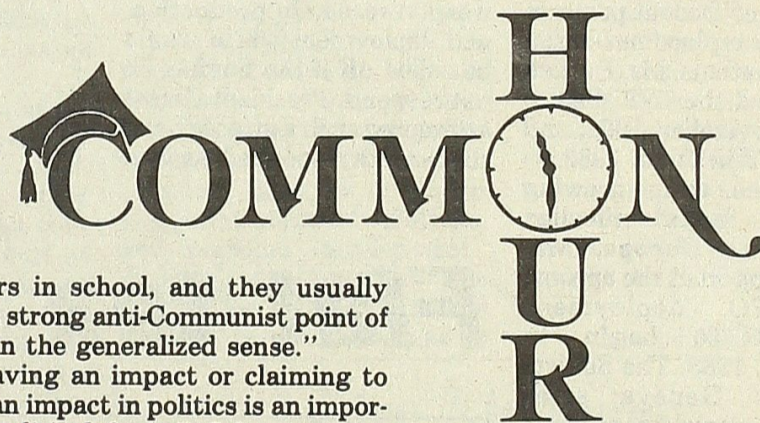
Dr. Robert Johnston, coordinator of this program, explained, "He will be presenting the position of the Moral Majority, and the views of what types of moral rejuvenation needs to take place."

"I suspect that his basic speech will be more on the basic beliefs which will be more from a religious and philosophical point of view," Johnston continued. "I suspect that questions

that may be asked of him might carry over into what the political implications of this are." Johnston said the group "is strongest in what we call the fundamentalist churches. Those are the people who are most concerned about the moral declines. They see it in the country, and want to return to better moral ways."

"Some of them at least have come to the conclusion that they need to be active in politics, have the right type of people elected, who will see that necessary laws are passed, or prevent other laws from being passed which essentially will destroy their views of what is the proper moral climate for the country," Johnston continued.

Johnston, a political science professor, said, "I'm looking at it from the political dimension. I'm aware they're opposed to abortion, they're opposed to pornography, they're opposed to homosexuality. They're for



prayers in school, and they usually take a strong anti-Communist point of view in the generalized sense."

"Having an impact or claiming to have an impact in politics is an important political force," Johnston concluded. "Others may look upon it in terms of it trying to return to earlier, higher moral types of positions."

A follow-up session with two professors, Dr. Massanari in philosophy and Dr. Davis in political science, is scheduled for Oct. 25. Massanari and Davis will comment on the Moral Majority position.

The Jamaica/Alma program provides a look at an alternative to staying on campus for spring term. Jim Mueller and others who went to Jamaica last year will give a slide show and answer questions about their experiences and the work they did.

The group left for Jamaica the Friday before spring term started. Last year, everyone bound for southern sun visited the north-east coast of the island near Green Island.

"We spent three and a half weeks in Jamaica doing a whole variety of things. We had five main projects—one of which was to build a theater at a secondary school in Green Island," Mueller said.

The second project done by the visiting Almanians was helping repair houses in a poor village called Krall with a grant from the Jamaican government for about five thousand dollars. "We took about eight to ten houses and we replaced center beams, replaced floors, patched roofs, and we put in windows," Mueller said. "We just took the houses in worse repair and worked side by side with Jamaicans to repair them."

A few students who were interested in teaching instructed in some elementary schools. This project included

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This Week...

TUESDAY

- Hong Kong Day
- Spanish film: Barcelona, 11:30 a.m., AC 309
- Outside dance, 3:00 p.m., begins library
- Panel discussion on Alma College alcohol policy: Alcohol Use & Abuse on College Campuses, 7:00 p.m., Louanna Baker Jones Aud.
- College Bowl organizational meeting, 7:30 p.m., VanDusen fireside lounge

WEDNESDAY

- Australia Day
- Film: Alcohol: Drugs or Alternatives, 7:00 p.m., AC 304
- ACUB coffeehouse featuring Tom Bourcier, 9:00 p.m. (tentative), Louanna Baker Jones Aud.

THURSDAY

- Hawaii Day
- Board of Trustees meeting
- Campus visit day I (admissions)
- Common Hour programs: The Moral Majority: an advocate speaks AND The Jamaica/Alma Connection by 1984 faculty and student participants, 11:30 a.m.-12:20 p.m., AC 113
- Videotapes: Beyond the Bottle and 99 Bottles, 7:00 p.m., AC 304
- International Film: Rashomon, 7:30 p.m., Louanna Baker Jones Aud.
- Debate: Congressmen Albosta and Schuette, 8:00 p.m., Chapel
- CPP interviewing skills, 8:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m., AC 209

FRIDAY

- New York Day
- Board of Trustees meeting
- Presentation by Edward Jacomo:

"More Than Plain Vanilla"—creativity in education, 7:00 p.m., Louanna Baker Jones Aud.

- Homecoming theme dinner "Passport to Fantasy"—Hawaiian luau, Hamilton
- Movie: Never Say Never Again, 9:00 p.m., Dow Aud.

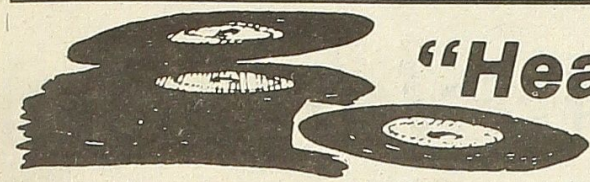
SATURDAY

- Captain's Ball Day
- SHAC road run, 8:00 a.m., P.E. Center
- Homecoming Parade, 11:00 a.m., Superior Street
- Homecoming dance featuring "The Plaids," TBA, VanDusen

SUNDAY

- Catholic mass, 9:15 a.m., Chapel
- Chapel Worship, 4:00 p.m., Chapel
- Movie: Never Say Never Again, 9 p.m., Dow Auditorium

Entertainment



"Heartbeat City" is good quality Cars

By Don Wheaton
Staff Writer

THE CARS—
"Heartbeat City"
★★★★½

Like the assembly line which produces automobiles, the

fleet.

None of the ten tracks on *Heartbeat City* breaks any new ground, but none stop short of quality, either.

It is very difficult to describe the Cars, for they have their own distinctive style that no one has been able

Throughout "*Heartbeat City*," one hears the familiar Cars' trademark guitar riffs, keyboard chords, quirky-jerky rhythms, and other such peculiarities

Boston quintet which calls itself the Cars has put forth another LP in their musical

to duplicate. The LP is typical Cars, with no weak points and many strong ones.

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having business students give lectures on business in the secondary schools.

Mueller also had nine pre-med students spend time going around to clinics and hospitals visiting with public health people in Jamaica and making the rounds with them.

"For the fifth program," he said, "we wound up doing a census survey in this village in which we were repairing the houses. We collected some basic demographic information on education, age, sex, number of people in houses, and did a survey of the housing to determine the number of square feet per person, living conditions, and so on."

"The students who went had a very powerful experience. It really isn't that far in terms of air miles, but in terms of cultural differences, it

is substantial," Mueller added.

"Jamaica was a British colony for a long time, and they are very, very friendly people. We had nothing but co-operation from the Jamaicans," he continued. "It was an excellent situation, and we had a lot of fun and did a lot of hard work."

"It's the kind of thing I wish I had been able to do in college, because I think what happens to students who go is they really get a different perspective on their own culture by having lived in a culture where things aren't done the American way," Mueller concluded. "If nothing else, simply putting their own lives here in a different perspective. It's said that traveling is a broadening experience, and that's true; it is."

The disc is loaded with tunes that have received heavy airplay, namely, "Hello Again," "Magic," "You Might Think," and their current smash, "Drive."

Most of the album sounds like a recompilation of other Cars albums. For example, "Stranger Eyes" bears a strange resemblance to "Cruiser" from the *Shake It*

Up LP.

Throughout "*Heartbeat City*" one hears the familiar Cars' trademark guitar riffs, keyboard chords, quirky-jerk rhythms, and other such musical peculiarities.

Ric Ocasek once again has welded together the musical seams as the band's songwriter and front man.

Lyricaly, the album is pret-

ty typical for Ocasek. Yet one senses that he is moving away from his usual coolness on human relationships, as lyrics in "You Might Think" evidence: "But I think that you're wild/ When you flash that fragile smile."

Heartbeat City is not exactly vintage Cars, and it may never be classic Cars, but it surely is no Edsel.

House Calls: Final seconds of auto disaster

Who is he?

He could be your roommate, your boyfriend, a classmate—or you. He's been to a party and has had two or three beers. It's late, the party is winding down, and he decides that it's time he heads back to campus.

He's a little tired, but has driven before after a couple of drinks without problem, and he doesn't think anything of it tonight. His car is two or three years old, and well maintained. The seat/shoulder belt is in very good shape, since it is seldom used, and won't be tonight.

He's been driving for about 10-15 minutes, and without knowing is drowsing off due to the sedative effect of the alcohol and the late hour. He's going about 55 MPH as his car leaves the road. The change from black top to the dirt jolts him awake—for just a second—the longest and last second of his life as his car hits the tree.

According to the Automobile Research Division at Cornell University Medical College, this is what happens to him in the next 7/10 of a second.

One-tenth of a second: The car's front bumper and chrome frosting of the grill collapse. Slivers of steel penetrate the tree one and a half inches or more.

Two-tenths of a second: The hood crumples as it rises, smashing into the windshield. The spinning wheels leave the

ground. The grill disintegrates. The fenders come in contact with the tree, forcing the rear part to splay out over the front doors. The driver's body continues to move forward at the vehicle's original speed (55 MPH) under a force 20 times gravity. His body in effect weighs 3200 pounds. His ramrod-straight legs snap at the joints.

Three-tenths of a second: His body is off the seat, torso upright, broken knees pressing against the dashboard. The plastic and steel frame of the steering wheel begins to bend under his death grip. His head is now near the sun visor, his chest above the steering column.

Four-tenths a second: The car's front 24 inches are demolished, but the rear end is still traveling at 55 MPH. The half-ton motor block crunches into the tree. The rear of the car rises high enough to scrape bark off the low branches.


Five-tenths of a second: His fear-frozen hands bend the steering column. Blood spurts into his lungs as they are punctured by the jagged steel.

Six-tenths of a second: His feet are ripped from his tightly laced hiking boots. The chassis bends in the middle, shearing the bolts. His head smashes into the windshield. The rear of the car begins its downward fall, spinning wheels digging into the ground.

Seven-tenths of a second: The car body is forced out of shape. Hinges tear, doors spring open. In one last convulsion, the seat rams forward, smashing the driver against the steel steering shaft. Shock has frozen his heart.

Elapsed time: Seven tenths of a second. He is dead.

Who was he? He could have been your boyfriend, your roommate, a classmate—or you.



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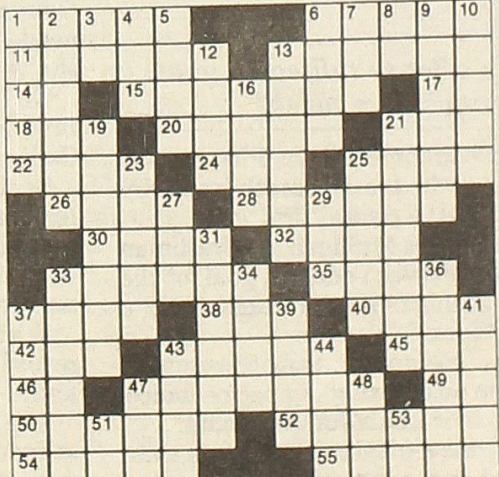
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Sports

Alma Gridders shine in Adrian win

By Wynne Kinder
Staff Writer

Adrian's home field advantage, homecoming crowd and tough defense were not enough on Saturday, as the

Scots triumphed over the 1983 MIAA champions, 27-14.

The win lifted the Scots record to 1-0 in the league and 3-2 overall.

Alma's defense completely shut down Adrian's first half offensive at-

tack. The Scots led 20-0 by halftime.

"The defense brought what we had been lacking in previous games all together," said sophomore middle-linebacker, Matt Vicari.

Quarterback Dean Ulrich stated, "Whenever Adrian made its way to our line, our defense stopped them there."

"Because of our strong offense, I was sacked only once in the entire game, and I had all the time in the world to throw," Ulrich added.

According to senior Mark Konecny, "The offense was better prepared for this game than for any other because of the close loss to Adrian last year. We knew what we were up against and therefore rose to the occasion."

Two touchdowns were scored by Tbm Beale. Konecny scored on a 30-yard screen pass from Ulrich, and Steve Gonzales caught the final touchdown pass.

Jamie Werbish, last week's point-after touchdown record setter for Alma, completed three of four kicking attempts.

"We were defensively and offensively sound. Teams are starting to realize

"We knew what we were up against and therefore rose to the occasion."

-Mark Konecny

that they cannot go in the air against us," Werbish said.

"We all played as a team, offensively and defensively, with one common goal — to beat Adrian. We also had a lot of support from Alma fans who drove down to cheer us on," Konecny commented.

The Scots will host Olivet at Alma's Homecoming on Saturday at 1:30 p.m.



Alma's Kevin Ryan struggles for possession of the ball in the Scots' 7-0 soccer win over Nazareth College Thursday. photo by Rodney Curtis

Leading the league, Scots still unbeaten

By Mary Douglas
Sports Editor

The Scots' field hockey team set a single-game scoring record for Alma College Monday by destroying Kalamazoo 7-0. And with Saturday's 1-0 win at Olivet, Alma padded its hold on first place in the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association with a 7-0-1 record.

About the Kalamazoo game, Assistant Coach Claudette Charney said the Scots "played really well. We attacked right away and scored right away. That seems to get us going."

"Against Olivet we were fired up and ready to play but we didn't attack. We were just a little too careful

and it seemed to take us longer than normal to get going," Charney stated.

Alma's goal in the Olivet game came 20 minutes into the first half. Senior Mary Douglas used a pass from senior Teresa Noirot to put the Scots ahead.

"It wasn't our best game of the year, but we hung together and did what we had to do to win," said Charney. "After we scored, we played a little better, but we were inconsistent today — we played like we were trying to run out the clock."

Olivet took 23 unsuccessful shots on goal. The Scots took only 12 shots.

Charney noted the performances of Stacey Emeott (half back), Irenna Garapetian (goalie), and Krystal

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Scots notch two wins, both on shut-outs

By Andi Eskelinen
Staff Writer

The Alma College soccer team notched two powerful shut-outs this week, beating Nazareth College, 7-0, on Thursday and Olivet College, 3-0, on Saturday.

Alma's offense tallied 10 goals in two games this week.

Alma sophomore Dan Pitt opened all scoring in the Nazareth game by kicking in the Scots' first goal.

Junior Kevin Mulligan and freshman Heber Garcia each added a goal for the Scots. Mulligan's goal came from a penalty kick.

Senior co-captain Dan Shoemaker turned in an outstanding performance, scoring four goals for the Scots.

"Anytime a player scores more than one goal in a game it's great," stated Alma coach Mike Gauvain, commenting on Shoemaker's powerful accomplishment.

About Alma's goalie, Mike Brothers, Gauvain stated, "He finally got what he deserved—a shut-out."

Gauvain also cited the exceptional performances of Pitt and freshmen Richard Furstenburg and Stewart Sarkozy.

"Everybody played fantastic," stated Gauvain. "This was a good win—we needed something to get us going for the week."

On Saturday the Scots earned their first league victory, downing Olivet College 3-0.

Senior co-captain Bill Young scored for the Scots on a penalty kick.

Adding one goal each for the Scots were Sophomores Andrew Walshaw and Ian Duncan.

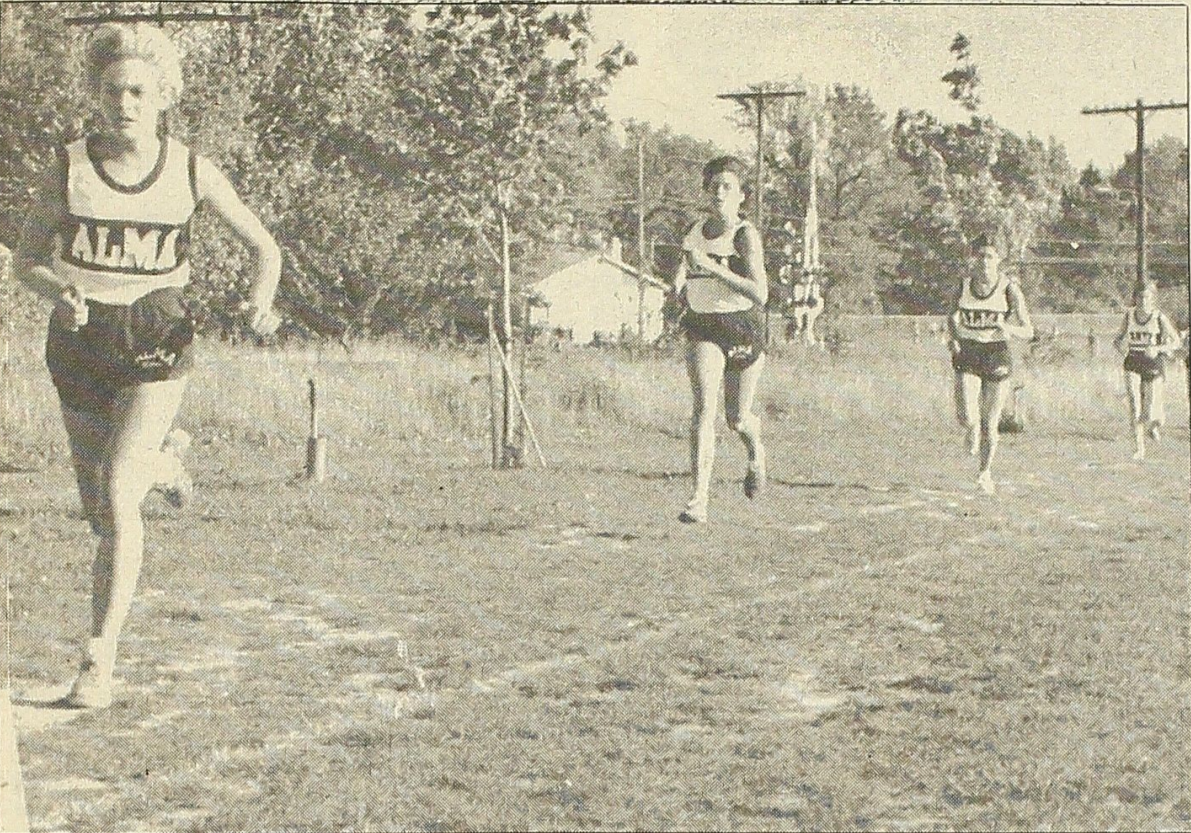
With these two victories the Scots' record climbs to 1-3-1 in league play and 3-3-2 overall.

The Alma squad opens its tough schedule this week by traveling to Adrian on Tuesday. The Scots host Michigan State University Thursday at 3:30 p.m., and Hope College on Saturday at 11 a.m.

Intramural Scoreboard

Men's A Flag Football League					Sunday, Sept. 30				
	W	L	PF	PA	The B-Team 20, TKE (B) 0				
TKE	8	0	232	45	1st West Warriors 33, Theta Chi 12				
S.T.I.T.	4	3	70	84	TKE Little Sisters 29, Mod Quad Squad 8				
Savage Water Bugs	5	4	63	50	TKE (A) 25, S.T.I.T. 19				
Tyrants	4	5	97	123	TKE Little Sisters 25, TBA 6				
Zeta Sigma	4	7	102	147	Mental Giants 25, Gelston Guzzlers 7				
Fighting Irish	2	7	90	206	Zeta Sigma (B) 14, Vaseline Sandwiches 6				
Women's Flag Football League					S.T.I.T. 27, Fighting Irish 6				
	W	L	PF	PA	Phi Lambda Chi 18, AC Staffers 7				
TKE Little Sisters	5	0	76	14	Gelston Guzzlerettes 19, AZT 0				
TBA's	5	2	44	38	Tyrants 6, Zeta Sigma (A) 0				
Gelston Guzzlerettes	3	2	39	12	Monday, Oct. 1				
Mod Quad Squad	2	2	54	41	Tyrants 34, Fighting Irish 26				
AZT	2	3	13	55	TBAs 7, Gelston 69ers 0				
Gelston 69'ers	1	4	7	20	1st West Warriors 20, Bonzai Warriors				
Men's B Flag Football League					AC Staffers 7, Zeta Sigma (B) 0				
	W	L	PF	PA	BAMFS 7, Theta Chi 0				
BAMFS	7	0	111	45	Tuesday, Oct 2				
Vaseline Sandwiches	3	1	65	42	The B-Team 34, Gelston Guzzlers 0				
Phi Lambda Chi	3	1	39	32	Savage Water Bugs 18, Zeta Sigma 12				
The Mental Giants	4	2	103	67	Zeta Sigma 18, TKE 0				
1st West Warriors	4	2	110	91	TKE (A) 27, Zeta Sigma 6				
The B-Team	3	2	92	45	Wednesday, Oct. 3				
Zeta Sigma	4	3	96	71	TBAs 14, AZT 0				
Gelston Guzzlers	2	3	57	102	Zeta Sigma (A) 7, Savage Water Bugs 0				
AC Staffers	2	5	58	96	Fighting Irish 7, Savage Water Bugs 0				
Theta Chi	0	3	18	53	Phi Lambda Chi 7, Mental Giants 0				
Bonzai Warriors	0	4	32	66	Vaseline Sandwiches 13, BAMFS 13				
TKE	0	5	12	108	Thursday, Oct. 4				
					BAMFS 26, TKE 0				
					TKE Little Sisters 7, Gelston Guzzlerettes 0				
					TKE (A) 32, Tyrants 6				
					Zeta Sigma 18, S.T.I.T. 0				
					1st West Warriors 26, AC Staffers 12				

Five Scots in top six in Albion win



Freshman cross country star Chris Cooper led all women in the Scots 17-45 win over Albion, and set a school record for the three mile course at 17:59.

photo by Dave Wilburn

By Jill Charron
Staff Writer

The women's cross country team may be on the way to repeating its MIAA championship with its win over Albion Wednesday. The lady Scots scored an impressive 17 points to the Britons 45.

Freshman star Chris Cooper won the meet with a new Scot record of 17:59. Coach Charles Gray commented on her fine performance. "It is always exciting to see one of our runners set a new team record," he said. "Chris beat Lisa Thocher's record of 18:03 which was established on Nov. 3, 1981."

The course record of 17:52 is held by Sarah Hall of Albion and was set in 1983.

Alma dominated the meet with its top five runners finishing within the first six places. Senior co-captain Stephanie Godek ran an excellent race by finishing second with an 18:43. She was

followed by sophomore Jill Charron who placed third with an 18:45.

Finishing fifth was freshman Diane Schefke who ran a 19:08. She was followed by junior Molly Joseph, who exploded onto the scene at sixth place with a 19:10.

Freshman Chris Cooper set an Alma College cross country record (17:59) against Albion.

Rounding out Alma's varsity were freshmen Liesl Charron and Kathy Holmes. Charron finished seventh with a 19:13, and Holmes finished ninth with a 19:58.

The Lady Scots will compete at the Tri-State Invitational on Saturday, Oct. 6 as a prep for regionals. Their next league meet will be at Calvin on Oct. 17.

Alma's runners lose to Albion's men

By Jill Charron
Staff Writer

The men's cross country team suffered a close defeat Wednesday by losing to Albion 30-26. The Briton's John Thrash won the meet with a 26:40.

A difference of four points pushed Alma from first to second place against Albion.

Sophomore Hans Martin was the first Alma runner to cross the finish line, finishing second with a 26:57.

Senior captain Keith Bellovich finished fourth with a 27:15. Albion captured the

next two spots before Alma placed again.

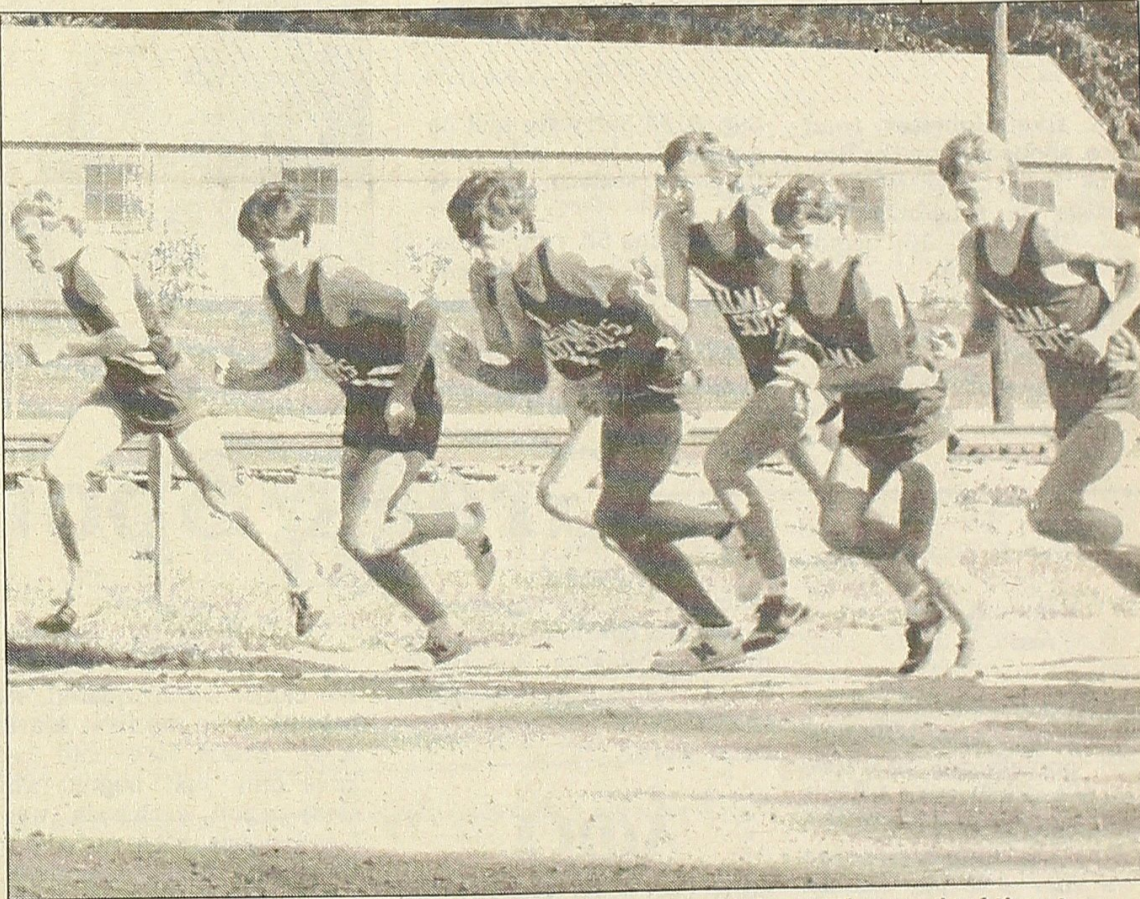
Sophomore Eric Gardey led the Alma contingent with his seventh place finish at 27:55. Following Gardey were freshmen Steve McClelland, 28:15, in eighth place, and Pat Lambert, 28:18, in ninth place.

Junior Dave Sherwood and freshman Jim Brown rounded out the varsity. Sherwood, 28:34, placed tenth, and Brown, 28:38, placed twelfth.

Men's coach Charles Gray was pleased with the efforts of Gardey, Sherwood, and sophomore Sam Lewis. "They all ran personal best times which is all anyone can ask."

Gray believes this was the best team run of the season, despite the loss. "Both Hans and Keith continue to improve and seem to be on schedule to earn All-MIAA honors by the end of the year," he said.

The men will travel to the Tri-State Invitational on Saturday, Oct. 6 to warm-up for regionals. Their next league meet will be run at Olivet on Oct. 12.



Alma's men's cross country team takes off against Albion at the crack of the starting gun.

photo by Dave Wilburn

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Week at a Glance: Homecoming sports

Cross Country — men and women:

Sat.....men: Olivet (home) halftime. Women: at Bulldog Invitational.

Football:

Sat.....Olivet (Homecoming) at 1:30 p.m.

Soccer:

Tue.....at Adrian.

Thurs.....M.S.U. (home) at 3:30 p.m.

Sat.....Hope (home) at 11 a.m.

Field Hockey:

Wed.....Adrian (home) at 4 p.m.

Sat.....Hope (home) at 11 a.m.

Volleyball:

Wed.....Adrian (home) at 7 p.m.

Fri.....Hope (home) at 6 p.m.

Spikers lead league with perfect mark

By Mary Douglas
Sports Editor

Alma's volleyball team added two Michigan Inter-collegiate Athletic Association wins to its record last week. The Scots are sitting atop the league with a perfect 5-0 mark.

Alma dropped a non-league match to Division II Oakland University Wednesday, but bounced back to beat Kalamazoo in three games Thursday and Olivet in four games Friday.

After losing to Oakland in four games, Coach John Chiodini said, "Oakland passed and we didn't, except in the second game (which the Scots won 15-7). We don't have a sophisticated enough offense and we also switched to a new defense."

Chiodini added, "We can hit with people though. This is a difficult part of the season — the middle part, which gets monotonous."

Senior Mindy Cubitt commented about the Kalamazoo match. "We beat them in three

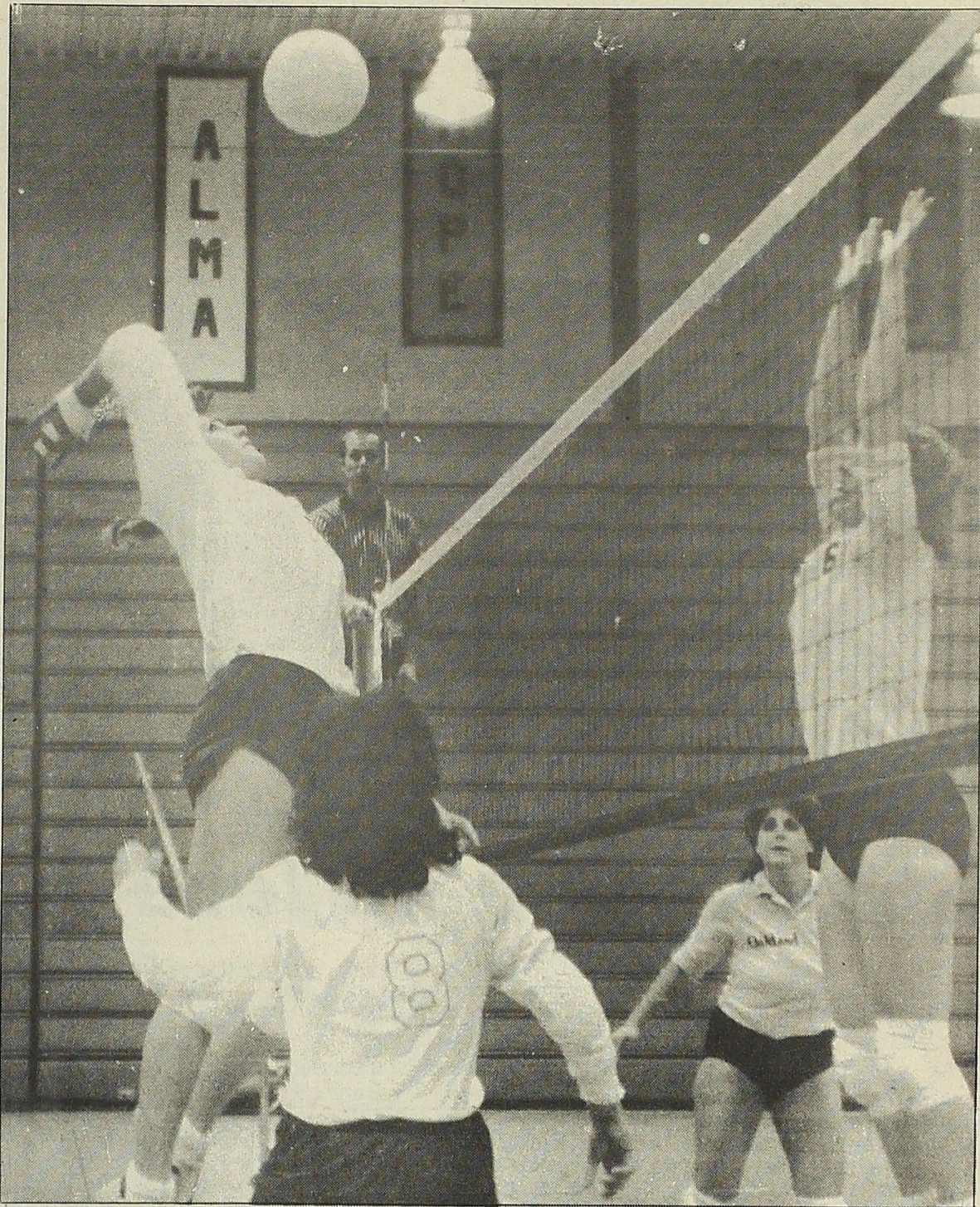
quick games — it took only 45 minutes," she said. "Kalamazoo isn't very good but we played better against them than we usually do against poor teams. Everybody got to play, too."

Olivet forced a fourth game on Friday by winning the third game, their first and only win of the night. The Comets jumped out to a 14-4 lead; the Scots fought back but were narrowly edged out by a 15-13 Olivet win.

"We kind of broke down in the third game, but other than that we played well," Cubitt stated. "We had aggressive serving and good passing. It was a real team effort."

Cubitt added, "Our new defense is coming along. It worked better against Olivet than against Oakland. We are beginning to get a feel for it."

The Scots will be at Northwood Institute Monday for a non-league contest. On Wednesday Adrian will venture to Alma for a 7 p.m. game, and the Scots host Hope on Friday. That match begins at 6 p.m.



Alma's Kathy Turner prepares to spike the ball onto Northwood's court Wednesday, after Carolyn Howell (number 8) gave the set.

photo by Rodney Curtis

Roadrun Saturday

A five-kilometer road race, sponsored by the Student Health Advisory Committee, is scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 13, beginning at 8:45 a.m.

Registration opens at 8 a.m. on the east side of the physical education build-

ing. A \$3 entry fee will be charged, but all participants receive a painter's hat.

After the 5K run, a one-mile "fun run" will get under way. Entry fee for that run is only \$1, and painter's hats will be available at cost.

Greek Spotlight

ΣΑΕ

Hold on boys! Pledging can't last forever. After all, how much punishment can two take? What a retreat. I don't think we'll ever be allowed back to that camp again, even if we offered to pay double. Final score: nine might be's, five you might's, and a grand total of ten actives hog tied and pelted with rocks and garbage. A special message to my man Donald Wheaton: Way to put the plebes in their places.

ΓΣΣ

Nice vineyard work! Who said nuns don't know how to have a good time? Let's get fired up for the Homecoming Parade — and show some red! Hang in there, pledges; it's only a matter of time. A thought for the day: Now you know what kind of people are volunteers...

TKE

Aloha from the island of Hawaii! Many of Alma's finest have been there recently. Hey Zing, how's pledging going? Billy, sorry to hear about what Scrapper did to

your bed; that's the second time a dog has done that. Conquering, Pillaging, Bonaparte lives! Remember pledges, DOMINANCE is a great nine-letter word.

ΔΦΩ

Mysticism lives! Seven is the number for our newest pledge class: Lisa Boike, Alison Flagg, Debbie Garno, Janelle Kaufman, Heather MacNeill and Julie Visscher. The Seven Deadly Sins — What a descent! Barclay — Isn't anything sacred? Better lock your doors, pledges. Active hazing is the eighth sin... Betsy-Hope your weekend was well worth the wait. Will the pigs make it on time for a new record? Thanks for all of your help, Delts!

ΘΧ

We came, we conquered, we begged. Give me five! Mark, Mike, Brian, Bob, and Lee have only just begun. The class-action catharsis was. Mind police with no search warrant? Meet the fern, everyone. From the darkness rose, with jubilation, the children of the beast. Forsaken, those of the status quo wilted before the onslaught. They begged, then were no more... Auf Lichtenstein.

ΖΣ

Go Tigers! Get me a reserved seat in the front row and send down a relief pitcher. The slime of the week goes to

Guido. You're always on top of things. We sincerely hope that everyone is enjoying their pledging programs, because we are surely enjoying ours. Carl's advice: It's easy to forget what is important — so don't! The Sigs obviously haven't. The B-Team has emerged out of nowhere. Keep it up!

ΦΛΧ

Welcome to the family, Joon-Mo and Rick. Saturday was special night for all who attended. As our families grow, so does our pride in the past

and the determination to excel in the future. The I.M. team is back on the trail of victory. We can only pray that the rebellious son is a Tiger fan. "We do more after midnight than most people do all day long." —D. Ball. ABSALOM!

KI

We learned a lot in alligator land this weekend; like how Deb uses bananas peels, what lights Judy's fire, and which retreat Gail was really on. Is the carpet drunk yet? No, but maybe Susan will show you see SPOTLIGHT page 11

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Letters

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Contrary to popular belief, the Alma Greek community does more than just exist for parties. One social fraternity sponsors a Halloween Party for the Gratiot County Big Brothers/Big Sisters Program, adopts a family in need at Christmas, and sponsors a keg roll for United Way.

Other fraternities sponsor an auction benefitting the

African Fellowship Program, ring bells for charity, and sponsor Christmas parties for needy children. Pretty noble activities for groups not responsible to anyone but their own members.

This social awareness extends to the Alma Community as a whole. Greek men and women hold the majority of campus leadership positions

through involvement as R.A.s, athletes, scholars, and student representatives.

Because of the brotherhood and sisterhood nature of these groups, it is commendable that these Greek campus leaders can function as independents in positions of authority. The emerging strength of IFC and Pan-Hel should be the strong voice of Greek unity, not the residence hall staff briefing or athletic team meeting.

In regard to the Oct. 2 article "Runouts typifies Greeks' problems," I would like to voice a second concern that

Ms. Schmitt mistates. Perhaps the fraternities were overzealous in their activities at runouts, but this is not an inherent fault of the fraternity system. The spirit displayed by each group was indicative of the strength of the system.

Any problem at runouts has to be interpreted as a problem with runouts, not the men of the fraternities. As with any administrative issue, these problems are resolvable. Ms. Schmitt had no way of knowing at deadline, but the problems she enumerates had been discussed by a concerned

Inter-Fraternity Council with positive results even before her publishing.

The true nature of the fraternity system could be seen following runouts. Many individuals made a concerted effort to congratulate each other on their new members, and still other Greeks could be seen mingling at each other's parties that same night. This display of friendship among Greeks more than dispels any notions of ostracization and disunity.

Scott Smith
IFC President

Spotlight

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the sandpit when she is looking for the midnight rambles. Thanx to the guys for feeding us. Can we bring campfires on the Liner? KIOTES of the week: Annie and Susan for jobs well done. Get well Amy. We love pledges and Papa.

a Tiger Beer Lite. Coop — nice car! German HERZOG-rent a cop. Thanks Elfie!

AZT

Congrats to the latest girls in green and gold. Lori and Jen will be conducting a seminar on the finer techniques of beer sliding. I.M. football "... but it was fun!" Mary S. — try to keep yourself together in the huddles. How 'bout that medium pizza and half gallon of heaven hash, Dana? Do you miss the bunnies Marie? How many different things can you do with carrots? Sunday meetings will be held at the Brewery. Right, Karen?

ΓΦΒ

A warm and wild welcome to our twelve awesome pledges: Tania Cargill, Mary Duff, Grace Hannon, Sue Karp, Middy Matthews, Kara McArthur, Julie Pendell, Sue Renaud, Colleen Reid, Erin Shirey, Anne Smith and Lisa Ward. FIRE UP! How 'bout those Tigers? Oops! I said the Tword. Latham, Phyllis wants

The other alcohol declaration

Dear Editor,

It is my opinion that although excessive and irresponsible drinking cannot be tolerated in any environment of higher learning. A dry, "protective campus filled with closet alcoholics and superficial punch and cookie social events will only serve to regress responsible drinking and retard the social growth of Alma's students.

Alcohol is a fact of life, not just a corrupting influence, and instead of trying to restrict or eliminate alcoholic

parties on campus, the administration should deal with alcohol by promoting responsible drinking and encouraging the Greeks to support alcohol awareness by socializing without alcohol as well as with it.

If responsible drinking is successfully implemented in the Alma College community with the help of Greeks, there will be no need for any kind of restrictive alcoholic measures (except for the law) as irresponsible drinking will be frowned

upon and irresponsible Greek societies will die an unnatural death of alcoholic ridicule.

If the administration continues to restrict alcohol in such a manner as to provide essentially no social outlets for students, they are indirectly encouraging drunk driving while sheltering the student body from a fact of life that sorely needs to be dealt with.

Martin Topliss
Theta Chi

Hockey

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Palmreuter (link), along with forwards Mary Duff and Douglas, as instrumental in the win.

"Nothing really stood out, though, other than that we didn't play that well," Charney added.

Credited with goals at Kalamazoo were Kim

Niemeyer with three shots, and Douglas, Lori Audrain, Palmreuter and Duff all with one goal each.

Four games remain now for the Scots in the MIAA field hockey season. Alma hosts Adrian on Wednesday and Hope on Saturday (Homecoming).

According to Head Coach Deb Mapes, the Hope game could be the championship decider.

"If we beat Adrian and then Hope, that tie (0-0 deadlock between Hope and Alma earlier in the season) will become like a win for us. Hope will have two losses and we'll still be undefeated."

Wednesday's game begins at 4 p.m. and will be followed by a junior varsity contest. The Hope rematch begins at 11 a.m. on Saturday.

FAMOUS LAST WORDS FROM FRIENDS TO FRIENDS.

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"I've never felt better."

"I think you've had a few too many."
"You kiddin, I can drive with my eyes closed."

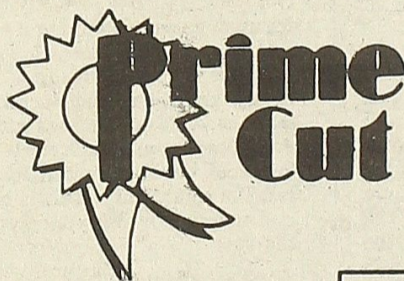
"You've had too much to drink, let me drive."

"Nobody drives my car but me."

"Are you OK to drive?"
"Who? a few beers?"

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ATTENTION ALL YOU AWESOME JUNIORS!!!!
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Any student who is interested in being a member of The Society for the Enjoyment of the Declining Morals of Western Civilization please make yourself known. I will be having a organizational meeting tonight. If you can't make the meeting contact me.

thanks
Splash

Mes amis,
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Vous m'aidez beaucoup
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Nermal,
Hey babe! Just thought to drop a line. Suprised? Hope so. U of M all the way, and hometown fun. Wishes (fantasies) are fun and productive. Flirts of Alma unite!
Incognito,
Your secret admirer

Nermal,
I can't wait to hear the rumors around C.H.S. When they hear how you got home!!! You know I don't get pleasure from this!!
Gone 19 miles North

Clure,
Just wait.. one of these days I'm going to knock on the door and walk in, I won't leave and I won't blush. Oh no, does this mean I'm getting more mature?????
The JA-JA stud nut

To the PLCs -
Let's not forget what our letters stand for.

D1,
Somehow I get the feeling that you want to have all of the fun, but you don't want to work for it... In other words, get those scissors moving!! By the way, I don't look anything like tinkerbelle!!!
Y.I.A.D.

Mike,
For you, I will always stay between the lines. You're a super little bro!
Love,
Miss Crayola

Mr. Stafford-
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What's all this I hear about this Big Brothers/Big Sisters organization. Sounds like 1984 to me. Hot darn it is 1984. Pull out the guns, Maggie, the commies are coming.

ANYONE interested in participating in a Drawing Co-op to be held on Saturday mornings, probably starting after midterm break. Cost around \$5-6.00 models will be provided. Reply to Kathy at 102 Bruske (by Oct. 12)

Walking blindly through the night
Gave some of us a little fright.
But then the taste of ice cold beer
Dissipated all our fear!
I love you kids!
MOM

Shalom Chris, Happy Holidays!

ATTENTION: R.A.'s, Greeks, Organizational Leaders! We have the lowest prices in the area on excellent quality T-shirts, floor shirts, etc. - anything that can be silk-screened or air-brushed. Free samples available. Laura's Designer "Ware"--875-2876.

Proclamation, on the coffee table, really now!

Wimp,
The joke worked good-I guess even our second home is not safe anymore.

KI Spotlight II
Since our sisters are away on retreat it is the Brother's turn to do the news. Congratulations to all the new pledges and welcome to the family. Susie, remember that we are always here for support. Well there is not much to say with the sisters being gone but from certain phone calls we hear that they are having quite a lot of fun. Also a special thanks to Grant because somebody forgot something along with the ants on this retreat. We also hope that some people enjoyed the snipe hunt. A happy homecoming to all.
The KI BRO's

Bette,
Can you wait just a few more days till we hit the town? I'll have to warm up my fox-trot shoes.
Matt

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Wednesday	Bran Muffins French Toast Scrambled Eggs Poached Eggs Home Fried Potatoes	Turkey Gumbo Soup Sloppy Joe Ham and Noodles AuGratin Tuna Salad on Whole Grain Corn Chips	Corn Chowder BBQ Chicken Italian Meatball Sandwich Spinach Crepes Figh Cakes Baked Potatoes Green Beans and std Tomatoes
Thursday	Homemade Donuts Waffles Fried Eggs Hash Browned Potatoes Scrambled Eggs	Chicken Noodle Soup Tuna Melt/French Chili Nachos Egg Salad in Pita Half Potato Chips	Beef Barley Soup Baked Ham Lasagna w/Pepperoni Mushroom Omelet Scalloped Potatoes
Friday	Banana Bread Fruit Fritters-Blueberry Scrambled Eggs Poached Eggs Home Fried Potatoes Shaved Ham	Boston Clam Chowder Pizza Deluxe Cheese Pizza Ham Salad on Rye Chinese Turkey Casserole Potato Chips	Minestrone Soup Breast of Chicken Sandwich Chinese Pepper Steak Brown Rice and Cheese Bake Egg Noodles
Saturday	Crunchy Cinnamon Rolls Pancakes Soft and Med Eggs Scrambled Eggs Hearty Fried Potatoes Sausage Links	Meatless Vegetable Soup Hot Turkey Sandwich Salami Stroller Sand. American Style Lasagna Mashed Potatoes w/turkey Gvy	Top Sirloin Steak Stuffed Flounder 1/2 Baked Chicken Eggplant Parm Cass Baked and French Fries
Sunday	Breakfast Homemade Donuts French Toast Poached Egg Hash Browned Potatoes	Garden Vegetable Soup Breaded Pork Chops Beef Tacos Deep Dish Vegetable Pie Parsley Potatoes	Senate Bean Soup BBQ Ham on Bun Spanish Macaroni Scrambled Eggs Potato Chips
Monday	Homemade Donuts Waffles Fried Eggs Scrambled Eggs Home Fried Potatoes	French Onion Soup Hamburger on a Bun Scalloped Sausage on Apples Egg Salad on Rye Potato Chips	Cream of Chicken Soup Roast Beef Au Jus Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce Rice Con Queso Baked Potato

Dear Trustees and Nandi,
Our organization is perfectly fitted for such a need as buying a spirit bell. It was created for just such a purpose as continuing Alma College traditions, and since in the last few years our size has greatly grown, we would appreciate the honor of buying the bell for the campus community. This is a formal motion, now it is your turn for the vote.

Sincerely yours
Quasi Endowment

I.M. Volleyball sign-up is October 24.

We're not dying.

Cara,
I can't wait to give that pin to you.
You're a great kid.
KI Love, Mom

Anyone interested in seeing the Movie TEACHERS, join us tonight at the Twins (Mt. P) 9:20 showing and see how some real teachers act. Maybe tonight 'we' will need more than a babysitter.


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R-
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