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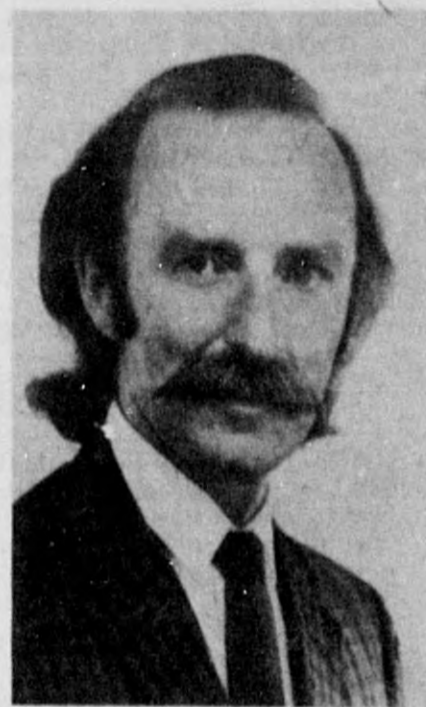
## Dr. Henry Klugh to speak at Convo

Dr. Henry E. Klugh III, Charles A. Dana professor of Psychology at Alma College, will be the principal speaker at the college's 1976 Honors Convocation on Tuesday, April 6. Dr. Klugh's topic for the program, which begins at 10:30 a.m. in Cappaert Gymnasium of the Alma College Physical Education Center, will be "Variations of a Theme."

Other features of the convocation will include presentation of the coveted Barlow Trophy to Alma's most outstanding senior and the conferring of an honorary Doctor of Literature degree on Jorge Luis Borges, Argentine poet, short story writer, essayist and critic. Nominees for the Barlow Trophy, highest award conferred upon graduating seniors at Alma, are James R. Chenoweth of Charlotte, Stephen R. Goostrey of Ithaca, and Edward L. Kain of Filion. Winner of the Barlow Trophy is determined by vote of the college faculty and Student Council.

Dr. Klugh was named one of Alma's first two Dana professors in 1973 and has been a member of the college faculty since 1955. Criteria for the selection of Dana professors include evidence of outstanding teaching performance, scholarship and innovation in teaching and program formulation.

He is the author of a textbook, STATISTICS: THE ESSENTIALS FOR RESEARCH, the second edition of which was published in 1974 by John Wiley and Sons, New York, and he has also written many articles for professional journals.



Dr. Henry Klugh

He has received several research grant awards from the National Institute of Mental Health and from the National Science Foundation. During the 1972-73 academic year he was selected as a Kellogg Fellow, participating in a faculty development program made possible by a grant from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation to the Association of Independent Colleges and Universities of Michigan. Dr. Klugh holds an A.B. degree from Geneva College and M.S. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Pittsburgh.

## New recruiting applied at Alma

by Rick Cramblet

Adopting a method used by Ivy League schools for years, Alma College has added a new approach to their recruiting of prospective students. Through a program called Regional Resource Consultants, Alma is utilizing alumni, former students, and parents of students to help with the recruiting process on a closer, more personal level.

Ted Rowland, director of the Regional Resource Consultant program, said, "It's a new enough program that many people aren't really aware of it. It has been operating for two years now and we have about 240 people involved, although we would like to see that grow to perhaps 500."

According to Rowland, the program involves the use of interested persons, be they alumni or parents of students, to help kids become aware of Alma College and get them interested in it so that hopefully they will choose Alma to attend. Said Rowland, "We'll use anyone that has a positive feeling about the college... it usually involves only a couple of nights of work a year, in Michigan it may involve four hours of phoning; in outstate areas it would take less time because there are less interested students involved... we try to show the personal aspect of the college."

Interested students are those that the Regional Resource Consultant people concentrate on. Students that visit Alma representatives at a college night or high school meeting, students that come to a Career Day or an Open House or those that just send to the college for additional information are considered interested. These students are grouped by zip codes and their names and information on them are sent to the people in their area working with the Regional Resource Consultant program. They are subsequently contacted and given more information (if needed) and generally encouraged to enroll at Alma. "We even have a set of slides which we will mail to our people to show as it is highly unlikely

that a kid in Colorado will get a chance to see the college," said Rowland.

People become involved in the regional Resource Consultant program because they want to help the school, said Mr. Rowland. "Even if you crab when you are in college, you usually go away with a positive feeling and would like to do something for the school. Obviously the first way is to give money but many graduates, especially recent ones, can't afford to and this program is another way to help. If they can influence a student to enroll, it's really a \$2,700. donation."

Other schools have programs along this same general plan, varying in regards to organization, "but," said Rowland, "a number of other colleges have talked to us about our program and will possibly incorporate it into their structure."

The Regional Resource Consultant program currently covers twenty-one states besides Michigan, but Mr. Rowland would like to see it expanded. "In time," he said, "we would like to have several people in each state."

Is the program working, is it drawing more students to Alma? Said Rowland, "We really don't know yet, it's just a feeling, but enrollment is up, retention is higher, and applications are up."

The main problem faced by Mr. Rowland is getting people to become aware of the program and interested in it. "We had a card in the annual report that is sent out to all Alma students," he said, "and the general response was 'I'm not going to volunteer for something that I know nothing about'."

Special Lampoon

Edition Inside



WHLA Grand Field Marshal Richard "Cat" Stevens

## Jorge Luis Borges to receive honorary degree Tuesday

Jorge Luis Borges, Argentine poet, short story writer, essayist and critic, will receive an honorary Doctor of Literature degree at Alma College's 1976 Honors Convocation on Tuesday, April 6. The program will take place in Cappaert Gymnasium of the college's Physical Education Center at 10:30 a.m.

Borges, regarded by many as the greatest living Spanish-writing author, has gained prominence in the western world during the past fifteen years with the translation of his works into most principal western languages. Now almost totally blind from a hereditary ailment which began affecting his sight in the 1950's, he is still a prolific writer at the age of 76.

Borges's first literary work was a ten-page English handbook on Greek mythology that he wrote when he was six. Educated at home until the age of nine, he then translated Oscar Wilde's story, "The Happy Prince," into Spanish and his teacher, assuming it to be the work of Borges's father, used it as a school text.

From 1914 to 1918 he completed his secondary education and baccalaureate work in Geneva, Switzerland, and also studied at Cambridge University. Borges traveled in Spain from 1919 to 1921 and during this period had his first poem published in the magazine GRECIA.

Back in Argentina in 1921, he and friends founded the avante-

garde magazine PRISMA and a year later the journal PROA. His first volume of poems, published in 1923, was inspired by the local color of the Argentine pampas and the old barrios of his native Buenos Aires. Following another tour of Europe, Borges published a second book of poems and two collections of essays, one of which, (THE EXTENT OF MY HOPE, 1926, is regarded by critics as the emergence of the real Borges.

In the late 1930's he began to write the bizarre and fantastic

stories that were to make him famous, and in 1941 he published a collection of stories, THE GARDEN OF FORKING PATHS. The title story, considered a masterpiece, is a spy thriller with overtones of Oriental mysticism. FICIONES, published in 1945 and considered Borges's most important collection of tales, earned him the grand prize of the Argentine's Writer's Association.

During World War II, his anti-Nazi views estranged Borges from many of his countrymen. The dictatorship of Juan Peron was particularly difficult for Borges. His mother and sister (noted painter Norah Borges de Torre) were imprisoned for their opposition to Peron, and Borges himself was fired from his job in a municipal library in Buenos Aires in 1946 and compelled to work as a poultry inspector.

In defiance of Peron, the Argentine Writer's Association named Borges its president in 1950, and he retained that position until 1953. After the fall of Peron in 1955, he was named director of the National Library of Argentina and was elected to the National Academy. In 1956 he was appointed professor of English and North American literature at the University of Buenos Aires and received Argentina's national prize for literature. In 1973, when



Argentine writer Jorge Luis Borges

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## NEWS IN BRIEF

### Household injury labeled "painful"

John Uwford, age 38, has been hospitalized with first and second degree burns on his lower extremities when fire broke out in his bathroom shortly after he had returned home from work.

Apparently, Lawford's youngest daughter, Lisa had been playing with her mother's hair spray and emptied the entire contents into the toilet bowl.

Later, when Uwford had returned home and used the vestibule to relieve himself, he lit himself a cigarette and dropped the match in the bowl to extinguish the flame while he remained seated. A huge flame while he remained seated. A huge flame erupted which inflicted painful burns to Uwford's backside. Lawford was unavailable for comment. Police officials are still searching for Lisa who has been missing since the day of the accident.

### Gas station owners robbed

Michael Fry and Kenneth Harris work in a Chicago gas station. Three gunmen entered the gas station early one morning, tied them with wire, and helped themselves to \$5,000 from the station safe and \$390 worth of cigarettes. The robbers fled, leaving Fry and Harris bound and gagged on the floor.

During the time they were tied up, the attendants said the station had steady stream of customers. They looked in, saw the pair helpless on the floor, and then proceeded to take cigarettes and fill their tanks with gasoline.

After two hours of this free for all, one customer phoned police, although he did not leave his name because he was in the process of filling up his gas tank.

Authorities estimate that 100 drivers took part in the freebies.

### Kirby wins high award

The Alma College Faculty known for its excellence in the liberal arts has many professors who have gained recognition for their many professional achievements. One such professor is Kent Kirby, chairman of the Art Department, at Alma. Kirby recently got his name printed in the FACEFINDER an annual magazine printed by the student body.

### Possible Moynihan replacement found?

Former child star Shirley Temple Black was never seriously considered as a successor for Daniel Moynihan, according to sources close to the president. Although he is pleased with her work in Ghana, Ford said U did not regard her as the kind of hard-hitting advocate of US policies who could easily step into Moynihan's shoes. When asked to elaborate, the president said that whoever got the post would "Follow the same policy of challenging the third and fourth world powers calling a spade a spade."

## American business dealings blamed for "poor image"

by Doug Davis  
No. 2 in a series

That famous American George Washington recognized, "Few men have the virtue to withstand the highest bidder." This statement is more than evident in 1976. Extensive bribes, scandals, and kickbacks have been admitted by dozens of the nation's largest corporations.

The retailing industry in the United States has been accused of false advertising.

The Account Departments of American corporations are being reprimanded for concealing company evils from stockholders.

Even grain shipments to foreign countries have become inequitable. One US firm sent Poland a shipload of inferior grain at top market prices.

The US NEWS AND WORLD REPORT states, "Banks are being reprimanded for rising speculation in foreign currencies, loans on favorable terms to insiders, and sloppy supervision of investments."

Yet in light of all these infirmarys, business in America ponders why it has a poor public image. Business wonders why it has no credibility, or confidence in the eyes of the American consumer. There is a growing negative feeling toward business in the United States today -- and there is good reason for it.

Today, there are two major features of contemporary American life. These two characteristics affect the American consumer as much as they affect American business. One is commonly referred to as apathy. The second feature is moral decline. The practice of bribes and kick-

backs is an outgrowth of both these features.

Apathy is characterized by "What's the use - you can't fight City Hall." Americans have been persuaded and convinced to trust business and government -- to the point of apathy. It has been illustrated that this results in unjust and "shady deals."

The component of moral decline is "I might as well as grab what I can get while the getting is good, everybody else is doing it." This certainly seems to exemplify business today.

With the revelation of the recent bunglings of major US industries, I found it interesting to note that under US tax laws, the Internal Revenue Service has ruled that "Bribes and kickbacks to nongovernmental officials are deductible unless the individual has been convicted of making the bribe or has entered a plea of guilty or no contest."

The IRS should have plenty of auditing to do this year.

These discoveries and disclosures point to one target. That is, business must put its house in order. Where should it all begin? One, the consumer must strike back against apathy and express interest and concern in the affairs of business. This is especially true in dealings with foreign countries. Secondly, business must realize it has a moral obligation to the beliefs and values of the American consumer.

"Even so," laments US NEWS AND WORLD REPORT, "the soiled image of American business won't be cleansed overnight."

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## Orientation Committee selected

The following people are on the 1976 Orientation Committee:

Chairpersons are Phyllis Cunningham and Kevin Cuny.

Committee members include: Connie Church, Martha Dasef, Dan Dosson, James Eathorne, Kathleen Eaton, Pamela Greenleaf, Chip Hansen, Mary Liike, Karen McGregor, Jean Modrzynski, Susan Piercy, Ken Riddle, Stephen Rideout, Hanna Rupprecht, Sonja Schultz, W. Robert Schultz HI, Kevin Scott, John D. Sefcik, Christine Skyllingstad, John "Clinch" Steward, Nancy Walker, Rita Walker and Scott Whitford.

## Spring Term class to present play

A historical play based on the life of Robert Burns will be produced this spring in connection with the Highland Festival. The play, THE WITCHING VOICE, will be presented by Dr. Griffith's spring term class. Dr. Griffith stated that the large cast size, 16 men and 8 women, might allow other interested Spring Termers to participate not only in the acting, but also in the technical phase of the production.

The play, which was written by Arnie Johnson, a Burns' specialist at W.M.U., deals with Burns in his late 20's. The subject matter of the play concerns Burns' starting his career and his attraction to women. The play has some music dancing and folk instrument playing. Production dates are May 20-23. If you have any interest in participating in this play call Dr. Griffiths.

## ex to celebrate anniversary

On April 10, 1976 Theta Chi a collegiate fraternity with 177 chartered chapters and over 87,000 initiated members, will celebrate its 120th Anniversary with a re-enactment of the founding. The program, to take place in Norwich, Vermont, not only commemorates Founders' Day, but is also the Fraternity's major planned Bicentennial activity. Theta Chi maintains an active, Eta Nu at Alma.

Theta Chi was founded at Norwich University on April 10, 1856 by Norwich cadets Frederick Norton Freeman and Arthur Chase. The re-enactment ceremony will be held in the sanctuary of St. Barnabas Church, near the site of Old South Barracks which was destroyed by fire in 1866. At least 100 alumni and undergraduate members are expected to attend the ceremonies.

1976 marks the Bicentennial of the fraternity system. Phi Beta Kappa having been founded at the College of William and Mary in 1776. Today there are 58 men's general collegiate fraternities with 4,600 chapters on 615 campuses throughout the United States and Canada. Greek letter societies are truly an American institution, since similar societies do not exist in colleges abroad.

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# CAMPUS CALENDAR



"Pops" Havill talks with Sue Goethal at senior art exhibit. Pic by Schultz

**Tuesday, March 30**

- 7:15 pm Bicentennial Films: The Heritage, Before the Industrial Revolution, American Folk Art
- 8:00 pm Art 140 presents: Cabinet of Dr. Caligari, Freaks Dow 100
- 8:00 pm Recital: Bruce Laven-Angie Leaver Chapel
- 10:00 pm Union Board-Fast for Development Committee Nightclub Tyler Aud.

**Wednesday, March 31**

- 7:00 pm Chess Club AC Lounge
- 8:00 pm Dr. Sidney Mead, Lindley Lecturer Chapel
- 10:00 pm Union Board: Days of Wine and Roses Tyler

**Thursday, April 1**

- Don't get fooled!
- 8:00 pm Theatre Department Play: Jacques Brel is Alive and Well and Living in Paris Dow Aud.
- 8:00 pm Caged Heat at Midnight Dow 100
- 10:00 pm Union Board: Support Your Local Sheriff Tyler Movie

**Friday, April 2**

- Movie Day Flick: The Eiger Sanction Tyler

**Saturday, April 3**

- Fast for Development starts PE Center
- 7:00 pm Fast for Development at 113
- 8:00 pm Dow Flick: The Eiger Sanction Tyler
- 8:00 pm Jacques Brel is Alive and Well and Living in Paris Dow Aud.
- 9:00 pm Dow Flick: The Eiger Sanction Tyler Aud.

**Sunday, April 4**

- PARENTS DAY**
- 9:15 am Catholic Mass Chapel
  - 11:00 am Worship Service: President Swanson A Cappella Choir Chapel
  - 3:00 pm A Cappella Choir pre-tour Concert
  - 8:00 pm Alma Dow Aud.
  - 8:00 pm Alma Symphony Orchestra: Angelyn Leaver Oboe; Jack Bowman, Clarinet Chapel
  - 8:00 pm Dow Flick: The Eiger Sanction Dow Aud.

**Monday, April 5**

SPRING TERM DROP-ADD

**Tuesday, April 6**

- 10:30 am Honors Convo PE Center
- 3:00 pm Women's Archery and Tennis: Here
- 8:00 pm Jacques Brel, Dow Aud.
- 10:00 pm UB Nightclub Tyler

**Wednesday, April 7**

- 8:00 pm Jacques Brel Dow Aud.
- 10:00 pm Tyler Nightclub Tyler

**Thursday, April 8**

- 8:00 pm Kiltie Band-Alma High School Band Joint Bicentennial Concert PE Center
- 10:00 pm Tyler Nightclub Tyler

## POETRY

*These Things*

My hands like squirrels chase round her hips merge behind her back. Her breasts, twin infants, nuzzle into my ribs-burrowing for warmth.

She slides her arms round my belly, reaches up, presses on my shoulder blades, bringing me closer-squeezing out air pockets that linger between us.

I bend my knees, shoot upward, her body rises, the breasts swirling around my face.

I turn around and around laughing, laughing, and set her down, like the last egg.

squeezing out air pockets that linger between us.

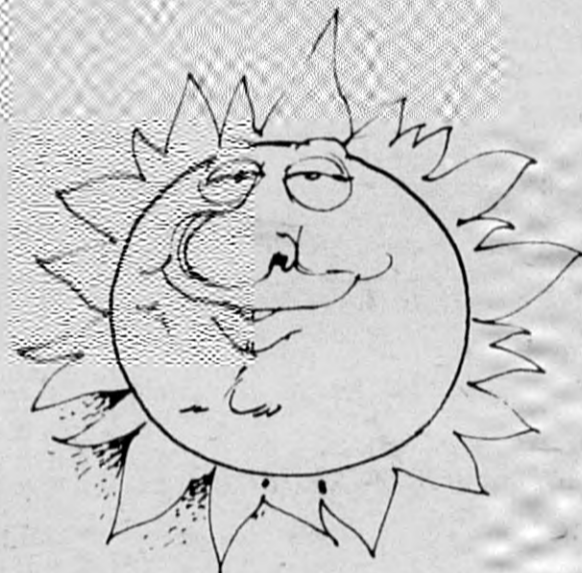
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a warm kiss and the taste of her, touches in the love parts,

these things in my mind late at night; a stirring between my legs, a dry mouth, this room, this bed, this blanket I hold close.

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## CAMPUS CLAMOR

### Deadline for Admissions Counselors Applications given

April 1, 1976 is the last day to turn in applications for the two fall 1976 Admissions Counselors. Two Admissions Counselors will be hired to work for a total of four months, one month this spring and the other three months this fall. They will be responsible for interpreting Alma College to high school personnel, churches, alumni, and prospective students and their parents.

"This is an excellent position for a recent Alma College graduate wishing to delay their entrance into graduate school or to the job market," said Mr. Steven Bushouse, Director of Admissions. "Students wishing to pursue graduate studies in the field of guidance and counseling, student personnel, education and business, may be especially interested in these two positions," he continued. "There may also be the possibility to arrange for practicum credit from their respective graduate schools," he added.

### Library hours changed

Beginning Sunday, April 4, the library will be open one additional hour every night. These are the hours for the rest of the term:

April 4-8 open until midnight.

April 9-10 open until 10pm.

April 16 open 8:00 am until noon.

### Emergency loans to be paid

All student emergency loans will be payable on or before April 1, 1976. The payments may be made at the Financial Aid Office in the lower level of Monteith Library.

### Drop-add period for Spring Term begins

Dropping and adding of Spring Term classes will take place from April 5-9.

### Honors Convo to be April 6

Honors Convocation will be held on April 6, 1976 at 10:30 a.m. All students are required to attend.

### Reception to be held for Dr. Borges

Members of the campus community are invited to meet Dr. Borges at a reception in the Heather Room between 2 and 3 p.m. Tuesday, April 6.

### UB committee set for next year's events

Anyone interested in working on a committee to help Union Board plan events for next year should contact the Union Board office or Greg Kloos.

### Newberry to hold rummage sale

Newberry Hall is sponsoring a rummage sale on Saturday, April 10. Everyone is invited to buy and sell from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm. The sale will be held in the basement to Newberry Hall.

If you have any questions, contact Darcy Smith or Terri McGahey in Newberry Hall.

The next ALMANIAN will appear on campus on April 9. "This is to allow us to cover Honors Convocation in our Senior Issue," stated present ALMANIAN editor W. Robert Schultz III.

Schultz further commented, "None of our deadlines are changed, however."



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## Students and faculty to research forest areas

Hardwood forests of central Michigan will come under the scrutiny of several Alma College student-faculty teams this summer in a research program made possible by a \$16,490 grant from the National Science Foundation.

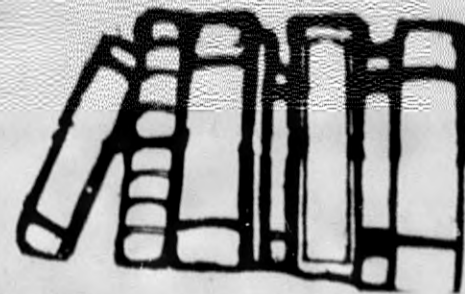
Eight student researchers, two or three of who may be from Michigan colleges other than Alma, will join seven Alma College faculty supervisors in the study of floodplain and upland forest tracts of the Pine River watershed.

The watershed is an ideal area for study of small-tract forests which are interspersed with farmland, according to Dr. Ronald O. Kapp, director of the project and provost of Alma College. Preliminary studies of the floodplain forests and landowner attitudes concerning them were made in 1974 and 1975. Dr. Kapp said. He added that other Alma College research programs have provided data on the ecology and the pollution of the Pine River and on its recreational potential.

General areas of research to be undertaken this summer include: (1) a survey of forest resources and forest productivity, (2) economic and social feasibility of forest management, (3) impact of forest management on the fauna and nutrient flow of floodplain eco-systems and (4) presettlement forest paleoecology, archaeology, and the history of land use.

Student researchers will begin their work about June 1 and continue for 11 weeks. Each will receive a \$900 stipend. The student participants will be selected on the basis of grades, test scores, and proposed research. Preference will be given to qualified sophomores and juniors. Applications and further information may be obtained from Dr. Kapp. The application deadline is April 9.

Alma College faculty members who will supervise the student researchers are: Dr. Arlan L. Edgar, professor of biology; Dr. Lester E. Eyer, professor of biology; Dr. Richard A. Roepel, assistant professor of biology; Dr. Verne C. Bechill, associate professor of sociology; Thomas Schumm, assistant professor of business administration; and Dr. J. Tracy Luke, associate professor of religion and ancient history.



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## Library augments ACCD in career planning

Recently it was announced nationwide that Alma College had received a \$200,000 grant from the Kellogg Foundation to develop and implement a Career Preparation Program (CPP). Our Advising, Counseling and Career Development (ACCD) office under Dr. Dan Behring, Director, has primary responsibility for the CPP. Alma College expects to show society that a liberal education can indeed prepare its graduates for the job market.

In pre-ACCD days the Monteith Library was the home of most occupational resources (along with the Education Placement Office). Though the ACCD is now the obvious place for the student to obtain guidance in career development, the library still has many good resources. Perhaps those resources are the ones most easily consulted when an individual's career thoughts have not really begun to jell. It would not hurt, of course, to do some digging in the library while receiving professional help from ACCD.

A survey of both broad and specific career areas is the library's ENCYCLOPEDIA OF CAREERS AND VOCATIONAL GUIDANCE (Ref HF 5381 .E52). Vol I contains general articles on career planning and surveys of 70-odd career fields. Vol II speaks to the specifics of preparation, earnings, employment outlook, etc., of literally hundreds of occupations. (Right next to this work on the shelf are two other very practical tools: the 1976 SUMMER EMPLOYMENT DIRECTORY OF THE U.S. and the PROFESSIONAL RESUME/ JOB SEARCH GUIDE.)

The quickest way to find more treatments of career planning is to use the library's main index - the Subject Card Catalog. Look there under the subjects: VOCATIONAL GUIDANCE, VOCATIONAL INTERESTS, OCCUPATIONS, and PROFESSIONS - U.S. Under the first two you'll find (among others) a couple of gems: Sandman's THE UNABASHED CAREER GUIDE (HF 5381 .S275) and Brown's AFTER COLLEGE - WHAT? A CAREER EXPLORATION MANUAL BOOK (HF 5381 .B677). Sandman pokes fun at the standard career guide format of so many such books and presents a very human and realistic approach to career selection. Brown does take some shot at a number of fallacies and myths in the world of work for the college graduate.

Since many college graduates will be entering the job market, books which the library has under the subject heading PROFESSIONS - U.S., may be particularly noteworthy. There is found Duckat's A GUIDE TO PROFESSIONAL CAREERS (HF 5381 .D9) and a Daedalus publication, THE PROFESSIONS (DAEDALUS 8038 U 5 D3 1955) and others.

Perhaps you have become sensitized to the changes in the work look that are continually effected by economic and political developments; occupational information of four months ago is of little value. You can check our periodical, OCCUPATIONAL OUTLOOK QUARTERLY, an incisive examination of conditions, which we are receiving currently.

It is hoped that those Seniors who are going on to graduate school already know where they are going - or are waiting for the nod from the "right" school's admissions office. It is hoped, too, that in the process of selecting their school they consulted a couple of the library's resources. To the common query: "Do you have something that ranks schools?" we can say: "We do for graduate schools." The article, "American's Leading Professional Schools," appeared in CHANGE magazine in 1973. The ranking of 17 types of schools was done by the deans of 621 professional schools. A copy of this article is in the EDUCATION, GRADUATE folder of the Vertical File.

A less subjective guide to grad school information is GRADUATE PROGRAMS AND ADMISSIONS MANUAL (Ref LB 938 .G72 1973), a 4-vol. compilation of data (arranged by discipline) which does tell you who awards the most doctorate degrees in Agriculture and other specifics in all fields. It's a gold mine of information upon which to base your selection.

Juniors and Sophomores who already have their eye on graduation education will do themselves a service if they early take a long and serious look at these two resources.

## Big Brother/Big Sister Program discussed by student participants

by Joyce Mahan

Fourteen Alma College students have been spending a few hours a month participating in a program which allows them to "do something not many others would, or could do." They're participants in the Gratiot County Big Brothers/Big Sisters Program.

Volunteers in the program are matched with a child after three preliminary screenings.

During these screenings the individual is asked to talk about him or herself, told the policies of the Big Brother/Big Sister Program, and discusses prospective little brothers or little sisters.

Once matched, the two must meet at least once every two weeks but once a week encounters are encouraged.

Children are referred to the program by schools, parents, the Gratiot County Mental Health Clinic, or may request a Big Brother or Big Sister on their own.

Client's ages range from 7-18 and Big Brothers and Big Sisters must be at least 18.

"These kids just need someone to relate to," said Chris Skillingstad, a volunteer in the program. "They need someone who's not there to discipline them, but to be friends with them."

Mark Dingwall, another participant, commented "I like doing things for people. It's like seeing myself grow up all over again. I try to help my little brother in all the areas that I had trouble."

This is the first year that college students have worked with the program.

Ms. Skillingstad, who has her field placement with the program as well as being a Big Sister, explained that part of the problem with having college students involved is solving what happens

when the Big Brother or Sister goes home for the summer.

As of now all of the college age participants plan to write and call their little brothers or sisters over the summer and possibly arrange a trip to Alma to visit.

Another member, Kevin Mullin, said of the program "I can see how it really helps someone who needs a father-image or a male model. It's a nice feeling to know that I'm helping someone who doesn't have a father. It's a nice feeling to know that I'm helping and, besides that, my little brother and I have a lot of fun when we're together!"

Concluded Dingwall, "I like knowing I can be there to help someone."

For more information or an application, call the Big Brother/Big Sister office (463-3434) or talk with any of the college students who have been with the program this year.

# OUR PHILOSOPHY

## Student input needed for long range planning

Throughout this past publishing year the ALMANIAN has covered the activities of the Long Range Planning Advisory Committee (LRPAC) to the Board of Trustees. This committee composed of faculty, students, and administrators has been meeting since last July. They have been working on a report which will make projections about the next ten years for Alma College. Now the report is finished. On April 7 the LRPAC will present its finalized report to the Trustees Guidelines Committee.

Before the report is given to the Guidelines Committee, the report will be reviewed at a Special Faculty meeting which will be held on Friday, April 2 at 3:00 pm in AC 113.

This meeting like every other meeting held on this campus is open to the college community.

The report of the LRPAC deals with projections pertaining to the next ten years at Alma College. The reports of the committee's activities which have appeared in the ALMANIAN have only been in bits and pieces. This was due to the fragmentary work of much of the committee. The report which will be given on Friday is the report in its entirety.

There was a time when students clamored for more participation in college government and planning. In recognition of such a desire the Student Council sponsored a symposium on Long Range Planning. An ALMANIAN editorial reported that few students attended. This Friday it is imperative that the students' viewpoint be here as well as the faculty's.

Now student should miss this meeting.

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## LETTERS

your feedback is welcome

### Community offers help for unwed mothers

Dear Editor:

I should like to make known in this area a pro-life work that makes available to the unwed mother who does not want her child, a better alternative than the abortion she might have been considering.

In the small town of Necedah, Wisconsin, there is a home for infants called Seven Sorrows of Our Sorrowful Mother Infants' Home. The purpose being to have a haven for the unwanted infants,

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On behalf of the volunteer staff of the Seven Sorrows Infant Home, I would like to invite the unwed mother-to-be to telephone area code 608-565-2417 or write to Box 905 Necedah Wisconsin 54646 for help.

Sincerely,  
Mr. and Mrs. Chester Zaleski  
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### End of year instructions given to seniors

Dear Seniors:

You should all be receiving information regarding Honors Convocation and Commencement through the mail soon. Please note the following information (some of which is not included in the mailing you shall receive).

- 1) If you ordered announcements or wish to buy some, please pick them up as soon as possible at Linda David's office on second floor, Hood Building.
- 2) Honors convocation is on Tuesday April 6. Seniors will wear caps and gowns on that day. Please pick up your cap and gown at the

Scot shop now. Honors Convocation is only a week away. (The book store will charge 50¢ for tassels if you wish to keep them or if you happen to lose them.)

Return the caps and gowns to the Scot Shop immediately after the Commencement.

3) Lineup for Honors Convocation is at 10:10 am north of the PE center (inside if the weather is inclement).

4) Baccalaureate is Sunday, April 11 at 11:00 am.

5) Commencement rehearsal is Friday, April 16, at 7:00 pm in the gym. This is very important.

(The senior party is afterward!!)  
6) On Saturday April 17 we meet on the library mall at 10:00 (please be prompt) to line up for the professional. Commencement begins at 10:30 am. In case of rain we'll line up in the PE (pool level) corridor.

7) I've been honored to serve as the President for the class of 1976. Thank you for the opportunity to do so, and congratulations on being a fine graduating class.

Respectfully,  
Ed Kain, President  
Class of 1976

### Will radio station be a reality?

Dear Dr. Swanson:

When on December 19, 1975 the Council Executive Board presented you and the Administrative Cabinet with the Radio Station issue you seemed receptive and willing. Indeed, when I received a carbon copy of the December 22, memo you sent to Dean Agria asking him to convene the Communications Committee and the Educational Policy Committee for the purpose of "making recommendations regarding the proposed establishment of a radio station," I recognized it as a significant step. After prompting from the Council Executive Board and a presentation from Dr. Robert Smith the Educational Policy Committee went on

record as, "strongly supporting the establishment of a radio station and that the committees involved with it should move ahead expeditiously." Bluntly, the Communications Committee is obviously incompetent to handle the job. I was present when that committee set a February 27 deadline for its report regarding your above mentioned memo. We both know deadlines are set to be met and as of this date no conclusions have been reported from that committee.

Sir, as you well know many of my predecessors have worked hard for a campus radio station, as our Executive Board has this year. Such a development could only

serve to enhance and sustain the recent realization of campus identity.

I believe that Alma College, under your direction, has become, by far, one of the finest institutions of higher education in the state. Only with your concurrence and direction will there be a campus radio station.

Now Dr. Swanson, as my last function in this office, on behalf of the student body, will there or will there not be a radio station at Alma College?

Sincerely,  
Timothy Good  
Student Council President

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OUR PHILOSOPHY

LETTERS

Student support requested for CROP

Fellow students and faculty members:

This coming week on our campus offers each of us a chance to learn, grow, and work together for the benefit of ourselves and others.

Last year some of you will remember how students raised \$600.00 for the Gratiot County Salvation Army. This year we have a good chance at doing better than that -- we can only do so with everyone's help.

On Friday and Saturday, if you think you're into it, you can join other concerned students in a "Fast for Development." We will be beginning at 1:00pm Friday and will fast until 5:00 pm Saturday. That's twenty-eight hours, friends. For every hour that you fast you will get as many sponsors as you can to pledge a certain amount of money for every hour.

Twenty-five percent of all the funds raised will be channeled through CROP to the Gratiot County Salvation Army. The remaining 75% will go to India for water resource development. CROP has the strongest buying power of any charitable agency. CROP can cover five times the territory we can cover with every dollar that they get.

I don't care what some of you

may be hearing; CROP doesn't take fifty percent of their donations of overhead. Believe me, this agency is legitimate and its doing great things. You and I can be part of these good things. A film telling all about CROP will be on campus Thursday of this week. The time and place will be announced.

Don't let this good thing pass you by. Help yourself, your school, help someone else. Help yourself to a sponsor sheet today -- then come fast with us. For a sheet, contact myself or Jack Quirk.

To a better day --  
With respect,  
Jeff Weenink

Reader finds a lot of mistakes

Dear Editor,

Once or twice is understandable, but every time all year is too much. I refer to the words a lot. There is no such word as alot. The closest thing to it is allot, which means to distribute by lot or assign. I realize that typing errors are sometimes the cause of a misspelling, but consistently you have printed alot rather than a lot. How about a correction?

Leslie Parsons

Property tax increases explained

by Senator Richard Allen

Don't confuse me with the facts! While ignorance is nothing to be proud of, knowledge can be used to confuse. I'm convinced many of us in State government do just this when we talk about property tax assessment.

"How come the State increased my property taxes?" is a common question asked us. We often answer that the State does not increase property taxes. In a way the facts back us up.

Property taxes are entirely local taxes going to counties, townships, cities, towns, and schools. The rate is, in all cases, set locally. The only role of the State is to maintain the constitutional requirement that all property be equally assessed at 50 percent of true cash value.

The State Tax Commission does at times insist that assessments in a local unit of government be increased. Obviously, if millage is not reduced this has the effect of increasing taxes. State officials defend themselves on the factual basis that local governments need not levy all authorized millage and that therefore if more taxes are paid it is entirely the decision of local governments to collect more taxes.

While all this is true and factual it is also confusing and misleading. It ignores the effect of the State School Aid Act. This Act operates in a manner to help poor school districts fund education. It has the indirect effect of putting local property tax dollars from assessment increases in the State treasury.

I'll go into this in more detail with anyone who so desires but in general here's how it works. School operation is supported by a mixture of State and local tax dollars. The poorer a local school district in property valuation the more the School Aid. And vice

versa.

So as the local valuation is increased State Aid is decreased. Rounding figures out a district with a valuation per child of \$10,000 levying 25 mills would raise \$250 locally per child and receive \$750 in school aid.

If assessments were doubled with no increase in students local millage would raise \$500. At the same time the state formula guaranteeing a total of \$40 per mill State and local combined would reduce School Aid by \$250. Same total dollars.

That, my friend, is what has happened in the last three years. The State Treasury has raided the local property tax through the combination of increased assessments and the State Aid Formula.

It certainly is happening in this year's budget. Some legislators will make big noises about our austerity program and no state tax increase. But you will pick up the tab in local property tax.



Sen. Allen

Government regulation necessary for protection of the individuals

by Kurt Skarjune

Editor's Note: Mr. Skarjune asked us to place an alternative view to the series of articles which ALMANIAN Associate Editor Doug Davis presently is doing on government regulation. Recognizing that this is not a "typical" letter to the Editor, we therefore print it as an alternative article:

Once upon a time there was a man called J. Paul Getty whose reported income was approximately 100 million dollars a year. He earned 300,000 dollars a day, but through the gift of being under regulated by government, he is reported to pay only a few thousand dollars a year in taxes. Now, through the rise of various tax breaks and loopholes, Mr. Getty is able to save himself 70 million dollars a year. Net result: Mr. Getty is 70 million dollars richer and the U.S. Treasury is that much poorer. Who makes up the difference? We do, the old faithful middle class.

The country's 200 largest corporations control over 60% of all manufacturing assets.

Four companies make 80% of the motor vehicles produced in the United States.

Seven companies control 70% of the world's oil and natural gas production.

Within each of the 213 major manufacturing industries in the U.S., the top 4 companies control an average of 42% of the market--almost half.

The above mentioned truths not "fairytale" indicate to me (as they should to all) that the system is not over-regulated (as mentioned by the author) but indeed UNDER REGULATED in favor of a rich few.

Democratic President hopeful Fred R. Harris could not be more truthful in stating that the problem with this country is that "Too few people have all the money and power, while all others have little of either."

One must not get the idea that government regulations and in essence big government is always bad. Big government is bad if it does not work for the benefit of the majority by giving special privileges and treatment to a few. Such is the case today.

The reasons for government regulations must also be sought out before such a blatant attack can be made on them. For example,

one need only to walk through some of the manufacturing plants in this country today to see the lack of government regulation coming in the form of working conditions that threaten basic human life. Two cases in point would be the recent death of 26 miners in a southeastern Kentucky coal mine, or the cancer induced deaths of those workers exposed to vinyl chloride.

We indeed do not have a free enterprise system in this country today with the monopolistic control of various industries. Hopefully through "fair and just" government regulation, we can establish a system that treats all people equally.

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# Alma Symphony orchestra to perform



On Sunday, April 4th, at 8:00 pm in Dunning Memorial Chapel, the Alma Symphony Orchestra will present its spring concert. The program will include the Concerto in G Minor for Oboe and Orchestra by Benedetto Marcello with

soloist Angelyn Leaver, a junior from Fruitport, Michigan. Beverly Taylor, violinist, will perform the Lalo Symphony Espagnole and Dr. Jack Bowman will be clarinet soloist in the Mozart

Clarinet Concerto. Also included on the program will be the "Unfinished" Symphony of Franz Schubert.

The concluding work on the program will be recent work by Sam-

uel Jones, formerly of the Alma College faculty. Written for a commission by the Shenandoah County Bicentennial Committee, the selection is entitled "Now Let Us Praise Famous Men."

Guest conductor on the Mozart

concerto will be Christine Orlik of Mt. Pleasant.

The price of admission is \$2.00 for adults and \$.75 for students. Alma College students will be admitted free with ID. Tickets are available at the door.

## Stratford Theatre Trip scheduled

After an absence of two years, the popular Stratford Theatre Trip returns to the college calendar of events for fall 1976.

For many years the Co-Curricular Affairs Committee sponsored a spring week-end trip to Stratford, Ontario, Canada, to one of the world's finest Shakespeare theatres.

Costs for these trips were kept low because of the theatre's School Season, a month during the spring of performances exclusively for school audiences, with prices far below those of the regular commercial season. For the past several years, however, that School Season has been shortened so that the only weekend available to the college was the final week-

end of Spring Term, at which time students found it difficult to be away from campus.

This year the theatre has added a School Season in the fall after the regular summer commercial season and is again charging schools greatly reduced prices (e.g. \$4.00 for the regular \$12.00 ticket) for performances during that time.

Consequently, the Co-Curricular Affairs Committee has arranged for a fall trip, September 24 and 25, when the two Shakespeare plays A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM and MERCHANT OF VENICE will be performed.

One hundred tickets for each of the performances have been re-

served, as have overnight accommodations in the downtown Queens and Windsor hotels. Bus departs from Alma early Friday morning, September 24, with Saturday departure for Alma from Stratford at about 5 p.m., immediately following the matinee performance.

Reservations will go on sale immediately after the beginning of school next fall, probably on Saturday, September 11.

It is expected that cost to students will be \$16.50, to non-students \$21.00. Charges will include transportation, hotel overnight, and tickets (best seats in the house) for each of the two performances.

Reservations must be paid in full at the time they are made.

## PINE RIVER available Wednesday

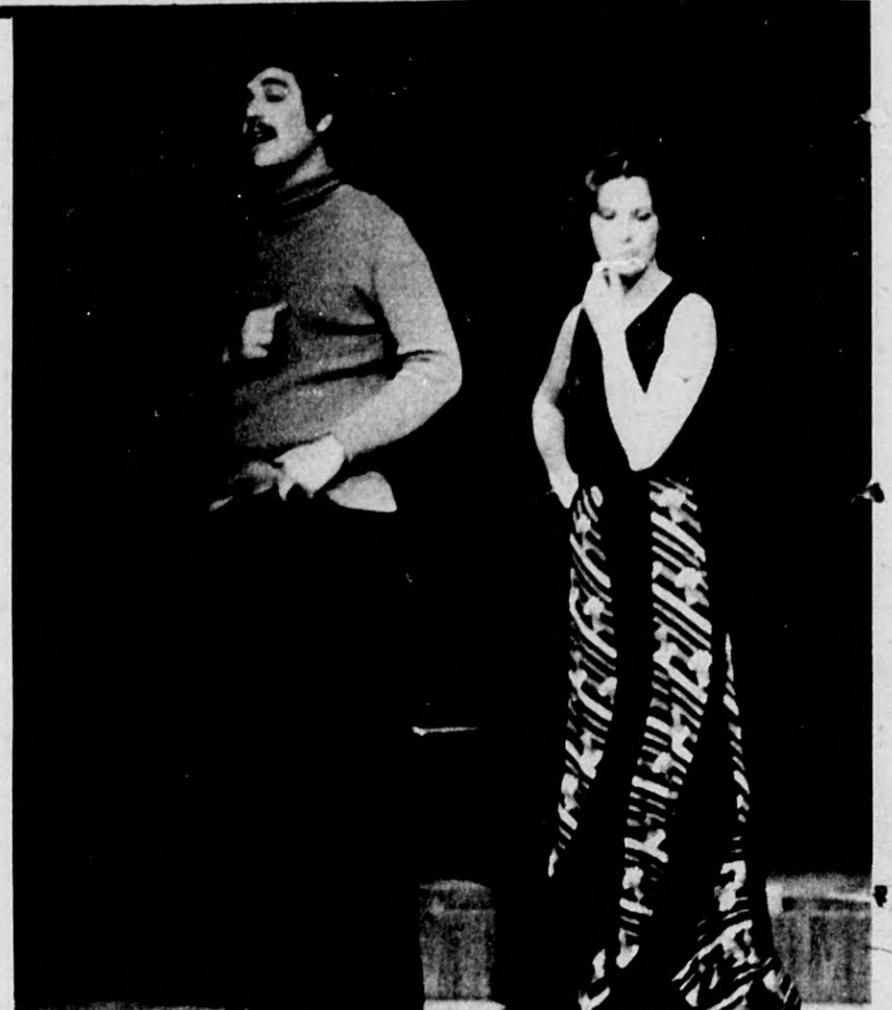
by Cheri Addington

Beginning Wednesday, March 31, the 1976 PINE RIVER will be available in the English Department office on a first-come, first-served basis.

This year's PINE RIVER, edited by sophomore Jim Daniels and senior Russell Rock, reflects some of the best writing and artwork being done on campus. "This is the first time in awhile that the magazine has been done on time," commented Daniels, "and I think that this issue definitely showcases the finer creative talents of Alma College." Daniels added that although the PINE RIVER was completed before the end of the term, "there had to be a slip-up somewhere, and that came in the form of a forgotten cover credit. The cover art was done by Lynn Gareau, and we apologize for the oversight."

The magazine features the winning writings of the Alma College Writing Contest, which was held fall term. In addition to the magazine itself, there are also five broadsheets of varying colors, textures, and sizes which attempt to convey the moods of the poems printed on them. Especially fine correlation between paper and poems are evident in "Letter to My Coat," by Daniels and "Calypso Market Song," by Kathy Smith. Smith's poem won the first place prize in the writing contest.

Contributors should contact Daniels for their copies of THE PINE RIVER, and all other students are invited to pick up a copy and browse through the artistic array of stories, poems, essays and artwork.



Andy Keys and Glynis Cox in their senior drama recital. Pic by Huyck

## Cox & Keys found delightful

by Gary Sundell

Editor's note: In one of his last and perhaps most difficult review of the year, Entertainment Editor Gary Sundell reviews his friend's drama recital, Glynis Cox and Andy Keys have both appeared on stage with Mr. Sundell before.

The recital Tuesday and Thursday nights, proved what I have long known; that Glynis and Andy are extremely competent performers. In a variety of scenes that ranged from Shakespeare to Chekov to Moliere to Eugene O'Neill, Gly-

nis and Andy presented an at times serious, but frequently funny portrayal of the male-female relationship.

The outstanding scenes were without a doubt YOU WERE PERFECTLY FINE, AH! WILDERNESS, ON THE HARMFULNESS OF TOBACCO, and DREAM GIRL. The entire evening was delightful. The performances by Glynis and Andy were very good, at times even excellent, as in the above four scenes. It is probably safe to say that the Alma Players will miss these two seniors next year.

## Sierra Club to hold programs

The Nipissing Group, the local branch of the Mackinac Chapter of the Sierra Club, has established a series of programs and outings for the next seven months. The general concern will be the intelligent use and enjoyment of the land.

The first of this year's programs will be presented at 8 pm tonight in Room 148 at Dow. Dr. Eyer, an expert on birds, will present a slide program on the mysteries of bird migration, covering such aspects as routes, speed, night navigation, and local places where waterfowl can be

seen in large numbers.

Students, staff, and faculty are urged to attend this free presentation.

Future Nipissing programs will cover such topics as garden planning, organic gardening, legislative programs, and endangered species. Outings planned include a Spring mushroom/wildflower hunt and an Autumn color canoe trip along the Pine River. Contact Dr. DeYoung (est. 283) for further information about any of these programs.



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Angie Leaver

Bruce Laven

### Students to give joint recital

On Tuesday, March 30 at 7:30 pm a joint recital will be given by Angie Leaver and Bruce Laven. The program will be in the Chapel and will include works by Marcello, Saint-Saens, Haydn, and J.S. Bach. Two compositions written by Laven will be performed, one in which Leaver will dance. Leaver, a junior from Fruitport, Michigan will per-

form on the oboe, flute, and piano. Laven, a sophomore from South Bend, Indiana will play the French horn, piano, and vibes.

The two will be accompanied separately by Mrs. Philippe Dunoyer in the recital, which will be one of great variety.

## Dinner theatre excellent despite technical foul-ups

by Gary Sundell

The second dinner theatre presentation in Alma College history was held last Monday, March 22. The entertainment was a Dance Mime concert by Rebecca. Rebecca, a former student of Marcel Marceau, was excellent. She performed such selections as THE CAROUSEL, ONSTAGE, and THE CARNIVAL.

Those people who came expecting straight mime as performed by Marceau, were probably disappointed. These people were probably among those very rude students who kept leaving during the performance. The banging of doors was most disconcerting to this reviewer; it was probably equally as frustrating to an artist like Rebecca. Actions like this could give Alma a bad reputation and harm our chances to have other such programs. Two things could have remedied this situation. First, if a person did not want to stay for the entertainment, then he or she should not have picked up tickets for the event. Secondly, if these people had used common sense they would have waited until the intermission, a number of people did.

The show was also marred by technical foul-ups. To me, the facilities are not the best and rehearsal time was probably small, but that does not excuse the poor technical work. The follow spot did not follow Rebecca across the stage. At many times she danced right out of the small lighted area of the stage into the shadows. When Rebecca did attempt to do some traditional mime tape recorder operator Keith Whittum kept repeatedly turning on the recorder. A quick look at the program would have told Keith that there was not supposed to be any music for the traditional mime segment.

Despite these two problems the performance was very fine. I did

occasionally lose some moves during the first half, but then I didn't have a program for the first four numbers.

Both this year's and last year's dinner theatre performances have

been well performed. However the rude behavior of the audience leads me to ask Union Board whether the Alma College campus is really ready for dinner theatre.



"Rebecca" is caught by Jeff Huyck's camera in a dramatic moment.

## Theatre major wins contract for Bicentennial Repertoire Theatre

by Cheri Addington

Sue Freridge, an Alma College senior majoring in Theatre, was recently awarded a contract with the Bicentennial Repertoire Theatre of Ypsilanti for this summer.

This summer stock work will not only count as one graduate credit, but will also give Freridge a salaried position while she is acting with the troupe. Out of eighty hopefuls which tried out, only fifteen were chosen to work in the theatre, which will boast a summer program of such plays as PHILADELPHIA STORY, SUMMER AND SMOKE, THE HOT L BALTIMORE, and MATCHMAKER.

Freridge, who has appeared in

many Alma Players productions including COMPANY, THE EFFECTS OF GAMMA RAYS ON MAN-IN-THE-MOON, MARI-GOLDS and most recently, THE HOT L BALTIMORE, is excited about working in a repertoire theatre. "One of the most interesting things happening is that the man who directed HOT L BALTIMORE on Broadway will be directing us, an experience that will be very educational as well as exciting."

The theatre, which will open May 1 and continue performances daily for the remainder of the summer, is located in the Kwirk Auditorium on the Eastern Michigan University campus.



Sue Freridge



Judy Hopkins, Betsy Kindig, and Donna Grunewald, members of the THIRD INVERSION, performed in last week's nightclub. Pic by Huyck

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# Reasons for Alma's rising prices: utility costs and inflation cited

by Rick Cramblet

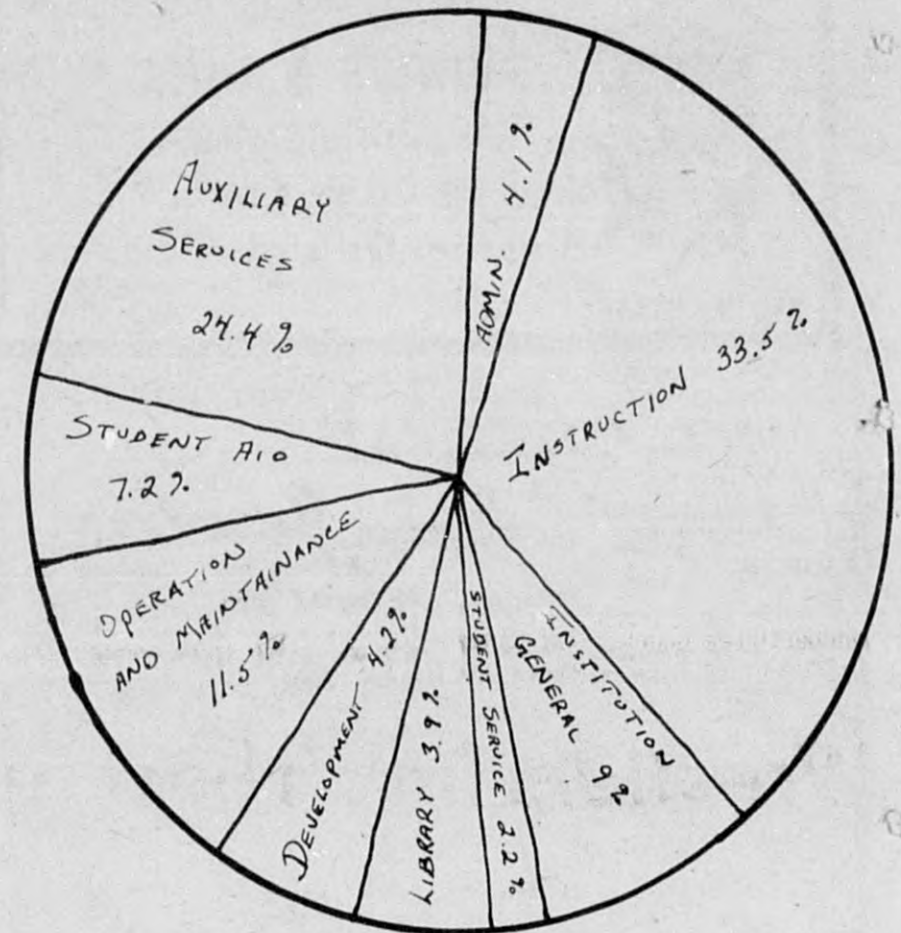
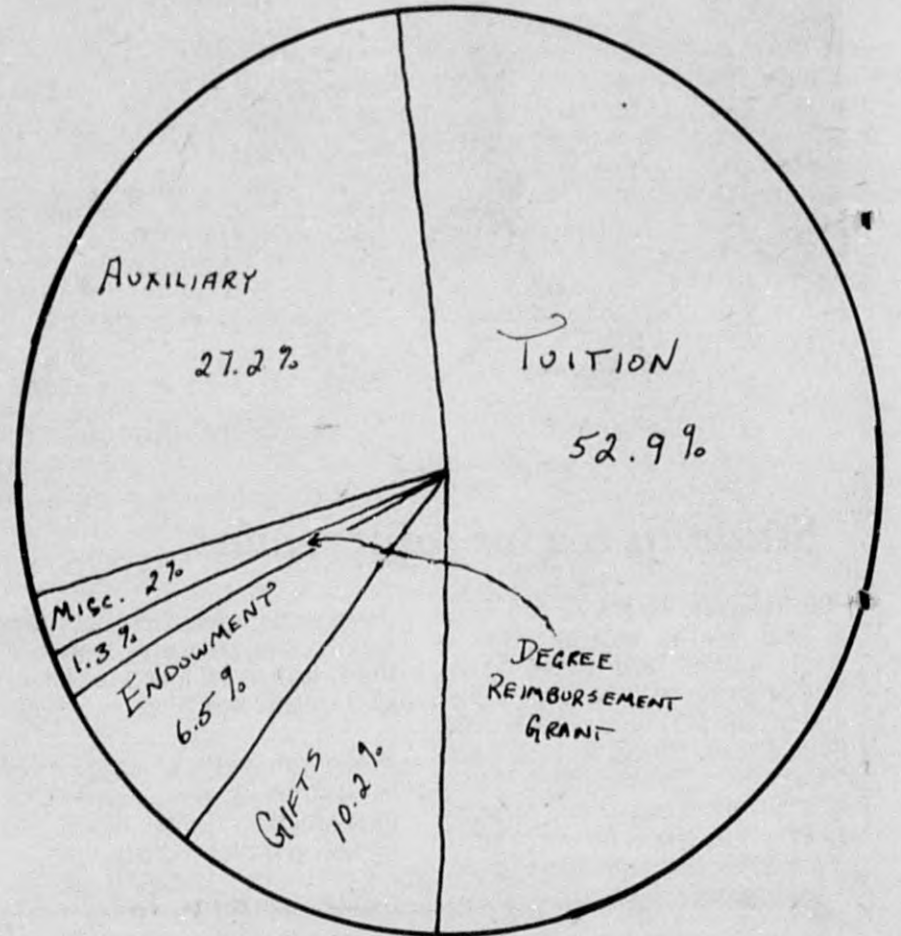
Rising utility costs and overall inflation were cited as the reasons for next years tuition and board increases by Dr. Steven Meyer. "Essentially," said Meyer, "we're not adding anything (to the budget), we're just trying to keep up with inflation." Dr. Meyer stated that the rising rates charged by utilities were one of the biggest increases experienced recently. Said Meyer, "Last year there was a 45-48% jump in the cost of electricity, gas, water and sewage. This year there was a 20-25%

raise and next year they are predicting another 20% raise." These raises are in spite of the fact that consumption of these utilities has risen only slightly. Said Meyer, "We are even using less electricity than last year... I think we have cut back as far as we can go."

The rise in the cost of going to college is by no means limited to Alma. A check of the projected increases in costs of other small colleges showed raises of 8.3% to 11% compared to the 10.2% increase Alma students will experience. However Dr. Meyer caution-

ed that the increase figures of other schools were put out in the late fall and early winter and are not necessarily the final word. Said Meyer "They could go up or down when they finally come through."

According to Dr. Meyer, the overall objective of the budget is to "...provide the best education we can for the least amount of dollars ... so we can accommodate as many students as we are able." "This isn't just this year alone," he said, "it's been this way ever since I've been here and that has been 24 years."



Source	Amount	Percentage
Tuition	\$ 3,265,000	52.9%
Gifts	\$ 630,000	10.2%
Endowment	\$ 399,000	6.5%
State degree reimbursement grants	\$ 81,000	1.3%
Miscellaneous	\$ 121,000	2.0%
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$ 4,496,000</b>	<b>72.8%</b>
Auxiliary	\$ 1,678,000	27.2%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 6,174,000</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Expense	Amount	Percentage
Administrative	\$ 255,000	4.1%
Instructional, Institutional, general	\$ 558,000	9.0%
Student services	\$ 135,000	2.2%
Library	\$ 240,000	3.9%
Development	\$ 262,000	4.2%
Operation and maintenance	\$ 708,000	11.5%
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$ 4,226,000</b>	<b>68.4%</b>
Student aid	446,000	7.2%
Auxiliary services	\$ 1,502,000	22.4%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 6,174,000</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

## Advice given on preparation for fasting

by Cheri Addington

Even though the Fast for Development has been cut from thirty hours to twenty-eight so that Friday lunch and Saturday dinner may be eaten, please remember that the more you eat before the fast will mean more severe hunger pangs, and the more you consume after breaking your fast Saturday will result in a stuffy, queasy stomach and perhaps even rejection of the food itself.

According to several medical authorities who specialize in fasting, the fast is best started out with a light breakfast of juice, water, coffee, and maybe just a little solid food to get you through your morning classes. If the stomach is loaded with heavy, greasy food before the fast begins, it expands and thus rebels when all of the food is digested in the form of annoying hunger pangs. The less food consumed the morning and afternoon before the fast, the less chance of having delirious daydreams of hot fudge sundaes and a cramped, hunger-riddled stomach. So, if you are planning to fast, be kind to your stomach in the long run and concentrate on fruit juices Friday instead of Saga's starch-laden breakfast and lunch.

Similarly, consider the state of

your stomach on Saturday after twenty-eight hours of consuming nothing but water. Your stomach is shrunken and rested, and your system has begun producing ketones which aid in the entire cleansing process which is taking place in your body. Imagine the shock your system will receive if you immediately run to the commons to consume an overload of hard-to-digest beef, starches, and sugars. Depending on the sensitivity of your system and its adaptation to the change, you may suffer anything from slight discomfort to moderate cramping. If you really overdo it, though, don't be surprised if your whole dinner comes back up on you. A heavy dinner after a fast is just like trying to lift weights after a month in the hospital: your system is rested, and has been so for twenty-eight blissful hours, and chances are it's going to rebel if aggravated with heavy food. So, again, your best bet is to start with some fruit juice to get some easy-to-digest energy into your system, and then take it slowly from there -- some fresh fruit, cottage cheese, yogurt, bread. Try eating insipid if you're really famished -- by nine p.m. or so, you should be able to take on that pizza, but

don't eat the whole thing.

The Fast for Development is a great way to not only help other people in the world, but it's a good way to give your body a cleansing -- which is really what fasting is all about. If you are really interested in eliminating some of the garbage that is induced into your system daily, try the fast from a cleansing standpoint. Start by taking a very mild laxative like, say, prune juice, the night before. Then in the morning or afternoon, just have some fruit juice and/or water. And while you're at it, throw

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# Tennis team looking good

by Tim Sutherland

Boosted by 3 freshmen who have moved right into the starting lineup, the 1976 version of Alma College Tennis should field one of its strongest teams in years.

Thwarted in its own league by national small-college powerhouse Kalamazoo, the netters have managed to gain recognition by walking away with the State NAIA Championship 3 years in a row, thus qualifying for the Nationals. Kalamazoo competed in NCAA.

The team, coached by Mike Sweeney, known as Assistant Football and J.V. Basketball coach, has been practicing since January on the two courts layed out on the gymnasium floor. Practice time is from 10:00 - 1:00 AM every night, late hours but excellent for concentration because of the absence of noise and distractions. After a couple months of intense intrasquad competition the positions are pretty well firmed up going into the season's opening match. The match, one of the biggest of the year, is a double dual against Northwood Institute and Central Michigan University. Tennis is the one sport in which Alma manages to compete with CMU and the Scots are looking for an upset this year. Northwood, a much improved team should give the Scots an excellent test too. The

match will be played this Saturday, starting at 9:00, at Northwood.

This year's ladder:

No#1 Kyle Madden - Senior, Captain. Kyle's powerful game combined with intense concentration has made him one of the most successful Alma College tennis players ever. He has a couple MIAA championships to his credit but is shooting for the NAIA Singles Championship this year after a runnerup finish last year.

No#2 Don Graves - Don is a freshman from Rochester who has moved right in to take over the #2 spot after a very successful high school year. He has the shots and the power to play #2 and a big year is expected from him.

No#3 Tim Tilma - Tim is a sophomore letter winner who received the Most Improved Player award last year. He had a fantastic performance in the NAIA with a quarterfinal position in singles. In doing so he knocked off a few top seeds.

No#4 Steve Smith. Steve is another freshman from Fremont who finished high in state high school competition every year. He has an excellent all-around game with a pinpoint serve which he moves well.

No #5 Bill Rucker. Bill was

a quarter-finalist in state Class A competition last year. He graduated from Dearborn and is the third freshman to move into the starting lineup. His cocky manner and a powerful two-fisted backhand are assets that should give him a successful year.

No#6 Tim Sutherland - Tim is a senior 2 letter winner who had an excellent season last year at #5. Pushed back to #6 because of the strong freshmen, his quickness and super-consistency should make him an excellent #6 man.

No#7 Kandy Learman - Randy is a sophomore letter winner who's strong doubles play with Tim Sutherland last year saw them receive a second seed in the conference tournament. He's back with Tim this year at No#3 doubles and they are expecting a big year.

No#8 Mike Miron - Mike is another sophomore letter winner trying to break in to a very tough lineup. He had an up and down year at No#6 singles last year but came on strong at the end. In case of injuries Mike will be a capable fill-in.

Other members of this year's team include Gary Brownell, Paul Onyekwere and Ken Riddle. In other years these 3 might have had a chance of breaking into the starting lineup. Not this year.



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# Alma defeats CMU, 5-4

by Tim Sutherland

In one of the biggest upsets of the tennis world, Alma defeated CMU 5-4. Kyle Madden redeemed himself with a superb effort in singles and doubles to pick up two points, combined with Tim Tilma's two points and a sweet victory by Don Graves (6-4, 7-5) and Steve Smith (6-4, 6-2). This gave the giant-beater Alma Scots a 1-0 mark.

Despite the bad news that Alma's number three doubles star Randy Learman had been declared in-

eligible, the Scot netters went out and creamed Northwood Institute 8-1 in the first match of the season. The Alma Kiddie Korps of Don Graves, Steve Smith and Bill Rucker, all freshmen, performed superbly in leading Alma to its easy victory at the Hoxie Tennis House in Midland, home of Northwood.

Despite a tough third set loss at number one singles by Kyle Madden, the team fought back to win all eight other points. Don Graves overcame his freshman

inexperience to win going away, 6-4, 6-3 at number two singles. Sophomore Tim Tilma won easily in his number three singles match, 6-2, 6-1. Another freshman, Steve Smith, played error-free tennis to win an easy 6-1, 6-1 match at number four. Bill Rucker overcame a tough case of nerves to win a 6-3, 6-4 decision, and seasoned veteran senior Tim Sutherland won easy, 6-2, 6-4.

Alma swept all three doubles matches to ease out at 8-1. Rucker and Sutherland went three sets.



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# Wrestlers finish best season ever

by Brad LaVictor

The 1975 - 1976 Alma College Wrestling Team had its most successful season ever.

The grapplers compiled an impressive 7-5 record in dual meets and finished high in three tournaments. In the MIAA Conference second place by 1/2 point. Out of the six wrestlers who made it through the whole season, all of them placed in the conference, and five went on to the 1976 NCAA Division III National Wrestling Championships in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, in March.

The team was led by outstanding senior captain Dave Vibber who totaled a 19-3 season for the year. He dominated the MIAA conference meet by finishing first, pinning all three of his opponents. He won his first match at the Nationals before being eliminated by a National Champion. He had a two year record of 28-3. Dave is the only member of this year's team graduating.

Freshman Jim Persing was a pleasant surprise this year. He

started off a fine career by compiling a 12-4 record highlighted by a first place finish.

Sophomore wrestler Skip Quadrener was easily the most impressive Scot wrestler of the year. He swept through the Southwestern Invitational, the Big "O" Tournament, and placed second in the MIAA - losing to an All-American in the finals. He is a tri-captain with a two year record of 27-2.

Junior tri-captain Tim Crosby, with an impressive array of moves, had a 16-7-1 record this past year. He placed in two tourneys and took a third in the MIAA. He has a two year record of 22-11-1.

Hardworking Junior Scott Whitford, though hampered by injuries, compiled a 9-9 record. His steady improvement all year led to a third place finish in the MIAA. He has a two year record of 11-11.

After a one-year layoff, Junior Gary Goetzinger came back to assert his authority in the Heavy-

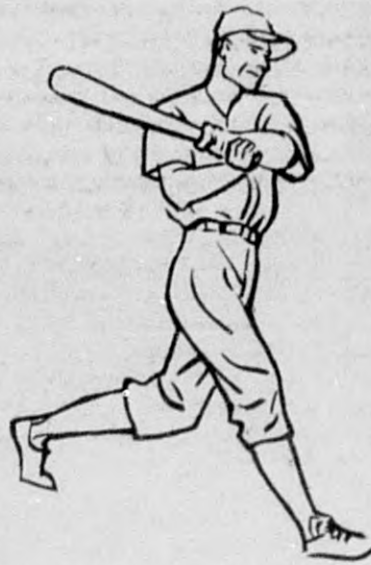
weight Division of the MIAA. He had a final record of 11-2-1. He was most impressive in winning the MIAA competitive meet.

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### Wrestling season ends

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wrestlers, the Scots were helped by hard-working team members Leo Levon and Ralph Johnson. With more experience they'll help the team in future years.

The Scots had three wrestlers who made All MIAA. They were Dave Vibber, Jim Persing, and Gary Goetzinger. In addition to these three, Tim Crosby and Skip

Quaderer qualified for the nationals.

Coach John Decker's coaching ability and enthusiasm has finally gotten Alma's wrestling program off the ground. With everyone back except for Vibber, who will be sorely missed, the team has a fine future in front of it.

### Fast explained

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away those cigarettes, beers, and joints -- so your body can start eliminating all those tars, nicotine, alcohols, and chemicals from your body. Then, once the fast has started, drink at least one eight-ounce glass of water every one to two hours, preferably even more to get the full effects. While your body is elim-

inating all those nasty chems from its systems, try getting to know your body again -- meditate, do yoga, feel the body throwing off all of the stored chemicals and poisons. This fast can be rejuvenating in many way -- spiritually, mentally, physically. Do it in any way that you wish, but do it, and enjoy.



Dr. Ronald Kapp delivered a lecture on the care of house-plants last Tuesday in Newberry Lounge. Pic by Huyck

## Summer programs listed

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The Alma College Congressional Internship will take place from April 26-May 21 in Washington D. C.

The placement is located in the office of Congressman Elford A. Cedarberg, r-Michigan.

This internship carries 4 credits in Political Science. The program co-ordinator is Dean Agria.

The City of Saginaw Internship enables an Alma student to spend a 10 week period of the summer working with the office of the City Manager. Any student applying

should be interested in such areas as : American government, politics, economics, sociology, research and analysis.

There is compensation and the co-ordinator is Dr. Donald Ranish.

Another Saginaw Internship allows a student to spend 10 weeks at the new Boetz Grove Nature Centre. The emphasis of this placement is on the development and implementation of programs as a naturalist guide at Goetz Grove.

There is compensation and the co-ordinator is Dr. Arlan Edgar.

The Senate Republican Information Service has made it possible for one Alma student to observe and participate in the interaction between the legislature and the news media.

The coordinator of the program is D. Sutfin.

The Toss Roy Advertising Internship provides a student with the opportunity for a placement experience and exposure to advertising.

The amount of credit will be determined by the student and Dr. Sutfin.

The deadline of applications is April 1.

### Saga weekly menu

THURSDAY, APRIL 1

Breakfast: Apple pancakes, scrambled eggs. Lunch: Waldorf salad, grilled cheese and bologna sandwich, savory bean casserole, crisp lemon thin cookies, chocolate fudge pudding. Dinner: fruit salad, Salisbury steak, eggs and mushrooms, crilled reuben sandwiches, chocolate cake, yogurt, baked custard.

FRIDAY, APRIL 2

Breakfast: Fried eggs, hotcakes, scrambled eggs. Lunch: relish tray, turkey salad sandwich, tuna noodle casserole, hot dogs, oatmeal-apple squares, fresh fruit, lazy tom thumb bars, lime crunch. Dinner: carrot and raisin salad, relish tray, breaded veal patty, batter fried fish fillets, cheese enchiladas, angel food cake, peach slices, chocolate cream pie.

SATURDAY, APRIL 3

Breakfast: French toast, soft and medium cooked eggs, scrambled eggs. Lunch: claremont salad, whipped cream fruit medley, beef

patty on a bun, creamed chipped beef, Spanish omelet, peanut butter cookies, applesauce, tapioca pudding. Dinner: potato salad, fresh fruit salad, charcoal broiled steak, toast top round of beef, chopped steak, hot bread pudding, peach and orange fruit cup, chocolate eclair.

SUNDAY, APRIL 4

Breakfast: scrambled eggs, banana pancakes. Lunch: sliced tomato with cucumber, fruit salad, relish tray, roast beef, country baked ham, scrambled eggs with cream cheese, marble cake, ambrosia, lemon meringue pie. Dinner: pickled beet salad, carrot, apple and

MONDAY, APRIL 5

Breakfast: hotcakes, poached eggs, scrambled eggs. Lunch: Country cole slaw, peas and cheese medley, grilled ham and cheese sandwich, Spanish macaroni, mixed fruit salad, chocolate chip cookies, peach slices, banana cream pudding, whipped gelatin. Dinner: marinated bean salad, stuffed celery with

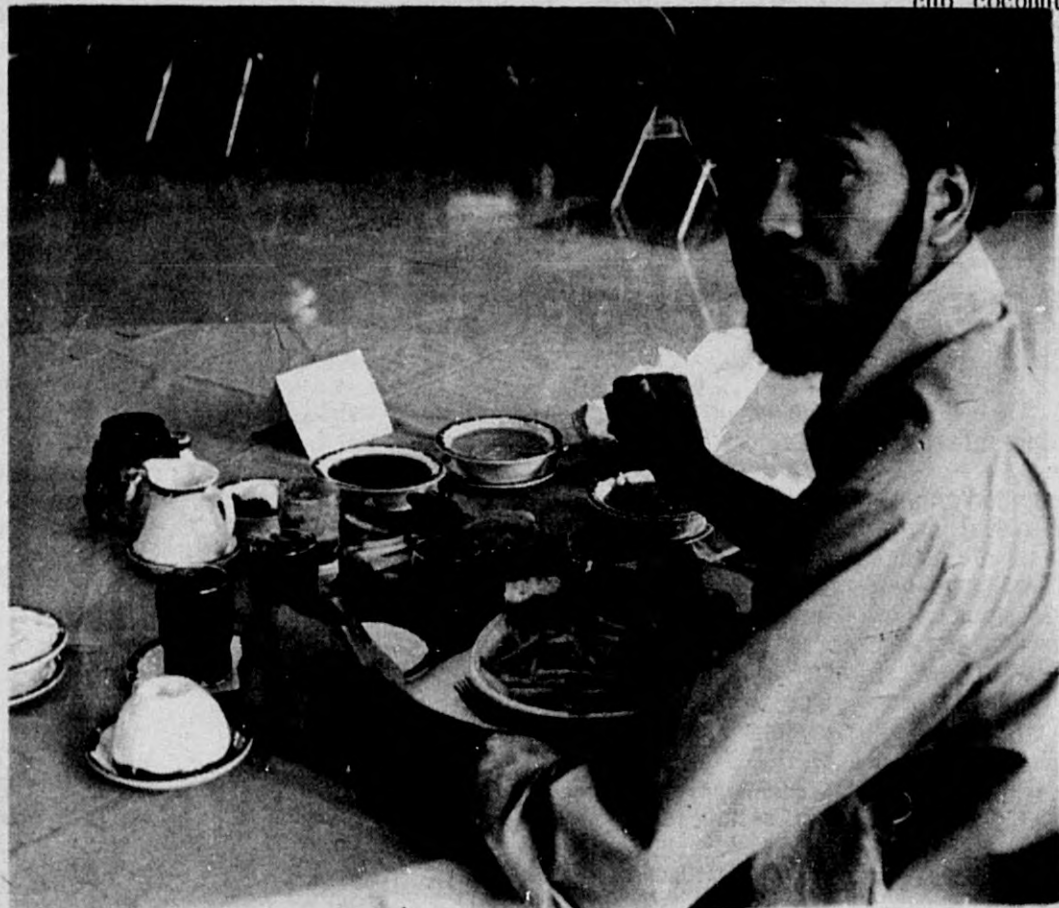
peanut butter, baked meat loaf, veal curry over fluffy rice, french waffles, hunter's pudding, marble cake, applesauce.

TUESDAY, APRIL 6

Breakfast: fried eggs, french toast, scrambled eggs. Lunch: potato salad, mixed fruit salad, pizza, tuna salad sandwiches, egg and green bean casserole, angel cookies, purple plums, coconut fruit squares. Dinner: fruit salad, Waldorf salad, baked fish file, turkey goulash, oven southern fried chicken, yogurt, devil's food cake, pumpkin custard pie.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7

Breakfast: Waffles, med. cooked eggs, scrambled eggs. Lunch: Deviled egg salad, Italian green bean salad hoagie sandwich, baked macaroni and cheese, beef turnovers, cowboy cookies, rainbow cake, tapioca pudding. Dinner: maintained cucumber salad, corned beef and cabbage, beef chop suey, scrambled eggs, spice cake, banana and orange fruit cup, coconut cream pie.



Willie Dawkins pauses for a break in his sumptuous repast served him last Tuesday night. Pic by Mahan

### Dawkins wins dinner

by Joyce Mahan

Junior Willie Dawkins was the first winner of the Saga "This is Your Meal" contest.

The contest idea, conceived at a workshop by a group of "Slightly inebreated" Saga officials, allows student to fill out forms describing their favorite meal.

Forms are mixed together and one name from Hamilton Commons and one name from Van Dusen Commons are chosen as the weekly winners.

If chosen, the student is served his favorite meal by Alma's Director of Saga Food Services, Dick Anderson.

Why did Willie fill out the form? According to Dawkins, "I did it for laughs. I didn't really think I'd win but everyone else was filling out a form so I did too."

The contest is also being held at Adrian College.

Anderson plans to continue the contest through intensive term and may begin it again next fall. "It depends on student reaction," he said.

Anderson served Dawkins his favorite meal which consisted of: breaded shrimp, french fried potatoes, a relish tray, hot rolls, and

strawberry cheesecake.

Interested students may continue to fill out the contest form and turn it in the checkers at either Commons

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