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The Tyler Student Union is a key area of controversy these days. Why? Pinball machines. See page 5 for the many sides of the story.

Rudolph Arnheim was on campus last week, discussing the aspects of visual art. Jim "Waldo" Walther talks about Arnheim and his discussion on page 11.

Only nine days till Turkey Day-- have a good vacation

Colonization, supervision keynoted

Swanson outlines TKE reactivation

By Cheri Addington
Editor-in-Chief

Last Thursday, Nov. 11, President Robert D. Swanson issued a memorandum to the faculty and staff concerning the possible reactivation of the Zeta Delta Chapter of the Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity on the Alma College campus.

This move came as a result of intensive negotiations with the Executive Director of TKE International, who submitted a Plan of Action to Dr. Swanson, the Chapter Board of Trustees, and the administrative staff.

Dr. Swanson noted in his memorandum that he was impressed and pleased with the substance of the TKE Executive Board's proposal. "For one thing, it represents a constructive approach to the possible reactivation of the chapter," Dr. Swanson noted. He stressed that his actions as of April 1, 1976, "were almost entirely punitive." The provisions of the proposed plan, which were altered during negotiations, were called, "more demanding and more restrictive than the terms of our administrative action last spring."

The three-page plan outline "will provide us with a basis for monitoring the progress which the local chapter might be making toward their goal of being reactivated," according to Swanson. The document includes an outline for the selection of members, the provision of colony status to the TKEs, and the assurance of adequate supervision. "These all are important positive factors that were missing from our original order of suspension," commented

Dr. Swanson.

"Two objectives dictated our action of April 1," the Swanson memorandum noted. First, that the penalty imposed upon the fraternity should be proportionate to the seriousness of the offense; and secondly, that at some appropriate time the fraternity should be given the opportunity to redirect its activities and image to more constructive ends."

This Plan of Reconstruction is the cumulative efforts of the college and the TKE fraternity to rebuild the Zeta Delta Chapter on more constructive grounds. The objective of the plan is "to effect a program for the revitalization of Zeta-Delta Chapter which will maximize the potential for this organization to achieve reinstatement at Alma College and subsequently maintain a program which is representative of the ideals and purposes of the Fraternity and the College."

The Program Implementation of the plan calls for the establishment of a colony of Tau Kappa Epsilon International Fraternity effective on campus January 1, 1977. During the colonization period, the group will establish short and long term goals, develop programs, participate in leadership workshops conducted by TKE International, and ultimately develop a petition for reinstatement based upon these activities. The document also states that "it is understood that the fraternity house will remain closed as a residence and social center and that new members will not be accepted during the period of colonization." Colony members will be selected from among present TKEs by a staff representative of TKE Inter-

national and two members of the Chapter Board of Trustees. Criteria for membership in the colony will be jointly established by the administration of Alma College, the Chapter Board of Trustees, and the International fraternity.

Other steps in this revitalization include the forming of an Advisory Committee to form a liaison with the Colony, the campus administration and faculty, and the International Fraternity. This Advisory Committee will serve as an advisory board to the colony during the period of colonization, and will continue to operate in an advisory/liason capacity for at least one year after the reinstatement of the fraternity.

During the colonization period of the chapter, a representative of TKE International will visit the colony at least once a month, and will work with the colony members in the establishment of future chapter programming, reporting, and development work. The chapter, after reinstatement, will be placed in the review and revitalization program of the International Fraternity during the first term following reinstatement and will be expected to meet all the requirements of the programming, reporting, and development phases of colonization.

"If Zeta-Delta Chapter of Tau Kappa Epsilon is to be re-established at Alma College, we must have appropriate assurance that they will, in fact, become a responsible student group whose activities we can support and of which the college can be proud," said Dr. Swanson in his memorandum. "We think that this plan, if faithfully followed, may lead to the achievement of these goals."

"The proposal contains a number of positive factors that were missing from our original order of suspension"




"The actions taken on April 1, 1976 were almost entirely punitive... these provisions are more demanding and more restrictive"



Tentative timetable

DATE	PROCESS
November 12, 1976	Joint announcement of the program for revitalization to the Alma College community and the alumni of Zeta-Delta Chapter.
November 19, 1976	Selection of the Advisory Committee.
November 19, 1976	Letter from TKE International to present undergraduates, now members of the Zeta-Delta Chapter, reaffirming this program and requesting them to express their interest in being considered for membership in the colony.
November 19, 1976	Establishment of standards for membership in the colony.
December 1, 1976	Initiation of interview process for colony members
January 1, 1977	Announcement of colony membership and beginning of colony status.
January 15-April 1, 1977	Program development for 1977-78 academic year operations.
By July 1, 1977	Submission of a petition for reinstatement to Alma College administration and TKE International.
July 1-August 15, 1977	Recruitment and selection of resident Chapter Services Director.

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Smokey the bear dies of "old age"

Smokey the Bear, the symbol of forest fire prevention for 25 years, died Tuesday at the National Zoo of old age.

The government flew "Old Smokey's" body in a crate of dry ice back home to New Mexico where he will be buried in the Smokey Bear Historical State Park, as provided for in a 1974 congressional resolution.

After Smokey was found in 1950 after a forest fire, he was designated as the living symbol of forest fire prevention. Congress has had Smokey's name copyrighted and the law requires a royalty be paid to the government on sales of Smokey Bear souvenirs. The forest service said that about \$1.5 million has been collected in these royalties which go into the fire prevention program.

High schoolers unrealistic about goals

A national education group has reported that high school students may be overly optimistic and unrealistic about their career aspirations. The group reported that of the 100,000 high schoolers surveyed in 1973-74, 44 percent of these 17 year olds desired a professional career. This contrasts with census figures that indicate only 20-25 percent of the present existing jobs are in that area.

Dr. Roy H. Forbes, director of the National Assessment of Educational Progress program, stated, "It appears that most students know primarily about the occupations they have observed or are talked about in the media...neither the student's studies in school nor their experiences in chores and parttime jobs have given them a realistic and comprehensive understanding of the world of work."

Industry hard-hit by the energy crunch

Remember the energy crisis?

In testimony before a House energy subcommittee, spokesmen from the Federal Power Commission and Federal Energy Administration said that there will be enough natural gas to heat homes and small commercial establishments this winter but that industrial users can expect an even tougher cutback than last year. This, however, is assuming that temperatures will be the same. A letter from federal energy experts says that temperatures will be lower.

States expected to be hardest hit are Ohio, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Kentucky, Georgia, North Carolina and South Carolina.

Ghandi denies reports of dictatorships

Prime Minister Indira Gandhi of India has denied reports that she is trying to make India a "constitutional dictatorship".

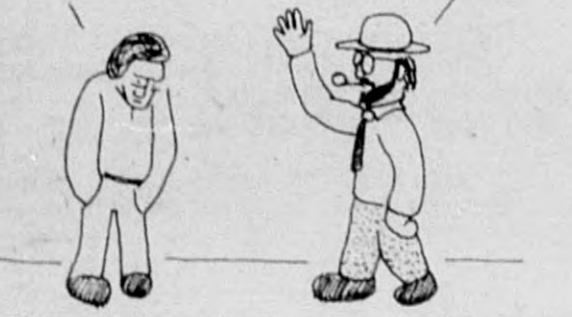
The charge centers over a constitutional amendment currently in Parliament that she is backing. The amendment bars judicial review of all constitutional amendments and enables Parliament to pass legislation banning any groups or activities the government considers anti-national. It also limits the power of the courts to protect civil liberties.

"What we are trying to do is simple," said Mrs. Gandhi, "the objective of this bill is the rejuvenation of the nation and constitution. We are bringing into sharper focus the intentions and beliefs of the founding fathers."

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NOTHING TO DO, NOTHING TO DO...

Hi Joe Freshman, what seems to be the problem



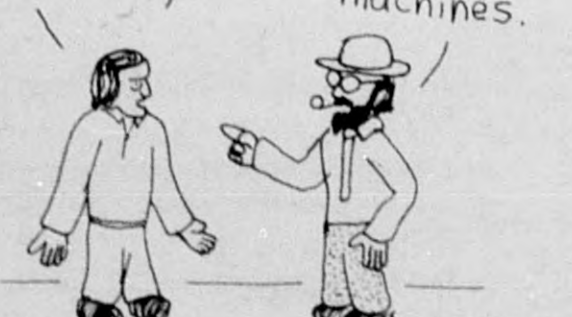
Oh come on now. We had two speakers at Clack this week, A play, an AO party, & a movie this weekend. Why not go to these?

NOTHING TO DO MAN.




I don't have time. The work load is too heavy.

I bet you would love pin-ball machines.



Yea, pin-ball. Too much work. Nothing to do, Nothing to do...

Do you care to go to the Union for a cup of coffee?





Alpha members begin the process of decorating the Union for their annual girl-bid dance, Theta Tavern. This year's theme was "Tavern goes Ape" with a jungle motif and a cast of characters including inebriated canibals, pink elephants, sleek panthers and peeling bananas.

Alma natives swing as Tavern Goes Ape

By Mary Young

Last Saturday night, the natives of Alma had a "swinging" time at Theta Tavern '76 -- "Tavern Goes Ape." Tyler Center was transformed into a jungle as couples danced amid monkey mobiles to the tunes of "Universe," and munched on pink frosted elephants in between dances.

Judy Kan, Alpha Theta treasurer, stated that at least 350 people or more attended the dance and she added, "I think that it is one of the best Taverns we've had."

Probably the most enjoyable part of the evening was the entertainment, enacted very originally by the Sisters of Alpha Theta.

The girls played the parts of cannibals, monkeys, spiders, elephants, and even bababas and pink

panthers, trying to cure their chief of a snake bite. They were helped by the "Guitarzan Band," who called Dr. Livingston to the final rescue. The girls were backed up during the dance of the Pink Panthers by music recorded by the Jazz Band. The entertainment was done quite professionally, and everyone became caught up in the merriment of the evening. Once again, the Thetas showed their continuing talent as a sorority.

Comments from the students that attended were nothing but good, although some complained that the band was too loud. Karel Less, a junior transfer student, had a "real good time" at her first Theta Tavern. She said, "I felt that everyone there was enjoying themselves."

Beth Reigal, a senior, and Bev Erickson, a sophomore, both agreed that the entertainment was

excellent -- the best part of the evening.

The glass-blown jungle animals also added to the fun as they made perfect favors -- the final touch to a perfect evening.

Asian trip offered Spring term

By Kandi Frey

"A Journey to Understanding Southeast Asia" will be offered to anyone through Menno Travel Service May 10-June 1, 1977.

Alma College Chaplain, Cliff Chaffee and his wife, Mary, will lead the trip.

Thirty people may go on a first come, first served basis. A \$200 deposit must be made to secure reservations. It should be mailed to: Martha Meister Kiely, Coordinator, Interpretation Through Travel, Untied Presbyterian Church USA, 393 Lakeland Avenue, Grosse Pointe, Michigan, 48230.

The total cost of \$2,040 is due March 16. It includes all expenses transfers, and meals.

Chaffee believes the trip will be a culture experience. He said, "We will see the changing status of Christian missionary overseas, and tourist sites."

The flight will leave San Francisco by Pan Am. Some cities will include Tokyo, Seoul, Kyonju, Hong Kong, Bangkok, Chiangmai, Singapore, Manila, Dumaguete, and Honolulu.

Chaffee was approached about 6 or 8 months ago by Kiely about leading a tour through the Presbyterian Church. He and his wife were Presbyterian missionaries in China for two years and fraternal workers in Thailand for twenty-one years. Each area to be visited is personally known to the Chaffees.

School clamps down on missing furniture

By Rick Cramblet
Asst. News Editor

Have you ever walked into a study lounge and thought is somehow looked a bit different, perhaps emptier? The problem of the vanishing school furniture has been a long lived and unsolved one at Alma, but that may soon end due to a new anti-"borrowing" policy to be implemented November 23.

Dave Campbell, Assistant Director of Student Affairs said, "The disappearing furniture has always been a frustration and now that all the halls are getting new study lounge furniture...there is much concern that it will disappear too." To combat this problem, Jeff Southern, Director of Student Affairs, went to the Dorm council with some proposed solution and asked for their input. What came out of that meeting was the new policy regarding school furniture found in a student's room which is as follows:

On November 23, there will be an all campus inspection, head residents and R.A.s checking the residence halls, Dave Campbell and Gene Burr checking the small housing units with the house managers when possible. Fraternity houses will also be inspected, but when and by who hasn't been decided yet. Anyone found with the furniture will have a \$25 fine levied against them and the fine will be treated like all others, if it is not paid the students grades will be held back, they will be blocked from registration and the fine will be placed on the students account.

"We hate going to this," said Campbell, "but it seems the only way to keep furniture in a common area."

What should you do if you have some illicit furniture in your room now? "We might as well start out

with a clean slate," said Campbell, "so they have a week to sneak the furniture out late at night when no one will find out." You will not be fined before the inspection but during and after if you are fair game.

The fine was set at \$25 because

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Campbell

"most students could pay the fine but it would hurt," said Campbell.

Other points about the new program are that all money taken in from the form of fines will be placed in the General Fund of the college to be used for student financial aid. Also, the \$25 is only a fine, any damage done to the furniture will also be paid for by the student.

"This is the first time I can remember an inspection other than at the term end," said Campbell but he also said that this will not become a standard policy. He said that the term end inspection isn't far away and hopefully there will be no further need for inspections.

"Head residents will be asked to put up reminders about the inspection and mention the time it is to take place," said Campbell. "It shouldn't take over an hour per hall."

There has been quite a bit of money spent on the new furniture and hopefully this policy will keep it where it belongs, and where everyone can use it. Said Campbell, "In the past if you find someone with a piece of furniture they say 'no one used it anyhow'. At the same time you have people saying 'I don't use the lounges because there isn't any furniture.' Maybe this will end that problem."

Hunger symposium gives food for thought



Dr. Ronald Kapp, Eugene Kolb, Ron Massanari, Tracy Luke, and Irene Linder ponder the world hunger problem against the grim backdrop of the Chicago slums at the Symposium on Hunger, which was held last Wednesday evening. About forty students and faculty members attended the symposium, which explored the political, religious, sociological, and economical implications of hunger on the world today. Students Jack Quirk, Jeff Weenink, Al Edwards, and Steve Burkhart, all of whom helped plan the symposium, are planning a follow-up chapel service to be held November 21st in Dunning Memorial Chapel. Canned foodstuffs will be accepted as the "offertory" and will be distributed to hungry families in Gratiot County for Thanksgiving. Photograph by Kathy Wright.

Homecoming correction

Dear Editor:

I would like to make a correction in your Homecoming article of last week with regards to the winners of the float competition. The winning float was not solely a project of the Sigma Beta fraternity, but was a joint effort of both Sigma Beta and the Gamma Sigma Sigma sorority, without whose help none of it would have been possible. So I hope they will get the recognition they deserve.

Thank you,
Doug Shrewbury,
Sigma Beta president

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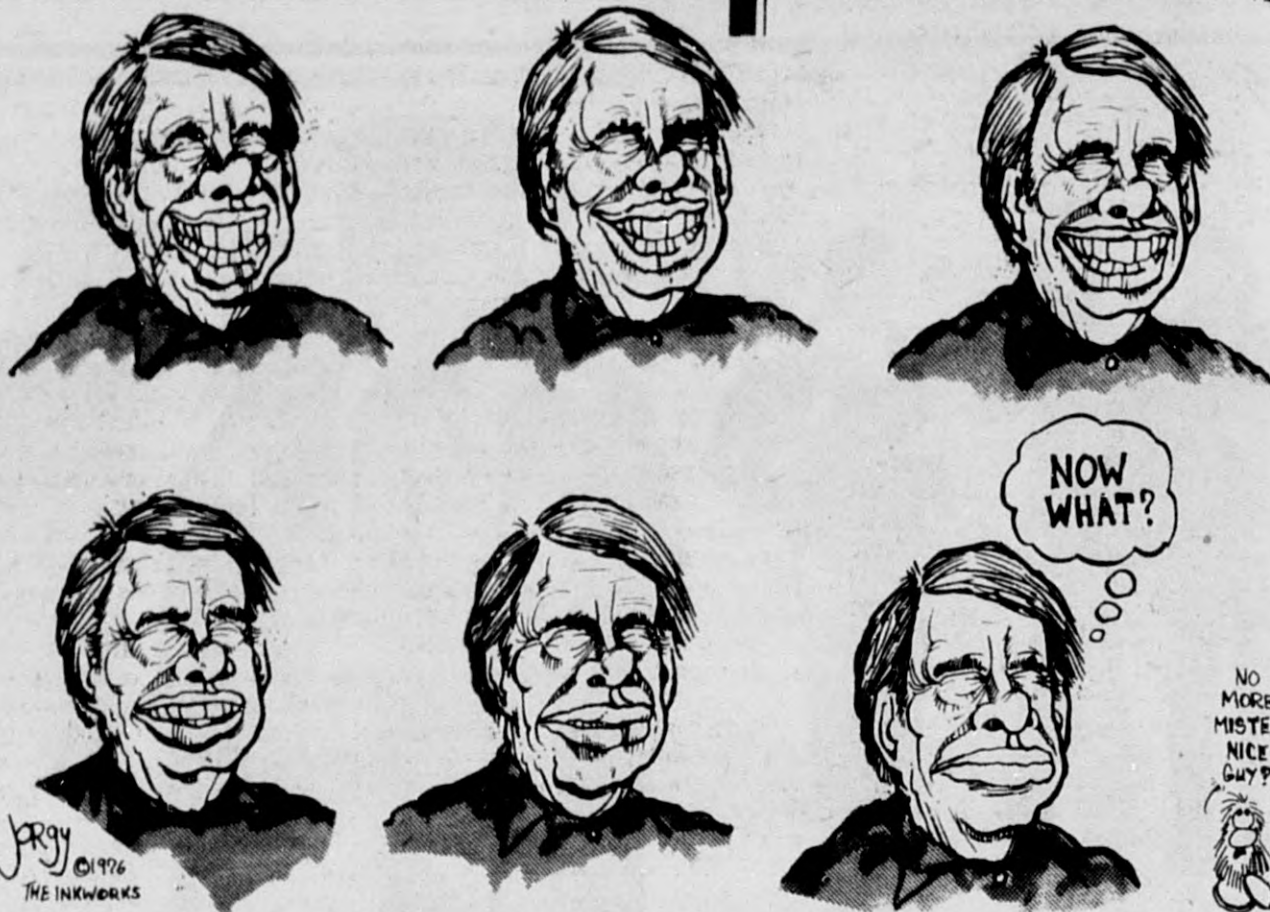
For most of us, Thanksgiving is mostly a chance to get away (finally!) from our work and exams and get back to some good home cooking with family and friends. Who doesn't look forward to a table laden with savory dishes, away for awhile from the gastronomical grips of Saga foods.

But a number of students on campus are looking past that primary thought of food and vacations -- looking to the startling number of people right here in Gratiot County for whom Thanksgiving will mean a dismal day away from family and friends, with barely enough food on the table to feed one person, let alone a family.

These people will be the focus of the special student-led Chapel Service happening on November 20th in Dunning Memorial Chapel. This service will have as its theme "Thanksgiving," and students Al Edwards, Jeff Weenink, Steve Burkhart, and Jack Quirk are hoping that the entire campus will attend the service and bring any canned food that they wish to donate to the Gratiot County Salvation Army as the offering.

This service, in keeping with the spirit of the "Fast for Development" last winter and the "Symposium on Hunger" which was held last week, seeks to make the students aware of the worldwide hunger problem. I think its refreshing to see this concern with the outside world happening on a campus where students are barely aware of day-t-day international and national occurrences, let alone something as abstract and forgettable as hunger. The only hunger an Alma College student has ever encountered happened when Saga served three entrees of questionable origin, and the usual peanut-butter-and-jelly was opted for.

Hunger is a very real problem which exists in this very town in which we live. Come to the special Thanksgiving Service this week -- and then go home and give thanks for all you've got. *Cheri*



Letters

Union in danger of becoming penny arcade

To the Editor,
Re: The Administration's proposal to install electronic game devices in the Tyler Student Union.

It is indeed sad that the last bastion of "social - intellectual" academia at Alma College is now being threatened by the Administration. The Tyler Student Union, long a center of student-faculty interaction and socially oriented intellectual endeavor, faces the very real danger of becoming nothing more than a penny-arcade, punctuated by the "ding-ding" of pinball machines.

The premise that Alma College is lacking in social life is not invalid, but to attempt to deal with this problem by such cosmetic

measures as turning the Union into a miniature carnival shows a basic lack of understanding on the part of the Administration. The major purpose of this institution is (or perhaps should be) academics -- providing the student with the best education possible. This is not accomplished by installing electronically activated toys in the student Union. Playrooms are fine in daycare centers, but what purpose do they serve in the liberal arts college but to aid in extending adolescence an additional four years? Perhaps if the Administration were to deal with students as responsible adults the students would respond by acting as such. In any event, the proposal to stick clangingpac-

ifers in the "socially deprived" mouths of the student body will solve nothing and destroy the very positive aspects of the current Tyler Union.

Hopefully, a more intensive study of the "social" problems at Alma College will result in more responsible and thought-out action on the part of the Administration. Rash actions such as the closing of the Academic Center Faculty-Student Lounge and the proposed alterations of the Student Union show a definite lack of foresight and judgement. It is too late for the A.C. Lounge, but let us hope that our administrators are wise enough to leave well enough alone in the Tyler Union.

Respectfully submitted,
Phil Ropp

UB urges students to speak on pinball

Dear Editor:

We trust that the majority of the students at Alma are now aware of the series of discussions that have occurred regarding the possibility of a game room on campus in the near future. If there is anyone who is interested, pro or con, who hasn't picked up the word, here's their chance.

Union Board has been seeking the means to make Tyler Stu-

dent Center more appealing to A.C. students. One suggestion we've received and are now considering is that of a game room. We've listened to several people who have voiced their opinions; these have, for the most part, been negative.

Within the last few weeks, it has come to our attention that, whether pro or con, Almanians are interested in the idea. The "anti-pinball" factions have been

organized and are voicing their views, but where are those who are in favor? We need more direct feedback on this issue as do student council and Student Affairs. If you have something to say about pinball machines or a game room on campus, come over to AC 113 at 9 p.m. this Wednesday, Nov. 17.

Sincerely,
Tyler Union Board

Union second home to Creamer

Dear Editor,

It is my understanding that the college administration is considering a plan to turn the Tyler Student Union into a game room.

As an off-campus student, commuting from St. Johns, the Union has become a second home, a home where students and professors can

"shoot the breeze" over a cup of coffee in a quiet atmosphere, where academic problems can be discussed and solved, and where friendships can be made and continued. By turning the Union into a game room, filled with pin-ball machines, air hockey games, and the sort, the traditional and en-

joyable environment of the Tyler union will be destroyed. If a game room is the only answer to some students' boredom, I strongly request the college administration to find another location. UNION RATS OF ALMA UNITE!

Thank you,
Charles M. Creamer

Prof clarifies letter to editor

To the Editor:

When my letter appeared in last week's ALMANIAN, a line was omitted. I had observed that the Presbyterian church had grown "to a national organization by the 1760's and ...helped foster a sense of colonial and national unity as

few other denominations have done."

I went on to say that Alma's "Career Preparation Program has catapulted Alma College into national recognition and made it a model for other schools."

I wanted to correct this, since the omitted lines left the letter

confusing. And I also want to assure you that I was NOT criticizing your editorial; I consistently laud all you are doing to promote the Alma spirit in your editorials.

Earnestly,
Eugene Pattison

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The issue: To pinball or not

by Karen Magunson
News Editor

In the students never-ending search for social activities on campus, some have proposed that a game room, complete with pinball, air hockey, and foosball be constructed in the lounge area of Tyler Student Union.

However, the suggestion has received a strong negative response from the "Union Rats" who frequent the Union. They do not want any part of the noisy "ping-ping" of pinball machines or money-spending wizards.

A petition promoted by the Union Rats passed around last week presently boasts 90 signatures, and reads: "We feel that the proposal to establish a game room in the Tyler Student Union would inhibit the prevailing social and academic activities. The Tyler Union, as used today, promotes an important aspect of college life, namely, interaction between faculty and students in a comfortable environment. If a game room is established it will not only hamper this atmosphere, but will also destroy and academic undertakings, which are a necessity to intellectual growth."

A special meeting was held in the Union Thursday, November 11, to discuss the issue.

It was the general consensus that pinball machines aren't the solution to Alma's lack of social interaction.

"Stress the socially academic feeling of the Union now. It's good," said Phil Ropp, a senior at Alma.

"We should strongly resist this already growing 'dodo' mentality," said James Tipton of the English Department.

Senior Jim Walther agreed. "Social interaction isn't supposed to be handed on a silver platter. Interaction is what you want to make it."

One of the strongest suggestions made at the meeting was that the game rooms be located in the dormitories. However, some were concerned that the residents of the town of Alma would not be able to use the game room facilities if they were in the dorms.

Jeff Southern, director of Student Affairs, said in an inter-

view that several students came to him with the idea of a game room and he consequently made the suggestion to Union Board. While developing the plans for the renovation of Tyler, Southern said he is looking for other inexpensive ways to attract students to the Union.

"I feel the negative reaction on the part of some is a bit premature," he said. "Nothing has been ordered, and nothing has been done--it is only a suggestion."

Director of Purchasing Robert Fraker, who would be involved with the purchase of the machines, said he isn't exactly ecstatic about the proposal.

"One time in the past we were all set to go on the same idea... Union Board and the dealer were supposed to get together and make a selection...somehow it just never was made," he said.

"Personally, I don't like the idea. I have played pinball machines before and I learned the hard way--they are money-grabbers," he continued.

"I'm not sure whether it will attract more people or drive them away. But I'm not sure whether I've ever had a clear cut mandate from the student body or faculty."

Student Council President Jeff Weenink said he is distressed with the situation because the idea was only a proposal and it has been blown out of proportion. The issue was discussed in a Student Council meeting Thursday, November 11, and Weenink said that pro and con opinions were divided equally among members.

"The idea of a game room, from what I've heard from people who don't use the Union, has been advantageous. There is definitely some sort of attraction there for some students. Some tell me they go down and play pinball at other places. But no means is it an answer...however, it is an option that might attract some people."

"To have a game room centrally located in the activities center would be nice, but on the other hand, I don't want to take away from the lounge. People feel like they are being relocated and I'm sensitive to that. There are about 90 to 100 Union Rats who have

a dominion over the Union who are against the game room. But what about the other 800 to 900 students?"

"Personally, I don't get into games," he continued. "But I think the idea of a game room is fine, as long as it doesn't infringe on the people who already use the lounge area. It could be in a place that is on the side or out of the way."

He added that several resident assistants are presently taking a needs assessment survey to find out what the students want concerning social interaction on campus, and that a subcommittee of Student Life will also review the issue.

Greg Kloos, president of Union Board, said he needs feedback from the students.

"I need information regarding the game room to see if it is needed or desired," he said. "Considering the original problem, we don't think a game room would draw so many people as other things might."

"I think there is potential for a game room on campus, but I personally don't think it should be in Tyler. I could be put in a completely separate room, but that would require a lot of dollars that are not available right now. However, we can install them at a minimum cost."

Assessment survey is crucial to you

Early in September, a group of students perceived many problems and needs on the Alma College campus. These students expressed their concerns to both faculty and administration in an attempt to seek the reasons behind the problems and possible solutions to these concerns.

In an attempt to get to the core of the specific problems, resident assistants, head residents, and selected faculty members were polled for perceived student needs and possible solutions. This information was collected and compiled and after several meetings, was placed in the form of a needs survey.

This survey will be distributed to the student body in hopes of discovering the specific needs of the students and to the extent that these needs are or are not being met. Because of the impact that this survey can have, it is very important that the individual student devote his or her full attention to each question and consult his or her answer carefully before responding to it. The importance of this survey cannot be stressed enough, and this survey should not be viewed as "just another survey."

If many of the perceived needs on this campus indeed turn out to be real needs, then this survey will be the first step in improving the quality of student life. Therefore, it is once again asked that the student consider each question carefully.

Your participation in this needs assessment survey can help in implementing school and community activities that will better serve you.

Montieth Library Corner



Sometimes the library doesn't have everything you may need to write a paper on the subject of your choice. To assist researchers, libraries have adopted guidelines for lending to each other, believing that the furtherance of knowledge is in the general interest. Basic reference books and those that are in print at moderate cost, or are rare, fragile, or bulky are not lent. Usually photocopies are substituted for periodical articles. Since such lending was originally intended for advanced research, some libraries do not lend for undergraduate use.

The procedure for getting a publication through this service is simple---fill out one of the request forms found on the tables and counters in the reference and card catalogue areas and hand it to a librarian or student staff assistant. The form calls for:

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3. Your phone number.
4. The course, or purpose for which you need it.

Montieth Library often receives about twenty-five books or articles a month through this service, about ten days after requesting them. Loan periods are usually for two weeks and one renewal may be requested. Of course not all requests can be filled---sometimes a copy can not be located, other times it is in use at the home library. Occasionally, it takes much longer than ten days to get a book. Usually we forward requests to the State Access Office at MSU's library who fills it or sends it on to a sister office at the Harlan Hatcher Library at the University of Michigan. If neither of these can lend it, we often telephone CMU before checking the Ohio College Library data base to see which libraries in the country own it. Generally, our requests can be filled by MSU or U of M.

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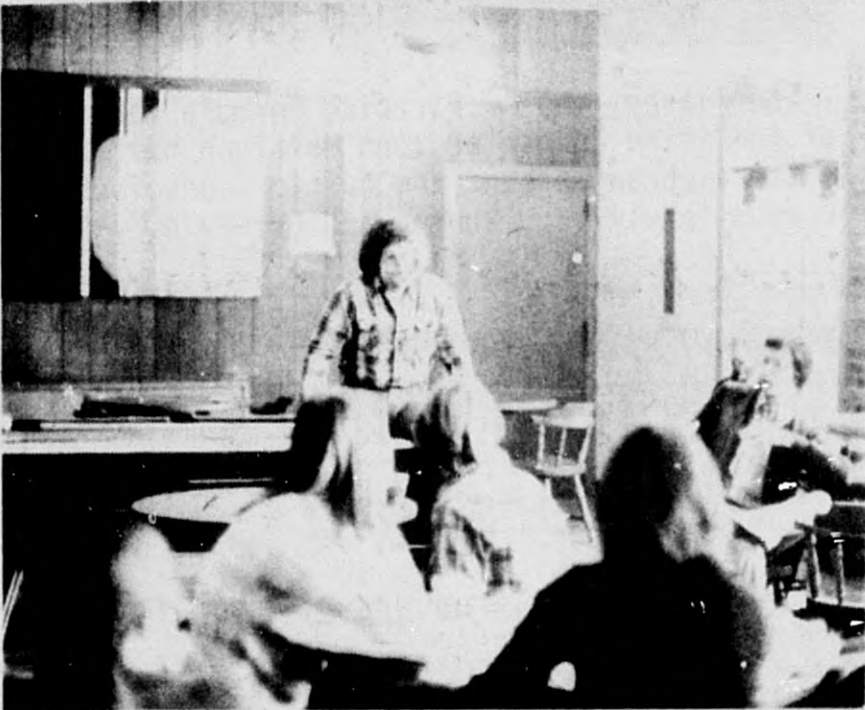
This past week has certainly been a busy one for our pledges! Early one morning, they decided to surprise all the actives by barging in our rooms, equipped with movie camera and movie lights. It was their way of warning us of what was to come on "turn about day," when the actives waited on the pledges. Then on Monday, in order to get out of reciting the Greek alphabet while holding a lit match, the pledges decided to pull their capture. They had the AZT's looking all over town for them, except at the Alma Motel, where they were all partying. The capture was successful, and the five captives had a great time with the pledges.

Due to the majority of the group going pledge-hunting, we had to forfeit our volleyball game that

night. However, we're still leading IMs and expect to finish in first place. Speaking of sports, congratulations are in order for all the members of the field hockey team. We are proud to have a group of our sisters participating with such a fine collection of athletes. Congratulations to all of you ladies!

We'd also like to congratulate the Alpha Thetas for a fine presentation of "Tavern Goes Ape." Hope it was a real success.

This week the AZTs will be trying to make sure that during the pledges' final week of pledging, they really learn what it means to be a pledge, serving all actives. A reminder to our brothers of Delta Gamma Tau: Gentlemen, you only have until Sunday to give our pledges a tour of your hospitable safe. After Sunday they won't be pledges anymore--get the picture?



Charlie Creamer leads discussion of the installation of pinball machines with some fellow union rats.

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Swanson discusses 10 year plan at alumni meeting

By Garth Glazie

"We completed one phase and now we are embarking upon a new one," stated President Robert Swanson, at the annual Fall Alumni Board Meeting, held Nov. 6.

Dr. Swanson's report, the main highlight of the meeting, was received enthusiastically by the alumni board members. With an air of confidence, Dr. Swanson announced what he termed as a "ten year development plan" for Alma College. This, he contended, would make "Alma College ready for the rest of the twentieth century."

Swanson pointed to the completion of the music building and the new theater as landmark achievements

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ments in this final phase of development. Another landmark development, although one which saddened many, was the demolishing of Wright Hall. The Board believed the leveling of the building to be a regretful but necessary act due to the unreasonable cost of maintenance.

Looking ahead to his ten year development plan, Dr. Swanson announced his goal of a \$33 million income on which the college would subsist and expand during the entire ten year period. When met with oohs and awes, Swanson reaffirmed the plausibility of this goal by reminding the board of the college's past achievements during the last few years.

Among these recent achievements, the Alumni Board ranked high. For the 1975-76 fiscal year the board reported a balanced budget with a surplus, 4,317 gifts to the college (a record high) and contributions from two of the trustees amounting to three million dollars. The gift income to all college funds this year increased by 20 percent to \$187,642, from what was a new record high of 2,377 alumni. Donations to the Annual Fund for current support totaled \$95,213, while \$69,386 was contributed to endowment, and \$19,231 was given to other College funds. The special "Ice Storm Damage Fund" also received \$3,812 from a total of 286 alumni. Another development which

might be a landmark for Alma College is the Career Preparation Program which Dr. Behring introduced to the alumni in a comprehensive slide show presentation.

Explaining the program, Dr. Behring stated, "Alma took the offensive viewpoint," referring to the reasons behind its development. In a job market where 20 percent of the workers will be in non-existent jobs by the end of the next ten years," said Behring, "college students need to be more flexible." This, he contended, is achieved through the program which encourages students to develop four or five career possibilities which they can investigate and consider in relation to their major interests.

Dr. Behring gave an effective example of a student who, like so many others, did not know in which direction she should go. The student who was an Alma College senior with a 3.7 average and a major in biology came to Dr. Behring and emphasized to him that she was not prepared to take on a career. Behring, seeing that her problem lay in the fact that she did not know how to relate her college experience to a career in the world of work, helped her as he put it "to articulate her strengths and how they could be applied." The result is that she is now working

in a project sponsored by the University of Michigan, studying the effects of pollution in the Great Lakes.

Behring pointed out that high schools and colleges do not pre-

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pare students to decide on careers, but rather simply give them a general program of skills which may not be geared toward the kind of career they are best suited for.

After this, "the students are suddenly asked what they would like to do," Behring commented, "without giving them the proper skills to apply their educational background to the types of careers open to them." In Behring's words, "The Career Preparation Program is an educational process which helps students to move through a life of work" and does not serve to "educate him with skills." Behring emphasized that

Admissions counselors drive in style

By Karen Magnuson

A flashy bright yellow Firebird Formula cruises slowly down the street.

"Take a look at that car," exclaimed one Alma student.

"Nice," responded his friend. "I wonder who owns that baby?"

The eye-catching vehicle rolls slowly to a stop in Reid-Knox parking lot and a tall blond man steps out.

"Hey, isn't he an Admissions Counselor?"

"You bet he is, and the college gave him that car too."

"So that's where our tuition money goes!"

Sparked by the rising cost of tuition in the last few years, students seem to have a common concern lately where all of their hard-earned money is going. And when they see members of the administration driving college-

leased Firebird Formulas, Ford L.T.D.'s or Cutlass Supremes, a few eyebrows are raised.

Is our tuition money going toward such administrative luxuries? "Sure it is," said Director of Admissions Stephen Bushouse. "And tuition money is also going towards the furniture in this office here."

"But admissions counselors put in sometimes 1,000 miles a week. When you are driving that many miles we are looking for comfort and personal preference within the price range we have to work with. It is standard procedure at all private colleges and universities in the state."

Forty percent of the money for the cars is paid by the owner himself and the remainder comes from a travel budget of \$25,440 that is allocated to the admissions office.

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this is achieved not only through developing students ability to make decisions about jobs but also by giving "students a little leverage in using job interviews and information to their advantage."

Many Alumni Board members were surprised to hear that they would be undergoing a kind of through-the-mail initiation into the Career Preparation Program. Many members either have or will soon be receiving questionnaires which ask them to describe their present occupations and how it has affected their life. Students will be allowed to read these descriptions so as to get an idea of what the careers are like. This new aspect of the program is just one of many ways in which Dr. Behring and others working in the program are helping students investigate careers and define their goals.

Subjects confronting the Alumni Board which concerned more immediate matters included a proposed "babysitting plan" which would allow recent alumni of Alma College to be able to attend Homecoming. The problem presented by the Student Recruitment Committee was concerned with the fact that many recent alumni have small children who they cannot take to all the events which take place during Homecoming. The "babysitting plan" would allow

alumni to attend events such as the Homecoming football game by having other special activities for

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their children where they could be watched over by either volunteer students or community members.

It was also brought up that the Homecoming Parade was too short and had been scheduled too early in the day. It was suspected that many alumni had missed the parade because they lived too far away to arrive in time for the parade. It was also generally agreed upon that because of the shortness of the parade, many felt that it was not worth driving a long distance.

To help the parade along it was suggested that the lawn decoration and the window decoration projects be set aside next year so that students could concentrate their efforts on producing a longer parade.



The flashy, yellow Firebird Formula (above) of Admission Counselor John Mattison has raised a few eyebrows around the tuition-conscious campus lately. Photograph by Kevin Fisher

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"T.G.'s" implemented to foster student-faculty relations; lounge alternative suggested

By Cathy Madigan

By now a lot of people on campus have probably heard vague rumors or perhaps constructive things (hope so!) about the Ad Hoc Student Faculty Interaction Committee. It was formed in response to the disbaring of the student-faculty lounge but not strictly for the purpose of re-establishing it. The purpose of the committee is to enhance the relationship between students and faculty by coming up with constructive ideas to be put into action.

One idea that has been put into action already is the student-faculty "T.G." on Friday afternoons at the 300 Bowl. It has been

"If you're lost for something to do Friday afternoons between four and six, head out to the 300 bowl."

very successful according to the people who've participated and the committee suggests that it be regarded a "traditional" Friday afternoon function. So, from now on, if you're lost for something to do Friday afternoons between 4:00 to 6:00, head out to the 300 Bowl.

It's a great opportunity for students and faculty to mix and actually get to know each other on a level other than that in the classroom. So far, we've managed to get a 25¢ discount on pitchers and 5¢ off of mixed drinks. Hopefully, we'll get a larger discount if we bring the 300 lots of business. So... let's get out there and make it work.

The committee would also like to share with you at this time a suggested alternative to the lounge which is presently functioning as a faculty lounge. The need for a private lounge for faculty has been well-spoken, but the need for students to have a facility in the Academic Center has been felt to be crucial also. Thus, an alternative has been drawn up which is illustrated below. The renovation will be of fairly minimal cost and will

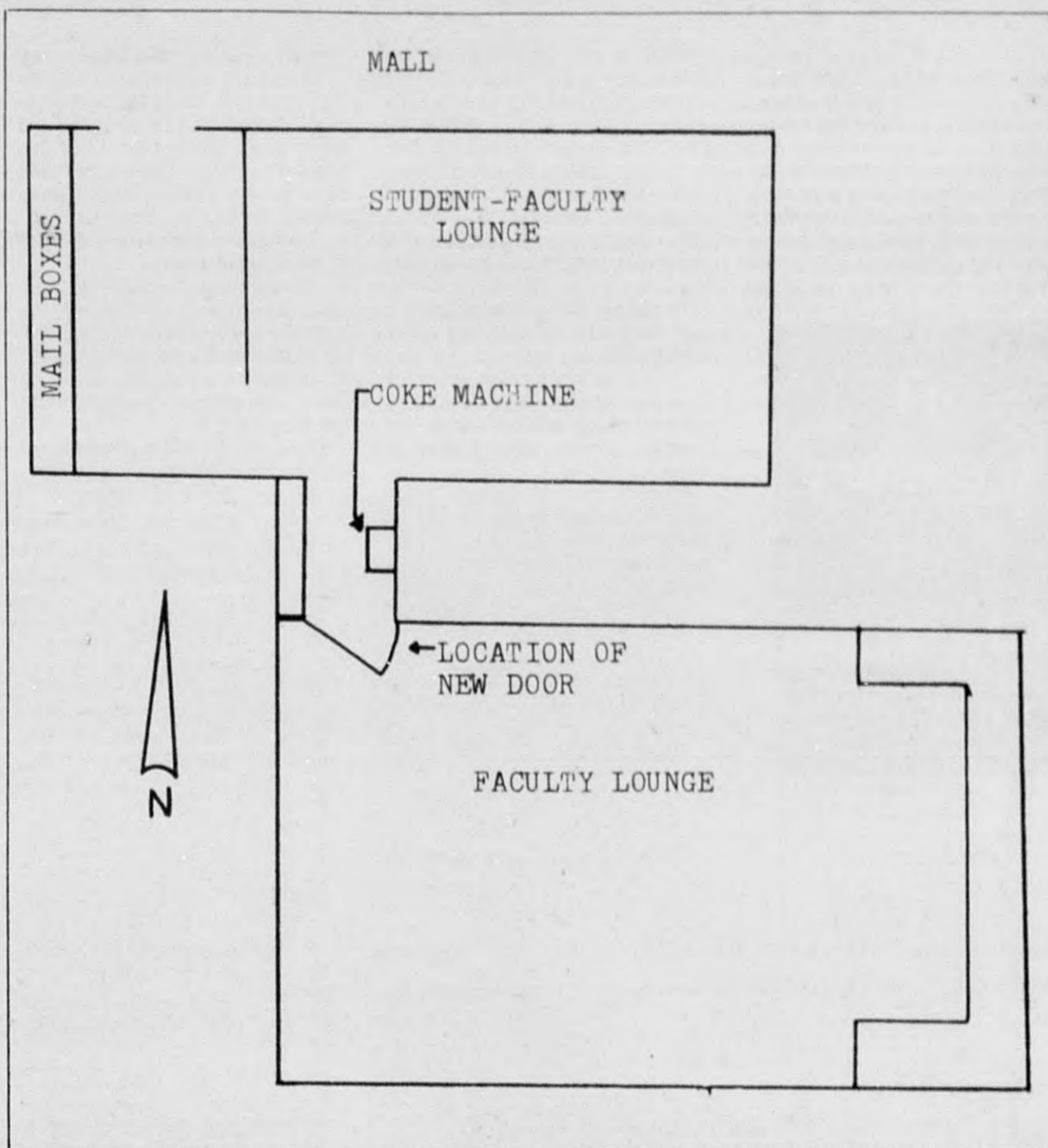
not damage the structure of the room so that it can be changed back in the future. The proposal is that a door be dropped between the outer and inner parts of the

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lounge. The outer part (with windows to the outdoors) will be the faculty lounge and the inner lounge will be a joint, student-faculty lounge--an interaction lounge--not a study lounge. Hopefully students and faculty will mix in the inner lounge. Furniture between the two rooms will be shuffled so that a "softer" atmosphere will be created in the inner lounge. Arrangements will be made for a Coke machine and coffee facilities to be installed where the coat rack is now located.

These are just a couple things we've come up with and we need feedback from you so that we can act on everyone's behalf. Let us know how you feel by getting in touch with any of the people on the committee. Make use of your student council too--they're there for you.

More to come later...
For now, Cathy Madigan, Hank Klugh, John White, Hal Slater, Roland Lansing, Larry Edison, John Green, Paul Wilson. Also contact: John Agria, Jan Hubinger, Dave Campbell.



Student co-op, radio station on SC agenda

STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES - November 11th

- I. Roll Call and secretary's report.
- II. Treasurer's report

III. Service Programs:

Student Council set up an Ad-Hoc committee composed of Lisa DiCamillo, Liz Garber, Bryan Graham, Joan Grant, and Dave Staff to act as a clearing house for college community service to identify groups and possibilities for involvement. This core group is requested to organize the various groups.

IV. Band Aid Report: Greg Kloos, Tyler Usage

Jeff Southern has come to U.B. and asked them to help review the usage of Tyler and how it could be changed in order to draw more students. Members from different groups on campus will be forming a steering committee. Matt Moses and Scott Whitford were chosen from Student Council. Some of the things mentioned were better maintenance, making the snack bar into a student co-op. There was a question and discussion period. It was mentioned that

Tyler has a stifling atmosphere and there needs to be a drawing card. We need a change in tables, and a game room would enhance the atmosphere and bring in more people.

Jeff Southern reported on the progress of the ad hoc committee. He talked about the 1968 plan and the long range planning. His target date for a proposal is Nov. 22 to make recommendations for Jan. 1, 1977 Board of Trustee meeting.

V. Student Life Committee:
The openings on this committee will be filled by Zack Porter.

VI. Radio Station:
Bob Olsen, Jack Quirk, Bryan Taylor, Leslie Mathiak, and Jon Humphries are the core group. They gave a progress report. Jeff Weenick suggested that a report get out to EPC on the radio station.

Bob will get together with the communications committee.

VII. Article in the ALMANIAN:
An article will be put in the ALMANIAN concerning the Student Faculty Ad-Hoc committee sponsored T.G. at the 300 Bowl every Friday night. A possible door between the two sections of the lounge was proposed to Gene Burr. A report will be given to Dr. Agria.

VIII. MIAA- Jeff Leetsma

Again post season competition in team sports was turned down by the Board of Governors.

IX. Committee Reports:
EPC meets 4:00 every Monday in AC 106. Right now they are dealing with the requirements for entering classes. Student life's

main concern in Tyler Student Center and alcohol policy. Provost Advisory committee is working with the fiscal budget, for next year.

X. Constitutional Review Committee:
Matt Moses will have a meeting with Dr. Kapp regarding revision of the constitution.


Food for needy Thanksgiving service aim

Last Wednesday, members of the student body and faculty attended a Symposium on Hunger that was held in the Tyler Auditorium. The speakers were Dr. Kapp, Dr. Kolb, Dr. Linder and Dr. Luke. Dr. Massanari served as moderator for the evening. Basically, it proved to be an informative and inspiring session for those who attended.

As more or less of a follow-up to the Symposium, there will be a student - lead Thanksgiving Chapel service this upcoming Sunday, the 21st of November. Those who attend are encouraged to bring various foodstuffs (canned vegetables, fruits, meats, etc.) to the service. All the food that is given to and for this service will be given to those facing hunger in Gratiot County through the Salvation Army. All members of the Alma College community are encouraged to attend and bring food. Concerning this, please contact Steve Burkhart (128 Mitchell), Al Edwards (117 Mitchell), Jack Quirk (OX House), or Jeff Weenink (Tobin House).

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Study abroad; Mary Kline in Mexico

Last January Mary Kline then a junior, gave up the homey atmosphere of Alma College and all her friends here to go to college in a foreign country. Because of interests in Spanish and Business, Mary traveled to the University of Americas in Mexico to attend there winter and spring terms.

The University of Americas is in

Puebla, a city located in central Mexico about a 1/2 hour drive from Mexico City. It has an enrollment of 1500 and Mary felt the school was like Alma except for the classes.

"I took 3 classes, Spanish Literature, and Management, both taught in Spanish, and Spanish culture, a class mainly for the Americans at the University." Her classes met 4 days a week, Monday - Thursday, giving Mary and friends 3 day weekends in which to travel through Mexico.

"I went to Mexico City and Vera Cruz many times. My friends and I traveled along both the Pacific and Atlantic coasts, and I went to Acapulco 3 times!"

Mary's Spanish Culture class also conducted trips throughout Mexico and took Mary to interesting places, "I never would have found."

At the University Mary stayed in a dorm comprised of half Mexicans and half Americans and began her learning of Mexican culture and lifestyle through her Mexican friends.

Because there are no fixed prices on goods, and you're expected to argue with the vender, Mary said she enjoyed shopping in Mexico very much.

"When they saw my blonde hair and figured I was American, they thought they could raise their prices and take advantage of the American. It was funny when I

started speaking Spanish to them."

Everything was going well at the University for Mary until the middle of March when a strike closed the college. Most of the American students at the University went back to the United States. Mary wanted to stay in Mexico, but she also wanted to earn college credits while she was there.

"I was more fortunate than the other Americans. Alma had a group from the Spanish Department coming to Mexico for the spring term. I stayed at a boarding house in Vera Cruz and met the Alma group there in April."

Mary and the Alma group stayed with families in Vera Cruz for three weeks and then went to Mexico City. The Alma group left, Mary went back to the boarding house in Vera Cruz, until she returned to the U.S. in June.

"I can't believe I learned so much and had fun while doing it." Mary felt she learned how it really was to live in Mexico. She feels she saw the true political and economic situation of Mexico, and how the growth and development of the country affecting the population.

Mary added, "I learned there are different people in the world, and I learned a lot about myself. I'm more independent now, more able to adapt. I'm more sure of myself and glad to have had the experience. Also, having to speak their language all the time, helped my Spanish."

Of course, while in Mexico Mary learned about hot foods and Latin men.

"I ate some American food like hamburgers and potatoes, and a lot of tortillas and tacos. I couldn't eat the hot dishes and my friends were always trying to slip a few hot spices or peppers in my food."

"Most American women would

have loved it in Mexico. The Latin men are attracted to American girls. They shower girls with gifts and affection.

In Mexico they have a lot of discoteques, and American girls would never have to pay the usual cover charge. The Latin men would always pay your way. If they paid your way in, then they would give you lots of attention but if you were with a guy, they were nice and left you alone. Latin men are real possessive. They would even fight over a girl."

Mary did most of her traveling around Mexico by use of Mexico's efficient bus system. There were usually two kinds of busses to travel by; one went directly to your destination and the other stopped many times along the way at every little town. Mary said, "the Mexicans thought it was funny to put Americans on the slower bus when tourists asked for help finding their bus."

Mary was involved in a dangerous experience when she was a passenger on a bus driven by "a guy who thought he was a race driver." He raced the bus through a mountain pass on a winding road with no guard rails.

"We were so close to the edge of the cliff, sometimes you could look down to the canyon below."

Mary enjoyed better times in the small town throughout Mexico. In one small town she and friends were goofing around taking pictures of a little donkey or burro. A small, wrinkled old lady came up and told Mary to go ahead and get up on the burro so her friends could take a picture. While her friends were snapping a picture, a man came out, and demanded 10 pesos for sitting on his burro or he would take them to jail. The girls didn't fall for such a typical trick used on

tourists. They laughed at the guy, gave him a peso, and left.

Did Mary miss the good old U. S. of A. while in Mexico?

"Yes. I missed English speaking people and I missed the material things. I missed washing machines, telephones, and good water from the tap."

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SCORPIO (Oct. 23- Nov. 21): Danger, beware, the constellation Sagameal could produce sickness and ill health for you. Leaving campus around breakfast-lunch-dinnertime for safer places will offset any of these effects.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Early part of day will be best for accomplishing tasks. Later on in the evening, forecast sees good music and favorite beverages in prominent roles.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Be watchful and careful. You have something your roomie wants very badly.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): The moon is in the 7th house and Jupiter is aligned with Mars. This arrangement might give you

a strange affection for Broadway musicals, long hair, naked bodies and sunshine.

PISCES (Feb. 19- March 20): IF you know any Scorpios, it would be wise to stay away from them tomorrow night, especially around the midnight hour. Lunar aspects might give Scorpios long fangs and a thirst for human blood.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Listen to advice of one older, wiser, and more experienced. Use your keen sense of humor to acquire new friends tomorrow. Don't let physical appearances slow you down in making new acquaintances.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Take the bull by the horns tomorrow. Let your professors know the real you. Show them how smart you are (but don't BS anyone.)

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Trivia

Indian population unchanged:
The Indian population of the United States has been placed at 340,000, which experts figure to be approximately the same number that roamed the country when Columbus first discovered America. When the Liberty Bell cracked in 1835 it was tolling for the death of John Marshall. There were 16 other children in Benjamin Franklin's family, Benjamin being the fifteenth of the 17 Franklin children.

GEMINI (May 21- June 20): Saturn and Orion will combine to make tomorrow a lucky day. Good day to try your luck on a blue book exam, the Michigan State Lottery, winter term registration, and a Saga Dinner.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Chances are excellent to raise grade in hardest class tomorrow. Chances for American economy and the British pound are excellent also.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Make known your WANTS. Be aggressive. New contacts might be beneficial to you tomorrow. You will be involved the Virgos much of tomorrow. (Check Virgo outlook for hints.)

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Venus and the star Libido will control your actions tomorrow. You will be in public's eye, in popular demand tomorrow. Many new relations will be formed.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Don't lose an old friend in the process of trying to please a new one. Be diplomatic. Invite everyone to your party.

If your birthday is today, them tomorrow morning's outlook is bleak.

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Features

Now what will Carter do?

By Ulrica Aumen

As of November 2, 1976, Jimmy Carter was declared, through the popular vote, to be our next U.S. President. Being such a close election I began to become curious as to what the people here at Alma College felt about our new leader.

What is it they think Carter will first do when he takes office. I asked this to people I met up with in the course of a day and I had some pretty interesting answers.

There are always the typical peanut jokes. Lori Tuckey thinks that the first thing he'll do when he moves into the White House is

to plant peanuts on the White House lawn. On the other hand Becky Harrington thinks he is going to throw a peanut party.

Vito Stasi has true, abiding faith in our next president. He thinks Carter will "Blow it". There are many others on the Alma campus who share Vito's faith. Dian Cobb says "Nothing right", Dan Kauf-

man has confidence that he will "establish a dictatorship", and Bruce Gregory says that he will "get shot!" (Does he have plans?)

Keith Haske never fails to see some good in all people. He said the first thing Carter will do is "Pardon Ford."

Now, Bob Eaves looks at the realistic point of view. He knows Carter will do something good for the country. "He is going to sign up to do President commercials."

A powerful statement came from Virginia Quit. She said that Carter will do "Something, which is more

than I can say for Ford!"

Dr. Walser did not have much of an opinion on Carter, but he finds brother Billy much more interesting.

I found some controversy in opinions as I was asking these questions. Sandra Boehs said that he would probably "Grin" while Steve Wright said he would "probably cry".

I found the most striking and meaningful statement, however, from Phyllis Cunningham. She said "I am for any President until he proves otherwise."

Feature column

By Jon Thompson
Feature Editor

Last Tuesday, November 9th, Smokey the Bear died after serving 25 years as the symbol of fire prevention.

Smokey was a unique advertising character for the Forest Service. He captured the attention of the country in 1950 as a badly burnt cub rescued from a forest fire. Officially designated as a living symbol of fire prevention, Smokey

the Bear helped promote effective Forest Service fire control programs. Smokey was the top bear for a generation of children and adults, top because of what he had gone through. People didn't mind Smokey telling them to stamp out fires. Smokey had the right to "tell" Americans to be careful. Everyone knew the treatment and recovery Smokey endured for his

burns. People realized that Smokey's friends and home had been destroyed because of carelessness.

When you compare Smokey to new, modern characters like Woodsey Owl and Johnny Horizon, it's easy to see why he was so popular. Smokey the Bear was real.

Cheating at Alma College. So what. Everyone knows you're only cheating yourself. The cheater always loses out in the long run. You're only hurting yourself.

Cheating doesn't hurt anyone. It's even funny sometimes. What else can you do but laugh when you see a 20 year old college student reduced to a sneaky thief looking desperately for answers.

The students who cheat also get a big bang out of it. To them it's like receiving an unexpected Christmas gift when they're able to get another 10 or 20 points on a test through cheating.

Some students justify cheating because they need a certain GPA level to 1) please their parents, 2) remain eligible, or 3) to obtain and/or keep a scholarship. A more determined effort towards studying could work in place of cheating, but this wouldn't be as easy or just not as fun.

Did you ever hear the joke about the pilot, after his jet crashed killing 87 people, saying, "I didn't know what I was supposed to do next, I didn't have my crib sheets this time?"

How about the one about the surgeon who cheated his way through med school...?



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This Alma College student is not smiling because she has a broken foot, but rather because she has the fanciest cast around. Sue Laughlin proudly displays the intricate design of a Scotsman that was painted on her cast. The artist responsible for this is Helen Phillips. Sue broke her foot Oct. 2, while dancing with the Kiltie Dancers during halftime at the football game. Sue admits, "It was a novelty all right, but I sure was glad when I got that thing off."

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Jammin' with Boogie

story for a pre-election national magazine. I imagine that if Jeff Carter is unable to re-unite the Allman Brothers or get ZZ Top to play at the Inaugural Ball, then disco might be the order of the day next January 20.

The roots of disco go back several years ago when members of the black, Puerto Rican, and gay communities formed a shakey alliance and rented ballrooms of declining hotels in the larger cities. Renting the old ballrooms for the evening the sounds of Barrabas, Manu Dibango, Osibisa, and Cymande were some of the groups whose names became household words among this crowd.

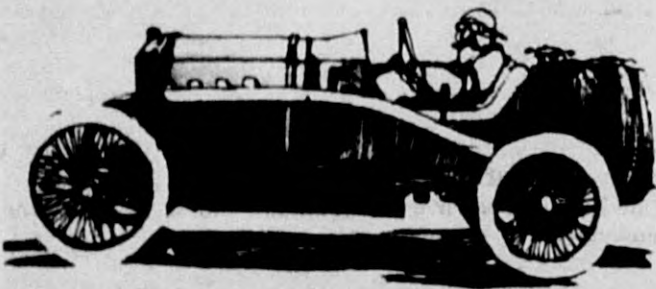
As time went of the private parties became private clubs soon to be invaded, much as the Harlem jazz spots of the thirties were, by the white, thrill seeking young. Gradually the disco sound became a trade mark for groups as pure as Donny and Marie, Elton John, and the Bee Gees.

Yet with all the talk about the disco sound, the music has not escaped criticism. Critics charge the music with being too repetitive. Often the music, critics claim, vamps on one chord for about three minutes then fades. Many claim (in the spirit of Spiro Agnew's famed statement), if you've heard (seen) one disco song (ghetto)

I guess in a campaign whose most pressing issues were the candidates dope smoking sons, lust, racial slurs, and Eastern Europe, the Disco Whirl is an important

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UNION BOARD

By Scott Whitford

This week at U.B. Cinema is Horror Week. Five straight nights of tales that are sure to send chills up and down your spine. Monday night leads off the week with Vincent Price starring in "House of Wax." The mad owner of a wax museum, famous for his recreation of notorious murders, holds many secrets in the house of wax. The key to this is a faceless caped killer who stalks the streets at night for the perfect models. The film also stars Phyllis Kirk, Frank Lovejoy, and Karen Jones.

Tuesday night's U.B. Cinema presents Edgar Allan Poe's "Fall of the House of Usher." Again Vincent Price stars in this story of the dead and the undead, and the end of an ancient mad family.

"The Masque of Red Death" is Wednesday night's offering of horror week. One of the most bizarre of Edgar Allan Poe's stories again featuring the master, Vincent Price. The time setting is twelfth century A.D. in Italy where a tyrannical prince sells his soul to the devil. The story climaxes as the fantastic masque ball which is transformed into a Dance of Death.

The T.V. vampire soap opera "Dark Shadows" is brought to the screen on Thursday with Barnabas Collins, the 175 year old resident of Collinwood searches for the

bride he lost years ago. "House of Dark Shadows" stars Jonathan Frid, Joan Bennett, Grayson Hall and Kathryn Scott.

Suzannah York and Marcel Bozuffi star in Robert Altman's "Images" this weekend in Dow Auditorium. This Hitchcock-like suspense is a psychological exploration of an individual's mind—a portrait of a woman's schizophrenia. She's driven by the extremes of modern living into a world of fantasy which leads ultimately to violence. Don't miss this thrilling conclusion to horror week.

"Ziggy and the Zou" returns to Alma this Friday night, November 19th in Cappaert gymnasium. Admission is 50¢ with I.D. and \$2.00 without. Please take note of these prices and don't forget your I.D. You must have it to get in for 50¢. Come see the "Living Barbie Doll" Ena Anka and listen to the tunes of the 50s and 60s. Another concert brought to you by your Union Board.

you've heard (seen) it all. Well maybe...

First disco music is made for dancing. The influence of the Latin beat fused with up tempo soul keeps ones feet moving. Sitting while listening to disco music is like skinny dipping with your clothes on. It just can't be done that way.

Disco has brought back stylized dancing. I remember a year or two ago how some old dance matron (a co-hort of the likes of Fred Astaire) lamented the demise of touching dances. This article was published during the height of free form acid rock music. At that time all one had to do to dance was to stand on two feet and shake it.

Now with disco music touching and dancing are back in. One even has to learn steps to dance disco.

Is disco here to stay? Maybe for awhile. One of my musician friends claims that the next trend will be big band disco and he is already gathering up his group to do disco versions of "In the Mood", "Woodchopper's Ball", and "Pennsylvania 6500".

My bet is that disco will be around for at least four years.

That can be the only reason why NEWSWEEK would feature a story on disco on Election Eve. I guess along with electing Carter the people's choice in the next four years will be disco ... the sound of the seventies.

Record reviews

By Rick Cramblett

As one not very well grounded in Steve Miller and his music, at least no further than the few singles that he has managed to get on the radio, I would say that this release was his attempt to make himself popular - no matter what. Why would I say this? Well, that is the only explanation for the way this album is put together other than that he has a very split personality.

"Fly Like An Eagle" is more like a collection of singles than an album. This is not to say that every album has to be a concept album, but just a small thing like a recognizable or congruent style would be a help. Steve has decided that no matter what your musical taste may be, he has got an album that is sure to please you, at least a little bit.

He has a nice piece of synthesizer work on "Space Into," and "Fly Like An Eagle" and if there is anything that is consistent on the album it is the few times that he resorts to the synthesiser. Of course, everyone has heard "Take the Money and Run," which I like, and "Rock 'N Me," which I don't like, but there are several other styles Steve dabbles in. One is a sort of Bluegrass with "Dance, Dance, Dance" (You're my honey pumpkin lover?) and another is a sort of funky style with "Sweet Marie" and "Mercury Blues." A standout style that I really can't name is his rendition of "You Send Me." This song is complete with Steve begging for a little action from an unwilling female.

To sum it all up, there is a love/hate relationship with this album. I may just get sick of "The Window" and he will come on with some of that sweet synthesiser and I'll want to listen some more. He was smart enough not to lump all of the like songs together, that would make it too easy to dislike the whole album.

campus calendar

MONDAY, NOV. 15
PRE-REGISTRATION FOR WINTER TERM
(through Nov. 24)

TUESDAY, NOV. 16
7:15 Student Recital--Chapel
10:00 Horror Week: The Fall of the House of Usher--Tyler

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 17
Interviews: Ernst & Ernst--Placement
6:45 Evensong--Chapel
8:00 Christopher Cerf: "Cerfing, U.S.A." (Lecture-Fine Arts Series)--Chapel
10:00 Horror Week: The Masque of the Red Death--Tyler

THURSDAY, NOV. 18
Chicago Interviews
10:00 Horror Week: TBA--Tyler

FRIDAY, NOV. 19
Chicago Interviews
6:45 & Dow Flick: Images--Dow Aud.
9:00

SATURDAY, NOV. 20
Freshman Parents Day
Parents Board Meeting
8:00 Alma Symphony Orchestra and Jazz Band Cabaret--Van Dusen
8:00 Dow Flick: Images--Dow Aud.

SUNDAY, NOV. 21
9:15 Catholic Mass--Chapel
11:00 Chapel Service: Thanksgiving--Chapel
8:00 Dow Flick: Images--Dow Aud.

Jazz-rock in Saginaw

By Bob Schultz

Last Monday night the sounds of jazz-rock fusion filled the Saginaw Ice Arena as the Billy Cobham-George Duke Band, and the Herbie Hancock Group played to a sparse crowd. Those who attended the concert got their money's worth.

The concert opened with drummer Billy Cobham's new band, co-lead by multiple keyboardist, George Duke. Along with these two musicians were Alphonso Johnson, bass, and John Scofield on guitar. Sophisticated electrified funk characterized the short 40 minute set. Cobham's high powered drumming did not dominate the band, rather his work seemed to stimulate and support the combo. The musical chores were equally divided and everyone soloed except for Cobham. Some of the set came from material on the band's newest album which was recorded from live European dates.

Unfortunately nothing was offered in the set which could be used as musical evidence to set the band apart from other fusion bands. The combo was tight, yet they did not stretch out. The set was good but not extraordinary. The members of the Cobham-Duke band have played with many outstanding ar-


tists in the past including Weather Report, the Fifth Dimension, Frank Zappa, and even Miles Davis, but evidence of these training grounds was not apparent in the music of the evening. When this band is compared to the band's potential, the set was disappointing.

Herbie Hancock, who headlined the show fronted an altered version of his famed Headhunters band which backed him up. Reed person Bennie Maupin was present, as was the one person funk machine "Wah Wah" Watson.

Wah Wah's guitar was the blues funk heartbeat to the group, and his solo work provided a foil to Herbie's more sophisticated solo ventures. Fans of Hancock looking for the pre-Headhunter Herbie were predictably disappointed. Yet on one of the jams, Herbie opened up on a Yamaha electric grand piano and played one of the outstanding solos of the evening.

Maupin alternated between saxello, tenor, and the Lyricon. His solo work provided further contrast to the other solo work in the band.

Watson brought the house down with a voice bag solo which teasingly echoed some of Peter "Overplay" Frampton's work. The concert was closed out with a twenty minute version of the now all time favorite "Chameleon".

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Dr. Rudolf Arnheim lectures to a capacity crowd in Clack Theater.



WALDO RIDES AGAIN!

A COLUMN ABOUT THE FINE ARTS
BY JIM (WALDO) WALTHER

"I believe many people to be tired of the dazzling obscurity of arty talk, the juggling with catchwords and dehydrated aesthetic concepts, the pseudo-scientific window-dressing, the impertinent hunting for clinical symptoms, the elaborate measurement of trifles, and the charming epigrams." These are the words of Dr. Rudolf Arnheim, Professor Emeritus of the Psychology of Art at Harvard University. They are to be found in the introduction to his book, "Art and Visual Perception" (University of California Press, 1954, second edition, 1957) a text long considered to be one of the definitive works in the field. On Thursday, November 11, Dr. and Mrs. Arnheim were on the Alma College campus, and after having dinner with a group of students and faculty, Dr. Arnheim spoke to a capacity crowd in the Clack Theater on the subject, "Pictures as Symbols". I would like to share with you some of my perceptions from this most enjoyable and enlightening evening.

When we read a quote such as the one cited above, the last thing we expect to hear to from it's author is a long-winded lecture, full of the described academic and intellectual gymnastics. Anyone present at Dr. Arnheim's lecture will agree that he indeed practices what he preaches. During the course of the evening, though the material with which he dealt was complex and, to a certain extent, theoretical, Dr. Arnheim remained within a framework which could be understood by laymen and practitioners alike. Each time a new term was introduced, or, for that matter, each time a term whose meaning has become vague or ambiguous was used, he took great care to see that the meaning thereof was clearly understood.

Using an incredibly small number of slides, Dr. Arnheim spelled out his theories on symbolism in the visual arts. An art historian par excellence, Dr. Arnheim illustrated his thoughts with works by, among others, Picasso. I chose to cite Picasso, for this reveals another facet of this extraordinary man. A personal friend of Picasso's, Dr. Arnheim, in collaboration with the artist, did an in-depth study of his painting "Guernica" (Picasso's Guernica-The Genesis of a Painting", University of California Press, 1962). This study ranks as one of the most complete scholarly analysis of a work of art in this century. Dr. Arnheim traces the development of this piece from the actual historical event—the bombing of the ancient Basque cultural center, Guernica, by the Fascists on April 26, 1937 to the installation of the completed mural. This magnificent book as well as "Art and Visual Perception" are among the books by Dr. Arnheim to be found in the Montieth Library.

Dr. Arnheim's interest and expertise are not confined to painting and the other forms of visual communication. He has written extensively on the art of the film

and has recently completed a monograph applying his theories to the conceptualist movement of the late sixties and early seventies. In a question and answer period following his lecture, Dr. Arnheim dealt with such matters as the actual psychology of creativity, the application of his theories on film to still photography, and further delineation of his thought on the symbolism in both form and content. In all cases, the questions were dealt with thoroughly and in terms which were clearly defined and easily understood, the mark of a good teacher.

After the formal lecture-discussion ended, I had the opportunity to spend an hour or so in a more relaxed environment with Dr. and Mrs. Arnheim. Three other art students, two members of the art faculty, and I adjourned to the Meteor Bar where we enjoyed still another aspect of our guest. It was encouraging and stimulating to see a man of Dr. Arnheim's years and credentials sit down and talk shop with younger artist-professors and students. Dr. Arnheim is an amateur wood-carver and while Dick Stevens and Rosemary Powelson talked of print-making and stone carving with Mrs. Arnheim, Jeff "Pops" Havill, Dr. Arnheim and I compared notes on woods, chisels, and chainsaws. Dr. Arnheim kept us all amused with stories and anecdotes about other famous artists with whom he had taught or worked, among them the sculptor David Smith and the designer-theoretician Josef Albers. In that quieter non-academic atmosphere, it became clear that as well as being a world famous art-historian-theoretician and psychologist, Dr. Rudolf Arnheim is a genuine human being with an interest in communication and creative expression that reaches far beyond the bounds of classrooms and books. He is a true artist and all of us who shared with him that evening were enriched by that sharing and exchange of ideas.

In my column next week, I will be sharing with you some of my reactions to and perceptions of the current show in the Flora Kirsch Beck Gallery. The show is work from General Motors Design Studios and a representative from GM was on the Alma campus Wednesday, November 10 and delivered a slide presentation on the aspects and functions of this professional design facility. The gallery is located in the Clack Art Center and is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays, weekends by appointment. It is a most interesting show and well worth your time.

PEACE



Middleton diner: What a taste treat

By Ruth Perlberg

November 16. It's been three months and, unfortunately, we have reached a saturation point.

The Saga Syndrome. Granted, it takes some time, but ultimately---and inevitably---we reach the point where we are tuna surprised, ham delighted, and el ranchoed out, ad nauseum.

But take heart fellow sufferers! As the man says, you CAN have a choice for a change.

The Middleton Diner.

The building is small. The atmosphere is mid-Michigan. The food is fantastic.

Each night of the week (with the exception of Monday) the diner in Middleton, Michigan, offers a scrumptious special buffet. The price ranges from \$2.25 to \$3 for the "all-you-can-eat" fare and each dish is home-made delicious. . . all the more tempting to return, and return....and return for more.

One of the top drawing cards for the diner is their chicken dinner buffet Tuesday and Thursday evenings and it is one that shouldn't be passed up. The drive to Middleton is approximately 15 minutes and the restaurant itself is hard to miss. Located in the downtown block, it sits on the right hand side of the street just past the railroad tracks.

Be prepared, however, for it is more than likely you will be a cause celebre going into the dining area. It is a very fraternal group that patronizes the diner and there are times when your entrance stops conversation as 20 or 30-odd pairs of eyes follow your progress to the table.

Everyone seems to know everyone but hiding in a corner, however, can be a delight while sitting back and enjoying them and their conversation. Delicacy knows no bounds as craggy old farmers and buxom women discuss politics, crops, and Aunt Emma's recent gall bladder operation across the room.

The atmosphere could hardly be more "down-home" and the food fits the description perfectly. The salad bar doesn't compare to Embers, but the variety of seven or eight different jellios and salads can't be knocked. Huge loaves of fresh-from-the-oven bread are yours for the cutting while the main course is a dinner delight.

Chicken nights feature real potatoes, dressing, biscuits and gravy, as well as trays and trays of the fowl. (Sigh.) And if it is at all possible to pass up a third helping of anything, the diner's homemade pies are a taster's treat too. Dessert is not included in the dinner price. Birthday nights, however, are an exception and if notified beforehand you can be assured of a mini-cake, candle, and a four-waitress chorus of the Happy Birthday song.

In addition to chicken (which, incidentally, runs \$2.25) is a swiss steak buffet Wednesday for \$3, fish buffet Friday for \$2.25, a special salad bar Saturday, and the ultimate: a Sunday smorgasbord of chicken, ham, and meat loaf. The diner is open 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. during the week while restaurant hours Sunday are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the afternoon.

With a little extra change in your pockets, splurge. As we face another night of mystery casserole, you DO deserve a break. The Middleton Diner: what a taste treat.

POETRY

Why?

Whining bullets passing by
And then,
Pain?
An intense pain.

Out of my khaki shirt a red stream burst,
gurgling freely and happily as it splashed upon
the earth.

Images flashed, before my eyes; my wife,
my son, faster and faster they whirled. Until,
the ground came up, and smashed me in the face.

A little ant, frantically, racing about.
Frightened perhaps, by my sudden appearance.
Or maybe, most likely overwhelmed by his
good fortune. Not even knowing where to
begin, his feast.

And then....

Bruce Guy

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Budget: Where is your money going?

By Rick Cramblett,
Assistant News Editor

This is the second in a series of three articles designed to give students a better understanding of the way the college finances work. This segment was prepared with the cooperation of Dr. Stephen Meyer, Jr., Vice President of Finance.

In this article we take a look at the four funds in which are recorded the assets and liabilities of the college. Unlike the operating budget which is established each

year, the four funds -- the current fund, student loan fund, endowment fund and plant fund -- are ongoing.

Unlike commercial financial practices which result in financial statements that portray an overall financial position at a point in time and the consolidated operating results for the most recent accounting period, the use of fund accounting results in each major fund category being shown on a "stand alone" basis. The primary reason for using fund accounting

in the financial statements of colleges and universities is to permit the portrayal of the college role of stewardship of funds which have been entrusted to it.

The present totals of each of these funds represents what has accumulated over the 90 years that Alma College has been in operation. It must be understood that these funds gain money each year and each year some of the money from these funds is used in the day to day operations of the college.

Just where does the budget of the college fit in with these four funds? That question could be better answered after a short look at each one of the funds separately.

The current fund is the "catch all" fund of the college. While it would take a good background in accounting to fully understand any one of the funds, it would be especially helpful here. The current fund itself is divided into restricted and unrestricted funds. The unrestricted fund consists of not only the operating accounts related to educational activities such as faculty salaries but also its auxiliary services such as the food service. It is the most flexible fund and is the fund through which income received for the annual operating budget passes.

The second part of the current fund, the restricted current fund, "represents gifts, grants and contract funds received by the college." These monies are restricted in the sense that the person giving the money has placed restrictions on how these funds may be used.

The next fund is the student loan fund, which many Alma students are quite aware of through receipt of some of these funds. Many of the funds in this area are restricted through the conditions established by the donor. An example of a restriction may be that the donor has said the funds can

be used only by students from Gratiot County.

That brings us to the endowment fund. Money within this fund is invested and the return on this investment is used in the general operation of the college unless the revenue is restricted by the donor in terms of where it may be used. Funds within the endowment fund have a targeted total return of 10% per year, 5% of that return coming to the college as earnings and 5% as appreciation of the investment. The appreciation factor is necessary in order to counter the rate of inflation. The responsibility for the investment policy of the endowment fund rests with the Investment Committee of the Board of Trustees, however, in the final analysis passes on those policies and determines whether or not they are appropriate.

The Investment Committee decides how much of the money should be placed in stocks (equities) or bonds, how much in a single company, the Standard & Poor rating of the company or corporation, and the like. The actual investing is done by an investment counseling firm, MacKay Shields Financial Corp. of New York City.

The final fund is the plant fund. Money within this fund is also divided into the two categories of unexpended and invested in plant funds. The invested funds represent the "capitalized value" of the physical property owned by the college and the unexpended funds are those yet to be used. Once again, donors to this fund can restrict where their money is to go.

A large and important area of interest is one of the funds that are donated to the college. Donations occur in all four funds. If the funds donated are restricted, it becomes very important that the wishes of the donor are carried out. If a donor gives money to have a new dorm built, the

money can be used for that purpose only. Furthermore, that donor may come back to the college and ask to see that his gift was used in the proper way.

With this in mind, for example, when money is received for a specific purpose such as the purchase of science equipment, a separate account is established for the money. Under the supervision of the chairman of the particular science department that may be involved in the acquisition of equipment, a request, duly approved, is made of the Purchasing Department of the college to acquire the equipment. When the equipment is received and approved for use by the science department, the Business Office is directed to make payment for the equipment and to charge the purchase against the previously established restricted account. In this manner the college is in position to assure the donor that the terms of his gift have been met.

What is the relation between these four funds and the budget? Our of these funds come the money, in part, for the budget. Money from the return on investments in the endowment funds goes into the general budget. Money from the student loan fund goes to the student, who in turn, gives it back to the college in the form of tuition. Out of the current fund comes the money to run and pay college personnel. Out of the plant fund comes the money to pay the debt on some of the buildings on campus that are as yet not paid for, and when a new building is under construction to pay for the construction costs. The four continuing funds and the annual budget are separate and yet inseparable parts that go to making up this college's finances.

Next time we will examine the present operating budget and how it affects the student.



Dr. Stephen Meyer amidst all of the books, files, and papers that it takes to keep proper track of the college's money.

Reactions to survey will help to improve food service

Dear Boarding Students:
I would like to take the opportunity to thank all of you who recently participated in the Student Attitude Survey.

This survey provides your food service with extremely important information to help us do a better job of serving you.

From the results of the survey following is what we at the Food Service will do to make your Food Service better for you.

1. The manager will be in the dining room at least 50% of the serving time so that you may communicate with him/her.

2. We will make available to you copies of the minutes from the Food Service Committee meetings which we will post on the suggestion boards in each commons.

3. The manager will continue to be responsive to your needs and will continue to answer the comments that you ask or post on the suggestion board.

4. In an effort to have a better selection at the meals, the Food Service Director will work with the District Menu Committee and continue to make recommendations to the Saga Menu Department. This

will also aid in not all good selections on one night and not all not so good selections on another night, lunch, or breakfast.

5. We will make every attempt to cook the food as close to your likes as possible. As per your suggestions from the survey, we will do the following:

A. We will no longer butter the vegetables. You may do that yourself at the condiment table.

B. When you receive a steak on steak night, that is too rare, you can bring it back and we will cook it longer for you.

C. We have asked the Pepsi-Cola Company to repair their equipment and to insure it's proper working condition.

D. We will cook your vegetables in batch cookery.

6. In an effort to make sure that all hot food is served hot, we will make sure that all the hot food is served at a temperature of 145 degree, or above, and that all cold food is served 40 degree or below.

7. I am glad that most of you felt that the food service employees were courteous, thoughtful, friendly, clean and neat. We will make sure that hair is contained in some type of hair restraint. Please help us in that when you see a student worker not wearing a hair restraint that you tell the headwaiter, manager or the worker. Your help will be appreciated.

8. I am also pleased that most of you find your dining rooms clean and attractive, we will continue to make every effort to keep them this way for you.

9. I would like to take this section to go over your comments and suggestions. We appreciate all of the "bats on the back" that you gave us and we will continue to strive to make your food service the best possible for you. With your help we can all win.

A. Please notify the headwaiter or manager when you feel that an employee is not doing their job.

B. We will make every effort to have the food, trays, silverware on hand at the rush periods. Please remember that class schedules and equipment sometimes make this impossible to do.

C. I would like to meet with the Student teachers about their sack lunch program.

D. We will make every attempt to make the food which we serve you as eye appealing and tasty as possible.

E. Desserts can not be put back in the Dining Room. Health Department has said NO!

F. You are on a Class A Food Program and no other; in fact you have higher than a Class A.

G. We will keep the low calorie dressing out. Please let us know when we don't.

H. For those of you who need to diet, please see me, I believe that I can help you and with self-discipline you can either lose or gain the weight you desire.

J. As soon as the toasters which have been ordered arrive, we will put one out in Hamilton for all meals.

K. We will offer both a jam preserve and jelly at every meal.

L. The long lines that you sometimes face are not always the fault of the food service, but due to class schedules or your own timing.

M. The College has a Seconds Table on order and when it arrives, we will use it at Lunch and Dinner Meals.

Again, I want to thank all of you for your help and I assure you that we will do our best for you.

Sincerely,
Dick Anderson
Food Service Director

Eyebrows raised as college leases Firebird

Continued from page 6.

The budget covers other expenses besides the leasing of cars, including the busing of groups visiting the campus.

Depending on the type of car and added luxuries, a car may run from \$150 per month to \$200 per month on a two-year lease. The Cutlass Supreme, Ford L.T.D., Ford Granada, and Buick Century as well as the Firebird Formula are types seen on campus today.

Robert Fraker, director of Purchasing, explained that he takes bids from different car dealers to find the best possible deal.

"The deciding factors are the popularity and the resale value. The popular car of the year usually turns out to be the lowest lease

"...the eye-brow raising Firebird Formula which runs for around \$5,964 may lease cheaper than a \$4,000 car..."

price even though the purchase price may be higher," he said.

"The Ford Elite is a more expensive car than the Gran Torino, but I can lease it more cheaply. The same thing happened with the Cutlass Supreme and the Firebird Formula. The Gran Torino is leased \$190 per month with the maintenance while the Elite went from \$175 to \$180 per month."

Hence, the eyebrow-raising Firebird Formula which runs for around \$5,964 may lease cheaper than a \$4,000 car such as Ford Granada.

But why does the administration have to lease cars? Why don't they just let their employees use their own car while the college pays

for the gas?

"It's because of the number of miles traveled," commented Fraker. "It is cheaper to furnish the car and know the college employee has a well-maintained and good-operating vehicle."

Designated administrators have the option to use their own car and receive 15 cents a mile for gas, or lease a car. But according to Bushouse of Admissions, both the college and driver seem to get off cheaper if the automobile is furnished. If an admissions counselor used the college-leased vehicle, he said that the college would be saving around \$2,000 over a two-year lease period. And Admissions Counselor Charles Hadden, who drives his own car with the 15-cent-a-mile payment, actually loses in the long run. U.S. News and World Report says the average cost to maintain his Cougar is 26 cents per mile.

John Mattison of Admissions drives the 1976 yellow Firebird Formula that is the talk of the campus.

"I spend four days a week from September to December on the road. If I am going to spend that much time in a car (approximately 20,000 per year on business, want to have something I'm comfortable with. And the smaller car is a lot easier to get around in city driving."

Mattison also noted that the flashy car was more impressive to the high school student.

"They are bound to notice it more than if I pull up in a Chrysler. It would possibly stand out in their mind more."

He added that the Formula has better mileage, (approximately) 18 miles per gallon, than the bigger cars.

See Leased, page 14.

menu

Thursday, November 18
Breakfast
French Toast
Scrambled and Soft Cooked Eggs
Bacon

Lunch
Vegetable Soup
Hamburgers
Baked Macaroni and Cheese
Julienne Salad

Dinner
Meatless Vegetable Soup
Breaded Pork Cutlet
Baked Fish
Beef Tacos

Friday, November 19
Breakfast
Hot Cakes
Scrambled and Poached Eggs

Lunch
Navy Bean Soup
Hot Tuna & Cheese Sandwich
Ground Beef & Potato Pie
Ham Salad Sandwich Cold Plate

Dinner
Vegetable Soup
Roast Turkey
Corned Beef & Cabbage
Footlong Hot Dogs

Saturday, November 20
Breakfast
French Toast
Fried Eggs

Lunch
Cream of Mushroom Soup
Grilled Cheese
Scrambled Eggs w/diced Ham
Chili
Cheese & Brown Rice Bake

Dinner
Navy Bean Soup
Top Butt Steak
Burger Special

Sunday, November 21
Breakfast
Waffles
Poached and Scrambled Eggs
Link Smokes

Lunch
Tomato Soup
Oven Baked Chicken
Spaghetti w/meat sauce

Dinner
Cream of Mushroom Soup
Hoagie Sandwich on French Bread
Beef Noodle Casserole
Assorted Fruit Pancakes

Monday, November 22
Breakfast
Blueberry Pancakes
Scrambled and Soft Cooked Eggs

Lunch
Chicken Gumbo Soup
Sloppy Joe on Bun
Scalloped Ham & Potato Casserole
Fruit Plate w/Cottage Cheese

Thanksgiving Special Dinner

Dinner
Carved Side of Beef
Baked Ham
Baked Sweet Potatoes
Turkey w/dressing
Baked Potato
Whipped Potatoes
Googy
Pumpkin Pie

Tuesday, November 23
Breakfast
French Toast
Scrambled and Baked Eggs

Lunch
Canadian Cheese Soup
Hot Turkey Sandwich
Whipped potatoes 7 gravy
Spanish Macaroni
Julienne Salad

Dinner
Chicken Gumbo Soup
Baked Meat Loaf
Beef Stew & Biscuits
French Waffles

Wednesday, November 24
Breakfast
Waffles
Scrambled and Poached Eggs

Lunch
Beef Barley Soup
Bartegued Ham Sandwich
Beer Biscuit Roll
Egg Foo Yong w/oriental rice

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Swim-a-thon gets swimmers off to a profitable beginning

By Michelle Currie

On Sunday, November 7, Alma's swim team held a Swim-a-Thon. The purpose was to raise money for the swim improvement fund. People pledged so many cents a length on a certain swimmer up to 200 lengths or 2 hours, whichever came first. All the swimmers completed 200 lengths before the 2 hour time limit. Swim team practices started at the beginning of

November. The MIAA Relays will take place here on Saturday, December 4th. On December 11th, Mott Community College will meet Alma, at our own pool. Over Christmas break while most of us are enjoying the holiday festivities, eight members of Alma's swim team will travel to Ft. Lauderdale, Florida to the National Hall of Fame Pool. Their schedule will consist of many hard practices, swim technique classes, and the

Eastwest Swim Meet. Profits from the Swim-a-Thon will aid funding of that trip. A total of \$750.00 was pledged. If all that is collected it will be divided as follows: 70% to swim improvement fund, 20% to the National Hall of Fame Pool, 5% to the United States traveling fund for swim teams, and 5% to Alma's Amateur Athletic Union. Weekly meets will continue through February. Good luck swimmers!

THESE TIMES hits newsstands

The first issue of THESE TIMES, a new democratic socialist news-weekly, will be on the nation's newsstands Monday, November 15—the culmination of more than a year's efforts of fund-raising, organizing and planning.

The 24-page tabloid newspaper will cover the "new popular movement in the making," as James Weinstein, the paper's editor, described its goals and audience. "It is still amorphous and diffused through American society, but more unaffiliated leftists are now active in various social movements than at any time in this century."

These people, Weinstein said, are active in the trade unions, the Democratic party, the National Organization of Women, the Black Political Caucus, the ecology and consumer protection movements, and others.

The independent newspaper, which has an 18-person staff, is being sponsored by 39 persons long associated with progressive causes, among them Julian Bond, Noam Chomsky, Barry Commoner, Daniel Ellsberg, Barbara Garson, Michael Harrington, Dorothy Healy, Salvador Luria, Staughton Lynd, Herbert Marcuse, Jeremy Rifkin, E.P. Thompson, and William Appleman Williams. Many of the sponsors will write for the paper.

The first issue, to be distributed in more than 40 cities across the country, will feature articles on the nuclear initiative campaigns, cabbies' problems with companies, New York's Coop City, a review of "The Front" by Albert Maltz, one of the "Hollywood 10", and an interview with Rep. Ronald V. Dellums (D-Calif.).

Dellums, in identifying himself as a "democratic socialist," says,

"Right now, the politician's code-word is the 'tradeoff of unemployment for inflation,' but that's simply a way to ask if one is committed to the 10 or 12,000,000 unemployed or to the top 50 corporations in the U.S. Obviously the Ford administration and perhaps (president-elect Jimmy) Carter, are committed to fighting inflation, to propping up the corporations as opposed to dealing with the human misery of unemployment."

Dellums goes on to explain what "democratic socialism" means to him.

Weinstein explained further the paper's purpose as to "begin making socialism a concrete public issue, related directly to the most pressing problems in American life—and to serve as a catalyst in forming a coherent organized movement and a major party of socialism. This can be done only if we report and explain events that are the real concern of the majority of the population."

The newspaper's staff, which includes four editors, four reporters based in Chicago and two reporters in Washington, will attempt to produce a paper that, in the words of Doyle Niemann, managing editor, will cover activities "honestly and objectively, without romanticization or sectarianism." News will come into the Chicago offices from more than a half-dozen news agencies, including Reuters, Agence France-Presse and Congressional

Quarterly, as well as the paper's correspondents and stringers in the U.S. and overseas.

Summer tennis here at Alma

Alma College has been selected as the tenth Midwestern site for a 1977 tennis training camp by Ramey Tennis Schools, which has conducted similar camps throughout the Midwest as well as in Florida and Europe during the past fifteen years.

The Alma camp will be the only one in Michigan and will begin with two-week youth sessions, one from July 10 to July 23 and another from July 24 to August 6. Three adult programs will be presented: August 6-9, August 6-12, and one August 9-12.

The Ramey camps, which are affiliated with the United States Tennis Association, have as their objective the teaching of tennis in a manner which will improve the physical fitness and self-confidence of students. Instruction is offered for beginners as well as for advanced tournament players. Further information may be obtained from the Summer Conference Director, Alma College, Alma, MI 48801.

College cooperation makes mix a success

By Kandi Frey

November 6 and 7, 400 students from the Detroit area Presbyterian youth groups were at Alma College for a youth mix.

The 9th-12th graders arrived Saturday morning. The usual highlight of these youth mixes are the departmental sessions which were held Saturday morning. Some professors gave demonstrations and talked. In the afternoon, there was the football game and recreation. Saturday evening there was a dance, and movie. The participants slept in the gymnasium.

Gabe Campbell, a nationally renowned leader in Christian education from the east coast, spoke during the weekend. He had three different sessions and they were, "Getting to know the Christian life."

Sunday morning, there was the chapel service with Dr. Morgan

Shop Talk

Jeans, jeans, jeans

By Carla Weston

Blue jeans have now firmly established themselves as the most popular "below the waist" attire across our country; or at least as far as we're concerned. And we, the inhabitants of Alma, are now blessed with not one, but two, fine clothing stores dedicated to the proposition of keeping us clad in denim.

The Jean House, located at 312 North State Street, is the more familiar of these two places of reference. The Jean House, besides providing denim for top & bottom, will now also dress your feet up in the blue material. So why not give your feet the same

opportunity for comfort that once only your body could have?

And now, beginning its third week in business at 322 North State Street, is the Jean Machine. This newcomer offers 22 different brand names of jeans for both the sexes; including such favorites as Levi's, Lee, and Hang Ten. It doesn't stop at jeans, however, with a varied inventory of jump-suits, vests, jackets, and shirts. Stop in and welcome them anytime during their store hours: 9:30 to 5:30, Monday through Saturday, plus extended hours until 9:00 p.m. Friday nights. And be watching for announcement of their grand opening, which will take place during the first part of December.

Projects focus on service meeting

By Kandi Frey

Reports of various service projects for this term were given by representatives of the organizations in the Volunteer Services at a noon meeting, November 11.

Cliff Chaffee, coordinator of the Volunteer Services, led the meeting. Gordon Beld, director of Information Services, and Dr. Daniel Behring, director of ACCD were also present.

Organizations represented were Friendship Volunteers, Gamma Sigma Sigma Sorority, Interfraternity Council, Michigan Masonic Home, Sigma Beta Fraternity, Student Council and the Salvation Army. Representatives from the Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Gratiot County and the Pan-hellenic Council were not present.

Some service projects the sororities and fraternities have been doing are working on the blood drive, helping with the swine flu shots, March of Dimes, road clean up, and singing for nursing homes.

The Friendship Volunteers have 36 students in training now. For 6 weeks, they are learning to work with people. They will be able to adopt a client (age 4 - 80) going to the program and be their friend. Another training program will begin in March. They welcome everyone and are looking now especially for males. Contact people are Mary Jean Krus, director and Rita Peterson.

The Michigan Masonic Home Program is looking for Volunteers now. Presently 5 - 10 students go there regularly. They play games, write letters and visit with people. Contact people are Sheri Steele and Joann Gren.

Christmas is the busy season for the Salvation Army. They are presently looking for bell ringers from Thanksgiving until Christmas. They will offer a trophy to the College group that brings in the most money. This year they hope to raise \$10,000. Seventy-five percent of this will go towards the Christmas projects and twenty five percent towards welfare assistance throughout the year. They are looking for car goods and used toys. Contact Lt. DeWayne Duskin.

Leased cars

Continued from page 13.

"If you hire a maintenance man he is going to need tools. The main thing I use as a tool in my job is a car," explained Mattison. "If I'm going to wear underwear everyday I want something that fits."

But John Mattison and other admissions counselors are not the only administrators to have college-leased cars.

According to Stephen Meyer, vice president for Finance and Management Services, approximately ten cars per year are leased. Among offices who have leased cars are the office of Development, the President's office, Provost Kapp's office, the Plant Superintendent, and the Community Education Program.

"Any one of us makes our car available to any other office at any time," explained Meyer. "Two weeks ago on Founders Days someone used my car to go to the airport."

"The type of car used is based on the nature of the job and overall mileage of a particular job during the course of the year. But we don't drive around Cadillacs -- usually it has been a middle of the line car."

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SPORTS

Four selected for College I team



Carol Holzschu



Sue Hameister



Kathy Kirsch



Sharon Welsh

The Scot women once again dominated in ball control over Hope. Alma led the offensive attack throughout the game. Alma scored first as Connie Church guided the ball to Kathy Kirsch. Kirsch, left inner, drove the ball past the goalie from 12 feet. Alma held the 1-0 lead into the second half. The second period, Alma led penetration time into the striking circle. Hope's defense held the Scot women from scoring. A penalty corner for Alma set up their second goal. Sue Hameister drove the ball to Sharon Welsh, who fielded and drove the ball past Hope's defense to give Alma a 2-0 lead. Less than two minutes after the next center bully, Hope retaliated against Alma and broke through Alma's defensive line to score Hope's only goal.

The Scots second game began in the early afternoon against undefeated Albion Brittons. Albion played systems against Alma, who plays traditional. Albion controlled the offensive attack, but suffered against the strong Alma defense. Albion led the striking circle penetration time, but could not score during

the first half against sophomore goalie, Sue Carpenter. The Brittons were also hindered with fouls in the circle, giving the ball to the Scot offense.

Despite Albion's fine ball control, they failed to score during the first period.

The second half, control of the ball was more evenly distributed between the two rival teams. Alma's offense was able to maintain control longer, but could not score on Albion. The Brittons scored on the Scots late in the second period, tallying the only goal of the game. Alma was handed their second loss, 1-0.

Following competition between the four teams, the selectors deliberated on the players for the two Michigan College Teams I and II. Players that the selectors wanted to see again competed in another game. After this game, the final deliberation was made.

Alma was fortunate to have seven players chosen. Selected for the Michigan College I team included four Alma players: Sue Hameister, Carol Holzschu, Kathy Kirsch, and Sharon Welsh. On Michigan College II, Alma placed two players, Sue Carpenter and Nancy Sylvester. P.J. Heck was also selected to act as an alternate for the Michigan College Teams.

Sue Hameister was selected for Alma two years consecutively. Last year Sue placed on Michigan College II. A junior, from Franklin majoring in education, Sue has played field hockey for two years. She has also participated on Alma's basketball squad.

Carol Holzschu is a freshman from Rochester majoring in biology and chemistry. Carol played college field hockey for the first time this fall.

Kathy Kirsch was Alma's only other freshman to be selected for the Michigan College I team. Kathy is from Grosse Point Woods.

Sharon Welsh was selected for Michigan College I team for her second consecutive year. Sharon

has been on Alma's field hockey team for three years. A junior from Harbor Springs, Sharon majors in physical education.

Another resident of Harbor Springs, Sue Carpenter, Alma's goalie, was selected for the first time. Sue has an undecided major and is a sophomore. She has also participated on Alm's basketball team.

Nancy Sylvester, Alma's only senior team member, is from Danvers, Massachusetts, majoring in physical education. Nancy played field hockey for two years. She has also been on Alma's basketball and archery teams.

P.J. Heck, who was selected

as an alternate for the Michigan College teams, is a junior from St. Ignace majoring in physical education and sociology. This was her second year playing field hockey.

Coach Ciccolella was very pleased with Alma's season outcome (7-2). She commented, "The team was really excited about the season and their success. I was pleased with the growth and progress of the team, especially since field hockey is one of the major sports in the MIAA for women. The team proved very strong and their season was topped as seven of the players went on after selections

Volleyball team places third in WMIAA

The Alma volleyball team battled back from a first round defeat to place third in the WMIAA tournament. Seven schools were present at the double elimination bout. Alma entered the tourney with a 2-3 league record.

Due to faltering serving Alma dropped their first match to Hope 15-4, 15-10. The Scots then came back to win three straight matches. Alma knocked off Olivet 15-8, 15-6; Kalamazoo 5-15, 15-12, 15-11; and Hope 6-15, 15-12, 15-6. Coach Southward remarked, "Their team work improved 100% after the first match." She was hesitant to acknowledge any one player, but consented that Cheryl Chapman did "an excellent job serving" and Mary Curtis "came through with some good spikes."

The women were next matched against Spring Arbor; the winner would play Calvin for the title. Spring Arbor, a strong team, displayed an outstanding offensive attack and snatched the first game, 15-3. Once again, displaying the team work that had inspired them

out Spring Arbor 15-12. During the opening minutes of the third game, the teams remained even, but Spring Arbor finally pulled it out 15-8.

Calvin defeated Spring Arbor to be crowned 1976 tournament champs.

Harriers tie for fourth place

in the MIAA Conference meet at Olivet last Friday the Alma harriers tied Albion for fourth place, tallying 117 points.

Senior Mark Kelly ran a superb race, finishing ninth overall in 26:24 out of a near-50 man field. Paul Singer, hampered by a cold and dysentery, took sixteenth place with the time of 26:40 in the regular-season-ending competition. Jeff Leestma came through with a twentieth place in 26:55 to cap off a fine season in coming back from his earlier injury.

Tim Fall recorded a thirty-first place finish while freshman Tim Cook, Bruce Beaumont, and Dave Noble took forty-first, forty-second, and forty-third.

Hope again won the meet, with 43 points, followed by Calvin with 57 points and Kalamazoo with 66. Joel Mengle of Kalamazoo was

the individual winner in the time of 25:40. Lori Hoekstra of Hope and Jon Call, Mengle's teammate, followed in 25:51 and 25:56.

The homecoming meet against Adrian saw the Scots break in eleven-meet long streak, beating the Bulldogs 25-33 to set their record at 1-5 for the regular season.

Alma was lead by Mark Kelly who grabbed a second place and Paul Singer who finished third despite running with a cold. Jeff Leestma placed fifth, Tim Fall seventh, and Tim Cook recorded an eighth place finish.

John Buch of Adrian, who took third in the Conference last year, won the race and teammate Tom Peregoy finished fourth.

Chess results


The Chess Tournament completed its third round of play Nov. 9 and at the conclusion of this round, only two of the 14 participants managed to put together perfect scores of three wins and no losses.

These winners, Allen Jackson and Scott Phillips, are scheduled to play their final round game on Sunday.

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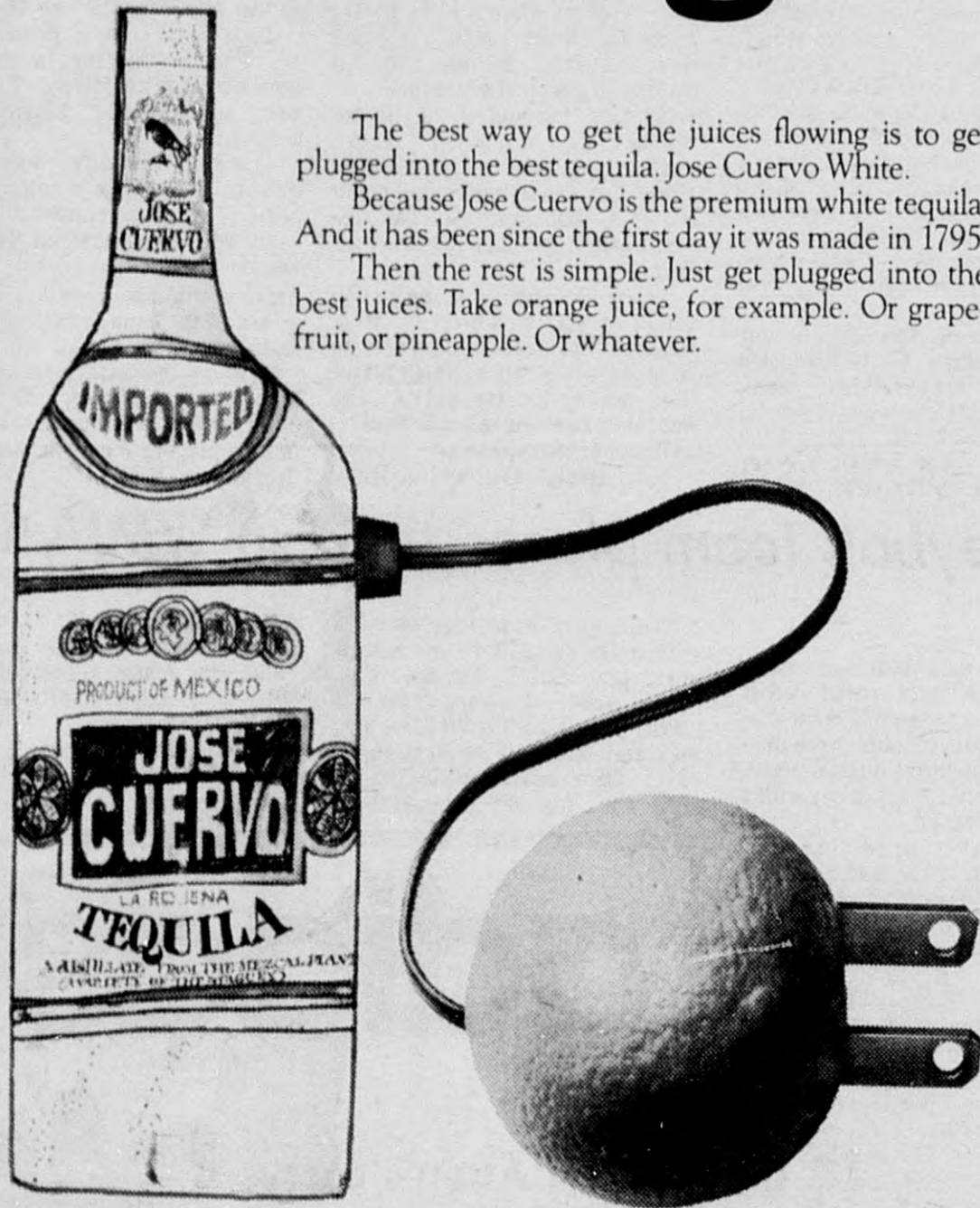
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To Topo Gigo---
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 309

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Dr. Pinky opens up new practice. He will be taking applications for patients in about a week.

Dear White Violet lovers:
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To Queen---
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 An admirer

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Davey:
 "Life goes slow without love....."
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Announcements

Laurence Olivier's famed Chichester Festival Theatre production of Chekhov's UNCLE VANYA has been made into a two hour film version. The Department of Thetre and Dance, with the aid of Co-Curricular funds is showing the film in Dow this Thursday at 7 p.m. Admission is free.

served.
 Tickets are available at the door and in Alma at the Gift Tree and Lori's Card Shop. Table reservations may be made by calling: 463-3286. Admission for adults is \$2, youths, \$1 and Alma College students free with ID.

Saturday, Nov. 20, the Alma Symphony Orchestra and Jazz Band will join forces for the annual fall Cabaret Concert. The program begins at 8 p.m. in Van Dusen Commons. The program will include Overture Orpheus in the Underworld by Jaques Offenbach, highlights from the movie "Camelot" and "The King and I", as well as other light, popular selections. Following intermission the Jazz Band will perform and people will have the opportunity for dancing. Beer, pop and snacks will be

Wilcox Medical Center will have a number of flu vaccines available for those who were unable to participate in the previous clinic. Call the health service for an appointment.

Wanted

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