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Gay Council discusses views

Gay students from Alma and Michigan State University exposed myths about their sexuality in a panel discussion last week. Find out about their views on the Second-Front-Page.

Tennis team boasts wins

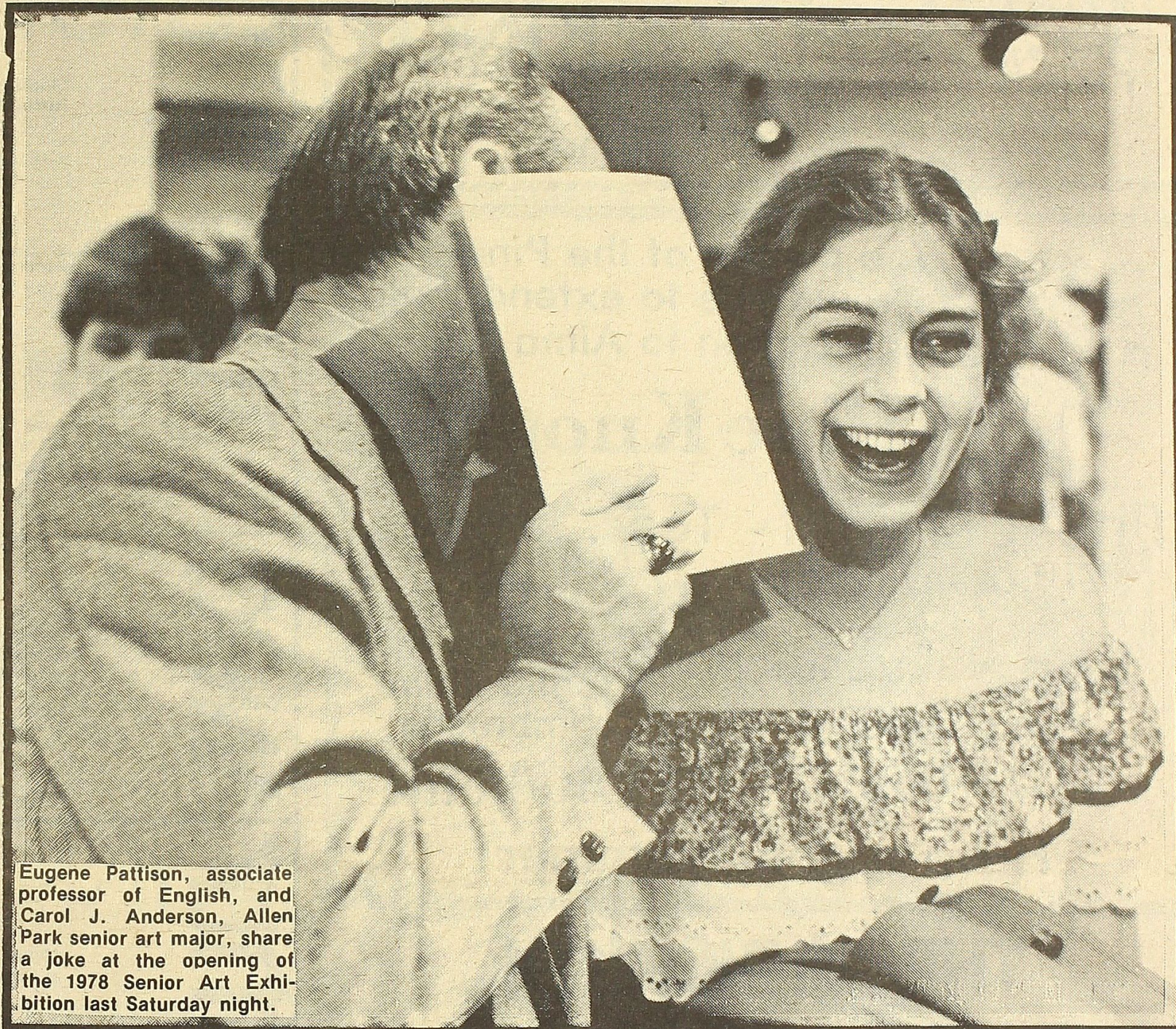
The Scots Men's Tennis Team won their first two matches last month and are geared for the outdoor season. Look for a complete story on the team members on page 14.

Skinner heads for retirement

Charles Skinner, professor of chemistry, says Alma College has provided a very happy part of his life. Find out about the years leading to his retirement on page to his retirement on page 7.

Students win scholarships

James Weir, Saginaw senior, Kevin O'Brien, Bay City senior, and Brad Willoughby, Frankfort junior, recently were awarded pre-medical scholarships. Read about the recipients and their scholarships on page 12.



Eugene Pattison, associate professor of English, and Carol J. Anderson, Allen Park senior art major, share a joke at the opening of the 1978 Senior Art Exhibition last Saturday night.

Convo honors students

Alma College's annual Honors Convocation to recognize scholastic and leadership achievements by students will be conducted at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, April 11, in Cappaert Gymnasium of the college's Physical Education Center.

"Living Life Intentionally" is the subject of the principal speaker, the Rev. Robert W. Timberlake, has chosen for this year's Honors Convocation address.

Now an assistant administrator in communications and development for Family Hospital in Milwaukee, Wis. Timberlake has a background showing in many fields. He has been a professional football player; an associate minister for the First Presbyterian Church in Dearborn, Mich.; a consultant to business and schools in the area of interpersonal communication skills, job enrichment, conflict resolution, motivation, and supervisory training; a private consultant in individual and group psychotherapy using Tran-

sactional Analysis as the mode of treatment; and pastor of Heritage Presbyterian Church, Hales Corner, Wis.

Among the features of the convocation will be the Barlow Trophy to Alma's most outstanding senior, the announcement of the Alumni Outstanding Senior Awards, and the awarding of the President's Cups to those who attain the highest academic rank in the junior, sophomore, and freshman classes. The Outstanding Faculty Awards, as voted by the senior class, will also be presented.

Nominees for the Barlow Trophy, the highest award conferred upon graduating seniors at Alma are James Daniels, Warren; Dan Dosson, Midland; Mary Beth Hatton, Interlochen; and David Houck, Howell. The Barlow Trophy winner is determined by the vote of the college faculty and Student Council and nomination for the trophy is in itself considered an honor.

An athlete and scholar in his own college days at the University of Michigan, Timberlake was twice an All-American in football (1963, '64) and those same years was on the All-American Scholastic Football team. In 1965 he was a National Football Hall of fame Scholarship Award winner. His athletic and scholastic achievements earned Timberlake numerous awards, among them: the Louis B. Hyde Award in 1964, a University of Michigan award for the Most Valuable Player on the team; the Chicago Tribune Award in 1964 as the most valuable player in the Big Ten conference; the Football Scholar Athlete Award in 1964, a University of Michigan award for the football player with the highest grade-point average; and the University of Michigan Senior Athlete Award, 1965, as the Michigan Athlete contributing the most to Michigan athletics during the previous year.

In 1965 he was a College All-Star Selection to play in the game against NFL Champion and that same year was drafted by the New York Football Giants.

After one year as quarterback and kicker for the Giants, Timberlake went to graduate school and earned a master of divinity degree from Princeton Theological Seminary, with a pastoral psychology major. His undergraduate major was sociology.

Additional, non-degree training he has had includes work in Alcohol Prevention and Treatment in Racine, Wis.; Chaplain-in-training work taken at St. Luke's Hospital in New York City and at Presbyterian Hospital in Philadelphia; and over 700 hours of Transactional Analysis training.


Timberlake is also a licensed instructor in Effectiveness Training Associates, enabling him to lead groups in Leadership, Parent and Effectiveness Training.


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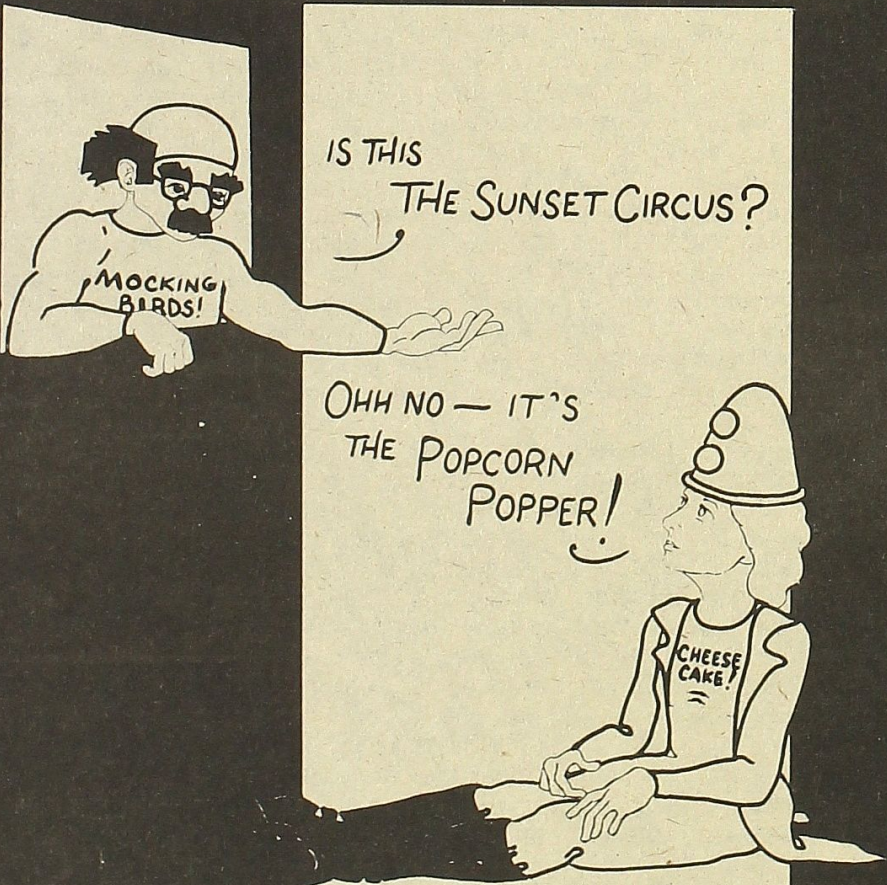
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Fast helps world hunger

By Debbie Parker
News Writer

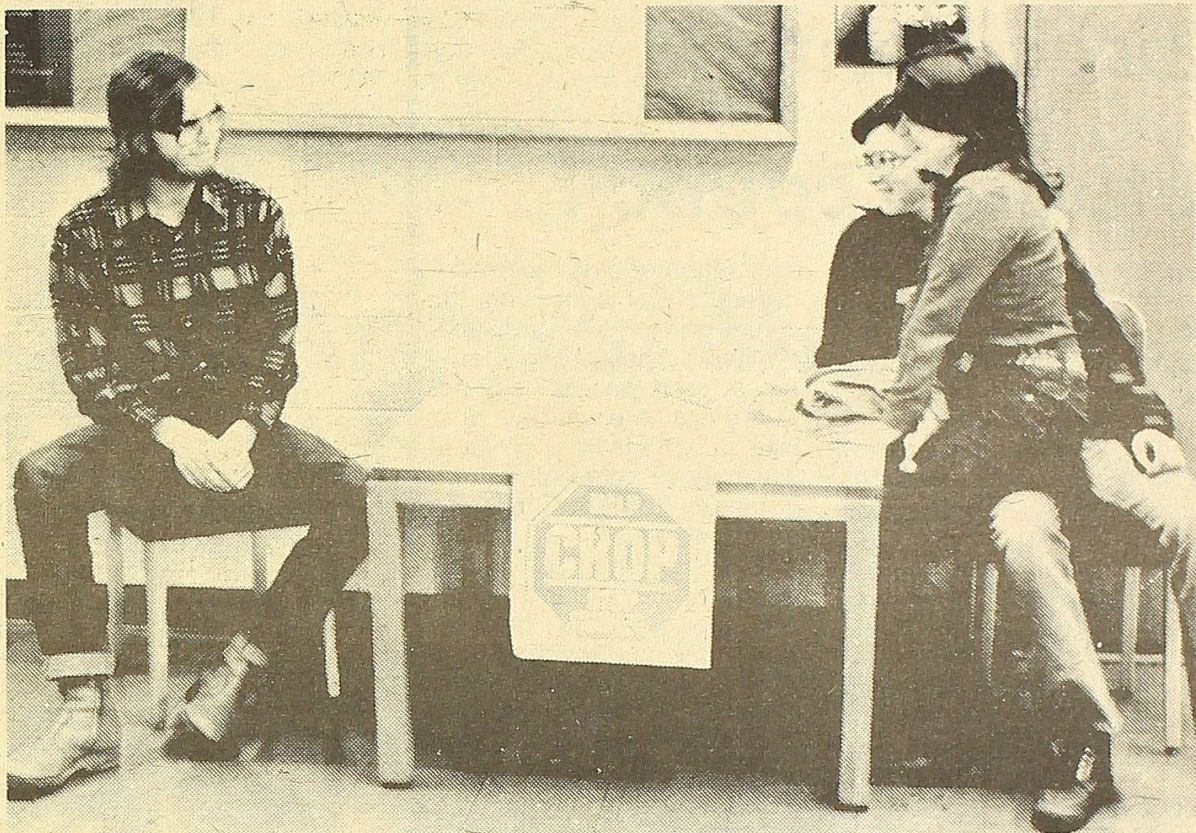
"Starvation is a problem that knows no politics, nations, or theories thereof. It is a real thing." Jack Quirk, Orchard Lake senior and co-ordinator of the CROP fast April 7 and 8, is trying very hard along with his co-workers sophomore Margie White and junior Albert Edwards, to convince people of the cold, hard truth of his statement with a series of activities centered on the world hunger problem.

The two-day fast is the culmination of the group's efforts, which began last Monday with a discussion of the world hunger situation by Eugene Kolb, associate professor of political science, and Dave Bower, Michigan Director of CROP. CROP, a branch of Church World Services, strives to send aid to all developing countries in the most urgent areas. — The pledges that

student participants of the fast collect will go this year to Viet Nam, where drought and war have ruined much of the country's resources.

A Chapel Service with world hunger as its central focus took place yesterday, and a night club will be presented Tuesday night in Tyler, featuring such noted campus performers as Joey Barbour, winner of the 1978 Variety Fest, Kim Jones, Jim Woodworth, Jim Daniels, Mark Wangburg, and a host of others. The twenty-five-cent admission will go directly to the CROP cause.

Students interested in fasting this Friday and Saturday are urged to pick up their pledge sheets from Jack, Margie, or Al as soon as possible in order to obtain maximum pledging potential. "We, the Alma College CROP task force, ask for support from the entire campus community in dealing with this urgent need," declared Quirk.



Jack Quirk, Orchard Lake senior, Phil Ropp, Alma alumnus, and Kim Lawr-

ence, Newark, N.Y. junior, demonstrate support for the

CROP world hunger drive. ALMANIAN Photo

Gay Council relates experiences

By Joyce Mahan
News Writer

Four members of the Michigan State University Gay Council discussed their sexuality and lifestyles with a standing room only crowd in AC 113 last week.

The panel members, two males and two females, began by answering the queries of the audience. When asked when each of the participants first realized his/her homosexual "tendencies," the answers were varied.

One of the women, named Thelma, claimed that she first realized it at age eight but that at such a young age she had no terms to define her feelings and merely recognized the relationships as special friendships.

Panel member Dan claimed that looking back, he could see that the feelings have always been there. He further explained: "The fact that I'm gay doesn't mean that I've never been involved with women or that my previous experiences with women are invalid just because I'm now gay."

A number of people in the audience asked how the panel justified violating the norms of society. Thelma stated that she doesn't feel the need to justify herself. "I'm tired

of saying I'm okay, I'm okay. If someone wants to know about it I'll offer that explanation but I don't look for other people to tell me I'm okay anymore."

Another panel member, Alma senior Wade Keas, claimed: "The pressures I feel to be straight (heterosexual) are all external ones being applied on me. The pressure I feel to be gay are internal, they come from inside of me. I think it's more important to be true to myself, to be real -- and admit that's who I am."

Dan expressed the belief that each person must justify for themselves.

The panel often used the phrase "coming out" and was asked to explain the phrase's meaning.

Thelma explained that most people talk about coming out in stages. First, admitting one's feeling and acknowledging that they are okay; next acting those feelings out; third, telling other people about one's sexual inclination; and fourth, political involvement.

"Being lesbian is a very political stance," stated Thelma. "You go against all norms."

At one point, panel member Lauri mentioned the fact that there was a five-year-old girl living in the household where she lives. A

number of members of the audience expressed concern that this child might be influenced in her choice of sexuality due to the environment she is being raised in.

The panel explained: "You don't raise children gay or straight. You just raise them. After all, we were all raised in straight homes." It was felt by the panel that the child will probably understand more and, so, have far less trouble dealing with her own sexuality -- whatever it may be. She will have been exposed to the concept of alternative lifestyles.

"I don't think it's wrong," said Dan, "for someone to know the truth about something and then go and deal with it on their own."

All panel members agreed that it is difficult to come out to one's parents. "A trip that a lot of parents go on," explained Lauri, "is that they have somehow failed. They haven't. I'm happier now than I ever have been before and I want them to be happy with me."

Elaborated Wade, "I wish that I could take a piece of the joy I felt when I finally accepted myself and give that to my parents and say 'Here, this will make you feel better.'"

When complimented for having the courage to par-

ticipate on a panel at Alma while still a student here, Wade replied that he'd had a lot of sleepless nights thinking about it but remembered all the misconceptions he'd had about homosexuality when he first started at Alma.

"I wanted to try and dissolve some of those misconceptions," he claimed.

A paper handed to each person as he entered the room to attend the discussion made further attempts at clarification by listing several common myths about homosexuality. Included on the list were the myths that: all homosexuals molest child-

ren, all gay men hate women and all gay women hate men, all gay men are effeminate and all gay women are "butch," all homosexuals recruit, and there are no homosexuals attending Alma College.

When asked why the panel was arranged, one of the organizers claimed, "Homosexuality isn't something which happens at CMU or MSU, it happens at Alma too, and there's a lot of fear about that -- the real need for education on the subject. That's part of why we wanted to have this panel -- to inform people and maybe let them see that homosexuality isn't something to be feared, just to be accepted."

Library tries out new closing times

Peter Dollard, Library Director, has announced that, in response to a request from the Student Affairs Committee, the Library will experiment with a later closing time for the remainder of the term.

Beginning Sunday, April 9, the Library will stay open until 1 a.m. Opening times will not be changed. The 1 a.m. closing times will continue through Thursday,

April 20.

The Library always adds extra hours near the end of the term, since that is generally the time when demand is heaviest. Normally, however, the Library has closed at midnight.

Dollard indicated that the 1 a.m. closing time will be continued in the future if it turns out that students use the library that late.

An open letter to Jamie Kneen, president of student council

To the Editor:

Perhaps this letter should be addressed to the Alma College Student Council, attention Jamie Kneen, President. From a student's point of view, I think the defeat of the recently proposed student council constitution was due to a lack of communication between the student council and the student body.

Why didn't students vote?

The evening before the election was scheduled, the Alma College dinner crowd was presented with an objection to the proposed constitution from two members of the campus community representing Greek organizations. As a consequence, the students began to talk, doubting the equitability of the constitution. The next

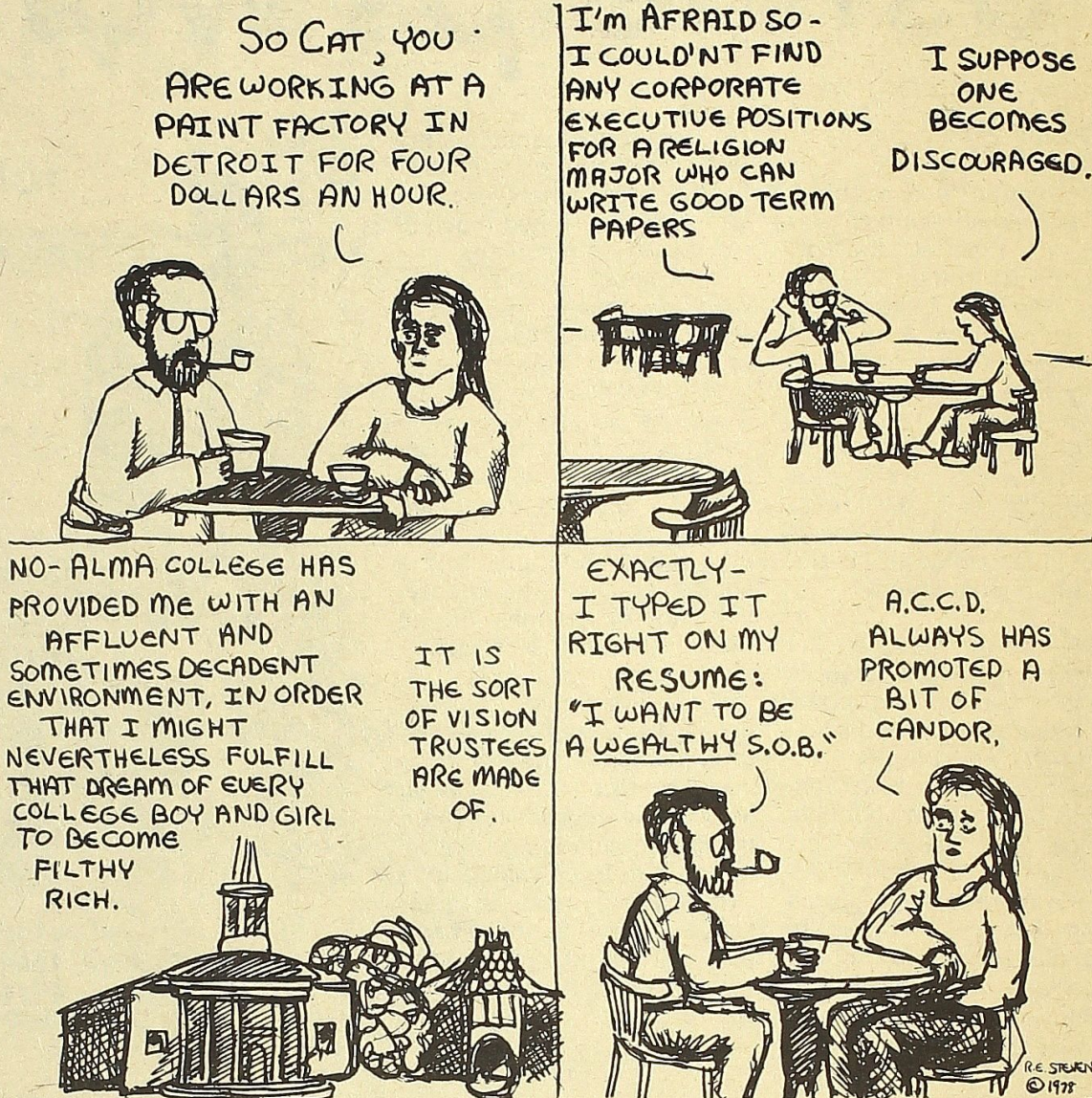
morning, students received a dittoed sheet endorsing the constitution. This information was apparently anonymous, as it was not signed. Therefore, the validity of it was questionable. (Would you believe something from a person who doesn't identify themselves?)

The students didn't vote because they didn't know who or what to believe. Of those who did vote, many voted "no" because they couldn't endorse something they didn't know anything about.

Had the election been at a later date, giving students more time to become informed, I believe the turnout would have been significantly increased.

Pat Heuvelhorst
Junior

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Petitions are now available outside the Student
Council office:

- *Student Council president and vice president
- *Four representatives - at - large
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- *Associate member - Board of Trustees,

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Return applications by Tuesday, April 4 at 5:00 p.m.
Return petitions by Wednesday, April 5 at 5:00 p.m.

Candidates for Student Council President and Vice president are required to give speeches before the Student Council and the student body on Wednesday, April 5 in AC 113.

Address any questions to : Jamie Kneen, Jennie McLaren

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Constitution discussed, revamped

Prior to last Wednesday nights student council meeting there was a special meeting between Jamie Kneen, student council president, representatives from campus Greek organizations, dorm representatives, faculty members Eugene Kolb, Ronald Massanari, and Wesley Dykstra, and Robert Maust and Dave Campbell, dean and associate dean of student affairs, respectively.

Kneen called the meeting because he believed the Greeks were the major cause of the defeat on March 22 of the amended student council constitution.

"What I would like would be for the Greeks to get together and try to get perhaps a proposal for Greek representation on council worked out," Kneen stated.

According to Kolb, associate professor of political science, "the (present) student council constitution is totally incompatible with the existing Community Government constitution." Kolb attended the meeting as a guardian of the Community Government constitution and system, along with Massanari, associate professor of religion, and Dykstra, professor of philosophy.

Major concerns voiced by Greeks as well as non-Greek students include equity of representation and specified constituencies. Several proposals were discussed and representatives from the Pan-Hellenic Council and Inter-Fraternity Council, agreed to formulate a proposal acceptable to the Greeks.

Kneen reported the results of this special meeting to the council at the Wednesday evening meet-

ing, where the defeat of the new constitutional amendments was the main topic of discussion. President Kneen expressed his concern over the present constitution and urged the council to consider the adoption of a new amendment in yet another attempt to make the present council more representative.

Other reforms may include a proportional representation system based on housing units and the elimination of voting for "class

representatives." The council hopes to have a new amended form of the constitution prepared and presented to the student body before the end of winter term.

Council Vice-president Jenny McLaren reported petitions for student council and class-offices and applications for Community Government are available in the Student Council office. Petitions must be returned by 5 p.m. on April 4 and applications by 5 p.m., April 5.

Student Council presidential and vice-presidential candidate speeches will be April 5 at 7:30 in AC 113.

A resolution stating that Council materials may be used only for Council approved activities was presented by representative John Swartout and accepted by Council.

Student Council will meet Wednesday, April 5 at 7 p.m. in AC 113. Non-members are encouraged to attend.

2nd Annual Midnight Breakfast successful

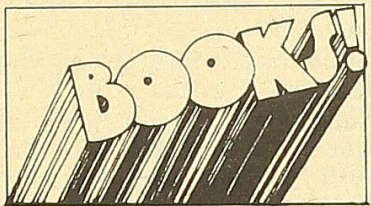


Greg Dobis, St. Clair Shores senior, Richard Roeper, assistant professor of biology, and Voris Davis, Cadillac

junior, all banded together last Friday night at the annual midnight breakfast,

served by the faculty in Hamilton Commons. ALMANIAN Photo

Library Corner



What does famed English crime novelist John Creasy have in common with J.J. Marris, Gordon Ashe, and Anthony Morton? They are all one and the same person.

In fact, Creasy (real name) has nine other pseudonyms as well. Under his various pen names, Creasy has sold over 60 million volumes throughout the world.

This is the type of information which can be found in the reference section in the library. The above note may be found in the **World Authors 1950-1970**. This work is the continuation of the Kunitz - Haycraft **Twentieth Century Authors** published in 1942. It is an update of the latter work and covers approximately 950 authors who have been influential between 1950 and 1970. The authors appearing in this work include those chosen for the literary importance of their books as well as those whose books have found an immense popularity. The biographical data is of great assistance for those persons wishing to find information and insights into the personalities of contemporary authors.

Getting back to the subject of crime, in the **Wall Street Journal Index**, there are some interesting references to a practise known as "check-kiting". Surprisingly enough, it is an illegal activity which many ordinary otherwise law-abiding citizens engage in on a regular basis. Are any of the **Almanian** readers guilty of this practice? Read on to find out.

According to Eric Partridge's **A Dictionary of the Underworld**, check-kiting is the practise of "issuing a check without funds in the bank to cover it--but with the

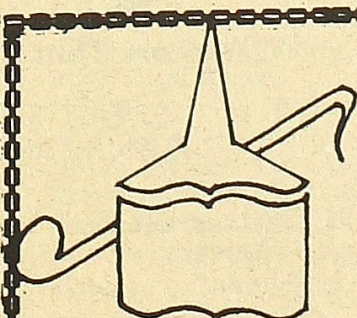
intention of depositing cash in time." **A Dictionary of the Underworld** provides a fascinating look at Cant, the language of the criminal element in society. Though dealing with primarily British and American underworld slang, Partridge also includes criminal colloquialisms from other parts of the world. Often obscure terms are listed which do not otherwise appear in standard unabridged dictionaries.

A few years ago, a religious public service television commercial featured several small children each represented by the accompanying stanza of a poem. The poem begins, "Monday's child is fair of face..." Where might the library user go to locate the rest of this poem?

The best place to start is in John Bartlett's **Familiar Quotations**. It is here that the remainder of the poem can be found. It is an anonymous work and is categorized with the nursery rhymes. **Familiar Quotations** is invaluable for finding out who originated a favorite quotation. Figures from the past as well as contemporaries and their most famous quotes are listed chronologically according to birth date. There is an "Anonymous" section as well. An author index and first line index are included for ease of use.

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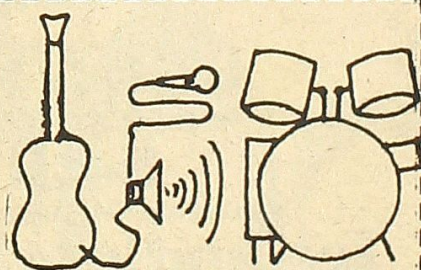
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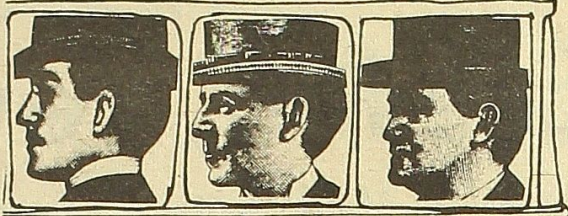
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Alpha Zeta Tau is mid-stream in activity right now. While just calculating the profits coming in on popcorn and candy sales, we are using the money in a number of ways. We made a donation toward Easter Lillies for the chapel service on Sunday, and we also are doing our part with a donation to the senior art show here on campus.

Many changes, too, are taking place within the sorority. We are looking at nominations for next year's officers, and unlike the student council, we made a successful attempt in reshaping some parts of our own constitution.

Congratulations go out to our faithful basketball players who faced off the Bruske I.M. team last week to tie them at 12/1. We are still awaiting the decision on a proposed "tie breaker" game.

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Spring fever has certainly struck the sisters of Alpha Theta...congrats to Karen

Bell on her engagement, and to Jennie McLaren, Lori Burns, Dawn Ferran, and Kelly White on their pin-nings! Keep up the good work!

Well, I.M. basketball is over and many thanks to all who displayed their talents. Chris "Earvin" Godfrey, Mary Ellen "Meadowlark" Liike, Peggy "Wilt the Stilt" Rex, and of course, Jayne "JoJo" Olsen. It was a tremendous season!

Thanks to everyone who made last month's googie a great success, especially to Liz Garber who put many devoted hours into the plan-nings. We hope all who attended had a great time.

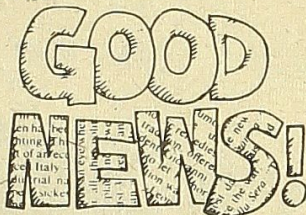
Fire up for the all-girl grasser this Friday, it's B.Y.O.--a great chance to meet alot of super people, hope to see everyone there. Until next time, have a great week!

GSS

Gamma Sigma Sigma, the national service sorority on campus, seems to have a communication problem, but through our public relations coordinator, Lisa Cresswell,

and keeping you informed on some of our activities, we're hoping to correct this. Just recently our newsletter was distributed to faculty member department heads to spread the word that we're here and want to be acknowledged!

Our chapter just received eight new people into its membership: Cathy Johnson; Beva Scrimger; Donna Wright; Barb Schmidt and Deb Janousek as Junior act-ives; and Pam Smith, Pam Parker and Val Unger as honorary members. Follow-ing dinner at the Heather Room they were initiated in a special service in the chapel where we were joined by one of our faculty advisors, Joe Walser, and alumna Betty White.



As the majority of our activities deal with service, we worked on the chapel service Sunday both in donating lillies and joining the choir. A party for a number of the children in Alma's Big Brother/Big Sister program is being planned for April 14.

The national service project this year is to inform the public and aid them in solving the problem of LIT-ERACY. We welcome any of your ideas on the subject.

Penny Kerr, our regional director, will be joining us April 8 and 9 to help us organize a sectional conference to be held at Alma in the fall. It will draw GSS members from throughout Wisconsin, Ohio, Michigan, Pennsylvania, and Indiana as did the regional conference attended by a number of our sisters during spring break.

Along with a national project, the sorority makes a national contribution each year, and our chapter is putting its bid in that this money go to Leader Dogs for the Blind.

If you're interested in participating in some of the service projects we perform throughout the term, contact any G.S.S. member.

Alma Chess sports champ

Roger Freling, a professor of English at Central Michigan University, is the Alma Chess Club's new champion.

Freling won the honor by sweeping to four straight wins in the club's winter tournament.

In the first three rounds, Freling defeated David Troupe, Steve Stack, and Bart Brown. Brown was the winner of the club's fall tournament. In the final round, Freling was paired against Peter Dollard, who had achieved two wins and a draw at that point.

Freling responded to Dollard's 1-P, K-4 with 1-P, K-3 (the French Defense). Using eight moves, Freling appeared ready to go up a piece. Suddenly, Dollard mounted a powerful counter attack and emerged from the exchange even. After a subsequent exchange of queens, it appeared that Dollard would be able to eke out a win, since he had four pawns to Freling's three on the queen side, while Freling had doubled tow pawns on his king side.

Dollard, however, was in

time trouble. With only eight minutes left to make twenty moves, haste led to several weak moves. Freling had nearly twenty-five minutes for the same twenty moves and managed to achieve a position that left Dollard pondering, as his click ticked, whether to exchange a rook for a bishop or be checkmated.

Dollard's flag dropped, ending the game, while he studied that predicament, giving Freling the win in both the game and the tournament.

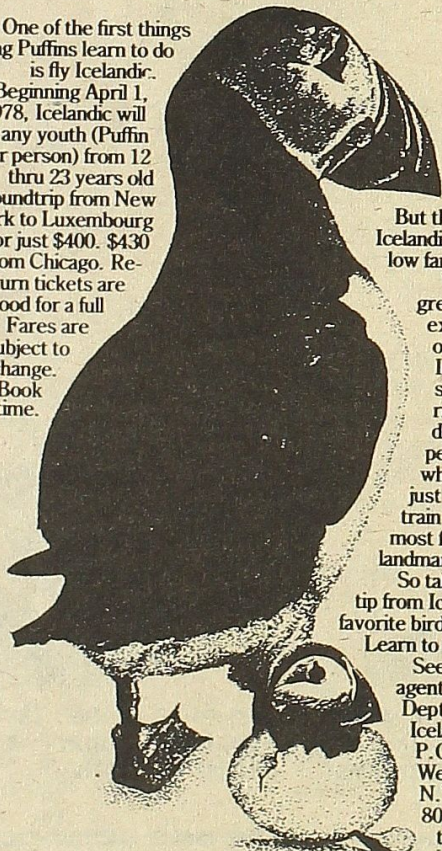
Mark Baxter, a high school student from St. Louis won the Class III prize with two victories. Steve Stack, of Alma's Sociology Department, won the Class II prize, with two wins. Once one final game has been played, it will be decided who has won the Class I prize.

The Chess Club continues to meet every Thursday night at 7p.m. in the Tyler Student Center at the College. Chess players are invited to come out and play some chess.

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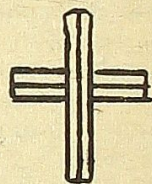
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Chapel Affairs Corner.



On Wednesday, April 5, at 7 p.m. there will be a panel discussion in A.C. 113. The subject for discussion will be: Religious Response To Contemporary Problems Relevant to Youth. Those on the panel will include Father Olin Merdick, priest at St. Mary's Church in Alma and formerly on the National Council of Catholic Education in Washington, D.C. Also, Reverend Brad Rohwer, pastor of the Warren Avenue Presbyterian Church in Saginaw and Moderator of Lake Huron Presbytery.

There will also be a rabbi or some representative of the Jewish faith.

On Sunday, April 9, at 11 a.m. there will be nearly 500 high school young people from the Presbyteries of Lake Huron and of Michigan as guests. The special event is a Youth Mix and the special speaker on this occasion will be Rev. Al Deutz, pastor of the Delta United Presbyterian Church in Grand Ledge.

On Sunday, April 16, the Baccalaureate Service for the graduating seniors will be held at 11 a.m. The theme of the service will be: "Friends, The Future and Faith". Members of the senior class will lead and participate in this special service.

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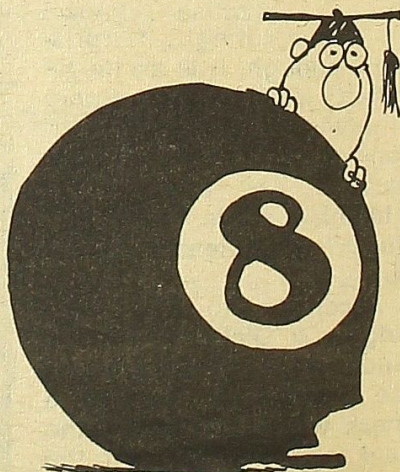
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Chemistry prof retires

Skinner reminisces years

By Cornell Amaya
Feature Writer

Perhaps you have seen him at athletic events or had the pleasure of speaking to him while passing on the sidewalk. He greets everyone with the happy smile and friendliness of an old acquaintance.

The man is Charles Skinner, professor of chemistry. After putting in 32 years of service at Alma College, this term marks the last of a long line, for Skinner is retiring at the close of this term.

In the past 32 years, he has seen the college change completely, growing from a small, financially troubled school to the modern, well-managed institution it is today.

Born and raised in the town of Phelps, a small community situated in the Finger Lakes region of upper New York State, Skinner furthered his education by attending Cornell University. After completing his first year at Cornell, the depression struck. Not able to afford the costs of the school, Skinner decided to move west to Michigan where he attended Alma College and received his Bachelor of Science degree.

Skinner did not return to Alma immediately: after teaching for three years in Marlette, Michigan, he returned to Alma and taught high school for two years. From there he moved on to Dow Chemical Company of Midland. In 1946 Skinner was hired by Alma College.

Skinner has only happy memories and good thoughts of Alma College. In fact, he apologized for not being able to think of anything to complain about.

He chuckled with a light-hearted grin, "I have never found anything wrong with Alma. But I guess it's a good thing that other people complain because it keeps Alma going in the right direction."

In the early portion of Skinner's career, Alma College had financial troubles.

"We were a struggling outfit," he recalls. "We never really knew if the college would survive from one year to the next—it was touch and go."

But while other schools were closing their doors from similar financial troubles, Alma continued to survive.

According to Skinner, the greatest and most beneficial changes occurred with the Swanson administration.

"Robert W. Swanson turned everything around," Skinner added, "his administration has brought stability to the financial status of the college."

Since that time, the college has never once had to be concerned with financial worries. Skinner says that the building program that President Swanson initiated has been one of the most successful and thrilling things he has watched.

The first home that Skinner lived in was located where the P.E. center stands today, so that portion of the building phase was particularly exciting to him. Since that time he has lived in his present home which looks upon Bruske Hall from the north.

Of the many unique moments which stand out in Skinner's mind, none seem more memorable than athletic events.

Sports competition has always been one of his absorbing interests. He says that the most thrilling event of all was the recent basketball game which brought the MIAA championship to the Scots. Skinner frequently times the events and was able to keep time at the championship game. The victory, he feels, showed that "Alma is able to do better than most people think we can do."

He thinks this is synonymous with everything the school does. Skinner has also been active in sports as the school's baseball and cross country coach. He proudly reflects upon his coaching days having lead

the baseball team to become MIAA champs more than once.

Alma's enrollment has not always been 1100 students, and, in Skinner's coaching days, 400 or 600 was a more realistic number. He believes today's larger enrollment has helped Alma's athletics as well as other activities. Today there is enough talent that one person can concentrate on football, another in band, and another on the play without one person doing them all.

With smaller enrollments, the faculty was also smaller—numbering between 25 and 30 members. Speaking of student-faculty relations, he explains: "Everyone knew everyone by name in those days. Today with enrollment over 1000 it is impossible to see everyone."

Skinner believes that part of the reason everyone was so close was because chapel was mandatory.

"Chapel was the social gathering place for everyone and was good for the unity of the campus," he says. Once in awhile something really good came out of it." He now looks back with fond memories, but recalls, "we used to all huff and complain about chapel at the time."

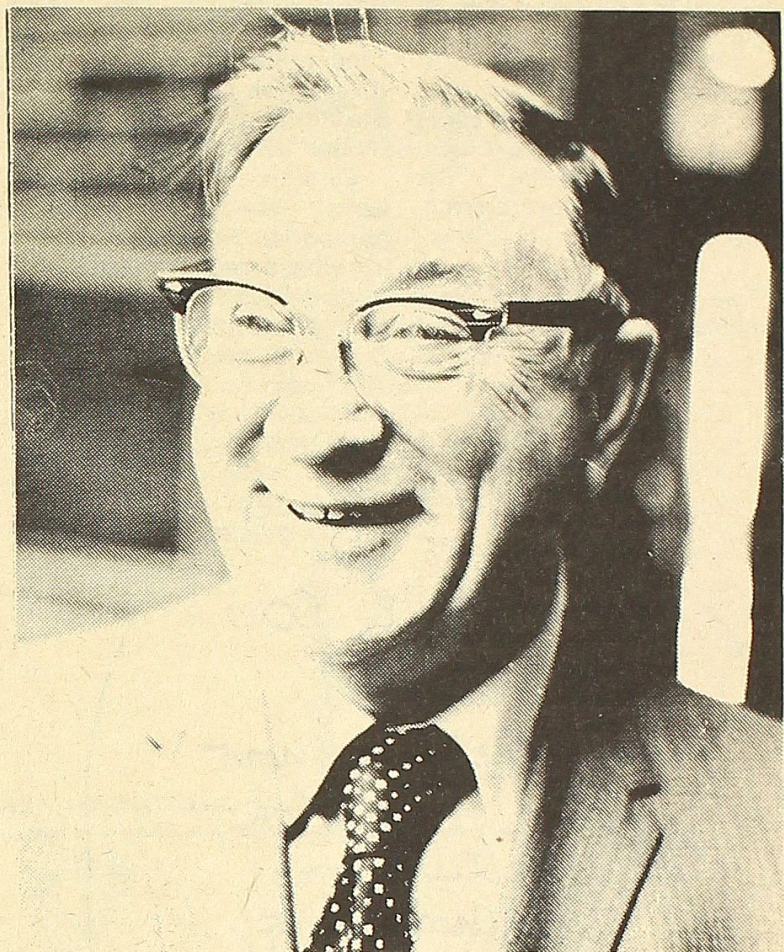
One of the things Skinner enjoys most, is meeting the alumni that return each year for homecoming. "A big thrill is to see the students come back and hear and read of their successes," he reminisces. "I like to see how the grads go out and cope with the world."

Even though retiring, he still hopes of teaching a class or two, preferably math. He plans to remain in his present home because he wants to always be near campus.

"I hope I can live there the rest of my life," he says.

He explained that he enjoys college life: the athletic events, concerts, plays, etc.

Skinner also hopes to do some travelling, but does not



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—Charles Skinner

want to go outside the country because of the state of the U.S. dollar abroad. He hopes to have more time to enjoy his cottage on Torch Lake and would like to spend more time there this fall.

Skinner also wants to read books in the college library. "There are a lot of books I want to read in the library and now I'll have the time," he smiles.

Skinner says he will find it difficult not teaching next

fall as he has for the past 32 years. Glancing out his office window he reflects, "I can't see not being on the staff anymore."

For Charles Skinner, Alma College has been a way of life. He's been very happy teaching. "I wouldn't think of doing anything else. I can't believe I've been so lucky as to have a job I enjoy so much and have been so happy with."

Campus hosts speech contest

The Twelfth Annual Preston Bradley Speech Contest will be conducted in A.C. 113 on Tuesday, April 11.

Scheduled to get underway at 9 p.m., this event will pit the college's best student speakers, survivors of an earlier elimination round, against each other to compete for the Bradley Award.

The participants will be selected from those full-time students who pass an initial screening test established by the department of speech and theater.

Robert Smith, professor of speech pointed out the requirements are: 1) choose a controversial topic appropriate for an Alma student audience and approximately ten minutes long; 2) submit a full-sentence outline of it with accompanying bibliography; and 3) appear before a one-person jury to determine those who will qualify for the final round.

The winner of the contest will be chosen by the audience and will receive a gavel hewn from the trees of

Monticello. (Thomas Jefferson's estate in Virginia), and, in addition, will have his/her name emblazoned on a plaque permanently housed in Reid Knox.

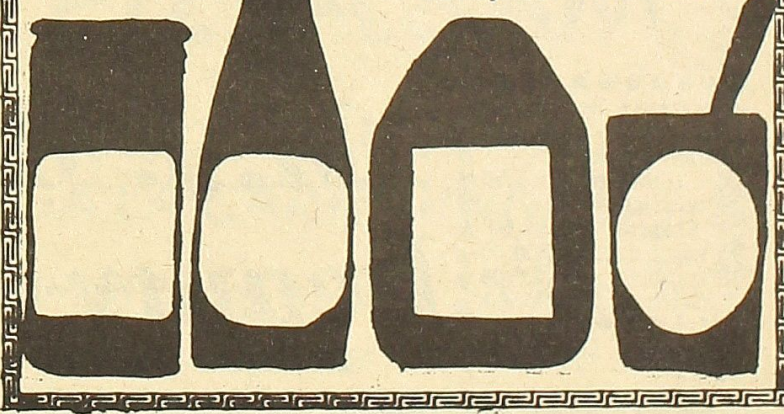
The Bradley Award was established in the mid 1960's in honor of Dr. Preston Bradley, former Alma student, founder and the first minister of The People's Church in Chicago, Ill.

Students who wish to enter the contest should contact Robert Smith, A.C. 328.

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Matrix celebrates arts, sciences

Matrix: Midland, Mid-Michigan's first annual festival to celebrate the arts and sciences, will be highlighted by the appearance of Aaron Copland, dean of American composers, conducting a major revival of his opera, "The Tender Land," premiering June 3.

The Michigan Opera Theatre, a Detroit based

company under the artistic direction of Dr. David DiChiera, will present this new production as part of the three week multi-event celebration at the Midland Center for the Arts in Midland. Directing "The Tender Land" will be Peter Hunt, prominent Broadway director whose recent credits include "Give 'em Hell, Harry," starring James Whit-

more, and the Broadway Musical and subsequent film version of "1776." This production will also feature New York City Opera contralto Frances Bible as Ma Moss. Eugene Loring, who choreographed the original production of Copland's "Billy the Kid," will be the choreographer.

Number two of the operatic offering during

Matrix: Midland will be a unique outdoor production of "Madame Butterfly" in the Dow Gardens, a natural setting adjacent to the Arts Center

The opera will be conducted by G. Richard Ryan, Artistic Director and Conductor of the Midland Music Society of the Midland Center for the Arts.

Matrix: Midland for 1978 will also include an outdoor art fair, a lecture series by leaders in the sciences and humanities, a noonday film series, the traveling exhibition from the New York Museum of Holography, and concerts by the Festival Orchestra. Several other events are in the planning stages.

Bluegrass slated for Central

Sunday, April 16 at Finch Fieldhouse on the Central Michigan University campus, the Wheatland Co-op is sponsoring the Wheatland Reunion. From 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., bluegrass and old-time music will be performed by a variety of local and national talent.

The groups featured include Martim, Bogan and Armstrong, the Highwoods

String Band, the Green Grass Cloggers, the Lost World String Band, Kitty Donahoe, Joel Mabus with Brian Bishop, Homespun String Band, Hank and Sandy Bradley, Argo Pond, Bluegrass Reunion, Vice-versa, Great Lakes Grass, Quality Quinn, Sinclair Bros. String Band, Nate, Bob and Tim, The Roustablut String Band.

Advanced tickets are available at Elderly Institution, in Lansing, Homespun in Kalamazoo, and Boogie Records in Mt. Pleasant. Tickets are \$3 in advance and \$4 at the door.

For those unfamiliar with bluegrass music, this event will offer a fine opportunity to be exposed to this traditional American Music form.

Barbour wins Variety Fest

Variety Fest was held Tuesday night in Tyler and featured a variety of acts in the competitive and non-competitive fields.

In the competitive field, Joey Barbour picked up first place for her singing perfor-

mance. The Relief 5, a group featuring Rick Butler on keyboards, Bill Chapman on guitar, Bruce Laven on bass, Mark Selden on drums, and Gloria Clark on vocals, was awarded second place, and the Perfect 4th, a barbershop quartet, won

third place.

Other competitive acts included Anne Coleman, Steve Clark, Lori Smith, Kathy Young, Rick Schellhammer, African dance and song, and Robin Ropp's Girls.

Musicals highlight UB week

This week's Union Board features films containing some of the greatest music of two different eras. "Singing in the Rain" has the finest film score of the MGM

movie-musicals, and Woodstock has long been noted for telling the story of the music of the sixties.

Wednesday and Thursday nights you can see Gene Kelly and Debbie Reynolds in "Singing in the Rain". This musical contains the elements of the fine film entertainment -- comedy,

music, and romance. See it in Tyler at 10 p.m. The cost is a dime.

"Woodstock" will be shown this weekend after a long wait. This film tell the story of a weekend retreat where some of the finest singers of the late sixties entertained over 400,000 people in a New England farm. See it in Tyler on Friday at 6:45 only (note time and place change) and Saturday and Sunday at 8 p.m. in Dow. The cost is fifty cents.

Don't miss the magic show featuring Kramer and Company in Dow, Friday night at 9 p.m. Admission is free.

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Recital features piano, sax

Contemporary music for saxophone and piano will be featured in a recital at 8 p.m. Thursday, April 6 in Alma College's Dunning Memorial Chapel.

Aaron Smith, saxophonist, and Tom Manion, organist, pianist and composer will present a program which includes four short works for Organ by Manion, and three compositions for saxophone and piano: "Sonatina" (1978) by Manion, "Sonata" by Paul Creston, and "Sonata" by Paul Hindemith.

1960. Manion has been an accompanist for the college's music department since 1975.

A sophomore at Alma College, Smith is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Smith of Sutton's Bay, Michigan. A 1976 graduate of Sutton's Bay High School, Smith is presently studying saxophone with Jack Bowman, associate professor of instrumental music at the college. In addition to the recital, Smith will also perform as a

student soloist with the Alma Symphony on Sunday evening, April 9.

A resident of Alma since 1959, Manion teaches piano, organ, and voice privately. He is a graduate of the University of Michigan with a degree in social work and a strong minor in music, and

has also done post-graduate work in voice and other music-related fields at Alma. He has studied organ with Marilyn Mason, Corliss Arnold, and Miriam Bellville, (associate professor of music at Alma), and has been organist at St. John's Episcopal church in Alma since

Summer housing available (cheap)

Low cost summer housing will be available to Alma College students and/or 1978 graduates who are able to provide evidence of gainful employment in or about the Alma area. Housing is also available to individuals participating in an academic program which is supervised

by a member of the College's faculty or staff.

The weekly rental cost will be \$14.00 and advance payment for the room is required through the 15th and 30th of each month.

For further information contact the Student Affairs Office, Tyle Campus Center, anytime after April 7, 1978.



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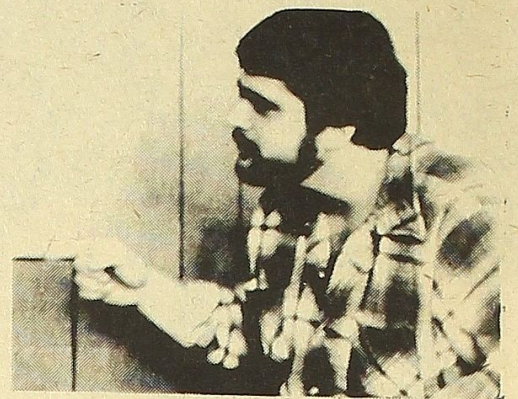
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Creams at Larj

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By Dave Andrews and
Charles Creamer
POINT

Larj, guess what? I have applied for off-campus housing. I know, it's a rash step to take but I feel it's time for me to be delivered from the Alma College womb of support and comfort, and tackle the harsh realities of the outside world. [My mother feels the same way.]

I'm a little worried, however, big guy. You see, a number of my friends who have already submitted their petitions received notices the other day saying they must live on campus again next year. Now I'm wondering if I can get off. **Do you think I should emphasize the fact that I'm married, will graduate in April, and become a father in July?** Alumnus Phil Ropp assures me that it will be enough but I'm still a little anxious. Maybe I can threaten them by saying my "mommie" won't make her yearly \$5,000 contribution. If that doesn't work, I just won't come back next year (just bluffing).

In any event, for the sake of argument, let's assume that I can get off-campus housing. That still doesn't cure all my problems. By

living in a dorm, students are catered to hand and foot. We are fed; provided with running water, heat, and lights; and a safe roof over our heads. Consequently, I don't know how to cook, pay an electric bill, decide which apartment to rent, or even get dressed in the morning (my roommate always helped me).

Larj, this problem plagues most of the students on campus. Because the majority of us are forced to live in a dorm, we have never learned the necessary skills to handle off-campus living. As a result, I request your support in advocating the creation of a required spring term—practicum. Receiving intense training during this four week period would be greatly beneficial. We could write such scholars as the "Gallop Gourmet," Erma Bombeck, Ann Landers, or even Anita Bryant to teach the class. Not only would we acquire the necessary skills, but this class would also be in accord with the image of the school and justify next year's cost increase!

COUNTERPOINT

Creams, you big baby. Just because you don't want

to face up to a little personal and social responsibility is no justification for you to cry your way off campus with such flimsey excuses.

I do have some advise for you and I think my suggestions in this area will be most beneficial. 1] **Do not threaten or try to intimidate the administration.** It will do you no good to stoop to their low tactics. Besides, I have a good friend who tried that very stunt. They called his bluff—but it wasn't a bluff. If the college wants to adhere to a policy so strongly that they will forgo that tuition income, that's their choice. They probably thought that his tuition was an appropriate price to pay to prevent the mass herds of students from deluging the Student Affairs Office with "Off-Campus Petition."

2] **Do not take the assurances of Phil Ropp.** What does he know about dorm living and responsibility? He hasn't learned how to go on a corridor exchange to the "Alibi" or "Wayside" at CMU. He hasn't learned to turn the stereo up during study hours. He hasn't learned the responsibility of littering the halls with pizza boxes. He hasn't learned to create

noise and disturb others equitably and responsibly. Most importantly, he hasn't learned of the responsibility and duty to "pimp" others that live in his residence unit. To essence, Creams, how could you possibly trust his instincts when he hasn't learned any of these things? Before you can shirk your responsibilities and duties to go off and play off-campus somewhere, you must live in the dorms until you learn the principles of Dorm Responsibility.

3] **Do not, in the future, totally twist the true tributes dorms are to personal, social and intellectual growth.** In essence, you falsified your petition because, obviously, you stated that your needs were not being met. This is simply not true! While College policy expressly forbids cohabitation between the sexes, in the dorms, you would live in Mitchell and your wife would live in Newberry. Wilcox Medical Center is conveniently located for your future use. Furthermore, we all know that just because you're a senior, you don't qualify as a special basket case. **You knew when you applied that the only viable policy criteria applicable to any situation are A] Not a Presbyterian,**

and B] Somehow involved with the Red Ryder affair. Obviously, you don't meet these criteria, so don't expect to get approval.

In regards to your celebrity idea, we could cut costs by hiring some locally. Indeed, Pizza Pete's could send a pizza along with Pete and properly instruct dorm residents in all the aspects of eating pizza. Pete will teach you to throw the box away in the corridor after any remains first get smeared on the walls.

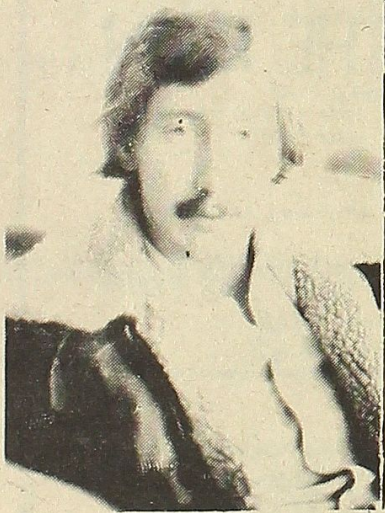
I will agree that Anita Bryant must come and lecture. Surely, this is in tune with college image.

Creams, you are thinking along the correct lines academically. However, instead of a spring-term, a freshman pre-term will be required. (Get'em while the gettin's good!) Moreover, "dorm responsibility" will become a required academic division with divisional requirements. Of course, twelve credits will be required from the department; eight from category I and four from category II.

Finally, Creams, college policy **must** be restricted to ensure a program that will meet everyone's needs and teach everyone how to function in a real world.

Carter and Vance deemed diplomatically incompetent

The national scene



By Doug Oberst
Almanian columnist

The recent terrorists' attack on the Israelis and last week's offensive launched by Menachem Begin into Lebanon has captured the public eye around the world.

Statesmen from several nations have expressed their concern for the actions taken place. As usual, both President Carter and Secretary of

State Vance made attempts to shine in their own political halo. Wisdom poured forth when, in remarks made last week, **Carter stated, "I have to believe that Israel does not want peace—at least not on any basis that most of us understand."** Vance, **not to be outdone, intelligently called the conflicts "impediments to peace."**

Whether or not these remarks were intended to be humorous is not yet clear. Surely, it would be in very poor taste to evoke laughter

at the deaths of over a hundred men.

If the comments were not meant to be funny, and were, instead, the culmination of intense political thought and statesmanship ability, then these men are definitely lacking in diplomatic competence.

The question is not whether the violence which took place in the Mid-East is right or wrong. Instead, one must ask, how long will our heads of state continue to evade

issues concerning the Arab-Israeli conflict?

Carter and Vance themselves are the most representative individuals in communicating with foreign powers. Yet, these men, entrusted with positions which portray them as the American public itself, are failing their responsibility as leaders. They are not taking a firm stand on many issues of the utmost importance, especially those concerning involvement in the Middle East.

Commendation is due for Carter's stand on the Panama Canal issue and his energy proposals. However, unless he and Vance begin to realize the importance of their offices and direct their public comments accordingly, the leadership of the United States, so desperately needed, will be lost to apathy and indecision on the part of its leaders.



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Reflections: Stereotyping inherent to student body

By Keely Hessler
Feature Editor

Alma College students have a multitude of fine qualities (among them perseverance, a sense of humor, and blind ambition), but there is one especially interesting feature of the students that has always fascinated me.

This "aspect" (one can hardly call it a "fine quality") intrigues me so because it seems to be firmly entrenched in our character from the second week of our freshman year on. The attribute I am focusing on is, to emphasize, the way Alma students get to know each other. (Relax guys, I'm not talking about what happens after the CSA Hall parties.) Anyway, even though this campus is fairly small, we've devised a quick, efficient system of delving into a person's true personality without actually meeting, or speaking to the person we wish to know about.

In high school we called it stereotyping, but now I've grown up and realized this is just a better way to get acquainted with other students in an indirect manner.

Don't get me wrong, I think it's great the way we devise these categories and automatically assume that

anyone associated with a certain group portrays certain characteristics. After all, birds of a feather flock together, so why not generalize and say that all people who frequent the Union are exact replicas of one another?

There is, however, an organized pattern to all of this pre-judgement, and one cannot possibly hope to correctly stereotype unless one knows the basics.

Pre-judgement begins when we enter as first year Alma students, when we discover just what characterizes each different group; honestly, one can't associate with a person before one learns where she/he fits into the campus community! The older, wiser, more mature persons of the campus are the ones dedicated to the task of handing out specific information which helps us define each campus group. For the sake of the incoming freshmen reading this, here are some of the more famous Alma College stereotypes.

The most obvious groups to characterize are of course, the Greeks. Theta Chi is the first example. "Get high with Theta Chi" is the favorite campus slogan and I've heard there is a song floating around that embodies the whole Theta Chi spirit. The song runs on about bum-outs, hippie freaks and dope smokers.

No matter that this group took the highest G.P.A. for fraternities and that the President of Student Council is a Theta Chi--they have been labeled as long-haired pot smokers and thus it will stay. After all, negative stigmas are what truly represent these people, aren't they?

The service sorority and fraternity come next, as everyone knows these people must be the outcasts of the campus, choosing not to join a social organization, but rather they prefer to huddle together, moaning about their misfit status. Somehow I don't think the old Elk's home would think of these people as odd or disdainful, when, on Easter Sunday they sing their hearts out, bringing joy and laughter to these old ones. But who cares about these admirable traits? Certainly not those of us who describe these service organizations to the Alma newcomers.

Enough about the Greeks, let us move on to other classifications we can stick people into in order to understand them better. How about which dorm a person lives in? Isn't that truly representative of a person's nature? Take Mitchell Hall for example, or The Zoo for short. Supposedly the guys that reside here are noisy, abnoxious and lewd. Hea-

ven forbid should we meet up with a man from this jungle, he probably wouldn't even be able to speak coherent English; rather he would snort and grunt like a lowly animal!

On the other end of the spectrum, we have the Virgin Vault, or Newberry Hall as the sign outside of this convent proclaims. The characteristic of all (mind you all--let's be thorough in our stereotyping) of the inhabitants of this dorm is extreme prudishness. If pets were allowed on campus, surely each Newbs corridor would possess a German Shepherd to stalk about and search for any male intruders who might dare to enter.

Have I illustrated my point, or must I expand more thoroughly on this outrageous situation--the situation that unjustly labels people without cause? How many times have we heard, or caught ourselves saying, in answer to a query concerning a particular student, "I don't really know him/her personally, but he/she is a philosophy major," and then heard the knowing response of "No wonder he/she is so spacey!"

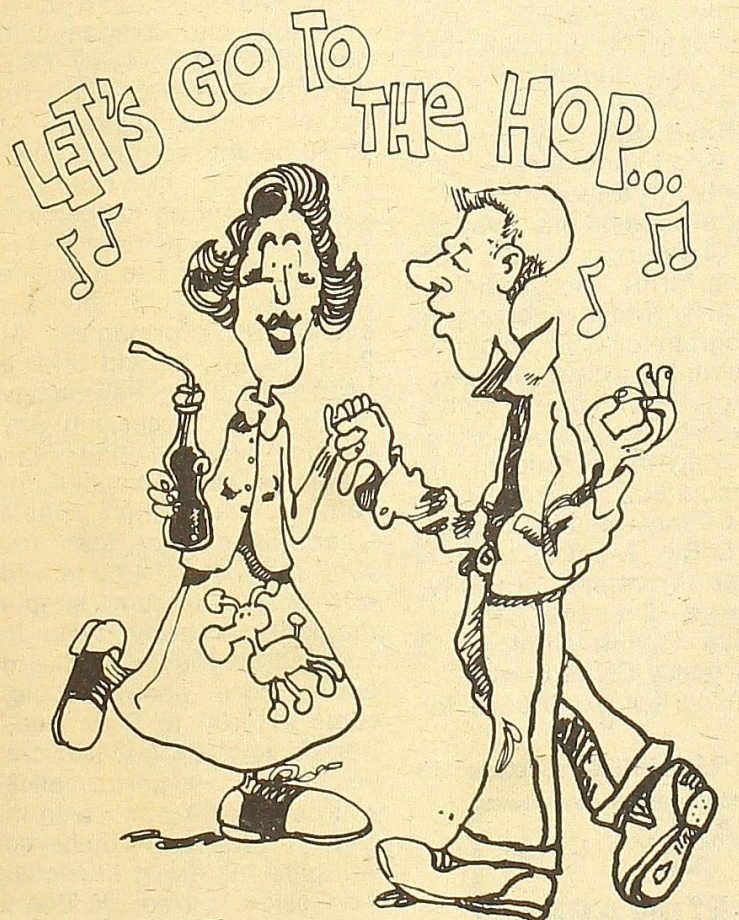
If the stereotypes and generalizations weren't so damn negative, they would be great; but how damaging to a person's integrity to be

described as a resident of The Zoo and a member of Theta Chi, when all of the labels for these groups are disreputable!

But as the favorite saying goes, "Who am I to judge?" Sometimes I forget that we Alma students are busy; busy people and just don't have the time to run about, personally meeting people and forming our own judgments.

No, I'm not suggesting we are sheep-like and malicious--better terms would be curious, and desiring to be knowledgeable without exerting much effort. For is it not curiosity which drives a person to grab at any insight into a colleague who is a mystery to them? Quick stereotypes are an easy, habit-forming way of understanding other students, while sounding intelligent at the same time. Who, when asked a juicy question on another's personal qualities wants to say, "Gee, I don't know anything about him (or her)." How gratifying to be able to reply "Oh wow, he/she is a Union Rat (or whatever)," thus effortlessly making yourself seem somewhat on top of the social scene.

Oh dear, this has turned into another lecture, but I'm sure you will understand. After all, I'm a writer, and EVERYBODY knows how those writers are...



Dance contest announced

By Cheryl Barr
News Writer

Alma College will be holding its first ballroom dance contest at 7:00 on Wednesday, April 7, in the Tyler Ballroom.

The contest is open to all students, faculty, and staff of the college, and will consist of several categories. Performances in the fox trot, waltz, tango, cha cha, charleston and jitterbug will be judged by a panel consisting of Professor and Mrs. Charles Skinner, accomplished ballroom dancers themselves.

Trophies will be awarded

on the basis of technique, rhythm, style, and overall presentation. Contestants must enter in couples and may enter in more than one category.

Louanne Norwood, associate professor of theatre and dance, suggested the contest after viewing several other similar activities on other college campuses. "It should be a lot of fun," she commented when asked about the upcoming event.

Contestants are to register before 7:00 on April 5 by contacting a member of the contest committee.

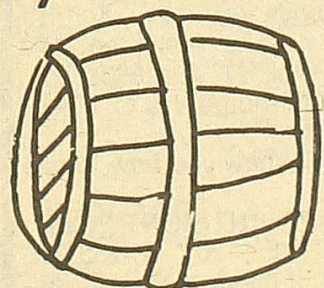
Members are: Dr. Norwood, ext. 358, Steve Wylie, ext. 419, Cheryl Bates, ext. 423, and Tammy Will, ext. 257.

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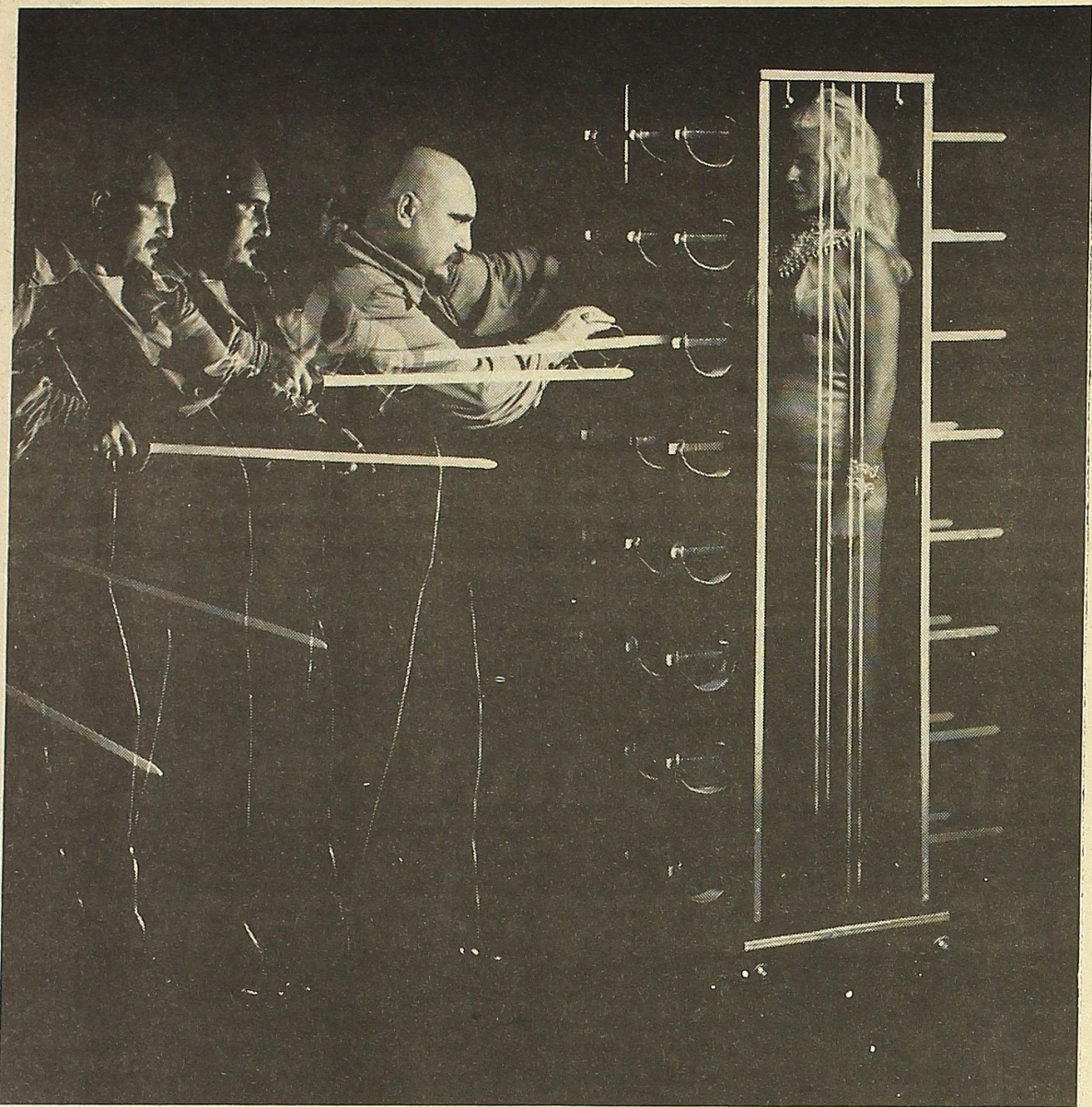
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Bob Kramer and his assistant Judi will be performing the Kramer and Company magic act Friday night in Dow Auditorium. Kramer will also be conducting several workshops throughout the day.

Kramer and Co. bring magic

Friday night in Dow will be one of the finest evenings of entertainment you are liable to see in a long time. Kramer and Company, a magic act from Connecticut, will be performing some of the most mystifying tricks known to man.

Bob Kramer is originally from Grand Rapids, but he spends most of his time on the road performing his best effects. He is regarded by his peers as one of America's top illusionists; a magician's magician.

Kramer's interest in magic began in his early teens. Starting with simple sleight of hand tricks, he gradually grew into larger, more complicated illusions, then decided to make magic

his career. He now has a collection of magical effects values at over \$75,000, many of which he created and perfected himself.

ILLUSIONS OF THE 21ST CENTURY spotlights Bob's mastery of the art of misdirection. Many years of experience and experimentation have come together to reflect his philosophy that magic should be a flowing, multi-sensory experience—not a series of unrelated tricks. The show features the world's most spectacular and unbelievable illusions, including: **The Cremation, Livitation, Sword Chamber, Zig Zag Lady, and the incredible Buzz Saw.**

He has shared the stage with many other performers including Frank Sinatra, Robert Klein, Guess Who and George Carlin. He and his wife Judi, who is also his lovely assistant, travel nationwide in a forty-foot mobile home with a collection of ducks, dogs, birds and rabbits. Together, they are the finest touring magic act in the world.

Kramer and Company will be holding a one-day residency at Alma College, with the following show times. At 12:30 he will perform a short performance in Hamilton Commons for all to see. He will include some of his smaller illusions to prelude the larger acts of the evening's performance. At 2:00 in Dow, he will offer a lecture in "The Psychology of Illusion," discussing why people believe that the magic is really happening, rather than the simple "hand is quicker than the eye" routine. At 4:00 he will offer a class in some simple magic tricks that you can do yourself. If you would like to learn more about magic, come at 4:00 to Dow Auditorium to learn about tricks you can do. His performance will begin at 9 p.m., also in Dow Auditorium, where he will give his finest illusions. Admission is free, do don't miss it.

Scholarship recipients announced

Three Alma College students with their sights on medical careers have recently been awarded Roberta B. Swanson Premedical Scholarships by the college. This is the second year the scholarships have been given.

The recipients are **James R. Weir**, a senior from Saginaw who is receiving his second Roberta B. Swanson scholarship; **Kevin O'Brien**, a senior from Bay City; and **Bradley Willoughby**, a junior

from Frankfort. Weir and O'Brien, both already accepted by Wayne State University School of Medicine, each received \$750 scholarships and Willoughby received a \$500 scholarship.

An endowment fund to provide at least two scholarships annually was established two years ago in memory of Mrs. Roberta B. Swanson, who died in October of 1975. Mrs. Swanson, wife of President Swanson, had as a col-

lege student prepared for a possible career in medicine and at the time of her death was a trustee of Gratiot County Hospital in Alma. Any junior or senior seriously considering going to medical school is eligible to apply for the scholarships.

Among the things considered by the Premedical Student Advisory committee which picks the recipients are the applicant's resumes of college career, a personal statement, and letters of recommendation.

All three of this year's recipients have consistently been named to the college's Term Honors List for outstanding academic achievement, are members of various honorary organizations recognizing scholarship and leadership, and are active in campus life.

They all have had exper-

ience in health service activities, through volunteer work, summer and part-time employment, or field experience coordinated through Alma College.

O'BRIEN, Bay City

O'Brien, for example, participated in a practicum project through a physician in Bay City during Alma's 1976 spring term. The physician, Dr. Arlyn Moeller, arranged a program for O'Brien aimed at obtaining a clear picture of the total health care delivery system in Bay City.

During the practicum, he participated in activities with the County Health Department, Bay Medical Center, Water Treatment Facility, Sewage Disposal Plant, Mental Health Clinic, and Emergency Crisis Center.

An earlier experience for

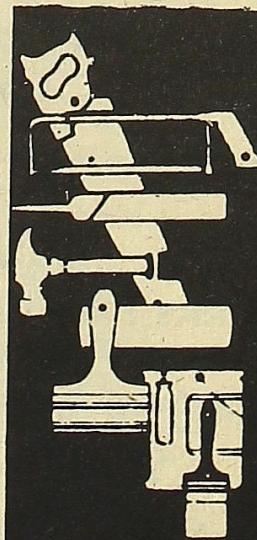
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Beef noodle casserole
Julienne Salad Bowl

Dinner

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Roast turkey/bread dressing
and gravy
Swedish meat balls
Cheese enchiladas

Friday, April 7

Breakfast

Hot cakes
Scrambled and poached eggs

Lunch

New England clam chowder
Hot Dog
Macaroni and cheese
Egg Foo Young

Dinner

Cream of Chicken Soup
Grilled chopped steak
Oven broiled fish/Holland-
aise sauce
Cheese and brown rice
casserole

Saturday, April 8

Breakfast

Pineapple fritters
Fried eggs

Lunch

Creak of chicken soup
Bologna and cheese

Tuna Noodle casserole
Cheese omelets

Dinner

Beef barley soup
London Broil
Top butt steaks
Baked stuffed fillets of sole

Sunday, April 9

Breakfast

Blueberry pancakes
Scrambled eggs

Lunch

Beef barley soup
Baked Ham with fruit sauce
Eggs and sausage omelet

Dinner

Cream of Mushroom soup
Fish sandwich
Old fashioned ground beef
pie
French toast

Monday, April 10

Breakfast

Fritters
Scrambled and cooked eggs

Lunch

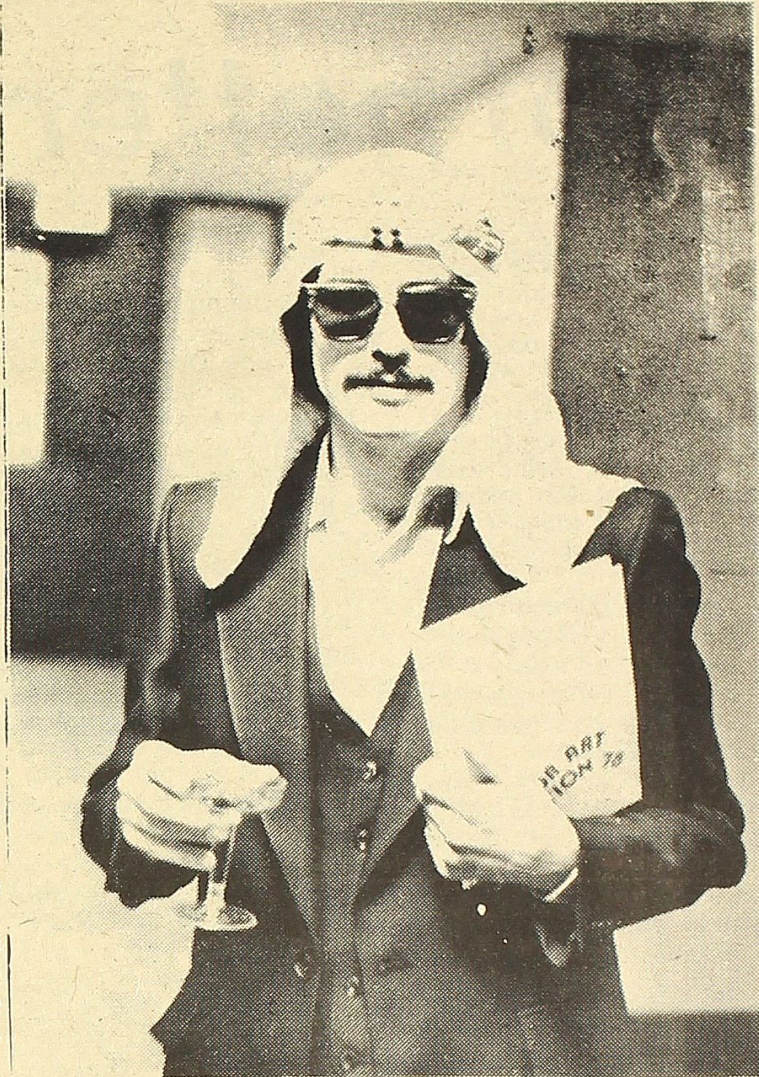
Cream of Mushroom soup
Hamburger
Chicken chow mein/Chinese
noodles
Fruit plate with cottage
cheese

Dinner

Vegetable soup
Roast Loin of Pork with
bread dressing
Grilled liver and fried onions
Taco bar with refried beans

Shah visits art exhibit

He had no name, but the mysterious gentleman circulated freely among the many guests present at the Senior Art Exhibit last Saturday night. Some claimed that he was looking at the artwork on display in order to find a promising young artist for his kingdom; others said he merely enjoyed the wine. Whatever the true story may be, the shah appeared to be having a fine time, signing autographs and murmuring endearments as he moved around the gallery. Whoever he was, he added an air of mystery and excitement to the gala festivities. ALMANIAN photo.



Recipients dedicated

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O'Brien came when he worked at Bay Medical Center's (BMC) two laboratories after his freshman year at Alma. There, he had the opportunity to be a staff member for BMC's outpatient department working with the Obstetrics Clinic, Chemotherapy Clinic, minor emergency cases, and general outpatient treatment.

O'Brien has also been a volunteer worker in Alma College's Health Service and is student coordinator of the Health Service Liaison Committee. He has also been a lab assistant and a tutor for the biology department.

O'Brien does not limit himself to pre-med studies and interests. He is studying piano with Professor Paul Russell (who maintains that O'Brien has considerable talent) and in the summer of 1978, he is participating in Alma's Biblical archaeology program in Israel.

Of his goal to be a doctor, O'Brien said, "I sincerely desire the opportunity to achieve my lifelong goal of becoming a physician, allowing me to serve people of all ages and cultural backgrounds. This intergration of people and science gives me the flexibility I believe will make me a progressive doctor and award me the gratification I am seeking in a medical career."

A 1974 graduate of T.L. Handy High School, O'Brien is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick N. O'Brien, 705 W. Ohio, Bay City.

WILLOUGHBY, Frankfort

During his senior year at Frankfort High School, Willoughby completed a class to become an Emergency Medical Techni-

cian. Subsequently, he has been employed as an ambulance attendant for Frankfort's Paul Oliver Memorial Hospital, working there for the past three summers, plus many times during vacations. During his first two summers there, Willoughby worked as an orderly in the emergency room and on the nursing floor when he was not out on ambulance runs. Last summer, in addition to ambulance duties, he ran the Migrant Clinic which operated in the hospital.

In his scholarship application Willoughby wrote, "My experience on the ambulance, in the hospital, and through my associations with those in the medical field have shown me the actuality of medicine. I have seen death, psychological disturbance, both large and small injuries, and the problems of a whole sect of people (the migrant workers). I believe I have seen all the views of the life of a physician and am still determined to lead that life myself."

Willoughby's campus interests also go beyond studies. a member of Delta Gamma Tau fraternity, he is now serving as president of Inter-Fraternity Council. He is also resident assistant for Bonbright Hall, one of the college dormitories.

Willoughby is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Gordon W. Willoughby, 200 Grove Place, Frankfort. He is a 1975 graduate of Frankfort High School.

WEIR, Saginaw

Weir has worked as an emergency room aide at Saginaw General Hospital, has assisted a physical ther-

apist at Gratiot Community Hospital in Alma, has been a nursing home volunteer, and a volunteer Big Brother of America.

Before transferring to Alma in 1976, Weir had studied at Albion College and at Dr. Martin Luther College in New Ulm, Minn. He has also studied two summers, at Delta College.

In his scholarship application, Weir stated, "Seeking to improve my skills outside the classroom and be of service to the community, I have secured positions in a hospital emergency room, a physical therapy department, a nursing home and the Big Brothers of America.

These experiences have been every bit as beneficial as my academics in developing my analytical and solution finding techniques.

"Aside from assisting me in developing my skills, these extra-curricular activities have aided me in another sense. I have derived a great deal of personal satisfaction from being a member of a health care team. I feel that as a physician I could make important contributions to the community in which I served, but also make important contributions to my inner self as well by serving that community." In addition to membership in several campus honoraries, Weir has been active in Alma's intramural sports program, Student Union board and Dorm Council.

Weir, a 1973 graduate of Michigan Lutheran Seminary in Saginaw, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald M. Weir of 3903 Mackinaw, Saginaw.

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Beat Northwood, CMU

Scot netters volley to victory!

The Alma College tennis team started its 1978 season last Saturday with two impressive wins; one over NAIA rival Northwood Institute, seven matches to two, and the other against the Chippewas from CMU, 6-3. This marks the second time in 4 years the Scots have beaten Central, but this win was the widest margin ever and was an especially sweet victory for the Alma team.

The men's tennis team has been inside practicing for four weeks now from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and sometimes at 2 a.m. in order to prepare for the upcoming season.

The Scot netters have known a lot of success in the last five years, much credit being due to Coach Mike Sweeney, whose coaching record at the collegiate level is a fantastic 70-10. His Alma teams have won the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics District 23 Tournament each year from 1973 to 1977. This year's team hopes to defend the crown again, and earn yet another trip to the NAIA National site in Kansas City.

A fine group of men comprise the squad again this year, with returning lettermen providing a lot of veteran ability. Despite all the experience, it is a young

team, with only one senior: Tim Tilma, captain. Tim currently is the number two singles player and teams with number one Don Graves to form the top doubles pair.

Last year Graves and Tilma teamed to win the NAIA state doubles crown. They are looking for a repeat performance in that tournament this year; both having visions of singles stardom as well.

Bob Connor, the New York sophomore known as Mad Dog, won the NAIA singles championship last year and presently is slotted number three on Alma's competitive ladder. Bill Rucker and Essexville freshman Mike Learman are dueling over the number four position. Rucker's competitiveness and court presence are an invaluable asset to any team and Learman is also exceeding expectations. Jon Thompson rounds out the top six, and with a year's experience behind him, is counted on for a good year. Jim Heap, Dan Dupes, and Paul Simard constitute the remaining team members.

Against Northwood, Don Graves, Bob Connor, Mike Learman, and Bill Rucker picked up single wins and all three Alma doubles teams

won. Graves and Tilma looked very sharp in an 8-1 trouncing of Northwood's number one team in a match that took only 20 minutes. Learman and Connor won 8-6 and Rucker and John Thompson won 8-3. These victories set the stage for the match with CMU.

Playing inside on Central's two fabric tennis courts, and playing 8 game prossets with no-ad scoring, the Scot netters were up against the wall. The Alma team had practiced only one hour before these matches began. But the team really responded to the challenge. Tim Tilma won the first point at number two singles in a convincing serve and volley display that led to an 8-4 victory. Don Graves followed Tilma's act and smashed his way to a win at number one by the score of 8-6. At numbers three and four and six, the Central players came on with strong wins but Bill Rucker at number five came through by posting an 8-1 victory. Thus the match was tied at 3-3, with the doubles championship yet to be played.

Alma tennis has always had a fine reputation in doubles play and against CMU, the Scots lived up to that and more. At number one doubles, Graves and Tilma got off to a slow start: their service was broken twice and they were down 7-4 at one point. Fighting back by lobbing deeper and attacking the net, they fought off two match points with great backhand returns by Tilma and evened the match at 8-8. A tie-breaker was then played and the Alma pair was in complete control, winning the tie-breaker with a score of 5-0 and the match, 9-8.

At the moment of victory, Graves, Tilma, Connor and Learman simultaneously won their match at two doubles, 8-4, and this sewed up the match as Alma had won 5 points.


There was jubilation on the courts as the Alma players, parents and coach Mike Sweeney savored the sweet taste of victory. To put icing on the cake, Rucker and Thompson won at third doubles to complete the match score: Alma, 6 --

CMU, 3. This, indeed, is a notable accomplishment, for CMU is an MAC school with several athletes on scholarship.

Looking forward to the sunshine of April and May, the team will compete in MIAA and NAIA tournaments as well as a tourna-

ment at Anderson College in Indiana. There will also be nine regular season dual meets, with NCAA Division III powerhouse Kalamazoo College visiting Alma on May 10. For student and faculty convenience, the team has a picture and win-loss chart display in the Physical Education Center.

"Frankly with Flattley"



Tigers' youth roars with promise

By Dave Flattley
Sports Writer

Spring fever is on the rise, and this epidemic inevitably brings talk of needed antidotes.

All of the symptoms of spring fever, such as inability to concentrate on trivial matters (like academics) and a burning desire to get a suntan, point to the focal point of this piece: baseball.

Our national pastime is in the minds of all fans as the major leaguers prepare to launch another season. A sickness of another kind will occur in September, but this disease is limited to certain cities in our land. Only New York, Boston, Baltimore, Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Cincinnati, Los Angeles, Kansas City, and Arlington, Texas should suffer from this annual illness known as pennant fever. The last epidemic occurred in Detroit in 1972 when the Tigers fell to Oakland in the American League playoffs. Since then, our team has kept their fans germ-free.

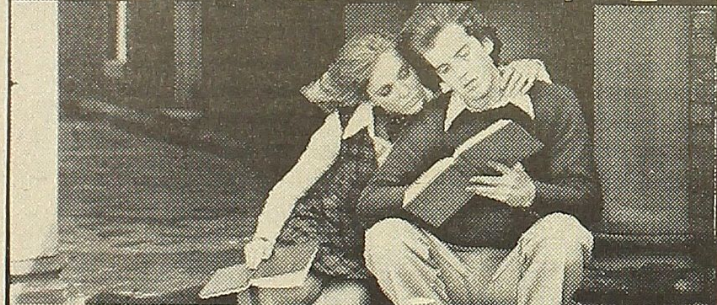
Will this year be different? Maybe. On paper, the Tigers look no better than fourth, but paper has yet to win a pennant. (Except the paper on which dollar bills are printed--just ask George Steinbrenner and the Yankees.) Detroit sports the best spring training record in the majors, and while games won in Florida are dismissed as unimportant, the Tigers will enter Thursday's opener

at Tiger Stadium with justified confidence for a change, instead of cautious optimism. The club is still somewhat short of being a powerhouse, but the foundation has been laid. The Tigers could be one of the highest scoring clubs in baseball this year. Jason Thompson, Steve Kemp and Tim Corcoran provide steady hitting with Thompson having an outside shot at the league's home-run title. Ron Le Flore, still trying to probe his apparently limitless potential, should nonetheless have a banner year. The pitching looks more stable than ever with the addition of such veterans as Slaton.

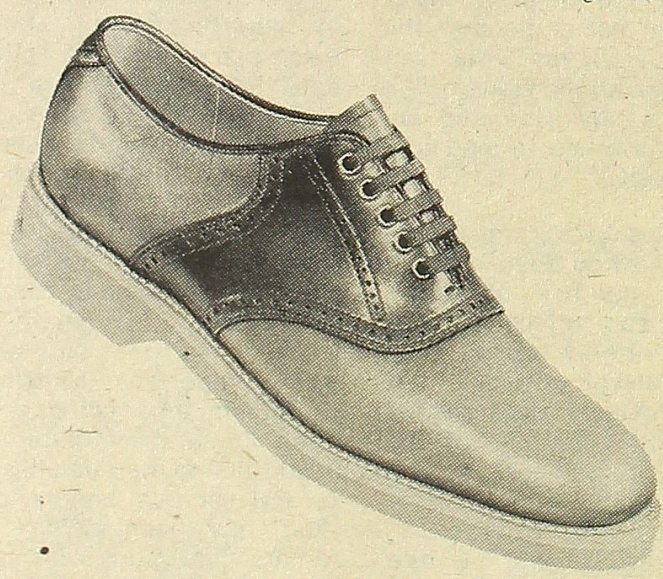
Detroit's major deficiency is the double play combo. Either Steve Dillard or Lou Whitaker will do a fine job at second, but shortstop remains the club's sore spot. If Alan Trammell can hit big league pitching, the job is his, if not the Tigers will go with Mark Wagner or try to coax Ray Oyler out of retirement.

In reality, the Tigers' main headache will be the fact that they're in the same league as the New York Yankees. With Rich Gossage to compliment Sparky Lyle the Yanks now have the best bullpen in baseball to compliment the rest of their club. I read where everything is peaches and cream between Billy Martin and Reggie Jackson, but I don't think the New York writers will let a sleeping dog lie (that is, leave last season's troubles be gone.) Finally, it seems that Mark Fidrych is healthy again. The Bird will throw opening day before about 50,000 fans--if they can get all the snow out of Tiger Stadium in time. If Fidrych stays healthy and normal, Tiger fans will be in for an entertaining season, even if "pennant fever" skips by us again.

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Men sport young squad

Scot thinclads set to stride

By Bryan Segedi
Sports Writer

Spring has rolled around once again to mark the beginning of the Alma Scot track season.

The Scot thinclads are coming off a fine 5-1 league record from last year and a second place finish in the MIAA. Coach Charles Gray called last year's team one of the finest he has ever had. Seven seniors were lost from last year's squad, including Jim Lothrop, who was an All-American and second in the NCAA Division III javelin throw. He also is the school record-holder in the discus and shot put. Don Nelson, who also left the team, placed first in the MIAA championship for the hurdles and intermediate hurdles. Bill Baxter, who won the 220 yard dash, and Ron McKellar, who took second in the long jump and third in the triple jump at the MIAA championship meet, also will be missed. The three other graduated seniors who were instrumental to the team's success were George Harrington, Mark Kelly, and Willie Dawkins.

Losing all of these fine athletes will make it a tough road this year for the thinclads. They will have a relatively young squad headed up by three seniors: Captain Bob Smith, who is defending champion in both the 440 yard dash and the triple jump; Mark Kosciuszko, who is returning to be their top javelin thrower; and Gray Weaver, a sprinter as well as a javelin thrower.

Other upperclassmen rounding out the squad are John Hitchens and Doug Kellerman in the high jump,

Bob Bennett in the shot put, Cavin Mohrhardt and Rob Steele in the pole vault, sprinter Brian Churchill, middle distance runners Ken and Ray Foley and Andy Kovak, and Paul Singer in the distance events.

As always, the freshmen will be a key element to the success of the team. They are headed up by Class C State champion in the 880 yard dash, Jim Gerhardt. Another freshman, Scott Baily, placed seventh in Class A in the pole vault. Additional freshmen on this year's squad are sprinters Mark Leestma, Gerald Ko-

lonowski and Mark Geller, hurdler Mike Kanitz, distance runners Jay Tomaszewski and Kirk Smith, and discus/shot put men Bill Shoemaker and Bill Snyder.

This is a strong bunch of young athletes who hopefully will keep up the top quality track tradition at Alma College. Over the past ten years, Alma has won three MIAA track titles and has compiled a 47-13 league record.

Calvin will be Alma's toughest opposition to the title -- they have had a dynasty in MIAA track, winning the title for the past five years.

Women show improvement

Sprinters look promising

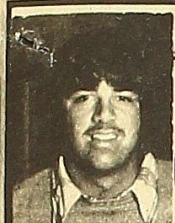
By Sue Finley
Sports Writer

The Alma College Women's track team looks promising this year, especially when compared to last year's squad of runners. Last year's team of only four runners bought their own uniforms, and most supplied their own shoes. This year's team consists of at least 12 women, all of who have received spikes, with promised uniforms on the way.

Another drawback of last year's squad that should be overcome this year is that of competition. Last year eight meets were scheduled with six of the prospective opponents cancelling. Much of the cancellation was due to the size of the Scotty team. With the increased number of thinclads this problem also should be alleviated.

Three of the four members from last year's team are returning; all were top finishers in the conference competition. The three returning are: Mary Jo Einhouse, Cheryl Caddy, and Sue Finley. This core, joined by the strong group of freshmen athletes in addition to several sophomore and junior women, should have a good year and be competitive in the conference.

Craig Wesley, the coach of the squad, feels things are looking up for the coming season. While formal practices have yet to be scheduled, most of the women have been staging early morning workouts under Wesley's watchful eye. The ball will really begin to roll, according to Wesley, when the weather breaks and the girls can get outside.



My Two Sense

Budget dispersal hush - hush

By Bruce Gerish
Sports Editor

In last week's issue I hinted that I would talk this week about the "disbursement of athletic funds." I ran into a brick wall.

It seems that while Athletic Director Charles Gray was more than willing to discuss this topic, Provost Ron Kapp was not eager for him to take such liberties. Kapp feels that budget information along with salaries, should not be viewed by the students. This poses an interesting question to me.

Students and parents are required to fill out Parents' Confidential Statements enabling the school to know how much money the parents make and are able to fork over. However, why are the students not able to know the amount of money the school is willing to part with in terms of supporting his or her individual sport?

The reason is "policy." It has been policy to keep these things confidential and it will continue to be so until a student rights movement can get any sort of amendment to change it. I think that by opening the books of a lot of griping would be resolved. Unless, of course, the college has something to hide.

The first thing that should be known is that the athletic budget comes directly from college funds. Student Activities fees are in no way associated with sports. Therefore, disbursement is entirely up to the college as it; after all, is their money.

This brings back the point of something being covered up by high Alma authorities. I were allowed to print the figures in this publication, two things would occur: (1)

There would be evidence that the college is biased in their allotment of funds; or (2) Every students would know thing is disbursed fairly with each sport's variables. Therefore, no complaints are warranted.

Sure, everyone would love to have more money to enhance the sports program. However, because of expenses, that can't always be done. In viewing dispersal, one must consider the variables of equipment, maintenance, and team size. A swim team, for instance, is not going to have the expenses of a football or basketball team.

With all the belly-aching about money, I often have wondered why admission to activities is not used. My high school gym packed away 2500 every Tuesday and Friday night at 75 cents and \$1 prices. Believe me, it brought the program money. By selling Reese's peanut-butter cups, our high school basketball team raised enough money to buy 22 uniforms at \$40 apiece. Why can't that be done here? Gray stated that charging for admission has been tried. However, MIAA rules state all faculty and students are admitted free. Selling items also has been tried. Gray informed me that more of those types of things will be needed to raise money in the future, but that it is hard to find athletes willing to dedicate their time to selling items.

He added that things will be vastly improved "next year." It was kind of like a coach telling you, "you'll get to play in the next game."

IM soccer moves indoors



By J.M. Pierce
Sports Writer

The balls are ringing the walls in the gym on Sunday nights as the result of a new IM sport -- indoor soccer. Rob Steele and Peter Zours are the masterminds behind this game and have formed an eight team league.

Steele, a Flint sophomore, said there are six players per team with one designated goalie. Mats are laid in front of the net so that the goalie may be free to perform and dive as he would in soccer's outdoor version.

Other rules governing the game include the fact that there is no out of bounds, every wall in the gym may be played from, and the whole gym is used.

Steele also stated that Randy Beaumont, professor of chemistry, referee's all four of the games each Sunday.

What it all amounts to is a brand new form of athletic entertainment for Alma College IM'ers.

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<p>WLK: Thank you for everything. Even the bad times have been worth it since they led to the good. As a friend once said: j "There aren't words..." I love you! The saint</p>	<p>Missing: One half of a room. If found contact Phil Wuorinen. Commandos.</p>	<p>Rella, Happy 22 plus 6. Hope it was fun for you. Short people do got "some-buddies," you know. (Who was that mysterious man, anyway?) Love, the Sabre Sisters.</p>	<p>Contact Lens Wearers. Save on brand name hard and soft lens supplies. Send for free illustrated catalog. Contact Lens Supplies, Box 7453, Phoenix, Arizona 85011.</p>	<p>I would like to sell a Frigidaire refrigerator, 4.3 cubic feet of space, 21" wide, 34" high, for \$100. Also a Sanyo stereo with cassette AM/FM for \$75. Contact Marg Niepoth--256 Nisbet, ext. 426.</p>
<p>Karen Rice--just a reminder that you are still a very special friend of mine. Love--Mar</p>	<p>Barb 215-- It's been a while since you got a personal. I guess now is as good a time as any to break the record. Your secret admirer...</p>	<p>Sue B. I can't get you off my mind. Ever since that night we spent together in Maumee, I've done nothing but think about you. I hope it wasn't just another one night affair. I long to run my paws through your fur and lie next to you on the rug like we did once before. Remember? We could have howled all night. You ignite a burning desire in me for your passionate love. I lust for your body, your sexy thing. The way you wag your tail is better than any canine call-girl I know. You've got better moves than Lassie. When I gaze into your eyes, I hear the call of the wild begging us to go and romp together in the fields 'til eternity. Next time you're in Maumee, stop over for some Milk-bones and beer and we'll rekindle our burning love for each other. I'll be waiting. With Love and Anticipation-- Jason</p>	<p>Contact Lens Wearers. Save on brand name hard and soft lens supplies. Send for free illustrated catalog. Contact Lens Supplies, Box 7453, Phoenix, Arizona 85011.</p>	<p>USED BOOK SALE! Almost every kind imaginable will be for sale cheap at the Book Sale sponsored by the Alma branch, American Association of University Women. Both hard covers and paperbacks, and many textbooks. They are priced generally from 5 cents to 50 cents. A few collector's items and bestsellers priced as high as \$4 and a whole sack of textbooks of your choice for only one quarter. (Bring your own sack.) You can't lose! The proceeds of this sale will be used to provide Graduate Fellowships that are given by the AAUW. The sale will be held April 14, from 9:30 am to 9 pm and April 15, from 9:30am to noon at Newberry department store.</p>
<p>Tas, the last 2 months have been exciting! Thanks for everything. Love ya, Babe.</p>	<p>To one and all: Hope you had a very good Easter last week. --The Easter Beagle's Helper...P.S. For those of you who don't know who the Easter Beagle is--you've been leading a deprived childhood.</p>	<p>Jason Did you ever hear of the Postal Service? An Almanian typist</p>	<p>Thanks for the chocolate Easter bunny, guys. Why didn't you tell me it was an Ex-lax product? The Girl in the Roach House Basement</p>	<p>ATTENTION ALL STUDENTS As the term nears the end, a rash of thefts has plagued the campus. It is advisable that you lock your door at all times. Remember, "man who tempts is as guilty as man who steals." Notice: Football season is approaching!!! That means the Alma College cheerleaders will take to the field once more. You remember --they are the courageous people who stand out in the rain, sleet, and snow, cheering the Scots on to victory! They dodge players' tackles, perform Olympic style skills to cheering crowds of millions, and merely laugh when they twist their ankles, bruise their bodies, and knock their heads. If you are interested in joining this funloving and dedicated group (male or female), come to the information meeting on Sunday, April 2, 9:30 pm in Newbs lobby. Any questions? Contact Tammy in 304 Newbs.</p>
<p>Paul, Dan, John, Al, Walt, and especially Sam, Greek Ball was fantastic! Thanks to all of you. Steve</p>	<p>Attention Comandos: The time has come to let Grant "fumble". An interested party.</p>	<p>Sara Burry: Hope you have a very happy birthday. How about some tea tomorrow morning?</p>	<p>Fargo, What was it that turned yellow in the wash? I'd love to see them sometime. Your Secret Admirer</p>	<p>Big, Blonde, Sig Active, You still look good to me! An observer</p>
<p>Lisa: Looking as your smiling face and big, brown eyes...I want to know you much better! An admirer...</p>	<p>Julie H... Rah, rah, rah...sish boom bah... You're the greatest and the neatest... A Secret Admirer.</p>	<p>Notice: Anyone who is willing to live off-campus next year and wants to sub-let an apartment, call Brian Morgan, 463-6683.</p>	<p>Big, Blonde, Sig Active, You still look good to me! An observer</p>	<p>Commandos, Alma will never be the same without you next year--Thank God! A friend</p>
<p>To my readers: Jane, Bob, Terri, Heidi, and Cathy. You've been great! Thanks for being there when I needed you. Love, Liz</p>	<p>To the girl in the Roach House basement: Bet you my roach can beat yours in a duel; pistols, ten skitters away. A challenger. P.S. A skitter is equal to three pushes and one pull.</p>	<p>To the Independent basketball team: We may not be number 1, but we've got class! It was a fun season.</p>	<p>Sue, Here's a personal! I think we should take over the business. A Partner</p>	<p>Sue, Here's a personal! I think we should take over the business. A Partner</p>
<p>Kay, The Boyne trip was unforgettable. Are you sure Shooting Star doesn't do Close-Up commercials? That's one foursome I'm looking forward to road beering, I mean skiing, with again very soon... Fire-1</p>	<p>Grant, Hope you enjoyed your bachelor party. --Us.</p>	<p>Notice to all handsome charming Alma "men": The "Hellions" of Newberry Hall will be accepting bids for Big Brothers. All interested worthy applicants are urged to contact Careful K., Joyeful J., Luscious L., Cute K., Sexy S., Quick K., or Lovely L. Desired qualifications: Pearly whites, hairy chest (the dry look), bongo lips, twinkling eyes, and bit hands. Apply now!</p>	<p>Goods; You're so cute! Please don't fall head first 10 stories! Love Ya, Big Dill</p>	<p>Sue, Here's a personal! I think we should take over the business. A Partner</p>
<p>Foley-baby: To France or not to France...That is the question. Yours truly, Lip Gloss.</p>	<p>Baby Cookie, Light blue and yellow sound good to me. Unless we go Oreo style--black and white! Remember--"As the Cookie Crumbles": a continuing saga... Momma Cookie.</p>	<p>Jason Did you ever hear of the Postal Service? An Almanian typist</p>	<p>Jan, I still think you should call him Buggers!</p>	<p>Jan, I still think you should call him Buggers!</p>
<p>Gams may have AZT's...Sigs have Thetas...But you ain't seen nothing til you seen the new little Betas!!!!</p>	<p>Dance, Three more weeks until Spring Term...We better get movin'! Doc</p>	<p>Sara Burry: Hope you have a very happy birthday. How about some tea tomorrow morning?</p>	<p>Dane; Please leave my switch alone--you crazy guy! A Crazy Girl</p>	<p>Dane; Please leave my switch alone--you crazy guy! A Crazy Girl</p>
<p>Teeps: Since when did you start reading the newspaper?</p>	<p>Kiddo, Keep singing like that and you can use our candle anytime. The Kid...</p>	<p>Notice: Anyone who is willing to live off-campus next year and wants to sub-let an apartment, call Brian Morgan, 463-6683.</p>	<p>Judy Foor: You are heat!</p>	<p>Judy Foor: You are heat!</p>
<p>Seg: You can sleepwalk over to my room any night. H.</p>	<p>Mel, What is ging to happen when you leave us? No one to attack! What a bummer... Umbrella and Baton.</p>	<p>To the Independent basketball team: We may not be number 1, but we've got class! It was a fun season.</p>	<p>To the Best Moms a girl can have! You've made this year very special! Thank you for taking me. You both "light up my life!" Vyy</p>	<p>To the Best Moms a girl can have! You've made this year very special! Thank you for taking me. You both "light up my life!" Vyy</p>
<p>Attention Mitchell hall: Beware of the sleepwalker. He will strike at any time. Son of Shaw</p>	<p>Douglas, A whole bagel is no fun! I'd rather be hungry and with you than lonely and full! Split one with me? Love, Keel</p>	<p>Notice to all handsome charming Alma "men": The "Hellions" of Newberry Hall will be accepting bids for Big Brothers. All interested worthy applicants are urged to contact Careful K., Joyeful J., Luscious L., Cute K., Sexy S., Quick K., or Lovely L. Desired qualifications: Pearly whites, hairy chest (the dry look), bongo lips, twinkling eyes, and bit hands. Apply now!</p>	<p>Almanian Staff-- Personal--please print. --Paul Grabiell 309 Bruske</p>	<p>Almanian Staff-- Personal--please print. --Paul Grabiell 309 Bruske</p>
<p>Rockford, MI: I'm a weenee, you're a weenee, we are weenees all...and when we get together, we give our weenee call...Neener, Neener, Neener! A.C. Weener Ass'n</p>	<p>Dan Behring: You have helped us out so much in the past two and one half years. You are the type of person that gives this college the reputation of quality and class that it maintains. Wi will miss you after graduation but never forget you. Thank you for being a friend... A student</p>	<p>Norm; Need your rug vacuumed? I'll do it for a price! An ex-slave</p>	<p>Gelston Hall Switchboard-- Forget it! She's all ours!!! Bruske, et al</p>	<p>Gelston Hall Switchboard-- Forget it! She's all ours!!! Bruske, et al</p>
<p>News Bulletin: In Ann Arbor on May 1 the marriage of Mary Juana and Co Caine took place. They spent their honeymoon in Turkey and later resided in Columbia, the former Miss Juana's native home. Mr. and Mrs. Co Caine have now mysteriously disappeared. They frequently were seen at Mr. Caine's business associate's on Pennsylvania Avenue in Washington, D.C. Mr. Caine was a hero in the Mexican War and is known for rescuing his present step children. Poppy Susan and Louis Steven Douglas. In hope of their return, a prayer service will be held on May 1 by Robin Bong, a distnat relative. Ms. Bong was heard saying, "I am very, very sorry..."</p>	<p>All-American diver seeks female companionship. Interested, beautiful coeds please call Mitchell, and ask for Scott...TODAY!</p>	<p>Schmotz; Thanks to you I've seen a part of Mitchell I'd never wanted to see. your ex-slave</p>	<p>Dear Dean of Equal Opportunity for Males alias Tom Healy: Have you gone out of my life already? My world is crashing in--I live only for those wonderful moments when I see your handsome face and super bod! You're not the write 'em and leave 'em type--are you? Guess!?</p>	<p>Dear Dean of Equal Opportunity for Males alias Tom Healy: Have you gone out of my life already? My world is crashing in--I live only for those wonderful moments when I see your handsome face and super bod! You're not the write 'em and leave 'em type--are you? Guess!?</p>
<p>Sweet, I talked with you folks the other day, but it's not the same as hearing from you! I miss you! H.R.</p>	<p>Rich, I'm beginning to see a lot of you. Why don't we just switch rooms? Respectively, Liz.</p>	<p>Maureen and Kym, Thanks for being there when I need you. Your third roommate</p>	<p>Kris Otto: Smile 'cause you're a super, fantastic, great, and wonderful friend ME??!</p>	<p>Kris Otto: Smile 'cause you're a super, fantastic, great, and wonderful friend ME??!</p>