

# Twenty Honored In Who's Who

Student Council has announced the names of 20 Alma students who have been selected for listing in **Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges** for the current year.

Seniors placed 16 members on the list, including Bill Brown, Tom Auer, Kathy Karry, Karen Smith, Deloisteen Person, Bob Oeyen, David Rolfe and

Ramsey Sa'di. Also listed among the seniors are Edward Thompson, Dick Benet, Don Rickwalt, Terry McKinnon, Gary Fitch, Bob Miner, Susan Craft and Akio Matsudaira.

Juniors included in the listing are Edward Garrison, Keith Bird, James Butterick and Hugh Breneman. In all, 36 students were selected as nominees for these awards by the Academic Affairs Committee of the Student Council.

The nominees were voted upon by the faculty and Student Council, with final selection made by the editors of **Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges**.

Selections for these awards are based upon scholarship, citizenship and demonstrated campus leadership.

Students selected to this list will receive certificates of award at the Honors Convocation this spring.

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### Scots Defeated By Adrian 99-73; Eastern 91-75

#### Adrian

Last Saturday night at Phillips Gymnasium the cagers of Alma College lost their first league contest of the season to the Bulldogs of Adrian College by the score of 99-73.

Sophomore guard Rick Warmbold led the Scot scorers with 18 points. He was followed by Jerry Knowlton with 11 points.

Adrian was led by their all-league forward Mark Garrett who had 21 points. Adrian hit a cool 51% of their shots compared to Alma's 42%. The numerous errors and lack of rebounding strength was again apparent as Adrian had 19 more shots than Alma.

#### Eastern

Wednesday, Dec. 1, the Alma cagers went down to defeat to Eastern Michigan University by the score of 91-75 in a game played at Ypsilanti.

Sophomore guard Jerry Knowlton led the Scots with 25 points followed by Dave Gray, 20 points, and Lionel Smith, a freshman, with 15 points.

Alma hit 41% of their shots from the floor as compared to 39% by their opponents.

The lack of height was clearly noticeable as Eastern had 21 more shots than Alma. Many ball-handling errors also did not help the situation very much, even though it was inevitable because it was Alma's first game of the season and many freshmen saw action.

### Season's Greetings

## A Cappella Choir Presents Concert Assisted by Orchesis and Ensemble

by Barb Fraser

Sunday's Christmas Concert by the A Cappella Choir opened with the traditional candlelight procession, featuring fine solos by Linda Robison and Richard Groben in "Today Is Born Immanuel." The remainder of the choir, heard off-stage, gave the delightful impression of a heavenly choir.

The Ladies' Chorus presented "The Angels and the Shepherds," which was marred by poor diction and intonation, but was well received by the audience.

La Montaine's "Songs of the Nativity" closed the first part of the performance. Solos by Nancy Burton, Shirley Ford, Richard Groben, David Magill and Linda Robison and interpretive dances by Susan Maguire, Susan Rothfus, Martha Rauph and Miss Maxine Hayden of Orchesis added greatly to this well-executed number.

The Alma Singers gave an interesting selection of carols. "To Us a Child Is Born," accompanied by Bonnie Wessendorf on ceilo and Miss Miriam Bellville on harpsichord had a unique, stately sound. "What Child Is This," also accompanied by Miss Belleville, was even more enjoyable. "A La Nanita Nana," a Spanish carol was accompanied by Marilyn Ives on guitar.

The traditional "Carol of the Bells," "Carol of the Drum," and the "Negro Bell Carol" provided a nice change of pace. "Negro Bell Carol" was especially good, ranging from rousing joy to an almost lullaby feeling. Again the solos by Shirley Goodman and Elizabeth Smith were very well done.

Perhaps the high point of the performance was "Nenia Pastorale" by Somma. The lullaby was sung beautifully — a very tender, moving piece.

The "Christmas Cantata"

done by the A Cappella Choir and an eight-piece brass choir was a difficult number for both instrumentalists and vocalists. Unfortunately, the brass detracted from the choral work, which was exciting and powerful.

As a whole the concert was characterized by excellent solos and a musically fine performance.



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Charlie Brown is captured in a pensive mood in this scene from "A Charlie Brown Christmas", which is an animated

cartoon program to be presented this evening on CBS television.

## Dr. Kaiser Takes Sabbatical To South America and Spain

by Carol Watkins

Problem: one human being desires to explore one continent. Time allowed: tropical jungles, market places, provincial villages and gleaming cities fringed with palm trees are to be stuffed inside one winter-spring sabbatical like candy in a bulging Christmas stocking.

Last March Dr. Gunda Kaiser of the Spanish department began drawing up a master plan, a blueprint for covering a continent; in her own words: "I want

to find out the heart and soul of South America."

"My attack is two-pronged," grinned Dr. Kaiser. "First I want to find out the culture of the country through personal contact with the people."

Next, I'll be visiting the universities in the capitals of the different countries in order to study their methodology in teaching Spanish. I guess you could say the trip is partly for my own personal enjoyment and partly to broaden myself and

share my experiences with the students."

Dr. Kaiser's self-plotted tour is simple and clever. She will fly to the capital of a South American country and remain there for a period of two weeks, using this as her base for side trips into the smaller villages and countryside. In the city itself she will try to speak with both the political and cultural leaders of the country, and visit the universities, as mentioned before. After two weeks she will fly to the next capital, and follow the same pattern.

And how, explicitly, does she plan to discover the "heart and soul" of the country?

"By getting to know the people themselves," she replied. "For example, instead of staying in a hotel I'm hoping to room in a 'pension,' (pohn-see-on) a private boarding house which usually collects a melting-pot of different kinds of people."

Her program includes a trip to the ruins of the Ancient Inca civilization, high in the Andes Mountains, and visits to Alma graduates Jim Ross and Ann Dale, members of the Peace Corps working in Colombia and Bolivia respectively.

The summer at the tail end of her sabbatical she will spend in Santander, a coastal city in Spain, where she will study at a famous university.

But to her, the highlight of her sabbatical will be her adventure to discover South America.

"Let's see, the countries I'll be visiting are..." Dr. Kaiser leaned back in her chair in her tiny office, quite unconsciously giving the countries their Spanish pronunciation to make them

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### Scotsman Reaches One-Third Mark

by Jan Anderson

One-third of the Scotsman yearbook is completed, reports editor Randy Hopkins. He had his two assistants, Connie Savage and Elizabeth Courtenay, have been busy compiling photographs and fashioning them into a creative layout since Commencement exercises last spring.

The most unique aspect of the 1966 SCOTSMAN is the absence of a theme. Hopkins explains, "We are trying to break away from the inconsequential sentimentality usually associated with yearbooks." Because events, organizations and classifications share a common qualification, that of campus vitality, they possess an inherent unity. The obviousness of this unity makes an artificial lace (theme) to bind them together superfluous. This type of approach leaves the creative experience to the reader as well as the editors.

Many of the organizations will be portrayed in their natural environment rather than the stand-up group pictures. Although some group pictures are necessary, the elimination of many was done to create an interest that cannot be achieved through the use of a single standard.

Full page pictures and many large pictures will eliminate blank white spaces that detract from layout. In this manner detail is given a greater degree of attention. Written copy will be kept to a minimum. Since the identity of most groups is obvious, no headlines are necessary.

Five color pictures, mostly homesomings, will comprise the color section. Three of these cover a full page.

### Reim Grant Aids Ad Hoc

Reim Foundation has recently awarded the College a grant to underwrite the cost of the activities of the Ad Hoc Committee on Student Life.

This grant is actually the second grant of this sort the Foundation has given to Alma. The Committee on Calendar and Curriculum has received similar assistance in the past.

The present grant complements the first by rendering financial assistance to a thorough-going study of all aspects of the College which are connected with growth and development.

### Petitions Available To Freshman Seekers On Ad Hoc Positions

Freshmen Ad-hoc Representative letters of application will be available January 3 to 7 at the Student Council office and Tyler booth. Letters are due January 7 at 6 p.m. at the Student Council office. They will be posted on the Student Council bulletin board from that time through the elections, which will be held January 10. Freshmen may cast ballots at the Student Council office from 11 to 1:30 and from 5 to 7 on that date.

# the perfect Christmas

As we observe the blue light on the Chapel steeple at night, the candles in dormitory windows, the many decorated trees in buildings around the campus, the glittering displays in store windows downtown, the crowds of shoppers, the sidewalk Santas and the Salvation Army kettles, and as we hear the familiar carols and anticipate a vacation with family and friends, we are aware that Christmas is not too far distant.

We recall the rich traditions and wonderful experiences which surround this joyous day. As we pause to remember the birth of the Child of Bethlehem we are thankful for the blessings of our abundance and affluence our way of life with its freedoms and responsibilities and

our opportunities to share a measure of happiness with others. But we are also aware of a war in Southeast Asia, of the misery and poverty and hunger of millions of the world's peoples, of the conflicts between international powers which threaten the security of peace and of the tensions between racial groups, interest groups and factions. We are reminded that these people are our brothers and that the glad tidings of the Christmas story are meant for them also. So we must go beyond the tree with its colored lights, beyond the carol and mistletoe. We must seek to make to truth of the message of God's gift of love understood in the hearts and minds of all men everywhere. Herein lies the perfect Christmas.

## AST's Cop Title In Volleyball

A tense game of volleyball ended last Thursday night with the AST's as the new women's Intramural champs. The game destroyed the three-way tie for first place between the AST's, Vreeland House, and last year's victors, the All Stars. In "B" league, the Violets from Newberry defeated the rest of the flowers.

On January 15 a very important event on the women's intramural calendar will take place. The two best players chosen from each of the volleyball teams will attend a "play" day at Western. The girls will be competing with all the other schools of the MIAA league.

A bowling team will also be created for this occasion, under the leadership of freshman, Marlene Frazee. Miss Frazee is here at Alma on a bowling scholarship.

Karen Smith, director of the intramurals for women, has made plans for the basketball season to start the second week in January. The women will use the first week of this month for practice before the competition.

## Delt Sigs Win V-Ball Finals

The final volleyball standings are as follows:

A league

Lionel Smith, freshman forward from Indianapolis, drives for a hook-shot in the Scots' first home game with Adrian last Saturday. Alma lost to the Bulldogs 99-73.

# Coed Describes German Holiday

Editorial note: Miss JoAnn Eichelman is presently studying at the University of Heidelberg in Germany under the

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Dear Almanians,  
Today is the first day of Advent. One can't help but know it. There are wreaths, lights and decorations everywhere in the city. I too, have bought my own wreath to celebrate this lovely holiday season. The atmosphere is so festive.

" " [jones have been in the mill for two or three weeks] as stores start stocking up on gifts and the city, bit by bit, puts up the decorations along the main thoroughfares. The approach of the holiday season has been slow, not frantic as is oftentimes true in the States. Each phase is savored to the fullest. There is little talk of "Santa Claus" or his equivalent here, St. Nicholas. The whole concern is with the religious significance and traditions of Christmas. It seems to be considered here more as a time for inner reflection than outward merriment and devil-may-care gleefulness.

In fact, most of life over here, as I can see it, is based on such individual growth philosophy. No one else is responsible for you or what you do. You can make of yourself what you will, in the truest sense of the phrase. University life, of course, follows this line of thinking too. There are no "required" courses, no degree requirements or major requirements, no limits on the number of classes you can attend in one semester, no set number of semesters that you must attend at the university. Well, I could go on forever. But in a word or two the life of a student over here is virtually unhampered. He can make of his education what he will. Since education is such a prized thing, most students make the very most of theirs.

teaching this semester and thus the catalogue (Vorlesungsverzeichnis), which can be bought at the bookstores throughout the city, is not the last word.

Courses are divided into three general groups—Vorlesungen or lectures, Übungen or homework and class exercise type courses and seminars. The seminars are the most advanced, but can be attended by any student who has

are rare. The idea is that the professor is just showing you, the student, the way through the things from there. By the same token—there are no tests until you are ready to try for what the over degree you may be working for. This is a heavy burden, to say the least, Therefore, universities tend to the very best, most intelligent and mature young people. As a foreigner, I noticed immediately when the semester began. I felt so very young to those around me. I felt as though I must be very careful to pre-

serve, Another thing, one can't help but notice immediately if you are in a German university. Heidelberg is the only one of foreign origin in the Middle East and Arabic countries. Africa is second, I think, and then comes America with the third largest number of courses in the Domestischer Institut or what might correspond to the language department in an American college. Nearly all foreign students coming to the University for the first time have to spend at least one semester here in order to learn or improve their German comprehension. Therefore, my classes are com-