



ACCD head named



Dr. Behring

The appointment of Dr. Daniel W. Behring as director of advising counseling and career development and as an associate professor of psychology at Alma has been announced by Dr. Robert D. Swanson.

Dr. Behring, who is presently dean for student development and an assistant professor of psychology at Monmouth(III) College, assumed his new duties at Alma last week.

Prior to joining the Monmouth College staff in 1971, Dr. Behring had been a counseling psychologist and member of the psychology Department faculty at Southern Illinois University for three years.

During 1967 and 1968 as a captain in the Army Medical Service Corps, he was a staff General Hospital where he instituted an educational-vocational and personal adjustment counseling services program.

Dr. Behring holds an A. B. degree cum laude from Ripon (Wis.) College and M.A. and Ph. D. degrees from Ohio University. While a graduate student at Ohio University he was a resident director in a men's residence hall, a teaching fellow in introductory psychology, and an instructor in counseling tech-

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Chicago is number one

by Tim Wright

The results of the ALMANIAN Alma College music poll are finally in, and the results really show no major surprises. The poll dealt with three areas: Artists, Albums, and Songs. Individuals were asked to list seven favorite artists, five favorite albums, and five favorite songs.

Twenty-seven per cent of the campus participated in this ALMANIAN poll.

The top five groups were:

- 1.) Chicago, 2.) Beatles,
- 3.) America, 3.) Beach Boys,
- 5.) Eagles.

The top five male vocalists:

- 1.) Elton John, 2.) John Denver,
- 3.) Cat Stevens, 4.) James Taylor,
- 5.) Neil Diamond.

The top five female vocalists:

- 1.) Linda Ronstadt and Carole King;
- 2.) Joni Mitchell and Olivia Newton-John;
- 3.) Barbara Streisand.

Alma's choices as the top ten artists are: 1.) Chicago,

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Marcia Simmons and Bill Cook pose with one of the newspaper receptacles. This collection box stands in front of Gelston. Pic by Kathy Wright.

Ecologists start recycling program on Alma campus

by Bob Schultz

Two Alma residents are responsible for the two yellow boxes for collecting old newspapers which appeared on campus just before the Thanksgiving break. "We hope that the college can lead the community of Alma in our effort to recycle newspaper," stated the two self made ecologists, who placed the boxes on campus.

Marcia Simmons and Bill Cook decided to embark on this recycling endeavor during a discussion of how people are always throwing things away. Since neither one was employed, they decided to try raising income by recycling papers.

Before starting on this project, they checked on the availability of outlets and current paper prices. The amount of profit, though, will be determined by the support they receive. "We would like to see 100% participation," said Bill.

Presently Simmons and Cook make weekly rounds to stores in the Alma-St. Louis area. The Alma College drop boxes are on their list for weekly pick-ups. They also collect from boxes at area libraries on a monthly basis. The boxes are borrowed from Huntoon Motor Sales. Based on the assumption that students at Alma are ecologically minded Bill explains, "If this can go over successfully with the college, then I'm sure it will go over with the community too."

RAs seem to be enjoying jobs despite hardship



Beth Eaton

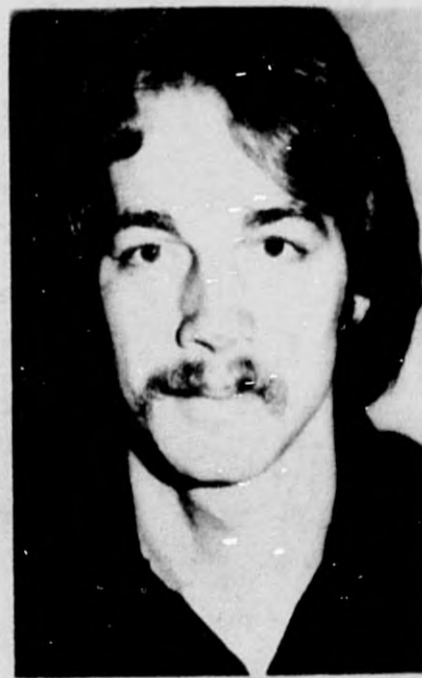
by Deb Henderson

Editor's Note: This year, there have been widespread rumors of RA discontent. There was talk of massive resignation among many RAs in the dorms of Mitchell, Newberry, and Bruske due to the unbearable dorm situation. Almanian reporter Deborah Henderson investigated the dissatisfaction, but it was not there. Instead, she found satisfaction mixed with minor disappointment - no different than in past years.

General satisfaction seemed to be the mood of the RAs on campus. Few RAs seemed to be discontent with

"One particular reason I enjoy being an RA is because it gives me first initial contact to personally meet people."

B. Eaton



Keith Whittum

the policies of Student Services this year.

Keith Whittum, a junior, has been a resident-assistant(RA) for one and a half years. He is presently RA of Bruske dorm. Keith admitted that he enjoys being an RA because he likes the idea of helping others. Keith states, "By helping others, I help myself. It also gives me a great opportunity to meet so many different types of people. I want people to relate to

me as an informed friend, but not just as an RA. Unfortunately, it doesn't always work that way, be-

cause sometimes when I have to enforce policies and administer discipline, students look upon me as an enemy. Residents should try to understand that this is my job. I hate being a policeman when some of the residents try to break the rules. But I feel that things could improve if all residents would try to understand the position. It would help to increase the communication between the residences and their RA's."

Sue Shively, a senior, stated that she enjoys being an RA, and it's actually more than she expected. "I've

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K. Whittum

gained so much by being an RA, because it is so fulfilling for me to meet and work with other people in a dorm. I love to help people with any kind of personal problems they may have, and being in this position gives me a great opportunity to do so. Fortunately, I have had no hardships being an RA, but I do feel that the dorm situation could improve if there was more dorm interaction. When one dorm has a party, others aren't invited. Dorms should party together sometimes."

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CSA hall closed

by Joyce Mahan

The CSA Hall announced last week that in the future only closed parties will be allowed there.

Despite rumors that this action stemmed from excessive destruction at the last all campus party held at the hall, a representative of the hall said that campus parties, "are just too big, there are too many problems."

When asked to specify problems,

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Christmas seal's progress reported

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The University of Pennsylvania has been fined \$2,000 by the Federal Communications Commission for broadcasting obscene and indecent matter over its educational radio station, WXPB in Philadelphia.

In a 7-0 decision, the FCC said the station violated both criminal law and the Communication Act on January 20 and 27 during a call-in and chatter program called 'The Vegetable Report.'

An FCC statement said the use of certain words on the programs "appeared to be indecent in that they depicted sexual and excretory activities and organs in a manner patently offensive by contemporary community standards for the broadcast medium and were carried at a time when children might reasonably be expected to be in the audience—the early evening hours. *

Political party reform proposed

Michigan Republicans adopted a plan intended to guarantee that candidates in the state's 1976 presidential (GOP) election primary will get the number (A national convention delegates proportional to the candidates' statewide popular vote in the primary.

The action was taken by the Republican State Central Committee in anticipation of passage of pending legislation to amend the state's 1972 primary elections law.

Michigan Democrats are pushing the pending legislation. "It would strike the existing law with a provision that candidates get a percentage of their state party's national convention delegation roughly equal to the percentage won by the candidate in the statewide-primary* vote.

US action to turn up Nazis

Rep. Joshua Eilberg, D-Pa., who heads the House Immigration Citizenship and International Law subcommittee, said he requested the action to help turn up evidence that could lead to the deportation and prosecution of 55 persons accused of committing war crimes during World War II.

Persons accused of war crimes cannot be tried in the United States, but they can be deported for trial in Germany or any other country where the crimes were committed.

Efforts to proceed against suspected Nazi war criminals have been stalled because authorities here have been unable to locate witnesses against them in this country.

VA hospitals criticized

Veterans Administration hospitals no longer serve the best interests of veterans and should be replaced by government health insurance for former servicemen, a California economist has concluded.

Veterans could then get better care close to home from hospitals and doctors of their choice, said Cotton M. Lindsay in a study released last week. The VA hospitals, he suggested could be transferred to community or private control and opened to the general public.

"If the federal government were to initiate a program to provide medical care to veterans today, there can be no doubt that it would offer hospitalization insurance rather than attempt to provide hospital care itself," Lindsay said.

Contributions to the traditional Christmas Seal campaign in Gratiot County have reached \$2,374 through November 7th, reported Mr. Ford Ceasar, Lansing, president of the Central Region, Michigan Lung Association. The county goal is \$8,900.

"With the incidence of 1,125 new active tuberculosis cases in Michigan last year and 19,740 deaths in the U.S. due to the killer emphysema, it is even more important that we have funds to pursue additional programs for healthy lungs in youths and adults, he said. "We have intensified our efforts on behalf of the rights of the nonsmoker while working to prevent the spread of lung diseases as both primary and contributory causes of death."

The double-barred cross Christmas Seals, a tradition in Gratiot County since 1908, have been designed by child artists from each U.S. state for the first time this year. Carrying the theme, "Christmas Seal Greetings from the Children of America," they depict holiday interpretations of school children in grades K-6.

"We thank those people of Gratiot County who have contributed to the 1975 campaign and ask all citizens to mail in their Christmas Seal letter," Mr. Ceasar said. "Christmas Seal dollars enable us to continue our work of protecting the lungs of children and adults alike."

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Choir to be in concert Wednesday



Dr. Emanuel

The Alma College A Cappella Choir will present its annual Christmas concert, with the traditional candlelight procession, on Wednesday evening, November 10th at 8:30 P.M. in the Dunning Memorial Chapel. For the procession, the choir will sing a little known setting of the familiar text "Mark the Heretic Sinner," written by the early known American composer Oliver Holden some fifty years prior to the well known setting by Mendelssohn. The first half of the choir's program will be devoted to music by American composers such as Daniel Bredt, and William "Theater" Cook, the late 19th century, and Rascal Thompson, Vincent Persichetti, and Arnold Freed, 20th century composers. The program will close with selections from the Christmas

version of Handel's "Messiah", and will include the choruses: "And the Glory of the Lord," "It Came That Tidings," "For unto us a Child is born," "Glory to God," "This Yoke is Easy," and the "Hallelujah Chorus." Miss Margaret Bellville, the College organist, will accompany the choir on the 35 rank Wurlitzer organ for the Morning Services and solos. Also featured in the concert will be the Alma Singers, a women's group, from the choir, who will perform a group of popular Christmas numbers, and a girl's trio, Donna Grunewald, Betty Kinding, and Judy Hopkins, who have been heard many times in college and community programs. There is no admission charge for the program.



Kathy Walker



Joan Norman



Mike Ball



Leslie Parsons

Cast announced for Winter play

Dr. Griffin has announced the cast for the play "TWO L BALT-MORE". The play is to be presented on Feb 12, 19, 20, and 21. It is a realistic comedy dramatized a now-seedy, once-elegant hotel which is facing liquidation. Members of the cast are: Steve Vogelsong as the hotel's manager, Mr. Katz; Leslie Parsons as Mrs. Oensham, the day clerk; Steve Wylie as Bill Lewis, the night clerk; Clinch Howard will play Paul Granger III, a man in search of his grandfather; Kathy Walker

has been cast as Mrs. Bellmont; Kathy Kops will play Mr. Moore; the three prostitutes The Girl, April Green, and Sissy will be played by Gloria Cox, Sue Fremder, and Cheryl Estes; Paul Sartre will portray Jackie, a dealer; Wade Kutz will appear as Jamie, Jackie's brother; Mike Ball will appear as a cab driver; Tony Newman as a delivery boy; and Bill Howard as Gary's "Tom". The assistant director for the production will be Gary Howard.

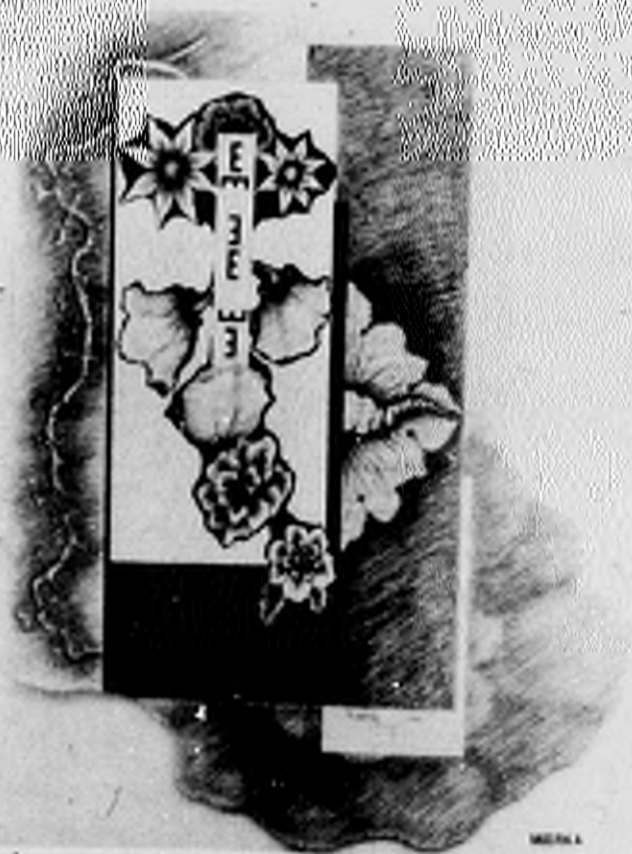
Student services announce end of term plans

A reminder to all students will not be returning to Alma will be to check out with the Head Resident (room 101) for keys and I.D. card, return books from Residence, withdraw from College, Security Deposit, funds, and to return the above items. Room Check-out should be completed by Head Resident by January 4, 1976. Actual move of property should precede departure for vacation. The Student Affairs Office has released the following information dealing with the ending of Fall Term. Living units will be closed and secured throughout the vacation period beginning at noon on Saturday, December 20, 1975.

Students are urged to take their books accordingly. Maintenance inspection—as is customary, a general maintenance check will be made in each of the residence halls by the Director of Physical Plant and the Head Resident. Please note any repairs on the Room Check-out List you will receive from your R.A. and tape it to your door. Please unplug all appliances and clean all refrigerators. Store bicycles in your room. Handstand storage is available for check-out (no spike switch.) Bikes found in unauthorized areas will be repossessed. The final meal served in Van Jones in the fall term will be on Wednesday, December 17. The final meal of the term to be served in Hamilton will be on Friday, December 23. The first meal of the winter term will be breakfast on Monday, January 5, 1976. From 9:00 to 10:00 p.m. on December 15, 16, and 17, Sage Foods will again offer "exam treats" to students. Automobiles left on campus during the vacation period, must be parked in lot on Grant-Superior Street, in case of snow, hall lots must be available to be cleaned. Automobiles parked in other lots may be towed.

Four men join cheerleaders; more needed

Shirey, who has wanted to join the cheerleading squad since her freshman year, has been one of the four men who have joined the squad. Shirey, a member of her fellow cheerleaders, to get males to become a part of the cheerleading squad. Shirey expressed her disappointment by stating that responses have been few so far. "So many guys don't want to be bothered because they have the misconception that being a cheerleader is feminine, but it's not at all. We want guys to join to help change the image of the art of cheerleading. So far we have four great guys supporting us. They won't necessarily be cheerleaders, but more like assistants that we need to make our cheers and stunts more exciting. They will mainly assist us in acrobatic stunts that girls couldn't do alone. The men on the squad for the winter so far are Mike Phillips, Todd Friesner, Cornell Anaya, and Dave Adreus. Shirey also stated that last year's cheerleading by the TEKE's (all-male cheerleaders) would be a tough act to follow, so more male participation is needed to help complete the squad and the development of new and better cheers and chants.



This is one of Gregg Mierka's works which is on display during the month of December.

Former Michigan artist has works on display

Gregg A. Mierka, former Michigan artist who is now a teacher in Elmira, New York, is the featured artist for December in the Flora Kirsch Beck Gallery of Clark Art Center at Alma College. Works by Mierka that are on exhibition in the gallery through December 31 include drawings in varied media and paintings in tempera. The gallery is open from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Mierka says that his works are influenced by the hectic, impersonal

life of his home city, Detroit. He graduated from Lincoln Park High School in 1963 and then studied at Central Michigan University where he received a bachelor of arts degree in 1972. His drawings and paintings have been exhibited throughout the United States, and he has received awards in competition at the Grand Rapids Art Museum, Southwestern Fine Arts Association, Central Michigan University, Mt. Pleasant Area Show and Studio 23.



Bruce Laven leads the College Jazz Band through some charts before the Grand Rapids concert. Pic by Kevin Mallin.

Pops concert will be Saturday

On Saturday evening, December 13th, the Alma Symphony Orchestra will present an evening of Pops music and dancing at 8:00 p.m. in Van Dusen Commons on the Alma College campus. The evening will include popular tunes such as Bagler's Holiday, Trumpeter's Lullaby, highlights from "Porgy and Bess", Brigadoon, Camelot

Johann Strauss waltzes, polkas, tangos, and "The Entertainer." Also featured will be the Alma College Jazz Band. Refreshments will be served; beer and soft drinks are also available. Admission is \$2.00 for adults, 50¢ for youth, Alma College students admitted with ID.

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The last day to drop classes

December 12 will be the last day to drop a fall term class.

GRE samples available

The ACCD office has sample copies of the aptitude section of the GRE. These samples are available to any student who plans to take a GRE and is interested in getting an idea of what to expect on the GRE.

Library to remain open

On a recommendation from the Library Input Board, the library will remain open until 12:00 midnight from Sunday, December 7 through Thursday December 18.

Registration is next year

Registration for winter term classes will take place on January 5, 1975 between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

ALMANIAN deadline Wednesday

The ALMANIAN will be published for last time during 1975 this coming Friday. The deadline for articles and advertising is five o'clock in the afternoon tomorrow, Wednesday December 10.

Tree decorating party is Friday night

There will be a Christmas tree decorating party this Friday in Tyler center starting at 9:00 pm. The tree will be used at Saturday's Christmas party.

Union Board to have olde fashion party

Tyler Student Union Saturday December 13 at 7:30 pm. Santa will be there with punch, home made Christmas cookies, caroling and other Christmas festivities. Special added attraction will be square dancing. This party is open to Alma students as well as the families of all Alma employees.

The Yarn Shop 10% off on any yarn item with this ad
Christmas kits are in! Get some great ideas on things you can make for Christmas.

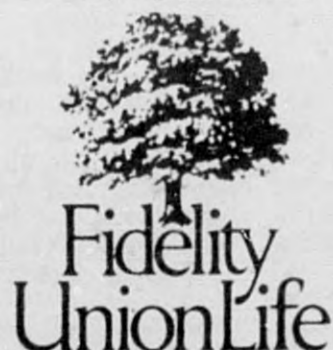
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Included in this price is your round-trip plane fare, on North-west Orient, from Detroit Metro to Freeport, meals and beverages served in flight, your accommodations in the Castaways--based on four occupants per room--and a tour by an experienced tour guide. Meals are not included in the above price.

There is a limit, however, of 30-40 vacancies on the plane, so the earlier you get your reservation in, the better your chances are. A deposit of \$25.00 can be made to the Union Board Office from now until December 19th. Office hours are Monday-Friday, 1:00-5:00 p.m. Finals week office hours are 1:00-3:00 p.m. Checks can be made payable to Alma College.

Don't miss this chance to bask in the glorious sun and enjoy a relaxing week in the Bahamas. For \$229.00 you can't beat it!

For more information about this trip, handled by Campus International Corporation, contact the Union Board Office.

Two Kiss tunes

make a strong

showing

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ten of Alma College. These songs were never released as singles, but both "Strutter" and "Rock 'n Roll All Night" placed high on the chart.

Most of the top songs and top albums were done by the top groups, and vice versa; most of the top groups had a top song or album. Especially strong finishes in all three categories were Elton John, Chicago, and America. Stairway to Heaven was a runaway pick for the number one position, although its album, Led Zeppelin IV, did not finish strongly.

Agria's office has lost and found

Dean Agria's office has reported that the following items have been turned in: a lined, red windbreaker; a plaid belt; a scarf; a small teddy bear; a Texas Instruments hand calculator; and a little girl's brown purse. These items may be picked up in Dr. Agria's office on the first floor of the Academic Center.

BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS by the Wilcox Medical Staff will be held in the PE building on Thursday December 11, 9:00am to noon, Asso on Thursday Dec. 18 in Reid-Knox, and in the PE building during registration.

Supplies for your pets, crafts, and hobbies
Hulings Hobby House
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Who selects library books?

Apparently, the ways in which books are chosen for the Monteith collection mystify many library users. Who selects the books? Why isn't THIS title here? Can I order a book?

The on-going task of getting the best and most up-to-date books into the library even before users realize they need them is one of the most challenging problems faced by librarians. Procedurally, the responsibility for making selections is divided between teaching and library faculty, with teaching faculty doing about 55% of the selecting.

The library faculty selects reference books, inter-disciplinary materials, and, in general, books with a broad sort of appeal. Such books will be reviewed in more popular review media such as the NEW YORK TIMES BOOK REVIEW, the LONDON TIMES LITERARY SUPPLEMENT, PUBLISHERS WEEKLY, and LIBRARY JOURNAL.

The Library Director allocates specific dollar amounts to each department, asking that each department recommend the best possible titles for courses taught in its own subject areas. The library also distributes to departments reprints of the brief reviews published in CHOICE magazine, a monthly journal that tries to review all books suitable for undergraduate liberal arts college libraries. Teaching faculty also use publishers' blurbs and professional journals to locate desirable titles.

Strangely enough, the library's major users - students - have no formal say on what goes into the library's collection. Obviously, students do not have the subject expertise their instructors have nor do they have the familiarity with review media that librarians have. In that sense, students are not well qualified to make recommendations regarding library purchases. Nevertheless, students are very much aware of the gaps in the library's holdings. It is students who experience the frustration of discovering that the library has NO up to date criticism of Willa Cather - NO recent books on Eliezer-

back - NO up to date material on advertising campaigns - NO early Supreme Court reports. The library therefore URGES students to let the library know what books are found. Your action may not help you get your own copy, but since it will take weeks to get the material, let the library know what you need. What is more, the library staff may be able to help you find the material that is not found easily in the card catalog. If you know that a specific book is needed, fill out a library book request slip. Send the request slip to one of the librarians. If you know the library needs materials on a specific subject, but you don't know which books would be best, send a note to one of the librarians in that effect and the library staff will locate and purchase appropriate materials.

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Our Philosophy

Alma has chance to lead community

The efforts of Bill Cook and Marcia Simmons should be applauded by this campus. Here are two people who are committed to doing something for society while they are making some money for themselves.

It's doubtful that their efforts will make them millionaires, but that's not their goal. Their goal is a cleaner environment in which everyone can make a contribution to, for the betterment of all.

Unfortunately less socially-oriented and immature people have begun to use the two yellow paper receptacles as a garbage can for their beer cans, junk, and whatever else is in their hands when they pass the boxes.

The function of these boxes is to be a collection place for paper materials which can be recycled such as the paper which you hold in your hands now.

Hopefully Alma will lead the community by joining Marcia and Bill's efforts in proving that change is possible and the environment can be cleaned.

Old days return with CSA closing

Juniors and seniors will remember a short few years ago during their days as innocent underclassmen that the names CSA and Knights of Columbus meant a good time for the whole campus. All campus TGs and parties were a time to dance, party, guzzle beer, and enjoy friends.

But due to some unknown reason, a few members of the campus saw these times as a chance to practice Kung Fu on the foundations of the buildings. From time to time in the past, the board of control of the CSA Hall has threatened to close its doors to the whole campus and only let those having private parties use the facilities. Well guys and dolls, that day has come to pass. It's sad that juvenile behavior has ruined good times for everyone.

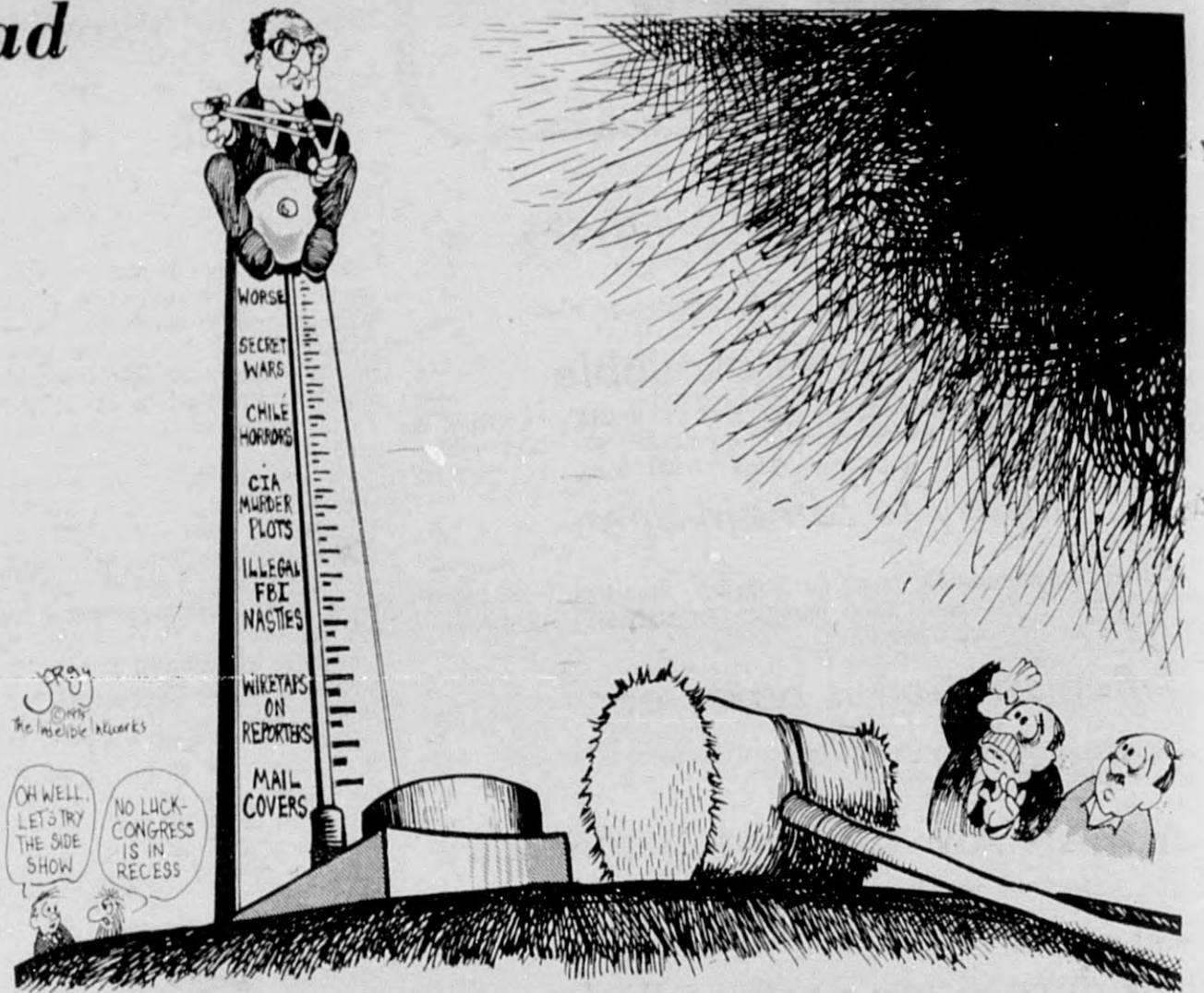
Now the campus social situation will probably return to the days when the only way to have a good time at Alma was to be among a select group of people or to hold an invitation in your hands as you walk in the door.

Library is not a campus gossip center

The library staff of this year has been one of the few places on this campus which is trying some things new and different. Besides creating a Student Input Board, and the Montieth Library Corner which graces the pages of this publication, the library is willing to try to enhance the atmosphere of study which libraries are supposed to provide.

One of the ways which the staff of Montieth has accomplished this goal is by opening up the basement area of the building for group study efforts. The ALMANIAN applauds this development.

But along with this some criticism must come. It is not directed at the staff, but at the primary users of the library. Libraries were meant for academic contemplation and scholarly pursuit. The Snack Connection and its surrounding areas were made for the pursuit of skirts, conversation, and good times. Enough said?



LETTERS

your feedback is welcome

Salvation army helps many at Christmas; giving urged

Dear Editor:

Christmas long ago would not have been quite the same without the angels, nor would it be today without The Salvation Army. Not just because we'd miss their bells, carols, and bright red kettles, but because we'd miss their smiles and spirited greetings on the street. But there's a much more important reason why Christmas without The Salvation Army would impoverish our community. It

is simply this: For many people in need, there just wouldn't be any Christmas at all without The Salvation Army.

That's why we hope you will drop a check in the kettle and not just some pocket change, yet that helps. Keep those bells ringing so that people who are hungry or in distress can always depend on The Salvation Army being here to help--not just at Christmas time but all year. Our Christmas Effort starts

November 26 thru December 25th. Last year 3480 different individuals were assisted by The Salvation Army at Christmas and many others throughout the year.

You can send checks to The Salvation Army, P.O. Box 268, Alma, Michigan or place your contributions in our kettle locations throughout the city.

Thank you and best regards,
Sincerely,
C. Dewayne Duskin
Lieutenant.

American wants all to send money to save New York city

Dear Editor:

I have sent this letter to radio, T.V. and newspapers throughout the nation as well as to the President, Congress, Senate and the Supreme Court. I have come to you with a heart full of love--for you, myself and my country. Please don't let your petty prejudices stand in your way.

I'm a Californian but more important, I'm an American. I read in the paper that Vice-President Rockefeller loaned New York City sixty-three billion dollars and I asked myself, "Why?" and I asked others, "Why?". No one

had the answers. Then I realized why: it came from his heart for his City, his State and most important for the world.

Now, protect yourself and me too and show Rockefeller and America and the world that you care and send 1, 2 or 3 dollars, but no more, in cash if you would like. (anyone who would steal it is stealing from their own mouths). Send it to: Governor of New York, Albany, New York.

I want you to know that New York has some of the finest services in America and they are having to

pay for all the immigrants that we Americans dumped into their laps because we didn't really want them in our cities.

Have the greatest Holiday Season ever. Learn from each other; learn how to love and care for each other without deceit; give yourself, not big presents; and give and take each other's love.

Thank you for printing this and to your readers for reading it. Good Old Fashioned American Thorne Harvey Smith
2932 Fairmont Ave.

La Crescenta, CA 91214

The Language of Alma students is not appropriate for public places

An open letter to the students of Alma College:

On more than one occasion recently I have been quite surprised and shocked by the loud volume and poor quality of language used by Alma College students in public places. It seems that the campus and surrounding areas are considered acceptable arenas for language which is generally considered inappropriate, offensive, and profane. What is going on with Alma students, anyway? Why should a string of curses echo

from Superior Street to Falkirk at 9:00 on a still evening? Are Alma students actually that immature and unaware?

I must admit that such language has been used in my vicinity on many occasions without causing me any embarrassment or anxiety whatsoever, but such occasions were nearly always in closed company -- in a circle of people who were not disturbed by a colorful vocabulary. Profanity in public places, however, is a different matter. It offends some people, makes them uncomfortable, em-

barasses them. Profanity in public places is annoying, disgusting, and a sign of immaturity, poor social adjustment, and limited mental capacity. It is fully inappropriate.

This may be quite simply put for those who must have things described bluntly: when in public places, one should use language which will be acceptable to anyone who may be present. To do otherwise is rude and improper.

This standard for acceptable be-

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your feedback is welcome

Our Philosophy

A break is needed to relieve pressure

Profane language shows

lack of consideration

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havior is so obvious to me that I find it very hard to understand the actions of others who insist on using profanity at every opportunity. What is behind this? Is the public use of verbal obscenity meant to show some desirable simplicity of spirit, some commendable contact with the earthy fundamentals of life, a kind of anti-elitism meant to bring college students into contact with the rest of the world, an enthusiasm for living, a toughness or worldliness, or some macho association of profanity with masculinity? Is that the way that Alma

students think? I sincerely hope not. Public use of profane language merely shows an immature lack of consideration for others.

I would suggest that Alma students begin to clean up their language and become more considerate of the sensitivities of others. Artificial and unnatural as this little environment is, it does not give anyone the right to offend others or to make their life uncomfortable. If anything one should be able to expect a certain additional measure of intelligence, maturity, politeness,

and good taste from Alma students.

It is rather ridiculous that anyone should have to feel called upon to bring up this matter of simple etiquette. People really shouldn't have to be told, but should be already aware of this sort of good taste. But if Alma students have never been impressed with these facts, they should be informed. I sincerely hope that the campus population may grow up and clean up its speech in public places.

Sam Cornelius

Alma has a social life -- If you want to join it

The following questions/comments concern the Sigma Beta party of Friday evening, November 21.

Dear Editor:

I have observed three kinds of people at the campus parties: the dancers, the non-dancers and the would-be dancers. The dancers are confident in their dancing and consequently love to dance. Music is in their soul, it waltzes in their blood and flows from their bodies. The non-dancers and I'm not sure that I can justly present their preference since I don't understand it) do not enjoy dancing because they lack this confidence, feel uptight or "just don't get into it". Then there is the majority, the would-be dancers. It is to this group that I address my letter. Most of us are a bit too shy to grab a partner and head for the dance floor. We stand around and "socialize" for a good hour drowning our inhibitions with the watered down beer. Liberated by alcohol our bodies become sensitive to the surroundings. Friends suddenly

possess a superficial magnetism and the music a rhythmical magic that draws us into dance. By this time, unfortunately, many people have grown weary of holding up the walls and have departed disappointed by "another drag of a party".

I was witness to a very distressing phenomenon at the Sigma Beta party last Friday evening. We are all too aware of the limited space of Tyler auditorium. When a large percentage of students choose to sit, there is no room for those who want to dance. But even this is not the meat of my complaint. I was astonished by the number of people who allowed themselves to be entertained as if they were sitting in front of a television. Not that the Monterreys weren't entertaining, I thought them terrific, but I also thought that the idea behind having them perform was to give us a break from the basic tape dances. Ironically, more than half the students grabbed a spot on the floor and remained glued there until the Monterreys exited. It wasn't simply the non-dancers seated, the

moment the tape went back in these same people took to dancing again!

It was this final action that incensed me. After attending Alma College for barely one semester I have repeatedly noticed the ingrained sense of apathy among students. There seem to be plenty of opinionated people about, the apathy as usual lies in lack of action. There were several of us who attempted to get that party moving Friday night, but our attempts were met either with strange looks ("Leave me alone you wierdo") or nodded at by the arm-chair agree-ers.

This is one more facet of college life that is alien to my realm of experience coming from a town like Ann Arbor where the inhibited and apathetic make up the minority. The next person who says Alma College has no social life within my ear-range is going to have a lot of defending to do before I swallow this statement as a valid one.

Kathy Smith

P.S. At least the TKE's gator.

Certainly many people on campus can agree that student apathy is a very large problem. In fact, this problem is so vast in its enormity we tend to overlook other factors that lead to actions that seemingly are apathy-oriented. One of these kinds of things is student sentiment just prior to Thanksgiving break.

Just prior to Thanksgiving many students have been here for three long months, hard at work, with only the scanty weekend to provide an interlude between what seems to have become a never-ending stream of classes.

As Thanksgiving approaches, fewer and fewer students are found on campus. Some classes are even canceled because of a lack of students. It appears that Thanksgiving has become a time to give thanks for getting a recess from classes.

Student sentiment is so low near Thanksgiving that those living here have become the exception rather than

the rule. Something should be done to alleviate this disparity. The Educational Policies Committee should examine seriously the prospect of creating some sort of vacation period in October to break up this long period of classes. Four months of winter term are broken by a week off in the middle, why not three months by a couple of days?

We are certain that with the adoption of such a policy student sentiment towards school could drastically improve.



John D. Sefcik

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ENTERTAINMENT IN BRIEF

"Rock 'n' roll" key to winning

When Cadillac High in Cadillac, Michigan lost its first two football games in 1975, the coaches decided to play rock'n'roll music before and after practices to loosen the kids up. Well, the team went on to win seven straight and tie for the league championship. This year, Kiss was invited to celebrate the homecoming for the school. Two days of Kitchonia resulted, as, from the sound of it, the entire event made up in White-face (Kiss trademark). At least that included the March, Brines and Coach Brines. Brines said, "They put on a helluva show." By the way, Cadillac beat Chippewa Hills, 10 to 6.

Sonny and Cher back together?

Sonny and Cher may get back together - at least on TV. The two are reportedly considering a new series, possibly for early 1976. Cher, recently divorced from Gregg Allman, still has her own show, but it is not as successful as the husband-wife show of last year was. Sonny's solo effort has already flopped.

Elton on vacation

Elton John has been told by a doctor to take it easy for awhile. He's been recording, touring, and playing himself into an almost point of exhaustion. The doctor told him to go take four months in the sun, so Elton took off for Barbados.

Guess who break up

The Guess Who have broken up. The Canadian group, who haven't had a big hit since "Albert Flasher/Broken" in 1972 (Although a string of minor hits - "Star Baby", "Clap For The Wolfman", "Dancing Fool"), simply ran out of steam. The only well-known member of the group, Burton Cummings, is making up demonstration tapes in Winnipeg.



Gemini performs for Tyler Nightclub.

Thursday, December 4, Tyler Night Club was the scene for a performance by a pair of Hungarian folk singers.

Born in Budapest, Hungary, Sandor and Laszlo Slomovits left their home and moved to Isreal after the 1956 Revolution. After 2 1/2 years in Isreal, they moved to the United States, and 2 years ago moved to the Ann Arbor area where they still reside and perform their music.

They have been playing professionally for 4 years and usually entertain in coffee houses, bars, and on college campuses. "We like playing in bars, because of the atmosphere there, but the music is harder to get together," said Las (they both go by the first three letters of their names, be-

cause the full name is cumbersome) "...but with some of our traditional songs you can't listen and get drunk." Colleges, they said, are much better places to play. They're quieter songs, because people are there to listen. "In a bar, you came to drink," said Las, "and if the band is good-O.K."

Their music was a mixture of traditional, folk, and work songs - some over 200 years old. In addition to these songs, they also played some of their own material. Sandor, the older of the twins, by twelve minutes, said "When we write our own material, it usually works out that Las writes the words and I write the music, although this is not concrete...I've written words to some songs and Las has written music to others."

Gemini likes the college crowd

by Rick Cramblet

As for future plans, "We'd like to cut an album someday, but for now we like to play more live performances."

Their show was very entertaining and well done. Accompanying themselves with a accoustical guitars and a pair of flute-like whistles, their show consisted of 27 songs that were of a wide variety. "We are not schizophrenic," joked Las about the variety of music. "We just like to do all kinds of songs." They played several songs by some of their favorite artists, Bob Dylan, and Paul Siebel, but the bulk of the show consisted of their renditions of old English and Irish ballads. During several of these, the audience was encouraged to sing along. The songs that Las and San-

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Music Dept. hits G.R.

by Bob Schultz

Last Saturday night, the Alma College Kiltie Band, Jazz Ensemble, A Cappella choir, Alma Singers, and Girls Trio, Kiltie Dancers and pipers, performed a joint concert in Ottawa Hill Auditorium in Grand Rapids. A crowd of about 500 attended the event which featured displays of Alma's many programs.

The program opened with traditional popular songs by Greg Thomson, Dorene Chapman, Greg Mc-

Gregor, and Diane Carey. The A Cappella Choir then performed several selections.

The Kiltie Dancers were next on the program. Featured during their portion of the program was the final performance of Robin Laird, a senior, and captain of the group for several years. Robin received a bouquet of roses at the close of her performance.

The band performed a Persi-

chetti symphony which was presented two weeks ago under the direction of the composer.

After intermission, the Jazz ensemble, under the direction of Bruce Lavin, cooked through Sammy Nasticco's "Dark Orchid" featuring a solo by Voris "Charlie Parker" Davis.

Dr. Bowman termed the entire evening as excellent after the performance.



Dr. Jack Bowman conjours up exciting sounds as the band plays Persechetti's symphony. Pic by Bob Schultz.

Resolution asks for independent investigation of King assassination

State Representative Jackie Machin III (D-Detroit) has called upon President Ford to launch an independent investigation into possible government involvement in the 1968 assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King.

A resolution introduced by Vaughn asks the President to establish a special citizens commission to probe the assassination and any evidence of government involvement and conspiracy.

"Recent revelations have raised serious questions that this hideous killing could have been part of a government conspiracy and could not have been the work of one man alone," Vaughn said. "We already have learned that the FBI conducted a six-year campaign to discredit Dr. King and that his telephone and living quarters were bugged."

"This government-funded campaign, conducted behind the smoke-screen of national security, was a shameless violation of individual rights since it never establish-

ed that Dr. King was a national security threat, threatened violence or was a criminal suspect. We must now wonder if this known conspiracy was just the tip of an iceberg and whether there are far more terrible happenings yet to be uncovered."

Vaughn urged an investigation similar to that of the Warren Commission, which probed circumstances surrounding the assassination of President John Kennedy.

"If we are to have a complete and thorough airing, we cannot entrust it to the Justice Department or the CIA," Vaughn stated. "They are already part of our problem of eroded confidence in government integrity. If all of the facts are to be made known and persons responsible for senseless

acts are to be brought to justice, our only recourse is a high-level, independent investigation."

Vaughn urged his colleagues in the Legislature to join him in asking the President to take the lead in reopening the investigation into the assassination of Dr. King.

"The public's right to know is of paramount importance in this shameful case," Vaughn said. "We must never again allow any courageous American to be subjected to this type of insidious campaign by a federal agency.

In the name of decency, we must try, if possible, to redress the harm that has been done to Mrs. King and her family and to all of the American people, both black and white."

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EPC proposals revealed to Student Council



Saga menu for next week and

The Student Council was alert last week to the possibility of changes in the current graduation requirements. The Educational Policy committee is studying an alternate system which would test competency and proficiency in nine essential areas.

The areas which the tests would cover are: oral communication, aesthetics of life, physical world, man, social man, historical perspectives, a quantitative literacy or understanding of symbolic structures, and understanding of differing moral, value and ethical systems, an exposure to cultural deprovincialization. Doug Scott, an ex-officio member of the council from EPC, also reported that the committee has approved three new classes. They are: a pre-term daily news, a community pageant production class, and an additional four credits in the senior year for teaching certification candidates.

Scott also revealed that Dave Potter and himself have been working on a series of informal discussions with professors for the next term.

Members of the African Fellow Committee were selected by the council. They are Craig Carpenter, Doug Parkes, Chidi Nwoka, Paul Oryekwere, Matt Evans, Jerry Elsworth, Pat Shirey, and Roland Laning.

Nightclub ended with

"Amazing Grace"

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have written were among the best of the show and their "Lizards De-

light" was a fine instrumental number in the first half. They also played several traditional Hungarian songs which they had recently learned from their father.

Although the audience was small, they said it was about the usual size they play to. The small size of the group made it easier for them to relate to the audience, and they seemed relaxed and sure of themselves throughout the show. Perhaps the best tune of the night was one they had written called "Ann's House", named after the place where it was composed. It seemed to be the one song which best combined all their musical influences of blues, folk, and traditional styles.

The show ended with an unaccompanied version of "Amazing Grace" with the audience singing along and provided a fitting ending to the evening.

TUESDAY--DECEMBER 9, 1975

B--French toast, soft and medium cooked eggs. L--Marinated bean salad, stuffed celery with cheese, chili fritos, egg salad plate, succotash, jelly bar spritz, fresh fruit. D--Cole slaw, salisbury steak, oven-broiled fish, blueberry pancakes, devils food cake, fresh fruit cup, cream puff.

WEDNESDAY--DECEMBER 10, 1975

B--Cheese omelet, waffles. L--Potato salad, carrot and raisin salad, club sandwich, spanish macaroni, turkey cheese melt sandwich, angel cookies, fresh fruit, lemon crunch, chocolate pudding. D--Spring salad, spanish pot roast of beef, beef chop suey, hungarian cheese and noodle bake, marble cake, purple plums, peach crisp.

THURSDAY--DECEMBER 11, 1975

B--Fried eggs, french toast. L--Pineapple ring with cheese, relish plate, pizza, savory beef casserole, orange glazed cookies, marshmallow krispies. D--Mixed fruit salad, deviled egg and pickle salad, oven baked chicken, grilled baby beef liver, ham hocks and navy beans, yellow cake, pear slices, chocolate cream pie.

FRIDAY--DECEMBER 12, 1975

B--Hotcakes, scrambled eggs. L--Macaroni and egg salad, grilled cold cuts and swiss cheese sandwich, egg foo yong, tuna salad sandwich, oatmeal apple squares, peach slices, rice pudding, orange glazed cookies. D--Sliced tomato salad with onion ring, cole slaw, batter fried fish, stuffed cabbage rolls, veal scaloppini, chocolate brownies, ambrosia, pumpkin pie.

SATURDAY--DECEMBER 13, 1975

B--Medium cooked eggs, french toast. L--Molded spring salad, potato salad, cheeseburger, Ham 'n egg omelet, creamed chipped beef on toast, cowboy cookies, fresh fruit, custard pudding, fruit

fluff dessert. D--Relish plate, charcoal broiled steak, roast top round of beef, chicken batter fried shrimp creole, white cake, pear slices, apple pie.

SUNDAY--DECEMBER 14, 1975

B--Scrambled eggs, hotcakes. L--Waldorf salad, creamy cole slaw, roast turkey, beef stroganoff, scrambled eggs with cheddar cheese, gelatin, marble cake, peach and orange fruit cup, pumpkin pie. D--Fruit salad, waldorf salad, hamburgers, spaghetti, egg waffles, goody board.

MONDAY--DECEMBER 15, 1975

B--Fried eggs, french toast. L--Country cole slaw, carrot and raisen salad, hot dog, eggplant parmesan, julienne salad bowl, fresh fruit cocktail, chipmunk bars, oatmeal cookies, chocolate pudding. D--Fruit salad, stuffed celery with peanut butter, grilled chopped steak, pork chow mein, cheese soufflé, baked apple pudding, banana orange cup, boston cream pie.

TUESDAY--DECEMBER 16, 1975

B--Hot cakes, scrambled eggs. L--Deviled egg salad, waldorf salad, grilled chili cheese, turkey tetrazzini, paradise salad plate, tapioca cream pudding, gelatin cubes, fruit bars. D--Waldorf salad, citrus coconut salad, roast beef, beef tacos, fish sticks, chocolate ice box cake, fresh fruit cocktail, peach shortcake.

WEDNESDAY--DECEMBER 17, 1975

B--Soft and Medium cooked eggs, waffles. L--Sliced tomato salad, potato salad, corned beef sandwich, beef turnover, julienne salad, icebox cookies, applesauce, hot gingerbread with orange sauce, lazy tom thumb bars. D--Macaroni salad, mixed fruit salad, fried chicken, scrambled eggs, pancakes, devil's food cake, diced pears, coconut custard pie.


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The International Bazaar, held last Wednesday was very successful. One of its features was the plant booth, pictures above.

Concept of freshmen dorms is not satisfying to some RAs

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Julie Blackburn, a senior, has been an RA in Gelston since September. Julie explains that she enjoys being an RA very much because it gives her a chance to meet a lot of people and to be helpful assisting others. However, Julie feels that RAs aren't appreciated enough by students for as much work as RAs put forth. "I feel that things could improve if some residences didn't expect RA's to be super human beings, and to be available all the time for everybody. Frequently when I have to assert authority, students try to give me a rough time, but they should try to put themselves in my position and realize that I have to enforce the rules."

Beth Eaton, a senior RA for one year in Newberry says, "I enjoy being an RA. It gives me a good sense of responsibility for others." Beth stated, "One particular

reason I enjoy being an RA is because it gives me first initial contact to personally meet people. And, working with other RAs creates a special bond between us. I have also found it interesting that on every corridor that I have worked, each has its own separate and different personalities.

Polly Meyers, a senior, has been an RA for two years. Polly states, "Being an RA is the best thing that could have happened to me. It gives me a great opportunity to see others grow and learn, there's a big change that occurs when freshmen first come here in the fall, and to see how they've changed by spring time, it's a great experience! Sometimes, however, my position can be very depressing. For instance, when just about everyone seems to be falling apart, and they come to me for

help. I feel bad, because there is just so much I can do, and I start wishing that there was more that I could do to help them. Sometimes it becomes frustrating."

Jim Van Leuven, a sophomore, has been an RA of Mitchell Hall since September. Jim states, "I enjoy being an RA, in spite of its many ups and downs. For one thing, you get to know people a lot faster, and it's nice having a single room even though I also have less privacy now, than before. I can't say I've had any severe hardships, but I have had a few disappointments, because sometimes it interferes with my studying, but mainly, I hate the idea of having to be a policeman in order to enforce the rules and policies of the school. I personally don't like the idea of freshman dorms, it makes it harder on RAs. There should be more of a variety."

Process for approval of radio station not outlined

Fifth in a series

The exact process by which a radio station can become reality here at Alma is not strictly outlined in any documents. One can look to the Student Council Constitution and the Community Government Constitution and find no mention of any way to expand the number of student organizations which are funded by the campus community.

The Student Council is granting student groups official recognition. Last year, for example, the Student Council chose not to recognize the concerned Student Coalition, because their exact purpose was undefined, and even unneeded. CSC was to perform several functions according to its constitution. CSC was an

organization organized by a speech class last year. Thus, the Student Council did not grant them recognition as an official student organization. The radio station would have to meet the test of a grant of official recognition from the student council before any concrete action can take place.

If student funding is to be used in any way, members of the radio station committee would have to present their case for funding through the student budget to the Student Budget and Finance Committee. This committee is the most powerful student committee on campus. The committee holds the reigns over the SCOTSMAN, ALMANIAN, THE FACEFINDER (PIG BOOK), the Student Council, and the Union

Board. When the question of a radio station was before the student body the last time, it was proposed that a separate community government governing board be created for the radio station. At the present time, no such proposals have been present on any form by the task force.

During a recent debate at a Student Council meeting, it was mentioned that one obstacle the radio station should or ought to face is a campus-wide referendum on the issue.

As the radio station task force gains more facts and opinions, the process by which a radio station can become a reality will become more concrete.

Lupus can be controlled

by Bob Schultz III
(Last in a series)

Editor's Note: This is the last in a series of articles on lupus. If you would like further information on Lupus, one may contact the student services office in Reid Knox.

Lupus is a disease which can be treated if detected early enough. If one is aware of his or her limitations when they find out that they have the disease, then with help and patient on their part, it is possible to live an almost normal life with lupus.

When one has Lupus, you will get tired more rapidly than usual. Also, anxiety and distress can bring on the familiar butterfly shaped red flush over the nose bridge to the face of a person who has Lupus.

Lupus is serious, even though education about the disease can help to erase many of the myths. During the month of September, Gov. Milliken proclaimed a "Lupus

Awareness Week."

It has been the goal of the Michigan Lupus Foundation to make the public more aware of lupus as well as to contact known or suspected sufferers of the disease.

Mrs. Vickie Earegood, publicity

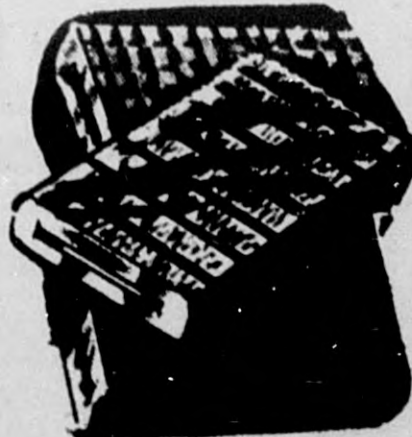
representative at Alma for the foundation concludes, "The only sure way to determine if systemic Lupus is present is with a physical examination and laboratory tests. With their sets, Lupus today is being caught in an earlier stage of development--before it has a chance to do irreversible kidney or nervous system damage."

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Non-sexist bills urged

A bill to change the title of Michigan's Workmen's Compensation Act to a non-sexist Workers' Compensation Act was recently signed into law.

Jackie Vaughn III (D-Detroit), sponsor of the new legislation, invited many of the state's outstanding women to participate in the signing in the Governor's office, including representatives of the Michigan Women's Commission, The State Board of Education, and the Coalition of Labor Union Women.

"It's time we recognized that over 50 percent of the work force is composed of women," said

Vaughn. "It is particularly significant and appropriate, he stated, "that the elimination of this sexist reference is being made during the International Women's Year."

"The word 'men' in 'Workmen's Comp' is a denial of women's Constitutional Rights," he continued. "We must get away from sexist terms in our laws. This is an important step toward striking out of the statutes all references which imply 'for men only.'"

The measure, which goes into effect December 2, 1975, was co-sponsored by all of the women in the Legislature.

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Scot B-ballers win first game out of four

by Tim Sutherland

The Alma Scot cagers finally broke into the winning side of the ledger with a thrilling 86-85 win over Aquinas Saturday night. The game, reminiscent of so many close ones of last year, was won on a last second 15 foot jumper by freshman standout Danny Stolz on a pass from Tim Mohre and a pick by Willie Dawkins.

The Scots, playing porous defense were down by as much as 15-20 points in the first half but, with Willis Dawkins and Tim Mohre starting to hit, closed the gap to eight at halftime, 51-43.

In a see-saw second half, the Scot hoopsters played much better defense and with Jim Davidson coming off the bench and hitting 6 out of 9 shots in a reserve role and Dawkins, Romsek and Mohre chipping in with big buckets, the Scots managed to ssk out their first victory of the year on Stola's last second shot.

The Scots were led in scoring by Tim Mohre's 23 points. Willie Dawkins was next with 19, and Davidson and Stolz both had 12 points. Although scoring only 5 points, Stu TinFloor played an excellent floor game coming up with 8 assists and 11 rebounds.

The Scots, now 1-3 have two games this week, one Monday night at Hillsdale and the home opener next Saturday against Siena Heights.



The JV Basketball team has been drilling like this every day since November. Coach Sweeney looks on. Pic by Jeff Huyck.

Mat men lose to Hope and pin Seinna Heights

by Tim Sutherland

The Alma Scot grapplers opened their '75-'76 season by splitting a double dual meet at Hope College Saturday, bowing to Hope 27-24 and whalloping Siena Heights 54-3.

The wrestlers were hurt by inexperience as 6 men were participating in their first college wrestling match. Dave Bibber, senior and co-captain at 118 lbs., started the team off right by scoring a pin off his Hope opponent. This match combined with a forfeit won by Mark Betz at 126 gave Alma a quick 12-0 lead. Senior Tim Sutherland went down to defeat at 134 lbs and the Alma lead was cut to 12-6. Freshman Jim Persing scored a reversal with about two seconds left in his match at 142 pounds to win. The most exciting match of the day, 9-8. After Mark Brian was defeated at 150 pounds the score read Alma 15, Hope 12..

Skip Quaderen, another co-captain scored a hard fought decision at 158 pounds and when Tim Crosby followed with a pin, Alma looked like it had a safe 24-12 lead with only 3 matches to go.

This is where inexperience set in as the Scots lost their last 3 matches with freshmen Chuck Abraham, Mark Gross and Brad LeVictor all going down to defeat. Final score was Hope 27, Alma 24.

New Coach John Decker was generally pleased with his grappler's performance but cited the inability of the Scots to "stay of their backs." Four Alma wrestlers were pinned accounting for all but 3 of the Hope points. Fortunately for the Scots, the game does not count in MIAA standings and the Scots will get another chance at Hope later in the season.

Against Siena Heights, who had only 6 wrestlers, the Scots won all but one match. Mark Betz, Tim Sutherland, Skip Quaderer, and Mark Grass all won forfeits. Dave Vibber pinned a two-time state high school champion at 118 pounds in an excellent match. Dave one his back in the second period reversed his opponent and pinned him in the second period. Jim Persing went against a two-time state high school champ also, and was beaten in a close match, 14-10. He injured his ankle (possibly breaking it), but at press time the extent of the injury was not known. Tim Crosby and Brad LeVictor closed out the scoring with pins for the Scots.

The Scots resume action Wednesday night in an away match against Saginaw Valley and then head for Dowagone next weekend for a two day tournament.

Gelston, Mitchell, Sigs lead IM B-ball

Basketball A League games scheduled

Current B League Standings

Current A League Standings

Tuesday, December 9

7:00 Bruske vs. Gelston
8:15 Mitchell vs. TKE
8:15 ZE vs. DGT

Thursday, December 11

7:00 TKE vs. ZE
8:15 N. Dorms vs. Bruske
8:15 Mitchell vs. DGT

Mitchell	3-0
ZE	3-0
Gelston	2-0
OX	3-1
Bruske	2-1
DGT	2-2
Faculty	1-2
New Dorms	0-3
TKE	0-3
EB	0-4

Gelston	5-0
DGT	4-1
ZE	4-1
N. Dorms	2-4
TKE	1-4
Mitchell	1-4
Bruske	0-5



Coach Roger Philip watches as the swim team works out at a recent practice. Pic by Jeff Huyck.

Aquamen take third at MIAA meet

by Val Hansen

Saturday Alma competed in the MIAA swimming relays with all the teams in the league, at Calvin. Kalamazoo took the tournament with 70 points. Calvin took second place with 62 points, Alma tied for third place with Albion with 60 points. Adrian and Hope finished last with 17 and 15 points respectively.

This year Alma was defending conference champ for the relays, but Kalamazoo is the conference champ in record, winning 27 consecutive meets in the past four years.

This year's team captain is Kevin Cuny one of the few upperclassmen on the team. This year's team is composed of approximately 70% freshmen.

Alma took three out of nine first places, breaking one school record and one MIAA relay record. The three first places were in the 200 yard freestyle, 400 yard freestyle, and 450 yard crescendo-diminuendo freestyle relay.

In the 200 yard freestyle, Kevin Scott, Todd Friesner, Ron Marsh and Alan Nicholette each swam 2 lengths to defeat the other MIAA schools. The same four-man unit combined to break a school record by 3.5 seconds in the 400 yard freestyle, in which they took their second first place.

Mike Shovan joined the unbeatable foursome in the 450 yard crescendo-diminuendo freestyle relay. This relay to composed of a 50 yard, 100 yard, 150 yard,

100 yard and 50 yard sprint. This was Alma's third first place.

In the diving competition, Brian Stork and MIAA diving champ, Jim Davis took a second place behind Kalamazoo. Brian took 6 dives from the 1 meter board. Davis, Alma's sole senior, took 6 dives from the 3 meter board. Their scores were combined for a total scoreing.

Greg Kloos, Mike McLelen, and Greg Metzler were in the 3 man 150 yard backstroke together taking a 5th place.

In a 150 yard butterfly relay, Metzler, Cuny and Norm Halstead took a 4th place in a extremely close race. First through 6th places finished within 2 to 3 yards of each other.

The third 150 yard relay was the breaststroke with McLelen, Cuny and Harvey Zook.

Halstead, Cuny and Zook took a third place in the 300 yard individual. Each man swam 4 lengths; each length a different stroke: butterfly, backstroke, breaststroke and freestyle.

The last relay took a 5th place as Greg Kloos swam backstroke, Zook -- breaststroke, Halstead -- butterfly, and Walt Pauza -- freestyle. Despite the bad placing, the race was the closest of seven relays.

Roger Philip was very pleased with the team results. He was "very encouraged with the team's performance and looks forward to a good season."

The squad's next meet is January 21, 1976.

JV's lose one, win one

by Connie Church

The Alma Junior Varsity basketball team opened their season Tuesday night when they crushed Montcalm Community College, 73-63. Strong defense and control of the backboards proved to be the major factors in the Scot's victory.

Freshman John Teeples was the standout of the game. His 19 points gave him the high scorer honor for Alma. He was also the dominator of the boards as he hauled in 11 rebounds. Second leading scorer for Alma was another Freshman, Mitch Coffman, with ten points.

Tuesday's victory was a little overshadowed Saturday, however, as the Scots went down to the hands of Aquinas College by a disheartening score of 87 to 63. Contrary to Tuesday's game, the Scots had difficulties with their team defense and rebounding against Aquinas. The more experienced Aquinas team played superior defense as well as offense.

Freshman Mark Bennett was the leading scorer for Alma with 15 points. Sophomore Jamie Knapp was next with 12 points. Once again, John Teeples showed his basketball talents as he played good defense and was the leading rebounder.

This year's team consists of 15 players, 12 freshman and the 3 sophomores, Jamie Knapp, Tim Daiss and Joe Zamboldi.

Coaching the J.V. team with year is Mr. Mike Sweeney. He has been coaching football and tennis at Alma for a number of years, however, this is his first attempt at basketball. As for comments on the team, his main point was the incredible improvement they have shown from the first practice until the present. He foresees that the main problem for the Scots will be height, for they lack the taller players that the other MIAA teams have this year.

The next game is Wednesday night, at Montcalm Community College.



Mark Seldon and Lois Koboski concentrate on Perschetti's "Celebration."



Denny Sedar, caught in the act of taking someone's blood pressure.

IM Pool

1. Michaels-Zoors
2. Hawkins-Dixon
3. Butler-Clontz
4. Parent-Rohac
5. Sutherland-Commis-saris
6. Weiland-Fogg
7. Chamberlain-Dempsey

Indian heads named

Appointment of two division directors for the Office of Indian Education was announced recently by HEW's Office of Education. They are: Leroy A. Antell of the Chippewa Tribe, Minn., and Swinney Gabe Paxton, Jr., a Choctaw Indian from Talihina, Okla.

Antell, as the first Director of the Division of Local Educational Agency Assistance, will be responsible for grants to Local Education Agency programs under Part A of the Act. Some 253,670 students in 845 public elementary school districts are currently benefiting. His spending authority will release Federal dollars for classroom equipment and programming to meet the special education needs of Indian children in these districts.

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