

# Happy hearts day from the Almanian

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It's Valentine's Day and Alma students have gone all out to wish each other love and kisses. Pages 14, 15, and 16 are chock full of sentimental (and some downright sassy) Valentine's greetings.

Controversy reigned at last Tuesday's Student Council meeting. UB staff selections, Tyler came under the scrutiny of the council. Read about it on page 13.

Alma's alcohol policy has been under revision for the last three months. The Student Life Committee has finally come up with several changes---all outlined on page 7.

## Auction promises to be "the best yet"

BY SUSETTE BALOGH,  
News Editor

"Going once. . .going twice. . . SOLD!" It's time again for the annual Sigma Beta Faculty Auction.

Doug Shrewsbury, a member of the Sigma Beta fraternity and the coordinator of the Faculty Auction, is anticipating this auction to be "the best one we've ever had. The number of items up for auction far exceeds what we've had in the past."

Auctioneering for the event will be done by two teams, one composed of students and the other composed of faculty members. The teams will be competing to see which can sell the most and bring in the most profit. Shrewsbury says, "The winner of the contest gets to throw a pie in the face of the faculty member of their choice." But what if the faculty team wins? "They never win." At this point, the only two definite auctioneers are Drs. Kapp and Swanson.

In preparation for the auction, the Sigma Betas ask for donations from the faculty, administration, and campus organizations. Shrewsbury says, "It's not a lot of work, just a matter of everyone doing their job. The jobs are divided between the members of the fraternity." The day before the auc-

tion, a list of the order in which items will be brought to the auction block will be available.

Dinners have always been a popular item to donate. This year, an unusual breakfast is being offered. The fraternity received a donation from Dr. Tracy Luke, saying "Ever wonder what profs do for recreation and relaxation? Spend a Saturday morning finding out! Have a Bloody Mary while your Western-style breakfast is prepared. From the warmth of the kitchen, watch birds and learn their characteristics (at least seven

species guaranteed), build your own bird feeder, and bake bread."

Kayak lessons for two on any river of your choice in Michigan are being offered by Dr. Beagly. A pair of antique overalls, artwork from the Art Department, two pianos, a champagne breakfast, and many other items were donated for auction.

An occasional problem has arisen in the past with people who fail to collect their purchase. In the past two years, Dr. Klugh has offered a fishing trip but it has not been collected. Because

of this, he is not offering it this year.

All proceeds from the auction are donated to the African Fellowship. The Sigma Betas are shooting for \$1,500 this year.

The auction will be held on February 18. It is in Dow Auditorium and will begin at 7:00 p.m. The event usually lasts about three hours.

Shrewsbury says, "It's a lot of fun. You get into great competition for what you want. But, if you don't play your cards right, you will end up paying more

in the end."

Everyone, both students and faculty, are encouraged to attend. Anyone who is still wishing to donate something for the auction should contact Doug Shrewsbury in 241 Brazell (ext. 421).

For a complete listing of items to be auctioned Friday, check the Sigma Beta ad on page 5.

## Committee hands down 'orgy' decision

BY SUSETTE BALOGH

On Thursday and Friday of last week, Mr. Jeffrey Southern, Director of Student Affairs, met with each of the three individuals suspended for their actions the night of the Schlitz Movie Orgy. The alleged actions of Andrew Fabian, Stephen Bishop, and Steven Hughes of stealing beer from the party and later physically assaulting other members of the student body led to their being charged with, according to Southern, "conduct unbecoming an Alma College student." They were suspended for

a period of one week after which time they were to meet with Southern.

The three were to be accompanied by their parents. Two appeared before Southern with their parents. The third, due to the unavailability of parental representation, was assigned Mr. Phil Brooks as an advisor and Mr. Jim Sikorski as a representative.

Southern said that during these meetings, he was concerned with what the individuals had been doing during their week off campus, the conversations they had had with their families, and the individuals' personal reflections about their actions. He also wanted to set a date when the individuals could remove their belongings from their former residence halls. Another purpose of the meeting was to communicate the expectations of the individuals.

The Judicial Committee decided that the individuals would be able to return to classes but would not be able to reside in or enter campus housing and would be on probation until the end of the school year 1977-78. If, within this time period, any of the individuals fail to live up to these expectations, they will be referred back to the Judicial Committee.

Commenting on the banishment from campus housing, Southern said: "Personally, I would like to see them in. People have to learn to adapt to any environment. But these three, I didn't think should, because there is such a negative attitude towards them that they could become Peter Perfect and they still wouldn't stand a chance." He continued, "These guys aren't Peter Perfect and I also have to think of the purposes of our students here and they have to be able to pursue their goals. I don't like the attitude that if someone gets in trouble you should drop them into a hole and cover it."

Dr. Irene Linder, a member of the Judicial Committee, commented that "the decision was a committee one and was not a unanimous one." Personally, Dr. Linder questioned "whether one week is long enough for anything constructive to happen." She said the committee had to "consider also what was beneficial to those involved. "They did show some

regret and the decision was to deal with all in the same manner. But, they did have intent to cause trouble and had been warned."

Mr. Phil Brooks, advisor to one of the individuals, commented, "What was done, is over. It should be dropped publicly. These young men have atoned for their sins. My main concern at this point is to see that they are in proper living conditions, eating

properly, and in an environment conducive to good study habits. If they are allowed to come back to school, the campus has some responsibility to see that they are in a proper environment so they can be good students."

Southern's final comment was, "They are cognizant of the fact that they must stay on the straight and narrow."

## Band on the run: tour begins over break

BY GAIL SWANSON

In less than two weeks, the Alma College Kiltie Band will begin their annual Spring Tour under the direction of Dr. Jack Bowman. The tour extends from February 25-March 6. The band will cover approximately 1,065 miles during this tour.

The tour itinerary begins with a 3:00 p.m. concert in Tyler Auditorium on Sunday, February 20. Concerts will also be given in Hillsdale, Kalamazoo, Sturgis, Detroit, Uby, and Saginaw. Out of state performances include Addison in Illinois, Erie in Pennsylvania, Rocky River in Ohio, and Albion and Rochester in New York.

The 87 students will depart for their first destination on February 25, after the concert in Tyler. They will be travelling by bus and hauling their equipment in a U-haul truck.

Each student is assigned specific duties to perform as far as set-up, loading equipment, driving, etc., for maximum efficiency. An itinerary is distributed to each student and a tight schedule is to be kept in order for the band to make all their concerts a success.

The only cost to the students is a result of the choice made by the students to stay in hotels in Chicago, Illinois, and Toronto,

Ontario. The rest of the time they will be staying overnight in peoples' homes.

The band has a rather hectic schedule to follow and it is important that they keep up with the pace so that they can fulfill all their engagements. However, they are allowed some free time in Chicago and Toronto.

Planning for a tour such as this begins about one year in advance. By early March, letters are sent out to churches, schools, etc., to see if they would be interested in sponsoring Alma College. Also during the spring, a tentative itinerary is written out. By fall, a schedule of dates and locations the band will follow is set. In January, housing needs, budget planning, and bus charters are arranged. About one and one half months before the actual tour begins, press releases, posters, bulletins, and tour brochures are distributed.

Dr. Bowman explained that there are three main reasons for the tour, aside from just the fun of it. First, while on tour, the band reaches a higher level of musical achievement. They are playing on a regular basis, averaging two or three concerts a day, so the band is able to perfect their

See BAND, page 7.



Through rain, floods, and snow...but mostly fog, Alma College students attended classes last Thursday.

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 \*\*The ALMANIAN is looking for a  
 \*\* few good people  
 \*\* Applications are now  
 \*\* being accepted for  
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 \*\* Advertising Manager  
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 \*\* ALMANIAN office, Newberry Basement.  
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# Briefs

## Government to advertise the \$2 bill?

The U.S. government is considering waging a \$300,000 advertising campaign to convince Americans that they need the \$2 bill. Officials have expressed disappointment in the public reception of the \$2 bill since it came back into circulation approximately 10 months ago. Of the 415 million bills that were printed, only 222 million went into circulation. Also, collectors have hoarded away millions of the \$2 bills as souvenirs. The purpose for re-issuing the \$2 bill was to replace some of the \$1 bills in circulation and save the government up to \$7 million per year in printing costs. The cost of printing 1,000 bills---regardless of their denomination---is about \$15.

## Beware, sleepwear can cause cancer

The Environmental Defense Fund, a non-profit private watchdog agency in Washington revealed last week that one of the chemicals designed to make infant sleepwear fire resistant is a potent cancer-producing agent. The chemical is TRIS and is made by the Michigan Chemical Corporation, a subsidiary of Northwest Industries Incorporated, of Chicago. The corporation, which is now closing a plant in St. Louis, Michigan, also manufactures the fire retardant PBB, which has caused serious animal and human health problems. Studies have shown that TRIS caused multiple tumors in mice and rats, and is ten times more potent than cigarette smoke extract. Infants who suck on their clothing can ingest the toxic chemical. TRIS can also penetrate the skin. Michigan Chemical has agreed to stop selling TRIS to clothing manufacturers. The manufacturers have cut their use of the chemical in infant sleepwear so that approximately 20 percent of the garments on the market now contain the substance. Clothing containing TRIS is not labeled as such. Infant sleepwear labeled as containing 100 percent polyester or blends of polyester, acetate, or triacetate in sizes 0-14 would most likely contain TRIS.

## Michigan politicians receive illegal money

Nine Michigan politicians were named as receiving illegal campaign contributions from 1971 to 1973 from American Airlines. American Airlines said it paid \$51,000 in illegal contributions to a total of 71 current and former members of Congress. None of the recipients of the contributions are eligible for prosecution because of a law passed in 1973 which provides for a blanket statute of limitations covering contributions for the 1972 campaigns and before. Among the names of recipients were Gerald R. Ford, who was running for re-election to Congress at the time, and Thomas (Tip) O'Neill, current House Speaker. Nine other Michigan politicians were listed, including Senator Robert Griffin and Representatives John Dingell, Elford Cederberg, and William Broomfield. Former congressmen listed were Ford, James Harvey (now a federal judge), Jack McDonald, Charles Chamberlain, and Marvin Esch.

February is Cherry Month!  
 Cherry Tart      Cherry Pie  
 Cherry Sundae



A different special every week

## THE SNACK CONNECTION

"Just like Mom used to make"

- Mon. (Feb. 14): Super Scot, large drink 85¢
- Tues.: Cheeseburger, shake 99¢
- Wed.: Grilled cheese, fries, large drink 95¢
- Thurs.: Big dog, fries, large drink \$1.00
- Fri.-Sat.-Sun.: Hamburger, fries, large drink \$1.00



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**Bly on campus  
Thursday, February 17**



Robert Bly, one of the most important American poets, will be on the Alma campus on Thursday, February 17, to meet with students and interested community members informally in A.C. 110 from 10:00 a.m. to noon. Bly will then give a reading that evening in the Dunning Memorial Chapel at 8:00 p.m. Some of Robert Bly's books include Silence in the Snowy Fields, The Light Around the Body (winner of the 1968 National Book Award), Sleepers Joining Hands, The Morning Glory, and several collections of adaptations and translations of South American, German, Scandinavian, Japanese, and Hindu poetry, including Friends, You Drank Some Darkness; Neruda and Vallejo: Selected Poems; and very recently, a new collection, The Kabir Book. His efforts to wake us into our own lives, to discover our own spiritual energies make him one of the extraordinary spiritual leaders of our time. Photo courtesy of James Tipton.



Marcia I. Kadler

**"Over the Rainbow" creates  
romantic atmosphere**



BY KATHLEEN EATON  
Assistant News Editor

It was the Land of Oz in Tyler Student Union Saturday night. "Over the Rainbow" was the theme for Saturday's Amo-te dance sponsored by the sisters of Alpha Zeta Tau and held at the Union. Approximately 350 people attended the girl-bid dance. The band, "Once Upon a Time"

played a variety of fast and slow tunes.

The traditional entertainment, a skit performed by members of the AZT sorority was a take-off on the "Wizard of Oz" story. Janis Roberts played the part of Dorothy, Val Hansen was Toto, Dorothy's dog. The scarecrow, in search of a brain, was portrayed by Terry Banks. Marge Giddner clad

in silver, was the Tin Man and the part of the cowardly lion was played by Gaye Tomazewski. Various other supporting roles were performed by AZT members and pledges.

Carolyn Fisher, chairman for Amo-te thought the evening of dancing and entertainment went "really well. It seemed like everybody has a good time."

**Warnaar, Kadler, and Weir  
are first recipients of Roberta  
Swanson medical scholarship**

Outstanding academic accomplishment and an intense desire to help others are traits of all three of the Alma College students who have been named the first recipients of Roberta B. Swanson Premedical Scholarships. They are S. Lee Warnaar of Flint, Marcia I. Kadler of Mt. Pleasant, and James R. Weir of Saginaw. Warnaar, a senior, received a \$1,000 scholarship. Miss Kadler and Weir, both juniors each were awarded a \$500 scholarship.

An endowment fund to provide at least two of the scholarships annually was established last year in memory of Mrs. Roberta B. Swanson, who died in October of 1975. Mrs. Swanson, the wife of Alma President Robert D. Swanson, had as a college student prepared for a possible career in medicine and at the time of her death was a trustee of Gratiot Community Hospital in Alma.

All of the scholarship recipients have had experience in health service activities, either through field placement programs at Alma College or through summer and part-time employment. Warnaar, for example, was at Hurley Medical Center in Flint during Alma's one-month Spring Term last April. His practicum, which was supervised by Flint nephrologist and internist Dr. Paul Schroeder, included work with other physicians in urology, nephrology, gastroenterology, cardiology, radiology, dermatology, and physical therapy.

Warnaar has also been involved in volunteer work at the Michigan Masonic Home in Alma and has worked at Wilcox Medical Center on the Alma Campus as a member of the center's liaison committee.

Miss Kadler served at Central Michigan Community Hospital in Mt. Pleasant as a candystriper member of a Medical Explorers Chapter, and volunteer in the Occupational Therapy Department. She has also been a nurses' aid



James R. Weir



S. Lee Warnaar

at Pleasant Manor Nursing Home in Mt. Pleasant.

During the past summer, Weir was an emergency room aide at Saginaw General Hospital, and at the present time he assists a physical therapist at Gratiot Community Hospital.

Warnaar, a 1973 graduate of Southwestern High School in Flint, is president of Beta, Beta, Beta, biology honor society at Alma, and is student coordinator of the Medical Center Liaison Committee. He is also a member of Michigan Scholars and of Phi Sigma Pi, a scholastic honor society.

Miss Kadler graduated from Mt. Pleasant High School in 1975 and at that time had already accumulated 13 credits through study at Central Michigan University. She is a member of the Provost's Advisory Committee at Alma, the

Health Services Committee, Student Council and Dorm Council. Before transferring to Alma in 1976, Weir had studied at Albion College and at Dr. Martin Luther College in New Ulm, Minn., and had also been a summer student at Delta College.

At Alma, he is a member of Phi Sigma Pi, scholastic honor society; Omicron Delta Kappa, national honorary society; Michigan Scholars, Chemistry Club, Union Board, and Dorm Council.



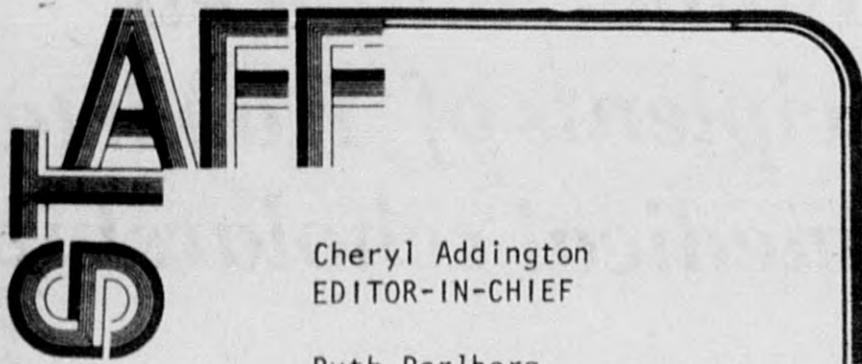
# opinion

## UB unfair, says Chamberlain

Two things that I would like to clear up: First of all, it was reported at last week's Student Council meeting that the ALMANIAN was going to overspend it's budget by \$2,000, which would have to be drawn from the contingency fund. This statement is erroneous -- the ALMANIAN will overspend it's Student Activities Budget by about \$2,000, as it has done every year, but this money will be taken out of our advertising revenues, and no money will be drawn from the contingency fund. This error was simply a mistake between myself and Lisa DeCamillo, chairman of SBFC, as to the meaning of the word "budget." In an attempt to gather information quickly in time to make a report to Council, the semantics of the matter got garbled up. Nothing shady, just spacey.

Secondly, there's the matter of Union Board. Judging from Mr. Kloos's irate letter to the editor, I can see that my editorial of last week was read in the wrong light. I did not write that editorial with the intent of badmouthing or accusing anyone of anything -- I just saw some things happening that I thought merited discussion. In talking with Jeff Weenink, President of Student Council this week, it was found that there are indeed some things wrong with the Union Board's legal screening process. The by-laws for Union Board were not updated along with the revision of the constitution in 1974, thus creating numerous discrepancies within the screening process. This is what I was attempting to bring out in my editorial -- nothing else.

*Cheryl Addington*



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Dear Editor,

In your column last week you brought up the question of how next year's Union Board selection was carried out. This letter is not written to put down or criticize next year's staff, but to make students aware of the "fairness" of this year's staff in choosing their replacements.

I went and filled in an application for a position on Union Board and handed it back to Greg Kloos, asking when the interviews were going to be held. He replied, "Probably sometime next week, you'll be notified." Bill Chapman called me up and asked me when I could make an interview and listed some times for me. Most of the times he asked me about I had a class except at 3 p.m. I mentioned to Bill that I had a class right before and I may be a few minutes late. When the day of my interview came up, my professor also decided to talk over and so I was fifteen minutes late. As I approached the Union one

member of the board said, "You're late, everyone's gone, you lose." I went to the Union and called Bill to see if I could arrange for another interview. He said he would try, but couldn't promise anything. The next word I heard was that next year's staff was already chosen and that this person was sorry and hoped I would still be supportive of the staff that was chosen.

I ask the Alma student body if they think this is a fair way of choosing a staff. In my mind, everyone should have had a chance to be interviewed. I didn't expect the Union Board staff to wait forever for me to show up, but at least I HOPED that I would have a chance for an interview.

I could understand if the Union Board staff members did not know who I was, but I have been active in Union Board events since I was a freshman. I have applied and been interviewed each year until this year which was my last attempt to get a chance to be on the staff of the organization I have

given many hours of time to support.

It is my opinion that Mr. Jeff Southern should not have given his final approval until he knew that everyone had a chance to be interviewed. I agree with you that this matter should be looked into by the students of Alma College because it is your money going into funding the Union Board's activities.

I also ask students to write to the Student Council calling for an investigation into this matter of the selection of staff for Union Board. I also feel that every student has the right to know that any matter within the student activities organization is not the way it should be. And I really think that when positions are opened, everyone who applies should be interviewed. If students agree with this, then I suggest writing a letter about it to the Student Council.

Respectfully,  
Russell Chamberlain

## UB defends staff selections

Dear Alma College Students,

In response to the editorial appearing in the February 7 ALMANIAN, we would like to submit the following statement. Below is a section of the Alma College Union Board Constitution of 1968:

"Membership on the Union Board shall be determined from applications submitted by interested students to the executive council of the Union Board."

Presently, Union Board is regarded as an administrative organization similar to the residence hall staff. Since we are hired by the Student Affairs office and salaried by the college, our method of selection is approved by that office. The student body funds the program, whereas in other organizations, where the staff is selected by other means, student money provides wages in addition to costs.

The 1977-78 Union Board staff was selected from 21 applications. Three applicants were ineligible because of academic deficiencies (a G.P.A. of 2.00 or greater is required), two applicants withdrew

after interviews. One applicant suffered from an administrative error and was not interviewed.

We know of no organization which will automatically grant a major campus position, such as U.B. president, to a sole applicant. Among other questions on the application we asked each applicant for which position he was applying and in which other positions he might be interested. Since we had a number of very good applicants, and we did not feel it was wise to go out and solicit applicants for president from people who had shown no prior interest in Union Board, we as a staff discussed the applicants we already had and hired one of them for that position.

Of the new staff members, five have had some prior connection to U.B., either as committee members or employees. Kevin Scott has served as a technical assistant for this year's staff. Steve Wylie and Lynne Thorpe have both worked closely with major events (e. g. Homecoming, Alma Tea Party) and the films program.

Rod Mast has been one of the Board's projectionists. Peter Zours has been associated with Scot Whitford's film committee. All eight staff members, when interviewed, exhibited an acute awareness of Union Board's program and offered very constructive criticism. We feel that if anything, our selections prove that Union Board is attempting to bring in new blood and new ideas to enhance our program.

In response to the following two quotes from the above mentioned editorial - "These questions are not posed as a degradation or a threat to this or next year's staff, . . . The result of this entire fiasco of procedure is a 77-78 Union Board staff that could be potentially be ineffectual" - we believe the ALMANIAN owes both staffs an apology.

The Union Board welcomes constructive criticism and hopes that students will not hesitate in coming forth with their ideas and suggestions.

Tyler Union Board Staff

## Gelstonites aren't laughing

Dear Editor:

Last Thursday, 2-10-77, each resident of 2nd West Gelston received a billing from the Business Office for the sum of \$5.87.

The specified charges were for one broken window at the end of the corridor, and "at least five broken lights."

It appears that the billing was for alleged services received Nov. 19 of last year. The itemized sheet shows that 8 hours were spent replacing 5 lights, (fluorescent bulbs and plastic covers only) at an av-

erage cost of \$26.00 per light, labor excluded. And now they don't even turn them on!

That labor charge struck me as odd, since each of us has already paid for that labor via tuition and/or housing fees. Paying it twice just seemed a little extravagant.

Mark Wangberg, Head Resident of Gelston, explained that since no one knew who had caused the damage, and since evidently someone had to be billed for it, 2nd West would pick up the tab.

Well, 2nd West is NOT going to

pick up the tab. We paid our housing fees once, understanding that the fee was for our rooms--we did not, however, discover until too late that living in them costs EXTRA.

Students at Alma College are known to joke about the maintenance and repair services we get around here, but 2nd West Gelston is not laughing.

Respectfully submitted,  
With a straight face -  
Brian Stork  
223 Gelston

## Pinball fantasies are aired

Dear Editor:

People, I welcome you all to Fantasyland. Here your imagination can run wild with anticipation beyond your wildest dreams. Are you ready boys and girls; we are about to enter the wild, lustful and totally captivating world of the Alma College Pinball Palace. You can sense the excitement in the air as you approach these captivating and provocative metal and wire machines. the 13th wonder of the world.

Okay boys and girls, all you have to do is put a quarter in and we're off. Okay, pull this lever. push that button, watch the lights turn on and the points pile up.

Now kiddies, calm down, you'll all get the opportunity to play. Boy, isn't this a great way to spend a night? I think I'll ask an Alma College woman out next week and we'll play pinball. Let me count the ways! Boy oh boy, the lady of my fancy will beckon when I call just to have a chance to play pinball. We'll go all out ---make it a once in a lifetime experience---I think I'll ask her two weeks in advance. Oh, I know she'll jump at the chance. I'll bring her roses and some wine, now I ask you what could be more divine?

I think that I will form a new service fraternity. It's sure to

have many members. The initials will be HBBSA which of course stand for High Boots and Bullshit Sholvers Anonymous and we'll all carry little shovels around on our belts. I'd like to close with a little poem I thought of when fantasizing about the pinball palace.

Oh boys and girls,  
I can see it now,  
Watch their eyes light up  
As they play with the plastic knobs  
And send them off  
in orgasmic quivers.

Bob Olsen

# A human tragedy: the death of a friend

The story that follows is a tragedy. It is a tragedy not merely because it is true, but because it is a story that is repeated over and over again, day after day

across the entire nation. Criticism of the welfare system in this country is hardly new, yet the criticism that we most often hear is that it is too easy for ineligible persons to take advantage of a poorly managed and overly expensive system. This is not to say that such criticism is unfounded, but to point out that there

is another side to the story. It is all too easy for many of us to think of the millions of people that fill our welfare rolls as merely numbers on a graph or as a bunch of freeloaders taking a free ride on our already overburdened tax structure. Instead, what we find, for the most part, are human beings that life and our society have not

dealt kindly with. They are frightened people and they are proud people and they live in the most affluent country on earth and yet every day of their lives is spent struggling, not for success of affluence, but for survival. God only knows how many Rays there are that die alone in cold, uninhabitable dumps that somehow escape condemnation. Perhaps

hundreds or even thousands a day. What we must never lose sight of is the face that these people are human beings as such are just as susceptible to pain and suffering as any one of us.

Ray died early Monday morning, January 31, 1977. He was 46 years old and a bachelor. Ray's full name was Ray J. Neilsen. He lived in Alma, Michigan, and was a client of the Gratiot County Department of Social Services. He attended the Alma Family Clinic, though he had no regular physician. Physician attending at death unknown.

My friend, Ray, died last night. He was no great leader, no great personality, and by the standards that such things are judged, he made no great contribution to humanity. He was a little man like so many little men that spend their lives groping for a little dignity and end up in an obscure grave wearing the only decent suit they've ever owned. Instead of eulogies, the most that is said is "Well, he's better off." Ray is not better off. He is dead.

Life was never easy for Ray. At the age of 12, when most boys are busy playing at the things that boys do, Ray was setting pins in a Grand Rapids bowling alley for 10¢ a line to help support his mother. His father had died when Ray was still an infant, and the subsequent moving around of his family never permitted him to attain more than a second grade education. This lack of education bothered Ray a great deal. On the dozens of job applications that he filed and never heard of again he would always fill in the blank labeled "education" with "grade 6 completed." Ray was embarrassed about his lack of education, but he could read and write a little and this was something in which he took great pride.

He was able to read well enough to spend lonely hours reading the stories that filled his dog-eared old Bible, and he read well enough to attain an understanding of those teachings that many who claim a strong adherence to the Christian faith seem to overlook. He learned and believed that no matter how little he had it was to be shared with those that were even less fortunate than himself. I have seen him spend several weeks pay to buy a second-hand sofa and within a week give it away because "those folks got a little baby and they didn't have no bed for the little fellow and I just couldn't stand the thought of him having to sleep on the floor." I have also seen him go without things that he needed because he'd

spent his money on milk for the baby that slept on his sofa in the dingy apartment below his own.

There are some ridiculous values by which this society of our judges the worth of a man. Fame, fortune, and prestige are held to be the balance weights against which that mystical and

elusive quality "success" is weighed. By this measure, Ray was indeed a little man, for he left this world with very little more than he had when he entered it. How sad it is that we tend to judge a man by the goods that he has acquired or by the influence that he wields, because to do so is to judge by a standard that is false. The true indication of the worth of a man should be found in such things as compassion, concern for others, honesty, and friendship and if this is so, then my friend Ray was a giant of a man, for he possessed all of these qualities in abundance.

The fact that Ray died alone in his dark, cold room with the four dollars that he owned in his pocket is in itself a tragedy, but it is a tragedy that is compounded by other circumstances. Ray knew that his heart was bad. So did the people at Social Services that had him working a road crew to pay his rent. So did the doctors at the clinic he attended. So did the people with the company that provided the medical insurance that paid for the medication that he needed to sustain his life. Yet when he was no longer able to afford his medicine, none of these people made it clear to Ray that he was eligible to have it bought for him by the state. To be sure, that information was provided on one of the many forms that Ray was handed by these groups, but

to a man with second-grade capabilities, the legalese of these forms could just as well have been Greek. In the end, it was a combination of work that was too heavy for a man with a bad heart, no medication, and a proud,

"I have to work for what they give me" attitude that proved fatal to my friend.

It is a sad commentary on this society of ours--a society founded on the humanistic principle of equality for all--that a man that wants to work and make his own way ends up with nothing. Not even his life. To the minister of the church that Ray attended, it went even beyond this life, for as I composed my remarks for Ray's funeral he insisted that I make no mention of afterlife concerning Ray because "people like that" (those not of the so-called "Family of Christ," i.e., the Church) are not so entitled. For Ray, his goal in this life was simply the dignity that comes from earning one's own way, a dignity that he was denied to the end. Beyond the tragedy of the life and death of my friend Ray lies the depravity of the seven-headed demon of bureaucracy that devours such little people by forcing them to surrender what little dignity they have merely so they can survive. For

Ray, even survival was ultimately denied.

When I first heard the news of my friend's death and the circumstances involved, my immediate response was to call for the prosecution of whomever was at fault. I soon came to realize, however, that it is not that easy, for it is each and every one of us that is at fault. It is you and I that have allowed this system of ours to grow into a monster that can kill and not even produce a pang of conscience. It is you and I that stand by in the face of such a tragedy as this and merely shrug and say among ourselves, "Well, he's better off." Perhaps Ray is better off. And perhaps as I stand alone at the simple grave of a simple man, it is not only for a fallen friend that I weep, but for what the rest of us have become.

Phil Ropp  
315 Elizabeth St.  
Alma, Michigan 48801

## "Orgy" article is criticized

Dear Editor,

Concerning last week's article by Ms. Susette Balogh on the suspension of three college students: you shouldn't put her articles on the front page unless she can improve her style of writing. A

good reporter gets both sides of the story and doesn't stick to just one informer. If you have to bring people's personals into the paper, you might as well get the story straight.

An observer who saw,  
Lyne Karinen

## Article biased says Sandlin

To the Editor:

On February 7, 1977, an article was printed in the Almanian entitled, "Orgy ends in student suspension" by Ms. Susette Balogh.

I feel a need to comment upon this article. It is written with a totally biased attitude. Only one side has been presented. Where did Ms. Balogh attain her

information? Were Mr. Fabian, Mr. Hughes, and Mr. Bishop contacted to give their side of the story?

Let's be fair. I think that this article never should have been printed without representing the side of the three suspended young men.  
Thank you,  
Amy Sandlin

## SIGMA BETA presents the FACULTY AUCTION

Fri., Feb. 18th

7:00 p.m. Dow Aud.

Edison, Hutchison, Buchanen, Beaumont, Behring Progressive Dinner

Champagne Breakfast, Dave Campbell

Banana Bread, Bruce Dickey

Kapp, Edgar, Sullivan Progressive Dinner

Chop Suey Dinner, Van Edgerton

Handmade Cheese Board, Empoliti

Dinner with Dr. Eyer

Picnic with the Frakers

Cooking Lessons with Dr. J. H. Gibson

6 Gallon Crock, Ball Jar, Insulator, Guile Graham

Pizza Dinner, Earl Hayward

Dinner at the Harvest Table with Frank Jackson

Case of Michelob and a Bag of Pretzels

2 Garden Plots, Dr. Kapp

Wine Tasting with the Kapps

German Dinner with Dr. Steve Meyer

Office Chair, Louanne Norwood

One Day Ski Trip with Dr. Rohrer

Bridge Lessons with Charley Skinner

Steak Dinner with Dr. (Physics is Phun) Toller

6 ft. Submarine Sandwich, Dr. Vogan

Canoe Trip with Dr. Wilson and Dr. Wittle

5 lbs. of Fudge, Dr. Yavenditti

Piano, AZT

Handmade Quilt, GSS

American Cuisine Dinner with Dr. Stack

One small size Bulky Knit Sweater, slightly used, Dr. Pattison

Roast Beef Dinner for four, Dr. Pattison

One dozen Daffodils from Friar Doc's Garden

Kayak Lesson, Dr. Beagley

Portrait Sitting, Gordon Beld



3 African Lapas Tie Dies, Jim Muller

Scotch on the Rocks, London Broil Dinner, Dr. Russell

Term Paper Typed, 15 page max., Dr. Robert Smith

Cake of your Choice, Alpha Theta

Alpha Theta Surprise Package

Complete Italian dinner for 2 delivered anywhere in Alma, Lisa DiCamilo

French Dinner, Karen Sanderson

Pecan Pie, Lynda Markham

Piano, Sigma Beta

Minolta 16 II Camera

8 MM Movie Projector

3 qts of Hot Garlic Dill Pickles

Pancake Dinner with Chef Curlie (Pres. Swanson)

Use of a Tent Trailer for a weekend, Dr. Bechill

Handmade Patchwork Quilt, TKE Little Sisters

One Pair of Shoes, Cliff Chaffee

Italian Dinner with Dr. Agria

2 Shaker Step Stools, handmade, Dykstra

Macrame Project, Jeane Gibson

Print, Kent Kirby

Textile or Print, Ed Jacomo

Bloody Mary Breakfast, Western Style with Dr. Luke

Dinner at the Embers with the Marbles

Print, Rosemary Powelson

Spaghetti Dinner with Tom Schumm

A pair of antique overalls, Tom Schumm

All proceeds go towards the African Fellowship Program

# Monteith Library Corner



## Valentine's Day holds significance for others, too

"Happy Auxentius' Day"... or "Valentine's Day", depending on which saint's birthday you wish to celebrate on February 14. If there are those who celebrate St. Auxentius' (the hermit from Bithynia) Day, then we can't slight those who remember St. Conran (bishop of Orkney), St. Abraames (bishop of Carrers), St. Maro (abbot in Syria) - or, with all due respect for the unsaintly, too - James Cook (the Pacific explorer). Each of these was also born on February 14.

I'll grant you, there's probably more to be said for St. Valentine's Day, or rather "Eve", when St. V. mysteriously knocks and deposits his gifts - than for the others born on the 14th. A tightly filled 2 1/2 pages in the classic BOOK OF DAYS (Ref DA 110 .C355) fills us in on the historical development of this romantic fete.

Speaking of history, what else happened on February 14?

The BOOK OF DAYS gives us names of other bright lights who were

either born or who died on that day. The fascinating collection of FAMOUS FIRST FACTS (Ref AG 5 .K315) tells us that, among other things, the "Galena," the first iron-clad warship for service at sea, was launched on Valentine's/Auxentius' Day in 1862. (NOTE: the Monitor, launched 15 days earlier, was technically NOT a sea-going, iron-clad, but merely a floating battery for harbor defense).

Last year on Valentine's Day, it was thought that a major step had been taken in concluding civil hostilities in Lebanon. On that day, Lebanese President Franjeh announced that his cabinet had approved a series of reforms aimed at giving Lebanon's Moslems a greater share in government. Promising as that 17-point program was, FACTS ON FILE (Ref D 410 .F3) makes it all too clear in that February issue, and each week throughout the year, that peace was NOT at hand.

Morris' ENCYCLOPEDIA OF AMERICAN HISTORY (Ref E 174.5 .M847) and Linton's BICENTENNIAL ALMANAC unabashedly share some of the Auxentius' Day events in our nation's history: the St. Valentine's Day Massacre in Chicago (1929); the allies reaching the Rhine River in their final push against Germany in 1945; Oregon becoming the 33rd state in 1959.

It probably didn't raise many eyebrows then (and won't now either, for that matter), but in Washington, D.C. on February 14, 1797, Mr. William Smith, congressman from South Carolina, rose to introduce a resolution prohibiting the export of this country's "large ship-timber", thinking we would need it for our own navy and that it might be used at our expense by foreign nations. On that very day off Cape St. Vincent (Portugal) the United States' past and continued non-friend, Great Britain, was using her large "shp-timbered" fleet to defeat the Spanish fleet.

Did Mr. Smith have a trans-Atlantic communication line 61 years and five months (FAMOUS FIRST FACTS) before the rest of the world knew about it? Or, was some of his education/training in ESP or the spiritual world? Call it coincidence, if you like, but the dates are there in CHRONOLOGY OF THE MODERN WORLD (Ref D 11.5 .W5 1967) and the ANNALS OF CONGRESS (J 11 .A5), predecessor of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD.

# menu

Thursday, February 17  
Breakfast  
Griddle cakes  
Scrambled & baked shirred eggs

Lunch  
Beef noodle soup  
BLT sandwich  
Baked beans & Ground beef casserole  
Julienne Salad bowl

Dinner  
Bean soup  
Grilled chopped steak  
Sweet and sour pork  
Cheese & brown rice casserole.

Friday, February 18  
Breakfast  
French toast  
Scrambled & cooked eggs  
Bacon

Lunch  
Vegetable soup  
Pizza  
Meat roll-up salad plate  
Julienne salad bowl

Dinner  
Beef noodle soup  
Baked ham  
Chicken pot pie  
Blueberry pancakes

Saturday, February 19  
Breakfast  
Apple pancakes  
Poached eggs

Lunch  
Split pea soup  
Grilled salami & cheese sandwich  
Ravioli casserole  
Julienne salad bowl

Dinner  
Vegetable soup  
Top butt steak  
Seafood platter  
Cheeseburgers

Sunday, February 20  
Banana fritters-hot syrups  
Fried eggs

Lunch:  
Roast loin pork/dressing  
Gravy-hot applesauce  
Beef ragout-burgundy

Dinner  
Grilled hot dog on bun  
Chinese chicken casserole  
Cheese fondue

Monday, February 21  
Breakfast  
Waffles-hot syrup  
Scrambled and baked eggs

Lunch  
Chicken noodle soup  
Bologna and cheese sandwich  
Chili fritos  
Sherbet fruit plate

Dinner  
Breaded veal patty/mushroom sauce  
Turkey divan  
Polish sausage/sauerkraut

Tuesday, February 22,  
Breakfast  
Griddle cakes-hot syrup  
Scrambled and fried eggs  
Link sausage

Lunch  
French onion soup  
Hamburger hero  
Beef chop suey-Chinese noodles  
Julienne salad bowl

Dinner  
Chicken noodle soup  
Southern fried chicken  
Baked lasagne  
Potato pancakes-sour cream

Wednesday, February 23  
Breakfast  
French toast  
Scrambled and cooked eggs

Dinner  
French onion soup  
Roast beef/gravy  
Breaded perch  
Stuffed pepper/tomato sauce

Lunch  
Canadian cheese soup  
Hamburger on bun  
Savory beef casserole  
Julienne salad bowl



## Alma well represented in Forensics and Debate

Alma debaters travelled to Marietta, Ohio the weekend of February 4th through 6th. Participating in the large mid-west forensic tournament were Mark Miser on prose interpretation and Dave Wallace in extemporaneous speaking.

Representing Alma in the debate events were Gary Peters, Marty Hill, Mike Altman and Don Whitney.

Altman and Whitney, competing in the division for first and second year debaters, qualified for quarter final eliminations. They lost the quarter final round to top seeded Wright State (of Dayton, Ohio).

Mike Altman (left) and Don Whitney (right) receive trophy for outstanding debating.



Tyler Union Board Presents

# Rosehip String Band

In Concert

Friday, February 18

Tyler Auditorium 8:30 p.m.

# Alcohol policy revision awaits approval

BY SUSETTE BALOGH

Revision of the Alma College Alcohol Policy is awaiting approval by Mr. Jeff Southern, Director of Student Affairs, and the administration. On January 21, 1977, the Student Life Committee voted in favor of their recommendations.

The recommendations of the Student Life Committee took approximately three months to produce. They obtained input from residence hall councils, the resident hall staffs, fraternities, and small housing.

The changes in the old policy included in that of the Student Life Committee are as follows. The old policy precees the new policy and the capitalized portions are revisions.

Although the responsible use of alcohol in accordance with these regulations is permitted, behavior that infringes on any student's right

to privacy, to study, and to rest will not be excused or mitigated because it resulted from the improper use of alcohol and will be considered a violation of this policy.

Although the responsible use of alcohol in accordance with these regulations is permitted, behavior that infringes on any student's right to privacy, to study, and to rest will not be excused because it resulted from the improper use of alcohol and will be considered a violation of this policy WHETHER THE CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL TOOK PLACE ON OR OFF OF THE COLLEGE CAMPUS.

Alcoholic beverages are prohibited from the College grounds and all buildings save the residence hall rooms and the Tyler Union when an authorized event is held. This prohibition applies to all persons at all times.

Alcoholic beverages are prohibited from the College grounds, BAHKE STADIUM, and all buildings save the RESIDENCE HALLS and the Tyler Campus Center AND THE DINING COMMONS when an authorized licensed or special event is held. This prohibition applies to all persons at all times. 9 SPECIFIC PROVISIONS FOR SPECIAL EVENTS IN APPENDIX A.O.

Alcoholic beverages may be consumed only within the individual room units. Consumption in lounges, hallways, staircases, study rooms, recreation areas, vestibules, meeting rooms, or other common areas is not permitted.

Alcoholic beverages may be consumed only within the individual student rooms AND WITHIN DESIGNATED RECREATION AREAS DURING AUTHORIZED SPECIAL

EVENTS. (SPECIFIC PROVISIONS IN APPENDIX B.)

Discreet consumption of alcoholic beverages may take place only behind the closed door of the student's room.

The student's consumption of alcoholic beverages MAY take place only in the student's room.

Open containers (bottles, cans, cups, glasses) are not permitted outside of the individual room unit.

Open containers (bottles, cans, cups, glasses) are permitted outside of the individual room unit AS A STUDENT PASSES FROM ONE ROOM TO ANOTHER, PROVIDED THAT NO CONGREGATION IN THE HALL OCCURS.

Any container requiring the use of a "tap system" will not be permitted within the residence facilities.

Any container requiring the use

of a "tap system" will not be permitted within the residence facilities (INCLUDING FRATERNITY HOUSES AND SMALL HOUSING UNITS) UNLESS A WRITTEN REQUEST FOR ITS USE IS APPROVED BY THE DIRECTOR OF STUDENT AFFAIRS.

Beer may be served and consumed in Tyler Center only at all-campus events.

ALCOHOL may be served and consumed in Tyler Center only at all-campus AND SPECIAL EVENTS. (APPROVED BY THE DIRECTOR OF STUDENT AFFAIRS.)

DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES REGARDING INFRACTIONS OF THE ALCOHOL POLICY WILL BE DEALT WITH IN THE SAME MANNER AS VIOLATIONS OF OTHER COLLEGE POLICIES AS DESCRIBED IN THE ALMA COLLEGE CATALOGUE.

## Policies regarding nonlicensed events

1. A written request of the same form as that prescribed in Appendix B must be submitted to the Director of Student Affairs.
2. A non-licensed event will be charged and no beverages (i.e., soda pop, alcohol, juices, tonic water) or anything that can be used as an alcohol mixer will be sold at non-licensed events.
3. An officer from the sponsoring group(s) must be present and will be responsible for the conduct of those attending the event and any destruction that may result therefrom.
4. All non-licensed events must end by twelve midnight.
5. Non-licensed events may be requested to be held in the dining commons, Tyler Campus Center or a residence hall recreation area.

### POLICIES REGARDING SPECIAL EVENTS IN RESIDENCE HALLS

1. Each living unit may designate a recreation area to be used for special events at which alcohol will be consumed.
2. Requests for the use of this area for special events must be made in writing by the sponsoring group (i.e., floor, corridor, dorm council) to the Head Resident of the living unit at least one (1) week prior to the proposed date of the event.
  - a. The request must be submitted in writing stating date, time, sponsoring group, nature of the event, estimated number of people to attend, type and amount of alcoholic beverages to be served, number and names of event supervisors, and number and names of those responsible for cleanup.
  - b. All special events must end by twelve midnight.
  - c. No admission will be charged for special events and no beverages (i.e., soda pop, alcohol, juices, tonic water) or anything which can be used as an alcohol mixer will be sold during the special event.
  - d. The event supervisor(s) will be responsible for the conduct of those attending the event and any destruction that may result therefrom.

Upon approval by the Head Resident, the request will be submitted to the Director of Student Affairs for final approval. The sponsoring group will be notified of the request's approval or denial at least two (2) days prior to the proposed event date.

Patti Saxton, Chairman of the Student Life Committee, says, "I think the majority of the policy will be approved. I would hope that the student body would support the policy and let the administration know in which ways they do or do not support it. The revisions are not interrelated in it, there isn't any sense in changing it at all."

The new policy, including the revisions, can be approved as it stands, or returned with recommendations for change. The new policy does not have to go to the Board of Trustees for approval, according to Saxton. She says, "It could be instituted immediately upon approval."

If anyone wishes to read a complete policy, any member of the Student Life Committee has one in possession.

## Gehrig to speak next Sunday

Dr. Clyde Gehrig, associate professor of sociology at Alma College will be the Chapel speaker Sunday, February 20, at 11 a.m. Dr. Gehrig is a graduate of the University of Nebraska, received his Masters of Divinity from Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, his M.S.W. from Loyola University, and his Ph.D. from Michigan State University.

Also participating in the service next Sunday will be the 65-voice Loy Norrix High School Choir from Kalamazoo. The director of the choir is Mr. Tom Kasdorf.

The choir has been invited four different years to take part in the Young Artists Concert of the Bach festival in Kalamazoo. It has been the only high school choir selected to participate in the festival.

## Kiltie band goes on tour

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performances as they become more routine. Besides the great amount of practice they get, the stimulation of sometimes having audiences close to 3,000, and of playing in places like the Ford Auditorium in Detroit is far greater than a concert in Tyler Auditorium.

A second reason for the tour is public relations for Alma College. While the band tours, Alma College is being promoted. People not only talk about the band program, but also about the academic aspect of the school—the Career Preparation Program, etc.

A third reason for the tour is simply for an educational experience. The people on the tour will be seeing many different parts of the country, meeting and working with many new people, and perhaps will have to cope with problems encountered while travelling with the group.

The annual band tour involves a great deal of planning, cooperation, and work. According to Dr. Bowman and the students involved, it is a very worthwhile experience.

# greeks

## Alpha Zeta Tau

Now that Ruth and Amo Te are over, the AZTs can relax and get to know their 38 new pledges. This great group includes Cindy Rucker, Cindy Hameister, Shirley Dennis, Nancy Benson, Cindy Wells, Jan Swinehart, Karel Tess, Bev Erikson, Hillary Barrera, Joey Barbour, Julie Hogan, Beth Hill, Leesa Berges, Lori Goldsmith, Linda Juracek, Denise Budzinski, Jean Anderson, Dianne Schultz Sue Sabo, Sara Nelson, Cassie Prussner, Robin Hixenbaugh, Lynne Jones, Kathy Kirsch, Lucy Best, Betsy Falvey, Kathy Jones, Sue gooch, Kathi Higgins, Karen Hamilton, Peggy Rushman, Sally Krupp, Jeanne Mutchler, Sully Mars, Lynn Streib, Becky Gnatuk, Paula

Pacholke, and Ruth Olsen. (This is the group to look for passing out kisses for 25¢ on Valentine's Day.)

We'd also like to congratulate our brothers of Delta Gamma Tau on their great new pledge class of 21. We're anxiously awaiting our pledge exchange day, guys.

We hope everyone had a good time at Amo Te and enjoyed the entertainment as much as we enjoyed putting it on for you. Thanks go to Fish for the great job.

Congratulations are in order to some of our sisters on their recent engagements. Congrats to P.J. Heck, Tammy Pirochta and Dawn Leaman. Best of luck to you, girls.

## Free star presentation!

BY MICHELLE CURRIE

Have you ever glanced up at the stars over Alma and wondered what mythological story lies behind the mystical constellations? Ron Frenette would like to satisfy your wonder with a student planetarium presentation he has constructed. This exciting learning experience, entitled "The Stars of February", will be a "freebie" to all students. It will be shown in Alma's planetarium in Dow Science Building.

The planetarium is the round-shaped room directly to the left of Dow's south entrance.

Ron, a biology major who studies astronomy as a hobby, will give attending students a glimpse of winter constellations and other objects in the sky, with mythological background on the most prominent constellations.

Don't miss Ron Frenette's "The stars of February", Thursday, February 17, at 7:00 p.m.

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 Valentine's Day  
 Wine

## Is Music Student's Area For Status Symbols?

By Steve Clark

I doubt whether anyone who resides here on campus would deny the importance music holds to the average college student. While walking around a few of the dorms recently, it occurred to me that there is probably only one sound which may remain foreign to student's ears: silence. This at first seemed curious to me, especially since the recent TV survey revealed such a lack of dependence on the "idiot box". What exactly is the position of music to the average student, I wondered as a bit of Boston rift slipped through my wall.

Right away I realized that music can act as a great representative of the status of the student's listening, especially if he or she chooses the right equipment to listen to. In our basically anti-materialistic culture, music affords one of the few areas left where one may still show off wealth. I mean, if your idea of music is listening to WHNN on your alarm clock radio, you may as well hang it up. "Component" systems from J.C. (is that Carter) Penneys rate only slightly higher. Since some people obviously need help, I decided to outline some general rules to help turn the naive neophyte into a genuine (broke) stereo aficionado.

To really show CLASS you need one basic starter item: lots of cash. The important rule to recognize before you start to buy is that you must not buy any two pieces of equipment from the same manufacturer - otherwise someone might think you got a good deal on the set.

First off, you need a super-expensive receiver to function as an amp. If you know nothing about amps, so much the better. You simply buy the most expensive one you can find with the most dials, switches, and lights. A good name is important, too, like a Marantz 12,000xrz thunderbucker or a Sansui HI shickicker.

Next, you need a turntable. The key to a good turntable is in its funny looking tone arm. The more bends it has, the better it is. If you overspent on the receiver, don't worry. Buy a \$40 Sears stereo and bend the tone arm yourself. Then steal the nameplate off your neighbors Garrard and glue it over the Sears. Don't worry about sound, when you're done you'll have spent so much on equipment that you won't have any money left for the records anyway, and you'll probably end up listening to WHNN on your alarm clock radio again.

Finally, your speakers. These are perhaps the simplest items to choose. One simple rule prevails here. The bigger the speakers are, the better they are. The strange thing you may have noticed is that these big speakers are never used. Basically, this is to show that the owner has reached the ultimate in Class--his(or her) \$400 speakers are replaced by a \$120 set of headphones.

Actually, these headphones are the most important item in the entire set, for one reason. Simply by slipping these over your head, you can hear that one blessed sound: SILENCE.

## Horoscope

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Patience and understanding will be required of you during Valentine's Day as the only valentine the stars predict you'll receive is one asking how come you smell so awful.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** Fine Mercury influences will benefit you tomorrow. Fields you could excel in are crocheting, the dirty joke of the week, pimping a friend, and Bahlke.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Be powerful and aggressive. Relying on your own judgement will be best for fruitful gains. Aries persons should avoid student organizations or staffs though, or numerous problems could arise.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Don't let heavy work load force you from a hobby you enjoy. Even college students need time to relax and pick their nose if they want.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Position of Mars is to your advantage and encourages more of grit and ingenuity that won laurels for you in the past. Tomorrow is a good day for revenge in sports and

beating the pants off a jerk who thinks of himself as Super Jock. **CANCER (June 21-July 22):** The Sigma Beta Faculty Auction could be a very fortunate event for you. Buying a dinner with your favorite prof could turn into more than you bargained for.

**LEO (July 23-Aug.22):** Mixed planetary influences could screw up your next 3 days. Expect terrible performances in classes and the kind of humiliation you detest the most will occur to you tomorrow night. Hibernation with a 12-pack could be called for if you don't have a lucky rabbit's foot to help you out during these rough times.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept.22):** Solar eruptions will play havoc on your coordination and concentration tomorrow. Let friends help you through difficult maneuvers like preparing small cheat sheets or rolling tomorrow night's entertainment.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Be careful this week in your activities in bars or your drinking habits will become as well known on campus as Billy Carter's are nationally.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** The fine mind you were endowed with will be at its best tomorrow. This is a good opportunity to write home asking for the family car to travel to Florida for winter recess to pursue "scholastic endeavors".

**SAGITARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Lunar aspects suggest a return to the natural, good life women and men were supposed to enjoy. Follow your instincts and skip a Saga dinner to eat a wholesome meal at a restaurant.

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# Campus Calendar

# Pattison comments on love in literature

BY DR. EUGENE PATTISON

Lacy heart-shaped cards and soft warm, glowing love stories are one of the styles of St. Valentine's Day--but only one among many that tell of love and life and courtship and marriage. Actually, the day originally had little to do with love; it is named for two third-century Roman Christian martyrs.

It probably did not start being a celebration of courtship and love until the fourteenth century.

And the lace-edged cards and stories of young love and long happiness did not really come into their own until the Victorian age, a romantic or post-romantic time of warm sentiments intensely expressed, a time of a double standard of morality for men and women and real striving to keep love before sex, to fall in love often without falling into sex.

We in the Western world, in the Midwest, at Alma, could take something of value from that age.

Love, romance, courtship, intense feelings and delicate sentiments abound almost wherever we turn in Western literature, as any senior who remembers "Legendary Lovers," a freshman seminar of 1973, can tell you.

But love stories are not always the deeply moving, tearing sadness of "Tristan and Iseult," or the sad tale of consumptive "Camille" or her twentieth century "daughter," who succumbs more cleanly to leukemia in Erich Segal's LOVE STORY. They are not always happy stories of couples who "lived happily ever after" in a glow of "knight in shining armor winning the fair damsel" rhetoric or narrative.

Our laughter over some such stories says we already know that at Alma. Life at Alma College, and life as acted out for us in literature is full of unexamined possibilities that carry us far beyond the customs of courtly, romantic love.

An evening spent in Tyler shows us the good-natured banter, the teasing and sparring that tells us people care; that is a diffident or relaxed or shy supplement to the risks of an intensely romantic

"baring of passionate feelings." We do not "wear our hearts upon our sleeves" any more, either in love or ambition; we can begin to try to live with the possibility of a more relaxed, less frantic kind of dating and courtship.

Yes, life should continue to have some of the honest teasing adventure of Tom Sawyer and Becky Thatcher. And life needs a frank conversation about everyday things; it needs the genuine possibilities of George Gibbs' and Emily Webb's courtship in late playwright Thornton Niven Wilder's "OUR TOWN." Emily matter-of-factly approached George and said that she must "tell the truth and shame the devil"--not about scandal but about George's ordinary, everyday conceit and lack of consideration for others--and George appreciates being told that by a friend. That is a story of the beginning of a beautiful love affair. And why shouldn't Valentine's Day be that, a day for consideration, a day for saying nice things to people, a day to knock off on the "buzz off, buddy" approach, one more day when the customs allow you to send a card to someone you secretly admire, to say "I like you, and I'd really like it if you liked me."

There is a tender touch in John Updike's prizewinning novel, THE CENTAUR (1964). It takes place at an Olinger (Oh, linger!) High School basketball game. Out in the halls at half-time of a particularly exciting game, the high school science teacher's son, Peter Caldwell, is talking with his girl Penny, tentatively testing the limits of his first advances. But, in the intense vision and excitement of a close game--in the competitive struggles where Peter watches the principal closely, worried that his father's job is on the line--at a moment when Peter could take advantage of Penny's sympathy over his psoriasis, in order to exploit her, he decides not to. He may yet do so, in later life, and there are many novels full of "bedroom technology" to say, fictionally, that this happens. But Peter Caldwell's kind of love story can teach us as much as that bedroom technology or the tear-jerking sad sentiments of great passions.

There is a vision of what such passions often come to in--wouldn't you guess?--a novel by realist W. D. Howells, APRIL HOPES. Its hero and heroine are a truly romantic pair of lovers; beautiful Alice Pasmer, dutiful, religious, perfect Alice--and easy-going, handsome Harvard country boy Dan Mevering, who is pleasant with everyone and wants everyone to like him. The courtship develops as courtships do, with the usual flurry of gossip and speculation and tacit understanding by all around them. But there are snags. Many times they break the engagement--usually over some easygoing forgetfulness of Dan's. Dan is constantly bothering his friend Boardman with his flights of romantic idealism or his "utter, tragic woe" every time Alice spurns him.

But they finally manage to make it to the altar, Alice promising to be good and kind and understanding, asking Dan to be frank and open; Dan promising to be so. "If he had been different," the storyteller says, "she would not have asked him, to be frank and open. This was the beginning of their married life." Ironically, the realist leaves us wondering whether this marriage, born in a atmosphere of society romance and gossip, in a series of romantic expectations and idealistic emotions, delusions about "the one and only," can long endure.

Apparently there needs to be a balance between passion and practicality, between seriousness and curative humour, between sex and love. The range of our books has these possibilities, too, on this most romantic of days.



MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14		
7:00	Faculty Meeting	AC113
7:00	Women's Swimming	Albion
8:00	Guest Recital: Gloria Doubleday	Chapel
8:00	"Roots" (Part III)	AC 315
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15		
	Eastman Quartet Residency	
8:00	"Roots" (Part IV)	AC 315
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16		
	Interviews on Campus: Montgomery Ward	
4:00	Women's Swimming	Calvin
7:30	Swimming	Calvin
8:00	"Roots" (Part V)	AC 315
10:00	"King Kong"	Tyler
8:00	Eastman Quartet Concert	Chapel
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17		
10:00 to noon	Conversations with Robert Bly	AC 110
6:30	Women's Swimming	Here
8:00	Poetry Reading/ Robert Bly	Chapel
8:00	"Roots" (Part VI)	AC 315
8:00	Jean-Luc Ponty Concert (Tickets \$5 at U.C. Ticket Office)	C.M.U. Warriner
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18		
Mid-Term!!! Last day to withdraw from a class without recording to permanent record.		
Interviews on Campus: Dow Chemical, Oneida Schools (New York)		
9:00	Women's Basketball/ WMIAA Tournament	
6:45 & 9:00	Dow Flick: Day of the Dolphin	Dow 100
	Wrestling/Wheaton College Tournament	
7:00	IVFC	Hamilton
7:30	Sigma Beta Faculty Auction	Dow Aud.
8:30	Rosehip String Band	Tyler
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19		
	Ski Association Ski Trip	
2:00	Swimming	Kalamazoo
3:00	Basketball/Albion	Here
8:00	Dow Flick	Dow Aud.
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 20		
9:15	Catholic Mass	Chapel
11:00	Chapel Service	Chapel
2:00	Kiltie Band Winter Concert	Tyler
4:00	ACapella Choir Concert	Chapel
8:00	Dow Flick	Dow Aud.

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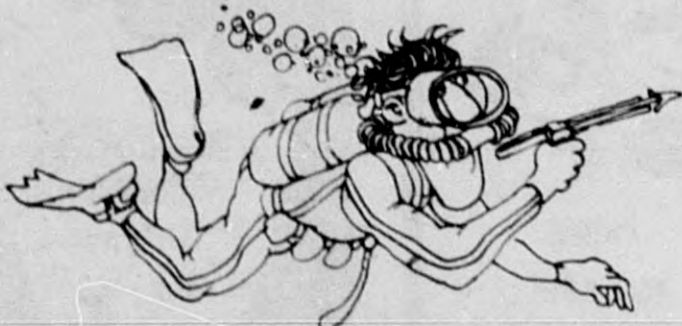
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eyes are made of  
many more  
and  
found myself remembering  
daddy long legs  
whose  
stringy legs would  
wobble past me  
like a  
child taking  
its first  
steps.

Lyne Karinen



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KING KONG

Well, for those of you who have yet to see the \$24 million flop, now is your chance to see the original King Kong. The monster classic will be at Tyler on Wednesday night. This version of the film includes original sections that were cut because they were "too shocking." Kong shows his love for Miss Fay Wray and dies in one of the great tragic endings of all time.

On the weekend, another great adventure and excitement film comes to Dow - "Day of the Dolphin", starring George C. Scott and directed by Mike Nichols. The

movie is about a marine biologist who is investigating the behavior of dolphins and the development of communication with them. Scott finds himself caught in a political trap - an attempt to assassinate the President of the United States. Rex Reed of the N.Y. Times called it "a blazing forest fire with thrill-a-minute action." The movie Friday will be in Dow 100.

On Friday, in Tyler, the Rose-ship String Band will be in concert. They bring a special breed of music to Alma from Chicago. Some of you may remember them from two years ago when they played at our Homecoming. Come and enjoy the Roseship.

## Third-round chess results

By Michael Bencsik

The third round of Alma College's open chess tournament was played yesterday with both the number one and number two ranked players going down in defeat. Top ranked Allen Jackson lost to third ranked Doug Hoek on what Jackson called "blunders" on his part.

"I blew it," admitted Jackson. Hoek, playing white, opened with the Ruy Lopez and dominated the opening. On the sixth move, Hoek took Jackson's king pawn and Jackson chose to castle instead of retaking Hoek's pawn. Jackson was never able to recapture the lost pawn.

Hoek continued to play strong and in his tenth move he pinned Jackson's bishop. From then on the game was a one-sided affair.

Also upset in the third round was second rank Scott Phillips by fourth-ranked Peter Dollard. Dollard, playing black, chose the Petroff defense in the opening to his own disadvantage. Phillips quickly moved in and took a three-pawn lead over Dollard. However, Dollard fought back and was able to fork Phillips' king and rook to Phillip's knight and won the game.

At the end of the third round, Hoek and Dollard are leading with three points apiece. Jackson and Phillips have two points apiece as well as six other players.

The fourth and final round of the tournament will be played next Sunday at one o'clock in the Tyler Student Center. It will feature the championship match between Hoek and Dollard.

When asked Sunday who would win the championship game, Hoek refused to make any predictions. He did say that he thought it would be "an excellent game". Dollard also refused to make any comments on the possible outcome of the championship match. However, he did state that he and Hoek have played several games against each other before.

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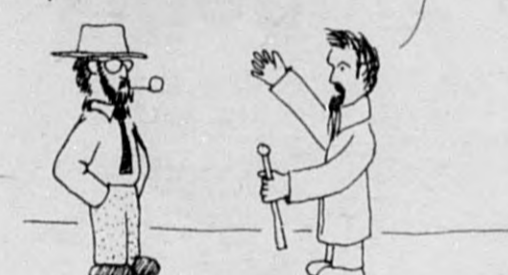







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<p>So you are still planning on auditing Ron Massanari's class this term?</p> 	<p>Well I may not be able to take any class. I've been out of work for awhile, so I have no money, maybe I could find a job on campus.</p> 	<p>That might be difficult. Gosh-too bad you are not an R.A. at Bruske, maybe you could have gotten a swell job with Union Board.</p> 	<p>Maybe the Almanian could use a good ghost writer?</p> 

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NEWBERRY BASEMENT

# UB, Needs Assessment discussed by S C

BY MICHAEL BENCSIK

At Tuesday night's Student Council meeting, Jeffrey Southern, Director of Student Affairs, addressed the council on several pertinent and controversial issues. After the officer's reports, Mr. Southern spoke to the council about the progress being made on the renovation of the Tyler Student Center. Southern stated that in planning a new campus center many ideas are suggested and that there was a need to define objectives.

"We need a statement of what the objectives of a computer center are," said Southern. "We also have to think of the needs of a center 15-20 years down the road. We can't build a student center for one year."

Next, Southern moved to the "needs assessment survey", a survey conducted last fall to assess the needs of students on campus. That survey drew the response of 771 students. Southern stated that at a meeting on January 18 with "twenty influential students", they discussed the various needs of students as related to the survey.

"In general," stated Southern, "the people of that meeting felt that things had improved. Off campus halls are more available for rent. This, combined with the increased activity of the Greeks, has led to the general opinion that conditions have improved," he added.

Southern went on to explain that it was the feeling of the group that night that there was a need for other organizations besides the Greeks to plan all campus activities. Mr. Southern said that several ideas for more activities were suggested and discussed. Those activities, according to Southern, included the use of Van Dusen on Friday and Saturday nights, the revival of the winter carnival, a Greek weekend, and, as suggested by Allen Jackson, a Renaissance Fair weekend during spring term. Southern went on to say that what is needed is a scheduling of events.

"There is a need for scheduling

so that each activity can be assigned to take one weekend a term for an all campus activity," said Southern.

"I suggest that the council as a whole, or an ad hoc committee, take some coordinated action to achieve these things," added Southern.

Southern then moved on to a high point of recent controversy, the selection of Union Board staff members. He said that the Board, of which Jeanne Gibson, the Head Resident of Bruske Hall is the advisor, had been accused of hall bias, advisor bias, and absence of experience bias.

Although Jeff Southern is not on the Board, he has to approve the selections of staff members. He repudiated the absence of experience charge by saying that five of the eight new staff members had some sort of experience (such as Homecoming) in working on a committee.

The hall bias charge, according to Southern, stems from the fact that four of the eight new Union Board staff members are from Bruske Hall. Three of the other four are from Newberry and one is from Mitchell. It has been charged that since Jeanne Gibson is the Head Resident at Bruske, she tried to push her people on to the Union Board. Southern defended her by saying that "any such action would be beyond Jeanne Gibson" and that as she is set on the board in an advisory position, she could not vote.

The advisor bias charge was made because some people felt that Mrs. Gibson had picked one of her own RA's from Bruske, Robin Lewis, to be President of Union Board. Southern defended Gibson by making the same statements that he had made before in defense of her.

Jeanne Gibson, who was at the meeting, addressed the council and explained how Union Board staff members were selected for next fall.

"We looked for people who wanted to do it for experience. We wanted the most ambitious staff that we could possibly get,"

said Gibson. She then stated that twenty-one people had applied for positions and that three were ineligible because their grade point average was below a 2.0. She said that they, the Board, had tried to get as many applicants as possible and had advertised in the ALMANIAN for five weeks and put posters up in the dorms encouraging people to apply.

"At first we only had one person apply for president and it turned out that he had under a 2.0 average," said Gibson.

After this, Keith Whittum, head technician for Union Board, explained how efforts were being made to get a new sound system for Dow Auditorium. He stated that various people, as well as Union Board, had put up money for the system and then asked the council for a \$300 allocation to help fund the

system.

Jeff Weenink, Student Council President, asked Vice-president Lisa DiCamillo, who is in charge of the student budget, if the funds were available. DiCamillo replied that the money could come out of the contingency fund, which was presently in excess of \$1,800.

The contingency fund is maintained to bail out any student organization which may overspend its budget. DiCamillo stated that it looked like all the student organizations would be able to complete the year within their budgets, except the ALMANIAN.

"Everyone will come out okay except Cheri (Cheri Addington, ALMANIAN editor) who said that they might over spend the ALMANIAN budget by \$2,000," said DiCamillo.

After a few brief outbursts by

council members who had just heard about the possible ALMANIAN overexpenditure, the council voted unanimously to give the money for the new Dow sound system.

Following this, Matt Moses, Student Council Secretary, briefly explained what actions were being taken in the form of Student Council constitutional review.

Next, Jenny Byron gave her committee report on the night class situation. Her committee had been assigned to investigate any possible alternatives to night classes because of the conflict that emerges between classes and student activities. There are 264 night class students.

"In all the cases we looked into, there was a legitimate need for each of the classes," said Byron.

After this report, the meeting was adjourned by Weenink.

## ComCom needs students

The Communication Committee has lost four members this term, and they must have replacements for them before the next meeting can be held. John Sefcik, the committee's chairman, remarks, "Other committees have been losing members, but ours is the worst off."

There are ex officio (permanent) members and elected members who make up the Communications Committee. The ex officio members include David Campbell, the Director of Information Services, M. Gordon Beld; advisor to the student newspaper and the student annual, Dr. Eugene Pattison, Mr. Edward Jacomo, and the editors and business managers of each student organization of communication (the ALMANIAN and the Scotsman), Cheri Addington, Leslie Moore, and Sandy Hutfilz. At present, the ALMANIAN has no business manager.

The elected members of the committee include two faculty this year, Mr. Jeffrey Havill and Mr. James Tipton, and six students. This year's students include Bryan Graham, Mark Phillips, and John

Sefcik. The committee lost Zack Porter, John Byk, and Greg Thompson, who are all not at Alma this term, and alternate Mark Dylewski.

"There should be a process government committees could get new students," says John. "I talked to Jeff Weenink about setting up a screening committee, which was done, but it turned out that there was nothing to screen because no students wanted to apply."

According to Sefcik, the committee needs one, plus 50 percent of the total number of voting members (this excludes the Assistant to the Provost for Student Affairs and the editors and business managers of the ALMANIAN and Scotsman) to have a quorum. The loss of three members and one alternate has not lost the committee its quorum; this is not the reason that the Communications Committee has not had an official meeting since November 18, 1976.

"We could officially have a meeting," remarked Sefcik, "but I feel that because the committee

lacks three members, it cannot adequately represent the student body."

The Communications Committee's primary job is to govern the activities of the ALMANIAN and the Scotsman. It develops policies relevant to them, designs job descriptions for salary positions, and chooses the people to fill those positions. This year, it has written up a contract telling what is expected of people occupying these positions and what they will receive.

"Being a member of this committee is a good chance for someone who is not involved in campus activities to become so," emphasizes Sefcik. "It also looks good on a student's record."

Presently, Sefcik has set up a sub-committee to which he has appointed all student members of the Communications Committee, plus some extra students whom he feels have the expertise in journalism, to take care of pressing matters until a complete Communications Committee can be formed.

## Southern, Campbell outline procedure for RA selection

BY KATHLEEN EATON

It is Resident Assistant selection time for the 1977-78 school year. In a meeting last Thursday night for those interested in an RA position next year, Student Affairs staff members outlined application procedures and selection processes. Approximately 75 students were in attendance.

According to Mr. Dave Campbell, Assistant to the Director of Student Affairs, there is typically a 50 percent turnover of the RA staff each year. For the 1977-78 school year, Campbell expects there to be approximately 15-20 positions available.

This year, the RA selection process has been shortened from a six to a two week time period. The

lengthy in-dorm interviews by current RA's with each applicant have been discontinued because this year the RA application form, three pages long, is much more extensive than it has ever been. Also there will be more consideration of the current RA's written, rather than their verbal, interview evaluations of applicants.

Also discussed at the meeting were specific goals which have been developed by the Student Affairs staff for the residence hall program-goals which RA's will be involved in achieving. Among these goals are providing a physical environment which is compatible with resident's physical needs, promoting acceptance and mutual respect among residents, and

maintaining an environment centered around the pursuit of academic interests.

All RA applications are due February 14. On February 17, there is a meeting of the Head Resident, three RA's and three non-staff students (from the applicant's dorm), and one faculty member (optional). This group evaluates the applications and RA and peer evaluations, and decides whether to pass each applicant on to final selection.

Saturday, February 19, is a workshop for all prospective RA's. February 21-24 are days for individual RA interviews with the Student Affairs staff. On February 25, final RA selections will be announced.

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# SPORTS

## Alma routs Olivet

### Women cagers take two

by P.J. Heck

by DAVE FLATTLEY

Although they are no longer in contention for the MIAA crown, the Alma Scots proved that they still are a very potent and powerful squad as they routed the Comets of Olivet by a score of 86-57

The rout was paced by senior Willie Dawkins, Alma's three-time All MIAA pick and co-captain. Dawkins, a 6'2" forward

from Saginaw, scored 15 of his 22 total points in the second half as Almaturned a fairly close game into a rout. In last Wednesday's loss to Adrian, Willie scored his 1500th career point, a mark achieved previously only by Charles Hudson, who scored 1761 points from 1967-71. Dawkins now has 1522 points with three games to play.

Alma came out shooting in the contest, but the hot hand of Olivet's Randy Sharpe, who scored

14 points in the first half, kept the comets in the game. Alma held a 37-26 halftime lead.

In the second half, the Scots cooled Sharpe off, and paced by Dawkins, raced to a 50-30 lead early in the half. From there on in, the Scots put on a crowd pleasing offensive show, sparked by Dawkins and sophomore guard Jim Davidson, the MIAA's leading field goal percentage shooter, who came off the bench and hit on four long range bombs. The

final score of 86-57 was academic as coach Bill Klenk substituted freely later in the game.

Dawkins was joined in double figures by George Herrington and Dan Stolz, who both added 14. Jim Davidson and co-captain Dan Cwayna had 8 points apiece.

The Scots are now 12-6 overall and 5-4 in MIAA action. The Scots still have a voice in the MIAA title outcome as they will entertain the league leading Britons of Albion next Saturday.

The Alma Scots played their last home league game here Tuesday, February 8, as they took on the Flying Dutchmen of Hope College. The contest turned into a "barn burner" as the game neared its end. Alma led all the way in the contest until the last two minutes, when they found themselves down, 52-51. With 1:33 left in the game, Hope made the mistake of sending Alma to the charity line, and it proved to be their downfall. No more field goals were made in the contest by either team, but Holzschu, Curtis, and Dodson combined to sink 4 free throws in the waning seconds to pull out the contest, 55-52. Dodson led all scorers in the contest with 19 points. She was followed by Welsh with 16, Heck 10, Holzschu 4, Curtis 3, Carpenter 2, and Cunningham 1. Kasmerksy and Vandis each contributed 14 points in the losing effort for Hope.



## Women win... and lose

by P.J. Heck

On Tuesdays, February 1, Alma's women cagers traveled to Kalamazoo to hand the Hornets of Kalamazoo College a 49-27 loss. Phyllis Cunningham led all scorers in the contest with 13 points. She was followed by Unger with 9, Carpenter 6, Curtis 5, Dodson and Iverson, and Welsh with 2 points each, to round out the scoring. Otis Tiller scored 7 points in the losing effort.

The Alma Scots experienced a new and unwelcome result last Thursday, February 3 when they played Adrian--defeat. Alma and Adrian each entered the contest with unblemished league records. Sharon Welsh lead the Scot's scoring attack with 18 points. She was followed by Fetch with 12, Dodson 10, Holzschu 9, Curtis 7, and Heck with 4. Brauer and Spotts proved to be the big guns for Adrian, with 24 and 18 points respectively.

### B LEAGUE

Commanders	12-0
New Dorms	11-1
Bruske	8-3
Faculty	
Faculty	6-5
Gelston	6-5
Sigma Beta	5-7
Mitchell	4-7
ZE	3-9
DGT	1-9
OX	1-10
Championship game	
Thurs. 8:30	

Montcalm C.C. proved to be the most recent victims of the Alma Scots last Thursday, February 10, as they fell to the Scots, 88-52. Alma was in complete control of the game from the opening tip-off, as they led the entire way. Phyllis Cunningham led all scorers in the contest with 20 points. She was followed by Welsh with 19, Heck 13, Dodson 12, Curtis 10, Carpenter 8, and Fetch, Holzschu and Iverson each with 2 points, to round out the scoring for Alma. Wittcop scored 18 points in the contest for Montcalm. The win extended the Scots league record to 7-1 and 8-2 overall.

### A LEAGUE

New Dorms	9-0
Mitchell	7-1
DGT	6-3
Gelston	5-4
Tobin House	4-5
Bruske	3-6
ZE	3-6
OX	2-7
Local 304	1-8

## Grapplers take first win of season

Friday night the Alma Mat Men traveled to Grand Rapids to face Grace College and Grand Rapids School of Bible and Music in a double-dual meet and came out victorious.

Despite the fact that Alma had to give away 24 points because of unfilled weight classes, the Scot wrestlers got their first victory of the year against Grace College and just got nosed out by Grand Rapids.

Jack Thompson came out aggressively for Alma and got two pins to put Alma up 6-0 in both matches. Skip Quaderer came through in usual fashion in the 158 pound class and secured two more wins for the Scots.

Tim Crosby picked up two more pins for Alma and put them within range for the overall wins.

Scott Whitford also was twice victorious for the Scots as he won once by pin and once by a 5-1 decision.

In the heavyweight division Dan George pinned his opponent from Grace and secured the Alma win with the final in this match a narrow 26-24 decision.

Alma lost to Grand Rapids 23-27 but they lost only because of the 24 point give-away.

The Scots next home match is Tuesday, Feb. 15 against Grand Rapids Baptist.



## Three records fall

by Sue Hameister

The Scot swimmers altered the record books again last week. Three records fell as Alma split meets. They were nipped by Ferris State, 57-56, and swam past Calvin, 61-52.

Dane Yeager set a school mark against Ferris in the 200 freestyle and then beat his own time against Calvin with a time of 1:52.1. Alan Nicolette sped to a :51.1 in the 100 freestyle, another new record. In the 400 free relay, Mark Gritton, Todd Friesner, Alan Nicolette, and Dane Yeager combined to produce a 3:24.2, breaking both the pool and school record.

Calvin took first in the first two events and remained in the lead until the 1 meter diving. Brian Stork and Kevin Cuny placed first and second, respectively, to push Alma ahead.

During the next five events, Calvin outscored Alma, 26-19. But again Stork and Cuny managed to pull through with a 1-2 combination, on the three meter board, to make up the difference.

## Swimmers down Calvin

In the 200 breaststroke, Chuck Taylor lead the field throughout the race but what made this race perhaps the most exciting event of the meet was a Herculean effort by Harvey Zook. With half the race to go, Zook trailed the second swimmer by 3

strong at the finish to nose out the Calvin swimmer for second place.

Coach Roger Filip was thrilled over his team's victory. He commented that his "team swam superbly against a very tough opponent."



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## Happy Valentine's Day Alma

Carla,  
Happy Valentine's  
Day to a sistah  
who's a real sistah  
to me. Love ya.  
Cheri

HAPPY VALENTINE'S  
DAY to all of the  
JUNE ST. residents.  
Love &  
kisses,  
Cheri

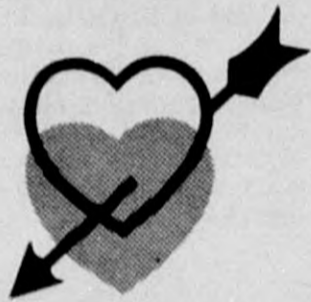
Doug,  
Happy Valentine's Day  
to a very ticklish person,  
Your not-so-secret-  
admirer

NJF:  
Hugs and kisses, but  
what of my wishes?  
Mr. 328

A.L.,  
I love you.  
Data Pro

Lauri,  
(Road-Runner Lover)  
Happy Valentine's Day!  
Love,  
Your roomie

Happy Valentine's Day to  
the GH gang at Carey!  
(Nancy, Pokey, Fritter,  
Dee, and Nanda.)  
Love,  
Monica  
& Jeff



To Vickie Powell,  
The beauty of a  
Valentine lies not  
within its words in  
rhyme. The loviest,  
most important part  
is not its fancy,  
flowery art...but the  
reaching out from  
"heart to heart".  
Love is the most im-  
portant thing a  
Valentine could ever  
bring and you can  
be sure love had a part  
in this special wish'  
for you--from the heart.  
Happy Valentine's  
Day--you're little sis,  
D.M.

To all Thetas,  
I'm so happy to be a  
part of you. Thanks.  
Happy Valentine's Day.  
Tammy

Bob,  
Though you may not  
love me so, I shall  
always cherish the  
mements we've shared  
and love you. Happy  
Valentine's Day.  
Head of the Rat  
Pack

Judy, Debbie, Jean:  
I LOVE YOU ALL!  
Have a wonderfui  
Valentine's Day.  
RMP

Dear Linda,  
Happy Valentine's  
Day Little Sis!!  
You're the best! Have  
a super week!!  
Peggy

Dear "Sleepy",  
Thanks for filling my  
life with so much  
love and happiness.  
You're my special  
someone! Happy  
Valentine's Day!!  
Love,  
Squirt

Mary Ellen & Ann:  
I don't think I  
could ever hope  
for a better fami-  
ly. Happy V-Day  
to both of you!

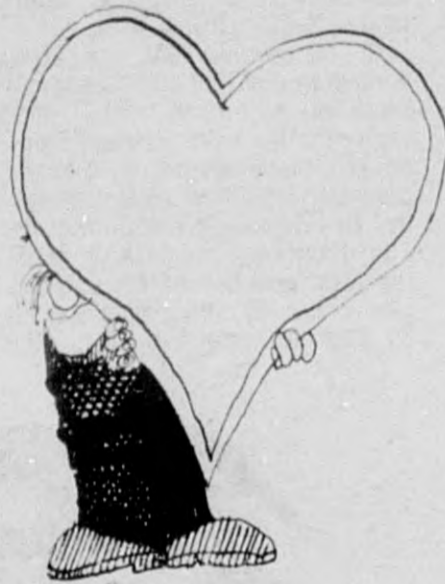
Happy Valentine's  
Day to Amy, Shelly,  
Gina, Karen, Clare,  
Hamemaker, Cassie  
and Betsy.  
Half-Pint

Andrew,  
Happy Valentine's  
Day.  
Little one

MAE,  
I bes wuv-oo like a  
nooster did! Happy  
Valentymes Day from  
your baba,  
KAE

This wish holds many  
fond memories! To our  
friends, with love--  
Happy Valentine's Day.  
Love you all--  
Fric and Frac

Super-Op  
Happy Valentine's  
Day, Good Buddy.  
10-4,  
Super Visor



David:  
You told me, "A smile  
is a curve that sets  
a lot of things straight."  
Ncw I'm smiling because  
of you. Happy Valentine's  
Day.

I love ya,  
Dodi

Baj:  
How many bags of kitty-  
litter did you buy last  
weekend? Did you give  
him a Valentine's kiss?

Les,  
The past 6 have been  
nothing but fulfillment.  
We are one together, we  
are two apart, we are  
3 persons, we are 'four'  
each other. Happy  
Valentine's Day.

Love,  
Lynard  
Skynarc  
& Harry

Marti  
Thanks for the memories.  
As for Spring Term, "In-  
diana wants" me. Happy  
Hearts Day.

Love,  
Luther & Lite

Pat & Jayne  
Hope ya have a great  
Valentine's Day. You  
ladies got class. And  
being right next to 207  
proves it!!

Flint

107 Newbs  
You ladies got every-  
thing it takes to fall  
in love with ya. You're  
both great. You made my  
first semester brighter.  
"One of her babies"

Dawn and Martha,  
Thanks for making Bids  
Day so special for me!  
You are the bestest big  
sis' ever! Happy Valen-  
tine's Day!

Love,  
Your little  
Sis

Happy Valentine's  
Day 2nd North Newbs  
(Betsy, Clare,  
Cassis, Homemaker,  
Doc, Pam, Ann, Joy,  
Linda, Debbie,  
Patty Jo, Michelle,  
Gooka, Yvonne, Amy,  
Patti and Sherrlyn).  
xoxoxo  
Love,  
Mary Jo  
& Mel

Happy Valentine's  
Day to ALL my new  
sisters--thank you  
so much for the  
warm welcome and  
for having sym-  
pathy even though  
I was the first  
pledge to lose  
my ribbons. I  
love you all.  
A0 love

Cindy Frost &  
Karen Rice: Have  
a happy hearts  
day!  
Signed the  
mystery woman.

Gail, Susette, Cornell,  
Sweetie, Liz and Mel,  
Paris is great, the ski-  
ing is fantastic. Have  
a Happy Valentine's  
Day. I am with you in  
thought.

Love,  
Heidi

Debbie Seibert:  
Have a great and  
loving Valen-  
tine's Day!!  
Love ya---your  
ex-roomie.

John Curran,  
Here is a Valentine  
just for you!!! Have  
a Happy Valentine's  
Day!!!

S.B.  
Yum Yum Yum  
You're delicious!!  
(And I should know)  
Be my valentine  
Love,  
Fuzzy

TNT,  
You're the greatest.  
Were glad to have you.  
US

Buckshot,  
You all is the studliest  
man-person I've ever  
knowd, and I love ya  
more than my fancy  
perfumes or even my  
Dolly Parton records.  
Keep it up, honey, and  
I'll be cookin' ya grits  
and cornbread till we is  
both full of varicose  
veins and Old Rockin'  
Chair. Happy Valentine's  
Day -- and don't forget  
the Red Carnation.

Love,  
Cactus Flower

Happy Valentine's  
to everyone on  
the ALMANIAN  
staff.



Julie, Kelly, Donna  
and Gail,  
Happy Valentine's  
Day from ME!!!

Karen Dosson:  
Someone is  
thinking of you  
today. Have a  
Happy Valentine's!  
Your ex

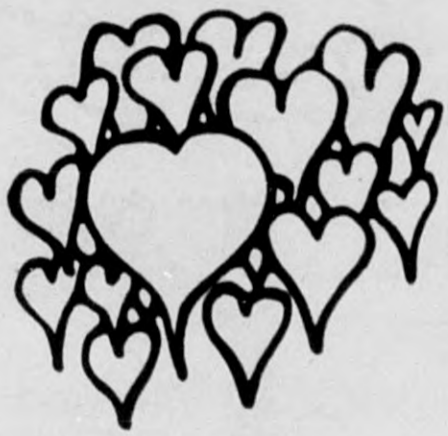
Give someone  
you love (or  
even like) a  
Valentine's  
Hug today.  
You'll both  
feel better  
for it!!!

To my special  
sweetie: the  
last six months  
have been great!  
Love you!! Happy  
Valentine's.

FROM YOU  
WITH LOVE

Happy Valentine's Day  
Laura Waddell!  
Thanks so much for being  
you. I'm thinking of you  
and I love you!  
See you soon!!!

ME



Dear RPN,  
Happy Valentine's Day!  
I'm thinking about you!  
Love,  
Lab

Dear Judy, Laura, Sally,  
Gail, and Heidi --  
Happy Valentine's Day to  
the "best" family in the  
World.

A 0 Love,  
ME

S.W.A.T.  
Remember, only at  
times but Valentine's  
Day's got to be one  
of them, right??

Love,  
T.J.

To the Lady In Black:  
You're still my favorite  
Sleepy Bear.

From the  
RC Man

Jean --  
You're a real Valentine  
to put up with me!  
The Blue  
Hairdryer

Behrnie,  
Happy B-Day  
On this gorgeous V-Day.  
You'll always be our  
sweetheart  
Till death or flunking  
do us part.  
The Batman Fan Club

Jean,  
I thought I'd be cool  
and send you a Valentine  
(just in case no one else  
does) Thanks for always  
being around to make life  
brighter.

The "0alz"

Welcome back and Happy  
Valentine's Day to Steve,  
Andy, & Steve.

Laura,  
Each day that passes  
makes me realize more how  
lucky I am to have you in  
my life. You're beauti-  
ful Doug! Would you be  
my Valentine !! L.G.M.  
Love,  
Bob

Lynn, Marge, Targie,  
Tammy, Lucy, Deb-mar,  
Cyn-mar, Bruce-mar,  
Beck-mar, Mike, Kathie,  
Julie, Nancy, Patti-  
Pat, Aaron, Melola,  
Smitty, Cleve, Brian,  
Nae, Karen B-and  
others--Happy Feb 14.  
deej

SAE and B,  
Breeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeee!  
I can't think of a  
better way to say Happy  
Valentines Day to you  
two chickies. Boom!  
Love,  
KAE

Happy Valentine's Day  
Ruth and Judy!  
You're both suite-hearts.  
D.S.

Fuzzy Furry and Friendly  
Farrah,  
Fe, fi, fo, fum,  
We sit here and watch  
guys come  
To your room across the  
hall,  
Ever at your beck and  
call.  
Don't you know it's nice  
to share?  
Send em over, we'll  
be there.  
Happy V. Day.  
Fammy & Fu

Kathy,  
If skirts work for  
Friday night, will they  
get us "A's" on tests??  
Curious

Happy Valentine's  
Day to Tom S.

Dear Valentine of Mine,  
Remember that there can  
be no rainbow without a  
cloud and a storm? Well,  
the rainbow's ours now,  
babe!  
Loving you now and  
always,  
Your "Surveyor Friend"  
P.S. Do you know where  
you're going to? I sure  
do!

To Anath:  
"She draws water and wash-  
es:  
Dew of heaven  
Fat of earth,  
Rain of the Rider of Clouds"  
From: Baal & Yamm

To the women of 1st  
east Gelston,  
What a corridor! With  
a neighbor like Mike,  
who'd want to move out?  
Have a great Valentine's  
Day!

Love,  
M.W.

Gladys,  
A "little" valentine's  
message for you. My love  
forever  
Kurtis

Mom,  
Your beauty, both  
physically and emotion-  
ally, is unsurpassed.  
Love,  
Your son, Kurt

To the lonely hearts  
club--sorry about the  
lack of social activ-  
ities. Hang in there,  
even on Valentines Day  
we can still survive.  
Your social  
Chairman  
p.s. We are strong!!

Cunes and Nae,  
We love you, but you've  
got to talk louder, 'cuz  
the wall's thick. Play  
Chicago or the Beach Boys  
and you'll be our Valen-  
tines forever.  
125 and Co.

Happy Valentine's Day  
Vyvka!  
(Is that right?)  
The Popcorn  
Eater



For my Big Sister Deb,  
You're the best, and I  
love you. Thanks for  
everything. Happy  
Valentine's Day.  
T.

Jeff,  
Are you smiling to-  
day? I hope you have  
a Happy Valentine's  
Day.

Smilely

Dear 3rd South  
You're all crazy  
but where would I be  
without you!! Have a  
super week.  
Happy Valentine's Day  
Love, PAR

Happy Valentine's Day  
to First Floor South  
Bruske!!

Love,  
ME

Wishing all of the Sigs  
a Happy Valentine's Day  
& much luck to the pled-  
ges!

ATTENTION LAURA WADDELL:  
Happy Valentine's Day  
from "Your Secret Pal"  
P.S. I love you, too

Ma and Becky (Michael  
too),  
Thanks for sharing  
your love with me and  
for being so dear to  
me. Happy Valentine's  
Day.  
T.

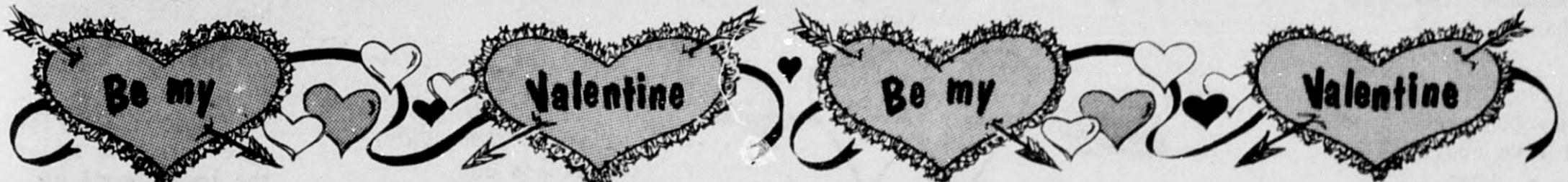
To the present and future  
members of the lonely  
hearts club:  
Hang in there -- you're  
not alone!!  
Happy Valentine's Day!

To the crew of 119 --  
Proverbs 18:24  
Happy Valentine's Day!  
Kaz

Carol,  
Happy Valentine's Day  
to a sweetie. You're  
the best!  
Love,  
Goods & Co,

Rose-Congratulations!  
I love you as a friend  
but as a sister it's  
even nicer! Welcome  
to A0.  
Ruth

Becky--  
Happy Valentine's  
Day to my super roomie!  
deej

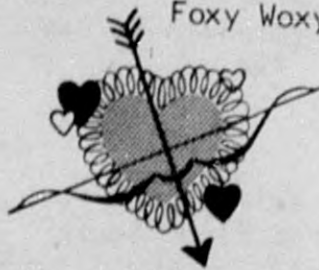


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Dear Funky Hunk,  
I'll give you a daisy  
a day till the rivers  
run still and the four  
winds we know blow away.

Love,  
Foxy Woxy



Deej,  
You're such a sweetie!  
Don't worry. I'll get  
it someday!!!

Love,  
Margie

We love you Sigs!  
See you Wednesday--  
TNT

D.H.  
You are important to me  
whether you like it or  
not (even if you are from  
R.C.)

Love,  
T.T.F.

P.S. This is not the  
one. I've thought of a  
better means of revenge.

Val,  
You're the best  
big sister I've ever  
gotten from anyone other  
than my mom.

Love,  
Little Sis

Tigermouse,  
You're the best Theta  
roommate I've ever had.  
Hope you get lots of  
kisses today.

Little Lulu



Dan,  
Alpha Sigma Sigma??

To Theta Pledges,  
Welcome to a unique  
group--give it your  
all.

dj  
Congratulations!!!

Kiltie Clod Squad,  
Remember last year,  
Band Tour???  
an ex-rookie

Hey Constance  
I like you!!!  
Love,  
Margret

Kelley--  
You make us feel like  
dancing!  
From all you dancing  
partners

Fred and lil' sis Jean --  
We love you -- Happy 20th  
to both of you.

2nd west

Ski Slope,  
Bite me where it hurts .  
Love you almost  
GI Jon

To the one eyed lover  
from Center street:  
Going out with a sen-  
ior is not an ego  
trip, but going out  
with you is.

Love,  
The Punky Freshman



Dearest Munchkin,  
Hamburgs are delicious  
Cheesburgers are fine  
And with this note I  
hope  
To make you all mine.  
Love ya,  
Clarabell

To Gelston Hall Dorm  
Council:  
Do we have a treasurer?

To Whom It May Concern:  
Are you Ready Freddy --  
to GET!?!  
"Viva"

Dear Mary,  
I love it when 10 min-  
utes turns into two  
hours.  
--The Phantom Teddy  
Bear Snatcher

To the OX pledged,  
You're a great class.  
Keep it up,  
love,  
Margie

Super OX's  
We love you!  
Your sisters

Ferris M. North--  
You're great. Every  
one of you!  
Love,  
Woodstock

Thanks Berta for being so  
understanding and a great  
roomie. Welcome to the  
family Lynn, our family  
tree is tall and you will  
make it stronger!

M.K.

Dear Sto, Thanks for  
being such a good and  
true friend. Have a  
super day--Happy  
Valentine's Day!  
Love, Ex-roomie

Wabbit, To a special  
person on a special  
day. Happy Valentine's  
Day!!!  
Tiger

Val, You're the best big  
sister I've ever gotten  
from anyone other than  
my mother.

Happy Valentine's Day  
to the best family  
ever--Kurt, Danny,  
Nancy, and most of all  
to L.J.  
Love, Karen



The boys and I just  
want to say "Happy  
Valentine's Day,  
Squeal McNoose!!!  
Love from the "Weee"  
Lady of Theta Chi.

My ribs and knees wish  
you a Happy Valentine's  
Day. B. Billy B.  
Love from the Snow  
Queen

Mr. R. Mast: Con-  
gratulations on your  
U.B. position. Happy  
Valentine's Day.  
V.P.



Happy Valentine's  
Day to John C.

Pam,  
This is a Val-  
entine for you  
so you will can-  
cel that con-  
tract that you  
have out on me.  
Happy Valentine's  
Day.

Frightened

To Jennie McLaren:  
The greatest love a  
friend can show is  
when I can share my  
happiness, loneliness,  
and pain with you and  
if you can share this  
with me, and if we

both do what is expected,  
then we are friends,  
hand to hand we plan  
but heart to heart we'll  
stand.  
Happy Valentine's  
Your little sis,  
D.M.

Dearest Kissy-Pigtails:  
Babycakes I love your  
way. Stay my valentine  
4-ever.  
Hasta Siempre..  
Love and kisses,  
Cookie and Rojas

This is to wish  
John Curran a  
Happy Valentine's  
Day!

Dearest Sue Sabo,  
The number of  
quarters I will  
spend at your  
door is only sur-  
passed by my great  
love for you the  
rest of the year  
through.

OXOX,  
Your secret  
admirer

To Aaron, our  
Valentine: You  
are a sweetheart!  
The Three

Susette,  
I can't wait for  
you to meet little  
Marty!!!

Vera and  
Martin C.

J.E.S.,  
To the best room-  
mate ever. I'm  
so glad to have  
you. Happy Valen-  
tine's Day.  
P. Watsy

## Miscellaneous

I have a car in Gelston  
parking lot in need  
of a "jump." If there  
is anyone with jumper  
cables who would like  
to make a few dollars,  
please contact Shirley  
Dennis, 313 Newberry,  
Ext. 314, 315.

Found:  
Wool scarf found in  
Chapel on Monday.  
Inquiries can be  
made to Ann at main  
switch.

Lost:  
One silver picture-  
stone ring in Chapel  
during Tyler night-  
club.  
If found, please call  
463-2719.

Carole

LOST: A khaki colored  
knapsack was lost by  
Allen Jackson Tuesday  
night at the Tyler  
Student Union near  
the fireplace. Allen sa-  
ys that the knapsack  
contains books and  
notes of his and he  
would appreciate any-  
one who might know  
where it might be  
to contact him.

## LAST CHANCE BOOK SALE!!

On Wednesday, Feb.  
16, from 1 to 4 p.m.  
the library will have  
a last chance book  
sale. For 25¢ you  
can purchase as many  
books as you can  
carry out the door  
in one trip. The li-  
brary will charge  
25¢ as you enter  
(with full refunds  
to those unable to  
find anything). The  
sale will take place in  
the lower level of  
the library.

