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It's Greek Week on campus and students are getting ready for the beginning of pledging for both the sororities and fraternities. A full page photoessay on both the frat smokers and run-outs is featured on page 6.

The African Fellowship is not to be noted. The controversy rages on as several letter writers blast staff writer Dave Andrews for his January 29 editorial on the subject. Andrews' own self defends his stance on page 5.

Students to vote on budgets

BY SUSETTE BALOGH
NEWS EDITOR

Tomorrow is the big day when we all can express our feelings on the manner in which the Student Budget and Finance Committee allocates the funds we pay each year in the Students' Activities fee. Each year, the SBFC decides what percentage of these funds will go to six student organizations: The ALMANIAN, The SCOTSMAN, the Face-Finder, African Fellow, Union Board, and Student Council.

Voting procedures will be more strict than in previous election days. Student Council members expressed a concern of the possibility of students voting more than once. Accordingly, the members of the Election Board decided to strictly adhere to the following voting procedure.

1. All students MUST vote in their respective living units.
2. All students living in South Complex, Small Housing and Frat Houses must vote in Gelston lobby.
3. In order to obtain a ballot form from the ballot box keeper the student must sign his name and address to a sign up sheet found at each voting location.
4. All names will be checked against a master list of students from the Student Affairs Office.

Students will be able to vote from 9:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m.

See the sample ballot. The figures indicated are for the school year 1976-1977. This is based on an estimated \$56.00 for 1,064 students. The result of this election will decide whether these figures will be increased, decreased, or remain

the same for the school year of 1977-1978.

The Student Budget and Finance Committee urges all students to participate in voting. Lisa DiCamillo, Vice President of the Student Council and Chairman of SBFC, says, "When the administration decides what next year's tuition will be, it will be on the front page. Maybe this is only \$56.00 out of the whole bill I'm paying, but I think it's just as important." The SBFC and the organizations involved are anxious to see students support this budget. Lisa says: "It's something we've worked very hard on. We've looked at all the possibilities and these are the best possible figures. We've done the fairest job for both students and the organizations. I support it. We've brought it to the students and now we ask their support."

Student organization leaders talk about the budgets.....

"IF PEOPLE AREN'T WILLING to fund the Union Board's budget, then they shouldn't complain about the lack of things to do on campus."

Greg Kloos, President, UNION BOARD

"INFLATIONARY COSTS have hit the SCOTSMAN. We feel that our four-percent increase is the lowest possible increase which would allow us to maintain our present good quality." Leslie Moore, Editor, SCOTSMAN

"STUDENT COUNCIL, as the heart of the student government, is responsible for extensive communications of both internal operations and campus-wide functions. The greatest portion of our budget is spent in campus communications."

Roland Laning, Secretary, STUDENT COUNCIL

"THE AFRICAN FELLOWSHIP needs the budget increase to offset a \$450 rise in airfare costs and a more than fifty percent inflation rate in Nigeria over the past four years."

Jeff Southern, Chairman
AFRICAN FELLOW COMMITTEE

ORGANIZATION	BUDGET	STUDENT TAX PER YEAR	AGREE			DISAGREE		
			INCREASE	DECREASE	DELETE	INCREASE	DECREASE	DELETE
UNION BOARD	\$23,500	\$22.08						
STUDENT DIRECTORY	2,461	\$2.31						
STUDENT COUNCIL	2,200	\$2.07						
SCOTSMAN	14,609	\$13.73						
ALMANIAN	14,925	\$14.02						
AFRICAN FELLOW	1,900	\$1.79						
TOTALS	59,596	\$56.00						

Sample Ballot

Go nuts!! Greek week activities attract 51 pledges

It's an ecstatic group of Sigs that welcome one more member in last Saturday morning's fraternity run-outs. Fifty-one students joined one of the campus' four frats over the weekend and will begin up to six weeks of pledging beginning today. ALMANIAN staff photograph.



See special Greek photoessay, page 7.

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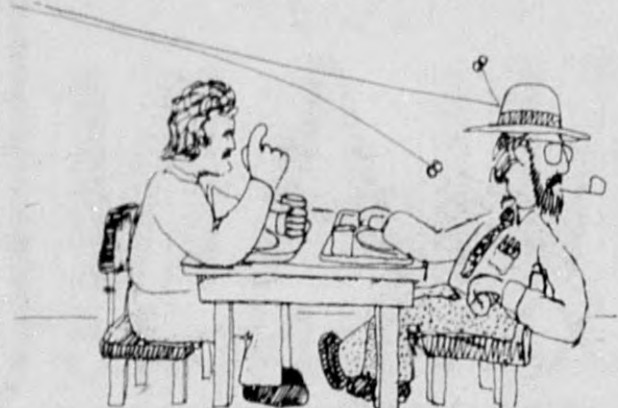
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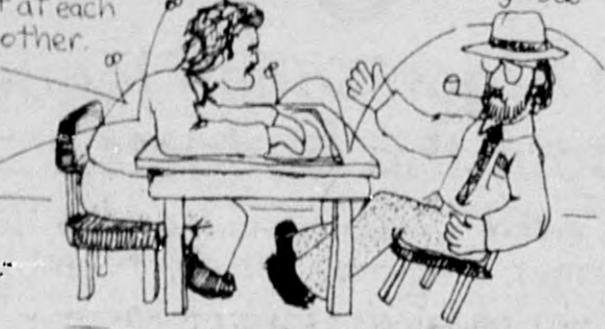
Well Brent, where does all of the artillery come from?

It is part of Saga's plan to make meals more enjoyable for students.

This is quite a display of gratitude.



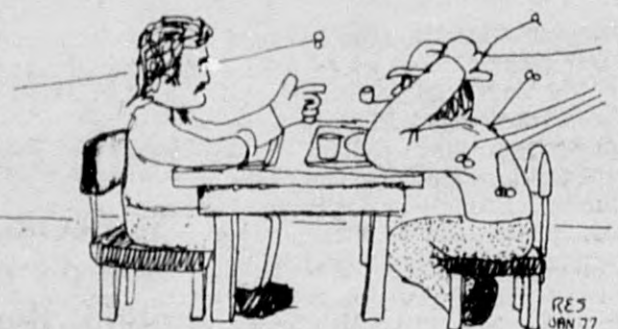
Three quarters of the people in this world are hungry, and some Alma College students have nothing better to do with their food than to throw it at each other.



I suspect such behavior results from the excessive academic load on students. The lack of something to do

I suppose we could find something to do for ourselves.

Say - do we get combat pay for drawing shrapnel?



Gas legislation being pushed

President Carter has sent a bill to Congress dealing with his natural gas program. Congressional leaders are hurrying to approve Carter's program and may have emergency legislation on his desk this week.

The natural gas legislation would give the President power to send natural gas reserves to cold stricken parts of the country.

It would also permit emergency sales at unregulated prices by intrastate pipelines--located within the gulf states that produce the gas--to interstate pipelines until July 31.

The President took action because the gas shortage, which came as a result of the unusually cold weather east of the Rocky Mountains, has to date closed some 4,000 plants, forced layoffs of approximately 400,000 workers, and is now threatening those who use natural gas to heat their homes.

Seeing eye dog bows to hearing ear canine

It is now possible for deaf persons to have "hearing ear" dogs to do their listening.

Texan Mrs. Linda Davis is deaf and expecting a child next month. Her 18-month-old Australian Shepard named Banjo is a trained "hearing ear" dog.

Banjo has been trained by a tape recorder to hear and respond to a crying baby. Whenever the baby cries the dog will dash to Mrs. Davis.

Besides a crying baby, Banjo will alert Mrs. Davis to the sound of her doorbell and alarm clock.

The shepard is the eighth dog to be placed with a deaf person and was trained at the American Humane Society headquarters in Denver, Colorado.

Telephone rates reduced

General Telephone was ordered recently by the Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC) to reduce its rates by over \$2.3 million annually. The telephone company had applied for \$10.2 million of additional revenues in December of 1975.

As a result of the MPSC order, General Telephone will be forced to re-evaluate their plans for service improvement and capital additions in 1977 and beyond. Present service will not suffer, but a company spokesman said that it will be difficult to meet increasing customer demands for improved and expanded service.

The new rates became effective on January 26, 1977.

Labor Secretary approved

Last week, despite conservative opposition, the Senate confirmed the nomination of Ray Marshall to be Labor Secretary, completing President Jimmy Carter's Cabinet.

Opposing the 48-year-old labor economist's appointment were mostly Republican conservatives. They criticized Mr. Marshall's strong support of organized labor and union goals to repeal state "right to work" laws, which outlaw union shops.

The 73 to 20 vote that gave Marshall the Senate approval was similar to the vote clearing Griffin Bell as Attorney General. Bell, Carter's most controversial appointee, was confirmed last Tuesday by a 75 to 21 Senate vote.

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<p>Thursday</p> <p>Cheeseburger, fries, \$1.00 large drink</p>	<p>Friday - Sunday</p> <p>Hamburger, fries, \$1.00 large drink</p>	

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ACCD Sponsors Career Convention



Harry McGee (above) and Kirk Vandergeest (below) discuss the possible careers in their respective fields, epidemiology and computer programming.



BY RUTH PERLBERG

"What am I going to do with my life?!"

It is a plaintive cry...often heard voiced throughout the Alma College campus, particularly as graduation nears. Students question the saleability of a liberal arts degree in an ability of a liberal arts degree in an ever increasing speciality-oriented job market. And it is precisely that question that remains uppermost in the minds of the staff at the Advising, Counseling, and Career Development Center (ACCD).

Last Wednesday's Career Convention was the newest, and one of the most successful, attempts to answer students queries on future employment.

Ten Alma graduates spent the day on campus in the program solely designed to give present students an idea of what others have done with their majors. Wednesday's Convention was sponsored by the natural science section of the college, although a former music major was also featured.

The alumni, some graduating as recently as 1975 and one receiving his B.S. in 1964, hold positions as physician, controller, research microbiologist, tax collector, store manager, computer programmer, psychologist, and chemist. The afternoon program in Dow Auditorium began with each individual briefly describing his present position and his academic background.

Later, each held individual conclaves in Dow Lobby where students were encouraged to talk with them.

"I think it is an excellent opportunity for students to see the different occupations that can be associated with the natural science area," commented Van Edgerton, a member of the ACCD staff. "We wanted to bring these people in to talk about their experiences at Alma and how they contributed to getting into a particular job area."

One alumnus, Charlie Romig, who graduated in 1975 with a chemistry major, reiterated Edger-

ton's views. "An occupation," he said, "may seem far removed from a particular major such as chemistry, but there are so many new fields, a student may not be aware of the opportunities that exist."

"We don't want students to look at one occupation and immediately say, 'I'm not interested in it,'" noted Edgerton. "Through this convention they may talk to people and find out what it really is like on the job."

Approximately 110 students and faculty attended the opening comments while ACCD members estimated that over 200 came to the informal discussions throughout the afternoon. In addition to the initial half hour comments, seven 15-minute interviews with several of the featured speakers were videotaped for student use in the morning. All tapes are available at the Career Information Center in the Swanson Academic Center.

"We were definitely pleased with the program," said Dr. Daniel Behring, ACCD Director. "It is a model for future uses for the different divisions."

Plans are already being made to hold a second convention for the humanities division March 10.

Planning for the Programs involves a joint faculty-ACCD effort, with the format basically designed by the faculty of that division.

"The next convention will probably follow Wednesday's format to a certain extent but the nature, of course, will be colored by the alumni chosen, noted Behring.

"If someone in the humanities section was a performer," he continued, "we would not be at all adverse to scheduling some sort of show for that evening. It would be up to the division in charge."

The faculty recommends certain people they feel best represent their division, while the ACCD follows up on the suggestions and invites the students to speak.

"There was a lot of pre-planning for this," Behring said emphatically but added cheerfully, "I think it was a success. It was a good time."

Admissions Office Sponsors Career Day

BY SUSAN KESLING

The Admissions Office of Alma College will be sponsoring a Financial Aid and Career Day for Accepted High School seniors on Saturday, February 5th.

Three hundred students from Michigan and the Eastern United States are expected to attend. Programs of interest to both the students and their parents have been scheduled in cooperation with individual departments at Alma. These programs include Financial Aid sessions, Career sessions, a tour of the campus, lunch and a basketball game.

The Admissions Office would like to remind Alma students planning to continue in the fall and are in need of Financial Aid to begin seeking aid now.....



Charles Romig discusses the career options in chemistry with perspective majors.

Question of the week

"Did you watch the inauguration?"

BY KATHY JONES

On January 20, Jimmy Carter became 38th president of our country. This week's "Question of the Week" is "Did You Watch the Inauguration?"

By random selection, several students were chosen to be asked this question. The following are a few of their answers.

JOHN REIGLE (freshman): Yes I watched the inauguration because it was something interesting. It

was the beginning of a new term, but I don't like Jimmy Carter so I'm watching out for every mistake he'll make.

CLARE VANLAAN (freshman): No. I didn't have the time, I don't have a T.V. and I had no desire to watch it.

PATTY JO WALCOTT (senior): No. I was in class so I didn't watch it.

CHERYL KEYSER (sophomore): Yes. I wanted to watch it to see Gerald Ford for the last time.

DAVE ARMSTRONG (freshman): No. I didn't watch it because he's an idiot and I don't like him.

RON NESTER (freshman): No. What night was it on?

CASSIE PRUSSNER (freshman): No. But I watched Gerald Ford play golf.

LEMOTT BRITTO (freshman): Yes. I watched a little bit of it only because I wanted to watch "Wild-Wild West".

MIKE HOGAN (sophomore): No. I wasn't interested. They don't

have that much to say at inaugurations anyway.

JIM DAVIDSON (sophomore): No. I didn't even know it was on, because I don't like Carter anyway.

STEVE BROWN (freshman): No. I wouldn't waste my time.

JOHN TEEPLES (sophomore): No. While the inauguration was on I was being stimulated by Alma College's social dance class.

TIM TILMA (junior): No. I had class and I don't know of one person who watched it."



Becky Bentzen, now working at Park Davis laboratories talked about her career in microbiology.

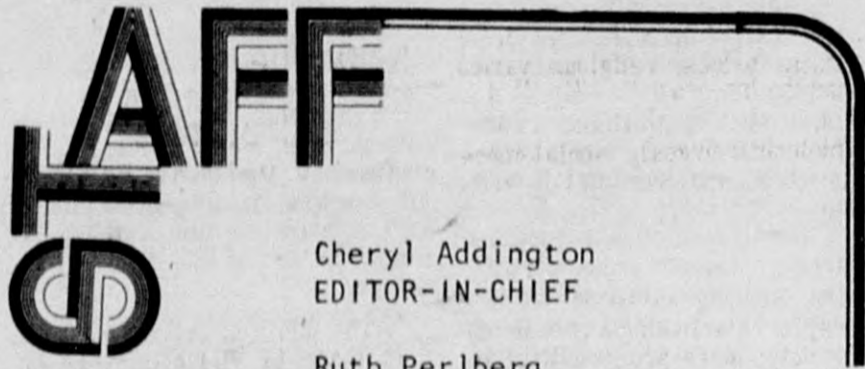
The Alma College Off Campus Art League (OCAL) is alive! To prove it we are sponsoring an all campus party of Friday, Feb., 4, at the C.S.A. hall. This is not a joke! Watch around the campus for posters with all of the details.

Opinion

This Tuesday, February 1, students will make their decisions about next year's Student Taxes when they go to the polls to decide the 1977-78 Student Activities Tax. This tax is the main source of revenue for all student activities -- the SCOTSMAN, the ALMANIAN, Union Board, Student Council, African Fellow, "Pig" Book, etc.. It is of the utmost importance that all students campus-wide not only make sure to vote, but also to make sure that you know the facts well enough to make an intelligent decision.

Lisa De Camillo, Chairman of SBFC, worked very hard along with her committee to present a budget to you, the student body, that was both stringent to the students and fair to the organizations. Each organization was fairly grilled by the committee to make sure that every cent of the requested budget were absolutely necessary to add to the student tax. I should know -- I spent hours coming up with invoices and bills for everything from printing costs to proofmarking pencils to show to the SBFC to prove that the ALMANIAN's budget was in need of that \$14,925. I would like to commend Ms. DeCamillo and her committee members for their work on this year's budget. They went out of their way to present a comprehensive, fair budget to the organizations and the students.

It is true that lately there has been controversy over some of the student activities budgets (and, judging from the letters to the editor, need I say more?) and it is true that the ALMANIAN has come under attack from several campus factions for "slanting a story to an unfavorable bias." I think that each of these organizations has more than justified their budgets for next year, and I hope that every student will get out the vote and approve the Student Activities Fee.



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African Fellowship controversy rages on Andrews replies to charges

My previous opinion in last week's ALMANIAN seems to have caused a great disturbance in the minds and hearts in several individuals.

I wish not to question the intelligence of the students as some have done, because I feel that the students are old enough to distinguish between fact and opinion and I also think that students know how to think for themselves.

The purpose of the opinion was that of enlightenment. It failed with some. Perhaps restating the opinion is in order? Should this item on the budget be there? Must we be taxed for this program?

Obviously many people missed my point. The "total good that the African Fellowship does" is not and never has been at stake. I concede the point again. My protest strictly concerns the way in which it is funded.

I have had my values questioned both indirectly and directly. I think it only just to question the

values of others in this respect.

Is there a latent fear that, if the item is deleted, many who do contribute will feel as though they are paying more than their "fair share" or are carrying somebody's weight in addition to their own?

Is it just to assert your own generosity on others because you feel a particular program is worthy of everyone's support? Generosity in this sense is no generosity at all, rather a mask for those who don't want to be labeled "selfish" to hide behind.

Should this be such a good program, why are you not giving more? Many say that \$1.87 is a very small gift. I wonder how many ran up and gave substantially more. Nobody will stop you from doing so.

Again, the issue is not beer or magazines--it is the principle--the idea of being forced to play a game of chance.

There are some organizations on campus that donate hefty portions of money to the African Fellowship and they are to be applauded for doing so. But notice, they give freely and in an amount which they themselves determine.

The faculty, who are supposedly just as equal an advocate of the program, has not incorporated a tax upon themselves to support the fellowship. They give their support freely. This is precisely the way in which students should support it also.

Protests of "I'll give him the beer if that's the problem" are merely disguises for thwarted senses of generosity.

If students consider it an obligation to support this type of program then the obligation must be taken upon voluntarily by each individual as he or she sees fit.

David M. Andrews

Fellow represents humanitarian spirit

Dear Mr. Andrews,

Every person on this campus is, whether they like it or not, a member of Alma College. Every student, faculty member, administrator, maintenance man and housekeeper is a part of this community. I am not particularly brimming over with school spirit, but I am proud to be a member of a group of people who sponsor as fine a program as the African Fellowship. The African Fellow is not just an individual teaching in Africa, he represents this college and this country in aiding the growth and development of another school in a foreign country. We complain so much about the bad things this college does, (not providing enough social events to keep us happy, not giving us good food) that it is sad that a program we should take pride in must come in for an equal amount of censure.

You state that you are not against the "humanitarian principle behind the program but ...

most adamantly oppose the funding aspect." On the contrary, I feel that the funding is very fair. \$1.87 per person per year seems little enough to donate to such a worthy cause considering the amount we pay per week on social events which aren't as estimable. (In my opinion, of course!)

You are quite right in inferring that the African Fellowship isn't given as equally as it might be: women aren't likely to be an African Fellow because of the nature of the work involved beyond that of teaching in the classroom. Building dams and schools isn't something we have been brought up to do -- yet. (Oh how it hurts my feministic soul to admit that!) However, we can take heart. Sue Buchan was the African Fellow at Mayflower School in 1969-70 and Dodie Eyer shared the responsibilities with her husband David in 1970-71.

If you went to the presentation by Mark Wangberg and Craig Carpenter about the Fellowship

on January 27, you would have learned much more about Africa than any travelog could have told you. You would have seen not only the beauty of the terrain, but the beauty of the African people, "met" such people as Tai Solarin the principle of Mayflower School, and watched a dam being built. You would have seen awful sewers, marvelous bridges, and the wrecks of planes from the Biafran war. No travelog could have conveyed this with the personal and very warm feeling that Carpenter and Wangberg did with their slides and stories.

Your attitude is a reflection of that of a many people these days. If we do not reap direct benefits from a project, we don't wish to contribute to it, I don't have cancer, lung disease, heart trouble, or Multiple Sclerosis so perhaps I should no longer contribute to these organizations.

Sincerely,
Melanie Ann Kimball

"Lottery" statement debunked by Britt

Dear Friends,

I hope, through this letter, to express some of the opinions of other "Bleeding Hearts" on this campus.

1. Andrew Jones did not get lucky, as Mr. Andrews implied, in the "\$1,900 lottery". Ever since Andy entered Alma College, he began studying to become the African Fellow. Every article printed to which he had access, was read and re-read so he could absorb all the information he could while still on American soil. Every television and radio spot about Africa he listened to intently. He spent many hours conversing with Africans on campus and with other African Fellows to get a flavor of the life-style of Nigeria. He did not just win the Big One. He worked his ass off for it. He freely admits that this is his year. But it is also a year for the students in his school. Just ask Dr. Kapp about the letters and tapes he received for Tai Solarin, the principal. And I dare say that few people in this school

could even stand the interviewing process for the Fellowship, much less living in the 19th century, with a bunch of pigs and chickens.

2. Please, in the future reference to the program, Mr. Andrews, don't forget to mention the \$1,000 to \$1,500 raised by the Sigma Betas through the Faculty auction. Apparently there are plenty of people in this community who are willing to give more than just \$1.87 to support the program. If you have ever attended one of the dinners, for example, you know how much the faculty is supporting the program, by the amount of food and beverage served--and usually to around eight people at a time.

3. I am personally appealing to members of this campus for small (5¢-10¢) donations to help pay for a subscription to TIME magazine for Andy. According to him "reading materials are worth diamonds". Some of his friends and his family have been sending him magazines rather haphazardly, and at great expense. The subscription is being

sent regularly to Ode-Ekiti High School, and the TIME representative I spoke with assured me that it would appear regularly. Any of the Bleeding Hearts who would like to help subsidize this, please put your nickels and dimes in the containers at the dorm switchboards. In the New Dorms, Kim C. and Laura B. will take your pennies and such. Many thanks to all.

4. I am enclosing a check for \$1.87 for Dave Andrews. Please see to it that he receives it. Enjoy you Bud, Dave.

Sincerely, Marianne Britt,
P.S. Today, as I was typing this letter, I recieved a letter from A.J. "...you gave me the best Christmas present anyone could send me. I couldn't believe it. When I returned from vacation, there were four TIME waiting for me... I still can't believe that you gave me such a lovely gift..."

House of prostitution suggested for Union

Dear Editor:

Since sensible suggestions were proposed to and ignored by Mr. Southern regarding the installation of pinball machines in the Tyler Student Union, we now feel it is necessary to make an additional recommendation for Mr. Southern to overlook.

In the state of Nevada and various European countries, buxom young ladies, clad in mini-skirts, silk blouses, and knee high boots, armed only with satin sheets and a winning smile, have snatched many a floundering ship of state from the whirlpool of financial ruin. A precedent has been set!

We therefore submit that a "house of ill repute" be established in the Tyler Student Union.

Of course, such a proposal will not be instituted until a program is presented to Mr. Southern. In accordance with the pinball issue, "this program must answer questions as who will supervise..., what security measures will be implemented, how change will be given, what time frame will be set after which an evaluation will be made and how the administration will respond to opposition". As Mr. Southern stated concerning the pinball proposal, "there is a lot more to it than just calling

the company and saying 'put them in'."

Aside from the "primarily social and recreational" benefits, "Alma College would receive 50 percent of the revenues" generated. "This money will go to the Student Union to help the student program."

Although, on the surface, this appears to be a radical departure from M. Southern's pinball proposition, it may be noted that the only real difference between our proposed whores and Southern's is that his are mechanical.

Sincerely,
Charlie Creamer
Phil Ropp

Non-marital sex: Is it right or wrong?



BY KATHLEEN EATON

Non-marital sex. Is it right or wrong? How do we decide whether or not to engage in non-marital sex? How do we arrive at this value decision?

These were some of the questions that were discussed and disputed in last Monday night's workshop/discussion of the pros and cons of non-marital sex. The symposium was led by Dr. Irene Linder, Sociology Department Head, and Dr. Daniel Behring, Director of ACCD, with contributions from Jeanne Alexander, Joy McShane, Bob Olsen, and Steve Wylie.

The purpose of the session was to bring to light how value decisions are and can be made on the non-marital sex question that pervades our society today. This session was a follow-up to the first on this topic held a month ago when sexual behavior as an extension to the personality was discussed.

Behring's statements. "What you believe at one time isn't what you always have to believe," she said. "There is a definite individual decision-making process on the matter of non-marital sex."

Four Alma College students gave brief arguments about non-marital sex, and stressed that their comments did not necessarily reflect their own opinions and beliefs.

"Sex is a universal language and it is normal to have sex before marriage."

Sophomore Bob Olsen gave a pro non-marital sex statement. He said that there are two principle reasons why people are against non-marital sex: fear and lack of knowledge. Olsen also stated that sex is a universal language and that "it is 'normal' to have sex before marriage."

In another pro non-marital sex argument, Joy McShane, a junior, told of some opinions she had heard from Alma College students. Some people believe that non-marital sex is proper if the couple is engaged to be married or if the purpose of sex is to add depth to a relationship because sex is basically communication.

Senior Jeanne Alexander in an anti non-marital sex statement, discussed her views as a part of her Christian value system.

Steve Wylie, a junior, also spoke against non-marital sex. He said that fear can be a very operant force against such sexual relations. The legal, moral, and emotional aspects of non-marital sex are all very serious matters to consider.

"An individual's family values should not be the basis for the sexual decision."

The non-marital sex decision is made by virtually every individual at some point in life. Each of the four students pointed out that many factors must be considered before coming to any decision. And, as Dr. Linder stated, "Ideas can change upon hearing others, but this change comes slowly."

"There is a definite decision-making process on the matter of non-marital sex."

In last Monday's discussion, Dr. Linder explained the valuing process as involving a series of five steps: feeling, choosing, thinking of consequences, communicating, and acting on the value decision.

According to Dr. Linder, in making any decision on the matter of sex, the individual keeps certain guidelines in mind. Tradition, family values, religious values, and the law are authorities that are taken into consideration. Nature (biological urges), social consequences, and humanistic factors are all worthy of consideration too.

In a brief statement to the approximately 60-member group, Dr. Behring said that sex is a way of establishing a role in our society; there are cognitive attachments to every kind of behavior.

Behring emphasized how critical the choosing step is in the valuing process. An individual's family values should not be the basis for the sexual decision. Dr. Linder concurred with

Approximately 60 people attended the second workshop discussing sex. ABOVE LEFT: students talk informally about value decisions while LEFT: Steve Wylie speaks out against non-marital sex. ABOVE: Dr. Irene Linder, one of the workshop coordinators approaches one of the group discussions.



German measles immunity testing scheduled on campus

It's happening right now, a Rubella epidemic in California. Rubella, commonly known as the German Measles, is an uncomplicated disease in children. Should a woman contract Rubella during early pregnancy, the disease is no longer uncomplicated. There then exists a great chance that the child will be born with severe congenital birth de-

fects. The last major Rubella epidemic in the United States (1964) resulted in 20,000 to 30,000 children that were born with birth defects such as mental retardation, hearing difficulties, vision loss, and heart defects.

It is important that all women be tested for Rubella immunity. In fact, Colorado recently enacted a law requiring all women

applying for marriage licenses to be tested for Rubella immunity.

Free Rubella Immunity Testing will be offered by the Wilcox Medical Center from February 1, 1977 through March 18, 1977. Further information on Rubella, as well as an application on which you may indicate your interest in being tested, is being sent to all campus women.

Successful format will replace open house

"Breakfast with Alma College" is super

BY JON THOMPSON

On Thursday, January 27, sixty prospective Alma College students from Flint area high schools were treated to a "breakfast with Alma College." Invited students met with college staff and current Alma students from the Flint area to have breakfast at the Country Squire Restaurant in Flint and to ask questions about Alma College. The get together went "super" according to Chuck Hadden from Admissions. Mr. Dave Campbell talked to students about housing, quiet corridors, and other topics concerning student affairs. Coach Phil Brooks and sophomore Martha Stoll discussed men's and women's athletics respectively. Mr. Stephan Bushouse, Director of Student Affairs, also attended the meeting to tell the students about Alma's ACCD.

College' will replace the Open Houses of the past. Hadden described the breakfast as having a more informal, neutral atmosphere where students could mingle and talk. A ratio of two college staff to six prospective students helped answer most questions the students had about Alma.

The high school students also

got the opportunity to talk about campus life with seven current Alma students from the Flint area who attended the 8:30 a.m. breakfast.

With the success of the breakfast Admissions plans to continue the informal gatherings with a luncheon February 1, in Lansing for Lansing High School students interested in Alma College.

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Headaches

College students' best friend?

by JON THOMPSON

"Sometimes my roomie drives me up a wall and gives me a headache bad enough to make me want to jump off the top of the chapel." -- Anonymous freshman girl.

Although most roommates aren't that bad, many of us have probab-

ly felt like it's the end of the world when a headache strikes us. What are some of the facts about this age old problem?

Besides the common cold, the headache is man's most common affliction. Seven out of ten adults use pain killers for headaches at least once a month, spending up to 500 million dollars a year on

drugstore remedies. \$500 million! That would be enough money to buy your own small liberal arts college.

What causes this 'unnecessary problem,' as some doctors refer to it? The American Association for the study of Headache has found answers ranging from pollution to the "pill." The ordinary

headache in Alma College student gets during exam week doesn't hurt in the brain, which can feel no pain, but in the blood vessels and nerves around the brain and in the muscles in the head and back.

There are two main types of headaches students may experience. 1) Vascular headaches - Pain is caused by the swelling of blood vessels that rub on nerves. The head is usually the place where the pain hits because it has the greatest amount of blood supply. Also contained there is the body's greatest number of pain-sensitive nerve endings.

A characteristic of people who get vascular headaches easily is low blood pressure or cold hands.

2) Psychogenic headaches - These have their origin in the psyche and manifest themselves by the tightening up of the muscles in the neck and head.

Anxiety or chronic depression are the chief causes of the psyche headache. If your headache has a "head band effect" a dull constant sensation all over the head or is a pinched feeling at the base of the neck, it probably means depression or anxiety have gotten to you.

Wine drinkers might be interested to know that red wine may cause headaches but not white wine.

white wine. This is due to the chemical called tyramine in red wine which enlarges the blood vessels. The reason coffee might taste so good during a hangover or any vascular headache is that caffeine will shrink the blood vessels enough to reduce the throbbing.

But, more effective ways to relieve vascular headaches are aspirin, or exercise and fresh air. These should take care of any minor pain a student gets from bending too long over a book in the library or driving home on weekends in a cramped position.

The reasons for psyche headaches are harder to find. A tip-off that depression is causing the headache is having trouble staying asleep. Depressed people like to wake up early to begin their worrying. Depression headaches can also come at fixed times, usually 4 p.m. - 8 p.m. Anxiety headaches are unpredictable, but one sign is trouble falling asleep.

...if you mix your drinks, switching from beer to liquor or wine, you can guarantee yourself a throbbing head the next day.

Does your pounding, killing, hangover-headache fit under one of these main types? Yep, drinking too much causes a vascular or swelling of blood vessels headache. Also, if you mix your drinks, switching from beer to liquor or wine, you can guarantee yourself a throbbing head the next day.

Dr. David R. Coddon, a director of the Headache Clinic Medical Center, at Mount Sinai, suggests that if you've forgotten the advice against indulgence, "take two aspirins before you go to bed and you might wake up without a headache." Be sure to tell that to your buddies so that next time you're carried in by them, they might remember to give you a couple aspirins before dropping you off in bed.

Wine drinkers might be interested to know that red wine may cause headaches but not

"As a general rule of thumb, two aspirin provide the maximum possible effect that aspirin can have for a period of 3-4 hours. There is no need to take more than that in the 3-4 hour period."

What can you do if a prof gives you a headache?

Dr. Seymour Diamond, an executive secretary for the American Association of the Study of Headache, says aspirin is perfectly alright for ordinary headaches.

"As a general rule of thumb, two aspirin provide the maximum possible effect that aspirin can have for a period of 3-4 hours. There is no need to take more than that in the 3-4 hour period."

Too much aspirin can irritate the stomach lining and cause bleeding. So, other techniques have been found to battle headaches. Exercises that relax the muscles in the back and neck are very helpful. Using your imagination to divert the blood throbbing your head to your hands can also work. If you can imagine hard enough that your hands are getting warmer, they actually will! And a 4-degree temperature change in your hands can get rid of most headaches.

The best way to combat headaches ... is still probably in preventing them.

The best way to combat headaches, however, is still probably in preventing them. So warn your roommate that the next time you feel like jumping off the chapel, she is going to jump ahead of you.

For Alma students only

Tomorrow's Horoscope

Predictions by
The WIZARD of ALMA

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Stay away from the P.E. Center tomorrow or a friendship may be strained. The signs show a friend under the Taurus sign could be a major contributor to an accident leaving the imprint of a ball on your face.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Stock up on something to cheer up with. A cold dark planet called Consumer Power has re-entered the path of your stars and will be asserting his evil chill over your environment again.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): A relationship intensifies. Look out! A third party may be a factor in forcing you into a contract you hadn't planned on.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Be careful what you write down in your diary and how you get rid of your frustrations or a visit to an institution or hospital could be on your agenda.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You stand to lose much respect tomorrow unless you take heed to the star's prediction. Your mother will pay a surprise visit to your room tomorrow.

CANCER (June 21 - July 22): Member of the opposite sex under the sign of Aquarius has request which might benefit you. Check classified ads for hints.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Accent is on the future and long range planning. A trip to the new ACCD career information center could be helpful in figuring out options a college drop-out has.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): The sun will shine on you for a while as you discover a long lost object. But then gloom comes because you've discovered it in your food at dinnertime.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Warning to Libras. Your lunar cycle is very high; be careful or you'll make mistakes, attract attention, and scorn. Go slow tomorrow, or your errors will cause you much ridicule and may even put you in a Cat cartoon.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21): Positive places tomorrow night for Scorpius are the Library and A.C. rooms. Avoid the Union, Pattison's flagpole, and smoke filled rooms.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Take the initiative in fighting your face problem. Get off your butt and start reducing the belt of fat you're wearing. And pay close attention to any messages in shaving cream on your door.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan 19): Sunspots could disrupt your happiness and cause much grief to you if you remain in school the latter part of this week. Just hand your instructors the permission for a 4-day weekend signed by local astrologer and go hide in the shade of a bar in your local town.

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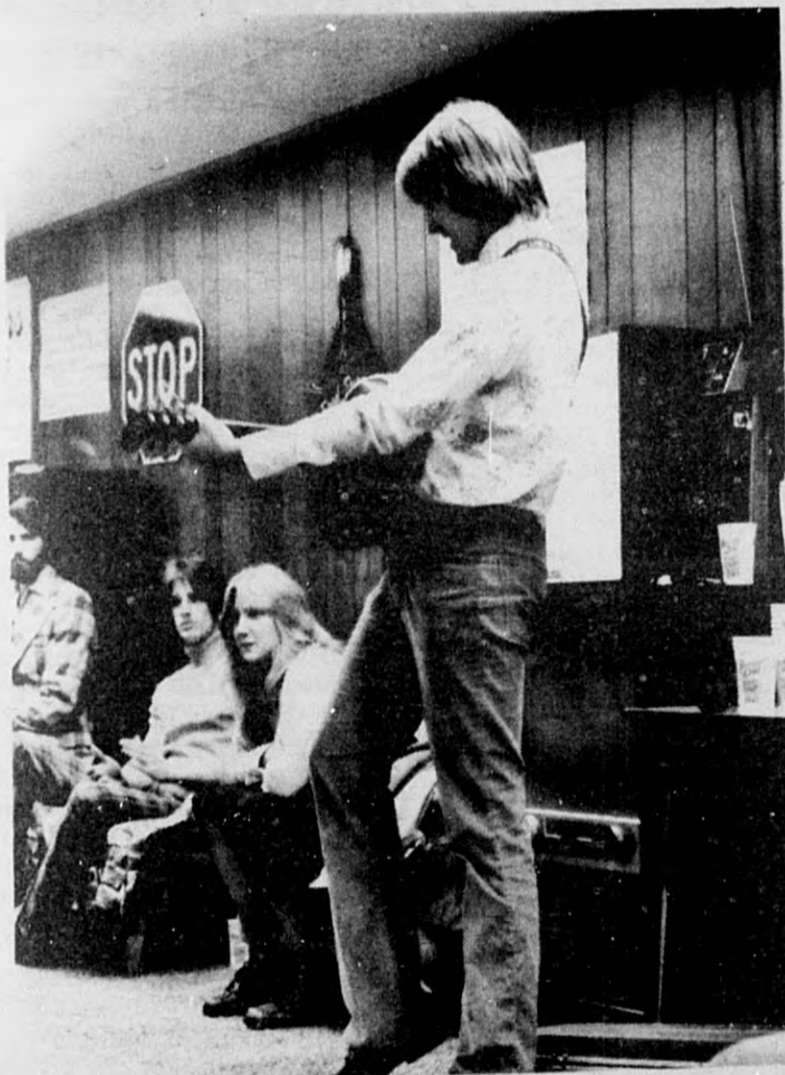
Smokers, Runouts and jubilation



The Theta Chi's and their little sisters join in the celebration as they accept 10 new pledges into their fraternity.



The Delta Gam's eat lunch as they are entertained by their sisters, the AZT's. The Gam pledge class was the largest, 22 in all.



Paul Ruehl entertains the rushees at the Sigma Beta smoker last Thursday night. The Sigma Beta's took 2 pledges.



As the Zeta Sig's flash their green and yellow, they get ready to accept another pledge. When runouts were finished, the Sig's had 17 new members.

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Gloria's last stand

BY ESTHER CORNELIUS

The featured performer in Tuesday night's Tyler Coffee House was Gloria Clark. She was assisted during her program by Bruce Laven on piano, Bob Schultz on the bongos, and Sue Mandy as a last minute draftee to turn pages for Bruce. Gloria mixed old favorites from past nightclubs with new material to present an even repertoire of songs concerning lost loves and lonely nights. The offerings included "God Bless The Child," "At Seventeen" by Janis Ian, "I Don't Know How to Love Him" from Jesus Christ Superstar, "I Honestly Love You," and "Jessee." Bruce joined her on the vocals of "You Don't Have To Be A Star" and then sang Jackson Browne's "Shower the People With Love" as a solo. The audience was small but enthusiastic. The program was an enjoyable one performed with the sensitivity that is now expected of Gloria and Company. "Gloria's Last Stand," as it was called in the Union Board column, was a fine way to wind down a Tuesday evening. It is hoped that she presents many more last stands.



Tryouts set for spring production

BY KATHLEEN EATON

Tryouts for Thornton Wilder's "Our Town," the Alma College spring theatre production are set for Tuesday and Wednesday, February 8 and 9.

The play, a drama about every day life, reveals the common relationships that individuals often take for granted.

Following auditions, there will be a six-week period of rehearsals for the 17-member cast. "Our Town" will be staged March 31 and April 1 and 2.

Script books are on reserve in the library for anyone who wishes to read the play. For further information about tryouts, contact Dr. Philip Griffiths, AC 327.



WALDO RIDES AGAIN!

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

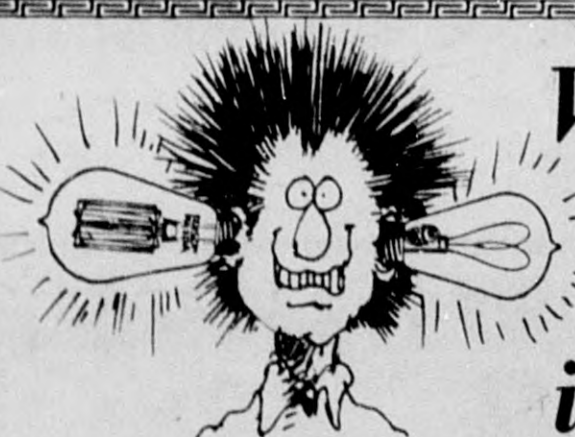
The 19th Century. Just these words bring a host of images to mind. The Civil War, the opening of the West and the eventual closing of the frontier, the Golden Age of the Railroads and the birth of the automobile, the move to the City, the emergence of the United States as a world power and the list goes on. If the colonial period was our nation's infancy, then the 19th Century will certainly be considered our adolescence. Still very much under the influence of our elders across the sea, we were trying out our wings. And, much to the surprise of many, we flew.

It was an age of Bigness; from the ornate Victorian mansions with their turrets, gables, widow's walks and gingerbread trim to the giant Corliss steam engines, the largest of which was built to power the entire machinery display at the Chicago Exposition, in 1879, everything was BIG. And if there was room for ornamentation, rest assured that it was lavishly applied. (The 1904 Chandler-Price letterpress in the Poster Shop still shows traces of the gold pinstriping which once adorned its frame and spider-spoked fly-wheel!)

The artists of the 19th Century chose other ways in which to re-

flect those grandiose feelings which were abroad in the land. Human beings took on an unmistakable monumentality in the portraits of the day whether they were painted by an itinerant artist or, in the last decade of the century, captured with a lens. We were still in awe of the land and the renderings of nature from those years clearly reflect this. There is a quiet mastery exhibited in the imagery, whether it be an anonymous portrait or a panoramic landscape.

I have tried to touch of what I believe to be some key insights into the 19th Century mindset. The paintings in the Flora Kirsch Beck Gallery are products of this era and if we are to fully appreciate them it behooves us to make an attempt at understanding the milieu in which they were created. We are most fortunate to have these works here. They provide us with the unique opportunity to look at our heritage. Over and above all that historic-philosophical stuff, they are delightful images. By all means take the time to leisurely wander through the gallery and enjoy the paintings, remembering as you do that this is from whence we came.



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John Denver and George Burns in a scene from "Oh God," a forthcoming Warner Brothers film directed by Carl Reiner.

Oh god, it's John Denver!

A well-stocked supermarket, a middle income home in the San Fernando Valley and the glow of California's winter sun are the precisely proper surroundings for John Denver's first film.

His ear-to-ear smile, Dutch-boy haircut and granny glasses are evoking wistful "oohs" all over Los Angeles as Denver plays the assistant manager of a supermarket in "Oh, God," a picture as inevitable for the young singer as the fact that he would become a film star.

Friendly and private, he comes and goes on the set with self-effacing ease, and if it weren't for the shiny reflection from his teeth and glasses, one would never suspect him of superstardom and utter professionalism. This time, instead of Frank Sinatra, Joanne Woodward, Doris Day, or another of his previous show-mates, he is teamed with George Burns, two and a half times John's age and surely the biggest octogenarian star in the world.

"Oh God," is directed by Carl Reiner who knows a humorous situation when he sees one, and is produced for Warner Bros. by Jerry Weintraub, who has put together Denver's hit TV specials, his concerts and his nightclub teaming with Sinatra.

It seems that America has elected John Denver today's -- and maybe tomorrow's -- hero. The affection with which audiences regard him has come mostly, of course, through the music he writes and sings. His record albums have sold something more than 30,000,000 copies. But his wholesome physical appearance, the aura of joy that surrounds him and his oneness with nature and humanity are surely qualities that endear him to listeners and lookers. This sunshiny aspect has apparently

brought audiences a welcome remission from the sordidness of the drug culture and panic of student riots, which characterized the '60's and beyond.

At any rate, John is playing a reasonable, common man in "Oh, God." But the unreasonable and uncommon things happen to him as God, in the gruff reassuring

presence of George Burns, appears before him and suggests he spread the word that it's about time people get their act together.

John likes the picture, he likes the idea of it and he likes Burns and Reiner. "It's pleasant and comfortable and I think it's going to work," he said. It wouldn't dare not work.

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BY SCOTT WHITFORD

Gather up your nickels and dimes all you girls from Newberry, South Bruske, and Gelston. Robert Redford week is here! Tuesday night the Tyler Cinema presents "Tell Them Willie Boy is Here."

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"The Great Gatsby" will be shown in Tyler on Wednesday night, co-starring Mia Farrow, Karen Black, and Sam Waterson. This is a look at the wealthy, sophisticated society of another time and at a one-sided love story. It is based on the novel by F. Scott Fitzgerald.

Thursday night Redford with co-stars Michael Pollard and Lauren Hutton appear on the screen in "Little Fauss and Big Halsey". The excitement of the motorcycle racing circuit is the background for the brash star Big Halsey and his sly tuner, Fauss. As the pressure mount, the star cracks, but the protege matures into a wiser man.

This weekend in "Three Days of the Condor" Redford plays a cool, super-bright CIA agent whose code name is Condor. He reveals the chilling premise of just how simple it is for the government to utilize any possible resource all in the name of the Condor. Co-stars are Faye Dunaway, and Cliff Robertson. Please note that the weekend flick will be shown in Tyler due to the Theatre and Dance Presentation in Dow.

Trivia Contest

Submit answers to Union Board office for free movie pass.

Alma College Trivia

1. Who was the architect for the Academic Center?
2. What year was Tyler Student center built?
3. What was previously at the site of the Clack Art Center?
4. What year did Dr. Swanson become president of the college?
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Colony News Update

Colony adopts logo

BY JEFF UETSMA

The TKE Advisory Committee approved the wearing of TKE shirts with a new fraternity logo when they met with the colony executive council last Friday morning.

The new logo consists of the same three letters, but the letter style is changed to what was nicknamed "Walloon letters". The

logo is one that TKE International has used for the last few years.

The reason for the letters is two-fold. They are meant to give the colony a new image in the eyes of the campus and community, and to signify a fresh start and new goals. The purpose of the logo is not to separate the colony from fraternity traditions or the greek system.

The advisory committee was

Dr. Edgar's 315

Spring Bio more fun than work

is spring term, Dr. Arlan Edgar of the Biology department is instructing one of the most interesting courses that has ever been offered. The course is Biology 311 entitled "Invertebrate of the Florida Coast." The one stipulation that Dr. Edgar is insisting upon is some previous experience with invertebrates.

The class will cost approximately \$325 and will consist of 14 students who will study at three locations in Florida throughout the month of May. The classes

will spend ten days at Alligator Harbor, which is southwest of Tallahassee. For three days, they will study at Tampa Bay near Tampa and the last seven days will be spent studying the invertebrates at the Florida Keys.

The class will commence and end on the Alma College Campus. It should run for approximately three and one-half weeks, according to Dr. Edgar.

Academic assignments will include two short research projects (one at the beginning and one at the end of the course), lab ob-

servations, field trips and identification of invertebrates.

Dr. Edgar's personal comment about the class is, "This will entail more fun than work."

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Second in League

Women Beat Montcalm

by P.J. Heck

'cots lose to Brittons

The women's basketball team opened their home season last Thursday against Montcalm Community College. The Scots had little trouble handling the Montcalm

Willie Dawkins, who fouled out

by Dave Flattley

Announcements

Discussions on science and Christian faith are being held at the Alma First Presbyterian Church, West Superior St., each Sunday at 9:30 am in the Conference Room. Students and faculty members are welcome.

Sunday, February 6, Dr. Brat and professor Wesley Dykstra will speak on "Life's Beginning--Fetal Research and Abortion."

The discussion program is coordinated by Dr. Joseph Walser and Chuck Taylor.

The Staley Lecture scheduled for Wednesday, February 1, will be presented at 6:15 pm. Please note the time change. There will be an informal reception for the speaker, Dr. George Fore II, in the Heather Room immediately following

There will be a book sale in the basement of Monteith Library on Thursday and Friday, February 3 and 4. Sale hours are from 9 am to 5 pm on Thursday, and from 9 am to 4 pm on Friday. The books will be sold according to Dutch Auctioning Pricing: Thursday--25c, 50c, \$1; Friday am--10c, 25c, 50c; Friday pm--5c per book.

LOST: One gold bracelet in women's gym locker room last Wednesday. If found please contact Cathy at 309 Bruske.

Alma College choir turns to recycling to help fund their tour to Russia. The choir wants your aluminum cans and returnable bottles. Make your deposits now in the boxes on your floor labeled, "Aluminum cans and returnable bottles for choir tour to Russia."

The registrar's office has announced the following important date: February 18--last day to add a seven week course; last day to drop a class unrecorded; mid-term.

Students and faculty concerned about Professor van den Bergh's physical condition and recovery should refrain from calling the van den Bergh's either at home or at the Mayo Clinic. No information is available at this time regarding van den Bergh's condition.

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To Bernie, Bombshell, P.E., G.T., and maybe Helen---Congratulations on your catches, have fun! P.S. Hey T.S., I can't wait for Feb. 12.

Morris

Dear Sonja, Cl inch, Pats, Bert, Amy, Karen, Lyne, Roomie, and 3rd North Newberry--- Thanks for making my 20th a birthday I'll never forget. I love you all.

Gina

Judy, Debbie, and Jeana: To see your name in print, ah, what fun! Have a good week!

Joel: Hope your big 21st was a happy one--now you're legal in ALL states! Lots of love,

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the Kid.

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