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Freshman class elects four class officers

By Sara Amell
Staff Writer

Results of the freshmen class officers election, which took place Wednesday, were announced at the

"Their class seemed very unified during preterm, despite their large size."
—Chip Hardwick

Student Congress meeting that night with James Watkins surfacing as class president for 1987-88.

Watkins will be assisted by Vice President Pat Soszynski, Treasurer

Teresa Ruiz and Secretary Sarah Butler.

Watkins, who was vice president of his class for two years in high school, said his main goal for this year is to promote class unity and involvement. "We want to get everyone settled in," he said.

The four officers will organize traditional freshman class activities such as class dinners and a class pajama party and will also be responsible for the Homecoming Queen's float.

Student Congress President Chip Hardwick was excited about the turn out for the election. "There were at least three candidates for each office which shows that their class (1991) plans to be involved," Hardwick stated.

"Their class seemed very unified during preterm, despite their large size, and they should have a great four years. I look forward to working with them," Hardwick added.



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Jamie Watkins, Sarah Butler, Teresa Ruiz and Pat Soszynski.

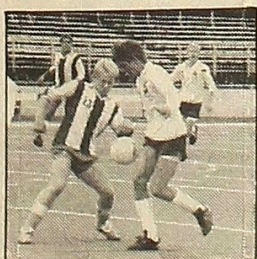
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Congress faces administration

By Lisa Donahue
Managing Editor

In an often times heated, 1½-hour meeting Wednesday night, the three new administrators from the dean's office participated in a panel discussion with Student Congress members.

Dean of Students James Kridler, Associate Dean of Students Herb Nauss and Assistant Dean of Students Linda Harleston fielded questions from the packed house in AC 113 of both members and interested individuals.

Questions centered mainly on two

topics: the 150-person party limit and the faculty/administration's perceived problem with fraternity sister organizations on campus.

Addressing a question concerning the closed party policy, Kridler said, "It's my understanding that the 150 figure was thrashed out last year in Student Congress and the Student Life Committee."

"We're not trying to play SWAT team," he said. "The point is that we're going to work with the groups to help them continue to do things the way they have been, but also to manage their risk and manage their liability."

"I don't think things need to be written in stone," Nauss said. "There will be some leeway (with the invitations) for unexpected guests. We want to work with the groups, not against them."

Nauss did make it clear, however, that campus students should not be included in that leeway.

"I'll tell you the truth," Kridler said. "That may not be what you want to hear, but I'll tell you the truth. There's no perfect situation. Some of the old things are gone. That's just the way it is."

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TKE's house is new but flawed

By Michelle Matlenga
Staff Writer

Amid excitement about its new house, the Tau Kappa Epsilon (TKE) fraternity experienced some disappointment last weekend when it

discovered wallpaper that has been painted over and leaking pipes in their new home.

The problems began sometime between 10 and 11 p.m. Saturday night when a blocked pipe left by Adams Plumbing caused the TKE house basement to flood with water, said Direc-

tor of Physical Plant Bob Weaver.

"The fraternity had pretty high expectations, and then were confronted with this (problem)," said Eugene Pattison, TKE advisor and chairperson of the fraternity's board of trustees.

The pipe problem has been corrected, but other improvements are left unfinished.

Although the carpeting was expected to have been laid already in the house, the old Meyer House carpeting is still intact. However, carpeting for the living room, five bedrooms and stairway has been ordered along with linoleum for the kitchen, said Pattison.

The chapter room, currently with a cement floor, is planned to be carpeted with carpeting from the former TKE chapter room in Bruske. Although it became moldy and mildewed this summer, it will be cleaned and re-edged for use this year, according to Pattison.

"They (the members) are happy to be in a house, but upset that things haven't been getting done," Pattison

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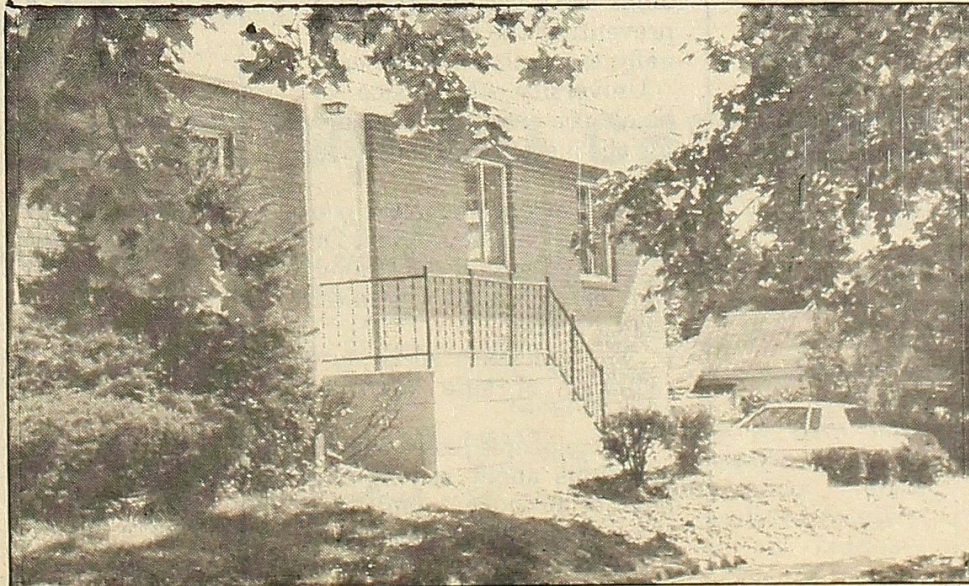


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TKE house

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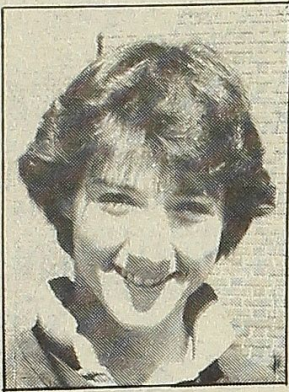
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By Steve Hoffmann
Staff Writer

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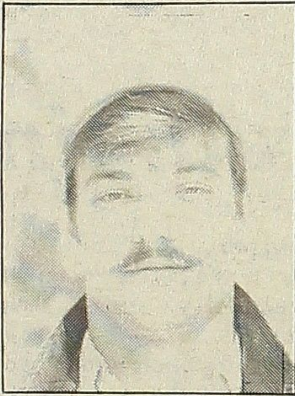
Q. How has the parking situation on the Alma campus affected you?

A. Cheryl Reibling: "Parking in the open lot should cost less than parking in your own lot. Who wants to trudge 10 miles to get their car?"



A. Nick McClure: "I think it's ridiculous that an R.A. can't get an automatic spot in their own lot. What are we supposed to tell the resident who needs a ride to the emergency room?"

A. Rob Smigielski: "I think that the current parking situation sucks! Because juniors and seniors should have first choice until the lots are full. After that, sophomores and then if there are any left, they go to freshmen. In addition, the small housing units should have parking facilities, too; there is plenty of room around the respective houses."



A. John Sak: "We think the new dorm lot should have more spaces to accommodate the needs of all the students living there. Because people can't park in the streets in the wintertime, overcrowding occurs and it becomes a hassle."



A. Joel Parker: "As a sophomore, this is my second year parking in the open lot and it perturbs me. It has become a colossal inconvenience, provoking me to retaliate against Bob Weaver."

A. Ross McNeil: "It doesn't matter to me because I live off campus."

Colleges offer condoms in vending machines

CPS— This is the fall a seemingly endless string of campuses has added condoms to the candy bars, sodas, cigarettes and other items students can buy in local vending machines.

Once confined to rural gas stations and bars, condom vending machines can now be found at the universities of Minnesota, California at Santa Cruz, Cincinnati, Nebraska, Florida and Bellevue Community College in Washington.

Dozens of other colleges and universities are debating the propriety of making the devices available.

The reason, according to condom sponsors, is containment of the spread of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS), a fatal disease transmitted through sexual intercourse and intravenous drug use.

Sponsors add the vending machines give students anonymous, convenient 24-hour access to condoms, which they say is important because sexual encounters are often unplanned and spontaneous.

"We're an educational institution," explained Jane Harris of Belview College, where condom machines were installed in the student center in May of 1987.

"We educate people about a lot of things, and one of those things is sexually transmitted diseases," he added.

"People often aren't thinking during the day about what they'll be doing at night," said

"Some people feel very self-conscious about buying this kind of product."

—Tom Roberts,
Univ. of California

Dr. Linda Pneuman, a physician at the University of Colorado's student health center, where the Colorado AIDS task force has recommended installation of the machines.

University of New Mexico health center Director Olga Eaton said she believes "condoms are a very good way of preventing the spread of sexually transmitted diseases."

University of Mexico officials are currently considering the installation of condom machines.

"Dispensers encourage people to use condoms," said Dr. Mark Mitzberg of the University of California's student health center.

"The machines serve as a reminder of safe sex," he added.

"Some people feel very self-conscious about buying this kind of product," said Tom Roberts of the University of California-Santa Barbara AIDS task force.

"I think it's a good idea," said University of New Mexico junior Steve Gray.

"The more they're available, the more careful people will be. If there's anonymity, people are more apt to buy them," he added.

"Condom vending machines are not the only answer," said Betty Newcomb of the University of California-Irvine AIDS education committee.

Some critics, in fact, said condoms are not even a good method of birth control.

Last week, researchers at the University of Massachusetts Medical School in Worcester expressed

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Univ. of New Mexico

doubts about condoms as failsafe protection for they can become porous if exposed to heat or light.

Still other individuals said they worry condom vending machines effectively signal students that sexual promiscuity is permissible or advisable in the dorms.

Conservative groups in particular argue colleges should tell students that monogamy and sexual abstinence are the

most effective ways to avoid AIDS.

"We tell students abstinence is a choice, but not all college students will choose abstinence," Pneuman said. "We give them other options. Monogamy is another. We'd like to see condoms available any time, day or night, on campus to give students another option."

At Cal-Santa Barbara, "the reaction so far has been very positive," Roberts said. "Some critics say, by installing the machines, we're promoting a certain lifestyle. But we argue that the health implications are too great to ignore."

"We've tried to do this without moral judgment. Let's face it," he added, "Sex goes on. To ignore it is not dealing with reality. Is the option to let students die of AIDS? That doesn't cut it in my book."

School officials said it's too early to determine if condom dispensers have checked the rate of AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases. "I can't give you a precise scientific answer now," said Mitzberg. "But there's no doubt in my mind that they will."

"If just one person doesn't get AIDS as a result of those dispensers," said Roberts, "they will have done the job."

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EPC reviews calendar, credit alternatives

Suresh Rajagopal
Staff Writer

The Educational Policy Committee (EPC) of 1987-88 has met twice this year to review possible credit and calendar changes.

EPC consists of students and faculty who review, plan and evaluate educational programs at Alma College. Dr. Eugene Deci will serve as chairman of the committee.

The meeting Sept. 15 centered on this year's agenda for EPC. Some of the main topics for this year's committee include developing specific recommendations for possible calendar and credit changes, proposing specific details for a freshman seminar program and reviewing an assessment program for Alma College.

"They probably wanted to assess how much we get out of a liberal arts...education."
—Susan Garvey

The calendar and credit changes deal with adjusting the length of the term. The adjustment would consist of a 15-week semester instead of the 14-week term which is currently employed by the college.

The college would then change credits to semester hours. The value of three hours would equal four credits.

The value change of the credits would cause two major problems, according to student EPC member Susan Garvey.

First of all, credit requirements would be affected. The change would create conversion problems from credits to hours, for majors and graduating students.

Increased faculty class loads would also result. The change from credits to semester hours would give most students 15 hours instead of 16 credits from a normal four-class load. Hence, the faculty would have to add classes to each semester to allow enough hours, said Garvey.

The topic is being tabled for further discussion.

Another topic in discussion is an assessment testing program for seniors. The American College Testing (ACT) program has developed an assessment test program for the individual needs of each college.

Student loans to be discussed

Peace corps rep on campus

The new Student Loan Forgiveness provision approved by Congress for Peace Corps volunteers will be explained during an evening film presentation tonight at 8 p.m. in AC 109.

According to Peace Corps representative Stephen Halcomb, a former volunteer who served in the Dominican Republic, a 20-minute movie presentation will begin at 8 p.m. to be followed by a question and answer session.

The Higher Education Act of 1986 provides authority for the cancellation of National Direct Student Loans

"They (the college) probably want to assess how much we get out of a liberal arts core education," said Garvey.

EPC is bringing an ACT represen-

tative to the campus to review the program.

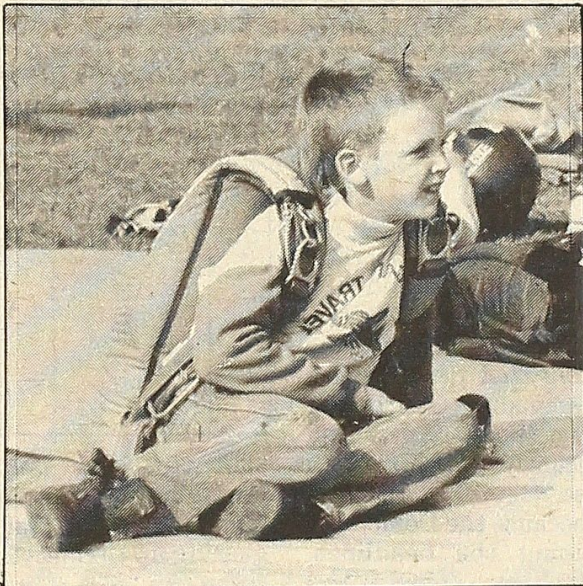
The committee has appointed Professor John Arnold, Professor Ronald Kapp, Registrar William Potter, Pro-

fessor Larry Wittle and student Robert Henry to a subcommittee to conduct further research.

The next EPC meeting will be Tuesday, Sept. 29.

Flying high

Photo Editor Robin Roller captured both young and old last week as they participated in the sport of parachuting. Here are two people who seemed to enjoy the day's activities.



photos by Robin Roller

Kridler offers new program

Take a faculty member to lunch

By Mary Buckley
News Editor

Dean of Students Jim Kridler is offering the new program "Take a Faculty Member to Lunch" in an effort to open communications between students and faculty.

According to Kridler, the dean's office will pay for a Hamilton Commons lunch for any faculty member or administrator with whom a student wishes to eat.

In order to schedule a lunch, the student must set up a specific time and

then pick up a meal card from the Student Affairs office.

According to Kridler, many students complain of lack of communication between staff and students.

"The intention (of this program) is to increase communication and to promote student-faculty interaction in a more informal situation," said Kridler.

Since its announcement in the Educational Affairs newsletter, which is sent to all faculty and administrators, Kridler has received positive comments about the program.

It should be emphasized that the program includes administrators as well as faculty members, Kridler said.

The program is already in progress and lunch tickets can be picked up in the Student Affairs office.

"It's very simple and I hope people will take advantage of it," added Kridler.

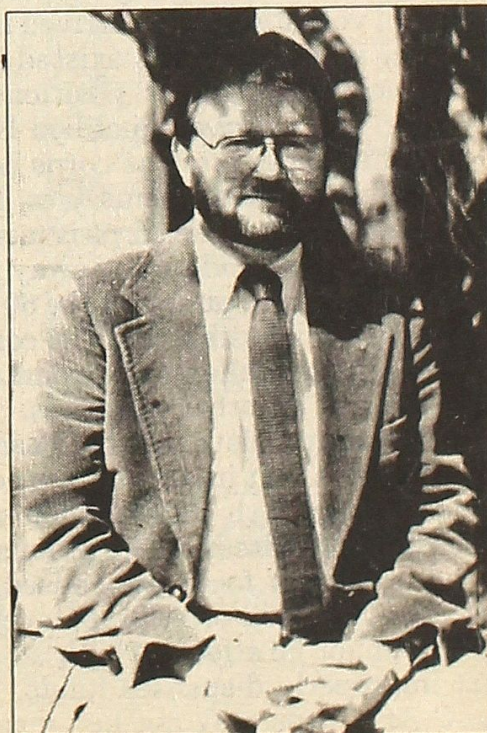


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Dean of Students Jim Kridler

Editorial

What is news?

Much of what we read in the paper today will be forgotten in only a few weeks. Hot topics of a year or even a month ago are shoved aside to make way for the latest crisis or "late-breaking" story. As a campus service, we present the *Almanian's* answer to the eternal question of fashion: "What's in and out for 1987."

● Iran/Contra debacle is out—Bork nomination is in. Nandi and Cathy are out—Jim, Linda and Herb are in. Spirit Rock is out—Joe's Place is in.

● The Philippines and Afghanistan are out—Nicaragua is in. Baton twirlers are out—Miss Michigan is in. "Thriller" is out—"Bad" is in.

● Complaining about Amtrak is out—complaining about Northwest is in. Oral Roberts is out. So are Jim and Tammy Bakker.

● Short-range missiles are out—ICBMs are in. Pintos are out—Audi 5000s are in.

● Natural turf and dirty uniforms are out—astroturf and crutches are in. Soccer is in—eyebrows are out. Bleached hair is out—bleached jeans are in.

● Free love is out—safe sex is in. The Pope is in—his policies are out. "Doonesbury" is out—"Bloom County" is in.

● Real football is out—scab football is in. Donahue is out—Oprah Winfrey soon will be. "Garfield" is out—"Calvin and Hobbes" is in.

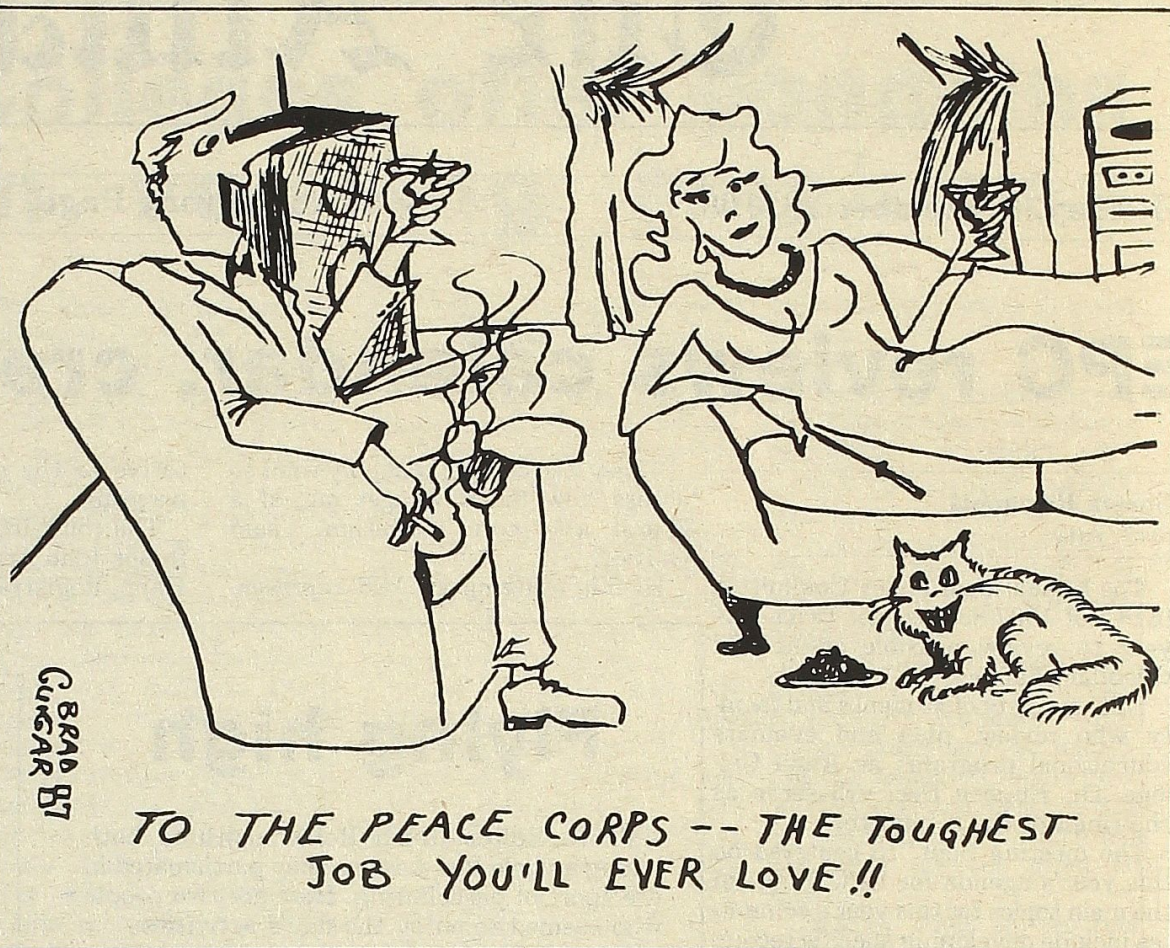
● The Tigers are in...no, they're out...wait, they're in again...(check back with us on this one.)

Corps: worth it?

When President John Kennedy established the Peace Corps 25 years ago, its stated purpose was to send volunteers to educate people in developing nations and to help them meet their basic needs. Employing what they refer to as "practical idealism," the volunteers attempt to "make a difference" in a world teeming with poverty and malnutrition. Currently, the corps operates in more than 60 countries at a grassroots level, teaching people to run fisheries, irrigate fields, nourish children, etc. Indeed, the Peace Corps has good intentions, but we question whether or not its actions truly reflect those intentions.

Although the corps receives \$130 million annually from the U.S. government, it appears that all of the funding is not properly used. One example of misused funds is in the Central American country of Belize. According to *Progressive* magazine, Belize gets one volunteer for every 1,200 people while Haiti, the poorest country in the western hemisphere, only has one for every 150,000. Exhibiting a clear flaw in the administration of the program, volunteers have arrived in Belize only to find that no assignments existed for them. Also, many volunteers filled positions, such as in teaching, and deprived qualified Belizeans of the spots. The function of the corps is to adequately train natives to help themselves, but it does not seem possible when the corps is merely populating foreign countries and taking away jobs. Although Belize is only one example of the 60 countries served, it seems impossible that the corps could make such a large mistake in this country and operate effectively in all other countries.

We certainly believe that the Peace Corps has noble intentions, but intentions are not good enough when playing with \$130 million each year. The group should address severe problems, rather than spend its money foolishly. Indeed, the corps can be a great method of helping developing nations; yet, it cannot be effective with an administration that improperly dispenses funds. Unfortunately, the Peace Corps may not be "making a world of difference," as it so claims.



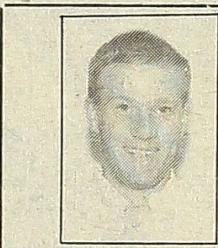
1988 presidential campaign

Republicans: Dole is in

The focus of the 1988 Presidential campaign so far has been on the Democrats, the "Snow White and the Seven Dwarves" of the political arena. Certainly the news from that party makes for better reading, considering the Gary Hart scandal and more recently, the Joe Biden nonsense.

Just because the Democrats are making the headlines, don't think that the Republicans have it easy. Though not as dramatic, the Republicans have their own fairy tale which I like to call "Goldilocks and the Three Bears."

Of course, Goldilocks can be no one but George Bush. Once the heir apparent to the Reagan dynasty, the problems that have crippled the Reagan administration have taken their toll on the Bush campaign. Many people, especially Republicans, would like to see Bush take a strong stand on an issue, any issue. Bush is



Jason Sylvester

still tiptoeing behind the crumbling Reagan teflon, trying to hold the faith while gearing up to reject it as soon as he can.

Robert Dole, of Kansas, seems to hold the most promise for the Republicans in 1988. While many Democrats confess how they'd love to run against Bush, they also let on that Dole scares them.

Dole has it all: steady and acceptable moderate ideology, proven leadership qualities, and an excellent background and reputation in the Senate. Another plus for Dole is that he would bring the best First Lady into the White House with him, former Transportation Secretary Elizabeth Dole.

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Opinion

Biden's supporters deserve an explanation

Say it ain't so, Joe Biden. Show us, America's young idealists, that you're more than just a stirring speech, more than a campaign built on misstatements and false promises.

Are you really the "big boy" you claimed to be in your campaign withdrawal speech of last Wednesday?

Apologize to your supporters. Explain to us what

happened. For once if a politician would try us—he or she just might be surprised.

Senator Biden, we don't want you to grovel in the dirt. We're not out to hurt you. We just want the facts, sir. And if after hearing them, an apology is in order, well then, how about it?

Don't apologize for trying to bring back the Kennedy feeling, for trying to "rekindle the

spirit of idealism (in America)" by engaging our emotions in the battle to preserve our country's greatness.

Don't apologize for your service and dedication to promoting positions in the U.S. Senate that are both practical and idealistic.

Don't apologize for believing that you can "bend history just a little bit." If only more politicians could admit to the



Bryan Sharp

"little bit" part...

Don't apologize for your low class standing or for having only two degrees. Some of the greatest leaders of our time, Franklin D. Roosevelt and Winston Churchill, for example, failed to excel in the academic world. Besides Joe, certainly you've shown more academic prowess than our current man in the Oval Office.

Don't apologize for including your family in your political decisions nor for making the 90-mile commute between Wilmington, Del. and Washington D.C. almost every day so that you could be with them. It's rare that an ambitious politician takes an active role in his family life. It's remarkable that you've kept both spheres healthy, those of politics and of family life, even after the tragedy of losing your first wife and daughter when you first became a senator.

And Joe, don't apologize for "winging it" in your speeches on occasion. As George Will wrote in phrasing that style, "We need politicians who will

look up from their texts and wing it for a while. American audiences should be offended when they assemble to hear a speaker who proceeds to read to them."

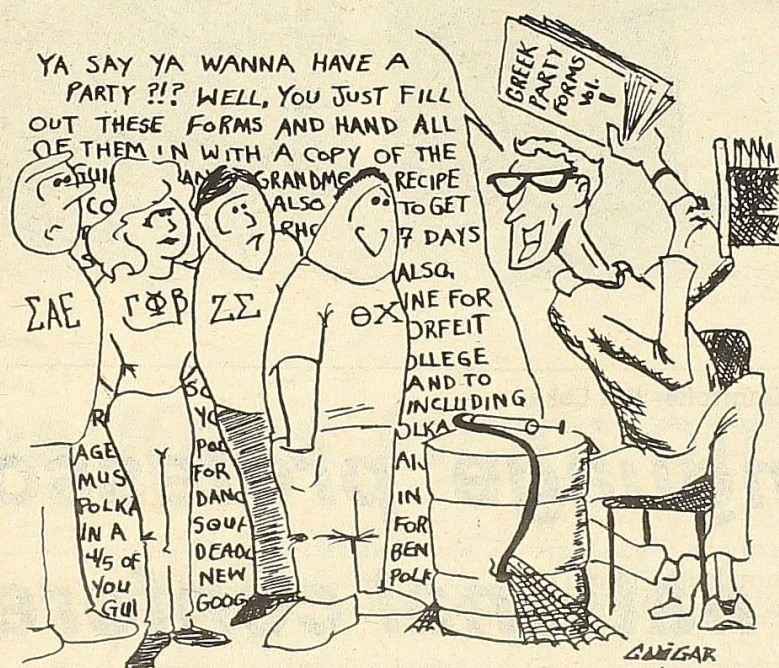
"Winging it" may have gotten you into trouble on occasion, but never the kind of trouble that one honest explanation couldn't remedy.

And yes, as you said in your final speech as a candidate, "There will be other opportunities for (Joe Biden) to run for president."

But, if you can't give us an explanation now as to why you made those mistakes, (no matter how small they really were) how do we trust you the next time around? Isn't it time that you show America the importance of honor and integrity in dealing with people by telling us, the young Americans for whom you stand, the whole story? You told us "measure the whole Joe Biden;" yet how is that possible with what we now know of him?

You're right, Joe. Idealism

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ACT/SAT on way out

Entrance exams don't make the grade



Joel Kimball

Results of the ACT (American College Test) and the SAT (Scholastic Aptitude Test) were published this week. Seeing these tests in the news, accompanied by articles describing the controversy surrounding them brought back a full load of memories.

I remember taking both tests, and some of my feelings at the time: nervousness; concern that I might not do well enough and interest in what exactly these tests would include. As it turned out, I did very well on both of them.

I didn't understand what the results meant until I talked with my high school counselor (who I had only seen before in the context of being reprimanded for excessive absence or for being "loud and boisterous".) She proudly presented the results to me.

As I stared at them blankly, she sensed that I had no idea what the numbers meant. "What it means is that you can write your own ticket," she said.

"But I don't like flying," I wittily countered.

"No, no. You can very likely go to any school in the country."

"Oh," I replied, indicating my deep wisdom and intellect. "So what?" you're asking yourself. Well, quite a few people in this country don't feel that these tests or any others should be used to "write tickets" for anybody. The argument is that the tests not only "write tickets" to college, but may also "write tickets" straight into low-paying jobs, low self esteem and a permanent blotch on one's academic record.

Alleged misuse of the tests is also a problem. Although all students don't take the tests, they are often used as a measure of the state of education in the U.S. or as a comparison of schools within, between and among the states.

They are used in some schools as tiebreakers for school honors; however, they are designed to measure future success in college, not high school achievement.

Both of these uses are invalid.

Both the ACT and SAT are intended to be used as indicators of students' potential in higher education. The ACT divides this assessment into four parts: language, math, social science and natural science. SAT uses two components: verbal and math scores.

The companies that produce the tests claim that the tests are in fact accurate indicators

of students' potential to do well in college.

Others are not so sure.

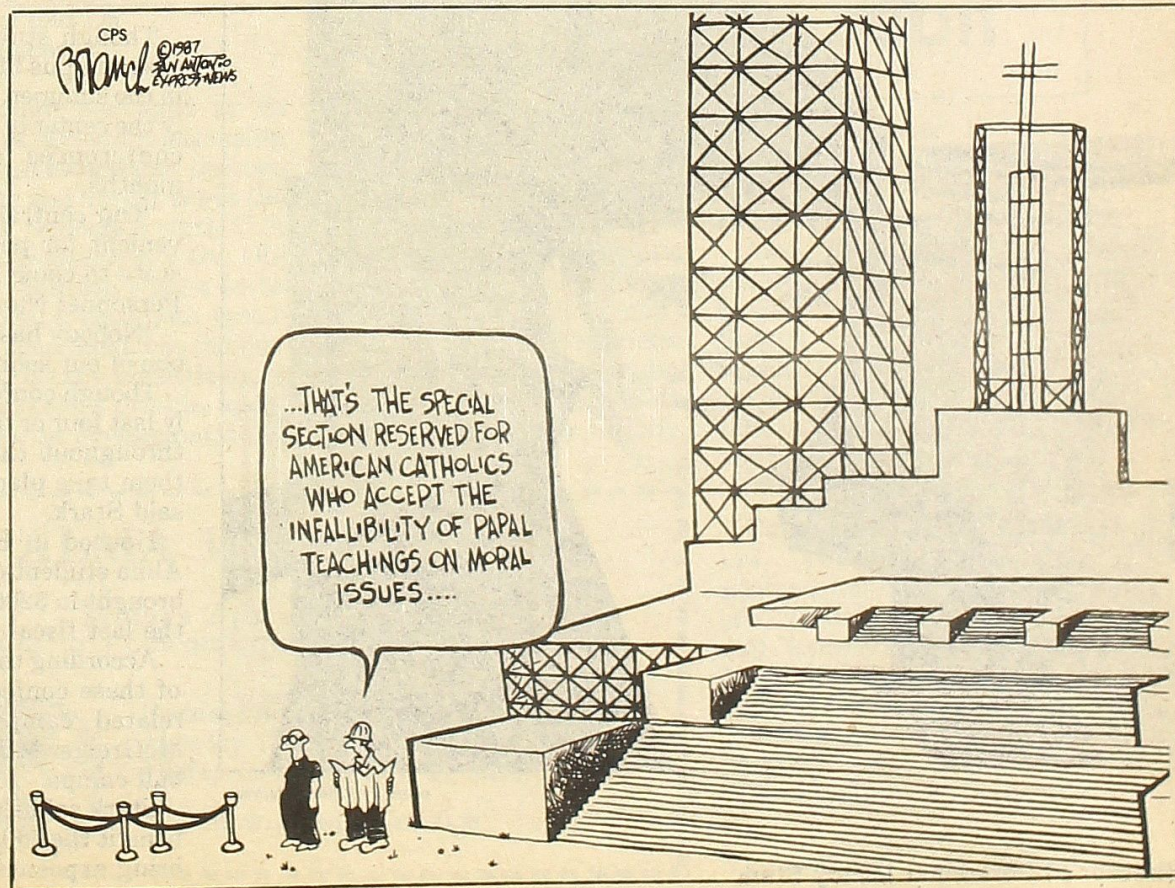
The greatest concern the opponents have is that the tests are "culturally biased" because blacks and women tend to score lower than white males. Additionally, it has been asserted that the phrasing of the questions favors white males.

On the face of it, this is a

compelling argument. If blacks and women score lower, the thinking follows that the tests indicate that the groups are not as intelligent, which we know is not the case.

This would be a plausible argument if the ACT and SAT were intelligence tests, but they're not. They are tests of college preparedness (or are supposed to be). However,

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Feature

New controller juggles interests, work

By Marna Raitanen
Staff Writer

How many hats can one person wear?
Bill Lake, Alma College's new controller has had little difficulty sporting nine of them.
In addition to his professional duties, Lake is a Central Michigan University student, a Rotary Club member, a Highland Festival Committee member and a member of the

"Life's too short so I took a huge pay cut."
—Bill Lake

Chamber of Commerce.
He also fills the roles of a frequent bowler, an entrepreneur, a Boy Scout leader, a husband and father of four children.

According to Lake, "You have to budget your time and spend your time wisely. That's all you can do."
Lake gained his managerial experience through employment with several corporations including the Fisher Body Stamping Plant, the Symons Corporation and Gulf and Western.

His past jobs—including work as a financial systems analyst, a corporate accounting manager and a division controller—have taken him to Kalamazoo, Mt. Pleasant, New York City and Chicago.

Despite his work in larger cities, Lake said he prefers the small town atmosphere. "Alma is a very pleasant and friendly community," he said.

Describing his first eight years of schooling, Lake said the one-room country schoolhouse in Calhoun County, Mich., was "great."

Since Lake said he believes high school posed no challenge so he left school and joined the Marine Corp at age 17.

After four years in the corp, Lake enrolled in Western Michigan University. There he majored in accounting and took minors in finance, economics and computer science.

He graduated magna cum laude in 1972 with a bachelor's degree in business administration.

After maintaining several jobs in large cities, Lake said he decided to return to small town life and moved to Menominee, Mich., where he worked for Heywood Wakefield.

"Life's too short," he said, "so I took a huge pay cut."

Four years later, when the company began to dissolve, he answered a newspaper advertisement which led him to the position of director of Alma operations for Central Michigan Newspapers.

According to Lake, he applied for his current position as controller because he prefers accounting to the production supervision at Central Michigan Newspapers.

According to Vice President of Finance Jon Groteluschen, "He's (Lake) doing an excellent job."

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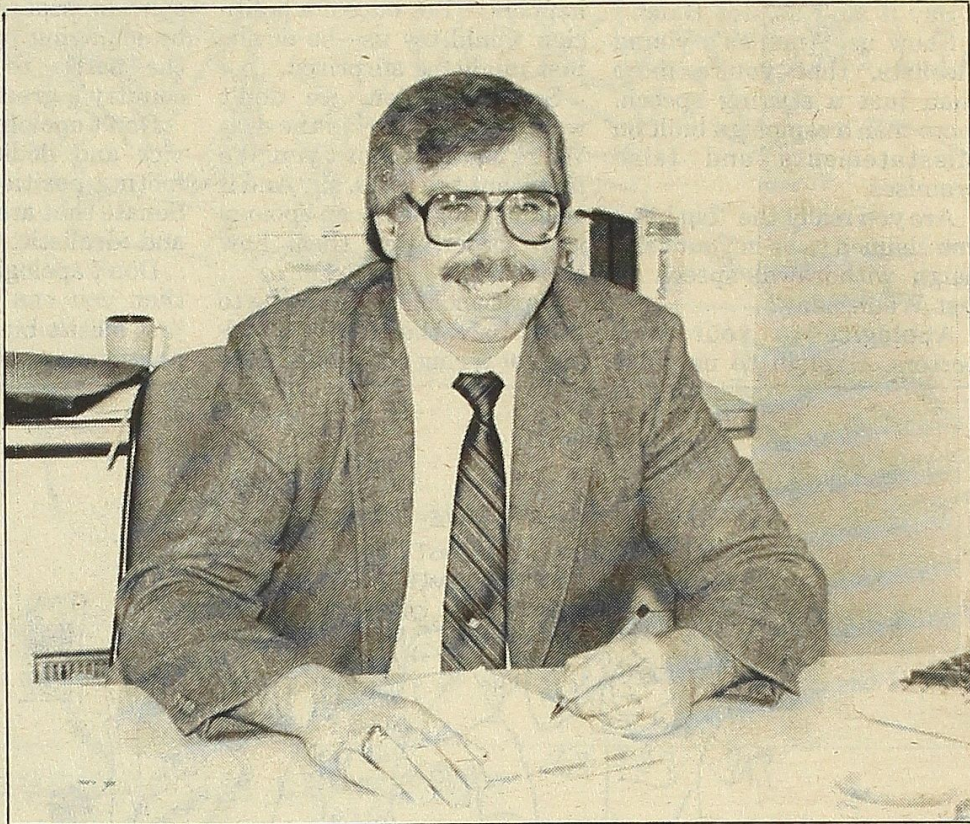


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Foreign language professor is honored at national conference

By Barb Sutherland
Staff Writer

Though Professor Earl Hayward has taught French at Alma College for twenty-seven years, his involvement with the language extends beyond the borders of Alma's campus.

In July of this year he was honored at the annual national meeting of the American Association of Teachers of French (AATF) in San Francisco.

Hayward, secretary treasurer of the

organization's Michigan chapter and member for 30 years, said he felt honored to be singled out.

Additionally, he is the coordinator of Michigan's National French Contest (NFC), a test offered to elementary through highschool age French students.

According to Hayward, the current rewards for scoring well on the NFC are prizes and prestige. However, because many colleges face the problem of placing students into a level of foreign language appropriate to

their abilities, Hayward said he would like to see the NFC become a placement test for college French courses.

In addition to his work with the AATF and the NFC, Hayward also became involved in the Alma community when he originated Alma's overseas study program, which he directed until four years ago.

Hayward's work at Alma was recognized in 1982 when he and Professor M.J.J. Smith received the first faculty Barlow award.

Conferences draw revenue and exposure



photo by Melissa Methner

Director of Personnel Nancy Stark

By John Heinlein
Feature Editor

Though students tend to envision that campus life goes home with them in the summer, Alma College is actually the center of activity for many state conferences during the summer months.

"Our central location makes it convenient for people from all over the state to come here," said Director of Personnel Nancy Stark.

"Nobody has to drive too far. That's one of our selling points," she added.

Though conferences, which generally last four or five days, are conducted throughout the year, the "bulk" of them take place during the summer, said Stark.

Housed in Bruske and hosted by Alma students, the conference guests brought in \$200,000 in revenue during the last fiscal year.

According to Stark, a great number of these conferences are high school related camps including the five McGreiger Milwaukee Bucks basketball camps.

Stark said she believes these camps benefit the college "because they help bring exposure to potential students

and their families."

In addition to high school camps, the conferences tend to draw church-related organizations to Alma, said Stark.

"We get a lot of Presbyterian groups...and women's church groups as well," she said.

According to Stark, the 1987 summer brought a weight watchers organization for "kids ages 10 to 21."

"Weight Watchers has run 12 camps nationwide for the last 15 years," she said.

"Alma is one of two sites added last year," she added.

During the school year, conference guests are housed on North Bruske's third floor, where the student conference director resides.

According to Stark, it is the conference director's duty to "see that the needs of the guests are met."

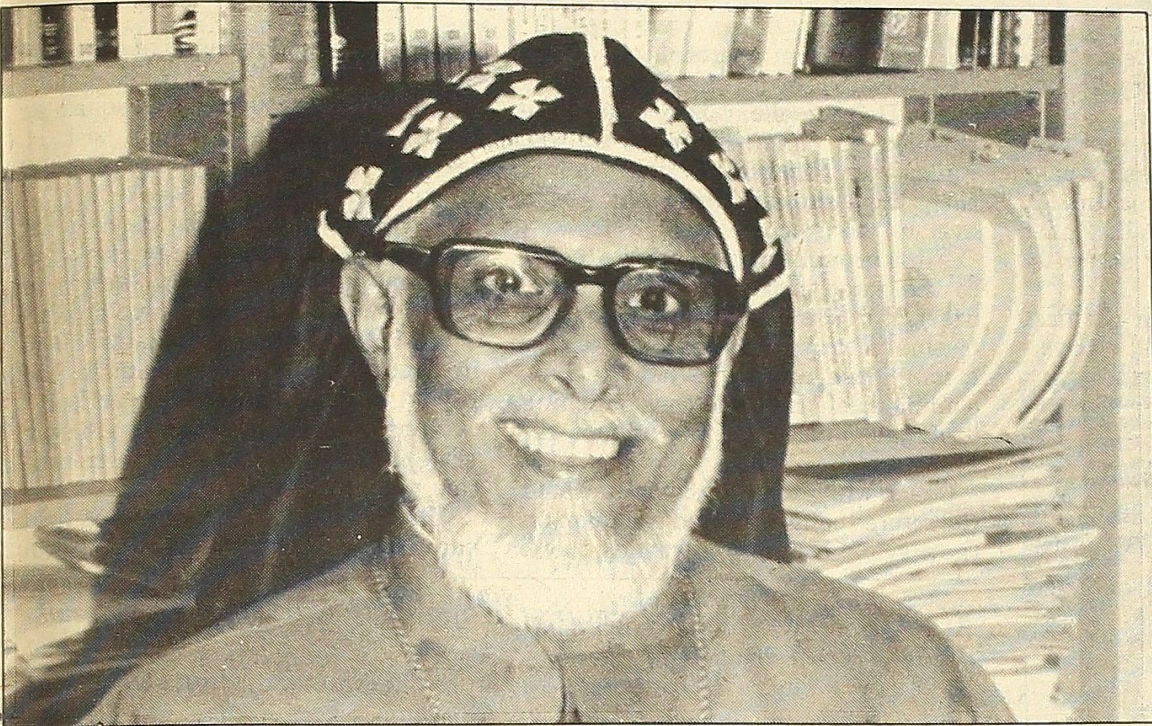
Sometimes the job, which she described as flexible but demanding, includes "holding them (guests) by the hand and leading them around," she said.

Stark said she believes the current student conference director, senior Tom Pritchard, will be a "tough act to

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Entertainment

Makarios begins fifth year as instructor



Bishop Thomas Makarios

By Rod Davenport
Staff Writer

Bishop Thomas Makarios, head of the North American Diocese of the Eastern Orthodox Church since 1979, is spending his fifth year at Alma College as a visiting professor. At present, he is teaching a seven week religion class which centers around methods of reading the Bible and comparisons of Eastern Orthodoxy to Western Christianity. Originally from India, Makarios said he first felt his calling to God as a child. After attending basic seminary in India, Makarios furthered his studies in England, Germany, Switzerland, France and finally the United States. In 1975, Makarios became a consecrated bishop, the

highest position in the Eastern Orthodox Church. His work in the United States began that year after moving to Buffalo, N.Y. Makarios can be seen on campus dressed in a flowing red robe, which is the tradition for Eastern Orthodox bishops. According to Makarios, the robe's red hue symbolizes the blood of Christ and the many martyrs who died in support of the Christian church. Makarios also wears a head-dress, which he said represents the crown of thorns worn by Christ. According to Makarios, this reminds him of the history of his position and of his devotion to his church. Makarios says that he is at peace with himself and the world, adding that he doesn't view his work as a job, but rather a way of life.

Kampus Kaos kicks off Homecoming Week

By Lisa Donahue
Managing Editor

Alma College's second annual Kampus Kaos takes place Sunday, marking the beginning of Homecoming Week activities. An inter-dorm competition, Kampus Kaos is "similar to the campus-wide crazy Olympics that places like C.M.U. have," said resident assistant Steve McClelland, who is in charge of the day's events. Teams competing in the series of nine games and events are formed by dormitory resident assistants (R.A.s) and are composed of equal numbers of men and women. "The R.A.s function as team

captains," McClelland said, "and should be contacting the people on their floors soon to form teams." Events for the day include traditional ones, such as the three-legged race, the gunny sack race and a tug-of-war. Other not-so-traditional games include the spoon and string race, the soccer walk, the wheelbarrow Race, the inertubes contest, the water balloon competition and a 15-person pyramid building contest. Commenting on some problems encountered with participation last year, McClelland said, "We decided to have it (Kampus Kaos) on Sunday this year to involve more people."

Apparently, sports practices and other Saturday events interfered with participation last year. McClelland also noted the fact that last year's Kampus Kaos was organized in only one week. "A lot of people didn't really know what it was," he said. Faculty members will serve as referees for the event and a prize will be awarded for first

place. "It should be a lot of fun," McClelland said. Anyone interested in participating should contact his or her R.A. as soon as possible. Beginning Monday, Homecoming Week continues with such events as the Southern dinner at Hamilton Commons, a tape recorder scavenger hunt, "The Civil War Revisited" (a North vs.

South campus competition) and movie night, featuring the film "Gone With the Wind." The weekend events start Friday night with the pep rally, followed by an Alma College Union Board comedian. Saturday brings a close to the week with the traditional parade, football game and Homecoming Dance. See next week's issue for more details.

Squeeze can't squeeze out enough talent for good album

By John Jacobson
Staff Writer

Squeeze
Babylon and On
A&M Records

Although packaged as an album of serious relationship and social awareness, teenage romance and unrest are at the heart of Squeeze's sixth U.S. release, *Babylon and On*. Obviously Squeeze wishes to be considered a legitimate, trend-setting, pop band, but the bottom line is they are little more than worthless dribble, sounding like an amalgamation of

other corporate pop bands. They sell an image that's better than the actual product. The nucleus of Squeeze is the singing/songwriting/guitar playing pair of Glenn Tilbrook and Chris Difford. I can't believe that they are seriously referred to as a modern day Lennon and McCartney. Both show a good ear for melody,

but that's where the comparison ends. Squeeze is dull, uninteresting and musically stagnant; the Beatles weren't. Also, Squeeze has made a concerted effort to simplify its lyrics for the listeners, even though they would prefer something more poetic and deep. The listeners' desire is unrealistic because Difford and Tilbrook can hardly write a limerick.

Collaborating with D and T are keyboardist Julian Holland, bassist Keith Wilkinson, drummer Gilson Lavis and horn/synth man Andy Metcalfe. These other members do a good job of covering up the feeble guitar playing of Difford and Tilbrook. Unfortunately, the



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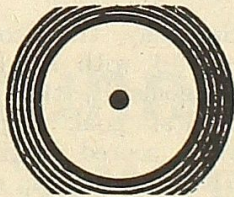
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Sports

Fuller gets two! Soccer jams on Delta 4-0, loses on Hope's grass in second half, 2-0

By Bryan W. Sharp
Sports Editor

The soccer team began the week by crunching Delta College, 4-0, Tuesday. Saturday, the team lost to MIAA power Hope College, 2-0, after a strong first half.

In Tuesday's game, Alma took the lead early as Paul Masnjak dribbled

the ball from the mid-field line and rolled it passed a frozen Delta goalie into the corner of the goal.

Then it was Brian Fuller's turn. Fuller headed a perfect crossing pass from Masnjak to put the Scots up 2-0.

Still early in the first half, Fuller took advantage of another screw up by Delta's goalie.

Heber Garcia, playing in his first game of the season and still recover-

ing from an arm operation, booted a long pass to set up the goal.

The Delta goalie, rather than leave the box to clear the pass, waited. Fuller then charged the ball, getting their first and knocking the goalie over in the process.

Alma brought many substitutes into the game in the second half. Andrew Kartsounes became the first freshman to score this year by taking a long pass down the left sideline, eluding a defender, and then punching it off the upper crossbar and into the net.

Coach Mahmood Monshipouri said the referee congratulated the team on the play of back-up goalie Andy Mehl.

"We played 30 minutes of excellent soccer (Saturday)," said Monshipouri. "I've never seen such a large squad (as Hope). If it were just our best 11 players versus theirs, we could take them."

Co-captain Stewart Sarkozy said he was impressed with the teams play in the first half. "We really took it to them. Our defense shut them down."

"If we play like we did against Hope in the first half, any team in the MIAA is within reach," he added.

Monshipouri said he is very happy with the way Fuller has progressed this year.

"Brian has a special sense of field like Larry Bird's sense of court in



Craig Peterfeso takes control.

photo by Robin Roller

'Yeah Rah, Hockey!' Undefeated in MIAA Fowler leads the way

By Stephanie Cole
Staff Writer

The Alma field hockey team completed another successful week with two victories and one tie. The team remains undefeated in the MIAA and has improved its overall record to 5-1-2.

Wednesday, the Scots shut out Hope College 2-0 in an important league game. Meg Fowler scored both goals.

The first goal came in the first few minutes of play. In the second half, Fowler added her second goal scoring after a penalty corner.

Coach Deb Mapes, extremely pleased with the team's performance, said "The forward line pressured the ball well."

The junior-varsity squad played Hope to a scoreless tie on the same afternoon.

Last weekend found the team in Springfield, Ohio for games against Wittenburg College and Kenyon College.

In the game against Wittenburg, Friday, neither team scored in regulation. Even after two 10-minute over-times, no team could manage to score.

Saturday, the Scots downed Kenyon 3-1 with Fowler scoring two more goals. Heather Hall assisted on the first goal. Right wing, Jane Ravish, scored the final goal.

The next game is at home against Albion College. Game time is 3:30 p.m. with a J.V. match to follow.

Players honored

Two Scots football players were nominated last week for MIAA player of the week.

Tight end Aaron Fletcher caught five passes for 100 yards in the Scots' 26-3 victory over Northwestern Illinois. Linebacker Ric Koler was credited with 12 tackles, including two for losses in the Scots' win.

"If we play like we did against Hope in the first half, any team in the MIAA is within reach."

—Co-captain Stuart Sarkozy

Saturday's game was another story. The Scots found themselves heavily outnumbered in a 2-0 losing effort against Hope.

"They were subbing in four or five players at a time and it just wore our starters down" said sophomore Kirk Miller.

Brian Fuller just missed scoring in the first half, knocking it off the upper crossbar. After that, Alma had few scoring opportunities, but the Scots managed to hold the Dutchmen scoreless in the first half.

basketball," he added.

Both Monshipouri and Sarkozy noted the difficulty of adjusting to the smaller, grass fields of other schools.

The Scots play two home games this week: Wednesday at 3:30 vs. Adrian and Saturday at 1:30 against Calvin. Monshipouri expressed his hopes of attracting a large crowd to Saturday's game since the football team is on the road.

The 1-1 record for the week puts the team at 3-4 overall. Alma is 1-2 in the MIAA.

Lewellen 'careers,' 75 Golfers fourth at Hope

By Anne L. Couch
Staff Writer

Jeremy Lewellen shot the lowest score among all MIAA golfers Friday at Grand Haven Country Club, Hope's home course, to take medalist honors with a score of 75.

John Jacobson's 82, Ric Paterson's 89, Scott Campbell's 90 and Dave Devine's 91 along with Lewellen's 75 enabled the team to capture fourth place with a combined total of 427.

"After three matches, Alma is in fifth place (in the MIAA), eleven strokes behind Albion," said Coach Sedley Hall.

Earlier in the week, Alma played at Kalamazoo Country Club,

Kalamazoo's home course, tying for sixth place with a total of 437.

In that meet, Devine and Campbell shot the lowest score for the Scots, both with 85. Lewellen followed with an 87; Poirier had an 89 and Jacobson shot 91.

According to Hall, the match was played in "constant rain."

"It was difficult for everybody," he said.

Despite the team's ups and downs, Hall is still optimistic about Alma's chances for placing third in the MIAA.

"We're planning to make up some ground at home on Oct. 8," he said.

Tomorrow the Scots tee it up at 1 p.m. at Bedford Valley Country Club, Olivet's home course, in Battle Creek.

Week at a glance

(home games in capitals)
Tuesday, September 29
● MIAA Golf at Olivet, (Bedford Valley Country Club) 1 p.m.

Wednesday, September 30
● FIELD HOCKEY VS. ALBION, (JV & V) 3:30 p.m.
● SOCCER VS. ADRIAN, 3:30 p.m.
● VOLLEYBALL VS. HOPE, (JV & V) 6 p.m.

Friday, October 2
● Men's Cross Country, (Notre Dame

Invitational—South Bend, Indiana) 4 p.m.

Saturday, October 3
● VOLLEYBALL VS. KALAMAZOO, 1 p.m.
● SOCCER VS. CALVIN, 1:30 p.m.
● Field Hockey at Calvin, 1 p.m.
● Football at St. Francis, (Joliet, Illinois) 1:30 p.m.
● Women's Cross Country, (Tri-state Invitational) 11:45 a.m.
● Men's Cross Country, (Tri-state Invitational) 11 a.m.

Now comes the hard part

Scots do it again—21-0 win over Drake

By Ken Craig
Staff Writer

The Alma Scots continued their winning streak Saturday with a 21-0 victory over Drake University. The win moved the Scots' record to 3-0.

The Scot offense wasted no time getting on the scoreboard. On the first play from scrimmage, quarterback Steve Kinne faded back from the Alma 9-yard line. Kinne lofted a long pass down the right sideline to a sprinting Tim LaBlance who hauled in

and the 15-yard penalty moved the ball to the Drake 18.

Two Joseph running plays put the ball at the 1. An illegal motion penalty moved the ball back to the 6, where the drive stalled. Meehleder came on to boot a 21-yard field goal to give Alma a 18-0 lead.

Starting from their own 49 with 2:29 remaining in the half, the Scots went into their two-minute offense. Kinne connected with Aaron Fletcher for 18 yards. On the next play, he hit LaBlance for 13 more. Carries by Wilson and Sean Budde gave the Scots

We still haven't given up a touchdown, and I think that's kind of surprising," said Brooks.

Brooks, however, felt that his team could have played better. "We didn't play with emotion until we got to the critical plays. We were sluggish in the first half, but we'll have games like this where we aren't 'up'. We're lucky we could play this way and still win," Brooks added.

The play of Joe Joseph and Jamie Wilson was important, Brooks said. Starting running back Burt Jordan injured his shoulder last week and was limited to only 3 plays. Joseph and Wilson, who gained 89 and 90 yards respectively, kept the Scots ground game moving. "Hopefully Burt will be ready next week," Brooks said.

Next week, the Scots play their first road game against St. Francis, a team Brooks calls "one of the best division III teams in the midwest."



photo by Tom Boyer

The Scots rush on to victory in Saturday's game.

"We'll have games like this where we aren't 'up'. We're lucky we could play this way and still win."
—Head coach Phil Brooks

the 43-yard bomb. A 23-yard rushing effort and 12-yard reception by Joe Josepht gave Alma a first down at the Drake 13. Carries by Jamie Wilson, Joseph, and Kinne brought the Scots to 1st and goal from the 3. Three running plays gained 2 yards and on 4th down, Kinne powered his way into the end zone. Mike Meehleder drilled home the extra point to put Alma up 7-0 with just under nine minutes remaining in the first quarter.

Picking off a tipped throw from the line of scrimmage, the Scots' Tim Johns helped hold Drake's first offensive series. The Scot offense capitalized on the play with Joseph and Wilson setting up an Alma first and goal from the 5. On third down, Kinne faked a hand-off to Joseph and maneuvered his way to the end zone, followed by Wilson's two-point conversion carry. With 3:54 left in the first quarter, the Scots led Drake 15-0.

After the teams traded punts, the Scots were able to start a drive with ten minutes left in the half. Starting from their own 33, the team moved 17 yards on the ground. Then Wilson caught a 5-yard pass and LaBlance added a 13-yard reception. Drake was called for a late hit on LaBlance's catch

the ball on the Drake 13. A keeper by Kinne netted 4 yards. With the clock ticking down, Meehleder kicked a 26-yard field goal. Alma led 21-0 at the half.

The second half was dominated by the defense of both teams. Brian Hood, Rob Smith, Matt Brown, and Ric Koler made key plays to stop Drake drives.

Drake came close to scoring in the fourth quarter, but the Scots' defense wouldn't allow it. The Bulldogs drove 50 yards to set up a 1st and goal from the Scots 10-yard line. Dan Stark stopped the ball-carrier for no gain on second down. Drake completed a four-yard pass to the 1, but on 4th down, the Drake quarterback overthrew his reciever in the end zone to give the Scots the ball. Drake never posed another scoring threat.

Once again, the Scots defense had an outstanding game. For the third consecutive time, the opponent did not score a touchdown. The defense has not been scored upon in the last seven quarters.

Head coach Phil Brooks was pleased with his team's defense. "It's hard to single out who had a great game because they all played well. Our kids rose to the occasion

Arnold wins; Scots outrun Brittain's with ease, 19-44

By Kelly Betzold
Staff writer

The Alma men's cross country team easily claimed its first dual meet victory of the year Saturday against Albion scoring 19 points to their 44. Taking first place overall

"The results are exciting because there is so much depth."
—Ast. coach Dan Gibson

was freshman Bill Arnold with a time of 26:23.

"It's really exciting to watch this team because we never know who will be our

leader" said Coach Charles Gray.

Senior Steve McClelland finished next for the team, taking third place with a 26:49. He was followed by sophomore Dana Dewitt and senior Pat Lambert in 27:08 and 27:12, respectively.

The Scots continued to dominate the field with freshman Matt Chovanec, 27:29; sophomore Mike Pope, 27:44; freshman Steve Cassar, 27:45 and freshman Chris Jonas, 27:48.

According to assistant coach Dan Gibson, "The results are exciting because there is so much depth. There's a very strong pack of runners."

Rounding out the team for

the Scots were freshmen Dave Stuebe, 28:19; Don Price, 28:19; Troy Thompson, 29:15; Dave Buchanan, 29:39 and senior Gary Garner, 30:16.

"Based on these times and

"By the conference meet, it should be one of our great teams."
—Coach Charles Gray

performances, the team is very good right now and by the conference meet, it should be one of our great teams," Gray said.

The men compete again at Notre Dame, Friday, and Tri-State, Saturday.

Women runners 1-2-3. It's Betzold-Chura-Wolfgang Steamroll Albion 19-37

By Diane Schefke
Editor in Chief

At the first league meet, the women's cross country team

ran all over Albion to a 19-37 win Saturday.

The Scots team claimed the first three places, thus guaranteeing the win on the Albion course.

To lead the harriers' assault on rival Albion, team captain Kelly Betzold raced in 18:42 for the three-mile course. Kelly Chura turned in a fine performance for second place with a 19:21 timing.

Clinching the third spot overall, Amy Wolfgang ran a 19:23 for the Scots.

In what Coach Charles Gray referred to as "an excellent time," Sharon Thelen grabbed sixth place for the Alma women, crossing the finish line

in 20:16.

She was followed closely by teammate Theresa Koenigsnecht, who turned in a 20:27 performance for seventh place.

Completing the varsity squad, Lynn McKay and Jamie Grant finished in 10th and 14th places with times of 21:33 and 22:38, respectively.

According to Gray, McKay dropped a full-minute off her best performance in Saturday's race.

"The entire group just felt very good about it (the race)," Gray said.

The women will next race at the Tri-state Invitational Saturday.

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Justifying the regulation that groups must submit a list of invited guests one week in advance of the event, all three administrators agreed that the stipulation was added to help manage liability for both the groups and the college.

However, as one concerned student stressed, the stipulation never passed through the Student Life Committee, nor is it stated anywhere in the closed party section of the *Student Life Handbook*.

Rumors surrounding the abolition of campus sister organizations prompted several questions on the topic, which were basically met with the same answer from all three administrators: "We have no problem with it."

Both Kridler and Harleston said, however, that some facul-

ty members and Greek advisors have "expressed concern" to them about the sister organizations.

Nauss also said that his attitude concerning sister organizations is based on past, personal experiences at other colleges. He added he is willing to keep an "open mind" about the Alma system.

Questions also arose as to how the Heather Room will be put to use.

Originally, the administration had wanted to institute some type of 21-club at which alcohol could be purchased by students of legal drinking age. The plan fell through since the college was unable to obtain a liquor license.

"The college couldn't get a liquor license if it wanted to," Kridler said. "In Michigan, there are only so many licenses available for each

county and there are no more available for this county."

Because of the unavailability of liquor licensing, Harleston, who functions as advisor to the Alma College Union Board (ACUB), is already working with ACUB to do some programming there this year, Kridler said.

The "Oldies but Goodies" dance Saturday was the first of such events.

Also included in the question and answer section of Wednesday's meeting were concerns about the phone system on campus—specifically that there aren't enough long distance lines on which to dial out.

Physical Plant Director Robert Weaver outlined a new program whereby the college can provide long distance service to students from their rooms.

"Right now, we're looking at a Nov. 1 date for this program," Kridler said.

Following the forum, the regular Congress meeting took place which included the announcement of the 1987-88 Freshmen class officers. They are: President Jamie Watkins, Vice President Pat Soszynski,

Treasurer Theresa Ruiz and Secretary Sarah Butler.

Members of the Student Budget and Finance Committee and the Contingency Committee were also approved and it was announced that Scot-

tland Kennard will serve as chairperson of the Student Life Committee.

Student Congress meets every Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in AC 113 and is open to all students.

House

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To improve the appearance of the house, the fraternity has purchased bunk beds, desks, chairs and couches with fraternity money from the settlement on the other house.

The furniture will "definitely not be owned by the college," said Pattison.

The furnishings are expected to begin arriving next week, Pattison added.

The house is old and some wallpaper has been painted over. To eliminate the worn look of the rooms, an interior decorator, the mother of TKE member Fred Morley, plans to offer decorating ideas for wallpaper and drapery.

In contrast, the Sigma

Alpha Epsilon (SAE) house seems to have had a remarkable refurbishing, fraternity members said. According to Weaver, its extensive renovations are because of the fire the house experienced in May of 1986.

"Because of the condition of the wiring, it had to be removed and replaced. To do this, they (Freed Construction) had to take out walls," Weaver said.

The hot water system was also faulty, which involved taking out pipes, Weaver added, commenting that these conditions led to much of the restructuring in the house.

Currently, no specific plans exist to equalize the level of facilities in these two houses.

Republicans

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However, Robert Dole must prove that his dismal performance in 1980 was a fluke.

New York's Jack Kemp would like to quarterback the entire nation in 1988. Kemp, like Dole, has a good record on the Hill, but is widely regarded as a sleeper. The biggest rap on Kemp is that he is headstrong and wouldn't listen to the party too much. Kemp would make a really good vice president.

Pat Robertson is certainly the most interesting candidate of the primaries. But can he overcome the stigma that has

been attached to him? Robertson must establish a broad base of support outside his religious fundamentalism. Many GOP leaders feel threatened by his candidacy. Despite his lack of past offices, Robertson is still not really carrying a liability into the race—look at Eisenhower, U.S. Grant and other presidents who held no other offices.

The dark horses are almost invisible by this stage of the campaign. It's difficult to even come up with any others besides the 'Big Four.' Alexander Haig's name was tossed around for a while, as was that of Howard Baker. But the dark horses show no real hope of coming out of nowhere to win it all.

So, the Republicans have a real dogfight brewing. No candidate is on the verge of running away from the pack, at least at this stage. The collapse of the Reagan dynasty may well take the nomination out of Bush's hands and throw it to Dole instead. Kemp may be out of it, and I hope Robertson won't get into it. The white knight of the Republican Party in 1988, more and more, appears to be Robert Dole.

Next week: the Democrats?

Squeeze

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clear, sensitive and pretty voice of Tilbrook can still be heard. It's definitely the kind of voice you can recognize instantly—and dislike just as quickly.

"Hourglass" is the first single off this aurally painful album. It's flashy horn and percussion licks make it a natural for the radio. The beat is relentless, but Difford and Tilbrook make the song worse by singing exactly to it. Their percussive phrasing is commercialized by being burdened by the barline.

In fact, the album offers two songs worth mentioning. The first is "Tough Love," a bouncy, childish ballad about the stress substance abuse puts on a relationship. This emotional song was inspired by Lavis' bout with alcoholism. Ironically, D and T sing about love and perseverance, but in reality they broke up the band

because of his drunkenness. Did I mention this is a reunion album of sorts for Squeeze?

The other song is "The Waiting Game," a mellow song about a guy waiting for his girl to come home and the suspicion that arouses when she's late. Lush, ethereal synths combined with a dotted-eighth rhythm make this song a highlight.

Credit goes to producer Eric Thorngren for cutting out the slack and making this album

musically concise and punctual. No needless instrumental fills or solos are used and the instrumentation is kept to a bare minimum without sounding shallow.

My only complaint on this end is the drums. It's the very natural and ambient drum sound—processed too heavily and mixed too forward—which destroys the musical cohesiveness of the album.

However, there isn't much left to destroy that Squeeze didn't already do handily.

Biden

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does exist among the younger generation. Under the white-hot heat of a grueling party nomination race, maybe we can understand a few lies and misstatements. But, when you do get called on them (and you were), you had better have more than "I made some mistakes" with a promise never to repeat them. You thanked those who stood up for you by saying that you were more grateful than they could ever know. Maybe, in the spirit of idealism, we want to know why you lied. Don't your supporters, at least, deserve such an explanation?

Why did you say you were in the top half of your graduating class? Why did you tell some members of the press that you had three undergraduate degrees when you really have two? Why did you plagiarize?

Joe Biden, if you can't say it ain't so, at least say why.

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women do better in college on the average than men. The tests do not predict this (since women score lower on the average). This does raise questions concerning the validity of the tests.

Michigan uses the ACT as the exclusive determinant of state competitive scholarship eligibility. Given the test's stated goal of predicting ability to do college level work, this seems to be a reasonable way to determine who should receive scholarships. Mass testing of applicants saves the state considerable resources in sifting through the thousands of students who might be qualified to put the money to good use.

However, if women do better in college than men but men score better on the test, then women may very likely get cheated out of a deserved scholarship by men who ultimately won't do as well in school. This is definitely a more compelling criticism of the tests than the issue of in-

correct application of the results, which is not the fault of the producers of the tests.

I'm not so sure that bias exists in the tests; I am open to persuasive argument on that issue. The mere fact that some groups score lower than others is an inadequate basis for crying foul.

We naturally expect that some students will do better on the tests than others. It is troubling that women do better in college, and that the tests don't predict this fact. I don't feel that this is overwhelming evidence that the tests are fatally flawed, but it does point out that the tests are not perfect.

Some work must be done by the companies that produce the tests to determine the reasons why they are not better predictors of women's ability and to revise the tests to eliminate this problem. The issue of racial bias must also be examined carefully, and any which exists must also be eliminated.

The most relevant point in my mind is that many colleges have openly stated that the

tests have little influence on their admission of students. Some schools are dropping the tests from their admission requirements entirely. As more and more colleges go this route (and you can bet they will), the need to test students at all must be raised. Why spend money and effort on something that does not matter?

Of course, there is not good answer to the question other than "Don't."

This answer might make it tougher for the state to select competitive scholarship recipients, but we have enough bright minds in the government and private sector to determine a way to fairly distribute the scholarships.

The colleges will base their entrance requirements on other relevant indicators of ability, such as high school grade point averages, interviews, extra-curricular activities and references.

The ACT and SAT will die off simply because colleges no longer find them useful. The trend in this direction has already begun.

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The controller's basic duties include receiving and allocating money, keeping an accurate account of money and filing reports.

"He's responsible for managing the business operations of the college," said Groteluschen.

"He's a quick-study—not only in terms of his duties and responsibilities, but he fits well into the campus community. He's getting involved," Groteluschen said.

Although he is responsible for allocating approximately 13 to 14 million dollars this year, Lake said he isn't worried.

"I like the pace. It's not a slow pace, but it's an even pace. You can plan your work and work your plan," Lake said. "You get a lot more accomplished than you would under a crisis mode."

According to Lake, learning to cope with the change from the newspaper business to

education business is a challenge.

"My short-term goal right now would be to learn as much about college accounting as I can," Lake said.

Lake said he also plans to complete his master's degree this year at Central Michigan University, where he is currently maintaining a 3.8 grade point average.

He has also considered teaching a few classes at Alma because of his part-time experience at Northeast Wisconsin Technological Institute teaching advanced accounting and accounting theory.

Though he may pursue a doctorate in business administration, Lake said he is content for the moment.

"I find that it (Alma College) has a very pleasant, yet invigorating atmosphere and I have no intentions of going anywhere else," he said.

"I think I've found my niche as long as I can be beneficial and helpful to the college," he added.

Conferences

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follow."

"I think Tom handles the job superbly. He's a real people person," she said.

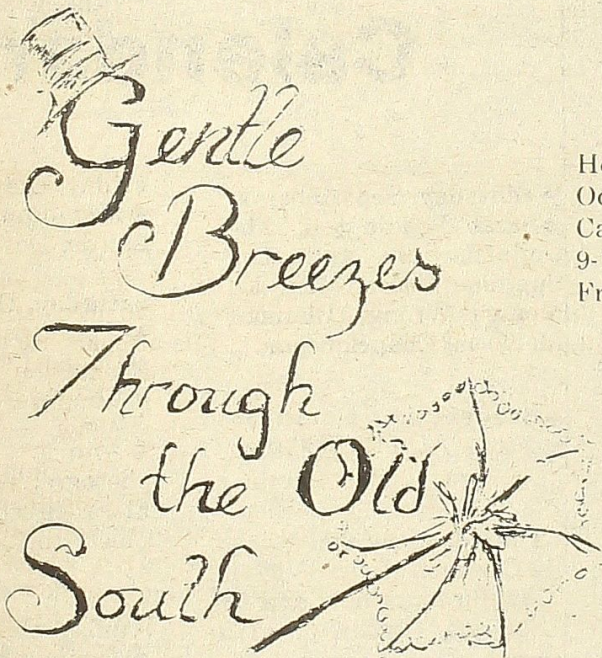
Though maintaining that conferences are beneficial to the campus, Stark also said the college's "primary purpose is education," and that "students come first."

"The purpose of the con-

ferences is to fill in a gap and make use of our capital investment," she said.

According to Stark, the summer conference schedule is almost full. She said she would, however, like to see more conferences during the academic year.

"I would love to see third floor Bruske in use every weekend," she added.



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FOUND! A 1956 Class Ring on 2nd East Gelston. To claim please call Student Affairs.

Welcome to the AGD family, Lisa and Susan! (Way to pick your pledge class Alicia.) The Count is up and running for Awesome Alpha Gam Pledges; FIRE UP!!! Many thanks to those who helped take care of the "trash" Friday. The fruit was beginning to ferment. Has everyone named her goldfish by now? HEY DOUG — Your mother dresses you funny! (But we love your red, buff, and green hair.) Did anyone else have to take Steph to the gas station last week, or has she overcome her fear of self serve pumps? Jennifer Beck, not only are you joined at the hip, now you're pinned at the heart too. Congrats Scott E.! Roommate to the rescue...pearl found. Get your passports ready, Paris awaits! The PUB CREW

AGD PLEDGI—
I'm so happy for you, and for us! Love ya, Tammy Turtle

ATTENTION SENIORS!
Start thinking! Voting for Homecoming Court will be held on Wednesday, September 30 in Hamilton Commons at lunch and dinner. Court includes 5 males and 5 females of the senior class.

All—school voting for Homecoming's King and Queen will be held Thursday, October 8; also in Hamilton Commons at lunch and dinner.

What do movies, pop, popcorn, ice skating, bowling, barn dances, Alma College and Christianity all have in common? Come and find out! Meet the new Catholic campus minister, Jeanenne Haverbush, any time on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday between the hours of 10—12:30 p.m. Phone 7924.

Hi Kathy, Wanda, Pia and Lynne!! Hope you're all having a GREAT day! Guess who?

Hey Three Fingers:
Get into the new Whitesnake much? Sharpino

WANTED: One widow willing to be decorated for homecoming.

SIGS I
The latest health kick has everybody running. BIRDMAN, however, has been coming up a little short. GOFF'S new philosophy is to go to breakfast; that way you start off the day with a punch. Is there anything we can do for TJ and SCRUFF? Gibby suggests his library. Naughty, Naughty!

HEY YOU IN N. CAROLINA
How's the weather? I hope you think it's less stormy than it was on Sunday! Sky's are a lot clearer up north. I suppose there will be other stormy days but we'll have to have faith in the weather man!! I love you—Gus!

Mare—
You're so rare! And you're so fair. It's because you care. So...there. Big Hitter

FCA Monday Night featuring a BONFIRE and S'MORES. Everyone is welcome — meet in Gelston Lobby at 9 p.m.

Something to SAE:
Gentlemen, the house is a reality. I've seen it and it's quite a pretty sight...Rooms for rent: Both FIG and PLAQUE/SWAETER have space available. Contact SOUP or BREEZY for further information...Hungry? Try Orville RAVENbacker's Gourmet Popping Corn. Carefully aged (on the floor) with the patience of a true slacker. Get yours when there's still some left (take your time)...GRADY, GRADY, GRADY, how 'bout them ladies? A warm welcome to KELLY and LAURIE, and congratulations to all adopters and adoptees...Things are good. Stay warm until next weekend. Until next time. Drive Safely

Lisa—
See? Dated and everything. Thanks for the help. Todd

Hey GPB Women,
Good going Lisa on your parts. Miss Baker, Miss Bonham, Miss Dalbee, Miss Miller and Miss Peacock — hang in there, keep them in line. Kelly — maybe you should stick with trains (they have locks on the doors). Andrea — Where's your next encounter with superman? Does anyone know if the Alumni with the raison up her nose can come back for homecoming? It can't be that bad Rhea — Whatever it is we still love you. Good thing our president wasn't caught mooning. Best wishes Maria! Lilly — your new mom is so proud. NOTE: the mushroom eaters have increased this year. Click, Click, Click

Chapman, pass the Geritol! Get married so we have someone to go to dinner with. Old married man about campus

Theta Chi says, "So what? Let it bleed!" Thanks to all who extended the helping vein: Sisters Liz Robertson and Bernadette Duperon, and brothers Jamie Clancy, Mike Hendricks, Brian MacIntyre, Dave Poirier, Don Simecek, Andy Prevost, Howard Carbone, Jim McKnight, Tom Newton, and Chuck (Little Hitler) Gerlach. I also gave a pint of the finest. Remember to rest and drink plenty of liquids. Fearless Leader

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"Gentle Breezes Through the Old South" Start spreading the news by word of mouth. Homecoming '87 is where you ought to be. October 10, you'll love it, wait and see.

Who has the new office in the balcony of the chapel? The new catholic campus chaplain! Come and find out some of the programs that will be available to you this year! Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday 10—12:30 p.m.

LOST — One Woobie! If anyone knows the whereabouts of a light blue jean jacket with various pins, please return it — at least the pins and my Saga ID. Call 7790 with any info. Thanx

Greetings Sisters
Congrats to Tia for getting MAD. Three is now the record. Happy B—days to Jill R. and Colleen. Fire—Up for Bids Day — Delta Class is looking Good!! Congrats to Shelley and Anna on their Sigma Chi Sisterhood. Let's fire up for Derby Days. Nice Car in the driveway—Weenie. First his car—what's next. Our deepest sympathy goes to Suzie whose sprained finger was just found to be broken. Congrats to the I.M. team. So what if we lose — it's opportunity. Q factor. Nice Job, Ann. The fiesta was Mucho—fun-o. Jenny G.—written any sensitive poems at a soccer game lately? Most of all — PVS is at epidemic level, let's shake it off at movie night at the house — 9:00 Tuesday. Thanx for Joining

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TKE—For winners only!
Thanks guys for last weekend! Have you guys built rafts yet for the basement? Good thing Bill found a dry place. Speaking of...nice sheets for you Chip (perfect for a waterbed). Ed Teall gave his pin to who?...Long, do you remember your brother's birthday? He's supposed to do the shots, not you! Congrats to Tim, Mandy and Stephanie! Best of luck and TKE love! Until next week...TKE once, TKE twice...

Hi there GPB's!
I got your letter today and it was great to her from all of you! I miss you like crazy! But I also manage to have a "little" bit of fund here! I hope everything is just "wonderful" there at Alma and I'm sure you're all preparing for Tavern! I love you all! Lisa

Dearest Courtney
Pinnie sends her greetings

Hey Roomie!
I truly miss our gab sessions and our wild times. I trust your single is being well used! I hope they've returned to printing the Saga menu so we can post it on our board! Take care and I'll be in touch soon! love, Lisa

STUDENT SALES REP
WANTED to sell sportswear to dorms and Greek organizations. Commission sales! Please send letter of interest and background to: Rep P.O. Box 128, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858.

ATTENTION: There is a reward being offered for a Chemistry 111 book that was taken from the Computer Center on Thursday, September 24. I would appreciate ANY help (and to the person who took it: Would you please bring it back? I would like to have my book back.) Anyone with info call 7590. Thanks!

Dad
Thanks for stopping by! It's 2:45 a.m. and I'm still here. Yuk! I miss you and I'm really looking forward to coming home for break. But right now, I desperately need some sleep! love, Lisa

Bird—
Welcome to the closest family on campus. I'm extremely excited that I had the honor of becoming your brother (especially since you can cook *really* good brownies!) May you receive as much from the family as you give to it (and vice versa). Jhon

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Keep your lakes clean.

Leave forests and parks clean.

Help keep America looking good.

Help Woodsy spread the word.

Calendar

Wednesday, September 30
● Sarah Weddington, "The Constitution and the Supreme Court: Why Ed Meese is Wrong," Dunning Memorial Chapel, 8 p.m.

● Student Congress meeting, AC 113, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, October 1
● Common Hour: "Nigeria, Mayflower School and the Solarins," AC 113, 11:30 a.m.

Friday, October 2
● Marionettiste Daniel Llords, Dow, 8 p.m.

Saturday, October 3
● Wake-ups and runouts
● Daniel Llords puppeteer workshop, Dow, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
● Andre Kertesz photography exhibit opens, Flora Kirsch Beck Gallery, Clack, today through Oct. 31

Sunday, October 4
● Kampus Kaos, 2 p.m.



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