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Barlow Trophy nominees Gaffke, McDonald, Murphy

By Marcus Yamashiro
Staff Writer

This year's Barlow Trophy nominees are Karen Gaffke, Mary McDonald and Patricia Murphy.

Each year, a graduating senior in the top 10 percent of the class is awarded the Barlow Trophy. Taken into consideration are the student's CPA as well as how he or she served the school.

To become one of the three Barlow trophy nominees, a student must submit an application along with faculty

recommendations. The student must then go through an interview process, and finally the six faculty members and six students who form the nominating committee make the decision.

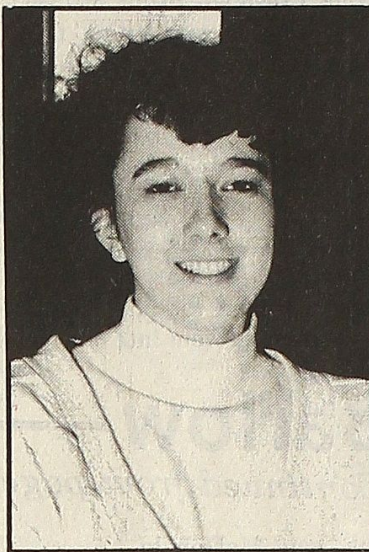
The three nominees are then voted on by all the members of Student Congress and the faculty. The winner of the Barlow Trophy is announced at honors convocation.

The three Barlow Trophy nominees were all Trustees Honors scholars and were on the Dean's list for all of their terms at Alma. They are all involved in a wide variety of

campus activities, and through these have served the school.

Gaffke, majoring in History and Business Administration was nominated Michigan Woman's "Woman of Tomorrow," and has been in several honor societies. She has been involved in student congress, Gamma Phi Beta, several committees, choir, Kiltie Dancers, and several other activities on campus.

Gaffke is glad she came to Alma, because of "the wide range of experiences ranging from student congress to overseas experiences (Madrid,



Karen Gaffke

Spain). She plans on working a year or two before going to graduate school.

McDonald, whose major is Business Administration, was nominated Michigan Woman's "College Woman of the Year."



Mary McDonald

and has held offices in two of the honor societies she belongs to. She includes Big Brothers/Big Sisters, the President's advisory council, the Scotsman, and Gamma Phi Beta Sorority among her



Patricia Murphy

various activities.

"I hope that I've set a positive example and encouraged other people to also become involved in the cam-

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Thank you, Easter Bunny



Children anticipate treats from the Easter Bunny at the egg hunt sponsored by Kappa Iota Sorority March 22. The annual event is for faculty children.

photo by Kerry Rowe

Alma grad aboard fatal Marine flight

1985 Alma College graduate Christopher M. O'Connor was killed last Friday, March 17, in a helicopter crash over South Korea, according to Professor of English and Tau Kappa Epsilon Advisor Eugene Pattison.

O'Connor, who became a Marine officer upon graduation from Alma College, was one of four marines killed in the crash. The personnel helicopter had just set down several marines and was taking off again when an explosion occurred on board at about 100 feet, Pattison said.

O'Connor became a member of TKE Fraternity during his senior year, and was president of his pledge class. He

graduated as a business major, and returned to Alma often to visit his friends here, said Pattison.

"He seemed to be a very earnest fellow who cared a lot about the people around him," he said.

O'Connor received permission to wear his uniform during Commencement, Pattison remembered.

"There was this young man, wearing Marine whites, standing so tall and proud," he said.

According to Pattison, Mark Konecny, an Alma College graduate and close friend of the deceased, informed him that memorial services will be held pending transport from South Korea.

Asbestos removed?

By Wil Shapton
Staff Writer

It has been reported that plans are being made to remove asbestos from the ceilings of several dorms this summer. According to Jon Groteluschen, Vice President of Finance, and President Stone, these reports are misleading.

Groteluschen says that while there are small amounts of asbestos in the ceilings and around pipes behind walls in some dorms, most notably Gelston, there are no current plans to remove the material. As things are now, the asbestos poses no health hazard.

Enough rooms were available) but Wednesday everyone got housed."

Baumgartner agrees that the problem was that "they made us think we couldn't have a room."

Everything concerning rooms has begun to be clarified. President Stone insures "that everyone who wants a room will have a room." The rooms may not be the students first choice, but they will be good housing opportunities, he said.

According to both Lombard and Stone, upperclassmen have priorities. All the upperclassmen will be housed before definite rooming assignments are given to freshmen. Priority is not given to freshmen.

Stone said, "Students don't need to be hassled about their housing."

Olrich, Head Resident of Gelston, said, "Honestly, we didn't have any problems." No one was displaced in either Mitchell or Gelston.

"We had no major complaints and two rooms were left open," said Tom DeHorn, Mitchell Head Resident.

Housing in Newberry and Bruske created a problem. On Tuesday night, people from both dorms had been displaced.

"By the end of Tuesday night, there were single places, but no open rooms," said Newberry Head Resident Anne Lombard.

Students immediately reacted. Jodi Kurkiewicz, freshmen who was displaced from Newberry, said, "I thought I would have priority as an upperclassman next year. The incoming freshmen have priority and upperclassmen got displaced. I

wish we had been a little more informed."

The same thing happened to many other students. Pete Baumgartner, displaced Bruske resident, requested more organization and more informed people conducting the signing up.

Consequently, many students went to sleep on Tuesday upset. They believed that the message they had received said "No more room." Actually, all that was needed was more time to adjust rooming assignments so that the space available could be used more efficiently.

The problems were cured Wednesday at another lottery. All students were adequately placed. Lombard explained that the main problem centered on a lack of communication.

"On Tuesday, people thought it was final (not

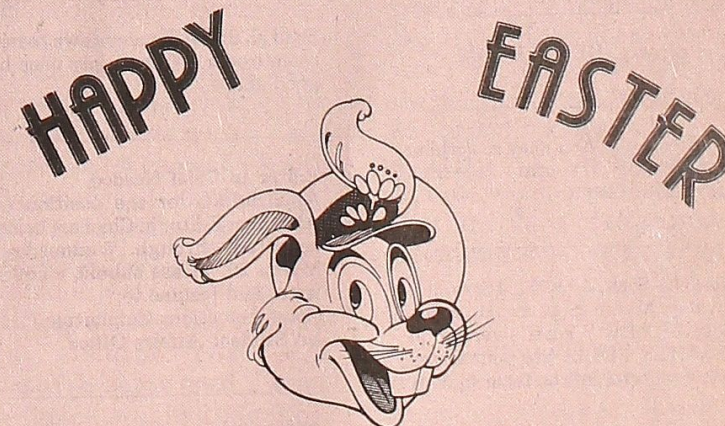
"They made us think we couldn't have a room."
—Pete Baumgartner

By Kristine Lovasz
Assistant News Editor

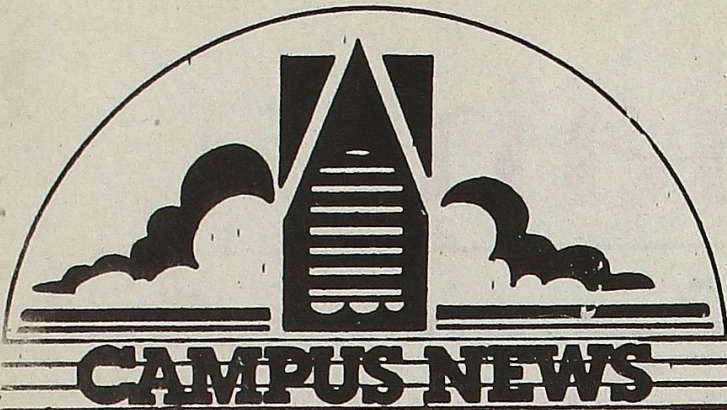
Where will you be living next year? The same room, a different hall, South Complex, or a small housing unit. This question was answered for Alma students on March 20-22.

The system of selection was based on a lottery; some students moved to South Complex, some students remained in the same location, and some students were temporarily displaced.

The housing sign-ups in Gelston and Mitchell Halls proceeded smoothly. Tracy



Due to the holiday, the next Almanian issue is March 30



Leon Washington is new Director of Admissions

Missy Eveleth
Staff Writer

The recently appointed Director of Admissions, Leon Washington, will officially begin his position on April 7 of this school year. Washington comes from Oberland College in Ohio where he has been the

Director of Admissions for the past two years. He will be arriving with his wife, Lucia, and their 3 daughters. By no coincidence, the daughters names also begin with L's. The Washingtons are affectionately known as the "L family." Washington decided to come here because he was drawn by the goals and objec-

tives President Stone has set for Alma over the next five years. "The goals seem to be

also believes that there is a move toward a more "diverse," "national," and

"The goals seem to be well thought out, well orchestrated. A lot of thought and planning went into it."
— Washington

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"energetic" college. He feels that it is important to "learn about the college, it's

system, and become familiar with the politics." From there, he says, he will make judgments and decisions. But one of his theories is "if it ain't broke, don't fix it." Some of the goals he has in mind include attracting more minority students, restructuring travel in the admissions office by visiting more schools in the five state contingent

region, and restructuring the alumni program. Contact with the alumni is very important to Washington. He says, "they are the mirror image of any institution." Washington is extremely excited about his new position and is "looking forward to meeting and working with the students."

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ACUB board chosen

By Susan Andrews
Staff Writer

The Alma College Union Board has selected the new board members for next year. The staff will include three new board members and a new president. The new members include Alyson Crabtree as president, Jeff Hyames as Concert Chairperson, Anne Warren in Publicity, and Kay Mathers in Personal and Public Relations. Lisa Wootton will be moved from Personal and Public relations to Publicity. The other returning members include Tia Brandel as Major Events Coordinator, Michelle Kaufmann as Special Events Coordinator, Missy Cross as Cinema Coordinator, and Ron Carr and Todd Deci

as Technical Coordinators. The application process consisted of an "extensive application and an interview" according to Crabtree. Applicants were required to answer questions such as, "What ideas do you have to make this a successful event?" and "How would a job with Union Board fit in on your priority list?" said Crabtree. The interviews were conducted by Linda Harleston, ACUB advisor, Karen Ruedinger, the current president, and Crabtree. Due to the number of returning members, only 3 from the 18 applicants were offered positions. Crabtree is excited for next year and believes that, "Everyone is excited about being on the Board and that will make for a great year."

Barlow

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pus," said McDonald. McDonald wants to work in banking and commercial lending, and eventually enter top management and own her own business. Murphy, a Mathematics (Secondary Education) major, has been nominated Michigan Woman's "Woman of Tomorrow," and M.A.T.E.'s "Student Teacher of the Year." She was her class president her

"I think Alma prepared me well for whatever I decide to do," said Murphy, "I think I've developed as a whole person."

freshman, sophomore, and junior years and has been on numerous committees including Academic Standards Committee and Student Culture Committee. She

belongs to Alpha Gamma Delta Sorority. "I think Alma prepared me well for whatever I decide to do," said Murphy. "I think I've developed as a whole

Minority recruitment effort underway

By Wil Shapton
Staff Writer

When Black comedian Earl Reed was on campus earlier this year, he couldn't help but feel out of place. While walking around campus, he joked, "people would come and ask 'may I help you, may I help you?' Everyone looked at me like I was lost." In his performance, Earl Reed commented that he looked out of place on a Caucasian dominant campus. Earl Reed wasn't the first to notice Alma's lack of a diversified student body. President

Alan Stone has noticed also, saying "the lack of minority students on campus is a definite deficit." Stone feels that a diversified student body would be both a plus for the current students and an opportunity for the minority students. At the same time, Stone says, "Alma offers a good education. We want to offer minority students a chance at that education too." Steps are being taken to secure this diversified student population. "First of all," says Stone, "I think we hired the right Director of Admissions." Leon Washington, who is black, is Alma's new Director

of Admissions. He is scheduled to begin work April 1. "He has outlined several new ways to appeal to minority students" says Stone. In addition, Mark Mazario, an admissions counselor new to the staff, is a Puerto Rican with an interest in recruiting minorities. According to John Seveland, Vice President of Enrollment, Mazario has added spark and new ideas to the admissions staff. Seveland, who has written a grant proposal to gain funding to do research on the recruitment of minorities, believes that the new additions to the staff will help. "Next year," he says, "we

will have five minority members of the admissions staff. At the beginning of this year, we had none." Seveland believes that with more staff to identify with, minority students will be more attracted to Alma. Stone says that the three biggest minority groups for Alma will be Korean, black, and Hispanic. As things are now, Alma has approximately 28 minority students. Stone would like to see that number double in the next two years. His five-year plan calls for a goal of 8 percent minorities (about 100 students) in the next five years.

Classifieds

Students are invited to apply for the position of Alma College Ambassador Coordinator in the Admissions Office starting in September of the 1989 Fall Term. We will be filling one position. Applications and copies of the job description are available in the Admissions Office. Complete applications must be returned to Sue Deel in Admissions no later than 5 p.m. on Tuesday, March 28.

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Set of Ford keys with a house key.
Call 7968 to describe key ring.

Coming March 29:
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WEEK reps for more info.

Daughters of the cloth - UNITE!!

Get a room! GET A ROOM!

Bruises, huh? Well, they're nothing compared to the scars S. Africa gave you, Lisa!!!

It's the Smiths vs the Jones
Friday, March 29 at the Alma College GREEK WEEK's version of FAMILY FEUD. See your Greek Week reps for info on team sign-up.

Hey Lisa! Have you continued your St. Louis "habit" of caucusing until 3 a.m.?

I can't jog in here - I'm too tall!!

ALL STUDENT GROUPS & ORGANIZATIONS
The Admissions Office welcomes your participation in this year's EXPO program which will take place Saturday, April 8. We will have a "Campus Fair" as the final event of the day and we would like as many campus organizations as possible represented. Call the Admissions Office (7139) for details.

Obviously, you light-weight can't handle cranberry "gasoline"!

Greeks make a splash!
Don't forget about the Pool Events.
GREEK WEEK March 29 thru April 1.

MAC- have you heard from Venezuela lately?

Send all drunk females down to my room (room 570) but only ones in good shape.

Editor In Chief Needed
Applications for the position of Almanian Editor in Chief are being accepted through Wednesday, March 29. Please submit a cover letter and resume to: Communications Committee c/o Student Affairs Office

SENIORS!
Any final thoughts you'd like to share with the campus community? Last words for friends and faculty? Put your words in print! Senior classifieds will be printed in the March 30 issue of The Almanian. Deadline is 5 p.m. Tuesday, March 28. Send to: Senior Classifieds Almanian Newberry Basement

Apparently last week's ad about kissing disease damaged Jon's reputation. To clear it up- the ad simply referred to his act of kissing the ground as soon as he left the plane - both in St. Louis and at Metro. (Strange but true folks!)

Important papers missing!!!
Suspect: purple sock beastie.

See your favorite Greek gods and goddesses sling it out at the MUD VOLLEYBALL pit. All part of GREEK WEEK 1989. See your reps for team sign-up.

MDMC,
Only 25 days left before you owe me \$10. Just remember - it is Extra Strength, but you can only use it once! sing pretty on Tuesday and by that evening you may just win the bet! The "Song of the Whale" will be dedicated to you once it is written. See you at the Kennedy Center! More later....
Love,
The Seagull.

Many thanks to the Alumni Student Association, Circle K, and Sigman Chi for putting on Swim/Gym Day for the local Big Brother/Big Sisters organization. DR

What a week to be Greek!!!

FOR SALE
1971 El Camino. It's in excellent condition, new engine, transmission, tires and more. Call for more information if you're interested. Asking price - \$3,000. Call 7837.

April 3 is the next meeting of the Womens' Topic Group. The Topic is Women and Anger. Look for signs!!!!

The men of Tau Kappa Epsilon mourn the loss of our frater, Lt. Christopher O'Connor, Alma '85, USMC, killed last Friday in a helicopter accident in Korea.

Bean-
Thanks for being a great mom! This weekend was great! I'm gonna miss you when you graduate! Your Kid,
Birt

We will buy any copies of: *Jamaica: Struggle in the Periphery* by Michael Manley and *Small Gardener, Bitter Weed* by Beckford.

We will pay 1/2 of the selling price for these books. Please check your shelves. Call Scot Shop 7174.

Wanted: Admission Counselor
The Alma College Admission Office is accepting applications for an entry level Admission Counselor. Bachelors degree, good communications skills (oral and written), high energy, and valid driver's license required. Will consider candidates from the Class of '89. Cover letter, resume and a list of references should be sent to: John Seveland, VP Enrollment and Student Affairs, Hodd Building, Alma College, Alma, MI. 48801. Closing date; April 15, 1989.

Naughty 19-
Congratulations 120%, Pucker, Vase-face, Private, Fungoid, air-resistible, Hairball, bussy, wild Thing, "O", P.F.H., B.A.B., Dixie, Tater Tot, Greenie, Hot Feet, Muffy, Siglet, Beast Master!!! No More pledging!
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Alpha Gam I
A special thanks to all the pledges for the party Friday night and to Kelly and her crew for Feast of Roses. All the work was worth it! Welcome to wonderful 19 new Alpha Gams! We are so proud of you all. How'd you like your first meeting? Fire up for songfest...

Alpha Gam II
A few Housies were smart Thursday nite and took their key with them! Anna, stomach-slosh? Has Hair beast found his way home yet?! How was the bus ride, Julia? All the new member look HOT in their new letters! Have a great Easter!
The Pub Crew

KeV.
You roommate stealer.
Pita's Farmer
Roommate

History Department notice to Seniors-
Required History Department Senior Comprehensive exam will be held on Thursday, 23 March 1989, 7:30 p.m., Room 316 SAC. Alternate exam will be held Saturday, 25 March 9:30 a.m., 109 SAC. Please come to SAC 355 and register for exam. Notice is on the door. Choose your date.

Is the U.S government still financing the Contras by way of Lindyland?

Some of us should leave the creative process to those with true talent. Better forget "cranberry gasoline" and stick to something basic, like 7 and 7 - right Jas?

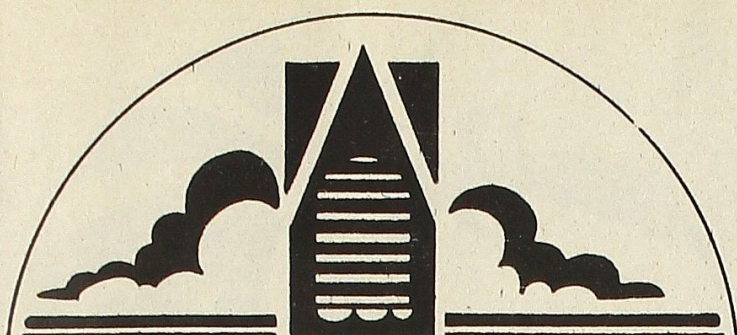
Anyone interested in meeting with the Food Service director about ideas for vegetarian/Health Food ideas, please contact me. A group will be getting together to talk to him within the next week and a half. Anne 7906.

You want cold? I'll give you frigid!

SIG I,
All one can say is Oh MY! A week to remember and the rocker celebrated by shooting his smith and wesson. J.A. Shane, no...this is not high school. Brian, at least you could pick a better representative of you needs. Moose, when did you take up cross-stitch? We all know when Karl has already crossed that path. Scooter seems quite happy with his ball of twine. Spaz went moose hunting. Pad, next time you go home to study...pick an academic subject. Mungo found some goo-in his pocket. Vector, since when do you hit triples? Last of all Hicks, keep trying!

Zeta Sigma Lives on
Brotherhood and Unity
Bleed Green

MDMC, Hey Baby! Is the bet still on? ...or, have you forgotten? I'm willing to give up the \$5, if you're willing to do your research. Think LONG and Hard about it. Seagull



CAMPUS NEWS

News Notes

Plans for the 75th anniversary of the Michigan Department of State Police are in full swing. They have announced a "Logo & Slogan Contest" to develop an attractive logo (trademark, artwork, etc.) and associated slogan (descriptive phrase) which will capture the magnitude and pride of the occasion.

The contest is open to all Michigan college students and current or retired employees of the Michigan Department of State Police. Entries should be submitted in the form of sketches (a professional artist will later be commissioned to finalize the logo and slogan.) There is no limit to the number of logos or slogans submitted. Winners will receive official recognition by the Michigan Department of State Police, recognition as originator of the logo or slogan in the official 75th Anniversary Yearbook, and a copy of the yearbook. Entries should be submitted to Lt. Jack Warder, Michigan State Police 7119 North Canal Road, Lansing, MI 48913.

Presidential Service Group

Student applications are now being accepted for the Presidential Service Group. Interested parties should contact the Development Office (7309) no later than March 28, 1989.

PSG is a student service group for which individuals are chosen to serve at various presidential functions (i.e. receptions, open houses, Board of Trustee functions). The service group offers good experience for those persons looking to develop strong public relations skills.

Presidential Service Group is a division of the Alumni-Student Association.

Painting on display

The paintings of Brian Whitfield are being shown in the Clack Art Center Lounge Gallery from through April 15. Admission is free.

The Governor Has Positions Open

Initial enrollment is open for a summer internship program giving Michigan's top college students an opportunity to participate in state government, Governor James J. Blanchard announced today.

The Executive Intern Program is open to juniors and seniors enrolled full time at one of Michigan's four-year colleges or universities. It is part of a five-point program developed to involve young people in public service announced by the Governor in his State of the State address.

Applications will be available on campuses throughout March and must be submitted by March 31.

Satanic Verses

The library now has a copy of this controversial book. It will be placed on closed reserve and users may have it for one week, teachers as well as students, so long as there is a waiting list for it.

To be placed in the queue for this book call Bette Fox (7227).

Accident leaves city worker with broken leg

By Becky Dine
Staff Writer

An employee of the City of Alma was pinned under a large pile of frozen dirt while working on a sewer pipe on campus last Monday night, according to an Alma Police report.

Ray Smith was putting the pipe back in place March 13, said Robert Weaver, director of Physical Plant, when a "large piece of frozen earth broke away and fell on top of the man," breaking his leg.

The City was retrieving a piece of equipment which was stuck in the drain, said Weaver. Smith was finishing up when the earth caved into the 10 to 15 foot deep hole near Eddy Music Building and the Swanson Academic Center.

The sewer was an operating line, said Weaver, so the job had to be completed immediately. The accident occurred at 11:29 p.m., according to the police report.

A wrecker was called to the scene to remove the dirt, and Smith was removed in about a half an hour, said Weaver.



Rescue workers prepare city worker injured on campus for transport to hospital.

photo by Jenny Dine

Old food left to encourage table busing

By Jennifer Dine
Editor in Chief

According to Alma College Food Service Director John Reid, meals and dirty dishes left on cafeteria tables may stay there for one, and sometimes two, successive meals.

This policy is an attempt to "emphasize the self-busing policy" in both Hamilton and VanDusen Commons, said Reid.

But Phil Kirkwood, deputy chief of the Michigan division of environmental health, calls the policy a "poor sanitation practice."

"It's not good public health. There's no question about it," said Kirkwood.

"No one is going to get sick

from it. Bacteria doesn't jump from food to food," said Kirkwood. "But in the inspection of a regular food establishment, we would not permit it."

"It's garbage as far as I'm concerned. Especially if it's allowed to sit there and mold and rot," said Kirkwood.

Reid said that the policy is meant to encourage students to bus tables, and is not a health hazard.

"It really doesn't (create a sanitation problem). No one is touching that food," said Reid, adding that the food service scored 98 out of 100 points in

a March 7 Board of Health Inspection.

"We're trying to physically put something in front of students to say, 'Hey, please take up your tray.'"

"99.9 percent" of students bus tables when asked by a food service employee, but the problem rests with a "particularly identifiable group," said Reid.

He says refusal to remove food and dishes from tables punishes only the people who left it there.

"We know, from experience, that the same people are sitting at these tables," he said.

But other students have suggested methods of keeping old food out of the cafeteria.

"We have had some students suggest to me that we put in a policy to discipline these tables. Students have suggested a fine on munch money," he said, noting that disciplinary action has not been used this year.

"I don't think it's malicious. They are not out to get the food service or other students. It's just a lack of consideration."

"I do get rather perturbed. You don't want to pick up somebody's whole lunch."

Profs discuss Rushdie's views

By Leonard Grim
Staff Writer

A presentation concerning Salmon Rushdie's book *The Satanic Verses* was held in Clack Art Center last Tuesday, March 21.

Three members of the Alma faculty were on hand to give some interpretation and insight about the book. *The Satanic Verses* is a work of fiction, some 600-plus pages long, and its theme is basically a question of the credibility of organized religion in general, with Islamic beliefs cited specifically.

Saleem Peeradina, visiting professor of philosophy, pointed out a number of symbolic references to Muslim religion and culture that would not be obvious to most Westerners.

He also paraphrased the center of the book's controversy: the story of Salmon (not

the author), a scribe to a prophet who has been told the word and the will of God. During the course of his taking dictation, the scribe is asked to repeat back to the prophet word-for-word what has been written. After some time, the scribe becomes curious and attempts to test the prophet by slightly altering the words that he is writing.

For example, if the prophet "God is all-knowing," the scribe would write "God is all-seeing." When the scribe read back to the prophet the change, the prophet did not signify that anything was wrong. This encouraged the scribe to try more drastic word perversions, such as substituting "Jew" for "Christian." Once again, the prophet did not appear to notice the change when it was recounted.

This led the scribe to believe that whatever he wrote would be taken as the word of God, and he became doubtful of the "sacredness" of the religion.

Political Science Professor Mahmood Monshipouri addressed the topic of the persecutin of Salmon Rushdie. Almost immediately after the book's publication, the Ayatollah Khomeini, Iran's religio-political kingpin, put out a substantial bounty for Rushdie's head.

Monshipouri spoke on Iran's internal power struggle and claimed that the Ayatollah was in need of some assistance to unify the nation. By "attacking" the foundations of Islamic belief, Rushdie made himself into a common enemy of the people of Iran. Monshipouri theorized that the Ayatollah is using Rushdie for the purpose of national unity.

Professor of Religious



SALMAN RUSHDIE
Author

Studies Ron Massanari concluded the presentation, drawing on the possibilities of parallelisms between *The Satanic Verses* and the recent Hollywood production *The Last Temptation of Christ*. Both works have a common effect, that of presenting the reader/viewer with a non-traditional, even radical, interpretation of the basic foundations of Moslem/Christian ideals. Massanari hypothesized that if America were a strictly fundamental Christian-run government, that the *Last Temptation's* producers and writers may have been hunted for a price as well.

Although threats of terrorist attacks have presented many store owners throughout America from stocking *The Satanic Verses*, the Scot Shop sold all 10 of their copies within three days. They have received no threats.

The library also has two copies on seven-day reserve, according to Library Director Peter Dollard.

The Almanian Editor in Chief Position Open

Submit a cover letter and resume to:
Communications Committee
c/o Student Affairs Office

Deadline for applicants is
5 p.m. Wednesday, March 29

Preston Bradley Speech Contest to present controversial topics

By Jennifer Dine
Editor in chief

The 25th Annual Preston Bradley Speech Contest will be conducted at the March 30 Common Hour in AC 113.

Established in honor of former Alma student and founder of the People's Church in Chicago Preston Bradley, the contest is open to all fulltime students. Students must submit a full-sentence outline and bibliography to Professor Robert Smith in the Speech Department. Speeches are limited to 10 minutes.

Topics, which must be of a controversial nature, have ranged from "some of the old

chestnuts like highway safety and MADD" to campus problems and international problems, said Smith.

"One should choose a topic one feels keenly about," said Smith.

"One could ask the question, 'When I'm with my friends, what topic recurs, and what topic do I know better than anyone else?'"

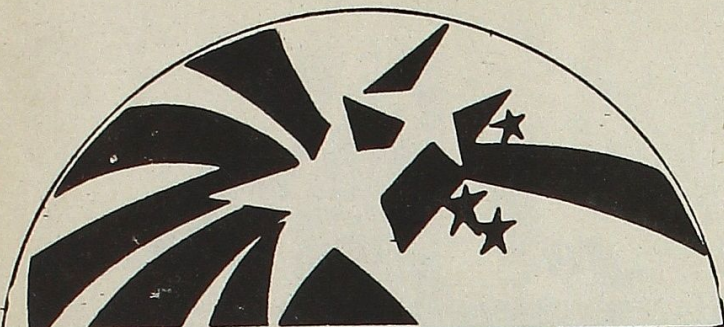
Participants must present speeches to a preliminary jury before selection for the final round.

The winner of the Common Hour event will receive a gavel and have his or her name

emblazoned on a plaque permanently housed in the Reid-Knox Building.

For further details on the contest, including deadlines, contact Smith in AC 328 or call 7238.

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FEATURES

Musical favorites Composers honored

By Karen McDonald
Staff Writer

The sound of music filled Dunning Memorial Chapel Saturday March 18, as an Evening of Rodgers and Hammerstein was presented by the Alma Symphony Orchestra and the Alma Choir and Choral Union.

The concert contained many popular favorites of famous Rodgers and Hammerstein such as "Some Enchanted Evening," "Do Re Mi," and "Oklahoma."

The concert was conducted by Douglas Scripps, chairperson of the music department. The concert featured three main soloists and additional student soloists.

"I was very pleased with the chorus and the student soloists. They provided a nice break for our main soloists, and they did an excellent job," Scripps explained.

The three main soloists were Karen Lincoln, William Nichols, and Kenneth Lee. Ac-

cording to Scripps, Lincoln has performed with the orchestra before.

The concert, with the combined efforts of the orchestra and the chorus, is one of two that were presented this year. Last term Nichols conducted 'The Messiah' which was also held in the chapel.

The selection of Rodgers and Hammerstein this term was made for its familiarity with the public.

"It is excellent music and it seemed very appropriate because of its popularity," Scripps added.

According to Nichols, Rodgers and Hammerstein has a strong educational value because of the importance that American theatre has in musical heritage.

Both Nichols and Scripps said they were pleased with the overall turn out and success of the concert.

"It was a very nice way for the whole music department to get together," Scripps said.

Queen Ida plays her Cajun music



photo by Kerry Rowe

Queen Ida and her Bon Temps Zydeko Band, a Cajun band, performed in Dunning Memorial Chapel at 8 p.m. last night

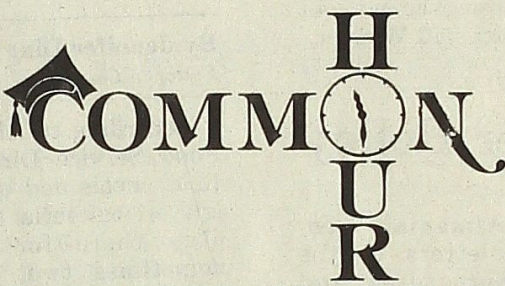
Poetry from penises to religion

By Jenny Gilchrist
Staff Writer

Student poets presented their works, with subjects ranging from penises to religion, at the March 16 Common Hour in AC 113.

The readings, all original works by Alma students, were a few of those which will be published in the upcoming Pine River Anthology, a collection of selected on-campus creative writings.

William Palmer, professor of



English, introduced the speakers with poet William Stafford's analogy between poetry and riding a bike with no hands.

According to participant Sara Amell, the turn-out for the readings was good. She said she felt the event gave talented students a chance to

display their creativity in public.

"There are many students on campus who have a lot of talent, and this is one of the only opportunities they have of demonstrating it," she explained.

Students participating in the Common Hour included sophomores Sue Bignall, Todd Merrifield, Robin Rummel and Rebecca Turner; juniors Amell, Jodie Blankenburg, Deb DeWitt and Lisa Wooten; and senior Barb Sutherland.

Scots go Irish at pub

By Kelly Hak
Staff Writer

The wearing 'o the green abounded in VanDusen Saturday, March 18 at the annual Union Board sponsored Irish Pub.

In accordance with tradition, Irish Pub drinking cups were supplied at the door as well as a variety of snacks, compliments of ACUB.

Green beer was also provided for students 21 and over at the St. Patrick's Day event.

There was an excellent turn-out and full cooperation from the student body, according to ACUB President Karen Ruedinger.

"This was probably the most successful Irish Pub in that we had such a large turn-out and everyone was having fun without getting out of control," Ruedinger explained.

Despite the late starting time due to the band, students showed great enthusiasm for Jady Karrent, a band head-

quartered is Cleveland, Ohio.

The band played popular music along with dance music and performed from 9:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Junior Carl Grant deejayed in between sets.

Students who lingered until 1 a.m. were treated to an on-stage rap by seniors Kevin Hoffman and Rodney White, backed up by the band.

Progressive dinner sponsored by AIU

by Kris Kyle
Staff Writer

The Association for Inter-cultural Understanding is sponsoring an international progressive dinner as its second event of International Week.

According to co-chair, freshman Cathy Swender, there will be a sign up during lunch and dinner all next week for all interested students.

Dinner will begin at a facul-

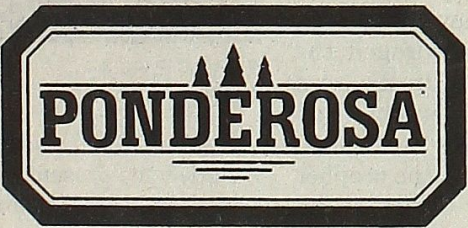
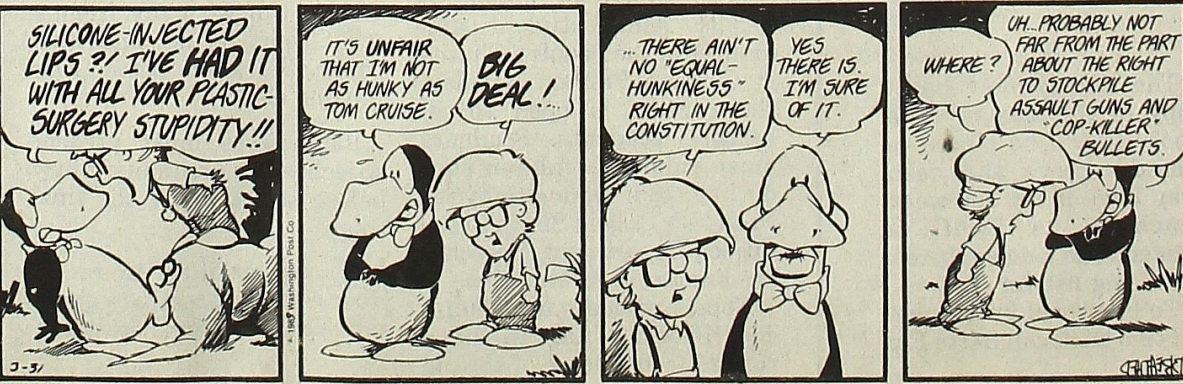
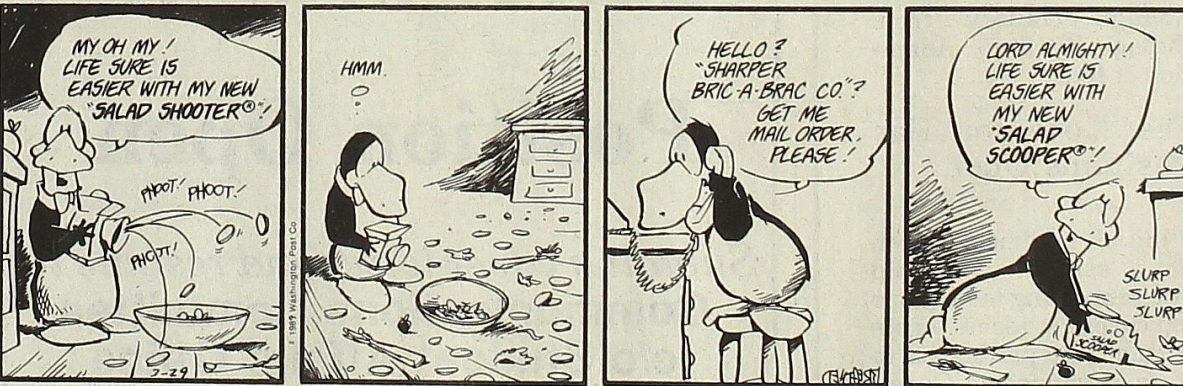
ty member's home. The main course will be served in Van Dusen, with faculty members providing the entrees. For dessert, students will finish up at another faculty member's home.

This new event will take place Monday, April 3, beginning at 6 p.m. Swender said she is enthusiastic about this new event.

"Everyone is welcome and encouraged to get a taste of many international cuisines," she said.

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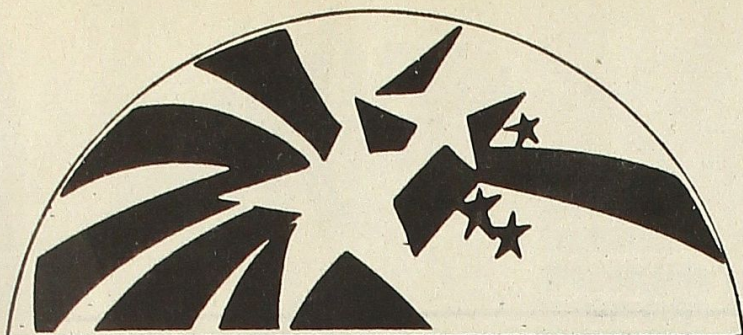
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FEATURES

Senior showcase dance concert focuses on styles

By Kelly Hak
Staff Writer

Alma College senior Orchesis members received a chance to reflect upon their past four years of dedication to Alma's dance program as they presented the 1989 Senior Showcase Dance Concert in Dow Auditorium last Sunday, March 19.

The concert was organized and directed as part of an independent study by senior Hope Waller. It featured senior Orchesis dancers Jacqueline Carr, Bobbie Jo Winn,

Joe Satriani to classical piano played by Alma's Professor of Music Scott Messing.

Tap, jazz, a variety of modern dance routines and two additional ballets comprised the rest of the show.

Waller said she was pleased with the amount of ballet performed, with pieces including two originals: one entitled "Dryad," from the famous musical production "Don Quixote," and the aforementioned "Pas de Quatre."

These performances help demonstrate the strength of Alma's ballet program by emphasizing classical ballet training, according to Waller.

Looking over her past four years of participation in Orchesis, Waller has seen an increased interest in the dance program. She said she feels the level of student participation with choreography is also increasing due to the openness

and encouragement of Professor of Dance Carol Fike.

In addition, Waller said she is also excited to see so many more underclassmen taking an interest in Orchesis because participation is an integral part of improving the dance program.

"I feel the concert was a success. I'm glad to have had the chance to recognize the seniors and to organize a production which prepares me for a future career in dance, choreography, and possibly teaching," she explained.

Other dancers in Sunday's performance included freshmen Jennifer Black, Cindy Howell and Sandra Socia; sophomores Sara Kapp, Christina Schwark, Marci Siedlik and Janai Stepp and juniors Katharine Everett and Laura Vintevoghel.



Showcase dancers Katie Everett, Hope Waller, Ann Yunger and Christina Schwark

photo by Kerry Rowe

Senior art exhibition culminates years of work

Michael Leary, Waller, Andrea Woods, Kimberly Rae and Ann Yunger.

After opening remarks by Captial Campaign Director John Ferguson, the dancers began the show with the "Pas de Quatre," a recreation of the original ballet Pas de Quatre which is famed for uniting four prima ballerinas of the romantic era. The dance was originally performed in 1845 at His Majesty's Theatre in London.

A traditional Highland dance followed. Entitled "The Pennsylvania Reel," it was performed by Carr and Winn.

Dance performances to various other musical styles were also included, with music ranging from popular artist

By Laura Holmes
Staff Writer

Six seniors presented their work at the opening of the Senior Art Exhibition in the Clack Art Center's Beck Gallery March 18. The show is on display through April 15.

Seniors include Tamara Ahrens, Mark Talbot, Bernadette Duperron, Karen Ruedinger, Victoria Rutkowski and Mary Williams.

Each of the seniors participating in this year's exhibition are showing anywhere from 10-15 pieces. Each chose the pieces that he or she believed were a "summing up or culmination of their four years of work," said Ruedinger.

Each student has a basic idea or concept to portray and so chose pieces accordingly. For example, Talbot and Williams work mostly in graphic and illustrative art. Duperron has an emphasis in three-dimensional work, and



Mark Talbot, Tamara Ahrens, Karen Ruedinger, Mary Williams, Bernadette Duperron and Vicky Rutkowski.

photo by Kerry Rowe

Rutkowski in the abstract.

This year's exhibition is a grand finale for Alma's art majors. The exhibition is the last

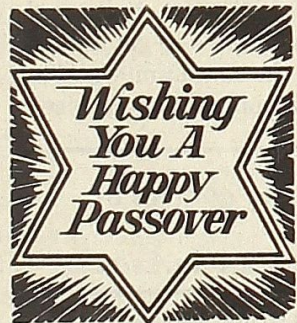
requirement to complete an art major, and was organized, publicized, and overseen totally by the seniors.

The students designed the flyers seen around campus, organized the showing itself and the reception.

Plans for the future currently dominate their thoughts, according to the seniors. Some of the students are planning to attend graduate school, while others already have positions awaiting them after graduation. Ruedinger hopes to be a liaison representative for an advertising firm. Talbot has already secured a position in printing in the Saginaw area.

According to the art majors, each individual put in a tremendous amount of time preparing for the showings. Each senior this year has had showings outside the Alma campus. A piece by Talbot has toured Michigan and others have shown works at the Central Michigan University show.

The Beck Gallery is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays, and is open to the public.



Alma student studies at sea

While many students opt to study overseas, junior Christine Czerwinski is studying on the sea.

Czerwinski is a participant in the Semester at Sea program, and is taking aboard the S.S. Universe.

The Semester at Sea program began with the sailing of

the S.S. Universe from Nassau, Bahamas, on Jan. 11. The first port of call on the 100 day voyage was Cadiz, Spain, followed by Dubrovnik, Yugoslavia; Singapore; Shanghai; People's Republic of China; Kobe, Japan; and Keelung, Taiwan. Students will fly home from Taiwan, via

Hong Kong.

Typically, the Spring voyage would return across the Pacific to Seattle, Washington. However, the Universe is scheduled for a brief dry-docking that will take place in the Far East. The Fall 1989 voyage will depart from Vancouver, British Columbia, as scheduled in September.

Semester At Sea, administered by the Institute For Shipboard Education and academically sponsored by the University of Pittsburgh, is a program that takes approximately 450 students, from colleges and universities across the United States and abroad, around the world each Fall and Spring semester.

Students can choose from 50 lower and upper division courses in a variety of disciplines. Courses offered are accredited by the University of Pittsburgh and are fully transferable to the student's home institution.

Classes meet daily while the ship is at sea. The faculty are visiting professors from institutions across the U.S. and abroad. All of the faculty have had extensive resident international experience which serves to integrate course content with countries on the itinerary.

When in port students can choose from a wide range of structured travel opportunities that are developed by the Institute and the faculty. Students may also choose to travel independently. Each class has field component requirements that the student must complete during the voyage.

Activities in port can include home stays with families in the countries, visits to universities, travel to places of historic, cultural and religious significance, or simply free travel to experience life in the cities and rural areas. Stays in port range from three to seven days.

The visit to Shanghai marked the first time that the S.S. Universe will dock in the People's Republic of China. While on previous voyages students have been able to travel into China from Hong Kong, docking in Shanghai will better facilitate contacts within China, creating increased opportunities for students to travel and study there.

Arrangements have been made with the Soviet Union that will permit 10 Soviet students to participate on the Fall 1989 voyage of Semester at Sea. They will live, study and travel with their U.S. counterparts throughout the 100 day voyage.

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Christine Czerwinski



Track team places 2nd

By Tia Brandel
Staff Writer

Even without the full squads, both the men's and the women's teams had fine performances at last Friday's dual meet against Aquinas College.

Both teams came in second behind Grand Valley State University and ahead of Aquinas College; the men with a score of 61½ to GVSU's 72 and the women with 29 points to GVSU's 89½.

Due to a major snowstorm that hit the state on the way to the meet, the Scots were short a few runners who never made it to the meet because their van got stuck in the snow.

Assistant Track Coach Grey was just happy that some of the team was able to make it and had very good things to say about both teams.

"The men had an exceptional meet. Bill Arnold ran an outstanding race in the two mile," Arnold took first in that event with a 9:54.1 and was followed by teammates Matt Chovanec, who broke ten minutes for his first time and took second place and Mike Holik who took third.

Freshman Jay Burmeister had a great day as well. He placed first in the 300 dash

and was also a member of the first place mile relay team.

"We're very happy about how things are coming," says Coach Grey. "This is our final meet tune-up before our outdoor season begins."

According to sophomore sprinter Tupper Lysaght, things are starting to come together. "We know where we have to work. I am definitely looking forward to the outdoor season and the bigger tracks."

Thrower Larry Gregory agrees. "It will be nice to be able to throw outside without the cold and the snow."

The men's results are as follows:

Shot-put
1 Brian Hood 43'5"
2 Larry Gregory 43'2½"

Four lap relay
2 Flemming, Cole, Reman, Vanduzen

Mile run
4 Huddleston 4:41
50yd hurdles
4 Steve Oole 7.7

Triple jump
3 VanDuzen 35'6"
4 Brian 30'2"

440yd run
1 Steve Hicks 54.1
50yd dash
3 Reiman 5.8
3 Mike Shanski 5.8

880yd run
1 Jonas 2:03.2
4 DesRossier 2:08.8

330yd dash
1 Jay Burmeister 34.5
3 Remian 35.7

2 mile run
1 Bill Arnold 9:54.1
2 Matt Chovomec 9:59
3 Mike Holik

High jump
2 Steve Lindquist 6'2"
3 Steve Hicks 6'0"
4 Martel Peguesse 6'0"

The women's results are as follows:

Long jump
4 Jill Pope 15'6"

Four lap relay
2 Julie Hale, Cindy Howell, Tupper Lysaght,, Michelle Pourier

Mile
2 Amy Wolfgang
3 Snyder
50 yd. hurdle
3 Pope 7.4
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3 Lysaght
50 yd Dash
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Highjump
4 Bev Brown 5'0"
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4 Bev Brown 2:44.0

Triple jump
4 Pope
300 yd. Dash
3 Lysaght 41.4
2-mile
2 Reinowski 12.19

Victory for tennis

By Mary Buckley
Staff Writer

The Alma College men's tennis team was victorious Friday over Sienna Heights.

The final score of the match was 9-0. The Scots had four matches which went into three sets.

Senior Steve Cannon at first singles had scores of 6-3, 4-6 and 6-2, while senior Scott Taylor at second had scores of 6-4, 4-6 and 6-4.

The second doubles team of junior Craig Peterfeso and sophomore Jeff Garlick

defeated their opponents with scores of 6-0, 4-6 and 7-5.

Third doubles, consisting of junior Kevin O'Shaughnessy and freshman Tim Kelly, had set scores of 6-2, 5-7 and 7-6. All other matches were won in two sets.

"We played well in all matches," said Coach Deb Mapes, adding, "We are stronger than last year at this point in the season."

Mapes also said that the strength of Cannon, Garlick and the doubles' teams will benefit the Scots.

Co-captain Taylor said, "We're gearing up for conference play, but it's tough coming in and out for practice due to the weather."

"Although we won at Sienna Heights, four of our matches went to three sets. We'll be working on improvement in this area," Taylor added.


The next men's match will be on April 1 at Aquinas College in Grand Rapids. The women's team will have their first match on March 30.

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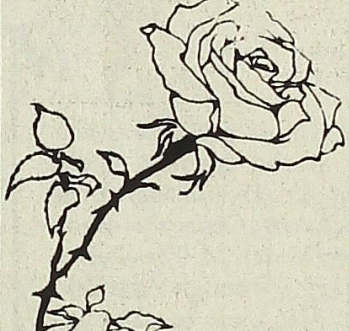
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AC's super bowler

By Ann Fuller
Staff Writer

Senior Ric Paterson has been bowling since the age of seven. Now at age 21, he is an experienced and talented bowler. Recently he participated in a two-day bowling

average game of 202.

Paterson was first exposed to bowling in New York City by his father. In July 1986 Ric bowled his first and only 300 game at Goldstar Lanes in Williamston, Michigan, a small town east of Lansing.

"I was really excited at that

"If I could have carried the corner pins, I might have been able to bowl a 300 game."
—Senior Ric Paterson

tournament at Alma's 300 Bowl and finished with a high score of 269.

"If I could have carried the corner pins, I might have been able to bowl a 300 game," said Paterson.


The tournament took place on Tuesday, March 7 and Sunday, March 12. Paterson bowls with the team from Stacey's Men Shop in Alma and has an

time because I bowled it in front of the man who was the head of the league," Paterson said.

Paterson plans to enter Law School in the fall, but expressed an interest in bowling competitively this summer.

Although he said he may be interested in pursuing bowling as a future career, his main interest now is finishing his education.

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Morley Fraser speaks to FCA

By Ann Fuller
Staff Writer

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes hosted Morley Fraser, one of the directors of the national board of F.C.A. and coach at Albion College,

Fraser also encouraged students to get involved on campus and be leaders, stressing that the college years are the most important time of a person's life. He challenged F.C.A. members to get involved with the community and to do some community service.

"He motivated you to want to take control of your life."
—Sophomore Laura VanAelst

on March 13.

Fraser talked to students about the importance of "believing in yourself." He advised students not to give in to peer pressure, but to do what they want to do.

"He inspired me by making me feel good about myself," said freshman Gina Russell.


"He explained that mistakes that you make are unique to you."

In addition, Fraser touched on the importance of relationships with parents, friends, boyfriends/girlfriends and other important people in each person's life. Sharing feelings avoids later regret, he said.

"He made you think a lot," said sophomore Laura VanAelst.

"He motivated you to want to take control of your life," she added.

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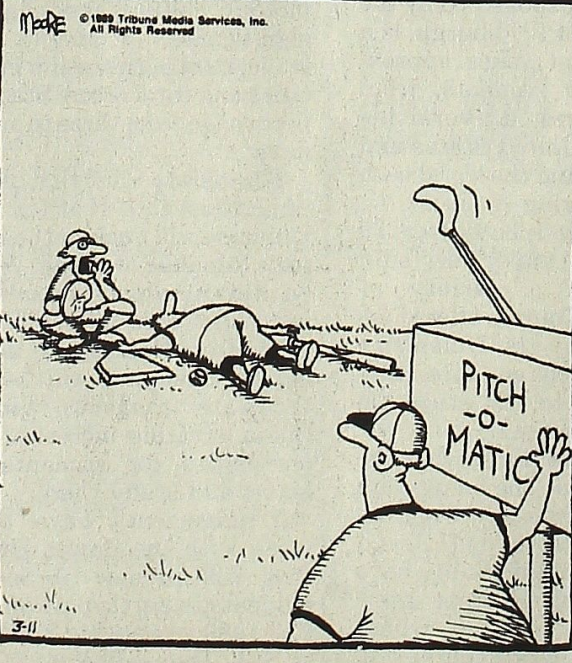


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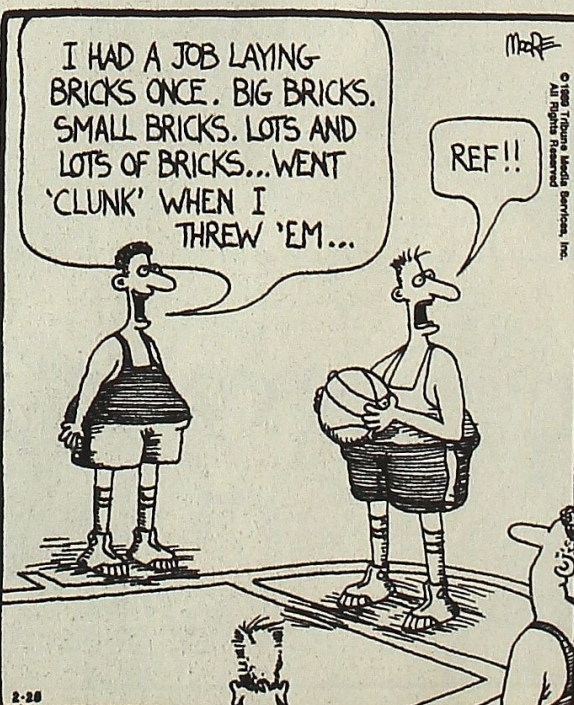
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"Point it a little more to the left ..."

by Steve Moore





Aging, adolescents and astronauts

By Heather McPhillips
Staff Writer

Three senior EHS majors are preparing senior theses this year. Heather Hall, Kelly Holcomb and Barb Mollenhauer all started their research last year with written research proposals and are currently working on gathering data to support or disprove their hypotheses.

Mollenhauer and Holcomb are both using a machine called the Lower Body Negative Pressure (LBNP) box in their research. This box simulates the effects of standing up quickly from a horizontal position. It also tests the effects of re-entry into the Earth's atmosphere from outer space on the body.

It works by exposing the lower half of the body to lower atmospheric pressure. The LBNP is currently being used in the ongoing research in space physiology by the Exercise and Health Science Department here at Alma.

Effects of Aging

"The Effects of Aging on the Cardiovascular Responses to Lower Body Negative Pressure" is the title of Mollenhauer's thesis.

When a person stands up, gravity pulls the plasma in the circulatory system down towards the legs. This puts a stress on the cardiovascular system which tries to regulate blood flow. The heart must work harder to pump blood to the brain, the heart rate increases, and blood pressure decreases. As a person grows older, it becomes more difficult for the body to adjust to these changes.

Mollenhauer is testing six different age groups in the LBNP box, beginning with ages 20 through 29. Test results compare the ability of the heart to adjust to the changes in pressure in the aging body.

Her hypothesis is that the older the group is, the greater the average observed increase in heart rates and decrease in blood pressures will be. This is due to the inability of the cardiovascular system to adjust to changes as rapidly and efficiently as it once did. Thus far, her data has supported her hypothesis.

Mollenhauer is also a business major and intends to work for at least a year before continuing on to graduate school. Eventually she would like to work in public health administration.

Top: Alma students work out in the Physical Education Building's Performance Lab to provide data for senior theses.

Left: Senior Barb Mollenhauer takes readings on a subject for her study of the effects of aging on the heart.

Right: Senior Kelly Holcomb checks a subject in for her thesis dealing with the effects of anaerobic exercise and the heart.

EHS majors put finishing touches on Senior theses

Exercise and Astronauts

Kelly Holcomb's thesis is "The Effects of Anaerobic Exercise on the Cardiovascular Responses to Lower Body Negative Pressure."

Her research involves subjects from ages 18-35 who are put through a 45 minute weightlifting program involving squats, curls, and military presses, and then put into the LBNP box.

A subject's heart rate, blood

pressure, and plasma volume are recorded following the workout. These values are then compared to the control sample who have not had such a workout.

Holcomb's hypothesis is that after doing anaerobic ex-

cercise, the group will experience a significantly larger decrease in blood pressure and increase in heart rate. This means that the cardiovascular system is less able, for some reason, to regulate blood flow and adjust to pressure

changes in the body after an anaerobic workout than it would under normal conditions.

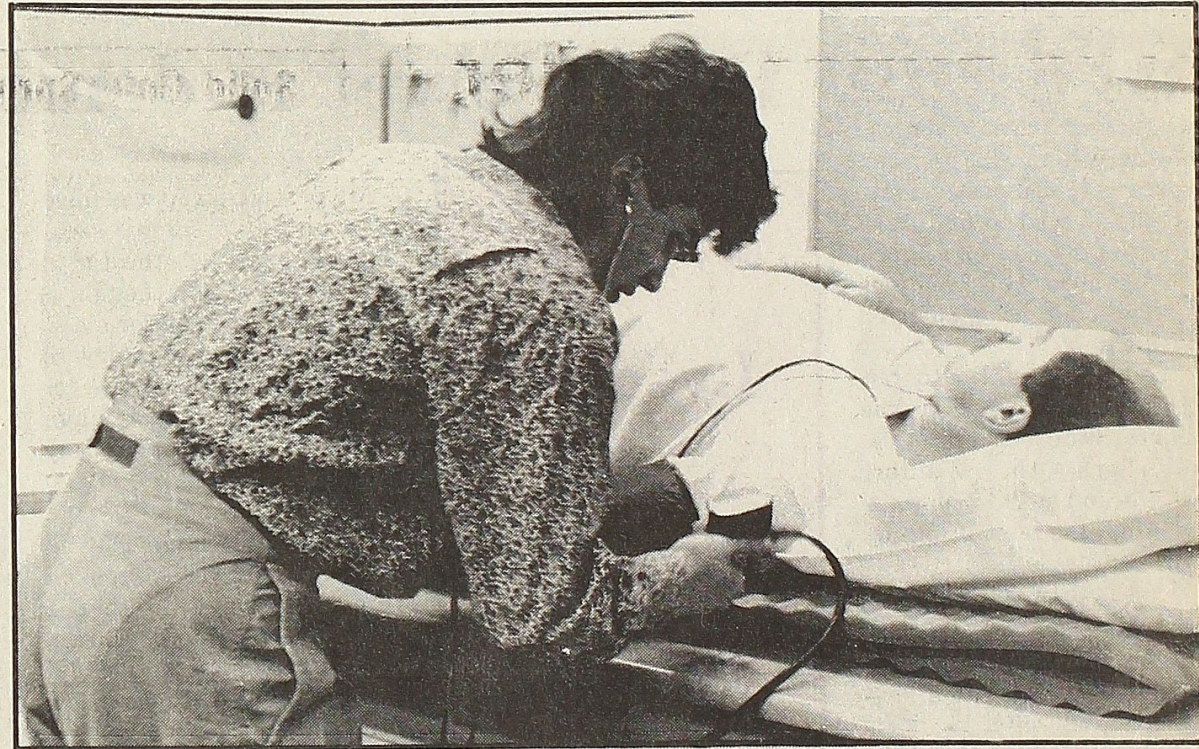
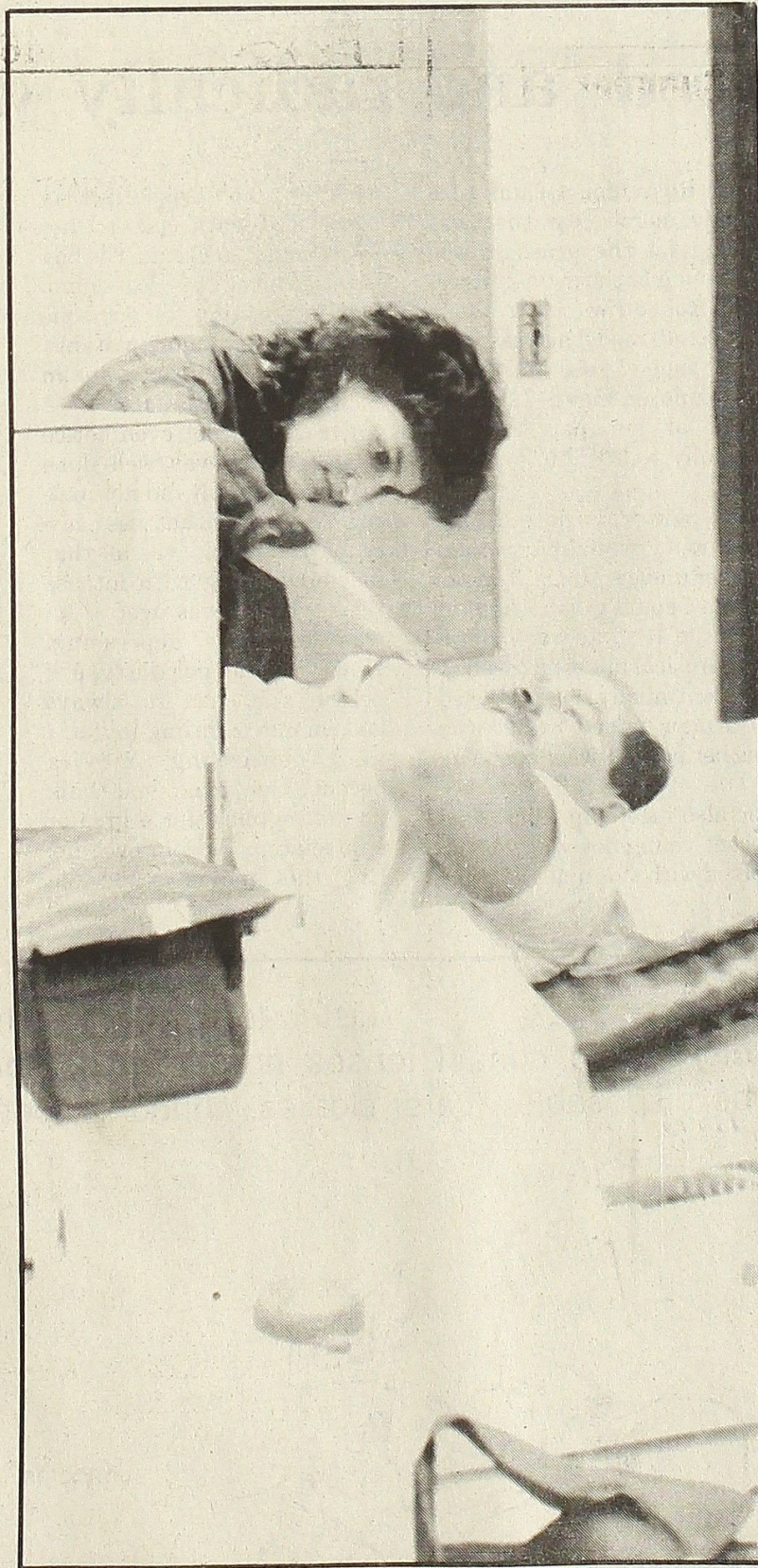
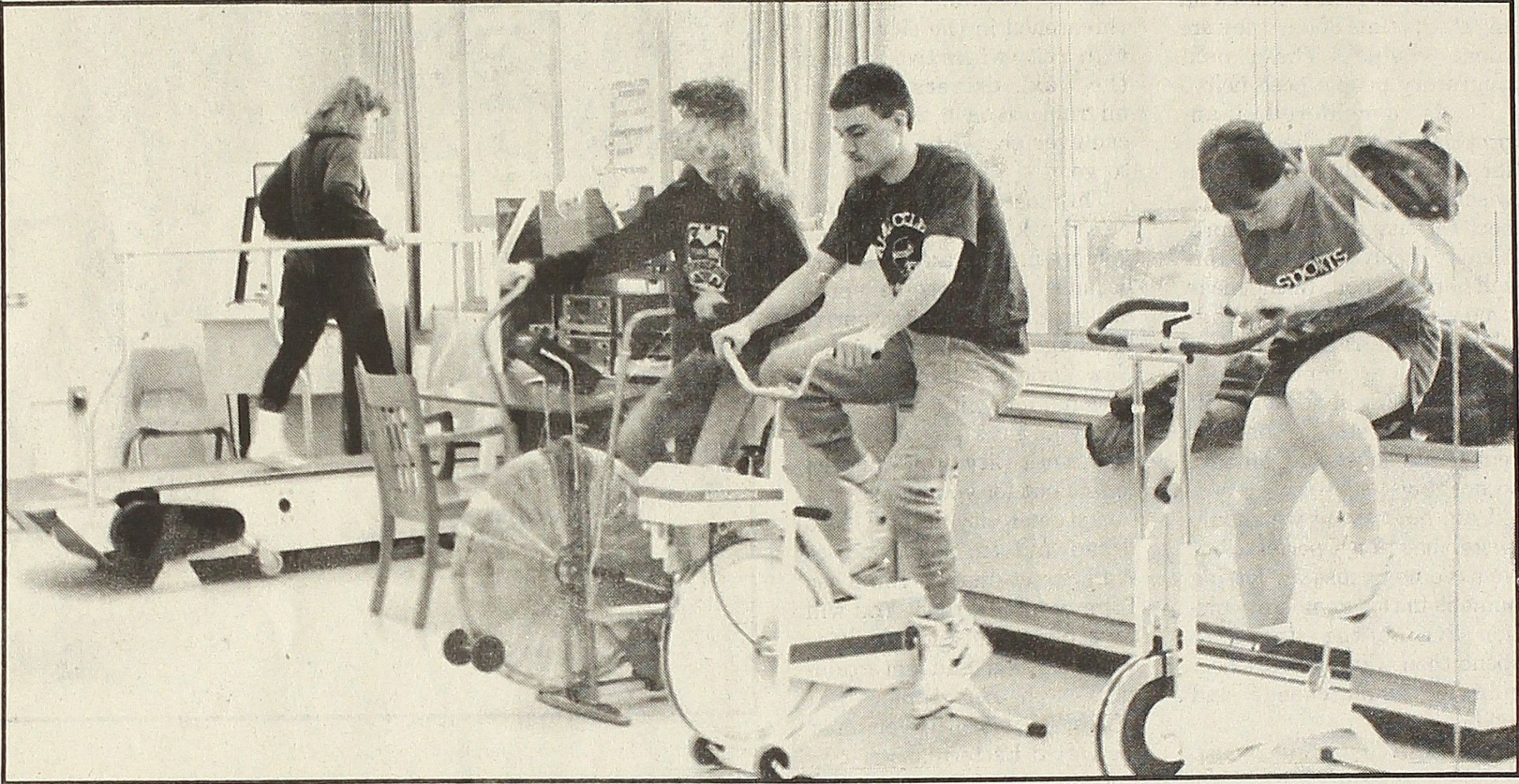
These findings are significant for astronauts whose bodies experience large lower body negative pressure on re-entry to Earth and whose cardiovascular system must be able to adjust to allow some blood flow to reach the brain. If the flow of blood to the brain is too low, the person will black out (this is what happens when a person stands up too fast.)

Holcomb intends to go to University of Indianapolis graduate school to obtain a master's degree in physical therapy. Eventually she would like to have a practice in Sports Medicine/Physical Therapy.

Paychecks and Protein

Hall's thesis is entitled "The Effects of Socioeconomic Status on Body Composition in Male Adolescents."

Her study involves 30 subjects whose parents fill out a questionnaire regarding their socioeconomic status. In addition, the subject fills out a



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dietary questionnaire on a weekly and daily basis. Each subject is hydrostatically weighed to determine the percent of body fat composition.

Hall had predicted that children in lower income families will have a higher percent of body fat because they lack protein present in expensive meat and have an abundance of junk food in their diet.

"They (kids from lower income brackets) seem to be the kids that eat the most candy and junk during the day," said Hall.

On the other hand, it is possible that children with higher income families may have more money to spend on junk food, she said. Hall is not far enough along in collecting her data to prove or disprove her hypothesis yet, and plans to continue working on her research this spring term.

Hall plans to attend either the University of Michigan Graduate School or Michigan State University Graduate School next fall to work on a master's degree in exercise physiology. Eventually she would like to be a college-level educator in Exercise and Health Science.

All three seniors seem very enthusiastic about their research here at Alma and said that the experience would benefit them in the long run.

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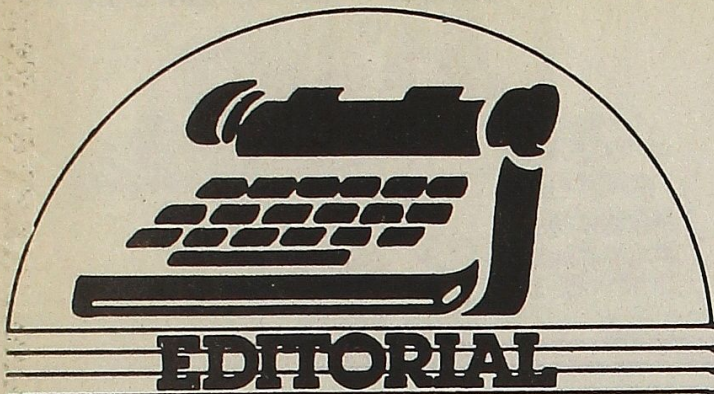
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A great place to visit

New York City is more than just a state of mind

Robert Henry
Opinion Editor

Start spreadin' the news. New York City is much more enjoyable than most of us would think it is. In its extremes it is harsh and crowded, but it is still a great place. I decided to write about the city because I have just returned from a convention there. Though a good part of the time was spent at seminars, lectures and tours, I still had ample time available to visit exciting places and meet interesting (in the literal sense) people. I would expect the typical response of "it's a nice place to visit, but I wouldn't want to live there" to be applied to New York by most visitors. The city is enormous by its sheer density (not by its area), and the hurried pace of each day rarely subsides. If you are claustrophobic at all, this city is not for you. Most buildings take up an entire block and cover at least half of the sky. I expected to be stifled by these immense structures. My mind only conjures up images of a concrete jungle with millions of inhabitants and an overdose of pollution. Yes, some streets were strewn with trash, but for the most part the city seemed unexpectedly clean (even the subway system which has improved over the past years). I was amazed to find fresh air in the city as well as good tasting water. My conceptions of New York have changed considerably. I saw several of the tourist attractions/traps such as the Empire State Building, Central Park, the Waldorf Astoria, and F.A.O. Schwartz toy store, the later being my favorite. It is so incredible about New York is the myriad opportunities for activities and entertainment including over 15,000 restaurants. Without trying to sound like an advertisement for New York City I only wish to make the point clear that New York has a good deal to offer and that it is worth taking.

I can't exactly say the city has all of its problems solved. That is just as visible as the tourist traps. My first close-up of the city was as I went to the hotel from the airport in Newark. I saw prostitutes walking the streets, people sleeping on sidewalks and small groups huddled around fires built in entries to buildings. It is common to find the homeless person in the same general area each evening and night (the time of day they are most visible). These non-migratory people need help. It is considered inappropriate to give them money for they usually spend it unwisely. Supposedly people expect the city to solve the problem. I highly doubt that this will happen soon. In the meantime we soothe our ill feelings with selfish rationalizations and foolish arrogance. All I know is that I felt outraged at seeing someone reduced to subsisting on next to nothing. I am not saying we should make their lives perfect, but we have no excuse for letting humans in this democratic nation live on the streets to spend their waking hours begging for small change and food. I am sure that crime is also

a factor to consider; however, my only exposure to that element was from the men who sell "hot" merchandise like watches and books. These people seemed relatively harmless. The fact that New York's crime rate is rather low when compared to other major U.S. cities is somewhat comforting. Staying away from trouble areas, traveling in groups and maintaining an alert look can only be helpful. I never felt threatened in the city. In a city where two-thirds of the taxi drivers are immigrants it is a wonder you can ever get where you want to go. The most difficult quality of New York is the feeling that you are in a different country because many people speak broken English or their native language. But that makes New York just about as international as a city can get. If you have never been to New York City, you must go to find out for yourself what a sensational city it is. Go to Broadway, to Soho and to Wall Street (maybe you'll see Tommy McMarrow). You will have plenty of opportunities for education and entertainment in the Big Apple. Most importantly, you must see David Letterman.

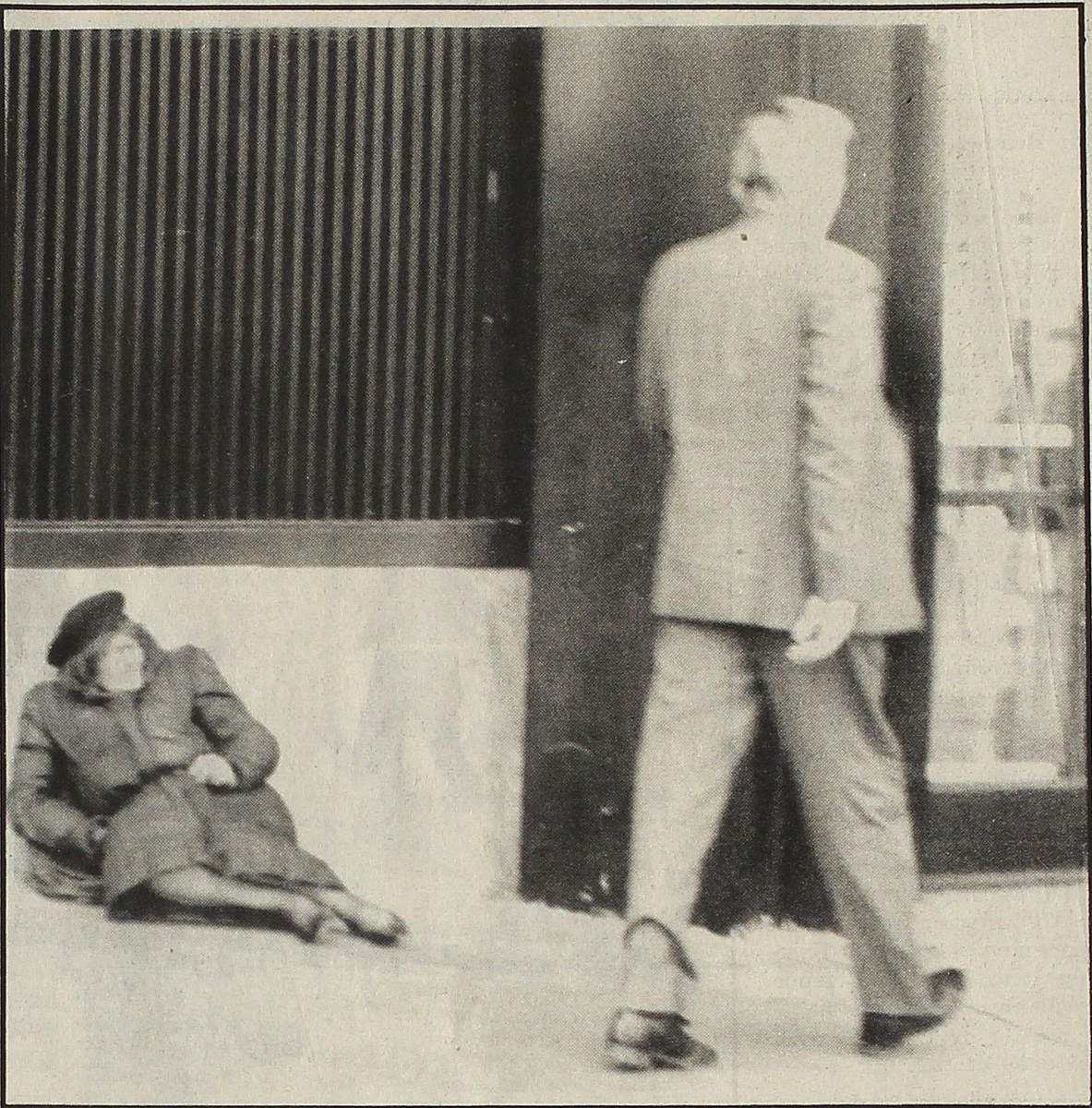


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Blue Velvet is demented and radically weird film

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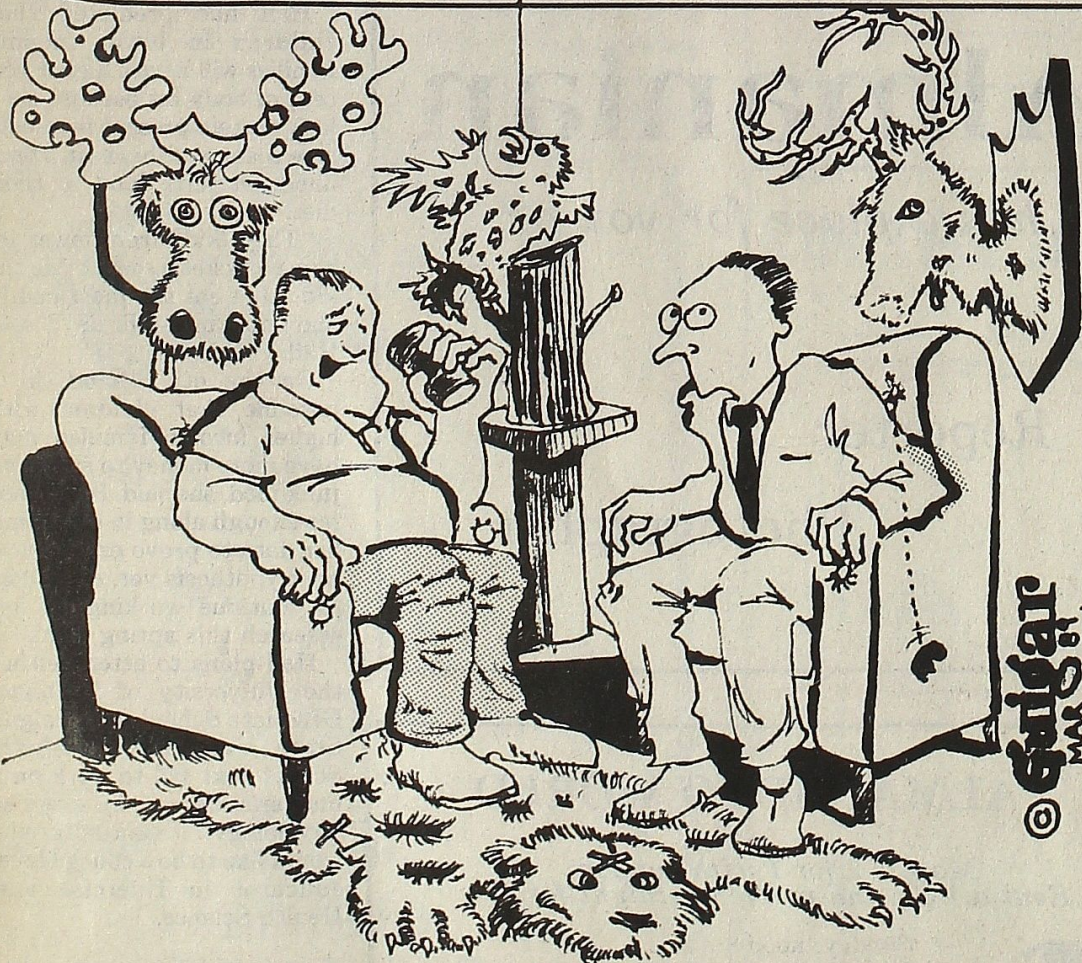


My past weekend was filled with sorority events so I was unable to get to a theater to catch a movie. So I thought it would be refreshing for me to dedicate this movie review to the worst movie I have ever seen, considering I have already done a review on my favorite movie. Deciding which movie of all the ones I have seen throughout my life that I hated was a difficult task. So, after deep contemplation and much trial and error the movie "Blue Velvet" stuck in my mind as my "number one personally most hated movie." Whenever I think of this demented picture, starring Isabella "why did you do this

film" Rossellini, I think of a bloody mamed ear that was sitting on the grass in the beginning of the movie. In real life Rossellini is a well-respected model/actress, but each time I see her in a magazine or movie I always think of her part in this radically weird film. The plot or purpose of this film will probably remain forever unclear to me. The only idea I could grasp was that the issue at stake was mental and physical abuse. Rossellini was continually being abused by a man named Frank who was her psychotic ex-husband. She also meets up with an innocent young boy who gets involved with this mass of crazy

people who Rossellini is associated with due to her relationship to Frank. The boy gets seduced by Rossellini, who is questing for someone non-abuse and manipulatable. The movie reminded me of an eternal humid rainfall. I really did not even notice if the acting was well done because it simply did not matter. The misery that was caused by the movie was all that mattered along with intense relief when it was over. It was definitely depressing. However, I am not the type of person who has to always leave a movie feeling joyful. I like depressing movies because they make you think and often allow for a greater appreciation for your own life. But this movie made me

nauseated and I left the theater with an odd and eerie feeling. I felt downright gloomy. I will never be able to figure out why this movie was even written nonetheless produced. If you liked this movie then you have strange taste and would probably be better off keeping to yourself. And if there is anyone out there who did understand the true plot and purpose of this film, would you please come to my room and explain it to me? I realize that my distaste for this film has gotten a little out of hand, but all that I can say in my defense is that I hated this movie. However, I think it is important for me to mention that that does not mean that you have to hate it too.



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