

The Tale of Taber and the Timber -Cruiser

see page 4

A fond farewell retiring staffers

see page 6

Published by the students of Alpena Community College 666 Johnson St. Alpena MI 49707 Vol. 2 Issue 7 Jan 27, 1993



I am writing to question exactly where does the \$5 per contact hour for maintainence fees go? On the very first day of classes last fall my partner and I found a dead fly in the windowsill. We named him "our friend the fly." We were surprized to find him still there our first day back second semester, almost five months later. Where does the money go and why aren't the classrooms being cleaned? - Joy M. Arbuckle

First of all the maintenance fee is only three dollars, not five. The other two dollars go toward student activities. The name maintenance fee can be misleading; it is not for janitorial use but for facility use. It's used for new classrooms and to upgrade existing ones, and also will be used toward the new building fund.

Why do we have to pay a graduation fee of \$4.00? Why isn't it included in with the other fees? - Josh Eagan

According to Dean of Administrative Services, Mike Hood, "the fee is used to pay for printing the diploma and making the cover. The policy has remained that way for 10 - 12 years or more and has never been changed."

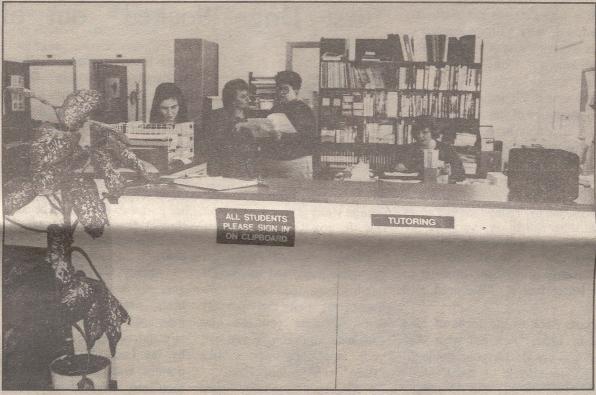


Photo by Linda Simpson

The Learning Center will be the focus of a new column on the News Page. Pictured above, Developmental Reading Technician Lynda Riedasch and Reading Instructor Dorothy Fancher (center) discuss paperwork while Staff Tutor Carrie Makowski (far left) and Tutor Coordinator Jewel Lancaster (far right) tend to their own duties. Look for "TLC Talk" in every issue of The Polemic.

Tawas and Rogers programs prosper . . .

## ACC enrollment on the rise overall

By Michelle Rouleau

Even though full-time enrollment at ACC is down from last spring, we still have positive things happening, according to Mike Hood, dean of administrative services.

The total student body

enrollment has although the number of fulltime students has declined, there are more part-time students than normal.

ACC has picked up four classes in Rogers City and made the spring '93 semester look more positive for the Alpena campus.

The Huron Shores Campus

improved; is down from 692 students to around 300 students. The drop was anticipated according to Hood, although it was more rapid than expected due to the accelerated closing Wurtsmith Air Force Base. about three in Tawas. This has Hood says "They are planning for the future there."

Hood is convinced that enrollment will come back in perhaps a year.

## Reservations cancelled are

By DENINE KONWINSKI Co-Editor

When an ACC student spent two and one half hours in line waiting to register for his spring classes, he was fairly certain that he had a 'workable' schedule. But upon reaching the front of the line, he was told Chemistry 111, the class he needed, was closed - but not because it was currently filled - it was available only to nursing students.

'This is the last semester it will happen," commented Kathleen McGillis, head of the nursing program. She further explained, "I didn't reserve it [the chemistry section]. [Dean] Davis had already reserved it."

"The secured sections were posted in the schedule booklet,' said Dean of Instruction Curt Davis, and he did reserve the class, explaining that it was "basically due to their [the nursing students'] schedules and their clinical hours."

McGillis made it clear that she informed her nursing students ahead of time that she would not set aside openings in the class for them, and that they would have to "get there at 3 or 4 a.m., or whatever they had to do - just like everybody else" to register.

In previous years, classes like chemistry were required upfront, whereas now they are considered 'support classes', and are a part of the pre-nursing program.