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**Action Line**

I would like to know how the English department is coordinated or if it is? Why can't the English department get together so books aren't duplicated and why aren't part time instructors invited to staff meetings? Mrs. Wiesen stated that she has never been to a meeting and didn't even know how to use the copy machines. Are part time staff not important? Could books for one class be used for others, especially in the English classes? Who is in charge of English?

--Gina Wilk

Each teacher chooses the material they feel will most benefit their particular class; each teacher has a different perspective. These varying viewpoints enhance the education of the student. Unfortunately, no one book is totally workable with any academically responsible staff.

Terry Hall is department head for English, arts, and humanities. To accommodate the staff his door is always open to serve in any way.

Due to varying schedules (many instructors teach at night or at the high school) formal meetings are nearly impossible and limited in number during the semester.

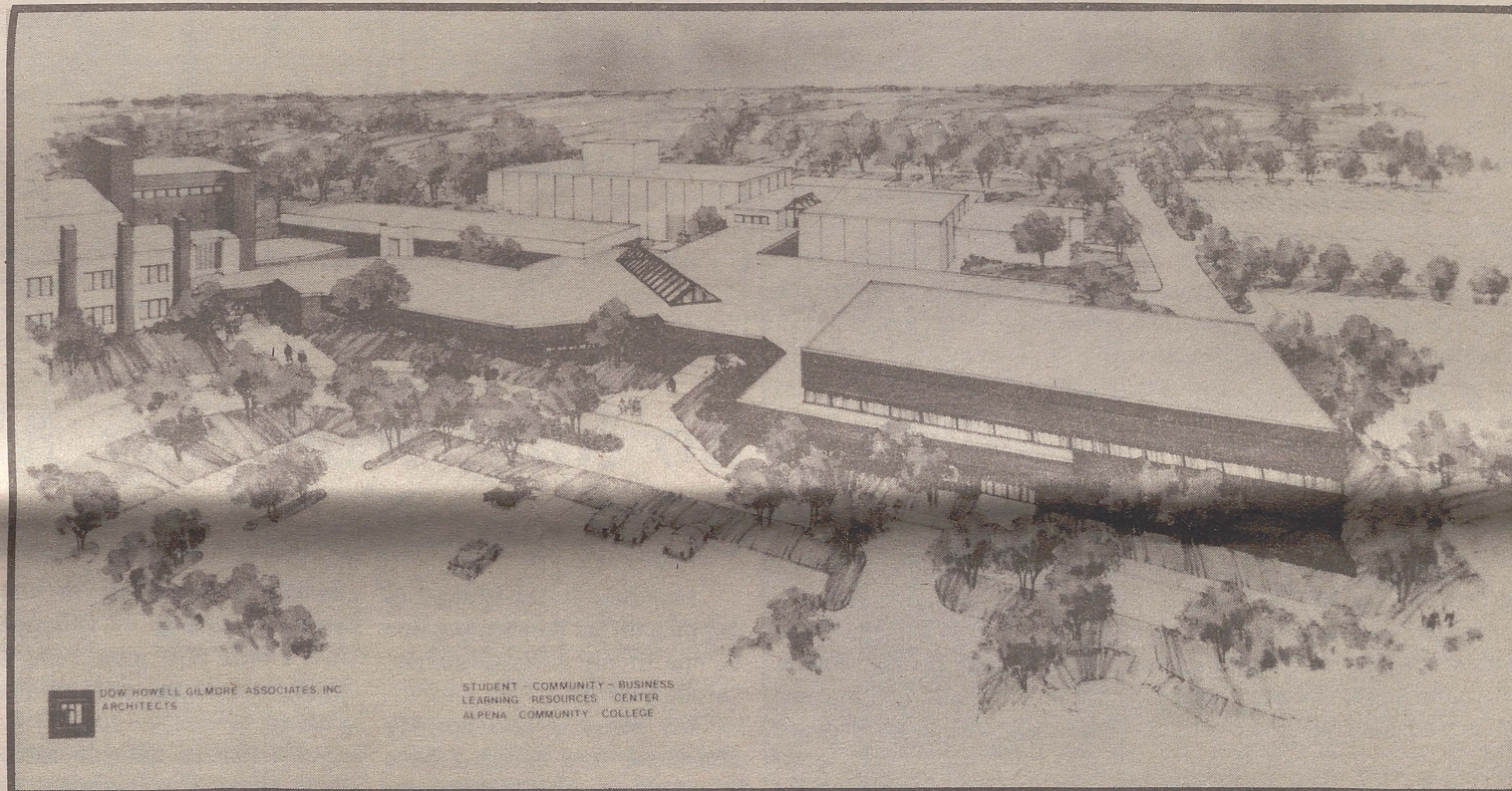


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Pictured here is an aerial drawing plan, designed by Dow, Howell and Gilmore Associates, Inc., of the future ACC campus.

## Planned renovation and addition put on hold

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Renovation and addition to ACC that was anticipated for this spring is now on hold until this fall due to changes in the state legislature.

The new and old electorates will be meeting soon to continue discussion on the Student/Community/Business/Learning Resources Center that will join the Besser Technical Center with The Charles R. Donnelly Natural Resources Center on the north side of Johnson Street.

The new and renovated space, designed by Jack Lee of Dow, Howell & Gilmore Associates in Midland, will be

61,375 square feet, approximately 12 times the size of the existing library.

The addition will include a new gymnasium, four customized training classrooms and labs, student activities area, food service and hospitality centers, learning support services, six classrooms, six offices, a 250-300 seat lecture/performance theatre, an exhibit and display area, wellness-physical education space and a new library double its current size.

The price tag for this project is \$7 million. Half of the money came from a matching grant from the state of Michigan. Besser foundation then committed a challenge

grant of \$1.25 million, the largest donation they have ever made to any organization. The remainder of the money was raised through the "Building on Tradition" committee.

The Building on Tradition committee consists of local people who expressed a desire to assist the college in raising funds for the new addition. Over the past couple of years, various campaigns have been held. In October of last year, they held a night of reminiscence called "Nice and Nostalgic" to raise funds.

There was a "Please Be Seated" campaign where members of the community had the chance to donate \$1,000, \$750 or \$500 for seats to be put in

the Lecture/Performance Theatre. The amount of the gift determined the seat's location in the facility.

The ACC Players' have also donated proceeds to the foundation.

Additional changes on campus include the relocation of the nursing program into what will be the old library in order to provide a "closer marriage" of the RN program to the science department. The East Campus building (formerly Catholic Central) will eventually be dropped from use. Reduced campus traffic on the main road and establishing a better identity for the college with a main, identifiable entrance are also part of Lee's drawing plans.