

# Cross Country runs out on ACC

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"ACC won't be eligible this year for the all-sports trophy," stated Athletic Director Frank McCourt, since ACC was one runner short to form a full cross country team. A team needs at least five runners for competition; only four signed up.

Five major sports must be maintained to enable ACC to compete within its intercollegiate league.

This year, due to the loss of the cross country team, the Athletic Board of Education granted ACC a waiver allowing the remaining sports, men's

and women's basketball, softball and golf, to compete.

If ACC doesn't have five sports, probation should be given, which means the other sports can't compete at the state or national level. No probation was given to ACC this time, relying on McCourt's word that next year, ACC will field five sports.

About ten years ago, ACC was granted a waiver, also due to the loss of a cross country team. When asked why cross country was so hard to maintain, McCourt replied, "College cross country is a difficult, challenging sport that takes a lot of endurance. We've always

struggled to form teams."

Other sports have been considered in past years, but problems occurred with all suggested options. One choice ACC has in a couple of years is women's volleyball. The new Student/Community/Business/Learning Resources Center will supply the necessary facilities and flooring.

The unpredictable, late spring weather nixes the idea for men's baseball, and co-ed cross country is ruled out because other colleges in the league don't participate.

So until the new building is completed, a male cross country team seems a necessity. Perhaps next year, they'll be off and running.

# Huizenga radites power into the classroom

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ACC's newest full-time Chemistry Instructor, Doug Huizenga, always wanted to teach and now he finally has a chance. "I had a very positive experience in my community college with several of my instructors, and I always thought [teaching] would have been a cool thing to do."

Huizenga (pronounced huezengay) started his college career at Suck County College in Dixon, IL after working for eight years as a chemistry technician in a nuclear power facility. "I was essentially looking at the rest of my working career doing the same darn thing inside a cement building with no windows, so I bailed out."

University of Illinois is also one

of Huizenga's alma maters, where he received a bachelor's degree in chemistry. He then attended New Mexico State University to earn a master's in chemistry.

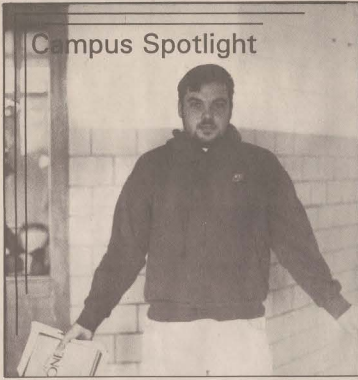
Huizenga has called a Common Wealth Edison nuclear power facility in Northern Illinois, home for the past two years. "I worked in industry for a couple more years and decided, what the heck, I can't wait forever to do what I want to do."

Though Huizenga has been looking forward to teaching, he will be a happier man in three or four weeks when his family arrives. He and Carol have been married for 18 years, 19 this fall, and they have a one and a half year old son, Jesse. They will be joining him as soon as their home in Wisconsin sells.

Carol Huizenga will also be a new face at ACC since she is planning on attending classes. She is considering going into accounting, but Huizenga says, "She, like all of us, will probably change her major several times before she finally gets her degree."

Huizenga enjoys hunting, fishing, jogging, tennis, and running in the woods. He is looking forward to getting settled so he can get involved in the school and the community, which he believes is important. One group he has been involved with is Big Brothers/Big Sisters.

He plans to give his real world chemical experiences and insights to students to make a difference in their education, and he wants to motivate students to get an education. He advises, "Get the degree. It opens doors."



Eric Vanderveer strikes a pose outside of his acting class.

# Small town actor has big dreams

By TINA L. JONES  
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Only a small number of actors ever achieve recognition as a star, and one ACC freshman from Hillman hopes to make it.

Eric Vanderveer plans to have a double major of theater and music with a minor of drafting to fall back on.

At one point in his life, Vanderveer considered being a cartoon artist, but that was before the magic of theater struck him as a freshman in high school while portraying Danny Zooko in "Grease."

Vanderveer has had lead roles in various plays including "The Sound of Music," "The Wizard of Oz," "West Side Story," "Anne of Green Gables" and "Hello Dolly."

Acting demands talent, creative ability, patience, total commitment and stamina. Singing and dancing ability are helpful. But after weeks of tedious memorizing of lines and repetitive rehearsals, the words of a script come alive.

Vanderveer said, "All in all, it's great to watch people [in the audience] laugh, cry or have awe in their face."

Acting Instructor Nan Hall would like to encourage anyone with interest in theater, and those that simply want to know what theater is all about to come to ACC Drama Club meetings on Wednesdays from 4:15 - 5:00 p.m. in EAC 108.

No previous experience is necessary to join. In addition to set building, acting and painting, Hall suggests even business majors, who are interested in public relations, or writers, who may have scripts, should attend meetings.

"[Drama club] is a great opportunity to meet people and it's a lot of fun," said Vanderveer.

If seeking employment in the acting business, the best place to go would be the larger cities, but during the summer there are many stock companies in resort areas.

Broadway bound actors, such as Vanderveer, made an average of \$850 per week in 1991, stated the 1992-93 edition of the Occupational Outlook Handbook.

One week usually equals eight performances and in off-broadway productions, the pay ranges from \$310 - \$516 per week, depending on seating capacity.

An actor's pay is usually low because of irregular employment.

In a field with a high turnover rate where a large number of people desire acting careers, and where there is a lack of formal entry requirements, competition is hard for acting jobs. Only the most talented find regular employment.

Despite the competition, Vanderveer would like to follow in Michael Crawford's footsteps.

"He's sort of my idol," said Vanderveer. "He has a wonderful voice, he's a great actor, I've heard he's a nice guy, and he really enjoys his fans."

# CAMPUS NOTES

Starting the season off as Lumberjack of the month is our very own Polemic advisor Sonya Titus. When asked how she felt, she said, "I'm delighted, but I think I received the award because of the hard work of the Polemic Staff. So, I'm going to use my Holiday Inn portion of the award to treat the staff to swimming and Jacuzzi time."

For all of you literary buffs, Alpena County Library is sponsoring the 1993 Thunder Bay Literary Conference with the theme "Living With Language". The conference features seventeen speakers specializing in different literary fields of interest, including Judith Guest, author of *Ordinary People* and William Kienzle, author of *Rosary Murders*.

For your entertainment pleasure, the Student Senate is featuring at Thunder Bay Theatre "The Transformation of Malcolm X", Friday, September 24, a one-man play written and directed by Phil Wallace, with free admission to ACC students.

For those who need reading material or a not-so-quiet place to study, ACC Library hours are 7:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Friday and 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Sunday. Closed on Saturday.

Also, students who want to get a jump on exam skills or tutoring help, The Learning Center is open 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Monday-Thursday and 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Friday.

Parking Alert - A wheel lock will be utilized for student cars after students receive several tow warnings. The fine for removal of this apparatus, which makes your vehicle inoperable, is \$20.

# Cartoon creates chaos on campuses across the country

By JEN GOODBURN  
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Brian Shuster is sending a little chaos our way.

And we're buying it. Shuster's cartoon CHAOS caused such a ruckus in the newsmag that we subscribed to it. We will be running it in every issue, now through the end of the semester and the spring semester as well.

A recent graduate of UCLA, Shuster lives in Los Angeles. He's been doing CHAOS for about four years.

"I channel a 13th century com-

edian for cartoon ideas," he said. Laughing, he added, "That's not true. I stare at a blank piece of paper."

Last year, CHAOS had a circulation of 60 college newspapers. Shuster expects the number to grow to 80 or 90 this year.

What do you think of CHAOS? Both Shuster and The Polemic would like your comments. (Drop them off in The Polemic mailbox or at the office.)

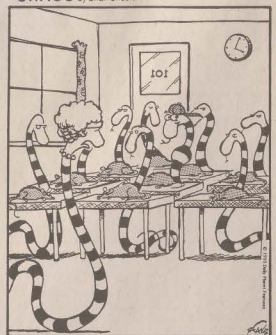
"I hope to have a line of T-shirts available at each of the colleges that run the strip," said Shuster, who also has a line of greeting cards put out by B.D. (rumored to stand for "Best Damn,") Products.

CHAOS by Brian Shuster



As he read the headline in horror, Larry knew that now he'd HAVE to take Bertha to the prom.

CHAOS by Brian Shuster



"Today is the final session of our lab on rats, and Willy, I don't think I have to remind you that this time if you eat yours, I'm not giving you another one."

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