

Campus events move the Earth

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A phenomenon not seen at Alpena Community College since 1977 was witnessed by approximately 200 people on December 17. The ground between ACC's Natural Resources Center and the Besser Technical Center reportedly broke, at a record \$7.2 million on the monetary scale.

The Student/Community/Business Learning Resources Center ground breaking was commemorated with a ceremony and reception.

Eight hundred people, including donors, local officials, faculty, and student organizations were invited to witness the event, and a large number of community members attended.

"We always find it gratifying to see the community support and friends we have," says Carlene Przykucki, ACC's director of public information. She feels it provides reinforcement that the college is doing a good job.

The ceremony took place at noon in a tent which was erected between NRC and BTC and featured speakers and the ceremonial turning of the earth.

For pictures and more information on the ground breaking, please see page 8.

Student Senate shares the wealth

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If you were driving through the Van Lare parking lot on the morning of Dec. 15, you may have received one dollar.

Student Senate members Dena Luckett and Katie Zhytyowski were giving out dollar bills to everyone wearing a parking lot. The women were also taking a survey questioning gender, age and seatbelt use.

As car after car stopped, Luckett handed out dollar bills,

A special award was presented to Lorraine Reuther, ACC's former foundation director, who ran the foundation for the past three years and planned the event.

Senator John Pridnia and State Representative Beverly Bodem were unable to act as ground breakers due to their legislative duties, but both sent representatives. Other ground breakers included Dr. Donald Newport, ACC's president; Jim Park and Steve Fletcher, fund-raising campaign co-chairs; Dick Wilson, Besser Foundation; David Svanda, Governor Engler's rep; Jack Lee, the building's architect; Roger Bauer, chair of the ACC Board of Trustees; Jim Arbuclle, ACC Foundation president; Bill LaHaie, Alpena's mayor; and Melanie Karschnik, Student Senate president.

A reception immediately followed in the lobby of BTC. Music was provided by Dot Gonia and Candy Peterson, and punch and hors d'oeuvres were served. Phi Theta Kappans were invited to serve as hosts.

"[The event] was fantastic, both the turnout and the organization. We had a number of

people not seen on campus in years," noted Newport.

"[The ground breaking] put reality to this dream," commented Przykucki. The event was the culmination of a two and a half year planning and fund-raising period.

The new building, which is already being referred to as The Center, will contain a new gym and workout facility, student lounge, cafeteria, library, auditorium, and corridor connecting BTC and NRC. In addition, some renovations will be made to BTC, NRC, the Besser Annex, and the BTC parking lot. Some of the blueprints are on display on the wall outside BT 101.

After final approval from state officials, which Director of Planning Mike Hood hopes will come within the week, advertising for construction bids can start. The bidding process will go for three weeks before a company is chosen.

With construction expected to begin in March, Przykucki thinks it's going to be an exciting semester for students.

The Center is expected to be in use for the fall '95 semester.

or else said, "You don't have a seatbelt on, so I can't give you a dollar. Please buckle up next time."

A one hundred dollar donation was given anonymously to the Student Senate to be used for a seatbelt awareness project. The donation was linked to the recent deaths of two young Alpena residents, 18 year olds Ryan Kelsey and Heidi Talaski. Kelsey and Talaski were killed in an automobile accident in late fall of 1993; neither were wearing their seatbelts.

Fewer than 50 percent of

Americans across the nation buckle up on the road. In 1991, 337 fatalities occurred with seatbelt use. 758 people died without.

Seatbelt laws are mandatory in 41 of the 50 states and seven of those states require every passenger in an automobile to be buckled up.

Michigan's seatbelt law went into effect on July 1, 1990. The law states all passengers in the front seat, including the driver, must be buckled up. Also, people ages 15 and under are required to buckle up in the back seat.



Dr. Donald Newport and his wife Dee enjoy an exhibit at the bi-annual ACC Student Art Show. The show, held in East Campus on Dec. 17, allowed art students to display their work from the fall semester. Drawing, painting, sculpting, design, and ceramic works were displayed, dramatic presentations were enacted by ACC Players, and a musical rendition was performed by the newly formed ACC Collegiate Singers.

Photo by Linda Simpson

New royal reign to begin at ACC

Students to vote for the new homecoming king and queen

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If you have a date you want to impress, escort them to the annual homecoming game and dance where you and your beloved can mingle with royalty.

On Saturday, Feb. 5, first head to East Campus at 7:30 p.m. to watch the Lumberjacks take on Highland Park, and afterwards head to the Alpena Civic Center at 9 p.m. for the homecoming dance.

The party will be in full swing until the DJ stops playing at 1 a.m., and refreshments (non-alcoholic) will be supplied.

The new nobility will be announced by ACC President Dr. Don Newport at the basketball game. The king and queen will receive a gift certificate from The Grove.

This year's theme, moonlight and roses, features the colors red and silver.

The nominees for court will be submitted by various campus clubs and organizations and will then be voted on by the student body.

Nominations will be announced, and voting will take place Monday, January 31,

through Friday, February 4. Pictures of the candidates will be posted at the ballot box.

Admission is free to students at both events. Student Senate is sponsoring the homecoming, so if any student should 'get lucky' during this date, thanks can be delivered to SS at any Wed. 3 p.m. meeting in VLH 105.

Student body count is low

Enrollment for the 1994 spring semester, as of Jan. 14, reached 1,914 students.

"It really is going to be a flat enrollment," stated Registrar Mike Hood. With a week and a day left for registration, the number isn't that much different from the fall semester of 1,941.

Enrollment numbers have usually stayed near the same amount over the years. About 47 percent of ACC's students are full-time students, and the remaining 53 percent attend part-time.



This Van Lare parking lot scene, which is familiar to students and faculty alike, was made more pleasant to those who wore seatbelts by the presence of Student Senate members and their dollar bills.

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Campus Cubes

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Welcome back students and staff to the frozen tundra at ACC. Speaking of frozen cubes that is what you would have been at East Campus opening day, but those tough physical types endured the cold until the heat and water were restored. It did make the restrooms a wee bit unbearable.

If you would like to see the northern lights twinkle, the Star Search '94 Committee is scheduling auditions. Phone 356-4831 or 471-2762 in the evenings. Auditions will be held at AHS auditorium on Feb. 22. Deadline is Feb. 18. Performance night is March 25.

You may think because the snow is above your car windows there might not be school. To be sure call class cancellation by using a touch tone phone and dial 356-9021; after hearing the available options, press 2; then following the attendant's response, press 9.

Does transferring out of this glacier maze sound nice? If that is your plan for next semester you'll want to attend the free workshop on financial aid for four year colleges at The Learning Center, VLH 127, Thursday January 27, 7 p.m. For more information

contact Jackie Timm at ext. 255 or Monica Bushey at ext. 350.

Do you feel like you have cabin fever, you're a single parent and one more snowday with the kids you'll scream? Then contact Bonnie in VLH 102 for a support group that may be able to help you.

A chilly parking alert to the students who haven't gotten the message yet. The plowed out area at the far end of the VLH parking lot is not meant for a parking space. Maintenance pushes the snow back to make room for more. Those who park there will be ticketed. Also, remember to park between the lines or they'll get you. So equip those cars with a shovel, scrapers and a strong blow dryer to find those lines.

Are you looking for a way to entertain your Ice Queen or a way to get the Abominable Snowman off the couch? Then you will want to come to the Homecoming Dance. It's going to be February 5 from 9-11 a.m. at the Alpena Civic Center. There will be a DJ, refreshments, and of course the King and Queen.

to enable you to learn about yourself and apply those facts to a career suited for you. Stop in at VLH 102 or call extensions 286 or 240 for an appointment.

When you can't find anything to do in the snow on Saturdays there are always the computer labs in Van Lare Hall (Rm. 110 and 113). They are open according to dates and times posted on the doors.

Do you think you might have enough snowballs to graduate at ACC? Then get your mukluks over to Campus Services and fill out an application by February 18. If you are going to graduation, measurements for cap and gowns will be taken February 14-18. Cost for such is \$15.25. If you're not going to the ceremony you can order a tassel for \$3.00. Any questions call ext. 223.

Top ice cube on campus is Lumberjack of the Month, Coren (Corky) Williams. Williams is married and has a son who will be two in March, and in her spare time enjoys milking horses, hunting and fishing. She has been with ACC since 1986. As an instructor of Level 1 Nursing Theory and Clinical, Williams says, "It is easy to be motivated because my students motivate me. I get back a lot of rewards." She felt honored to receive this recognition.

Does shoveling snow for a career leave you out in the cold? Come in and Discover at the Career Center. Discover is a career guidance system which uses a computer