

## Action Line

What is the purpose of the TV in the VLH lounge?

- Jason Fancher

The TV in the VLH lounge will be broadcast Channel 7, the area education channel.

The college, in cooperation with TCI Cable, will be able to transmit college announcements, course availability during registration, and educational information. K-12, CMU, LSSU, and others may also be airing notices on this channel.

"There is probably no limit [regarding what can be broadcast]," says Director of Planning Mike Hood, "as long as it applies to the college or learning."

Carlene Przyucki, director of public information, will be in charge of what information will be aired.

The system will be running in about three weeks.

## Titus to assume new position

### The Polemic searches for new adviser

By DON FIEARSKI  
STAFF WRITER

The college will soon be seeking a new journalism instructor to replace Sonya Titus, *The Polemic* Adviser, who has been elected humanities-fine arts chairperson effective in September.

Titus has advised the student newspaper for five years.

She replaces Terry Hall, current department chairperson, who chose to give up the position to allow himself more time to paint and manage his newly opened art gallery.

On her new, upcoming position, Titus says she sees it "as a new challenge" with duties that include scheduling classes, ordering supplies and representing the department's concerns.

She also noted that she leaves *The Polemic* with real regret. "It's been an exciting place to be these last several years. You really know what's going on on campus."

Titus also spoke of how much she will miss the relationships she develops with students in this kind of setting.

"When you spend 12 or 14 straight hours with your staff laying-out the paper, everyone gets to know everyone real well. I'm going to miss that opportunity. It may be hard to stay out of the office! But it's time to move on. A new adviser will bring new ideas and that will be good for the newspaper."

A replacement for *The Polemic* Adviser's position has not yet been found.



Polemic Adviser Sonya Titus

Photo by Linda Simpson

## ACC sponsors Science Olympiad for area junior and senior high schools

By MELODY SHARP  
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While the world is wrapped up in the Olympics in Lillehammer, area junior high and high schoolers are gearing up for the Science Olympiad on ACC's campus March 12. A dozen school systems have entered contestants.

Dr. Gerard Putz and Jack Cairns created the Science Olympiad in 1983 to increase the interest in science and as an alternative to traditional science fairs and single-discipline tournaments. After ten years the Olympiad has participants in all 50 states, totaling more than 12,000 in K-12 schools.

Region 2 Science Olympiad Director John Singer has been involved with the Science Olympiad for eight years. Five years Singer was a coach and the last three years he has been region director.

Some of the science events include Designer Genes, where individual students solve problems in the area of genetics;

Metric Mastery, testing students' skills of estimation and measurement; Science Crime Busters, where students will correctly identify liquids, solids and other materials in the shortest amount of time in a crime scenario; Trajectory Contest, where students will design, construct, calibrate and shoot a device capable of launching a tennis ball into a target area of sand; and Name That Organism, where students will classify organisms according to the five Kingdoms, Phylum, Class, Genus, and species. There is a total of 30 events.

Judging and supervising events are 22 of ACC's own faculty, volunteering their time and expertise for the Olympiad events.

Schools participating this year are, Alpena High, Thunder Bay Junior High, Cheboygan High and Junior High, Elk Rapids High and Cherryland Middle, Harbor Springs High, Inland Lakes High, Kalaska High, Ogema Heights High, Tawas Area High and Junior High, Whittemore-Prescott High and

Junior High and Elementary Center, Indian River Junior High, Inverness Elementary, Mio-Ausable and Tawas City Elementary.

According to Singer the purposes of the Science Olympiad are to improve the quality of science education, increase student interest in science and provide recognition for outstanding achievement in science education by both students and teachers.

Spectators can see most of the events held on campus. Schedules will be posted and an awards ceremony will follow at East Campus gym at 4 p.m. First and second place teams receive trophies and individuals receive gold, silver and bronze medals.

After winning here, teams may move on to the state tournament to be held April 23, at Michigan State University, with winners moving on to the national tournament May 20 and 21, in Tucson, Arizona.

For more information contact John Singer.



New signs are posted along Johnson Street to discourage students from parking on the shoulder of the road. File Photo

## Parking solutions are sought

By JIM GOODBURNE  
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In an attempt to prevent the bottlenecking of cars at the entrance of the Van Lare Hall parking lot, signs were posted in that area last week.

"No Stopping, Standing, or Parking" has been the rule on the stretch of Johnson Street along the perimeter of the lot, but now students will find that rule being enforced inside the lot as well.

The City Police have issued tickets to students for standing on Johnson in the past.

"It's an accident waiting to happen. It's not a matter of if, it's a matter of when," said Dean Curt Davis.

"The VLH parking lot 'is the biggest problem on campus,'" said Ted Kruse, ACC parking supervisor.

According to Kruse, students line up 25 minutes before the hour and wait for spaces to open up. "They waste all those minutes waiting instead of crossing the street [to the Besser Tech lot]. I've never seen that lot filled," said Kruse.

The Besser Tech parking lot has 610 spaces.

Kruse offered an alternative solution to the new signs. He believes that special permits for the 97 spaces of the VLH lot should be sold to students, first come, first serve, at the beginning of each semester.

Other campuses across the state -- including Wayne State University and Mott Community College -- have instituted this policy. Mott has installed an electric arm at one of their lots to ensure that no non-paying students park there. Students must pay one dollar each time they park in the lot.

"I'm not interested in making money, but I'm worried about someone getting hurt or killed," stressed Kruse.

"This proposal is not being considered," said Davis. "I don't believe we should charge students for parking. People without the economic means to pay would be discriminated against." He continued to say that parking is not paid for by students through the fines collected from parking violations on campus.



Photo courtesy of ACC Public Information Office

Dan Rothe and Fernando Braoch of Roger City work intently on their science projects.

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crowned  
again

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stimulate  
more than  
brains

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big losers

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comes to  
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big winners

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Skater  
speeds to  
success

**Attention:**  
Mid-semester  
break is  
February 21  
through 28.

**Do NOT  
come to  
school!**