

ON THE GO —

Children's Literature

A conference on children's Literature is going to be held on Thursday, April 30, and Friday, May 1, at Ferris State College in Big Rapids.

The Conference will feature 2 well-known speakers. Margot Zemach, a Caldecott medal winning illustrator who will be at the conference, along with Llewellyn McKernan, published author of Children's Literature.

The cost of the conference is \$35.00 for both days or \$25.00 for one day. The Student Activities Board has contributed \$250.00 towards the conference to cover the registration and lodging of anyone wishing to attend. The only cost would be food and mileage.

Anyone who is interested should contact Sonya Titus, rm 127 VLH, ext 308, for more information. The deadline for a reservation is Monday, April 6. It is not necessary to be in the Children's Literature class to attend.

London Trip

For anybody who is still deciding about the chance to go to London for only \$850.00, there is still room for 4 more people.

The excursion begins on May 16, from Sault Ste. Marie Airport, Ontario. The next stop will be Toronto International Airport which will bring the group to London. The return trip to Ontario will be on May 24.

The payment of \$850.00 includes round trip air-fare, lodging, dinner and breakfast aboard the British Airways Jumbo Jet 727, a trip to Stratford, tours of London, Stonehenge, Bath Oxford, and Warwick Castle. Also included are trips to various theatres and museums, Hyde Park, Westminster Abbey, St. Paul's Cathedral, Picadilly Circus and Number 10 Downing Street.

Anyone who may be interested can contact Richard Matteson at 354-9021 ext 290 or rm 352 NRC. Keep in mind, there are only 4 openings left!

Student Senate's future activities

There were Student Senate and Student Activities Board meetings on March 17, 24 and 31.

The items discussed at the Senate meeting on March 17 were; phone calls for registered voters, they still need volunteers to help call people to remind them to vote. Tawas High School Program, in which ACC students go to Tawas High School to promote ACC, was tabled until next meeting.

Next year's Student Senate elections were decided to postpone the petition until March 31 and the voting will take place on April 8, so they could inform and encourage other area high schools to participate in the elections.

Letters to two nonactive Senate members were to be written to inform them to either attend the meetings or they will be dismissed from their positions.

Received letter from Michael Lee, a mime who wants to perform at ACC, this was tabled until next meeting.

The Student Activities Board met on March 17 in which they discussed the following; the board decided to help fund approximately \$250 for the trip to Ferris State College for the Children's Literature Seminar. The arrangements for Brian Husky have been prepared, he will perform on March 30-31, at the Holidome between 7pm-9pm.

There is going to be a Foundation Dinner Dance on April 10, in which members will help park cars

and escort people. The Board Dinner/Awards night banquet will be held on April 29 at the Holiday Inn, there will be a three entree buffet, the cost is \$8.95 per person. Discussed having pens as mementos.

Spring Fling is going to be on May 1, no definite plans have been made.

New business; a trip planned to St. Louis for a National Conference for students and advisors was discussed. The Leadership Conference is open to Community Colleges. It will be held in October for a week-end. There was a motion to put in request for a travel permit.

March 24

Student Senate members met on March 24 to discuss the following; The Tawas High School program decided to cancel the program, due to the fact that there was not enough time to plan it properly. It was decided to suggest the program to next year's Student Senate.

Phone calls were made to some of the area schools and still there are more phone calls to be made for next year's student elections.

It was decided that the mime, Micheal Lee, was to be placed into the Student Activities Board to be discussed there.

There were no new ideas that were presented at this meeting.

Fournier — AQ Consultant

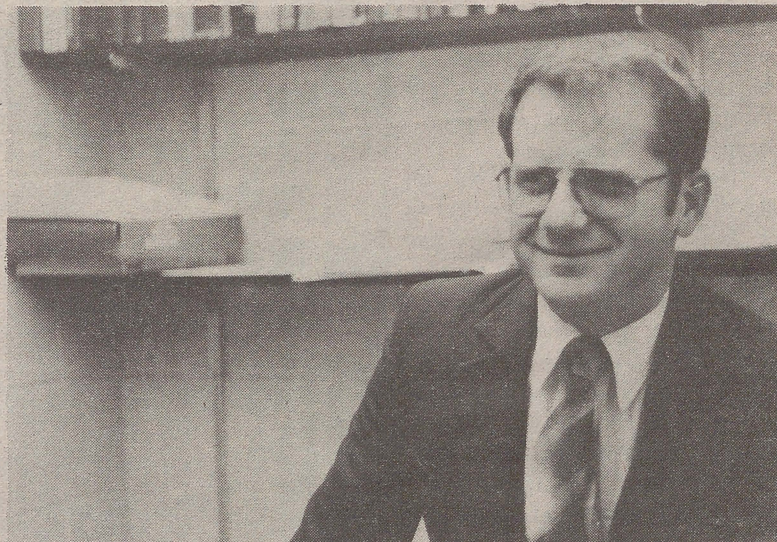
When instructor Bob Fournier and his wife Priscilla moved to Alpena in 1978 they brought with them the business of AQ Consultants.

AQ Consultants is a business which is located at 537 Chishlom St. and deals with the systems analysis of organizations. AQ was founded on the concept of accountability, and on the ability to measure accountability, which is quotient. From these 2 words the name "AQ" is formed.

Rose Hanks and Terry Connor, both graduates from the data processing program at ACC, and present ACC students, William James "Duffy" Gorski and William Brown, are all part of the AQ Consultant team.

The first step in doing business is taken when AQ investigates a client's business to see whether their services are needed. If so, AQ provides it's client with a detailed report on how they can better use their computer and management resources.

"What we are finding is many businesses are buying computer systems from sales people; they sell equipment and software without caring about what happens with the



Robert Fournier

business afterwards," stated Fournier.

Basically, AQ sells their knowledge of computers to their clients so they don't get steered down the wrong road which ends in the waste of money. AQ also gives a business the confidence it needs to enter the change of a computer environment by setting up, a computer system on the basis of their study of the business needs.

"One objective of my business is to hire local people because we

have the talent in Alpena...without having to look elsewhere." Fournier further stated that the staff of AQ firmly considers Alpena as the warm and friendly port, which is the slogan being printed on their business cards.

Fournier feels they are just getting started in this area and also sees the need for the services AQ consultants provides because eventually every business will deal with computers, it is only a matter of time.

Short on credits for degree requirements

Some part-time students on this campus, who have applied in the past for graduation during their last semester of classes, now find that they have not met their degree requirements.

Often these students run into problems when they act as their own advisors in planning their curriculum.

Part-time students are assigned an advisor when they state their major upon registration at ACC. But, it is

March 31

There was a Student meeting on March 31.

The items discussed were; Project "87", in which volunteers will call registered voters and ask them to favor the millage on April 7. They are planning on keeping a tally of the voters response. Help is needed to make phone calls on April 5 and 6, if interested please contact Student Senate Office or Bob Fournier's office.

Petitions were sent out to area schools for next year's senate elections.

New Business; Ms. Wang Ying, an economic student from China, will be at ACC from April 10 through the 25. She will be staying with Dr. Davis.

probable that most of these students are unaware that they have an advisor at all. According to John McCormack, dean of students, "Maybe, the student has not been notified that he has an advisor."

There are certain students, however, who haven't been assigned an advisor. These students are usually undecided about their major when they register at ACC. Michael Hood, dean of administration, states, "We've had to allow students to register without an advisor's signature."

"We do recognize that we have a problem and we are working on it. We have

accomplished one major part of it with the PPR--Program Progress Review, a campus advising system," states Hood.

The PPR is a computer program the lists degree requirements with individual transcripts. Hood explains, "I have 200 applications for graduation. I'll print one of these PPR's for each one. It will be a lot easier this time than doing it all by hand."

"With the PPR, we still have a training and communications problem in getting this information into the hands of students and advisors. We are just wrapping it up," says



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