

# WAFB on a lert

To a befuddled, civilian bystander, observing a military practice known as an alert, activities can be confusing.

Expressing curiosity about an alert is generally met with an incredulous stare followed by technical explanations that escape average understanding. Recall was clearly defined as one phase of an exercise that means "everybody to their duty stations." (Regardless of what the recall-ee is involved in.)

Inconvenience aside, the changes in overall base activities become obvious immediately on attempting entrance at the front gates. The fairly casual salutes that usually pass visitors and personel through the gates becomes individual car searches and careful identification checks.

Occasionally a guard dog will whiffle his way through random vehicles. All this attention to detail creates long lines of cars inching onto the base at a slow trinkle. Some people have taken advantage of these delays and established longterm relationships with fellow travelers.

This careful routine of surveillance is not repeated on leaving the military premises. Apparently there have never been incidents involving souvenir seekers attempting to sneak off with nuclear warheads tucked under trench-coats.

There is also a noticable change in classroom attendance at the education center. Classes during an alert are sporadic at best. Instructors seem to take the comings and goings of military students in remarkable stride.

People wander in and zip out in accordance with their individual duties. Civilians, caught up in the constant activity, may feel compelled to use this opportunity to slip out of class for a quick lunch.

Base traffic, which usually flows at a calm 25mph, is another phase of operation strangely affected by the onset of an alert. Occasionally, large, urgent-looking vehicles will appear from nowhere and insist with flashing lights that it has the right of way.

"Do not question this. Do not stop; do not get out of

your car to demand explanations; do not think. This is an alert vehicle and it most certainly does have the right of way."

This vehicle simply wants everything out of its immediate path and in most cases succeeds in getting what it wants, Now!

If a disconcerted driver fails to recover form his panic and regain enough self-possession to locate an exit or side street, he may develop a nervous disorder.

Some poor souls have spent an unscheduled afternoon in the post office parking lot struggling with indecision about whether to resume driving, Ever!

Somehow unaffected by all the apparent confusion, the military function with a high degree of capability and execute their very well. They all seem to weather these strange sporadic disruptions in their lives with a clam acceptance.

The military view it as part of their job in defense readiness, and they perform it with efficiency and dedication.

# CLUBS

## BTA

A jelly bean contest is being held by the Besser Technical Association.

The jar will continue to circulate until Arpil 15 on which day they hope to distribute the prize to the winner. Who ever guesses closest to the correct number of jelly beans in the jar will win a prize of \$25. The cost to participate in this is \$.50 for one guess or \$1 for 3 guesses.

There is no limit on the number of times a person can guess and the jar can be found in either lounge in BTC or VLH or in the hallways. Most often the jar can be found in rm 106, BTC

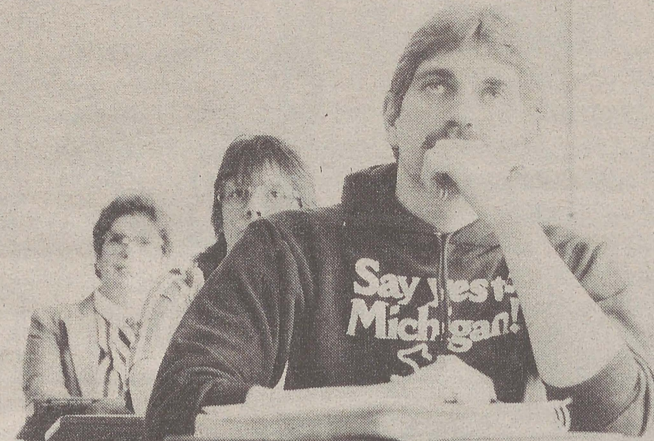
## LAW ENFORCEMENT

The ACC Law Enforcement is having a raffle drawing at ACC on Tuesday, April 7.

The prize to be given away include; first prize: a portable stereo from Puff's Appliance, second prize: \$100.00 worth of gasoline from Homant Oil and third prize: receives \$50.00 in cash.

Donations for your chance to win 1 of these 3 prizes is \$1.00.

# Job Search Workshops



Students listening to job hunting advise during Job Workshop

The Job Search and Placement Strategies Workshops, which were held during the month of March, turned out to be quite a success with almost 70 people in attendance.

Frank McCourt, Doris Feys, and guest speakers, Jere Doyle, Nancy Green, and Bruce Cummings, all took part in the workshops. The workshops included information on how to fill out resumes, how to prepare for an interview, and tips for an impressive interview.

Feys was extremely pleased with the turn-out of the workshops. She stated that, "The response was very positive from students, faculty, and employers, we would like to make this a yearly thing." Feys is looking

forward to more student involvement in the future workshops.

Jerry Doyle, Director of Human Resources, Besser Company, reviewed winning qualities of the resume form. Stating, "Always project yourself as positive and up beat." Doyle pointed out the resume is a reflection of you. Be brief, but accurate and clear. Also limit the resume to a maximum of 2 pages; 1 is sufficient.

Nancy Green, Manager of Administration at Fletcher Paper Company, discussed preparation for an interview. "Dress successful," she stated, and stressed, "If you really want that job, you will take an interest in the company." A good source is the library where

YES. FINANCIAL AID FOR COLLEGE IS STILL AVAILABLE.

IF YOU'RE CONCERNED ABOUT HAVING TO SELL THE FAMILY HOMESTEAD TO PAY FOR COLLEGE EXPENSES - STOP SHAKING AND READ ON. THERE ARE BILLIONS OF DOLLARS - YES, BILLIONS - AVAILABLE IN FINANCIAL AID FOR PROSPECTIVE AND ENROLLED COLLEGE STUDENTS. ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW IS WHERE TO LOOK.

AND YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE A STRAIGHT "A" STUDENT, A VIOLIN VIRTUOSO OR EVEN AN ALL-STATE DEFENSIVE TACKLE TO QUALIFY FOR A SCHOLARSHIP AWARD. THERE ARE LITERALLY THOUSANDS OF SCHOLARSHIPS OFFERED YEARLY BY CHURCHES, CORPORATIONS, PHILANTROPIC AND PROFESSIONAL GROUPS, ETC. AND EVERY YEAR, OVER \$150 MILLION DOLLARS IN FINANCIAL AID GOES UNUSED BECAUSE NO ONE APPLIED.

WAS GREAT-GREAT GRAND-DADDY A CONFEDERATE SOLDIER? IF SO, THERE ARE COLLEGES OFFERING SCHOLARSHIPS FOR WHICH YOU MIGHT QUALIFY. YOU CAN'T FIND A CONFEDERATE FLAG IN THE CLOSET? WELL, WERE YOU EVERY A PAPERBOY? SOME NEWSPAPERS OFFER AS MUCH AS \$3,000 IN SCHOLARSHIPS TO EX-PAPERBOYS. OR PERHAPS YOU WERE A PART-TIME GROCERY STORE CLERK? IF SO, YOU ARE A CONDIDATE FOR A GRANT FROM THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF RETAIL GROCERS.

THE LIST OF AVAILABLE FUNDS GOES ON AND ON. IT INCLUDES \$5,000 AWARDED IN NATIONAL COMPETITION BY GENERAL MOTORS TO 11-20 YEAR-OLD MALES FOR AUTO BODY DESIGNS AND MODELS. OR \$5,000 FROM BETTY CROCKER TO ITS "ALL AMERICAN HOME MAKER OF TOMORROW" AWARDEE. OTHER SCHOLARSHIPS AND FINANCIAL AWARDS RELATE TO SPEAKING OR ESSAY CONTESTS, TO STUDENTS OF ARMENIAN, SYRIAN AND LEBANESE DESCENT,

OR TO CHILDREN OF RAILROAD EMPLOYEES. SURE, SOME OF THESE ARE LONG-SHOTS, BUT YOU WILL NEVER KNOW UNLESS YOU APPLY.

HOW DO YOU FIND OUT WHAT'S AVAILABLE IN FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR YOU? EASY, YOU RESEARCH. THERE ARE BOOKS IN MOST LIBRARIES AND BOOK STORES LISTING AS MANY AS 2,000 SOURCES OF COLLEGE FINANCIAL AID. YOUR ACADEMIC ADVISOR IS ANOTHER EXCELLENT SOURCE OF INFORMATION AS IS YOUR LOCAL BANKER.

BECAUSE OF THE TREMENDOUS GROWTH IN THE NUMBER AND VALUE OF SUCH STUDENT FINANCIAL AID SOURCES, AS WELL AS IN THE COMPLEXITY OF SEEKING OUT THOSE WHICH RELATE TO YOUR PARTICULAR NEEDS AND CIRCUMSTANCES, SEVERAL COMPUTER ASSISTED RESEARCH FIRMS HAVE EMERGED TO HELP IN THE SEARCH EFFORT. THESE PROFESSIONALS SEARCH OUT AND STORE IN THEIR COMPUTERS ALL RELEVANT DATA ON FUNDING SOURCES. THEN, BASED UPON BIOGRAPHICAL DATA SUPPLIED BY THE STUDENT, THEY RUN A COMPUTER MATCH AGAINST ALL STORED ENTRIES. THE RESULT IS A COST EFFECTIVE, PROMPT ANALYSIS OF ALL AVAILABLE FINANCIAL AID SOURCES.

NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP SEARCH IS ONE SUCH FIRM. IT HAS ACCESS TO A DATA BASE CONTAINING OVER 15,000 FINANCIAL AID SOURCES VALUED AT OVER \$4 BILLION DOLLARS. THE FIRM GUARANTEES TO FIND AT LEAST FIVE, AND AS MANY AS TWENTY FIVE, POSSIBLE SOURCES OF FINANCIAL AID, BASED UPON BIOGRAPHICAL DATA SUPPLIED BY THE STUDENT. IF THEY FAIL TO LOCATE AT LEAST FIVE SOURCES THEY REFUND THE NOMINAL PROCESSING FEE, WHICH IS CLAIMED TO BE LESS THAN ONE HALF OF WHAT SOME OTHER SEARCH FIRMS CHARGE. THEY SERVE COLLEGE-BOUND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS AS WELL AS COLLEGE FRESHMEN AND SOPHMORES. THEIR MAILING ADDRESS IS: 6645 CAM. SCIOTO, SAN DIEGO, CA 92037, (619) 459-5525 EXT. 912.