

Alpena Community College

Lumberjack

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WHERE CAN THE SMOKERS GO?

Act. No. 198
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If you are a smoker, this has changed your life. In great ways and small, broad and narrow. You are a danger: to yourself, to your loved ones, your friends, your co-workers, the population of this state. Everyone.

Act. No. 198 is an amendment to Act. No. 368 of the Public Acts of 1978, approved by the legislature and duly signed by the governor. It is law, and it affects us all.

Part 126. Smoking in Public

Sec. 12601. (1) As used in this

part: (a) "Educational facility" means a building owned, leased of under the control of a public school system, college, or university. (...) (h) "Smoking" means the carrying, by a person, of a lighted cigar, cigarette, pipe, or other lighted smoking device.

Sec. 12603. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this part or in rules promulgated under this part, an individual shall not smoke in a public place or at a meeting of a public body, except in a designated smoking area.

Sec. 12607. The state or local governmental agency or the person who owns or operates a public place shall, at a minimum, do both of the following in order to prevent smoking: (a) post signs which state that smoking in that public place is prohibited except in designated smoking areas, pursuant to this part. (b) Arrange seating to

provide, as nearly as practicable, a smoke-free area.

And this they have done. Notices are placed seemingly casually above the door handle on almost every entrance to every building on campus.

SMOKING
is NOT Permitted
in this Building

"Designated smoking areas" is not too hard to figure out, especially as you sidestep those using them OUTSIDE each building. This is the best way, surely. Proper ventilation, no doubt. Can not really get more ventilated than that. Proper non-smoking areas provided too.

Some considerable effort went into determining the best course of action, the policy ACC would pursue. Discussions were scheduled into meetings. The issue was placed on agendas. Letters were written. Petitions were filed.



Polls were taken.

Outside they went, apparently to stay. There has been some general grumbling, but nothing serious, yet. It is still nice outside, though. The weather is relatively

pleasant, the sun shines some of the time. The perfect solution; in reality, the only solution. The school does not have anyplace suitable to put the smokers at inside the buildings.

Concrete Students Design Patio

As I took my routine stroll of the grounds at ACC an intriguing question sent me into deep contemplation. The question was: What would make this campus more enjoyable and better looking? The answer was clear and simple: a new patio.

My mind's eye fantasized a patio equipped with picnic tables, benches, and flowering plant life, the perfect environment for activities ranging from intense study to plain relaxation. The idea was brilliant, or so it seemed, and I decided to take this plan to a

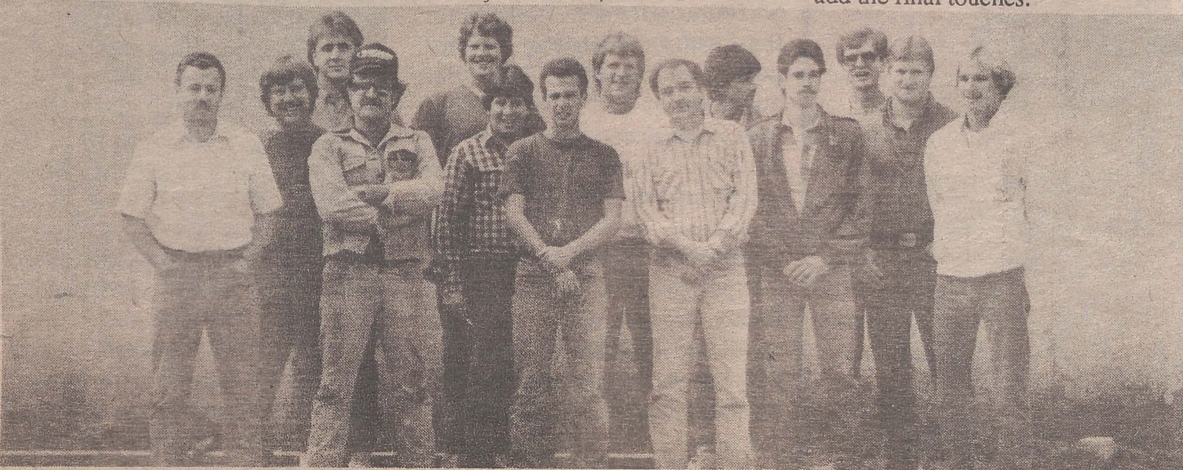
nearby suggestion box. But wouldn't you know someone beat me to it.

Bob Eller and his concrete class students are presently going through the stages of constructing the patio, drawing ever closer to making my idea a reality. Eller is heading the operations, and seems positive for the patio to be completed in the spring.

The concrete students themselves have taken responsibility for the designing of the patio and also for the laying of the foundation, a task that took two days of work, as Eller noted.

Funding, for the most part came from the buildings and grounds committee and with a total expense of \$400 there is no doubt that the new patio will give the campus a newer and fresher look.

When speaking of the design and placement procedures Eller stated that "There have been no problems at all yet and hopefully we will not run into any." Eller also admitted that he was hopeful to get to the benches and picnic tables on the patio before the snow comes but it looked like he would have to wait until spring time to add the final touches.



L to R - Kerry Jorgenson, Kevin Sylvester, Bubba Matteson, Jim McFalda, Ryan Keller, Al Kennedy, Larry Philippi, Jeff Konczak, Don Pletz, Mike Hamp, Jeff Kowalski, Pete Alexander, Randy Balog, Dan Romel. Not Pictured - David Bendig, Tom Perkins.

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Internship Provides Employment

ACC's new program, Contracting With Business and Industry, is a one year, eight credit, non-transferrable internship which helps students take college courses, be trained in practical job skills, and perhaps obtain future employment, all in one.

It began in Bay De Noc ten years ago, with a group of people who needed jobs, but either did not want or need an actual degree.

It is very new here at ACC - offered for the first time this semester - but Director Michael Wawro says that it has been good: there have been seven people enrolled for this semester, and 54 inquiries, with 39 actual applications.

The program itself is an internship where area businesses are sub-contracted trainers for the college. The students are not employees of the company; they are not paid for working or

training, but are given eight hours of credit for 16 hours of training at their job site.

The student chooses an area and is assigned a business to work for: ie, if a student indicates he or she is interested in Furniture Sales, Mr. Wawro would assign him or her a work site, and help to choose six-eight credit hours of classes related to that area, possibly Retailing or Applied Accounting.

If a work site is requested by the student, internship can be arranged, and if a two- or four-year student enrolls, the Internship Program will work the schedule and hours to fit the individual.

Mike Wawro invites everyone who would like to know more about the program or to sign up for it to stop by his office in the Center for Economic Expansion, next to Room 108, in BTC, Ext 267.