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BESSER FOUNDATION AWARDS GRANT

The Besser Foundation has awarded one of its largest single contributions ever in the form of a \$1.2 million grant to Alpena Community College for a proposed \$4.9 million construction and renovation project.

Foundation and college officials announced the grant on December 21, 1989, which represents 25 percent of the project's total estimated cost.

As the institution looks ahead to the year 2000 and the challenges of the decade leading to it, the Besser Foundation believes it fitting to represent the vision of Jesse Besser in a very tangible, financial manner, the announcement said.

In 1957, Jesse Besser was one of the donors of the first tract of land along Johnson Street and Lake Besser which gave the then five-year-old college a

300-acre campus on which to grow. It's first building, Central Hall (now Van Lare Hall), which opened in 1958 as the first completely new community college building financed jointly by the State of Michigan and a local school district under provisions of a 1956 legislative act.

That 1956 legislative act which first authorized state participation in capital outlay for community colleges, along with subsequent legislation, is being called on again after more than 30 years to help ACC continue to provide for the lifelong learning needs of Northeast Michigan residents.

If approved as a state capital outlay project, the proposed construction of some 41,000 square feet and renovation of an additional 5,000 square feet would receive 50 percent of its

funding from the state, according to ACC President Dr. Don Newport. The facilities involved would provide what is being referred to as a "student/community/business/learning resources center."

"But capital outlay competition is tough," he added, "and funding also stipulates a 50 percent match in local funds." The Besser grant of \$1,225,000 provides, in one whopping bundle, fully half of the required local matching money. It gives the project a significant boost that Newport hopes will be felt as far away as Lansing.

"Naturally, we are thrilled by the extent of support demonstrated by the Besser Foundation and absolutely ecstatic about the prospect of being able to better provide the kinds of important programs and services

needed in our community," he said.

"Our continued growth as a regional center for lifelong learning and an educational resource to support and promote economic growth in Northeast Michigan challenges our ability to respond effectively. Current facilities no longer allow us the kind of space or flexibility we must have to provide the kinds of instructional and support services our community needs," he added.

"In our discussion with state appropriations people, we will be stressing that the success of our capital outlay request is crucial to the vitality of our region. We hope the impressive backing represented by the Besser Foundation funds will have a strong and positive impact on the final decision," Newport concluded.

ACC Board of Trustees Chairperson Roger Bauer noted that, even with state participation, another \$1,225,000 in matching local funds must be found to fully finance what would be the college's first capital project in 17 years.

"We're optimistic that additional local funding can be identified," he said. "ACC has had significant impact on the lives of a great many people in Northeast Michigan and in order for us to continue to make a difference, we must simply have more quality space that is centralized and accessible."

"We are committed to responding to the needs of the community, and yet, 82 percent of all space now utilized was constructed back when ACC was part of a K-14 district.

ACC Homecoming Court



BOARD RECEIVES NEW MEMBERS

Five new trustees of the expanded Alpena Community College Foundation board began terms of office Wednesday, January 24, with an orientation luncheon at The Lodge.

Chuck Ingle, Craig Kus and Chris McCoy will serve two-year terms expiring December 31, 1991 and Jim Masters and Hal Neiman will serve four-year terms which expire December 31, 1993. They were recommended by a nominating and selection committee after the updating of bylaws last year which increased membership on the foundation board to a maximum of 15.

They join continuing foundation board members James Arbuckle, president; Ann Crow, vice-president; Harry Whiteley,

secretary-treasurer; and trustees Roger Bauer, Bob Granum, Avis Hinks, and Don Newport. Executive director is John McCormack.

Trustees oversee fund raising and the use of funds for the ACC Foundation. Contributions to the designated fund are used for purposes designated by the donor, such as student scholarships, instructional equipment or to support programs. Contributions to the endowment fund are invested and will eventually allow an annual contribution above base funding to ACC.

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How does the Student Activity Board get the money to stage the various student activities throughout the year?

First, there is a figure of \$22,000 which is taken out of the general fund. With that the Budget Review Board calls a meeting with all ACC clubs and organizations who are seeking funds for the year.

Secondly, it is up to the clubs and organizations to create their budget for the

various activities they wish to hold and they then submit this to the Budget Review Board for approval.

The Board then looks at past expenditures and how many students are effected by what the organization does. In other words, an organization such as the Student Activity Board, which coordinates activities for the whole student body will get more money than a club whose share will primarily benefit its membership.

It is the responsibility of the club president to get a budget in for the club's use and attend the Budget Review meeting so the organization will not be left out.

As a student you have already paid to attend the

As students you have a right to know how the money is allocated and spent by the Student Activity Board, various dances and other activities. With that you also have a right to determine

what activities are held by attending the Student Senate meetings and making your opinion known.

Student activities are paid for by you and planned for you, so let your voice be heard by using the suggestion boxes in VLH and BTC, by calling Ext. 287, or by stopping by the Student Senate Office located in BTC.

During the spring, the Student Activities Board sponsors many activities for the benefit of the student body. For some unknown reason, there has been limited participation in all student functions.

Before I became the Vice-President of the Student Senate, I was informed that the major priority was to take care of all internal problems that exist in the organization. That was not a bad idea, but, as your new activity coordinator, I am going to change philosophy.

Breaking down the types of activities held, there have been fun events like the dances, and there have been educational events, such as John Engler being on campus. With that I have decided to approach things by having more activities and doing some new things here on campus.

First will be a game show called "The Blizzard of Bucks". This event will be held on March 5 and will have a \$500 grand prize. There will be more details given as they become

available.

The kinds of dances we will be having are going to change. A Morp and Sadie Hawkins are on the agenda right now. Also, I hope to introduce euchre and pool tournaments.

I realize that the fact that most students are taking a full class load and working and perhaps have families. However, without your comments, I can not do much to accommodate older and younger students alike.

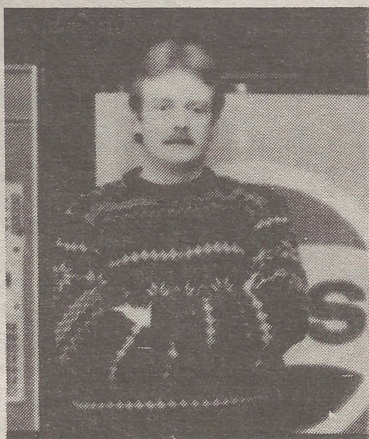
In keeping with that

sentiment, I would like to announce that suggestion boxes will be put in place so there can be a direct communication between the Student Activities Board and the student body. I am also calling out to all of the clubs and organizations on campus to come to the Student Senate office so that we can all work together to create more interesting activities.

What are your views on the Student Activities Board and its performance?

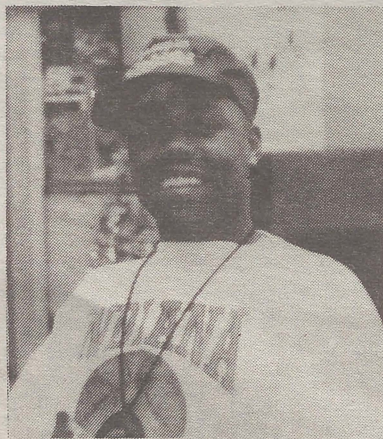
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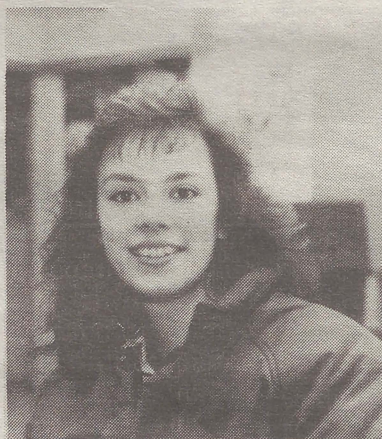
Mark Quaine--Electronics

"Nothing--no time. Only interested in taking needed classes and working full time."



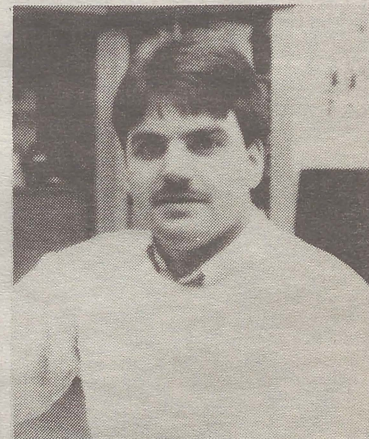
Keith Koger--Criminal Justice

"Events have been pretty good comparable to Flint and inner-city. It's nice to see free refreshments and admission. Fraternities may give more of a college feeling."



Christine LaHaie--Business Mgmt.

"We need events like a euchre tournament, doubles pool tournament, more theme dances like Sadie Hawkins, etc."



Jim DeCaire--Drafting

"It's important to have events to get kids interacting. Over here at BTC most students are laid off workers who are working toward a new job and are not interested in dances. Dances are more for the kids just out of high school...you have to realize the average age of students is 27."



Homecoming



WEEKEND OF FUN AHEAD

The time is drawing near for Alpena's annual Winter Carnival.

This year's carnival will take place February 9, 10, 11.

Many activities have been planned for the carnival, some of which include:

Friday, Feb. 9

- Ice sculpture judging which will take place at 4:00 p.m.

- A spaghetti dinner sponsored by the VFW Post on Connon St. will be held from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Costs for the dinner are: adults --\$5.00, children ages 5 to 10--\$2.50, and under 5--free.

- "A Taste of Alpena", featuring appetizers of local foods from the Cooperative Extension Service, will be hosted by the Jesse Besser Museum from 7-9 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 10

- A Pancake Breakfast will be served from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at the VFW Post on Connon St. Costs for the breakfast are: Adults - \$4.00 children ages 5 to 10 - \$2.00, and children under 5 - free.

- A Sno-ball Softball Tournament sponsored by the March of Dimes will take place at the Alpena Men's Softball Fields from 9:00 a.m. to dark.

- From 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. the North American Team Barrel Jumping Championships will be held at the indoor ice rink at Mich-e-Kewis park.

- From 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. there will be a trick barrel jumping exhibition also at the indoor ice rink. Featured at the exhibition will be Pierre Bernier.

- A dance will be held at the Alpena Sportsmen's Club from 8:00 p.m. to Midnight. For those persons of legal drinking age, the dance is BYOB and it will be monitored. Music will be supplied by the Versatones.

Sunday, February 11

- Saturday's Sno-ball Softball tournament will be continued from 9:00 a.m. to dark at the Alpena Men's Softball Field.

- A cross country ski race will be held at the Nordic

Training Center on Bagley St. The race for the 13 yrs and under category will start at noon and the race for those 13 yrs. & adults will begin at 12:30 p.m.

- At noon, there will be an Ice Dive on the Thunder Bay River. For those divers who are certified, and would like to try an Ice Dive, Bill and Ruth Ann Beck will be offering a course prior to the dive. The Alpena Sheriff's Department will also be practicing their underwater recovery operations.

- At 2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m., the Alpena Figure Skating Club will hold an exhibition at the indoor ice rink at Mich-e-Kewis park. Three members of the Hiawatha Figure Skating Club of Sault St. Marie have been invited to perform. Also performing will be former Alpena resident and figure skater, Tammy Stott.

Other interesting events will be, on Friday, Wertz's Warriors will stop in Alpena on a leg of their snowmobile trip to raise

money for Special Olympics, and on Saturday, the Alpena Bass Club is sponsoring an ice-fishing tournament.

The tournament weigh-in station is at the Long Lake County Park Pavilion. Weigh-in times are between 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. There is no pre-registration and no entry fee. Fishing related prizes will be awarded. For more information, contact either Charlie Plourd at 354-8204 or Joe Czuj at 471-2840.

The entertainment tent at Mich-e-Kewis sponsored by the Alpena Exchange Club will be opening on Saturday at 11:00 a.m. and closing at 7:00 p.m. On Sunday, the tent will open at noon and close at 6:00 p.m.

Saturday's outdoor activities include such things as logger races, snowshoe races, cardboard toboggan slide, horsedrawn sleigh rides, pony rides and people-sled races in which the people are the pullers and the dog is the "captain" of the team.

For the outdoor activities of the weekend there are no entry fees and no pre-registration.

Admission buttons are available at the Alpena Area Chamber of Commerce and will be available at the carnival. Price of these buttons is \$1.

For more information on these and other events during the Alpena Winter Carnival, contact: Deb Pardike, 1990 Winter Carnival General Chairperson at the Alpena Area Chamber of Commerce.

by: Tracey Barraco

WORDS OF WISDOM

There are no seven wonders of the world in the eyes of a child: there are seven million.

The key to success is to climb the ladder instead of sitting and waiting for the elevator.

The world is full of willing people; some willing to lead and the rest willing to let them.

The 4th Annual
Winter Carnival Committee
cordially invites you to
"A Taste of Alpena"
February 9, 1990
7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
Jesse Besser Museum

DISPLAYS OF WINTER CARNIVAL MEMORABILIA

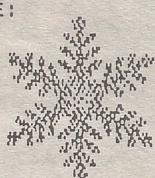
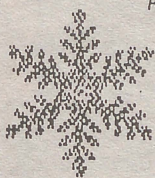
MUSIC COMPLIMENTS OF THREE ON A STRING

WINE SERVED BY THE FOUNDER'S SOCIETY

WINTER DOLL DISPLAY

BY ALVINA CRACKNELL

APPETIZERS OF LOCAL FOODS BY THE:
COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE



Your presence is requested.

FIGURE SKATERS TO PERFORM

On Sunday, February 11, 1990, the Alpena Figure Skating Club will hold an exhibition as one of the events of the Alpena Winter Carnival held at the Mich-E-Kewis indoor rink.

The old Mich-E-Kewis shelter and outdoor rink were formally opened on December 23, 1934 at the present site. The first carnival was held at the rink on Jan. 24-27, 1935.

Figure skating facilities have come a long way from the skating exhibition which was held on the Thunder Bay River on February 12, 1933 between the Ninth Avenue power dam and the D & M railway bridge. A troupe of nine Detroit area skaters entertained the public. Local youths competed in skating races according to age.

Fifty seven years later, approximately 25 of the 112 member Alpena Figure Skating Club will entertain the public with group and solo routines. Members of the AFSC vary in age from four to seventeen to "I'm too old to tell my age!"

Three members of the

Hiawatha Figure Skating Club from Sault Ste. Marie, will also be performing. Tammy Stott, a former resident of Alpena and the AFSC, has passed her Pre-Juvenile Freestyle, 1st Figure, and Pre-silver dance. Twelve-year old Lisa Schwuterson is a gold medalist in Canada and the USA. She has passed her 4th Figure and the Novice Freestyle. Keri Schwuterson is Lisa's eight-year old sister. She is working on her Silver Dances and has passed Pre-Juvenile Freestyle and her 1st Figure.

The entire evening promises to be very entertaining with a variety of music, fancy costumes, and fun for all! Bundle up and join the fun.



ATTENTION, ATTENTION!

WHAT? Next Town Meeting

WHERE? NRC 450

WHEN? Tuesday, Feb. 20

TIME? 7:15p.m.

ISSUE? Daycare problems on campuses for parents who attend class

For more information, please contact Vernie Nethercut, Volunteer Center, at Ext. 271 or 272. Registration must be completed by Feb. 13. The cost is \$3.50 for materials and refreshments. See you there !!!!



A New Face

Nan McGrady Hall is a new face in the crowd, but after you meet her you'll realize that she's not content to remain that way. She's definitely a mover and a shaker.

Nan moved to Alpena to take a full-time position with Thunder Bay Theater from East Lansing where she had been teaching theater at East Lansing Community College. Acting and directing at Thunder Bay Theater since August, 1988, and now adding a part-time teaching position at ACC to her repertoire, she has big plans.

Currently involved in the ACC Drama Club, she explained there's a talent showcase in the works. On

February 21, ACC students will be able to view fifteen minute drama performances in room 127 VLH on the hour from 10 a.m. through 2 p.m. Students can grab a front row seat, or perhaps you'd rather be "in the spotlight" with your own skit, song and dance or comedy routine. The Drama club is also planning a spring performance.

The Introduction to Acting class this semester is said to be a good one. According to Nan, it's a very supportive group of 15 students which she considers a good turnout for the program. "They're learning to take risks.

"Nan emphasizes that introductory acting and theater classes aren't limited to only the aspiring actor. The classes fulfill humanities credits and transfer. "Theater skills are life skills." Exposure to theater can give confidence, improve public speaking skills and give more understanding and insight into what motivates ourselves and others. Nan believes that everyone is creative or has the ability to be and can learn now to enhance that creativity and build on it.

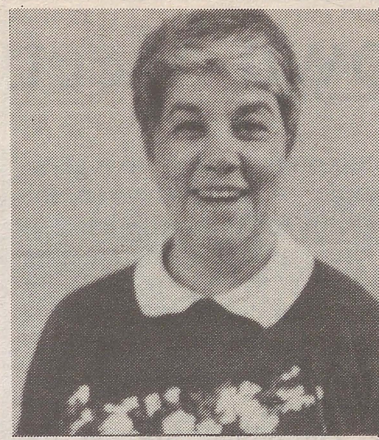
Nan has already committed herself to teaching

an introductory theater class during the summer semester.

Another project Hall is currently involved in is a joint venture sponsored by the Thunder Bay Reading Council and the Thunder Bay Theater. She is part of a traveling theater group that will tour elementary schools and area churches, February through March, with a performance of "Aesops Fables".

After marriage last fall to Terry Hall, Chairperson of ACC's English department, Nan McGrady Hall now calls Alpena home.

Her spare time hobbies are a reflection of her vocation; she enjoys reading, watching old movies, and traveling.



NEW ADVISOR

by: Yvonne Swager

The Lumberjack has a new advisor. Sonya Titus, an ACC faculty member for 22 years, now holds the position.

Titus has previously taught theater, speech, and English, and has been involved in Upward Bound (a high school program housed at ACC.).

Though Titus has never before instructed journalism, she was chosen from the English Dept. for her practical experience. Titus has three years experience with a newspaper and two years experience in commercial writing for radio and television.

This semester there is no journalism class, therefore,

Titus and the Lumberjack editors are relying on the combined efforts of independent and directed study students as well as volunteer writers from former English classes to maintain a staff for the paper.

Titus hopes the Lumberjack will become a sounding board for students who wish to express views on timely issues, as well as a source of campus news reporting.

Students should be aware that positions of Editor and Assistant Editor will be open in the Fall. These are paying positions and applicants for these positions will be screened by the present staff.

Therefore, it is essential that potential editors and assistant editors volunteer help around the office to assure the present staff they are qualified for those positions. Someone lacking necessary experience may gain what is needed through practical, volunteer service.

Furthermore, any student wishing to have articles or viewpoints published in the Lumberjack is encouraged to submit his/her contributions to Staci Radke or Tracey Barraco in the Lumberjack office, located in BTC 110.

Lumberjack of the Month

Everyone on campus, at some time has had contact with Aggie Ferguson, February's recipient of the Lumberjack of the Month award.

Aggie is in contact with most of the college community through the registration center where she is involved with admissions, financial aid and registration.

The Lumberjack of the Month award was established this past fall by the President of ACC, Dr. Donald Newport. This award was created to recognize dedicated service to the college by an ACC staff person. The honor comes complete with a coffee mug, a Holiday Inn gift certificate and a reserved parking space for a month.

Aggie has been part of the ACC staff for, as she says, longer than forever (more realistically, since 1976). She has a wonderful reputation for efficiency, staying calm in the midst of the registration "storm" and also has a great sense of humor.

When asked how she felt about the award, Aggie stated

that at first she thought they were joking. Then she realized, "it was time to choose a secretary for the award and I was the oldest one here." Seriously, she feels it is a "wonderful idea... but it would be hard to choose just one of the secretaries for the award," paying tribute to all the secretarial staff persons.

Aggie is married and the mother of three sons, ages 25, 26, and 28, "all former students of ACC, all handsome, and all eligible!" Her interests include dancing and she is part owner and teacher of dance at Jilla's Dance Studio in Alpena. She feels her work at the college is very important in her life. "This is more than a job... it is also a social outlet for me." Her future plans include "staying right here. It's where I want to be."

When I first heard about this meeting, I was glad to see that people were going to become involved. However, it was somewhat surprising to see who attended this meeting.

Out of approximately 20 people, the majority were teachers, counselors, or professionals in the community. It was somewhat disappointing to see only a few "average citizens" in attendance.

One member of the group, Cathy Moe, said that of the suggested choices, no one response is effective. The meeting followed this direction, as the group devised their own choices to form a common solution.

One focus from the group dealt with a child's upbringing. This concept forces us to look at the tiny steps in the big picture. How does one's upbringing of moral "right and wrong" affect one's decision to use drugs? Maybe this is the heart of the problem. As one mother stated, "We need to find the key to give each child confidence." Children

Town Meeting Editorial

need to be appreciated and valued so they don't become involved with the "wrong crowd." Social pressures and conformity aid in the destruction of moral values. Education is needed as a tool for teaching children to say no. A stronger partnership with parents and schools is needed as well. It is amazing to think we need to educate five and six-year olds about drugs, but with the problem being a complex one, we have no other choice. This is where we need to make a new beginning. One father said that children should be taken to a treatment center to be shown a more realistic view of what addicts go through. This may be one of our best educators.

Personal freedoms were also discussed among the group. One view indicated that we are giving up our civil rights with mandatory drug testing. The opposing side says "Is this all we have to worry about?" As the saying goes, "one bad apple spoils the

bunch." This is what has happened with drug use, and now society is paying for other's mistakes through mandatory testing. We have, in fact, given up our civil rights because of the mistakes of others.

These are just a few "conclusions" this group had to offer as a solution to the drug problem. Perhaps Bonnie Urlaub said it best with this statement: "we need to be a community of caring people." Everyone must join in an effort to beat this

One last word comes to mind--cooperation. This is the key. We, as a society, need to work together on all four choices to just begin to control this problem.

This town meeting did not find one concrete answer to this problem; but the answers they did find left each of the participants with a greater understanding of other viewpoints and a positive attitude toward a needed solution.

Town Meeting Cracks Down on Drugs

The first in a series of town meetings, focusing on the drug issue, was held on Jan. 22 in BTC 101. Vernie Nethercut, Volunteer Center Director, is coordinator of these meetings. Virginia Watson, Intermediate School District, and Cynthia Cook, Cooperative Extension Service, are moderators for these meetings.

The local meetings are based on the original town meetings started 150 years ago in Massachusetts.

NIF (National Issues Forums) initiates these group discussions to bring about a "meeting of the minds" on topics of interest. Each year, NIF chooses three topics for discussion.

NIF stresses listening, as well as talking about problems and views. The meetings start by looking at how the values of individuals and the values of the

community apply to a given topic. After discussion, the group looks at alternatives. The purpose of the meeting is not to try to change someone's mind; it is designed to discover differing opinions and solutions.

Guidelines are set for discussion among the group:

1) The moderator guides the discussion, yet remains neutral.

2) Everyone is encouraged to participate.

3) No one or two individuals dominate the discussion.

4) Discussion focuses on the choices available

5) All major choices on the issue are considered

6) An atmosphere for discussion and plan of alternatives is maintained

7) Everyone listens to each other's ideas

Four choices for a plan of

action were presented to the group:

Choice #1--Stepping up the International Drug War; advocates of this choice want to see President Bush strictly enforce drug laws and cut off aid to drug supplying nations.

Choice #2--Cracking Down on Dealers: the Enforcement Strategy; this choice says that more power needs to be given to law enforcement agencies with death penalties to dealers.

Choice #3--Saying No: Targeting Users, Reducing Demand; this choice targets the "Say No" campaign to reduce demand. This tries to send a signal to users that society is serious in eliminating this crisis. Expanded educational programs and mandatory drug testing are emphasized. Backers of this choice support a "zero tolerance" of

any drug use or possession whatsoever.

Choice #4--Legalizing Drugs: Why Prohibition Doesn't Work; those in favor of drug legalization want to take the profit out of drug trafficking. Backers do not necessarily condone drug use, but drive the drug dealing off the streets and into legal, government-regulated, taxpaying stores.

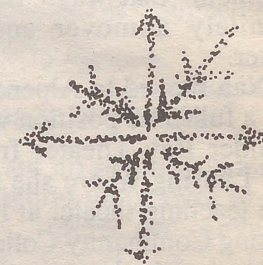
No "experts" were present, but Watson directed the discussion. A video was shown to introduce the choices leading to the discussion.

Distinctions are made between personal opinions and public judgments. As the group thinks together, values are sorted out and the group begins to realize the hard facts and choices that need to be made.

These meetings do not attempt to find a concrete

answer or agreement. They do try to find common interests and views among people and develop new perspectives.

The second meeting in the series will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 20 at 7:15pm in NRC 450. Register for the meeting by Feb. 13 through Vernie Nethercut, Ext. 271. The topic will be the daycare dilemma.



WRITING SERVICE OFFERED

A new student service is being offered by ACC's English department under the supervision of Terry Hall, English Department Chairperson. Called the Writing Place, VLH 105 has been designated as a quiet place for students to work on their writing assignments.

The Writing Place will provide help with various needs, such as:
-organizing a term paper
-revising a paper
-getting started on a writing assignment

Assistance is available from Hall and student tutor, Keiker Doyle. The Writing Place has a "drop-in" policy, and no appointments are necessary.

Initially, The Writing Place is open from 1pm-2:50pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays, with plans to expand hours in the fall.

Current plans include staffing the center with two trained student tutors under the supervision of an English department member during all regular school hours. For now, those students who are unable to attend The Writing Place during the scheduled hours may seek additional tutoring in the Learning Skills Center.

COMMUNITY COLLEGE MONTH

February is National Community College Recognition Month and Alpena Community College is planning several activities in celebration of this fact.

The first event, a reception for ACC Alumni, took place as part of last weekend's homecoming activities. Held in BTC prior to the homecoming game, college staff welcomed alumni "back to the campus". Carlene Przykucki, ACC Director of Public Relations, hopes to expand alumni membership through similar activities, involving past graduates in the growth and expansion of Alpena Community College.

The month's second scheduled event has been organized in an effort to raise public awareness of ACC. Exhibits, displays and demonstrations of ACC programs will be showcased at the Alpena Mall, Feb. 10, from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Scheduled participants include: Ivan McLaren's concrete technology students who will be demonstrating computer numerical control equipment; Owen Lamb's drafting students will be demonstrating computer

aided design; art students taught by Joe Donna and Joy Skiba will be showing painting and sketching techniques and the making of pottery; drama students under the direction of new faculty member Nan Hall will be demonstrating various drama techniques.

Many organizations and clubs will be represented. The day's activities are being coordinated by the Public Relations office and the ACC Student Senate.

The month's third activity which will be held on Feb. 16, is a social evening planned for college staff which involves attendance of Alpena Civic Theater's production of "Vanities", directed by staff person Donna Gilmet.

Wednesday, Feb. 21 has been proclaimed as Logo Day. All people involved with ACC are asked to "display a logo", (a past or present one) on a tee shirt, pencil, folder, etc. Przykucki says "Carry it, wave it, or wear it on your head, but do display it on campus and off to show your enthusiasm to be a member of the college community".

LEARNING DOESN'T IMPROVE WITH DISTANCE.

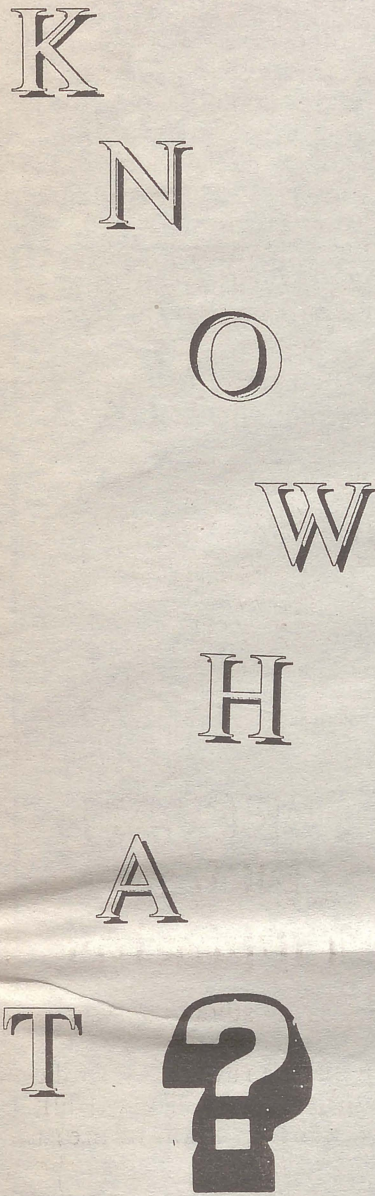
Some people think that you've got to go away to college to get a quality education. Yet nothing could be further from the truth. Because thanks to America's Community, Technical and Junior Colleges, you can get a great education right in your own backyard. Without the expense of living away from home. And without giving up your full- or part- time job. What's more, tuitions average about half the cost of public four-year colleges and universities. No wonder an amazing 55% of all first time freshmen choose Community Colleges. So remember, learning doesn't improve with distance. In many ways, it gets better the closer you are to home. At America's Community Colleges.

COMMUNITY COLLEGES

Where America Goes to College

February is National Community College Month.





Community colleges enroll larger proportions of older students than higher education as a whole. At ACC, the average age of our students is 29, nationwide it is 28.

Well-known community college alumni include actress Pam Dawber (Oakland Community College), former astronaut James McDivitt (Jackson Community College), singer John Cougar Mellencamp (Vicennes Community College in Indiana), professional football coach Bill Walsh (College of San Mateo in California), and CC), and athlete turned broadcaster O.J. Simpson (City College of San Francisco).

Community college revenues are derived mainly from local or state governments, with great variations by state. State support ranged from 81% in Nevada to 25% in Kansas. At ACC, state funding provides about 46% of the budget.

Local revenues to support community college operation account for 59% of the total funds in Kansas and for less than 1% in Kentucky. Local support in other states

falls in between those two points, with Michigan's average at 21%. At ACC, only about 16% of revenue is generated by local taxes.

Why do students enroll in community college? A national survey revealed the following statistics: 36% are preparing for transfer to a four-year institution; 34% are acquiring skills needed for a new occupation; 16% are acquiring skills needed for a current occupation; 15% are fulfilling a personal interest; 4% are improving basic English, reading, or math skills. (Some gave two or more reasons--percentages do not equal 100).

Of all first year college freshmen nationwide, 55% enroll in community colleges.

Community, technical, and junior colleges, as defined by the American Association of Community and Junior Colleges, are regionally accredited post secondary institutions at which the associate degree is the highest credential awarded. The number of such institutions has grown from 553 in 1937 to more than 1,200 today.

ACC in Brief

A Quiet Place to Write

"The Writing Place," ACC's new writing lab for students, is now open! If you need help with your English papers or need a quiet place to write, drop in anytime between 1pm-3pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The writing lab is located in VLH 105 and staffed by Terry Hall and Keiker Doyle.

Request Forms Out for Spring Graduates

If you are completing degree requirements this semester, be sure to submit a graduation request form to Campus Services, VLH 107. Forms are available in VLH 107; deadline is Feb. 16. The fee is \$4.

Besser Male Chorus Seeks New Members

Any male student or staff member interested in singing in a male chorus, please contact Dr. Moreau at Ext. 311 concerning membership in the Besser Male Chorus.

Representatives to Attend Leadership Conference

Twelve Student Senate and Lumberjack representatives will attend a leadership conference at Mott Community College on Feb. 16-17. The conference will emphasize political structures and leadership skills.

ACC Adopts Quality Assurance Guarantee

ACC now offers a one-year "warranty" period following graduation with a "C" or better average. During this time, a student who is found deficient in one area of coursework by a transferring institution or employer will be allowed to retake the course at no charge.

VLH to Have New Look

ACC's Board of Trustees has authorized design and bidding on a \$400,000 project to include interior remodeling, replacement of exterior windows, and installation of a new boiler in VLH. The three-part project is one of the major enhancements provided by the funds from May's successful millage.

(Besser grant, cont. from pg. 1)

We need to be a comprehensive community college equipped to serve our adult, community-based and commuting clientele," Bauer pointed out.

The new construction would be between BTC and NRC.

Renovated space would be in those two buildings and also in the Health Science Center. Estimated cost includes site work, construction, renovation, and equipping facilities involved.

Newport stressed that no millage funds would be used to finance a new building. "Operational millage is just that- it provides funds for instructional and support services, which includes building maintenance," he said. "But we have been sadly lacking in capital resources to meet the demand for improved instructional, library, and student life

space, barrier-free access, and facilities for community services. A combination of state and local matching funding may now allow us to address these and other well-defined needs," Newport suggested.

The tentative development schedule calls for identifying the remaining 25 percent in local funding by late spring, finalizing schematic design by early summer and working aggressively to secure state approval of funding by early fall.

If all goes as proposed, the new and renovated facilities would be occupied midway through 1992, just in time for ACC's 40th anniversary as Northeast Michigan's only institution of higher learning.

The \$4.9 million "student/community/business/learning resources center" project at ACC involves a total of 46,000 square feet of

space including 41,000 square feet in new construction and 5,000 square feet in renovated area.

New facilities would house:

- the ACC Library
- four customized training classrooms and labs
- a 400-seat demonstration and performance theater
- student life and support activities
- a food service and hospitality training center
- nursing classroom and lab
- an expanded industrial training center
- lifelong learning support services
- exhibit and display area
- common mechanical, circulation and lavatory areas

Renovated space would house:

- food service and hospitality training activity
- three classrooms and six offices

- physical plant services
- common circulation, mechanical and lavatory areas

Completion of the project would benefit ACC and the community at large in a number of ways, including the following:

- College
- Compliance with North Central Association accrediting requirements for library services, expanding library/media/research capabilities by 100 percent and relocating those services to a highly visible, accessible and secured location
- provide barrier-free access to high demand space
- initiate a hospitality management training program
- unify the campus and provide weather protected access to 85 percent of all instructional activities
- add needed general classroom areas

- provide quality "student life" space for commuter students

-separate maintenance and delivery services from general campus activities

Community

- provide dedicated, quality space for meetings, workshops, seminars in flexibly-designed space for small to large groups

-increase capability for customized training services for business and industry

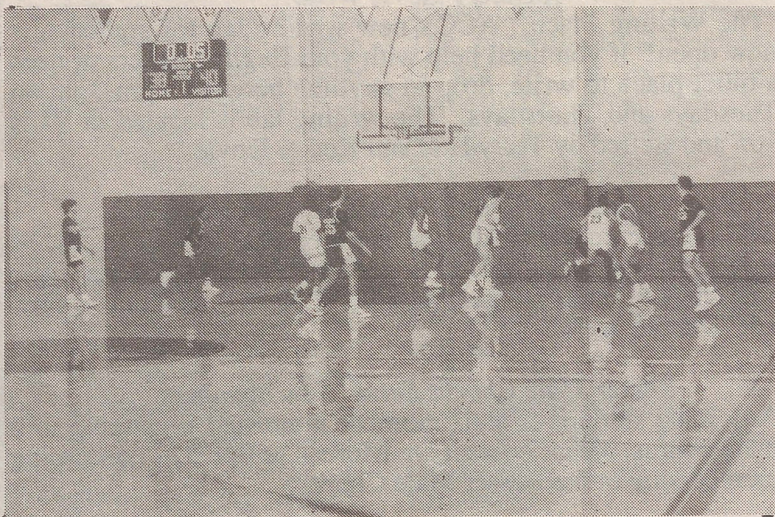
-offer expanded graduate as well as undergraduate programming

-affirm an attractive college presence

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ACC LUMBERJACK'S IN ACTION AGAINST ST. CLAIR SHORES



BOYER JOINS TEAM

The Lumberjack team lost a player due to academic ineligibility and has added another to keep the squad at its current strength of 11. Joining the team mid-year is Steve Boyer, a law enforcement major, who will be playing the shooting forward or number two guard position.

Boyer played for Alpena High School, graduating in 1988, and has played for recreational purposes for the past two years. He did not play for ACC prior to this time because of work and academic schedules. Recruited by Coach Frank McCourt at mid-year,

Boyer felt the improvement of his skills over the past two years was significant enough to allow him to contribute to the Lumberjack squad. With family support, Boyer made the commitment to play.

Joining an established team in the middle of the year may not be as hard as it first appears, according to Boyer. He already knew most of the basketball players and so the major problem is one of learning all the established

plays--not an easy task--but many plays are similar to ones already learned by Boyer. He also finds the relaxed atmosphere and supportive coaching in the college atmosphere to be a plus in becoming a member of the team.

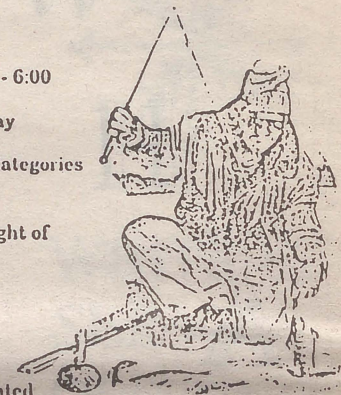
In addition to the exercise, Boyer hopes his play for the rest of the season will result in a scholarship for next year and perhaps a scholarship when he transfers.

Alpena Winter Carnival **ICE FISHING CONTEST**

Hosted by Alpena B.A.S.S. Club
Saturday Only - February 10th

ALL AREA LAKES WITH WEIGH STATION AT
LONG LAKE COUNTY PARK PAVILLION

- ☆ Everyone Welcome
- ☆ Weigh-In Time on Saturday 7:00 - 6:00
- ☆ Contest ends at 6:00 p.m. Saturday
- ☆ Prizes for 1st 3 Places in 4 Fish Categories (Pike, Walleye, Perch & Other)
- ☆ Winners to be determined by weight of single fish
- ☆ Door Prizes To Be Given Out
- ☆ Free Coffee & Hot Chocolate
- ☆ Pavillion will be enclosed and heated
- ☆ No Entry Fee, but would like to see all participants wearing a carnival button



For Further Information Call...
Joe Cruz 471-2840 evenings
Charlie Plourd 354-0201 days
Dick Haven 356-2397

Coach's Corner

"It's very seldom a person has the opportunity to change careers. I feel excited and challenged to have had that opportunity at ACC," stated Terry Harbison, Director of Talent Search and first year women's basketball coach.

Harbison, who is married, and the father of two daughters, comes to ACC from Northeast Michigan Mental Health, where he worked for the past 15 years in the development of services for the Developmentally Disabled.

At ACC, he is "wearing two hats"; he finds both positions challenging and interesting.

Talent Search is a federally-funded program to encourage high school students to pursue post-secondary education at ACC and includes a supplementary grant to assist 7th and 8th graders in choosing a career. Harbison works with 12 area high schools on the primary grant

and this year is involved with three junior high schools in Alpena, Rogers City, and Posen on the supplemental grant. Harbison feels that the most difficult part of the job is to arrange testing sessions, field trips, and on-site visits which require coordination of the high school and junior high, ACC, and university schedules.

Assuming the basketball coaching position late in the year brought special challenges to the new coach. Beginning with only eight players and losing one due to medical reasons, created a problem. In addition, the coach and players were not familiar with each other and for the freshmen players, adjustment to a new academic environment made things even more complicated.

But, challenge seems to be Harbison's favorite word. He feels that, given the circumstances, he and the team have overcome most of the obstacles. Teams with

a "longer bench" still try to "press" or "run" the Alpena team, which means the ACC team "must play more intelligently and stay out of foul trouble," according to Harbison. The team and coach now know each other, which involves adjustment of the players to Harbison's style of play. All of the women on the team succeeded academically this semester with three of the players earning a 3.0 or better.

Harbison is a person who sets goals. He began the season with the goal of keeping the team in tact and avoiding forfeiting any games. This goal reached, his new goal is to make the state playoffs which involves the top six teams in the state, and/or to have a 500 record. Presently, the ACC squad has a 3-7 record in the conference and a 4-10 record overall. There is still a chance to make the playoffs if they beat Henry Ford

Community college, and win one other conference game.

Harbison's overall goals, however, are to continue to strive for teamwork and academic success for his students. He feels this has been achieved.

Harbison shared his personal philosophy by comparing it to the Earl Nightingale school of thought. First, you have to have a purpose. Then the key to success is to formulate positive habits. Sometimes this means you do what failures don't want to do. "This includes everything from playing defense in basketball to studying for midterms," said Harbison.

Looking toward next season, Harbison feels he needs to recruit a team of at least 10 players, but hopes to have at least 12 or 13 individuals who are committed to the program. Returning players will be Joyel Hyvarinen (present leading scorer), Stephanie

Tuori, Gwen Thompson, and Lisa Jones. To this group, Harbison would like to add players who have height for rebounding and ball-handling ability for the guard positions. Harbison is looking for players with intellectual abilities, desire and motivation.

When asked about his "free-time hobbies," he stated it was basketball in the winter and golf during the off-season.

Where would he like to be five years from now? Harbison said, "Here at ACC, coaching women's basketball and working with Talent Search in some capacity. I'm doing what I like; lots of people can't say that."

