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LSSU Closes Door on ACC

Limited Resources, Low Enrollment Force LSSU to Phase Out Programs

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On January 2, 2003, ACC was notified that LSSU would be phasing out the current programs it offers at ACC. According to a letter from LSSU's Vice President of Academic Affairs, the decision was made by LSSU due to low enrollment and limited resources.

The letter stated that their programs would phase out over a two-year period.

LSSU also stated that they would try to work closely with students that are already in LSSU programs. This will ensure that students will have an opportunity to complete the program that they are in. As of January 31, the LSSU

office in the University Center, on ACC's campus, has been vacated.

"You hate to lose a good partner that you've worked with for a lot of years. Lake State has done a good job for our students. I'm sad to lose a good partner," said Charles Wiesen, Associate Dean.

However, Wiesen believes the move is in LSSU's best interest because of the low enrollment numbers.

ACC is not the only college LSSU is phasing out of. They have also phased out of Northwestern Community College in Traverse City.

Wiesen did say that LSSU would be keeping centers in Petoskey and Escanaba. This will be an advantage to students that have missed a

class along the way. They may be able to take the class in Petoskey instead of having to drive to Sault Saint Marie.

If this is the case, students are asked to contact the Petoskey center as well as the main campus in Sault Saint Marie for more information.

Students are also asked to contact Susan Camp at the main campus of LSSU at (989) 635-2554. This is if they are currently enrolled in one of its degree programs and need to find out about the courses offered from now to the spring of 2005.

In the shadow of LSSU's move, ACC is looking at another major state university to replace the

LSSU degree programs. This university, which will be mentioned at a later date, will offer a variety of Master and Bachelor degree programs, much like LSSU did.

According to Wiesen, the types of degrees offered at ACC all depend on the demand for them. If there is a high demand for certain degree program, it is likely they will be offered.

The major university that is chosen to work with ACC will depend on the types of degrees demanded.

If anyone has an interest in a certain degree program that is not currently being offered at ACC, they are asked to contact Charles Wiesen at (989) 358-7235.



Photo by JoBeth Johnson

Dr. Newport and Nan Hall compete in a hula-hoop contest inbetween the men's and women's homecoming basketball games on February 1. There was a faculty, children, and student contest. Please see related homecoming story on page 5.

World Peace Scholarship Recipient Brings War, Peace Discussion to ACC Forum



Photo by Jessica Thiem
Rebecca Milligan listens after sparking war discussion.

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ACC's Student Senate offered a presentation and discussion entitled, "Is War Ever Justified?" on February 19, 2003.

Rebecca Milligan spoke on just and unjust reasons for war. A discussion on the current possible war at hand followed.

Milligan is a member of Rotary International and a World Peace Scholarship

recipient. She began the presentation with St. Augustine's conditions for a just war.

These reasons are as follows: when a nation's rights are violated, and when a minority is in harm.

She added a third reason, which was the freeing of a nation from domination and replacing it with democracy.

Milligan gave many examples of past wars and the justifications of each. This then led into the discussion of

whether or not the presumable upcoming war would be just or unjust.

Approximately 30 people attended the discussion and expressed their views on America's involvement with Iraq. Some believed America's reasons for invading Iraq are still a bit hazy.

A few people also believed that North Korea should be considered a bigger threat than Iraq. Questions were also raised about why President Bush has not seemed to consider North Korea.

A lot of questions were then raised about President Bush's intentions for Iraq.

The major question that floated about at this discussion, and still floats about across America, is whether or not the possible upcoming war will be just.

Milligan and the participants posed several legitimate questions. The answers to these questions may come soon.

Discover New Pathway at ACC

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Educational Talent Search is coordinating a series of workshops that help students gain direction in the workforce.

Career Pathway Nights (CPN) feature several sessions where different employment fields are described. CPN provides an opportunity to find out how you fit into the work force by learning from experts, said Bob Newton, Director of Educational Talent Search.

These sessions are open to ACC students, community members, seventh through twelfth grade students, and parents. CPN makes available the chance to reaffirm an occupational choice or explore new areas.

Alpena Community College, Educational Talent Search, and the Alpena Montmorency Alcona Educational Service District sponsor this program.

ACC has sent out one thousand invitations to juniors and seniors of local high schools. In addition to high school students, Max Lindsay, Dean of Student Services, relates that ACC's faculty encourages college students to attend the sessions.

Due to substantial growth in the number of people attending the sessions, the career's area has been broadened this year to include more diverse occupational fields.

The Natural Resources and Agri-Science pathway has been added this year, and the Human Services and Engineering, Manufacturing, and Industrial Technology workshops have been expanded to include more speakers.

Alpena General Hospital (AGH) provides many of the speakers for the Health Science sessions. Besides providing speakers, AGH offers scholarships to students in the health-

related programs. Contact Diane Shields at 356-7591, ext. 7547, at Alpena General Hospital for more scholarship information.

The presenters are volunteers. Many ACC instructors also donate their time. On March 13th, Rick Engstrom will be presenting the automotive service technician workshop; Roy Smith will be speaking about the career of utility technicians.

On March 20th, professionals such as Dr. Tim Boyd, a veterinarian, will be speaking about his field of veterinary science.

Jerry McLean, with the Department of U.S. Fisheries, presents the workshop on fisheries management. Dr. Lewis Brown, Professor of Geology and Paleontology at LSSU, will be speaking on geology careers. These experts will discuss the different aspects of their specific fields.

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