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All of the news that affects the students at Alpena Community College

STUDENT SENATE INVOLVEMENT

Student Senate: Unsung Heroes

By De Maramed
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Most students only know of their Student Senate from flyers on the wall, and most dismiss them. But the Senate is involved in everything from ice cream socials to coordinating the Scramble For Scholarships. As Senate President Jessica Slominski said, "We're involved in anything to do with any activities on campus."

Their purpose, according to the Student Senate Constitution, is to "provide a line of communication between the Institution, student clubs and organizations, and the student body. It shall also faithfully represent the views and concerns of the college, student clubs and organizations, the student body, the community, the state, and the nation; here, home, and abroad."

Every two weeks, the Senate meets with the administration, are present at

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The Student Senate, in a familiar role: encouraging students at Alpena Community College to get involved. Here, representatives Lan Truong (l) and ?? show student De Maramed how to register to vote in the upcoming presidential election. The Student Senate can be seen helping out around campus almost every day. (Photo by Chris Gillmore).

Senate returns from Europe

By Glenn Lenard
Showcase Editor

Over the summer, nine Alpena Community College students along with two Faculty representatives traveled to Europe, where they met with two other groups from the United States. One of the groups was from Florida, while the other consisted of a mix of students from North and South Carolina. The students and staff were gone for thirteen days making stops in Germany, Italy, Austria, Switzerland, and France.

Attending on the trip from Alpena were Kacey Anderson, Jessica Angel, Rachel Brege, Monica Bushey, Tim Kuehnlein, Tim Merrick, Katie Schalk, Jessica Slominski, Joe Sparling, Andrew Thomson and Sara Townsend.

While in Verona, the group stopped and witnessed what is said to be the Balcony of Juliet, where Juliet sat and cried to the famous Romeo, O Romeo. When making a stop in Paris they saw the Arc de Triomphe along with

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Scramble for Scholarships benefits ACC students

By Glenn Lenard
Showcase Editor

Scramble for Scholarships is taking on a new name. For the past nine years, it has been referred to as just the Scramble for Scholarships; now will be called the Robert M. Granum Memorial Scramble for Scholarships, in honor of Mr. Granum, who passed away last year. Scramble for Scholarships gives out money to help non-traditional students come to college here at ACC.

Robert M. Granum was a former ACC Foundation trustee and an avid golfer. In addition to naming the Scramble after him, a Scholarship was created for non-traditional students to honor him for his commitment to ACC and the community.

Dorothy and George LaFleche will serve as Honorary Chairs for the



The scramble for scholarships. (Photo courtesy Jay Walterreit)

scramble for scholarships this year.

Golfers have been participating in the Scramble for the past nine years. Most of the funds go to pay for non-traditional student scholarships. The rest of the funds stay in the college to help update classrooms.

A shotgun start marked the beginning of the event on Saturday, September 18 at

9:00 am. Participants filled the 28 spots by the first of September. The event was held at the Alpena Golf Club.

Many local organizations made generous donations. The confirmed hole sponsors raised \$8,000; the cart sponsors raised \$1,400 and the teams raised \$8,400, bringing the total to over \$19,000.

Election Day drawing near

By Erinn Kane and
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With the close of the Democratic and Republican National Conventions, Election Day, November 2nd, is coming up fast. The next milestone in the election process is the presidential debates, where the candidates will interact on national television and take their stand on issues.

The United States Census Bureau statistics for the 2000 Presidential Election shows that only 32.3 percent of eligible voters ages eighteen to twenty-four voted. With this insignificant percentage of young voters, it is not surprising that the views and issues that interest younger voters are not being taken into account. Not for a decade have politicians made a serious effort to address young people as voters. Politicians will continue to target their campaigns towards the groups of people whom, percentage wise, vote the most. In order for opinions

to be addressed, people of all ages must get politically active and vote.

Based on the thoughts expressed by students across the nation taken in different polls, topics that have been picked maintain more interest within society, including: same-sex marriage, our nation's defense, health care, miscellaneous social issues and issues on education such as tuition prices/cost of books, scholarships and money. (Note: What follows are brief summaries of each candidate's viewpoints on certain issues, based on their statements and records. Most candidates have offered more comprehensive explanations of their positions on these and other issues, and they can all be found on their campaign sites online.)

The ongoing debate of same-sex marriage has created a lot of conflict

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