

The Lumberjack

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

ACC students to host first annual film festival

By Kara McDonald
Photo Editor

Who says that nothing interesting ever happens in Alpena? On April 22 and 23 Alpena Community College will be holding its first annual film festival. It will be open to anyone who would like to submit a film of any genre; the sky is the limit! Like it says on the flyer, "If you ever felt the urge to create or be part of the film-making process, get out there, make a movie, and submit it to us!"

The idea of a local film festival started back when the creators were still in high school. Their vision was to allow the people of northern Michigan to express their art and ideas in the form of motion picture. The search for a place that would agree to hold the festival went on for almost a year. The high school refused, the movie theaters said no, but, finally, there was a light in the dark. After various screenings of their own movies, ACC decided to make the dream a reality.

The masterminds behind the festival are first year ACC students Brian Guerriero and Joe Rybarczyk. They have both been interested and working on their own films for years and hope to spread the love to many others.

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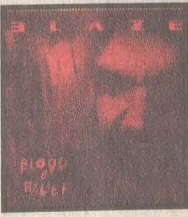
Here come the ... dorks?

Trustees during the week, "dorks" by the weekend. Check out page 5.



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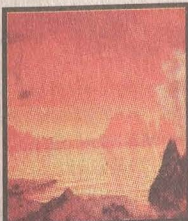


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We've landed on a moon! Really! Look at page 8.



School faces decisions

An anticipated \$743,000 will need to be cut for 2006

By De Maramed and Dominick Miller
Managing Editors

Despite ending the 2003-2004 year \$71,000 over budget, ACC finds itself facing an anticipated \$743,000 shortfall in the 2006 fiscal year, which requires the consideration of several drastic cuts to staff and programs around the college.

The administration is taking the beginning steps in a process to consider their options. The first step is in the Strategic Planning and Board Committee (SPBC), which has the primary responsibility of considering and analyzing the college's options.

From the SPBC, the Executive Council will receive recommendations no later than April of this year. From there, ACC President Dr. Olin Joynton will have the final say concerning a budget resolution that will ultimately go to the Board of Trustees in May. The final approval for the 2006 fiscal year budget by the Board of Trustees is scheduled for their June

Scenes like this may be gone in 2005-06. Fact file photo.

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meeting.

"This is undoubtedly a tough time for the college," Dr. Joynton said in an email sent to faculty and staff on Monday, January 24. "Tough times can bring out the best in people."

While many ACC employees declined to comment, Dr. Teri Eide had this to say, "If cuts have to be

made, it shouldn't directly impact the students. It seems to me when those [budget cuts] come down, the ones it hurts the most are the students. The student is my employer. A lot of people seem to forget that."

Some of the larger possible cuts include the college wide wage freeze, which would save approximately

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Manufacturing technology is another program that could be cut.

\$275,000; cutting Program, saving up to \$275,000; and eliminating the Manufacturing Technology Program, saving up to \$75,000. A complete list of programs and positions that might be cut appears on page 2.

The demise of Facets

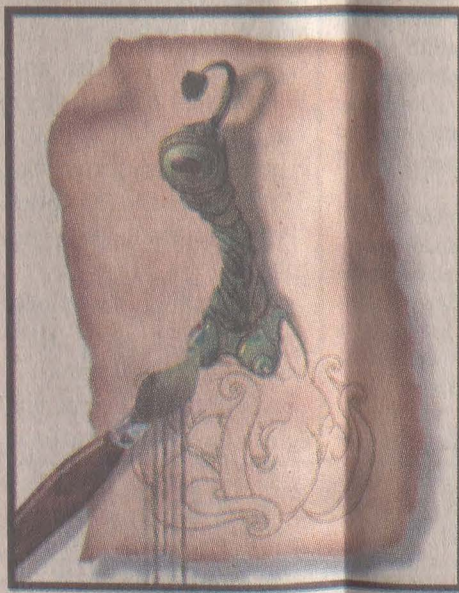
The award winning *Facets* meets demise due to lack of funding

By De Maramed
Managing/News Editor

Despite four years of publications and numerous national awards, *Facets*, ACC's arts and literature journal has been shelved, due to budget problems.

For the past three years, Denise Hill and Laurie Wade, the advisors for *Facets*, had been scrounging up the money where they could in order to get *Facets* published. Hill had been writing grants on the side, and the student activity fee had even been tapped.

Last spring semester, however, it appeared that relief had finally come. ACC had specifically set aside money in the budget for *Facets*, as well as President



The 2004 *Facets*, with "To Paint an Alien" by Rachel Morey on the front cover.

Olin Joynton deciding to pay a full advisors' stipend to both Hill and Wade for putting in their time. The student editors received tuition waivers as well.

In June of last year they

submitted a proposal for the work, outlining what the activities were, how students benefited, how many students benefited, and how much time would be spent on *Facets*.

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On the brink

Talent Search and Upward Bound face uncertain futures

By Dominick Miller
Managing/Sports Editor

A program that brought over 100 students to Alpena Community College last year alone is in jeopardy of losing its funding. Talent Search, along with Upward Bound, two college-access programs, are in danger of being eliminated in President Bush's latest finance plan for his signature No Child Left Behind plan.

Talent Search and Upward Bound are pre-college programs that get children from sixth-grade through high

school prepared for the college experience. Activities range from college visits, tutoring, field trips and summer internship programs. Together, the programs, which run throughout the United States, cost over \$460 million annually and serve a total of about 455,000 students and veterans.

"It was a total shock," said Bob Newton, the director of Talent Search here at ACC, upon hearing about the possible elimination of the program. "I know we do well. 86% of our kids go to college. 99.6% graduate from high school. Obviously we're doing something right."

Students must apply to be included in Talent Search and Upward Bound. Talent

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