

## EDITORIALS

### UPDATE Accepts Volunteers

We would like to welcome all new and returning ACC students for the second semester.

Last-semester students should be aware of the additions and changes in the school paper. The ACC school paper is no longer called the POLEMIC because the CAMPUS UPDATE took over the logo. Therefore the POLEMIC is a thing of the past. For the sake of those who are just now reading their first issue of the UPDATE, we would like to inform them of the opportunities it holds for them.

The latest feature in the UPDATE is the classified ad section. This section is available for use by all ACC students and instructors, as well as, the administration. It is free of charge. The procedure for submitting a classified ad is simple. Write it on a piece of paper and deposit in a CLASSIFIEDS box in VLH or BTC.

UPDATE also has a "Letter to the Editor" column. This column has not exactly been used to its full potential, therefore, the market for letters is wide open. If you have a complaint or praise, express it to the campus thru the UPDATE. All letters to the editor must be signed, however, if requested, the name will not be published.

We accept volunteer reporters and artists too. You can write or draw for your school paper even if you aren't enrolled in a journalism course.

### Not for women only

By Mary Kelley

Fathers are Important Too... Aerobic Fitness...Home was Alpena ...Aging is Not For Sissies...Picture it—Frame it...Creative Problem Solving... these and 10 other class offerings are scheduled to be presented to the community during "Campus Day" on Wednesday, February 7.

Scheduled to begin the day at 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. at the Alpena Civic Center for the keynote address is Dr. Collette Moser from Michigan State University.

The first session from 10:45-11:45, is to be held at the Alpena Civic Center, also.

Dr. Dorothy Brooks is scheduled to speak on "The Future of the American Family" during lunch at 12 noon.

Afternoon and evening sessions will be transferred to ACC.

Fees for the event are \$3.50 for the noon luncheon and \$2.00 for registration fee. However, ACC

# "TAKE MY ORDER, PLEASE"

by Elizabeth Littler

"Number seven and coffee — say, aren't you in my psych class?"

Chances are the waitress taking the order, the person bussing the dishes or the cook putting number seven together could be students from Alpena Community College. They find that restaurant work fills the bill for a part-time job.

Four students employed at area restaurants, Big Boy, Flap Jack Shack and Sambo's, comment on some positive aspects of this type of work.

..."I enjoy meeting people" and "I can choose the hours I want" — hostess.

..."I can earn \$3.50 to \$4. an hour with tips" — waitress.

..."I will know how to cook when I get married" — cook.

..."I can pay for my car insurance and gas and my schooling" — waitress.

In addition to flexible hours and good pay, job openings occur frequently. "It's the nature of restaurant work," says Tom Gregg, manager

of the Flap Jack Shack that employs six ACC students. Gregg, who grew up in a restaurant family, expects a complete changeover in staff after two years.

Brian Ludlow, assistant manager for Big Boy's, is happy about hiring students. He finds them "willing to learn" and "pretty good workers".

Some restaurants train their staff prior to actual work; others want the staff to learn on the job. It often depends on the position. One student received two weeks of training for the position of cook. She now meets every two weeks with the other cooks to discuss procedures and techniques.

Restaurant work isn't always "sunny-side up". Customers have a way of arriving all at once and the student worker gets tense and can "mess up". It's just as bad when customers don't come. During the winter, business falls off and managers must layoff staff and cut hours.

Some students feel that "the pay is not all that terrific". Position, seniority and how well the restaurant worker is able to please the customer are factors affecting pay.

"Providing efficient service in a clean, friendly atmosphere," is the aim of Sambo's manager, Frank Scarpelli. He asks everyone on his staff, not just the waitresses, to be "cheerful and pleasant". Scarpelli tells them: "Forget your problems—concentrate on the customer."

A waitress receives a low wage but claims a certain amount in tips to bring the salary up to the minimum hourly wage of \$2.90. The waitress keeps any additional tip money often doubling this amount. Busspersons are paid \$2.90. Cooks, hostesses and assistant managers start at the minimum with increases. All employees get benefits.

Last fall, 350 students from area schools filled out applications for 75 positions at a local restaurant, according to Jackie Paul, employed by the Michigan Employment Security Commission in Alpena. Paul added that at least one new restaurant, in the Holiday Inn, is opening this spring.

Flexible hours, availability, contact with people, experience and a fair salary — that's what the student worker can expect from restaurant work.

ate class hours is not an acceptable practice unless the events are described in the course outline.

Instructors are to contact Heimnick if they want to make "special arrangements" and change class times.

## DORM NEWS

### RHA PLANS SLEIGH RIDE

By Cathy Mason

The Resident Hall Association held its weekly Monday meeting at 6:00 on January 22.

At the meeting, Kathie Bielusiak resigned as activities director. Renee Belanger and Cheryl Zinke will be replacing her as co-activities directors.

Future planned dorm activities were also discussed. These include a pool tournament on February 1 at 7:00 p.m. which will be held at the dorm and is open to all Alpena Community College students; a sleigh ride on February 5 for dorm students only; tobogganing on February 7 at Manning Hill which is open to all students; and a flower sale of roses on February 14 at the lounges in Van Lare Hall and Besser Tech.

Construction of an ice skating rink in back of the dorm is in the works. It is hoped that it will be finished by February.

## HEIMNICK SETS GUIDELINES

Because of scheduling difficulties with students, guidelines for extra-class meetings were set in writing for the faculty by Dean John Heimnick, last December.

Occasionally instructors requested permission from Heimnick to have certain classes attend plays, concerts, speeches, meetings, etc. as part of the required work for class credit.

Permission has been routinely given for this practice with the understanding that it was a valid method of making classes more interesting and used available community resources.

The following guidelines will be used in the future for such activities in courses.

Any arrangement altering scheduled meeting times of classes must have approval of the appropriate dean. Field trips or similar activities which are part of the work must be described in the course outline before they can be equated to class contact hours. The instructor will be present in those cases.

Student attendance at plays, speeches, concerts, debates, meetings, council meetings, courtrooms, etc. enriches the regularly scheduled classes and should not take the place of the classes themselves. More specifically, directing students to attend events and cancelling proportion-

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students are exempt from paying the registration fee. The registration deadline is Friday, February 2. For more information, contact the Student Services Office in VLH, or, Jennie McLaren at Community Services Office at East Campus or call ACC, ext. 273, or, Carol Garlitz, Cooperative Extension Services, 354-3636.

"Campus Day," sponsored by Alpena Community College and the Alpena County Cooperative Extension Service was called "Campus Day for Women" last year and proved to be a successful event among its sponsors as well as its students. This year's program is not for women only.



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