



## Woman's Rights in Iran Takes Step Backwards

By Jerriane R. Hayslett

Women's rights have ridden the crest of the wave around the world in recent years. The nation of Iran was swept up in the onrushing tide.

In a society where, just a few short years ago, women hid behind the draping cloak of black chadores, were seldom seen in public and were considered by their men to have more hair than brains, these women began, not only to attend school, but to teach, hold responsible positions in business and government, own property and serve in the armed forces.

However, even though Iran became a rapidly advancing power, freedom for its women was not completely won. An example is the law that a married woman could not hold her own passport, but must travel on her husband's

passport and then only with his written permission.

A case that highlights the dire consequences of such a policy concerns a young American woman who fell in love with and married an Iranian student attending the same university as she. After graduation the newlyweds settled in the groom's native country where his bride eventually took a teaching position at an international school for Americans.

The couple lived in bliss and eventually made plans to have a child. When the woman was five months pregnant, her husband's Iranian wife whom, unbeknownst to his American wife, he had married before going to the United States, demanded that he come back to live with her. He did. He also refused to give permission for his American wife to leave Iran and

refused to support her financially. The Iranian government had no provisions to force him to do so.

At this point, escalating turmoil in Iran reached a point that forced the indefinite closure of all international schools, leaving the American woman without a job. The Iranian government, itself crumbling in a revolution, could not help, and the U.S. Embassy also in a precarious and uncertain situation found its hands tied.

With the new Iranian government less sympathetic to Americans and their plight than the previous regime, the future of this young lady and her unborn child are very bleak indeed.

As she is pulled under in the rising tide of male-dominated Islamic tradition on the upswing in that country, there sinks with her Iran's newly-found women's freedom.

## Popular speaker to lead poetry, problem solving workshops

By Elizabeth Littler

Bill Todd, instructor and keynote speaker for the recent Campus Day, will be returning to Alpena under the sponsorship of the Cooperative Extension Service to conduct two workshops on poetry and creative problem solving.

Todd is a published author and interpersonal communications specialist who is currently self-employed with B&T Associates of Ann Arbor.

The Writing and Appreciation of Poetry Workshop, which will explore the various components of poetry writing and aspects of publishing and copywriting, will be held April 2, 3 and 4, from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Learning and practicing new techniques which lead to developing processes for solving problems is the object of the Creative Problem Solving workshop offered April 5 and 6, from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., and on April 7, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

Each course is limited to 25 members and the cost for each three-day session is \$20. If interested, contact the Cooperative Extension Office for registration information at 719 Chisholm or 354-3636 by March 30.

## Moving experience for East Campus

By Mary Kelley

President Donnelly announced yesterday that Alpena Community College will, as a movement toward conserving energy, relocate the East Campus building to the main campus, Sunday, April 1.

It was suggested by the Student Senate that the college utilize its immediate resources for the project. Keith Titus, speech instructor, says that his discussion class was asked to hold an enlightening session Wednesday, March 28, for the college community.

During the session they will discuss the best possible location and the hazards of transporting the building.

Possibilities for transporting the 80-year old building are: commissioning Joe Faber's psychology students to run a survey on the number of telepathic students who would be willing to expend energies for the project, (2) begging Wally Strom's chemistry classes to invent a shrinking potion to reduce the building to a handy size that could fit between the edge of Johnson Street and the centerline, (3) or trapping the hot air generated by the faculty concerning the jukebox in Van Lare Hall to inflate 3,000 gaily colored balloons to float the building to its new location. It was suggested by Gerry Hardesty's welding students that all three possible solutions be combined to make the task as easy as possible.

When the building is moved, the event is guaranteed to be a festive one. The dorm residents, who celebrate every weekend, indicated to President Donnelly that they are planning a parade to lead the building to its new destination. Final plans are expected to be made Sunday, March 31, at 6:30 p.m. in the piano room of Wilson Dormitory.

During a recent interview by Campus Update with the north wall of the East Campus building, the building disclosed that it was unhappy with the proposed transition. It revealed that VLH and it have a personality conflict and refused to elaborate further, saying that since the birth of the project, a nervous condition has greatly affected its heating system.

## Students don't dance for MD

By Mary Kelley

The Muscular Dystrophy fund raising event the Student Senate sponsored Friday, March 16, did not prove to be as successful as anticipated.

Student Senate President Paul Meyers and Student Activities Director Henry Valli feel that the poor turnout by the community was due to the numerous activities taking place during the same time slot.

One hint that numerous activities in the community affected the 50-person attendance is the fact that there were more students from Oscoda than there were from Alpena.

Whether or not the event churned interest among the students, there

was about 50 hours of planning and working put in by the Student Senate members—Paul Meyers, Tom Kane and Bill Faitel, as well as miscellaneous hours put in by many other students.

Meyers commented, "We thank the people that worked for the dance—the athletes for participating, the Made Rite and Coco Cola companies for helping with the refreshments and Darrel Kelley from WHSB who supplied the music."

## U.S. sets dietary goals — *The Thinning of Americans*

By Elizabeth Littler

"Exciting, complex and frustrating," that's how Dr. Kathryn Kolasa, MSU Department of Food Science and Human Nutrition and Community Medicine viewed the field of nutrition in her keynote address opening the "Nutrition through Life" workshop held March 10 at the Alpena High School.

People's dietary awareness has improved, said Kolasa, but the jump in fast-food consumption and soaring food prices have complicated the picture for nutritionists. Besides

changes in societal eating patterns, conflicting scientific information, such as the cholesterol question, and defensive food industries that feel discriminated against, provide plenty of challenge to the experts deciding the dietary goals and guidelines for the United States.

Kolasa told an audience of 125 from northeastern Michigan that, although everyone has the right to an adequate diet, each person is responsible for his own food choices. To help individuals make sound food choices, the U.S. Senate Select Com-

mittee on Nutrition and Human Needs Issued the 1977 **Dietary Goals of the United States**.

According to Kolasa, the basic goal for the next five years is for persons in the U.S. to approach their recommended weight by decreasing the current fat consumption by 28.6% and increasing the carbohydrate intake by 26%. Protein intake is considered adequate.

The total American diet is fattening, Kolasa said; that is, caloric intake exceeds energy expended. Car-

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