



Financial Aid Cuts and ACC --What can students expect?

by Lori Lightner

ACC students can have a strong influence in defeating the federal government's proposed budget cuts to financial aid by writing to their congressman.

"Congressmen hear from me all the time," said Assistant Dean of Students Max Lindsay. "They would be more interested in letters from students."

One of the proposed cuts which could have an effect on many ACC students planning to further their education is the tightening of the Guaranteed Student Loan Program.

It appears that GSL will become a need-based program. Students Aid Form and meet the qualifications in order to receive aid from this source.

Proposals also include a plan to increase the loan origination fee from five to ten per cent. This means that a student borrowing \$2,500 would actually receive only \$2,250. The banks would retain the additional \$250 to pay for costs presently covered by the federal government. Over a four year period, the student would have to repay a total \$1,000 that he never received.

Administration officials also hope to eliminate the GSL program for graduate students, allowing them to borrow only under the much less subsidized Parent Loan Program to a maximum of \$8,000 per year.

These auxiliary loans have proven unattractive to borrowers and lenders alike. In the two months they have been available in Michigan, only 17 such loans have been issued.

The proposed figures are highly subject to change. Since new information is being put out every day, it is difficult to predict with any certainty exactly what effect the cuts will have on ACC. The best that can be done at this point is to take national percentages and attempt to apply them to our situation.

Drastic cuts are not expected for 1982-83. Students who qualified for financial aid this year will probably continue to receive it, but the awards will be smaller.

The following cuts appear likely for the 1982-83 academic year at ACC:

An 8% cut in the college's approximately \$20,000 Work Study Program.

A major 20% cut in the \$23,000 Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants. ACC has repeatedly been deprived of SEOG funds in the past, but this year's \$23,000, a \$5,000 increase from last year.

A 10-12% cut in the \$500,000 Pell Grant Program.

The Guaranteed Student Loan Program is not forward-funded, thus estimated cuts cannot be determined at this time. ACC currently has about 250-300 students receiving federal loans. Most of these students take out loans because they receive no parental support. Problems have arisen because a few students have put their loan money into bank accounts, rather than using it to defray educational expenses as it is intended.

Lindsay does not foresee cuts having an enrollment affect on students from local or surrounding areas. The biggest enrollment decline is expected from the southern Michigan population, traditionally attracted to ACC's special programs. These students must pay out-of-district tuition, room and board, and high transportation costs. Many rely on financial help from outside sources to attend ACC.

Since many students will find it impossible to attend four-year institutions without financial assistance, community colleges in southern Michigan may actually experience enrollment growth. Lindsay does not predict that this will improve ACC's enrollment situation, however, because Northeast

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'Godspell' Update

by Jenni Ritzler

Curtain time is nearly here as members of the Alpena Community College Players' put final touches on the production of 'Godspell' set for March 17-21 at the Alpena Civic Theatre.

The rock musical, under the direction of Sonya Titus, is based on the gospel according to St. Matthew. 'Godspell' is the staging of well-known parables through pantomime, children's games, puppetry, charades, vaudeville routines and through songs and music covering nearly every style.

ACC students: Victor Bruning, Don Elliott, Herman Retzloff, Paul Jurusov, Dan Bohlinger, Jenni Ritzler, Karen Wood, Connie Gamage, Sue Manning, and Cheryl Dierking.

Band members include: Mark Brosz, Candy Belton, Bill Milligan, Terry Thomas, Nancy Tripp, and Julie Elliott.

Tickets for the show are available in Titus' office. Patronages are available for those who are interested. Tickets: \$3.50. Patronages: \$8 Single; \$15 couple. Free tickets of 20 per performance are now available to ACC students on a first come first serve basis, compliments of the Student Senate. Students may pick up a free ticket in the lobby of the Besser Tech.

MUSEUM HIGHLIGHTS

by Joel Reeves

Coming soon to the Jesse Besser Museum will be an impressive new sky theater program entitled "Skywatchers of Ancient Mexico."

This show will discuss the remarkable astronomical discoveries of the Olmees, the Maya, the Aztecs, and other ancient cultures living in and around Mexico and Central America.

"Skywatchers of Ancient Mexico" will be presented March

14 through May 2 on Sundays at 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. The regular public admission is \$1 for adults and 50 cents for students.

However, the museum would like to remind all students that it costs only \$1 to join Founders Society. By becoming a member you will be admitted free to planetarium programs and receive a reduction on fees for some of the museum's special classes.

Interested in photo-silk screening? The museum will hold a three-day workshop instructed by Tom Allen who will teach the technique of photo-silkscreen or "Serigraphy." Participants will be charged a \$25 fee to cover all three sessions, Saturday, March 13-10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday, March 20-10 a.m. to 2 p.m., and Sunday, March 21-1 p.m. to 5 p.m. A list of supplies will be given when you register. Registration is limited to twelve, so call soon.

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Have a happy St. Patrick's Day!

by Tom Talaski

March 17, the day when the little Irish comes out in all of us, even the Polish can get into the Irish spirit.

With this day comes the green hats, vest, carnations, and what would it be with-out green beer? You will see a lot of green beer and celebration in the town of Alpena, but not as much in other towns, like New York, where their parade will draw 100,000 marchers and 1.25 million watchers.

One place that you would think would go way out does nothing. This is the little town of St. Patrick MO, with a population of 53. Anna Logsdon owner of the only local pub says, "Most people leave town for that evening." She also said "the only big thing around here is the St. Patrick's Day postmark."

But myself, the thing I find the best, is the "Kiss Me I'm Irish" buttons.

EDITORIAL PAGE



A recent meeting of Michigan's college and university presidents resulted in a unanimous decision to oppose the budget cuts aimed at Michigan's schools. This may seem selfish to supporters of the tax cuts, but it goes a little deeper than that.

Besides the federal cuts, the state has also proposed a temporary twenty-five percent cut of state aid during the summer months of June, July, and August. These monies may or may not be paid back later in the year, depending on the state's economic recovery. This, more than anything else, has raised the ire of the schools' faculties.

The "if" factor involved has to include the possibility of not receiving a return of the funds and the cutting of programs or staff. Last year projections were made on the premise that funds for schools would be drastically cut. This resulted in the prediction that a number of Michigan schools would collapse or at least be very near to doing so.

Needless to say, this is not the time for extreme optimism. Along with the aid to schools being cut, all of the student financial aid programs are also facing the ax. Any of these proposals, if accepted, not only adversely affect the schools, but the nation as a whole. Human education and expanse of potential are our greatest national resources.

While the defense budget grows, the military officials cannot escape the fact of poor training ability in the ranks due to the lack of outside education. Approximately twenty percent of our soldiers are functionally illiterate, not being able to read past a fifth grade level. That in itself is appalling.

Before any cuts are made in education, our governmental leaders should take more than a passing glance at the impact of such cuts. A school does not establish itself in a fiscal year and people do not live according to their economic status.

In the past year there has been much discussion on the Federal budget. As usual, the Defense Department has been the number one whipping boy. Other targeted agencies are, Social Security, Welfare and Education.

When was the last time anyone of our leaders suggested a cut in the congressional budget? In fact, it would be easier to recall an increase rather than a decrease in the congressional budget! It is awfully hard for tax payers to go along with Congress when they dress in \$300+ suits, and smoke dollar cigars while telling US to tighten our belts and pay more taxes while receiving less government services.

Another hard pill to swallow is congressmen suggesting increased taxes or surcharges on taxes to cover deficits while our government pumps \$350 billion into just ONE foreign country. The old saying "Charity begins at home" should be recited over and over to our industrious leaders.

We feel one reason that this situation exists is that congressmen remain in office too long, and dynastys are formed. A maximum term should be imposed on all elected officials. If this was done, dynastys would fall and more efficient government would prevail. Additionally, ALL federal employees should come under the maximum pay law. At present Congress, Federal Judges and a select group of government employees are exempt from this law. Why? Congress passes their pay raises that's why! We don't feel this is right. Any and all pay raises for this group of individuals should be placed on the general election ballot and voted on by the general public.

If the present trend continues EVERYONE will be on welfare. And then who will pay the freight?



MANIFESTATIONS OF A FRESHMAN

by Joel Reeves

It seems rather apparent that the Selective Service Law requiring young males to register for the draft isn't being met with full support. Although failure to register is a felony punishable by up to five years in jail and a \$10,000 fine, some guys just can't take a hint. Now the Justice Department intends to prosecute as many protestors as it can get its hands on.

This whole ugly episode has come as quite a shock to me, especially after all those wonderful commercials by big name celebrities. I mean, how could anyone delay registering after hearing the urgent yet sympathetic voice of Wolfman Jack. You can rest assured when the Wolfman resorts to his urgent yet soothing voice he's giving it to you straight. And then there's Jerry Reed. Need I say more?

However, for some strange reason, many young men still aren't rushing into their local post office. Fortunately, the Selective Service has convinced a whole new group of stars to do a series of draft registration commercials for the benefit of young men who still don't realize the advantages of registering early.

"Hi there. I'm Gary Coleman. If you're old enough to register, do it. After all, because of my kidney condition I'll never ever be able to register. There's absolutely no possibility whatsoever. So you can see what a privilege it is to be able to register. Oh look, here's my good friend Stevie Wonder. Hi Stevie."

"Hey, Gary. You know, what Gary says about draft registration being a privilege is really true. Not all of us are lucky enough to get the opportunity to register. We just have to learn to live with reality. Gary will probably be forced to act for the rest of his life and I will be destined to a life of song and dance. Oh, sure, we're both millionaires, but do you think that matters when you know you'll never get a chance

to register for the draft like other guys?"

Richard Simmons will do his patriotic duty too, in olive drab tights.

"Why are you fat? Because you haven't run down to the post office to register, that's why. You know fellas, President Reagan has already said that he isn't planning any kind of military action. At least, not today. Remember, dieting isn't the answer. Just take a jog down to your local post office twice a day, everyday, for three weeks. You'll burn up calories and may even get the urge to register while you're down there."

Bill Murray and Alistair Cooke will also team up for a commercial.

"Hey guys, this is Bill Murray. Let me just say that my latest movie "Stripes" does not reflect in any way what the military is actually like. Oops, I guess I wasn't supposed to mention anything about the military since that would remind you of the draft. Oh, well, there's really nothing to be alarmed about. It would take an act of Congress before anybody could be drafted, which would take about 15 minutes. Oh, here's my good English buddy, Al Cooke. Take it, Al!"

"Hello, America, this is Alistair Cooke. I would like to see an American boy to register. It is my understanding that by registering you could only be drafted in the event of a national emergency. Now that doesn't seem too much to ask. In fact, that sounds bloody soft. What kind of wimps do they have over there in the United States, anyway, Bill? Why I would register myself if I were 60 years younger and an American citizen. How bloody rude!"

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ACC SCOREBOARD

by Bill Garant

The Lumberjacks concluded the 1981-82 season, Feb. 26th, by losing to Lake Michigan, at Delta's University Center in the Region XII Tournament. Coach Paulsen's Jacks have had a long year, finishing with a record of 7 wins and 19 losses, ACC's worst season since 1970-71.

The Jacks, who started the game on a low note, gave Lake Michigan a scare, going ahead by as much as five points. The Jacks lead at the half 24-23. ACC played well, but were not consistent, and with the aid of Jon Gaunder's nine long baskets, Lake Michigan went on to defeat the Jacks 66-58.

Captain, Earl Ewing led the ACC scoring with a career high 23 points.



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"Information please...."

by Cindy Robinette

If you have questions concerning Alpena Community College, Alpena Public Schools, Alpena County or City Government your answers may be only a phone call away.

Information Please is the name of the new service offered through the Alpena Volunteer Center, which started Monday February 22nd. The program is designed to answer all questions on any of the four topics mentioned. It is offered to the entire community. Callers have a five minute time limit and will receive as accurate an answers

Mark Mohre was the only other Jack in double figures with 12. The Jacks played Lake Michigan as the result of beating Oakland in the tournament the day before.

The future of basketball at ACC is uncertain at this time, as decisions of budget cuts are now being made. Results of this decision and final year stats will be published in the next issue of the *Update*!

Voronica Mullen Breaks Record

Coach Frank McCourts Lady Lumberjacks defeated Highland Park in recent action at East Campus, 102-59. Not only did the Jacks break the hundred-point mark, but Voronica Mullen broke the ACC single scoring record by chipping in 44 points surpassing the old record of 40 set by Diana Flakes during the 1980-81 season. ACC, now 11 and 10, lead at the half 44-22. The Jacks also took command of the second half sending Highland Park to the showers. Lisa Ewing finished the game with 18 points, Laurel Minard 12, and Mindy Matuzak 10.

Alpena is now playing in the region 12 tournament in Lansing, which began March 2.

Ski-a-thon

by Georgia Wheeler

The American Red Cross is sponsoring a ski-across Thursday, March 4th at Norway Ridge. The structured two-hour ski, is being coordinated by committee chairman Richard Miles.

This is the first fund raising event by the Red Cross in this area since they joined with the United Way. People are taking pledges for the amount of miles they can ski from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Plans are also in the making for a swim-across to be held in the near future.

as possible within 48 hours.

"We are not giving a listening ear for problems," advises Vernie Nethercut, one of the coordinators of Information Please. Callers are required to give their name and phone number. It is a service to answer the questions of concerned citizens in the community. A 3 month trial period is being used to determine the success of the service.

The service hours are 8:30 to 3:30 Monday through Friday. The number to call is 356-9021 ask for the Volunteer Center or Information Please. The time to ask questions is now.

Other Voices --Recall Election Set for April

by Michael A. Trego

The first recall election in Alpena County's history has been scheduled for April 6th.

Four Alpena County School Board members have been targeted for a recall election. Approximately 4,000 signatures have been collected by the United Public Voice, a ballot question committee.

At a cost of approximately \$6,000, school district residents will vote whether or not to recall the board members, President James Arbuckle, Vice-President Patrick Brandt, Dr. Henry Stibitz and Ralph Diethelm.

The U.P.V. alleges that the school board has been incompetent in management of school district funds, knowingly causing deficit spending in the 1980-81 school year in excess of \$1 million, despite severe financial problems, and negligence in negotiating and contracting bus driver's salaries.

The U.P.V. also accuses the board of not honoring past policies and agreements concerning busing as established at the time of and prior to annexation of the Alpena district in the early 60's. Officers of the U.P.V. were contacted but refused to comment and several attempts were made to contact their spokesperson; however, she could not be reached for comment.

In an interview, Arbuckle responded that "no deficit existed at the end of the last school year," and that confusion arises from "the fact that we used what is called a fund equity, similar to a savings account. We used excess revenue from previous years."

According to Arbuckle, the major issue underlining the recall is the transportation cut. "One past board can't bind another." Negotiations are "subject to change as conditions change. We're under a different set of rules now. The state has cut our funding. We've cut staffing and programs to stay within spending limitations. I could not justify further program cuts (to compensate) for busing."

Responding to the U.P.V.'s accusation of mismanagement of the busing contract, Arbuckle stated, "Myself as a board member did those things reasonable and prudent in reviewing the busing contract. We have individuals that research these contracts for us. When we became aware of the

problem we tried to renegotiate the contract, but could not meet their demands of guaranteed employment."

Arbuckle went on to say that "replacing any board member does not solve the problem, the problem is still going to be there."

Another ballot question committee, the Concerned Citizens for Better Education, disagree with the recall effort, according to co-chairperson Bob Monroe. "We do not support the recall. To promote better education and increase educational opportunity, we have to maintain the present board due to their experience...utter chaos will result if the recall is successful." Monroe also stated that the objective of Concerned Citizens is "to promote better education and end the deviciveness which is destructive to the fabric of the community...we would eventually like to work with U.P.V. on some of the issues."

State law mandates that if any of the board members are recalled, a special election will be held to replace those board members. Should a majority of the school board members be recalled, the Governor will appoint replacements to serve during the interim. If a minority are recalled, the remaining board members will make the appointments.

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Already on display at the museum is a traveling exhibition of captivating sculpture called "The Influence of Paris: European and American Sculpture 1830-1930."

Presented by the Detroit Institute of Arts Statewide Service Program, the show includes 25 figurative sculptures. The works of European artists, Rodin, Degas, Barlach, Milles, and Troubetzkey are featured, along with works by American sculptors, Saint-Gaudens and Manship. The exhibition will continue through Sunday, March 28.

Also, the final two sessions of the Alpena History Lecture Series, which is open to the public free of charge, will be held March 7 and 14 at 3 p.m. The first of these two sessions will be presented by Richard Clute. He will discuss the relationship between ethnic groups, and labor and business activities in and around Alpena during the 1880's. To conclude the series, Ann Taber will talk about the role of women in Alpena History.

A Night in Las Vegas Alpena-style

by Joni Theisen

"Casino night may be compared to the Las Vegas situation", stated Jeff Zielke, president of R.H.A., which is sponsoring the event.

Scheduled to take place at 9:00 p.m., March 25, at Russell Wilson Residence Hall, the croupier will take their positions at tables, playing poker, black jack, roulette, keno, and craps. Refreshments will also be served.

Upon entering the dorm you can buy \$15,000 worth of chips for \$1.50. A person is allowed to buy 3 lots, which is \$45,000.

At the end of the evening, the people with chips left get to bid for prizes, which include, a cassette headphone, camera, his and her watches, records, and gift certificates.

The event, held yearly, is going western. Volunteer croupier will be wearing cowboy hats, boots and other western attire.

New Classes Scheduled to Begin

by Nancy LaFranchise

ACC's curriculum committee has agreed on certain new classes for ACC.

A Childcare Development Program will be offering six classes in the childcare area. This program will help certify students to teach nursery school. ACC is also trying to set up a transfer program for these classes to a four year college for a Preschool Nursing License. The classes involve childcare development assistance, preschool, Social Services procedure, program planning, group management and parent final assessment preparation.

These classes will be held on Friday nights and Saturdays beginning in March or April.

Introduction to Theater-Contemporary American Theater, will also be scheduled. This class will work in conjunction with the summer Humanities class and their summer trip to New York.

Also, Introduction to Computer Software Usage will be the first of eight classes in the commercial micro-computer series.

ANSWERS TO MYSTERY PHOTOS

The mystery people in our last issue were Dean Peg Lee and Dr. Lawrence Aufderheide.

FINANCIAL AID

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Michigan simply does not have the population base to draw from.

One of the basic goals of financial aid is providing access—allowing students to choose a college based on factors other than dollars. Should the proposed budget cuts take effect, this goal will probably become inoperable.

Students wishing to make their views heard on this important issue may do so by writing to the following legislators:

The Honorable Donald W. Riegle, Jr.
1207 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Carl Levin
140 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Robert W. Davis
11th District Michigan
1224 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

MANIFESTATIONS

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And now, here's everybody's good friend Loni Anderson with a message.

"Hi, there. I hope all you strong young men are going to register so that if there's a national emergency you'll be able to protect little me. In the past, young men had to visit their local draft board, but today all you have to do is go to your local post office. Wasn't that nice of the Justice Department to make registering so convenient for you. Of course, I've already registered myself. It's really kind of a shame that they won't draft women. I had so hoped I'd get a chance to try out my new two-piece camouflaged bikini and army helmet."

If, after hearing all of these commercials your mind still isn't entirely at ease, the Selective Service has hired two concerned Canadians to do a commercial which should help you make the right decision.

"Okay, do it."

"Ku-oo-ku-ku, ku-oo-ku-ku. Ku-oo-ku-ku, ku-oo-ku-ku."

"Good. Hi there. I'm Bob McKenzie and this is my brother Doug."

"Yeah, how are ya?"

"Yunno, just because you register doesn't mean you hose-heads can't take off to the Great White North when things get too hot at home."

"Yeah, like maybe you could come up and have some beer and back bacon with us."

"So that's our topic for today. Good day."

"Yeah, eh, good day."

Law Enforcement Class Plans Field Trip

by Debbie Meggert

ACC Law Enforcement students are planning a field trip to Lansing area law enforcement agencies March 31, April 1, and 2.

According to Herm Bordewyk, law enforcement instructor, the purpose of the field trip is to enrich the student's educational experience. It gives the student an opportunity to observe the agencies first hand, and that is something that cannot be learned in the classroom.

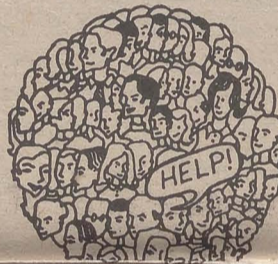
Thursday, April 1, students will visit Lansing Police Department. After that, they will tour the Capital Building and will meet State Representative Steve Andrews. Students will have the privilege of sitting in on a house or senate meeting. Later that day they will visit Michigan State Police Training Complex, where they will be observing a class in session.

Friday April 2, students will tour Michigan State Police Crime Lab, which is the central biggest modern crime lab in Michigan. Later that day, students will visit M.S.U. Criminal Justice program, where they will meet with the instructors, and answer any questions for students planning to transfer to M.S.U.

The field trip is open to all law enforcement students. Law Enforcement Club members raise money through raffles, dances, bake sales, newspaper drives, and selling lightbulbs to help cover the cost of the bi-annual field trip. Any law enforcement students interested in attending the field trip, should contact Herm Bordewyk.

Student Senate News

On Thursday, February 25, Lynette Anderson was elected the 1982-83 Alpena Community College Student Senate President. Four candidates were interviewed for the position. Lynette is currently serving as Secretary of the Student Senate and is an honor student in the pre-engineering curriculum. Lynette lists skiing as her favorite sport and hopes to see an ACC Ski Club on campus next year.



GODSPELL



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