



ACC VARSITY ATHLETICS?

Students Must Decide

by: Lynn Lightner

Wonder what's going on in the effort to reinstate varsity sports for the 1984-85 school year? Well, you are not alone.

It seems as if the wheels are a little rusty and are not spinning as fast as they could be to put a program together.

However, one step in the right direction was taken at the September 15th Board of Trustees Meeting. At this meeting, Dr. Donnelly, at the request of last year's Student Senate, established an Ad Hoc Committee.

The committee's purpose is to set up a hypothetical 1984-85 varsity sports program—detailing its costs and how to fund these costs—to see what it would take to make a go of it.

The committee consists of three administrators, three faculty and three students. The administrative

representatives include Dean McCormack, Dean Buchan and Norm Foster; the faculty include William Yule, Terry Quinn and John McGill; and the students include Craig Martin, Steve Wright and Anthony Terry.

It appears that the fate of ACC's sport program has been placed in these individuals' hands. That is, of course, if they can come up with an economically feasible plan which the students and then the Board will approve.

Ad Hoc held its first organizational meeting on Friday, October 7th. Craig Martin, student representative, was elected as Chairman of the committee. A student was chosen to preside because this originally started as a student movement.

In fact, the committee's first and foremost goal is to make sure that this is still a movement of

interest to the students. An opinion poll is currently being administered by the Student Senate to see if in fact a majority of ACC students desire the reinstatement of a varsity sports program.

Steve Wright, student representative, stated that once the committee can show the Board that a majority of students want sports back, the Board cannot say no. The only problem beyond that lies in funding—which does not exactly have an easy solution.

How to finance roughly a \$28,000 sports program without cutting into the General Fund seems to be the question in the minds of committee members. A show of hands at the meeting revealed that all committee members favor reinstatement of sports, but not at the expense of cutting the educational budget.

Two alternatives have already

been unofficially presented. The first alternative would be to tack on a Student Activity Fee to all registering ACC students. This would roughly be a charge of \$5 for all full-time students and \$2.50 for all part-time students.

The second alternative suggests a \$0.70 increase in tuition per contact hour per student. Either of these two proposals would need prior consent by the majority of the student body and then later Board approval.

Thus, ultimately the reinstatement of sports lies in the hands of the student body. If the majority of ACC's students are willing to underwrite its cost, then there will be a varsity program.

The ball is in the student's hands. Whether or not it will be bounced or put away for another year remains to be seen.

by: Elise Gagnon

Judy Saddler Crowned MISS ALPENA



Judy Saddler was recently crowned Miss Alpena before a capacity crowd at the Alpena High School Auditorium. Nine contestants competed in the 17th annual Miss Alpena contest.

Judy, the daughter of Ivan and Helen Saddler, is a vivacious blonde who plans on earning a degree in the medical field. She is currently taking basic courses at ACC.

In the past, Judy has been actively involved with theatre groups including AHS Masquers and Thunder Bay Theatre. She is currently secretary of the ACC Players. With this performing background, Judy is certainly no stranger to the stage.

In the talent section of the show, Judy danced while she sang "Play Me the Music" with her distinct and pleasant voice. Judging from the audience's enthusiastic reaction, Judy was clearly the crowd's favorite.



Upon the final judgement announcing Judy as the winner, she was "shocked." Judy stated, "I couldn't believe that I had actually won, as this was something that only happens in dreams."

Judy decided to enter the pageant for two reasons. One, she had never entered a pageant and two, it was something she had always wanted to do and she didn't want to look back and regret not entering.

To Judy, the most rewarding aspect of participating in the pageant wasn't the title or the prizes, it was meeting people from the community and feeling their support.

Judy received 500 dollars for winning the pageant and will represent Alpena at the Santa Claus parade, Thunder Bay 250, Fourth of July celebration, the MORC Sarnia-to-Alpena race, the Brown Trout Festival, county fair, and at the cherry queen competition in Traverse City.

First runner-up in the Miss Alpena Pageant was Barb Manning, second runner-up was Jodi Duncan, third runner-up was Melanie

Kunath, and fourth runner-up was Kelly Fitzgerald. Pam Mytko and Jodi Ulch were tied for Miss Congeniality.

The first runner-up received 200 dollars and second, third, and fourth runners-up each received 50 dollars.

ACC Board to Meet

The Alpena Community College Board of Trustees will meet in regular session Thursday, October 20 at 7:30 p.m. in room 450 of NRC. Items on their agenda include the yearly audit report, budget revisions for the 1983-84 year, and action concerning the Alpena Public Schools millage election.

All interested students and guests are invited to attend the meeting.