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*Christmas Issue*



## Board of Trustees Postpone Fate of Forestry Program

by: Lynn Lightner

With discontinuation of the forestry program and reinstatement of Lumberjack varsity sports as its key issues, the Alpena Community College Board of Trustees met in regular session Thursday, December 8th.

Decisions on both issues, however, are still forthcoming as the board unanimously voted to postpone the decision on the controversial forestry program pending further analysis.

The forestry program, one of only 3 like it in the state, is suffering because of low enrollment and high costs. The administration has thus recommended discontinuing the program after the 1984 summer session.

Jay Wright, ACC forestry instructor urged the board to re-enact recruiting efforts and to look at the projected upswing in Michigan forestry employment in the next few years. Although recognizing it as not being an absolute certainty, Wright suggested that this fact makes one wonder if now is the time to put the ax to this program. However, he does feel that if the ax is going to fall, let it fall - killing the program entirely. Wright sees no sense in dropping it with the hope of future reinstatement. He likened it to a badly maimed dog lying along side the road, urging, "Kill it. Wipe it out. But don't let it just lie there squirming."

The sports issue, unlike the

postponed action item, was merely an informational item and thus its fate too has yet to be decided.

Ron Ross, Student Senate representative, addressed the board keying upon the highly successful results of the poll conducted by the Ad Hoc Committee. 80% of 402 daytime students favor reinstatement of athletics and are willing to fund it by paying a certain percentage more per contact hour.

Unlike the forestry program, money no longer seems to be the objective. The Ad Hoc Committee will make its recommendation in January and the Board will decide. All ACC students are urged to attend this January 19th meeting to express any views on either of these two important issues.

## BTA Hosts Annual Christmas Dance

by: Madeline Hoppe

The old proverbial phrase, "There's no free lunch," doesn't apply December 16, 1983, because the Besser Technical Association is holding a free dance, with the musical group "Outrage" providing music. The BTA is also offering free refreshments, a food table, and door prizes to ACC students, according to spokesperson, Ron Ross.

The dance will be held at the Alpena Civic Center from 8:30 p.m. until 12:30 a.m. Attire may be formal or semi-formal. All students and dates will be admitted free at the door upon presentation of a student activities card. See you there and maybe Santa will make an appearance, depends whether you were naughty or nice.

The BTA is also sponsoring a raffle for Cross Country Skis with the winner to be drawn the night of the dance.

## Computerized Heat

Have you ever dreamed of the day when computers will run everything? Well wake up because ACC now has its own computerized Energy Management System. This system will keep our buildings in a comfortable atmosphere and will also help save energy.

The computerized Energy management System has the ability to monitor all boilers and report immediate troubles.

It also controls all univents, all air-handling systems, ventilation fans and outside lights.

The system controls these and many other items in all buildings except Forestry, Nursing, and East Campus. These buildings will be added to the system next year.

The system is located in Mr. Hlsley's office.

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## ACC Loses Head Librarian

Mike Huggler

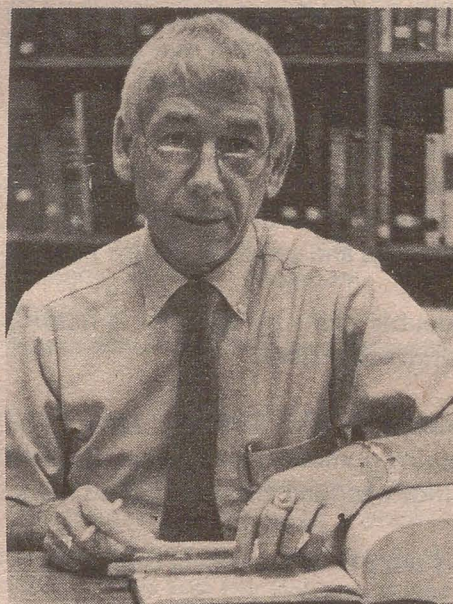
Over the past few years, many of us have been fortunate enough to meet Dennis Muir, ACC's head librarian.

For the past three and a half years Mr. Muir has kept busy helping students with the library. But he has decided to retire after this semester. He says that it's time he enjoys his house on the beach.

Working at ACC certainly left him little time for relaxing. If not sorting mail, ordering items, or straightening out matters with his staff, he spends time helping demanding students locate materials or use the equipment.

He had help though. Work-study students kept guard of the checkout desk. "The help was always efficient, but never really sufficient," said Mr. Muir. He said that since students come and go so often, they never had time to learn how to do more complex tasks.

He also got help from his staff. Mrs. Elaine Wagner assists with lib-



Head librarian Dennis Muir will retire at the end of the semester.

rary duties while Mrs. Holly Pake handles the AV equipment. Many others also help out in other areas. Mr. Muir was extremely pleased with the staff, calling it "the best staff I've ever worked with."

He says that the library is on its way to becoming computerized. This move will help keep track of circulation, enabling the library to be more accurate and organized. Also our library can check other libraries in the state to see if they have any resources we could use.

He hopes some other changes will be made but funds are inadequate and, as he says, "We are dreadfully short of space." He would like to see changes like private conference rooms for students, separate faculty rooms, and leisure rooms where students could relax and read for sheer enjoyment of reading.

However, he is thinking more about his retirement than anything. ACC will definitely miss Dennis Muir's courteous, affable presence in the library.

And what are his plans for the future?

"I plan to ski, run, swim, cook, .....and not get up at 6:30."



# In Retrospect . . . . . A Look At 1983

In the following column, we will attempt to document some of the major events in history which affected all of our lives in one way or another during the past year, nineteen hundred and eighty three . . . . .

The Middle East again seemed to be the "hot spot" for world controversy in the past year.

It was lunch hour, April 18th. A routine day at the United States Embassy in Beirut. Some staffers were eating in the basement cafeteria. Others were grabbing a bite at their desks. As it turned out, those who went to nearby coffee shops and restaurants were the lucky ones.

Few, if any, noticed a man wearing a leather jacket drive a black pickup truck the wrong way up the embassy driveway. But then it picked up speed and crashed through a barricade. Moments later a ton of TNT in the truck exploded.

It took more than four days to pull 63 bodies out of the rubble. Seventeen of the victims were Americans.

President Reagan said his goals for peace in Lebanon would not be sidetracked by the "criminal, vicious and cowardly attack". and they weren't. And the worst of the terrorist attacks was yet to come.

Marines are like anyone else. They normally sleep in Sunday morning. But October 23rd would not turn out to be a normal Sunday.

At 6:20 am, someone drove a red pickup truck into the Beirut International Airport parking lot behind the building where the Marine peacekeepers were sleeping. The truck crashed through barricades, past sentries and through sandbags before ending up in the lobby of the building.

There it exploded with the force of six tons of dynamite. The blast levelled the four story complex and left 240 dead or dying servicemen. The military hadn't lost as many men at one time since Vietnam.

It was a name and place that had little meaning for most Americans. That is, until October 25th.

At 5:40 that morning, thousands of American Marines poured onto Grenada's shores. They were accompanied by a few hundred Caribbean troops from six nations that had formally asked for U.S. intervention.

President Reagan told a stunned world that the troops had gone ashore to restore order and democracy. But behind the explanation was the worry that the tiny island was becoming a Cuban staging ground.

The fighting cost 18 American lives.

The economy started 1983 with a clean slate - - having already seen the depths of recession the previous December. Nearly every month of the year, Government reports chalked up impressive numbers.

After years of stagnant or slow growth, the Gross National Product absolutely exploded. It grew at an annual rate of 8.7%.

Another indicator of the countries economic health included a sharp upswing in retail and new car sales. Industrial production revived, and businesses were producing more goods and services, in turn needing more workers.

Unemployment dipped below double digits by July. It is holding just below nine percent as the year draws to a close.

The bulls continued to run rampant on Wall Street in 1983. And stock watchers found themselves talking numbers that few had thought possible. By April, the Blue Chip Index topped the 12 hundred mark; an all time high.

Much of the enthusiasm fed off reports of the strong economic recovery.

Interior Secretary James Watt spent most of 1983 in political hot water. He became one of President Reagans most conspicuous cabinet members.

Environmentalists called him "public enemy number one", because of his policies toward the nation's natural resources. But it was his famous off-the-cuff remarks that led to his eventual downfall.

Watt began the year with an apology to the American Indians after calling their reservations examples of "the failures of socialism."

In April, Watt caused an uproar when he prevented the Beach Boys from performing at July Fourth festivities in the nation's capital, claiming the rock group would attract the "wrong element". Watt later recieved the coveted "Shot-in-the-Foot" trophy.

But the final blow came late in September when Watt remarked that a coal advisory panel had the perfect mix - - "a black, a woman, two Jews and a cripple". Three weeks later Watt resigned - - to be remembered as the victim of a mouth that misfired once too often.

A cloud of controversy plagued the Environmental Protection Agency in 1983. A variety of misconduct charges swirled about, coming together in a six month investigation by the justice department.

In March, the head of the crippled agency, Anne Burford, quit. Investigation into the agencies super fund program resulted in charges being brought against it's head, Rita LaVelle. She was convicted on several of those charges and faces sentencing in 1984.

In 1981 and 1982, American farmers had bumper crops. Grain bins were nearly bursting at the seams. Commodity prices were at rock bottom. The Reagan administration knew it had to do something or the agriculture industry would to belly up. What it came up with in 1983 was the "payment-in-kind" program; otherwise known as the P-I-K program.

The program paid farmers not to plant. Farmers idled more than 80 million acres of cropland. The results-commodity prices improved almost overnight and things were looking pretty good for the farmer.

Mother Nature though played a dirty trick when she brought on a drought that wiped out millions of acres of crops and millions of dollars of poultry and livestock were lost to the heat.

They say water is the essence of life. But too much of a good thing-well, you get the picture.

In Arizona, the Red Cross estimated that the homes of better than 23 hundred families were either destroyed or heavily damaged by ravaging water and mud.

In Louisiana, some 40 thousand people were chased from their homes as waters of the Pearl River washed roof high in some areas.

Flooding in Utah was a way of life for a while. In downtown Salt Lake City, water rose to the roofs of some one floor businesses.

In California, brutal storms early in the year killed more than 20 people and flooded hundreds of homes. Storms between late January and early March did an estimated 317 million dollars worth of damage. At one point, 32 counties were declared disaster areas. The residents of those areas are no doubt wondering what the mid-winter of 1984 will bring.

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# CHRISTMAS ISSUE

## Choosing Toys Wisely

With a choice of over 150 thousand toys, how can you choose what is safe and suitable for your child? Cornell University educator Margret Dil, says while age recommendations on toy products are a good guideline in general, they don't always insure safety. She urges parents to select toys to suit the abilities and interests of each child.

"Some toys are appropriate for some age children and are perfectly safe, but are not safe for other age children. Some toys are perfectly safe when used precisely as the directions instruct. If a child cannot remember and understand those directions, then that toy becomes a hazard. Other toys are presuming to say that your child is at a particular developmental level and their interests are there. So even is the box says that it's good for a certain age child, you have to give some thought to whether it's good for that particular child," says Dil.

Dil contends that fadish toys and ones modeled after television and movie hero's leave no room for a child's creativity and imagination.

"They may give some pleasure and they certainly are popular,

however I think we must leave room for children's imaginations. When it's all spelled out for them, it leaves no room for the child to be as creative as they normally would be with a more traditional toy." Dil continued, "I do think that we cannot over emphasize the importance of the old fashioned traditional toys; such as dolls which are extremely important in the development of boys and girls. Children still get delight from the board games and the traditional ones which we grew up with are still some of the most popular."

The United States Health Service reports that there are over 700 thousand children injured by toys each year. Dil explains the more common hazards are caused by unsafe toys, misuse of the product or lack of adequate supervision.

"The National Society to Prevent Blindness says that Christmas is a peak time of the year for children with eye injuries. So one has to be extremely careful when choosing gifts with darts, rockets, or pellets. Toys with long strings of cords are peticularly not recommended for young children because they could cause strangulation or choking.

Another hazard is danger to hearing. When buying toys, such as caps, question whether the child is too young to understand or remember the warning on the box that usually says 'do not fire closer than one foot to the ear and do not use indoors'."

With over 150 thousand toys to choose from, how does a parent know what is safe and appropriate for a child? Dil offers these helpful tips:

"One of course is that it be safe; two that it is made to last; and third, that the toy be respectful of a child's intellect, self esteem and creativity. That should be non-racist and non-sexist, and that they represent what you value as a parent. Also I would research it some. Look into magazines, pamphlets, and brochures; consider the child's age, and the child's interest. Think of the many uses of the toy, too. A toy should give pleasure to the child after Christmas."

Dil offers an alternative to the parents who can't seem to find the one of a kind cabbage patch doll.

She stated, "Dolls are selling better than ever. One nice recommendation I'd like to make on dolls is to buy a doll the size of a small baby, and then use the child's own baby cloths. It gives great delight to know that she has worn the same cloths which now adorn the child's plaything, therefore creating two uses for the same item."

The best piece of advice that Margaret Dills gives in regards to buying toys is that the parent, or whoever the purchaser may be, use common sense and much thought before spending their money.

generally save about three times the amount paid for a pre-cut tree. Schaufler says fir or scotch pine varieties make the best Christmas trees because of their needle holding ability, firm branches, and fragrance.

Schaufler also says once consumers get their Christmas tree home, there are a few simple practices that can insure freshness, maintain color and reduce needle dropping. "Cut another inch or so of material off the base of the tree, and pour some boiling water over the cut before putting it in the stand. This makes sure that the area for water to move into the tree. Use some kind of a material in the water to keep the bacteria from forming in the water and then be sure to add water daily once the tree is set up. The fresh tree will use between one and two quarts of

water per day when it's first set up." Fir trees make the best Christmas trees. Schaufler says, "When it comes to longevity, the firs, both the Douglas and the Balsam would probably be the top of the list. For fragrance and a tree that would last the best, Scotch pine is sold a lot as a Christmas tree. This is another very long lasting tree, because even though the needles do dry out, they do not fall off. Spruce, which makes up almost 75 percent of all Christmas trees sold, actually has the shortest life. When the needles

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## Video Games Face Tough Christmas

by: Tim Gruike

Video-game firms face a tough Christmas as industry approaches a major shakeout.

Confronted by big inventories, wide-spread price cutting and competition from home computers, all but a few companies are expected to leave the business entirely. Those that continue making video-game cartridges will probably have to diversify into game and other software for home computers, a market that is even more competitive than video games.

Consumers are still buying cartridges, but retailers are holding back on placing Christmas orders. There has been a lack of hit titles this year compared to last year.

Several video-game companies have already dropped out of the business. Some companies include games by Apollo, Data Age, and U.S. Games unit. Imagic Inc., a branch of Data Age, will stop producing video-game cartridges for the two leading game systems, made by Atari and Mattel Inc.'s Intellivision, and start making games for Colecovision and software for home computers.

Both Atari and Activision are struggling. They cut production and reduced prices on many old, slow-selling games like backgammon, basketball, pinball, bowling, chess, etc. . . . to keep the market from going under.

Companies with full product line-game and computer hardware and the cartridges and software to go with them may be better positioned. Coleco, for example, has stopped production of its Colecovision game player to focus on making and marketing Adam, its new home computer. But Colecovision game players can be expanded with a module into Adam computers. And the Adam can play Coleco game cartridges.

But despite the game maker's problems, some retailers think the price cutting is a good development and expect healthy Christmas sales. Buyers at Sears, say that lower prices will draw new customers, who wouldn't have bought game products in the past.

## Some Tips on Buying and Maintaining Your Christmas Tree

More than thirty one million people will buy a natural Christmas tree this holiday. You will find prices comparable to last year but supplies are somewhat limited, so it's a good idea to shop early.

But when determining a tree, how do you determine it's freshness? Cornell University floriculturist Earnest Schaufler tells consumers, "Flex the needles or the smaller branches because these are the ones that will dry first. And if they seem to be rather rubbery and flexible and tend to bend easy and not snap immediately when you begin to bend them back upon themselves, that's a good indication that the needles have not dried out and they still have the ability to take up water."

If you're looking for a family outing and hoping to save some money, cutting your own tree can



Dearest Santa,

I could ask for the usual Christmas gifts-the deed to Yoko Ono's mansion, a chinchilla farm, funds to open a Swiss bank account. However, this year I want revenge.

On whom do I seek revenge? I seek revenge on the fabricator of the latest craze that has swamped toy stores with ruthless, stampeding customers.

How do I propose to aquire my revenge? First, I will shred this product. I will then add some salt to the remains and stomp the mixture until well blended. I'll place this concoction in jars and set them in the pantry to ferment. Once the contents of the jars has reached the desired consistency, I will offer to serve a pork and sauerkraut dinner to the executives of the manufactory responsible for this fad. Only after they've devoured the meal will I explain that the main ingredient of the feast was a "Cabbage Patch Doll".

Please, Mr. S. Claus, send me a "Cabbage Patch Doll" so I may fulfill my diabolical desires.

Sincerely,  
Hospitalized, X-Toy Store  
Employee



Merry Christmas Kris B. It's  
been a good year. Love YA'  
Mike H.

Merry Christmas Del,  
I want to help you sort out the  
laundry. Love,  
Kris

To: Mr. Dierking and Mr. Wright  
Happy Holiday to both of you  
Freshman and Sophomores.

Merry Christmas ACC Players!  
I am glad to hear that you will  
be giving free tickets to college stu-  
dents for your upcoming show,  
"God's Favorite", which will be  
performed January 12, 13, 14.  
P.S. Office one VLH, right? Kevin

To ACC Faculty and Staff:  
Thanks for two very special  
years. Wishing you a very Merry  
Christmas and a Happy New Year  
filled with love, peace and hap-  
piness.  
Jenni Ritzler  
1983 Winter Grad

Hoping that my adorable  
Chestnut has a wonderful year-  
and a Merry Christmas, too!

Love,  
Kizzy



Mark, on September 9, 1983, is  
when you entered my life. Many  
people would say that hasn't been a  
very long time, but it was long en-  
ough for me to realize that I care  
too much to lose you. When I'm  
happiest is when we're together. I  
want to thank you for entering my  
life, and for sharing your dreams  
with me, for you have become my  
dream.

Sincerely,  
J.C.P.

Love you,  
Tina

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I would like the  
answers to the following questions:

Why do the clerks at K-Mart in-  
sist on bombarding us with that  
saying which bothers us all, "Thank  
you for shopping our K-Mart."

Why are Christmas colors green  
and red?

How did you ever come up with  
such strange names for you rein-  
deer?

Why did you pick such a cold  
and desolate place in which to re-  
side?

Why do Christmas cards go on  
sale even before Halloween?

If you could please answer  
these very important questions,  
submit them to my stocking on  
Christmas eve.

# Merry Christmas

To: Mr. Dierking and Mr. Wright

Thank you for sharing your  
skills with me and taking the time  
with me when I needed extra help.  
Merry Christmas and many more  
happy holidays.

M.B.

Best wishes to the  
staff.

Happy holidays to all  
students at ACC and to the  
staff. I love each and  
every one of you.

Dear Dormies,

Most all of you have quite some  
distance to drive in order to be  
home with your families on this  
holiday break. Remember to watch  
out for the other guy because he'll  
get you when you least expect it.  
See you when the place opens up  
again on January 5, 1984.

The boys in 202

Merry Christmas to our favorite  
short scumbag, T.L.

From DG, TC, JT

BUFFY — Merry Christmas! Put  
me on the top of your list!

Love,  
Marie

Dear Grace,

MERRY CHRISTMAS— with  
no strings attached!

Curbie

Dear Santa,

For Christmas  
end to the nuclear  
tween the United  
Soviet Union. Als  
do something abo  
dollar budget defic  
the American taxp  
be nice. And also  
much trouble, coul  
could help keep  
falling off into th  
I've never been the  
really like to get  
the "big slip".

Th



# Christmas

For Christmas Cheer all Year  
BE A VOLUNTEER!

Thanks for all your support,  
and Happy Holidays to Everyone  
from the Alpena Volunteer Center  
Merrill, Sharon, June, Vernie



Have a Merry Christmas and a  
Happy New Year Marie S.

Love,  
Jim S.

Hey Bear Lee  
MERRY CHRISTMAS to you  
and your family!!

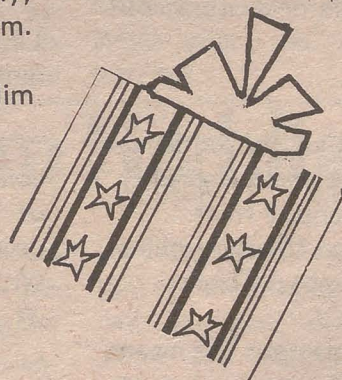
Linda P.

Wishing everybody in my  
Graphic Arts class a very Merry  
Christmas and a safe and Happy  
New Year.

Jim Baker

To Carina, Cathleen, Jim,  
Marie, Kris, Del, Anna, Richard,  
Dan, Brandy, Pam, Pat, Jo, John,  
Steve, Craig, Sandy, Ron, Debbie,  
Anthony, Ann-Marie, Kelly,  
Darwin, and the rest of the dorm.  
Have a good one!

Cheryl and Jim



Dear Santa,

Thank you Graphic Arts staff  
and my daughter Joanne McGregor  
for your assistance and encourage-  
ment in teaching the printing trade.

A "Thanks" goes to the tea-  
chers in the liberal arts and business  
departments. We'll miss you next  
semester Mr. Weisner.

Please Santa, if you exist, allow  
us to have dignity and pride with  
job opportunities for all who want  
them when we finish our education.

The best to all of you;  
Madeline Hoppe

Dear Santa Claus,

Thank you for all the new  
friends you gave me this year in re-  
gards to last years letter. All the  
new friends at Wilson Dormitory  
were really great the first semester  
of school.

This year I would like to ask for  
a New Rolls Royce (just off the  
assembly line), and about \$200,000  
all in nickels, dimes and quarters  
(so I will always have the right am-  
ount of change for Dial-a-ride if the  
Rolls ever breaks down).

I would also like an I.B.M. In-  
dustrial Type System for the  
house. I think it would be such a  
great home computer system. I  
could also use the following:

new color T.V.  
Star War video arcade game  
Star Trek video arcade game  
An electric guitar(les Paul)  
Tickets to all Men at Work, Prince,  
and Eddie Murphy Concerts  
A Corvette Sting Ray  
A Trans Am  
A Kitt car like Mike Knight has on  
T.V.  
A Body like Mr. T. or Lou Ferrigno  
and a brain like Einstein.

Santa, I know that times are  
hard this year so I didn't ask for  
much. I even took expense into  
consideration.

Sincerely

Lenny McClanahan

P.S. Let's not forget to fill those  
panty hose I hang up every year.  
Just put in Barbi Benton, Charlene  
Tilton, or even Adrienne Barbeau.

To a very special someone,  
Marjie, Merry Christmas and a  
Happy New Year and for many  
more together.

Love,  
Jim

I would like to express my sin-  
cere thank-you's to all of the  
people who have helped me at  
Alpena Community College. Bob  
Jones, Tom Allen, and Kathy  
Spigelmyre -- Thank-you for all the  
help and instruction I have recieved  
in the past two and a half years  
here. You are very special and tal-  
ented people who I am fortunate to  
know. Madeline Hoppe -- my  
mother who has guided me all of  
my life. Thank-you for your love  
and generosity.

Have a Merry Christmas  
and a Happy New Year all  
the years to come!!

Joanne McGregor  
ACC student

Lu,

This will be our 4th Christmas  
together. I'm looking forward to  
many more.

Guess Who

Merry Christmas Bomber,

If you can still see this. Look  
out for the grapes!

K.A.F.

John,

This is our first Christmas to-  
gether, I hope we have many more  
to come.

I Love You  
Very Much

Lacey

Campus Update

Larry Aufderheide

Barbara M.

You're a great friend- - have a  
Merry Christmas and a Happy New  
Year!

Linda P.

Dear Campus Update Staff,  
I hope that all of you have a  
safe and happy holiday season. Be  
careful because I want you all back  
in one piece!

P.S. Deadline for the January  
18 issue will be Jan. 12, at 12:00  
noon.

the stu-  
e faculty  
every one  
Santa

I would like an  
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out there before

anks much Santa  
J.M.



# In Retrospect . . . . .

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The break up of Bell will give consumers something to worry about. For the first time, we'll have to make decisions about phone service and equipment.

Right now most Americans with telephones have unlimited local service, and we make any number of local calls for a set monthly fee. But, after the Bell system breaks up, we may have to start paying by the minute and by the mile.

The march was commemorate another one held 20 years ago. The historic march on Washington -- the one in which Martin Luther King declared, "I have a Dream".

And the marchers did commorate the slain civil rights leaders dream; the achievements which followed the rally 20 years ago -- the civil rights laws, and the basic rights those laws enforced.

But 1983 was not 1963. The throng that marked the anniversary was more numerous, by 50 thousand, than the quarter of a million that attended the original event.

One of the biggest mysteries of 1983 had nothing to do with crime. It concerned "Aids" -- Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome.

Aids, which robs the body of its ability to fight disease, strikes mainly homosexual men, intravenous drug users, hemophiliacs and Haitian immigrants. But others including children, have also become victims.

The number of Aids cases doubles in 1983, and the number of deaths reached almost one thousand. Doctors are at a loss to explain what causes it.

It was the summer of 1983. And a whirlwind two weeks in the international spotlight for an eleven year old girl.

She was Samantha Smith, a sixth grader from Manchester, Maine, who visited the Soviet Union as a guest of the Soviet government. She was the first ordinary U.S. citizen to do so.

The trip resulted after Samantha wrote to Soviet President Andropov expressing her concerns over nuclear war.

Her comment after the trip was simply "It's a nice place to visit, but I wouldn't want to live there".

The year of 1983 marked the death of a remarkable man who participated in a remarkable medical experiment -- living on a manmade device that totally replaced his heart.

The artificial heart had been his last chance to live, so retired dentist Barney Clark took the chance.

Doctors in Salt Lake City removed his diseased heart and replaced it by the new device which added 112 days to the life of a courageous man.

Barney Clark died in March at the age of 62.

Friends say that actor David Niven's on-screen English Gentleman charm wit and quiet courage were reflections of his real personality. His career spanned 100 spy thrillers, comedy and adventure films.

Niven died in his sleep on Friday, July 29th, at age 73 after smiling, saying he was ok, and giving his last gesture, the "thumbs-up" sign.

Gloria Swanson was all that 1920's Hollywood glamour was meant to be. She was a star of the silent film era for many years and made one of the first great movies involving sound.

Swanson died in her sleep at a New York hospital on April fourth at the age of 84.

T-V newswoman Jessica Savitch was bright, articulate and tremendously successful. She may have become the first woman to anchor a regular, prime time network newscast on her own -- had she lived. But on October 24th, the 35 year old Savitch was found in a car that had flipped over and crashed into a Pennsylvania canal. She and a friend in the car had drowned.

"Is it a game, or is it real?" -- That was the question posed by the hit movie "War Games" in which a young computer buff taps into a Defense Department computer and starts the clock ticking toward World War Three.

For many business and the government, computer raiding was real in 1983. The computers that run industry and the nation are con-

nected by telephone. By hooking home computers to the proper phone lines, computer raiders gained access to some of those big computers. Among the targets were a cancer center in New York and a nuclear weapons laboratory in New Mexico. Authorities say we'll hear more of computer raiders in 1984.

Despite the amazing growth analysts expect in the computer industry, 1983 was a year of serious problems for many American computer makers. Some say it's because the industry grew too fast.

Companies such as Texas Instruments and Atari lost millions of dollars in the home and personal computer business. Both made drastic changes in their approaches to the problem. Atari modified and expanded, and was very successful, and TI got out of the business all together.

Several new additions are on the way for computer buffs. Coleco's new Adam system; to cost only about 600 dollars, and IBM's new PC Junior.

A new professional football league made its debut during the year. The United States Football League showed more promising signs of success rather than bad ones such as the World Football League many years ago.

The USFL was on firm ground financially at the end of the season.

The Baltimore Orioles disposed of the Philadelphia Phillies with clinical precision in the 80th World Series.

It was a special season for all American Leaguers -- for the first time in 12 years, they won the All-Star game. And they did it on the 50th anniversary of the classic.

The 1983 game was held in Chicago, and it featured the first grand slam in All Star history. The final score was 13-3.

Baseball's infamous "pine tar" controversy proved a sticky mess in 1983.

In Yankee Stadium on July 24, George Brett of the Kansas City Royals crashed a two out, two run homer in the top of the ninth inning. The shot gave K.C. a 5-4 victory over the Yankees which took more than three weeks to enter the record books.

The controversy came when the umpires ruled that the tar used for gripping purposes went too far up the bat. However the umpire's decision was later overruled.

America's Cup now comes from the land down under. *Australia Two* captured the coveted yachting trophy with a dramatic come-from-behind victory over *Liberty*, while halting the longest winning streak in sports history, 132 years of straight American Victories.

After coaching his Alabama Crimson Tide to a victory in the Liberty Bowl almost a year ago, Paul "Bear" Bryant retired as the winningest coach in football history.

Just four weeks later, the Bear passed away at the age of 69.

Hopefully some of the events highlighted in this special year end column have helped you to remember some of the outstanding events of 1983. Like all years, 1983 will be remembered as one of unique occurrences and points of history which serve to shape our future. With this in mind, look forward to 1984.

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## Christmas Tree

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dry, they begin to drop rather rapidly."

Consumers should know the dimensions and density of a tree before cutting or buying it. "If you're going out to cut your own, take a yardstick so you know how tall the tree is. Trees always look smaller when they're growing outdoors. You should know ahead of time the height and the width of the area where the tree will be placed.

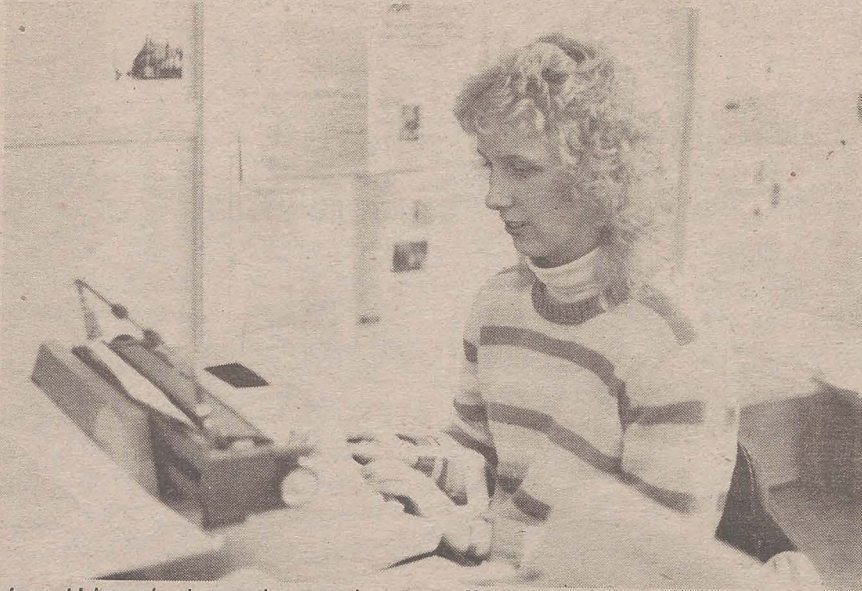
Always know what the ceiling height is and then don't forget you have to cut off a little of the bottom, it'll have to go into a tree stand, and gifts and other things must go under it, so make sure the height of the tree so to make the best use of it."

Consumers will find that prices are about the same as last year for the same types of trees.





# Goodbye to Staff Members



Lynn Lightner hard at work on another story. She leaves us this semester to take up further studies at Central Michigan University.



Joanne McGregor is leaving for the Chicago area at the end of the semester. She has been the typesetter for the Update all semester.

With the coming of the new semester, the Campus Update will be undergoing many changes. Some of the most major changes will occur within our staff.

The time has come to say goodbye to the assistant editor, Lynn Lightner, whose many dedicated and long hours of work helped to ensure a quality publication with each issue.

Lynn is now headed south to Central Michigan University to continue her educational career. We will all sorely miss Lynn and wish her the best of luck in all she does.

Another staff member which will be missed is our typesetter Joanne McGregor who is leaving ACC to pursue her career as a Graphic Artist in the Chicago area. Joanne currently has several job prospects in that area and we are sure that the skills she has demonstrated here at ACC will carry her far in life. Good luck Joanne, and thanks.

Our writing staff will be greatly depleted with the loss of feature writer Jenni Ritzler, news and specialty writer Diana Carter, and our "in touch" club and organizations lady, Madeline Hoppe. The absence of the writing techniques of these three fine women will be hard to replace.

But we sincerely believe that the remaining staff can carry on the extremely high ideals and traditions of this campus publication throughout the second semester in the same journalistic manner as maintained during first semester.

We hope that you continue to read and enjoy the information put forth in this newspaper, and that you find it of help during your educational process at this college.

Sincerely,  
Campus Update Staff

Only 10 more  
shopping days until  
Christmas!

## COLLEGE COURSES

by: Joan Brown

More evening students equal more evening classes at ACC.

Statistics show that approximately half (733) of the students enrolled at ACC are evening-only students with 493 students who attend both day and evening. "As the number of high school graduates decrease," said Mike Hood, Director of Informational Services, "serving the community needs is the only growth area." Hood added, as data collection improves they will have a better idea as to what classes are needed and when they should be scheduled.

The spring semester will have more evening sessions with computer and business related classes accounting for a major portion. Evening social sciences and apprenticeship classes are also increasing. "There has been a de-

finite shift to more evening classes," Hood said, "but it has been gradual over the past several years."

Scheduling is not an easy task. It begins with last spring's schedule and adds classes where necessary and deletes those which are no longer needed. This process usually takes 30 to 40 days. More changes occur as students point out problems they encounter trying to schedule the required classes for credits they need for their degree.

Instead of a new schedule for each semester, Hood said they are studying the development of a two-year arrangement "where students can plan on a schedule and we are committed to that schedule." Because there is a lot of interest in it, Hood added, we may have it by next fall.

Santa to travel by sleigh and reindeer. It is interesting that the German Pelz Nichol of that era literally meant Nicholas in fur.

In 1866 Thomas Nast an American cartoonist in his famous drawing "Santa Claus and His Works" showed Santa much as we see him today.

Another name for Santa Claus is Kris Kringle which comes from the German Christ Kindli or Christ Child. Kris Kringle was an angel-like figure who, accompanied by Plez Nichol, brought gifts at Christmas time in Germany and parts of Switzerland.

In Victorian England, Father Christmas appeared as a gentleman dressed in a long tail coat and beaver hat.

It would appear that Santa Claus is both fact and fancy. At the JBM his many images and traditions continue to live.

Through December 18 at JBM's sky theatre is *Star of Bethlehem*. It is the traditional program of the Christmas season discussing possible explanations for the "star" seen by the wise men. The sky theatre is open Sundays with shows at 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. Admission is \$1 for adults and 50 cents for students under 18.

Brian Gougeon's show will be at the museum through December. He is a former ACC student and talented artist. His first one-man show features pastels depicting familiar objects in unfamiliar settings.

The Juried Exhibition contains works selected from entries submitted by artists from northern Michigan. The exhibit will be at the museum through December 30.

JBM's own collection of *Furniture and Decorative Arts* will be on exhibit through January 30. The collection includes pieces from the late 1700's to early 1800's.

## Museum Highlights

by: Joan Brown

Santa Clause exhibit joins the *Star of Bethlehem* sky theatre presentation to give Jesse Besser Museum a Christmas feeling.

Santa Claus, fact or fancy, is the theme of this holiday exhibit. Antique and new santa dolls, toys, ornaments, cards and decorations from the collection of Eugene Beal are now on display. Beal has been collecting these Santas for over 30 years.

Santa Claus has his origin in a real person, Saint Nicholas, who lived in the A.D. 300's. He was bishop of Myra (now part of Turkey) who went about the night taking gifts to the poor. After his death his fame spread throughout Europe and he became the patron saint of schoolboys and was a favorite with all the children.

Dutch settlers brought the custom of celebrating Saint Nicholas day to New Amsterdam (New York) and English settlers quickly borrowed the legends and festivities of the kindly saint.

English speaking children pronounced the Dutch name for the saint, Sinterklaas, or Santy Claus or Santa Claus.

For centuries Saint Nicholas was depicted as a tall, stately person in bishop's robes. A new image of Santa was created by Washington Irving who, in 1809 described him as a jolly fellow wearing a broad brimmed hat and huge breeches and smoking a long pipe. In 1822 Clement C. Moore wrote the poem "A Visit From St. Nicholas" in which he is described as a jolly man dressed in fur. This is the first



# Bodie's Outlook

Most every respectable news agency has their own way of predicting the outcomes of sporting events. For example, the Detroit Free Press has the "Swamie", CBS has Jimmy the Greek, and the Dallas Daily has Charlie, the predicting ape. Well, the Campus Update is certainly not the largest publication in the area, but we felt we had to keep up in the prediction column to maintain certain respectability.

The staff of the Update has recently been blessed with a new member, known only by the name "Bodie". Word has it that Bodie is the hottest new sports predictor this side of the NFC Central division line.

Using all of the latest scientific skills, extensive mathematics background, a few old wives tales, and possibly a little luck, Bodie makes his predictions for the following sporting events:

Hall of Fame Bowl: West Virginia 24 Kentucky 13  
 Holiday Bowl: Brigham Young 38 Missouri 24  
 Sun Bowl: Southern Methodist 30 Alabama 14  
 Aloha Bowl: Penn St. 24 Washington 23  
 Liberty Bowl: Boston College 23 Notre Dame 17  
 Peach Bowl: North Carolina 27 Florida St. 10  
 Gator Bowl: Florida 31 Iowa 27  
 Bluebonnet Bowl: Oklahoma St. 28 Baylor 20  
 Cotton Bowl: Texas 24 Georgia 10  
 Fiesta Bowl: Ohio St. 17 Pittsburgh 13  
 Rose Bowl: Illinois 28 UCLA 17  
 Orange Bowl: Nebraska 45 Miami, Fla. 20  
 Sugar Bowl: Michigan 27 Auburn 21

The SUPER BOWL: Oakland 24 Washington 20

In College Basketball the National Champion will be the North Carolina Tar Heels for they defeat the Kentucky Wildcats.

## THE TOP TEN TEAMS



1. North Carolina
2. Kentucky
3. Memphis St.
4. Georgetown
5. Houston
6. North Carolina St.
7. Louisiana St.
8. Michigan St.
9. St. John's
10. Maryland



And there they are folks. Bodie's latest predictions. Why not make your own predictions about the same games and see if you can beat Bodie.

For sale: 1974 Ford Pinto. For Sale - -upright, manuel  
 Runs. Needs work. Would be good UNDERWOOD typewriter \$15.00.  
 around town car. Call college ex- A good sturdy machine. Call  
 tension 297 for more info. 356-6511, after noon.

## Intramural Highlights

The Intramural second season is coming to a close with playoffs starting this week.

In basketball, the Coon Rods finished in first and will be the team to beat in the playoffs.

The floor hockey season presented two great teams: The cougars and the M.P.'s seem to have the more superior team, but it should be a great match.

The bowling season will conclude Wednesday, December 14, with a bowl-off to determine the team champions for the season.

Also, a billiards tournament will be at the Holiday Inn on December 14, at 7:00 p.m. A \$1.00 fee will be charged. Prizes are \$25 for first place, \$10 for second place, and \$5 for third place.

The Third of the four seasons for Intramural sports will begin January 16 and last through March 16. Offered in the third season will be body toning, basketball, bowling, and table tennis tournament.

Have a Merry Christmas!

Tony Terry



Mike Huggler is our staff expert along the lines of music. Check out his "picks of the year."

### Mike Huggler

'83 saw Michael Jackson's *THRILLER* sell over 30 million copies and Britain's New Wavers with their bizarre haircuts flood the charts. Here are the uppers and downers of the year.

### BEST

*Outside Inside* The Tubes  
 Funny and Funky with help from Toto  
 1999 Prince  
 Naughty but Nice  
 War U2  
 The victor from 83's British invasion  
*You Bought It You Name It*  
 Joe Walsh  
 This Eagle's still soaring

### COMEBACKS

*Let's Dance* David Bowie  
 Madness  
*State of Confusion* The Kinks

### VICTIMS OF POPULARITY

*Pyromania* Def Leppard  
 It'll rock you . . . . .to sleep  
*Keep it Up* Loverboy  
 Not a very grueling effort  
*Alpha Asia*  
 Time for this "supergroup"  
 to pack it up

### DISAPPOINTMENT OF THE YEAR

*The Final Cut* Pink Floyd  
 We've waited 3 years for this?

### BEST ALBUM BY A DEAD SINGER

*Alive, She Cried* The Doors

### TOP SINGLES

"Major Tom Coming Home"  
 Peter Shilling  
 "1999" Prince  
 "Every Breath You Take" The Police  
 "Cum' on Feel the Noise"  
 Quiet Riot  
 "Refugee" U2  
 "She's a Beauty" The Tubes  
 "Sharp Dressed Man" ZZ Top  
 "Big Log" Robert Plant  
 "Burnin' Down the House"  
 Talking Heads  
 "Modern Love" David Bowie  
 "Foolin'" Def Leppard  
 "Cuts Like a Knife" Bryan Adams



WHAT ARE YOU DOING NEW YEAR'S EVE?

THUNDER BAY THEATRE PRESENTS

## FIFTY YEARS OF MUSIC

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Time: 9:00 pm to the WeeHours

Reservations Necessary -Call 354-2267.

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