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Student Senate Undergoes Changes

Women Veterans Honored

For the first time, the nation will pay special tribute to its 1.2 million women military veterans.

President Reagan has signed a Congressional resolution proclaiming Nov. 11 - 17 as "National Women Veterans Recognition Week." The resolution calls for an observance to "create greater public awareness and recognition of the contributions of women veterans, to express the nation's appreciation for their service, and to inspire more responsive care and services for women veterans."

Administrator of Veterans Affairs Harry N. Walters has urged all VA facilities to plan appropriate programs to emphasize VA's role in serving women veterans.

"Women have played a vital part in the defense of our country from the legendary Molly Pitcher of our American Revolution, through all other conflicts and in peacetime," Walters said. "They were on the beaches at Anzio nursing the wounded, they were prisoners of war in the Philippines, and they have piloted our military aircraft."

Women veterans make up 4.1 percent of the 28.2 million total veteran population.

Latest figures on estimated population of women veterans in selected states follow:

Illinois - 45,600; Indiana - 23,000; Iowa - 12,100; Kentucky - 13,100; Michigan - 39,100; Minnesota - 18,100; Nebraska - 6,700; North Dakota - 2,200; Ohio - 48,700; South Dakota - 2,500; Wisconsin - 20,200.

Since President Reagan named Walters to head the VA in December 1982, a number

of steps to improve service to women veterans have been taken, including the appointment of an 18 member Advisory Committee on Women Veterans.

VA medical centers are also developing a formal plan for the care of women veterans and to identify any barriers to their care. Though the majority of health problems for which women veterans are being treated are not gender-related, provisions of gynecologic care to both inpatients and outpatients has been upgraded.

Also, privacy limitations at VA medical facilities are being corrected in line with the VA policy of providing equal care to all veterans, male and female, Walters said.

Other facts about women veterans, according to the Veterans Administration:

* 36 percent of women veterans served during peacetime only.

* One of every five women veterans is at least 65 years old.

* California has the largest women veteran population (149,800), followed by New York (74,100), Texas (72,800), and Pennsylvania (55,500). Collectively these five states accounted for 37 percent of all women veterans living in the United States.

* The women veteran population is expected to increase slowly but steadily throughout the next several decades.

* The elderly women veteran population is projected to grow at a slower pace than that for males, according to VA.

Law Enforcement Takes Field Trip

Jackie Sommerfeld

When 16 ACC Law Enforcement students recently visited various Michigan Police Departments, little did they expect to become trapped in an elevator while on tour.

Instructor Herm Bordewyk and many of his law enforcement students were busy touring many police departments on October 31, through November 2. This was one of the four class field trips Bordewyk offers to his students during a two-year law enforcement program.

While completing the tour at Pontiac Police Department, the third stop on the three-day excursion, the students were riding the elevator from the department's shooting range when the elevator became jammed between the basement and first floor. After many attempts to unjam the elevator, the department called repairmen to the scene from Detroit. After a crowded 1½ hour wait and failed attempts to fix the jam, the last resort was to call the local fire department, where 16 law enforcement students and instructor Bordewyk were rescued by climbing through the top of the elevator escape hatch. Fortunately, everyone was O.K. and obtained some good hands-on experience: Patience.

The students began their tour at the Michigan State Police Crime Lab at Bridgeport, where they were guided through the many departments for processing Lecturer, Police Sgt, John Willmer explained various routine techniques such as fingerprinting, drug analysis, ballistics, and blood and urine

Senate Organizes

By Agatha Sytek

The Student Senate is a group of students organized as a committee to represent the interests of all the students on campus.

Without students there would be little need for a senate. Freshman student senate representative, Kelli Gates expanded on that idea by stating that the students' willingness to present ideas to the senate keeps the organization functioning. It is those ideas that start the action and get things done.

During the past few months the senate has been faced with a number of "internal difficulties". At the beginning of the fall semester members of the senate were selected through a process of acclamation. A standard election was not held because there were not enough petitions filed to hold an election.

Shortly after the senate was established President Frank Pickard chose to resign because he felt he could not devote ample time to the organization. Upon his resignation acting Vice President Jim Webber was appointed president. After a brief service in the office, Jim also chose to resign due to reasons similar to Pickard's. The president's seat was immediately filled by Lynne Amend. Amend, who was elected vice president after Webber became president, automatically assumed the presidency when Webber resigned.

Despite it's quick, unexpected changeover in officers, the senate now has a strong, enthusiastic body of officers and members. The members include: President, Lynne Amend; Vice President, Darrin Lightner; Secretary, Mary

Moreau; Treasurer, Matt Parcels; and Parliamentarian, John Kent. The six freshman representatives include: Gary Carlson, Kelli Gates, Don Graffer, Brian Patin, Richard Scott and Val Willis. The senate's advisor is Frank McCourt.

When asked whether these "internal conflicts" will affect the representation of the senate, Gates responded that the senate is capable of representation comparable to that which was exercised before the changes. The organization is confident in their ability. Their current activities include:

1) A specially appointed three member committee of the senate working towards the possibility of establishing a designated parking area for motorcycles.

2) The planning of a Senate/Faculty Administration banquet to be held on December 6, 1984. The senate, along with representatives of the various athletic programs on campus will meet with Faculty/Administrative members. Each representative will deliver presentations on the happenings within their organization. The aim of the presentations is to form communication between the student groups and faculty.

The student senate's objective is to work hard to meet the student-body needs; but they need to be made aware of those needs. Gates added that students are welcome to attend the senate meetings. The meetings are held every Tuesday at 11:15 AM in RM 103 of Van Lare Hall. Students with ideas may write them on paper and drop them off in the various student senate representative mailboxes located in McCourts office at Van Lare Hall.

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