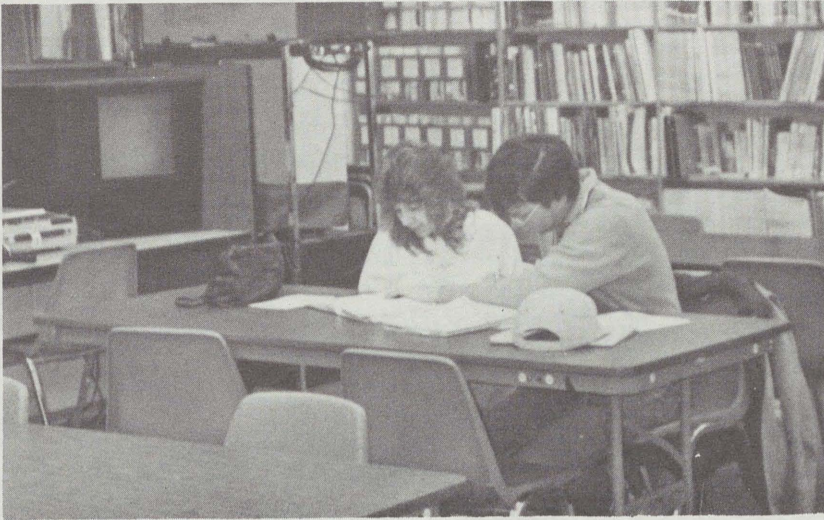


Learning Skills Center



The Learning Skills Center offers free tutoring for all subjects.

If you are having problems keeping up in classes it may indicate a need to build up regular study skills.

Study skills will again be offered in the Spring semester, if anyone is interested see Bonnie Urlaub or Audrey Voight in the LSC.

The LSC also offers testing to find out reading levels. If you

would like to find out your reading level you can request testing to determine your grade level.

The LSC also offers these programs: MOIS career printouts for any occupation, word processing programs for Apple and IBM. Both of these programs are easy to learn.

The LSC is again looking for qualified tutors in the Spring semester for all subjects. Contact Bonnie Urlaub for more information.



Holiday Renovations



While ACC students are busy enjoying the holiday break, work crews will be busy on campus completing two renovation projects. The campus maintenance crew will be re-locating the micro computer lab to rm 108 A&B. This move is part of the preparations for the on-campus book-store which is expected to be open for business on March 1, 1989.

The maintenance crew is relatively small, so in order to eliminate the demand for computer usage, the project will take place during the holiday break. This will also allow the maintenance crew sufficient time to re-locate the equipment without interruption.

So as students return in January, there will be a look of confusion on the faces of those who have neglected to read this article, as they wonder what happened to the computer lab, and if the computer lab move doesn't affect them maybe the re-modeling

of the lounge will.

Off campus vendors are expected to be busy re-modeling the student lounge in VLH. The lounge was considered a priority spot for renovation as indicated by the administration, faculty and students. All groups felt that this was the first area seen by potential ACC students as they inquire about registration and by community visitors.

The college would like to project a lasting image to students as well as to potential students. An image that is positive and one that will leave an impression of professionalism in the education process. It is also important that the image projects a comfortable atmosphere, allowing study and relaxing time to be enjoyable.

With this concept in mind the re-modeling of the lounge will be a complete project. It will include the removal of the previous furnishings and replacing them with a "today" style of tables,

chairs and end tables, to project a comfortable setting. To accompany the new furnishings there will be wall to wall carpeting and a new style of mini window blinds. All will be in coordinating colors of mauve, wedgewood blue and almond.

Mike Hood, Dean of Administration, is over-see of the VLH lounge renovation, and commented, "this project is the beginning of the renovation process, there will be many more during the next 3 to 4 years".

This project being finished by the time classes resume in January is up to the off campus vendors that were hired. The companies were given a schedule of when the project is to be completed, but whether it actually will be is going to be another matter. Hopefully the work will be complete or else it will have to be finished up while classes are in session.



New Corrections Curriculum



As of January 1989 there is a new corrections curriculum at ACC.

The name of the overall program is being changed from Law Enforcement to Criminal Justice.

In addition to the Law Enforcement course currently being offered, two new programs are being added.

There will be a two year degree in Corrections, and a Certified Corrections Officer Academic Program.

At the heart of the certificate program, also used in the Corrections field, there are five new courses: Introduction to Corrections, Client Relations, Correctional Client Growth and Development, Correctional Institutions and Facilities, and Legal Issues In Corrections.

LE 231 Introductions to Corrections is designed to provide an understanding of the agencies and institutions that have legal authority over the custody and

supervision of offenders. Major areas discussed include the history and development of corrections, community based corrections, local, state and federal correctional institutions, and institutional administration. The role of corrections in the total system of criminal justice will also be covered.

LE 235 Client Relations in Corrections will examine the dynamics of human interactions within correctional facilities. Human relations in general will be presented to establish a basis for more specific examination of the unique and complex situation found in corrections. The meaning and impact of culture will be explored as well as the causes and influence of prejudice on clients and corrections staff. Considerable discussion time will focus on values, ethics, and professional responsiveness.

LE 236 Correctional Client Growth and Development will give the student an understanding of, and sensitivity to the motivations and behaviors of correctional clients. The course begins by reviewing general factors believed to be influential in human development, then analyzes specific problems of prisoners. The course examines prevention theories as well as intervention and treatment strategies.

Next is LE 237 Correctional Institutions and Facilities. This course provides the student with a concentrated overview of correctional institutions and facilities. It is designed primarily

for students intending to pursue a career in the criminal justice system, or for those already employed within the system. It has relevance to other students pursuing a social science orientation. The course explores federal, state, county, and local facilities, including maximum, close, medium, and minimum custody facilities. It addresses community facilities, co-educational facilities, and the safety and security requirements and considerations related to each.

The fifth course is LE 238 Legal Issues in Corrections. This course studies state and federal law related to corrections. Particular emphasis is placed on constitutional issues and remedies for violation of rights. Students will gain insight into a wide range of policy considerations behind corrections law and administrative procedures. Leading cases and court decisions will be discussed at length and their impact on corrections explored.

There will be part-time instructors for all five of these courses. All are practicing in the field of Corrections.

For more information contact: Michigan Department of Corrections Human Resources Management Office P. O. Box 30177 Lansing, MI

Dennis Smith

ACC Has New Information Director



A director of public information has been appointed to handle media relations and promotional activities at ACC.

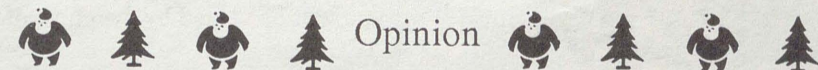
Carlene Przykucki began her duties Nov. 21, operating out of rm 254 in the CRDNC. She was editor of The Alpena News Monday Plus since its inception in 1984, has been a staff writer for a number of years and served as editorial coordinator for special sections there prior to her appointment at ACC.

"I appreciate the welcome I have received here," Przykucki said, "and I'm looking forward to the challenge of my responsibilities. The cooperation of students and staff will be a big help."

One of the projects for which she is recruiting information right now is producing a monthly calendar of events that will be used to bring the many activities at ACC before the public and keep the college community aware of what's happening as well.

All student clubs and organizations are encouraged to submit their January schedule in writing to the Public Information Office immediately, and to continue to do so by the last Monday of each month for the following month's schedule.

Przykucki will also be around the campus photographing "life at ACC" to establish a file of current scenes for use in the college catalog, brochures and advertising.



Opinion

The Michigan Clean Indoor Act (P.A. 198 of 1986) prohibits smoking in educational facilities, but designated smoking areas can be used.

ACC's present stand on smoking is that there is no smoking at all indoors. Perhaps a revision of this policy would be in order. It must be mentioned that the no smoking policy can be changed by a Board of Trustees vote, but it up to you to see that action is taken.

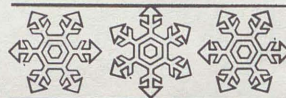
It is obvious that there is a trend toward a smoke free America, but the decision to smoke is a choice that one makes.

Both sides have valid arguments, but they must learn that it can not be 100 percent their way.

The passage of ACC's smoking policy I feel is discrimination. Smokers have a right to their habit, not matter what the government says. After all they established the Bill of Rights.

It goes without saying that new evidence concerning smoking and breathing second-hand smoke pop up every day. Without any type of ventilation, smoking on campus would be trouble. But smokers still have rights and they are being ignored.

ACC must examine the priorities at hand. What does it need as compared to what it wants. This institution needs more equipment and classroom space. ACC wants indoor smoking areas. John Pines



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