

### Friendly ACC faces

Extension Center secretary Sue Geiersbach and director John McCormack are getting ready for fall semester registration. Of ACC's near-2,500 enrollment, over 600 are at Wurtsmith. About as many civilians as active military and dependents are enrolled. Certificate programs in office assistance or small business management can be completed in their entirety at Wurtsmith, as well as associate degree programs in accounting, administrative secretary, business data processing, business management, law enforcement, marketing, small business computing systems and small business management. For more information, call John or

### Top-notch science lab

Colleen O'Shea Stemly is among the Wurtsmith Extension Center students who've enjoyed the benefits of ACC's top notch science laboratory on base. Housed in a portable unit, the lab has been upgraded over the past two years under the leadership of ACC's Math/Science Department Chairman Gary Sparks. Extension Center students can complete courses in biology, anatomy, physics and chemistry right at Wurtsmith. Extension Center Director John McCormack says the lab is "a big plus" for area students. Saginaw Valley State University, Central Michigan University and Oscoda Public Schools adult education classes make use of the excellent facility through a cooperative arrangement with ACC.



# ACC to open new industrial training center

A state of the art Industrial Training Center opens August 28 when fall semester gets underway at Alpena Community College.

Facilities are located in remodeled areas of Besser Technical Center and the BTC Annex. The training center, along with completely revamped curriculums for electrical and millwright apprenticeship programs and machine tool technology, will bring those ACC offerings "into the 21st Century," says Charles Wiesen, Executive Director of ACC's Center for Economic and Human Resource Development.

A grant proposal written last year by Dr. Curt Davis, Dean of Academic Instruction and Student Services, was awarded atory designed and equipped for

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some \$185,000 from state competitive Job Training and Retraining Funds in December. Since then, he and a staff committee which includes instructors Ivan McLaren, Bill Yule, Chuck Scheuffler and Bob Eller, along with Wiesen and Building and Grounds Director Don Witt, have worked steadily for this month's opening.

The center includes a classroom re-designed to accommodate the needs of both the specific programs and their adult students. There is also a laborhands-on learning and simulation of industrial applications.

The training units are portable and adaptable, which will allow updating to remain current with industry standards. Input from representatives of area companies helped deterset up of the facility.

Electrical apprenticeship training involves industrial electronics and skills for such things as installation and maintion systems.

A millwright deals with such things as hydraulics, pneumatic equipment, power trains, belts, gears and chains. On the job. one might be responsible for installation and maintenance of those systems in an industrial plant setting.

Machine tool technology skills could be put to work with lathes, mills, grinders and computer numerical control (CNC) operators, installers, maintenance and repair positions.

Creation of the Industrial Training Center will provide students with competitive, upto-the-minute skills for the

tenance of electrical distribu- market place. Area employers can also count on customized training tailored to the need for updating or retraining employees.

> "Trained, skilled, technically - oriented people are a valuable commodity" Wiesen points out. Although the local job prospects are somewhat limited, anyone willing to relocate can do well, he added.

> If you're interested in this nd of training, or need to update skills you already have in one of these fields, the Industrial Training Center is one more reason why Alpena Community College is a great place to start ... or start again!

## Placement testing is important for success

Alpena Community College, you have to take the ASSET placement test if you're taking a course in English or mathematics or register for nine or more semester credits.

All students should consider taking the test because it can tell you whether you are adequately prepared to be successful at college level course work.

The ASSET measures a student's level of skills in the areas of English, reading, and numerical computation. Those skills are crucial to vocational technical programs as well as to liberal arts transfer programs. Without a solid foundation to build on, you may find yourself struggling needlessly.

That's why ACC offers basic skills instructions and tutorial assistance through the Learning Skills Center (LSC). It's located in the Charles R. Don-

Before beginning classes at nelly Natural Resources Center on the Alpena campus and in the Base Education Building at Wurtsmith.

Find out where you need to start by taking the placement test at one of these scheduled times and places.

August 21:

8 a.m. Alpena Civic Center August 22, 25: 1 p.m., Van Lare Hall 105 August 23-24; 1 and 6:30 p.m. VLH 105 August 28, 30: 3 p.m. VLH 101 August 29, 31: 6 p.m. VLH 101 September 5, 7: 3 p.m. VLH 101 September 6: 6 p.m. VLH 101

The testing schedule for Wurtsmith is posted at the Education Building, or you can call 739-1445.

### Fall semester TEXTBOOKS will be sold

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MONDAY, AUGUST 21

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- HOURS FOR SEMESTER START UP -

AUGUST 21-24 **AUGUST 28-30** SEPTEMBER 5-7 9 a.m.-4 p.m. 5-7 p.m.

**AUGUST 25** SEPTEMBER SEPTEMBER 8

9 a.m.-4 p.m.

**AUGUST 31** CLOSED IN ALPENA ON BASE BOOK SALES AT WURTSMITH 4-8 P.M.