New Dorm Director

AQ Structure Attracts Nichols

by DAVID STACEY

There are a number of old faces you won’t see around Aquinas this year. Of the few new faces, one of the most promising belongs to John Nichols, new Director of Residence Life. Nichols was born in Scotville, Michigan, dad his undergraduate studies at C.M.U. and his postgraduate work at Western Illinois University. When he was hired director in a dormitory of 1,000 students. With that many people under one roof, he found himself too left down to the administrative side of residence hall life.

Aquinas attracted him because of its smaller, less formal scale. He feels that Aquinas is “less highly structured than the big University,” thus, is better grounded for more direct student involvement and has “more all around things to do.”

Some of the more all around things extend beyond the campus’ bounds. One project on Nichols’ mind is to better integrate on and off campus involvement in events. “I will work with the Student Activities Office,” says Nichols “and a proposed advisory council to Student Affairs to organize activities emphasizing availability to all students regardless of where they live.”

Nickih does not regard the staff cutbacks as too severe a problem. It will “require a few adjustments” on the part of R.A.’s, he says, and feels they will absorb any problems.

With his new position, Nichols inherits two other problems – the phone issue, or, more appropriately, the lack of phone issue. He says the phone is already negotiated with Bell Telephone for an individual suite

Nichols intends to begin “consideration for others” through a personal relationship between himself and residents. On discipline he speaks determinedly, emphasizing “consideration for others.”

“An individual should not violate the rights of others.”

After some nasty experiences with discipline problems at the big university he seems to have developed a sense of priorities and the need for general guidelines that evolve around them.

This years reduced R.A. staff can anticipate a closer relationship between themselves and their new director. He expects from them a “high level of performance. They should do their job and have a part in it.”

The plan for a chapel was first introduced after the old Faculty Art Building was partially destroyed by fire in November of 1975. Several people from the Aquinas community have now become a reality.

Aquinas has a free-standing chapel.

The chapel is named the Chapel of Aquinas Weber, treasurer of the Dominican Community and vice president of the Board of Trustees, John O'Connor, vice president of Business and Finance, Joe Nowak, head of Maintenance, Sister Ann Thielen, coordinator of Campus Ministry, and President of Aquinas, Doc

The idea of a brown bag college was resurrected in late August by Barb Witham, director of Student Affairs.

The delighted guests included a few local clowns who will sell popcorn and ice cream, and organizations will introduce themselves at the Fair.
DIRT Under The Rug

by Sheldon Herman

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There are an awful lot of things that need to be done, most of which you won't get paid for. Don't become a slave to some pig corporation, or a money-making machine. Use your education to enable you to do something more important, and in serving yourself.

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Office Relocation, Better Communication

by JOE ZWIER

"Fifteen people can actually occupy it at the same time without touching," beamed Kathy Russell, Xerox room operator in reference to her new working quarters.

The Xerox room, along with nearly every other office on campus, is currently settling into its new location. The moves are part of an administrative reorganization designed to deal realistically with staff reenlistment and the problem of student attrition.

Plagued by memories of the old Xerox room, where occupants would take care not to breathe at the same time, Russell appreciates the added space.

The move came too late for Russell, however. She will leave this month to rejoin her husband at an Airforce base in Florida. Luann Beaufait will replace her in the Xerox room.

James Schultz, Dean of Academic Services, who is supervising the office reorganizing, is also settling into his new office. He says that the move has resulted in "much better communication between offices that cont. on page 4."
Academic Advising continues to be the primary responsibility of the discipline in many small liberal arts colleges, and has been one of the major advantages involved in this innovative approach.

The advisors have an obligation to augment this time-consuming work with other responsibilities, including the selection of a major field of study and the writing of a senior thesis or project. The processes of decision making, goal-setting, and life planning are among the areas to be addressed.

"Career Seminar" was designed to encourage sophomores and juniors who are unsure of their direction in their college careers. Registration ends Sept. 9 and there are still openings in "Career Seminar SS262."
Antedotes to Violence

Lecture Series to Open Oct. 7

A concert/lecture will be part of the four-speaker lecture series this year. The lecture series, “Images of Violence in America,” complements last year’s series which featured a lawyer, a journalist, an economist, an educator, and a business leader. Last year’s speakers brought the ethical problems of violence to the attention of the audiences. This year’s series features persons who have found, in their professions, antidotes to the violence in America.

The first speaker is Rev. J. Bryan Helir, director of the Division of Peace and Justice for the U.S. Catholic Conference. He is speaking Oct. 7.

Madeleine L’Engle, author of many children’s books and reflective essays, will be the second speaker. Her lecture, on Nov. 10, will be on literature as a reflection of life and as a way of teaching others.

Rev. Edward Gutfreund will be featured Dec. 7 in concert/lecture. Gutfreund, a songwriter and record producer, will be free in order to make the speakers available to everyone, according to Sr. M. This was made possible in part through the cooperation of the speakers, two of which are coming in at little more than cost of transportation, she said.

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Faculty Homecoming

by DIANE LAFFERTY

A good number of the incoming faculty this fall will already be familiar with Aquinas, either as former students or teachers.

One new member, Assistant Professor Thomas T. Dooley, is in parish ministry in his concert/lecture. Gutfreund will be on literature as a reflection of life and as a way of teaching others.

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Financial Cutback
McCormick Dismissed

by DEAN HILL

As of July 1, the office of Coordinator of Veterans Affairs became vacant.

Art McCormick, last year's coordinator, contract expired June 30. McCormick was dismissed because a cut in summer funds brought about by a drop in the number of veterans enrolled full-time as of April 1, 1977.

The federal award for the year 1977-78 has not been announced.

NEW OFFICES

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had to communicate every day but were located in different buildings.

The new office structure places all academic services such as advising, recruitment, financial aid assistance, and employment assistance in the same quadrant of the Adminis-
tration Building under the direction of Schultz.

Mudge Jofre, assistant director of Career Action, is meeting plenty of new faces that he never met when the Community Education offices were located at Willowbrook.

"We're not really an entity in ourselves," she explains. "We have to work with the Registrar's Office and the offices located here (the Administration Building). It's much better for our students."

Mary Martin, assistant director of Public Relations, is one of the employees who moved into a smaller office as a result of the re-organization.

"We don't have the same amount of space," she explains, "but we're closer to some of the other people we work with."

Marilyn England, an assistant in the same office, notes that moving into offices on the opposite side of the hall from Public Relations staff is "doing everything in reverse."

CAMPUS MINISTRY

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involve broader segments of the college community." Most of the programs are aimed at the regular, full-time student. Campus Ministry now has a reputation for assisting members of the Alumni and Career Action programs. Students serve on the boards of both the commissions and are involved in the liturgies as lay ministers, maintenance work, and social events.

The main offices of Campus Ministry will be located in the new office structure. Campus Ministry will maintain AB213 as an outreach office.

While no specific liturgies are set on the calendar for the academic year, they will include the welcome, harvest, Christmas, and Lenten liturgies as well as the dedication of the pastoral center.

According to Sedlecky, "Campus Ministry is the forefront of growth in a community, and Campus Ministry is slightly more progressive than the typical parish . . . . we can stand to be a little bit more experimental."

Students Aided Finding Work

by MARYHELEN GILDAY

The second annual Geography Open House will be held on Sunday, Sept. 4 from 2-5 p.m. in Albertus Hall, room 104.

The open house is an invitation to all members of the Aquinas community to enjoy a festive atmosphere complete with wine, music and friends.

Informative literature, course offerings in geography, and maps will be on display to give guests a sample of the diverse opportunities available in geography. Faculty and geography majors will be available at this time to discuss the program and answer any questions you may have. Informative literature, course offerings in geography, and maps will be on display to give guests a sample of the diverse opportunities available in geography. Faculty and geography majors will be available at this time to discuss the program and answer any questions you may have.

For more information, or if you would like to help plan the open house, please contact Margaret Janettie at 454-8584.

Geography Open House Sept. 4
FRESHMEN CHECK OUT CAMPUS

by MARGARET J MITCHELL

As part of their orientation, this year's incoming freshmen were required to attend a two-day session on campus.

First day activities consisted of checking in, tours of the campus, and various tests. The tests included the math and chemistry Placement tests and the English qualifying exam. This new students were also given their first taste of Saga food.

Social activities scheduled for the dinner hour served as an ice-breaker.

The second day brought more tests. These included the Strong Campbell Inventory test and the ACE Questionnaire. In the afternoon many questions were answered at a session dealing with registration and Aquinas in general. The day concluded with the students divided into groups, each with an advisor, to register for classes.

These orientation sessions have taken place throughout the summer, four in June and July and two yet to be held in August. Parents were also given an opportunity to attend one of the sessions in June. They were able to meet and talk with faculty and administrative members.

Michael Keller, director of academic advising, conducted the sessions, keeping the students amused and at ease. Keller feels that the two day orientations give the students a chance to experience a little of what college life will be like. It also gives them an opportunity to become acquainted with other students.

Seeing a familiar face in August will be a great asset and comfort to incoming freshmen.

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FOOD SERVICE

$20 for groceries yesterday, and I'm out of milk again.

They did away with the draft, but I've been on K.P. since I got off the meal plan.

"Meet me in the dining hall and I'll give you my telephone number at dinner," she said. And me without a meal ticket.

Well, getting a good square meal on a meal plan is not only easier, but it's cheaper, and the best way to meet new friends.

Eating can be expensive, time-consuming, and even lonely. Signing up for a meal plan is the simplest way to cut costs, save time, and enjoy a good meal with your friends.

Save Money: No matter how much food costs go up in the supermarket signing up for a meal plan is your guarantee that your costs won't go up. And if you've got a healthy appetite, your daily food costs for good square meals on a meal plan will be less than you'd pay if you'd cooked for yourself.

Save Time: The student who cooks spends an average of 14% hours a week buying food, preparing it, cooking it, and cleaning up. The convenience of having your food cooked for you saves you extra time for yourself.

Sign up for a meal plan - eating that's inexpensive, easy, and enjoyable.

Contact Saga Food Service or Registrar's Office When Registering

Plan "A" 20 Meal Plan - All 20 meals per week
Cost per semester - $420.00

Plan "B" Any 15 meals per week
Cost per semester - $401.00

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Save Time: The student who cooks spends an average of 14 hours a week buying food, preparing it, cooking it, and cleaning up. The convenience of having your food cooked for you gives you extra time for yourself.

Spending a little time with your friends: Eating a good nutritious meal in the dining hall is not only a time to meet new friends, it’s a time to socialize and catch up on the news with old friends.

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Freshmen experience Saga

Interpersonal encounter

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