Ex-Spy Offers Alternatives to War

by Liz Biermacher

At the January 31, 1984 meeting of the Student Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees, the Community Senate will request that the Committee agree to end the funding of the 1983 - 1984 Veritas yearbook.

According to the book's editor, Tony Brescia, "I don't know what will happen. If I push and we don't get to go on, then that is fine. If I push and we do get to go on, I won't be able to reach my original goal for the book, but I will do the best I can.

And this time it is the opinion of the Community Senate that it is "extremely doubtful that a book will be published," according to Dan Pulpel, chairman of the Senate. In a letter circulated to the publications Board, Pulpel, speaking for the Senate, said, "We also believe that if a book is published, it will not be available to the students until next fall, and with the book being assembled in such a short time, the quality is also of concern.

Ex-CIA spy, Peter James, discusses current national issues.

The recommendation of the Senate to the Student Affairs Committee to end funding of the book stems from a letter from the local representative of the Joint Publishing Co., John Pesano. The letter states that the deadline for the 1985 book was established and are: Nov. 7, 32 pages due; Dec. 5, 32 pages due; Jan. 16, 32 pages due; and Feb. 13, 24 pages due.

According to Pesano, "As of this date (Jan. 9) we have received a total of 14 pages in the plant. Obviously, with this kind of deadline performance it would be impossible for Josten's to ship the book by the scheduled date of April 24.

Pesano added that he has frozen plant production of the book at this time.

Brescia offered no solid reason as to why deadlines were not met. He did, however, allude to the fact that beginning deadlines were not met. At a later meeting, the contractors, putting the book away for the day.

The establishment got very concerned with the fact that this radiated engineer was going to go too far," said James. In fact, some of the government agents took it upon themselves to go on one of my European trips chasing me. Catching me in Brussels, they said they had friends in the Mafia who would arrange an automobile accident, and they mentioned my forth coming book. They made it very clear.

"I got out of that hot spot by actually fleeing to the American Embassy in Brussels. I was chased there. The Embassy provided Marine guard escorts for me to the airport, and the FBI met me in the

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Staff Gets Break

by Walter Bakes

On Monday, Jan. 9, many Aquinas staff received an unexpected vacation due to a water main break near the Administration Building.

According to Jack Pfieffr, Vice-President for Plans and Operations, the break occurred at 11:30 pm. The Credit Union, the Fieldhouse and the Pastoral Center, the personnel in these three facilities was alerted to leave for the day.

The break was fixed by the contractors, putting the main back into operation by that afternoon.
Editorial

Education Key to Future

What is happening in Michigan is frightening. According to a recent U.S. Department of Education report, the student dropout rate in Michigan public schools has increased more than eight percent over the last ten years, and moreover, over the last two years, student scores in the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT), indicated that while math scores have increased slightly, verbal and reading scores have decreased. The combined scores show an overall decline in Michigan students' performances.

What does this mean to us as students at Aquinas College? Primarily, it points out that now more than ever before, we must be motivated to give of our best to our studies because we are the future of our country.

We have been influenced by various points of view. These viewpoints represent different ways of answering important questions regarding education, for example, the type of education that should be given to each of us: What are the major goals of education? Only after this is answered can one begin the process necessary to reach the end.

Education in 1984 tends to be bothensme in the grind of everyday living. It is easy to feel that the mounds of books and the piles of homework have little relevance in our present society. Because of the fast pace of today's world, our generation is being rocked in thousands of different directions. But the opportunities for us make a tremendous advantage to all of us.

One specific question that should be answered by each of us is: What are the major goals of education? Only after this is answered can one begin the process necessary to reach the end.

In Wege Mall on Thursday's as a witness for peace. But not for education, for fellowship and community in serving the world, our generation is being rocked in thousands of different directions. But the opportunities for us make a tremendous advantage to all of us.

Tremendous advantage to all of us. So you are probably wondering what you can do about this. We can achieve the greatest possible benefits from school. This includes not only applying ourselves to our classes, but also getting involved in those activities that can make a tremendous advantage to all of us.

One of the ways of means for students to become socially aware of the issues that are pertinent in our society. The democratic society rests upon the wisdom and participation of all people. We must be educated so that we can make intelligent decisions when we vote and decide what is really important to us.

Let me conclude, however, with a small "pitch." If you would be interested in being part of this RENEW program, stop by the Campus Ministry Office (AB 122) soon and well put you in touch with a student leader. It may be just the opportunity you need to strengthen your faith life or raise your drooping midwinter spirits. If the enthusiasm of the leaders is any indication of the spiritual energy we are in for a "warm-winter-thaw" with meaningful and lively discussions this semester.

Since 1979 a group of Aquinas people of diverse religious denominations have been meeting on a prayer circle. Each prayer service finds the group reflecting on a particular theme, such as awareness of nuclear power and forces as an issue. Why is nuclearism such a central concern in 1984? After all, nuclearism has been present in our world now for nearly forty years.

As Christians then, or as believers in a loving God, a faith which provides the cement which motivates us to activate our powers of conscious, feeling, loving, enlightened human beings.

We do not have to struggle alone with our awareness. If you don't believe that there is a world-wide hunger for nuclearism, we invite you to open any daily news publication and read of the thousands, indeed millions, of other illuminated people who are concerning themselves with their awareness being heard. Our ultimate hope, which is the elimination of nuclearism, will not be realized individually, but collectively. If you are still asking yourself where to stand in this world-wide hunger for truth, then you are within the bounds of humaneness. This will allow you to see that the only weapon we have is the faith and a collective human conscience. We are engaged in a spiritual journey. Prayer is vital in bringing us to see that the only weapon we have is the faith and a collective human conscience.

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Runners Prepare for NAIA
by Cathy Finch

The women's track team started the 1984 indoor season on a tough note at the MSU Invitational meet on Saturday, Jan. 14. It was tough for two reasons: First, the runners were coming off a month lay off and second, the competition included Big Ten powerhouses U of M and MSU. Rounding out the competition were Saginaw Valley, Toledo University, University of Windsor at Ontario and Northwood Institute.

The women showed remarkably competitive spirit by setting three new school records. Ceci Kelly set a new mark of 7.60 in the 60 yard dash while the relay team of Kelly, Cathy Finch, Debi Wickering and Sandy Navaro set the new sprint medley and 4x220 yard relay records. The two relays each took a 5th place and the scoring for Aquinas was finished out with a 4th place in the long jump by Finch.

Good competition at this meet and at future meets (Notre Dame and U of M) set the stage for the NAIA District 23 meet to be held at Aquinas on Feb. 18.

Returning from Christmas break, the men's basketball team lost its first home game of the second semester to Olivet College, 96-93. The men's record now stands at 11-6. Pictured above is Senior Rick Vryhof.

Senior guard, Nancy Hill, checks out the defense of the Grand Valley Lakers in the Jan. 19 contest held in the Aquinas Fieldhouse. The team improved its record to 14-1 by defeating the Lakers 76-65.

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States to avoid personal tragedy." James then returned to Pratt and Whitney only to find out that his nine-year-old job was terminated.

Since then, James has gotten back his old contacts and is doing the same thing as in the old days. But, instead of reporting to the CIA in secret hotel rooms and passing off notes and intelligence reports, he is reporting to the American people.

"You have a right to know and a right to make up your own minds," stressed James.

James also presented a slide show with his lecture picturing many of the Soviet spies and defense weaponry, sample letters of CIA reports, Soviet KGB agents, intelligence reports, and assessments. Accompanying the slide show was many factual yet frightening experiences James encountered as a member of the CIA. James also discussed several defense, military, and economic problems evident in today's world, and offered some probable alternatives.

To summarize where we are heading, James stated that both the U.S. and the Soviet Union are embarked on a massive military arms race, especially in the nuclear area. Both the U.S. and the Soviet Union have more or less broken down negotiations, and both countries are heading towards madness. The entire problem, James says, is what he calls a systems approach.

"Why should the U.S. government provide any type of technological economic assistance to the Soviet Union at a time when the evidence clearly shows that the Russians are involved in a massive military build up? I choose to call it foreign aid. We provided Russia with arms, which they used to invade Afghanistan, technological assistance, computer deals, and by and large, it made no sense to me to prop up their economy," explained James.

What is James' alternative?

"What we have to recognize, is that the economic stability of the U.S. also contributes to our national security. Massive defense expenditures are a great burden to our society. We should do this - don't build the B-I Bomber, over a ten - year period, phase out all existing land - base missiles, don't build the land - base version of the MX Missile. Over a ten - year period, our country will save hundreds of billions of dollars, and with the money saved, put part of it in the American nuclear submarine force. Over a ten - year period, transfer the American nuclear arsenal from land onto the five oceans of the world.

"I'm telling the Russians, we don't need you. We never have needed you. The Korean Airline incident showed me that you still act like barbarians... continue with your human rights violations, your actions in Afghanistan, your using chemical warfare in Southeast Asia. We are Americans. We are not going to be intimidated... You want to walk out of the talks, fine." James added that the money saved with this action will be poured into the economy so we can become the world's number one economic, industrial and agricultural giant.

"We provide the Russians with a technological nightmare," James said. "With the subs constantly on the move, there's no way they can seek and destroy them all at the same time.

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James' proposal is literally changing the complexion from a military race to an economic race, which James says we, with a capitalistic system, are going to win. James added that we will use this economic power to help the
Maintaining Health Key to Prevention

by Margaret Chappell

The common cold and flu season is here. The best way to prevent catching a cold or the flu is to maintain your overall good health with plenty of rest, good nutrition, alleviate stress, and take part in some form of exercise.

These two unwelcome diseases are caused by viruses. Your nose, throat, and chest can be infested by these creatures and they will cause discomfort for a few days to a few weeks, depending on your state of health and the virus. A remedy or cure for a virus infection is still to be found. Medications such as decongestants, aspirin, and cough syrups may give relief from the symptoms of stuffy or runny nose, sneezing, sore throat, popping in the ears, body aches and pains, fever, and cough, but they will not cure the disease.

If you have any of the above symptoms and you are not allergic to aspirin, take 2 tablets every 4 to 6 hours. This will help reduce the pain and temperature. Drink plenty of non-alcoholic fluids.

If other symptoms develop, or your temperature exceeds 102 degrees, come to the Health Center or check with your own physician for further treatment or direction.

A bacterial illness and a viral illness are treated differently. If an antibiotic has been prescribed for you to combat a bacterial infection, it is very important to finish all of the pills or capsules that have been prescribed for your specific illness.

If someone should offer you a left-over antibiotic don’t take it! The left-over pills may not be the proper medication for you. Besides, there may not be enough left to completely eliminate the strain causing your illness.

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Third world and “they will gravitate toward us,” and eventually, extreme left wing and extreme right wing dictatorships will “fall to the wayside.”

James admitted that special interest groups, certain corporations, and certain banks do control our country, but he stressed that “we can’t blame them, the President, the House, or the congressmen. We have to blame ourselves because our country is set up where we can do something about it if we want to. The problem is called apathy.

“We have the right if we wish to create one of the world’s greatest societies. We also have the right, if we wish, to destroy ourselves... I’ve offered a partial solution and I know it would work. But if it’s going to work, you, as Americans, have to be involved.”

James concluded by stating that he’s not trying to brainwash anyone, but only trying to raise issues which will get people thinking.

“The objective is, the more you think about the issues, the better chances are that we’re going to have some solutions.”

Some advice from the ex-spy of 20 years on recognizing a Russian spy—“Look for the man on a cloudy day who is wearing sunglasses.”

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