By Patrick Miles

In a letter to all of the Aquinas College Community Senate members, current Chairperson Steve Walker announced that he will resign from his position. The resignation will be effective as of January 1, 1988.

In the letter, Walker cites “personal and academic considerations” as reasons for the mid-year resignation. “I wasn’t keeping up with my academic work, I have found that I am too busy to do the job a chairperson needs to do. I was getting worn down,” he states. “I thought about resigning over the summer, and I came very close; but now after re-evaluating my schedule, I realize that I can’t handle it.”

Walker feels disappointed about having to resign, “I think things are finally starting to come together for the Senate. I regret having to resign as this happens.”

The beginning of the year wasn’t so successful. I really didn’t know how things in the Senate are done or how they were done in the past. Generally, the Senate lacked organization and communication, and the meetings were lacking structure. But, finally it is at a point where it’s all coming together,” he said.

Walker ran for the Chairperson’s position unopposed, easily defeating a write-in candidate. When asked about his reasons for running for the important position, he answered, “I’ve wanted to be a leader. I think I am open-minded and patient. I felt I could bring these qualities to the Senate.”

As for his Senate experience, Walker was Chairman of Political Affairs his sophomore year, of which he says, “I found no help in that committee; it is the worst committee to be chairman of. The Senate lacks communication and recognition, most freshmen don’t even know what it is or what it does.”

“Compared to other colleges Aquinas students have a lot more of a voice. We have input into what goes on around the college. The Senate is equivalent to the Academic Assembly. We should take advantage of that,” Nachtegall proposes.

Nachtegall plans to work with the different committees and the chairperson of the Rules and Review committee. To fill the position of chairperson he must receive a 3/4 majority vote of the Senators who are eligible to vote in the special election, which will be held today (December 9, 1987). If elected, Nachtegall will assume office on January 1, 1988 at 12:00 a.m. and will finish the unexpired term for the remainder of the 1987-88 academic year.

“I honestly feel I can do the job. I don’t see the position as one of authority,” he states, “but as one where people can work through the chairperson, the senators in particular. There isn’t a formula to make a successful Senate. The Senate should be an open organization, open to any ideas or questions. The Senate lacks communication and recognition, most freshmen don’t even know what it is or what it does.”

By Mary Ann Musial

A new security fence has been put around the perimeter of the Plymouth parking lot. This is an effort by Campus Safety to deter crime and reduce theft. The Administration is currently working on other ways to improve the campus and enhance safety for the Aquinas community.

Many security concerns were brought to the attention of Sr. Nathalie Meyer, Vice President for Administration and Finance, during a luncheon that she had with Plymouth lot and behind the Fieldhouse to St. Joe’s. “These were all great suggestions from Campus Safety,” Sr. Nathalie said.

Maintenance will now be working nights and weekends to help students and relieve some of Campus Safety’s responsibilities. Previously, Campus Safety was the only 24 hour service that students could rely on. Sr. Nathalie praises them, “Our hats should go off to Campus Safety for doing a tremendous job! What we’re trying to do now is help them to do an even better job.”

Steve Walker

Bob Nachtegall

There is never enough money to get a good speaker and I always wanted to help that I never get. This year I wanted the Senate to be more supportive of the committees. I feel that Walker shares the Movie committee.

At the scheduled Senate meeting on Wednesday, December 2, the Senate took nominations to fill the vacant position. All of the nominees declined or withdrew their nominations except sophomore Bob Nachtegall.

Nachtegall is currently the
Resident Advisor Feature

By Mary Ann Musial

"See Dick at AQ. See Jane on 2nd East. See Dick chase Jane!" This phrase is displayed on Regina Hall's 2nd East floor shirts. The leaders of this zany floor are two sophomores, Marlene Grant and Liz Kensington.

Marlene Grant from Lake Leelanau, Michigan is planning to become a secondary-education teacher. She is majoring in biology and minoring in sociology. She decided to become a Resident Assistant in order to improve her communication skills, use her leadership skills, and help others with their problems. Grant claims that she loves people and is always there "whether they need a hand to help or an ear to listen to them!" Grant feels that some of her best experiences as an R.A. have been during her floor's social activities such as horseback riding, hay rides, and a floor dinner. She also enjoys the little rap sessions in her room.

In her spare time, Grant likes to ski, go bike riding, walk, and sew. She loves listening to Boston, watching "The Cosby Show" and "Family Ties", and eating chocolate chip cookies and vanilla ice cream.

Grant chose Aquinas because of the small friendly atmosphere. She felt that everyone cared and that she wasn't just a number. As an R.A., she hopes to grow and to possibly help others grow as well, and would like to to tell everyone, "Always think positive about yourself and know that we all need to smile!"

Liz Kensington hails from Hastings, Michigan and is double majoring in English and communications. She wanted to become an R.A. so that she could meet other people and experience new areas in which she could grow. Kensington feels, "that every day as an R.A. is fun, and I really enjoyed R.A. camp, too."

In her spare time, Kensington likes to relax with her friends. Her biggest hobby is collecting pigs. When she was younger, her brother called her a pig and the name caught on. This is when her fascination began. She has been collecting pigs ever since then. Her whole room is filled with them! She exclaims, "Every pig is special to me!" Her favorite food is definitely not pork, but popcorn and vegetables. She likes to listen to INXS and watch "Alf" because he "looks like a pig!"

Liz hopes to gain a better understanding of people during her time as an R.A. She wants to be open to new ideas and learn to manage her time better as well. Liz would like others to know that, "I'm not an airhead; I'm unique!" She says, "people take life too seriously. They need to relax and learn to have fun." Her motto is "Learn from the past; Live in the present; Hope for the future!"
THE MYSTERIES OF THE SENATE

The resignation of the Chairperson from the Community Senate raises some very poignant questions. Although Steve Walker did not resign from the Chairperson position because of the questions that will be discussed, with the position being vacated and filled mid-year it gives us an opportunity to carefully examine and re-evaluate the Senate and its mission. First, why aren't there more people interested in being Chairperson, much less a senator? Second, why doesn't the Chairperson get more support from the members of the Senate? And third, what can be done to improve the position of the Senate in the students' eyes? (i.e.: What does it take to get the students interested and involved in on-campus activities?)

To answer the first question that is raised, one must examine the position of Chairperson, and the responsibilities that it entails. The Chairperson is the presiding officer of the Senate, the Chair must call, set forth an agenda, and conduct Senate meetings, and generally oversee the activities of the numerous committees. The Chair must also sit on a number of committees including the Academic Assembly, and many other Administration-related boards. It takes a great deal of time to perform the varied duties of the Chairperson, and there is little or no return (in either appreciative or monetary terms). That alone is discouraging to potential volunteers to give their free-time to enrich the lives of others.

The second question pertaining to support has been partially answered in the above paragraph. But, there are other elements that contribute to failure. The Chairperson must establish an open system of communication among the senators and students, so that he is easily accessible. In this open system there would be a feeling of participation, and one could see the fruits of their ideas or input. That positive reinforcement will make support much easier to solicit in the future.

The different committees need to work together, and mutually benefit from each other. The Senate needs to function as a unified body, rather than numerous separate entities operating on their own—indeed the opposite of help or support from the other parts of the organization. The leader of the Senate needs to instill the “group-oriented” type of thinking into the chairpersons and in turn their committee members. With the new Chairperson, the senators should actively urge him to lead them and give the damn snow would melt away.

Of course it won't. Not for a while at least, and since this is Michigan it's bound to be a long while. In other words, we're stuck with snow. But perhaps snow-covered days wouldn't seem such a gloomy prospect if we could hold onto that first-snowfall wonder of childhood. Kids love snow with good reason. They know that it can do all kinds of things. It delights the senses. So let your mind drift. Forget all those adult winter worries and re-experience snow.

When snow is crisp and cold and loose like fine sand, the wind whips it up into pointed, powdery drifts. It seeps into your boots, when you walk through it, and crunched under your feet when you walk over it. It's gritty and gritty and stings when blown into your face. Sticky, heavy, wet snow clings to the narrowest tree branches and changes them from scrappy bare tangles to glorious fairy-world creations. It saturates wooden mittens, and you make a type of gooey snowman, and give it a name. It's great for making snowmen, and if it's especially wet you'll end up with little green trails on your lawn from rolling the snowballs, which will probably resemble white Swiss cake rolls with polishes, dirt and grass folded in.

Snow can look great, glazed by a heavy shell of icicle drippings. It can sound great, churning into gray slush that makes all kinds of bizarre noises under your boots. From inside a warm house, falling snow seen through a window conjures up visions of hot chocolate and roasting fires. From outside, a house with lighted windows in the evening looks much warmer if it's roof is covered with snow.

One of my favorite childhood memories is of being in our snow-covered backyard on a clear evening with the moon glowing down on all that white. Give a child a setting like that and she can imagine all sorts of impossible things that will seem, at the time, completely believable. That is the magic of snow. It covers the familiar, ordinary, sometimes ugly world and changes it into an entirely fresh and different place. In this place, all things are possible. Enjoy your winter!
Techno-Punk: Viv Akauldren & Independent Spirits

By Scott A. Sundberg

VIV AKAULDREN "I'll Call You Sometime" (Akashic Records)

Viv Akauldren is not a who but a what. Viv Akauldren are a trio of Detroit based musicians who are probably one of the few real independent bands around today. Whereas the lesson in 1977 was "anyone can do it," today the message seems to be "if you've got the money and the backing, you can do it!"

Not so with Viv Akauldren. "I'll Call You Sometime" is their second independently produced and distributed album. Unlike many other "independent" acts, who have ties with small record companies promoting several other acts and are distributed by larger labels, V.A. are attempting to pull the whole thing off on their own. Why? Guitarist/vocalist Jeff Phry explained to me that their DIY approach is NOT because they have a lot of money to spend on their records, but for the simple fact that they wanted the freedom to do whatever style of music they wanted to do.

Which brings me to the album. "I'll Call You Sometime." Definitively NOT what I expected. This one record covers so many styles that it's hard to imagine just one band playing it all. A yearning theme throughout that ties all of the songs included on the album together. Yes, there is some of my obligatory "noise," but there is also an obvious folk influence, as well as a big influence in the two-stringed instrumentals (one an arrangement of a 17th century French traditional tune), recalling both Brian Eno and George Winston. Who else can I hear as influences? Maybe a bit of the Cure, Ultravox, and a dozen other subgenres that make in and out of the music.

That's the key to Viv Akauldren: subtlety. In so much music today, slight nuances are completely lost, but on this album, as on their debut "Old Bags & Party Rags," V.A. show a mastery over such things. Those records are meant to be listened to and not background noise. Phry described their own music to me as based on a lot of early '70s music. "We are however unpopulor it may be now, an art band." Maybe that's the connection I would not have made here. This music is "arty," yet accessible.

In short, Viv Akauldren do what they want to do, unburdened by the weight of compromise for a commercial market. On record they are experimental and unique, with a flair for melody and counterpoint that is not heard too often anymore, especially on larger labels and seldom independently.

Live, Viv Akauldren are simply amazing. A number of sound pour out of the speakers to envelope the audience in cascading torrents of melody and power. Unlike other "experimental" (for lack of a better description) outfits, V.A. do not simply pummel the senses, but involve the listener in an experience that is, overall, pleasant and unique. Maybe that's a quintessential way to try to describe them, but it's the only way I can think of at the moment.

Unfortunately, with their self-distribution, V.A.'s records are not always easy to find. They are now, however, connected with a label in Europe (Resonance Records, Amsterdam) and hopefully will be here in the States soon, too. When this problem is overcome, I predict that Viv Akauldren will become quite popular with both fans of older artrock and new experimental (read: Sonic Youth/Swans/SST type bands) rock. They have that ability to bridge the gap. Possibly the only band I've heard that can do it.

Get lost in this, enjoy this, most importantly, buy this. You will not be disappointed. Just don't ask me what their name means.

Also Available: "Old Bags & Party Rags"
For more info, write: VIV AKAULDREN/Akashic Records P.O. Box 23265 Detroit, MI 48223

That's all for this semester. First issue, next year: a look back at 1987 and the year in music. Have a Happy Christmas and best wishes for the New Year.

I get all my records form Vinyl Solution, but you can find a lot more than what I like there, too. Check 'em out: Vinyl Solution 4328 S. Division 538-7887.

Streisand Shines in "Nuts"

By Edward Graff

I can't remember ever being a Barbara Streisand fan, but if she makes more movies like this, I just may become one. "Nuts" is a really good film, which makes it something of a rarity these days. Streisand plays a high-class prostitute accused of manslaughter in the death of one of her johns. Her reluctant attorney is played by Richard Dreyfuss, who has been one of my favorite actors ever since he was in "Close Encounters" and "Jaws." He is in peak form here, as he must convince himself and a skeptical judge, played by James Whitmore, that his client is sane enough to stand trial. On the other side of the dispute are her parents, Karl Malden and Maureen Stapleton, who fear their child may be sent to prison and insist that she is not responsible for her actions.

The question of her sanity and the mysterious events of her past make for an engrossing plot that held everyone in the theater spellbound. The answers, when revealed, form one of the most disturbing and surreal climaxes I've seen in a mainstream film in some time. The success of "Nuts" is largely due to the efforts of Tom Topor, whose play inspired the movie. Topor was assisted by two other accomplished writers, Darryl Ponicsan and Alvin Sargent. Their script is lively, witty, and believable and comes along at a time when television has brought courtroom drama down to the level of simple "whodunnits." The whole effort is nicely pulled together by acclaimed director Martin Ritt.

"Nuts" provides an entertaining two hours and will probably earn a number of Academy Awards next year.

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Cultural Calendar

Through Dec. 12

"Jaques Brel is Alive and Well and Living in Paris," by Jaques Brel, Grand Rapids Civic Theatre, 30 N. Division, various times.

Art Faculty Exhibit, Calvin College Center Art Gallery.

Through Dec. 18

Aquinas Faculty Art Exhibit, with works by Ron Pederson, Steve Scholtens, Larry Blowers, Claudia Liberatore and James Karsina, AMC Gallery, open 1-4 p.m. daily.

Through Jan. 2


Through Jan. 4

Skyshow: "Star of the Magi," Chaffee Planetarium, 54 Jefferson Ave. S.E., 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. Free with Museum admission.

Through Feb. 28


Dec. 9

Robert Danforth, principal horn of the Grand Rapids Symphony, in a concert a la carte, Grand Rapids Art Museum, 155 N. Division, 12 p.m.


Dec. 10

Barbara Jean Crandall, Miss Michigan 1984, in a ventriloquist show for the Grand Rapids Historical Society, Ladies Literary Club, 61 Sheldon S.E., 7:30 p.m. Admission: $2 for adults, free to children under 12 and Historical Society members.

Dec. 10-12

"Terra Nova," by Ted Tally, directed by Michael Page, Spectrum Theatre, 143 Bostwick N.E., 8 p.m.

Dec. 11

Multi-media performance by the Dark Bob, Race Street Gallery, 1064 Race Street N.E., 8 p.m. Admission: $5.

Dec. 11-13

The Grand Rapids Civic Ballet presents "The Nutcracker," DeVos Hall, Grand Center, 8 p.m. Friday, 3 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Call 456-3333 for tickets, 454-4771 for information.

Dec. 12

Wigilia Dinner, the annual Slavic Christmas feast sponsored by the Polish Heritage Society, Lincoln Country Club, 3485 Lake Michigan Drive, N.W., 5:30 p.m. Reservations required. Tickets: $15.00 from the Wilsa Shop or PHS memers.

"A Children's Christmas," the annual holiday concert by the Kent Philharmonia Orchestra, Creston High School Auditorium, 2 p.m. Admission: $3 for adults, $2 for students and seniors, or a new, unwrapped toy. Proceeds benefit Toys for Tots.

Dec. 12 and 19


Dec. 12, 16, 18, 19

"A Christmas Carol," performed by the Calvin Alumni Theatre, Calvin College Gezon Auditorium, performances at 8 p.m. with a 1:30 p.m. matinee Saturday, Dec. 19.

Dec. 13

William Elliott, Aquinas faculty member, in an organ recital at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 4 p.m. Admission free.

Dec. 17

"A Christmas Carol," performed by students from the Blanford Polish Heritage Society, 24 Ransom N.E., 7:30 p.m.

Dec. 18

Handel's "Messiah," performed by the Wyoming Civic Chorus, St. Andrew's Cathedral, 267 Sheldon S.E., 8 p.m. Admission: $4.

Grand Rapids Chamber Winds Concert, Royce Auditorium, St. Cecilia Music Society, 24 Ransom N.E., 8 p.m. Admission $4 for adults, $2 for students and seniors.

Dec. 19

Grand Rapids Symphony Pops Concert, DeVos Hall, 8 p.m. Tickets available through TicketMaster.

Home Taping Is Killing Music

By Scott A. Sundberg

Currently before the United States Congress is a bill that would provide the music industry with a way to combat their losses due to home-taping and piracy. How would the law do such a thing? Simple: first ban the sale and importation of blank DAT (Digital Audio Tape—cassette version of CD), require all manufacturers of Digital Tape Recorders to install an anti-taping chip in them, and place a royalty tax on all blank tapes sold.

The Industry believes that these measures would only benefit and not hurt both themselves and consumers.

However, such a measure would be a nightmare for consumers, as well as retailers. First off, instead of ending the sale of blank DAT, the law would only create a "black market" for DAT. People who would want to purchase a blank DAT would then still be able to get it, but at higher prices and lower quality and, possibly, from less than respectable dealers. This is not fair for those people, such as musicians, who want DAT to record their own original music on the best-sounding media available. Also, a student wanted to tape a certain lecture to keep for future listening. If the student had permission to tape the lecture, with DAT it would be of much higher quality and last much longer.

For consumers who would want to purchase a new tape deck to play back pre-recorded DATs, the law would deprive them of the chance to try to enjoy the capabilities of DAT. How so? The way the anti-taping chip works is that a high frequency "notch" is cut into the music. This means that when a song is recorded onto records, tapes or discs, a certain range of audio will be missing. When the new microphone gets to the notch, it will stop recording. In a recent issue of Keyboard Magazine, a graph reproducing the frequency slated for notching was shown to illustrate the fact that if such a measure was in fact taken, instruments such as cymbals, will lose a major portion of their overtone series. Who would want to listen to music that would sound like that? Consumers would not want to purchase tape decks that they cannot use to record on. They would simply not be able to use them to record any new records, tapes or discs that they buy that are encoded.

The royalty tax is unfair to consumers in the fact that it means every time you purchase a blank cassette, you will be paying for the right to make a copy of records, tapes or discs that you already own. Musicians and anyone else who wants to purchase blank tapes to record their own music, would lose a major portion of their own income with the worst deal of all: They pay a royalty to someone in the industry on their own music! For retailers, the tax would be a nightmare. For those groups who would be exempt from the tax (blind people, business consumers, and professional musicians), retailers would have to not charge the tax, sort out who is who and keep additional records of sales. In short, the tax will create an enormous amount of work for them.

The Home Taping Rights Coalition warns that the legislation may not be limited just to audio taping. They predict that if the bill passes, consumers can expect to see the anti-taping chip included in video recorders as well, infringing on video owners' rights to video events at home.

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G.R. College Review
To Publish First Issue

CALLING ALL POETS/WRITERS!

In April, 1988, a new magazine will be published featuring the poems, fiction and essays of Grand Rapids area college students.

Called The Grand Rapids College Review, the first issue will feature seven short stories, seven essays and fourteen poems from seven area colleges (Aquinas, Calvin, Grand Rapids Junior College, Grand Valley State University, Davenport College, Jordan College and Kendall College of Art and Design).

According to editor Lou Villaire, of Calvin College, an attempt will be made to select one essay, one short story and two poems from each college so that each school will be equally represented.

Villaire began the project in the summer of 1987, gathering together a board of advisors from the colleges and then assembling an editorial board of local writers who also teach at the various colleges. Funding is being provided by area corporations and the tabloid-style magazine will be distributed free beginning in April at the colleges involved and at local bookstores.

Students are encouraged to submit their poetry, essays and/or short stories directly to:

Grand Rapids College Review
2132 Madison SE
Grand Rapids, MI 49507

All submissions must be typed, double-spaced on standard typing paper. There are no restrictions as to subject matter or form. (Except that essays and short stories may be no longer than 30 pages, poems no longer than 10.)

Materials must be postmarked no later than February 1, 1988 and submissions will not be returned. Submitters must include their name and the name of the school they attended.

Aquinas students interested in learning more about the Grand Rapids College Review can contact either Gary Eberle or Miriam Pederson of the English department. Both are members of the Editorial Board. Or inquire about the forum, individuals should call the center at 235-6644. The Emeritus Center at Aquinas is available at the Emeritus Center at Aquinas. To participate in the forum, individuals should call the center at 235-6644. The Emeritus Center at Aquinas will host a forum on nuclear weapons and national security on two consecutive Mondays, December 7 and 14. As part of the National Issues Forum series sponsored by the Domestic Policy Association, the sessions are intended as town meetings to collect grassroots opinions for local, state and federal decision makers.

Both sessions of the forum, officially titled "The Superpowers: Nuclear Weapons and National Security," will be held at the Emeritus Center at 2001 Robinson Rd. S.E. from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. The meeting on December 7 will include a short lecture and open discussion. The December 14 gathering will consist entirely of group discussion.

"The continuing build up of nuclear arms is the most life threatening force of any generation since the creation of the world," says Sister Alice Wittenbach, associate professor of biology and coordinator of the event. "It is imperative that the American public be informed of this important issue. It is as a part of this educational process that we are called to enter into a discussion of the particular issue of nuclear weapons and national security."

A limited number of booklets on the subject published by the National Issues Forum are available at the Emeritus Center at Aquinas. To participate in the forum, individuals should call the center at 235-6644. The booklet and background material may be picked up at the participant's convenience.

The forum is free and open to the public.
Greetings from Japan!

Last year at this time I was a senior at Aquinas uncertain about what I wanted to do. I was struggling to finish my graduation. I wasn’t ready for graduate school nor for a regular job.

I am certainly experiencing an exotic country and a completely different life-style in Japan today as a YBU English teacher. YBU, or in English The Good Shepherd Movement, is a Catholic organization headquartered in Illinois and active throughout the country. It has taken me 150 kilometers north of Kyoto to Miyazu city located on the shore of the Sea of Japan. It takes about two and a half hours by train. The train ride takes you through some of the most beautiful scenery in Japan, including Japan mountains, rice fields and of course the shoreline of the Sea of Japan. I leave Tuesday morning and I come back to Kyoto Thursday night.

On Saturdays I have an apartment in the teachers’ lounge and I have a window overlooking the Miyazu bay. Each Thursday I have the rest of the day to myself. I often go bike riding or for a walk along the bay. On Wednesdays I also have a class. In the afternoon I have the English Speaking Club meeting and I have my dorm activity meeting for the evening. Sometimes we go playing Bingo or singing American songs. On Thursdays I teach five classes and at 17:52 I catch the express back to Kyoto. Friday is my easy day. I have only three classes at the Center in the evening. That allows me to sleep in or to go sightseeing, and there are many wonderful temples, shrines and museums.

On Saturdays we have classes for children, beginning with five-year-olds ending with teenagers. Automatically, on this day our Center becomes a lively place with children running up and down the stairs; others racing through the hallway and sliding on their knees. All the teachers are exhausted by the end of the week, but we always look forward to the weekend. We have no homework to give. But sometimes we want to rent a movie and have a leisurely Saturday night in the teachers’ lounge. We have a game room and the video store is close by. Sometimes we go out to our favorite Pub with our students from the Center. The students are very eager to become our friends if only we show the slightest inclination. It’s difficult to describe the Japanese balance of giving and receiving. Studying the Japanese culture has helped me understand the Japanese people and their feelings about studying here.

Monday through Thursday I sleep in and have the rest of the day to myself. On Sunday I have three classes and I work at 07:00 a.m. There is also a dress code: no jeans, khaki or tennis shoes.

We have our own VCR and the video store is close by. Sometimes we go to “buy” or “sell” stocks to maximize “profits.”

Inevitably, some of the student investment clubs did worse than others in the crash—during which the Dow Jones Industrial Averages fell a record 508 points in a single day—and in the wild swings of the market in subsequent weeks. At the University of Nebraska, for instance, business students lost more than $43,000 from the portfolio worth $300,000 before Black Monday.

Yale’s student investment club lost about $100,000 in the crash. And campus business students who didn’t do any better.

Many colleges have portfolios that include stock holdings, and use the profits to pay for capital improvements and activities that contribute to student financial aid.

Bob Kleiman reports.

Playing the Investment Game

College money managers say they’re still trying to dig out from under the debris of the precipitous “Black Monday” stock market crash of October 19, but some students seemed to have done pretty well, at least on paper.

In an investment game designed to teach students how to manage stock holdings, for example, Babson College (in Massachusetts) students’ “portfolio” dropped only 5.7 percent in October while the real stock market plunged nearly 30 percent, Prof. Bob Kleinman reports.

Business departments often let their students manage real or imagined stock portfolios, learning to “buy” or “sell” stocks to maximize “profits.”

The product is quite good, particularly for intro courses. It’s called “The Stock Market Game.”

The game, marketed and developed by Babson, is a simulation and former stockbroker Tim DeMello, allows students to buy, sell and trade stocks in the American, OTC and New York stock exchanges. Although real money changes hands, the students use $50,000 accounts to “invest.”

Babson students, though, are happy about “The Wall Street Game” because the investment game they’ve been playing since September.

“Students interested in working as brokers will face stiff competition for jobs and may have to work in related fields until the stock market stabilizes, a University of Iowa job placement officer said. “Until the stock market recovers, the hiring that investment firms do will be limited and highly selective,” Nancy Nolte said.

“The company explored new and more flexible investment vehicles.

Playing the Investment Game...
Sports

Saint Spotlight
By Bryan Rizzo

BENEFITS OF ATHLETIC GRANTS

Every college, whether big or small, has athletics of one sort or another. Most colleges have intercollegiate athletic programs with competition against other colleges. Besides the extracurricular function of sports, they also have winning as a goal. As a way of accomplishing this goal, coaches recruit players from high schools to bolster their team. The best way to lure these student athletes is, of course, through money. Offering scholarships, monetary grants, is the best and most common way of luring high school students to come to one's college.

This year, for the first time ever, Aquinas has offered financial assistance to prospective student athletes. However, the system of aid is quite different from customary scholarships. Instead of paying an entire year's tuition and room and board for a student, Aquinas pays only a fraction of the student's bill, and is based on need rather than athletic prowess.

In terms of wins and losses it also shows up. The women's cross country had a poor shooting performance in the first-half, but the defense kept the game close. In the second-half the offense came to life as the Saints rolled to victory.

Said Saint Athletic Director Terry Bocian asserts, "Without these (grants), the athletic department would have been devastated this year."

"When it comes down to it, financial gain or loss is the bottom line. Since this additional $60,000 brought in 72 students it has produced in excess of $60,000 for the school because of the rest of the student's tuition. This is a very healthy investment."

In terms of wins and losses it also shows up. The women's cross country team not only increased in size, but missed the National meet by just one point. Men's basketball now has a larger team. Last year there were just six Junior Varsity players. This year six players will play both J.V. and Varsity. The results have been proven and will continue to show themselves. No one can argue with results, and in a few years these results should be showing up regularly. Beginning next year, every sport will have a certain amount of money to use for athletes. This brings more enrollment, more money, and better athletic teams. At a time when more high school students are involved in sports than ever before in the state of Michigan, this is one way of attracting them to our school. If it produces a winner in the process, then everyone comes out ahead. As long as this program stays under control—in terms of dollars—the school will only benefit.

Lack of Consistency Hampers Men's Varsity Basketball
By Bryan Rizzo

The Varsity basketball team has gotten off to a slow start but is looking to turn things around. The Saints are looking to rebound from a 1-4 start with some consistent play.

The team opened its season at the St. Francis of Illinois Tournament. In the first round the Saints took on Roosevelt University. A strong defensive effort helped lead the club to a 77-68 victory. The Saints had a poor shooting performance in the first-half, but the defense kept the game close. In the second-half the offense came to life as the Saints rolled to victory.

The second round game pitted the Saints against St. Francis. Once again, the shooting was not their strongest asset. However, with five minutes left, it was a tie game. St. Francis then rolled off eight straight points to win 60-49.

Hope College was the opponent in the Saint's home opener. A tremendous all-round team effort against the top-rated team in the nation, fell a minute short. Hope pulled to a last minute 101-95 victory.

Hilldale was the next opponent. At perhaps the toughest place the Saints have to play they lost 111-61. Finally, Olivet defeated Aquinas 87-78. In this game the better team did not win. Olivet simply outlasted the Saints, and won it.

Mike Wilson, who is currently out due to two sprained ankles, was named to the All-Tournament Team in Illinois and continues to lead the club.

Rich Wilson, Brian Jacobs, Andre Belden, and Mike Cullen have all been playing good, steady ball. Good bench help has come from Eddie Yeo, Troy Pelak and Tim Critchlow.

The two things the team needs most is to play consistently-sound basketball and to get more rebounds. Aquinas will be the smaller team in every game so the "big" guys have to work overtime for success.

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BASKETBALL HIGHLIGHTS AND LOWLIGHTS

The pair of losses in the Grand Rapids Press Tournament at Calvin Dec. 4-5 (109-50 to Grand Valley, 71-70 to Grand Rapids Baptist) lowered the Aquinas basketball record to 4-17. For a game that is 3-19, it is a good indication of the season's progress. Fortunately, that isn't near the record of 16 in a single season (1976-77), but if relief didn't come soon...!

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The Dean Report
By Michael Dean

POST-SEASON FALL HONORS

The Aquinas College fall athletic teams garnered several honors at the conclusion of competition.

Although the men's soccer team finished the year with a dismal 3-13-0 record, senior goalkeeper Pat Hoatlin was named to the NAIA All-District 23 team, mainly for keeping the Saints in matches most of the year. Hoatlin, who played in every minute of every match, had a goals-against average of 2.76, facing 399 shots and averaged 12.12 saves per match.

Terry Hannigan led Aquinas in scoring with 10 goals and four assists for a season total of 24 points. This is the most talented J.V. team so far. One of the main reasons for this has been the players who were moved up from the J.V. to the varsity squad. In the first game Eddie Yeo played for the J.V. team and scored 26 points and had 14 rebounds; however, this was his last game on J.V.

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Women's Basketball Team Looking Strong

By Bryan Rizzo

The women's basketball team is off to a very good start. They have won two of their first three games and are looking good.

They opened the season with a slow-out-victory at Albion. The Saints took a 40-12 lead into the lockerroom at halftime and didn't let up a bit in the second half as they rolled to an 81-39 triumph.

Next, came the Grand Rapids Press Tournament. The team opened against Ferris State with a tough 61-60 setback. The game they should have won. They shot 53% from the floor and 60% from the free throw line but fell short. Their main downfall was a poor first half which saw the Saints go down by ten. However, to their credit, the team battled back to make it close. With only 23 seconds left, a lone violation cost them the ball and the game.

In their other tournament game, the Saints soundly defeated Calvin 64-42. This was good enough to give the Saints a third place finish in the tournament. Cheryl Cherry, the 6’2” senior captain, has led the team. She had 25 points and 9 rebounds against Ferris, and 20 points and 7 rebounds against Albion, while earning All-Tournament Team honors. Alese Kieser has also been a steady contributor with 16 points against Ferris and 19 against Calvin. The consistent play of these two has been key to the team's success.

This is a very young team. They have only two seniors on the roster, one of which, Jennifer Butchart, won't be eligible until second semester because she transferred from Grand Valley last year.

The team is small; they have no real height advantage and lack physical play. They are not competitive enough most of the time, but when they are, they are very good.

Good depth is one of the strong points for the Saints. Ten players can come in and play at any given moment. The freshmen are very good with little playing experience. Six or seven juniors are somewhat experienced and provide a good mixture with the inexperienced freshman. The player who is looked upon as having the most potential is transfer Julie Greene who should contribute greatly.

The team hopes to win twenty games, as do the Second place (and an automatic team berth in the nationals) with 65 points.

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Not including the games of The Press Tournament, Rich Wilson led the Saints in scoring with 17.8 average, followed by Andre Bolden with 15.5 and Brian Jacobs with 12.8. The absence of Mike Wilson, who has been on the disabled list with his 11.5 scoring and 5.25 rebound averages, hasn't helped. Mike Cullen leads the team in rebounding with a 6.5 average.

See DEAN REPORT on page 10

WINS ELDU J.V. Basketball

By Bryan Rizzo

The Junior Varsity basketball team has gotten off to a slow start this year. The season began with five straight losses. The team opened with a disappointing loss to the Aquinas Alumni team. Next, they traveled to Muskegon only to lose to Muskegon Community College. This was particularly tough because the team lost an overtime-buzzer shot to defeat the Saints. Hope college handed the Saints their third straight defeat with a 73-67 setback. Olivett and Calvin rebounded off the tough 61-60 setback. This was a tough 61-60 setback. This was a tough break.

The team has not played well, so far. One of the main reasons for this has been the players who were moved up from the J.V. to the varsity squad. In the first game Eddie Yeo played for the J.V. team and scored 26 points and had 14 rebounds; however, this was his last game on J.V.

He was then moved up to the varsity team and probably will be there the rest of the season. Jason Meyers has been the main contributor for the club, averaging 15 points and 7 rebounds a game. Also contributing to the effort, has been John Morris who has played very well at times, but has been inconsistent.

This is the most talented J.V. team Aquinas has ever had. Right now the team is looking for an identity. Leaders are going to have to come to the forefront and assume a larger role, for this team to be successful.

At each game together for awhile the team will get to know each other and play more as a team. Coach Don Elmer states, "We could have won every game, but had shooting games or turnovers have us in.

Consistency and experience should help turn this team around. Elmer believes that 1 win will get the team on the right track.

SEE DEAN REPORT on page 10
CAVA/SAC: Volunteers to Help Our World

By Patricia Rider

The Community Action Volun­teers of Aquinas (CAVA) and the Social Action Committee (SAC) are two on campus groups taking a positive step in bettering not only the Grand Rapids community, but the world itself.

CAVA serves as a coordinating group between the Grand Rapids community and those Aquinas students who wish to be of service to others and pres­ence opportunities. In the past, have included sending volunteers to organizations such as Capital Lunch, a downtown minis­ter serving hot meals to the poor of Grand Rapids, Mercy Respite Center, Grand Rapids Juvenile Home, and Drogie Ministries, as well as providing religious edu­cation teachers for area churches, tutors for various instructional programs, and helpers in various areas to meet a specific or emer­gency need.

The purpose of SAC is to design programs and action projects related to current world concerns, and also to provide education in the areas of human rights, social justice, and peace issues. The focus of SAC changes from year to year based on the interests of the members and the urgency of the present global situation. SAC bonds with off campus groups such as Prevention, Institute for Global Education, and Educators and Physicians for Social Responsibility by co­supporting workshops, film series, and lectures. Both CAVA and SAC are branches of Campus Ministry and present an opportunity for Christian service and prophetic response, based on the Gospel, in these critical, fast changing times.

Along with providing educa­tionally programming and services, CAVA and SAC have two major fund raisers each year. The first is the Faculty, Administration, Staff and Student (FASS) Auction for Special Olympics, in which faculty and staff members and administra­tors donate favors, homemade items or educational services on which the students may bid. The second, PRIDE, Poverty Relief is Developing Everyone, is a community service volunteer pro­ject in which students from the area colleges and high schools join together to clean up and to beautify their city. Students collect pledges, based on a number of hours, for the clean up with the money being divided between GRACE Float Hope and the Na­tional Student Campaign Against Hunger for domestic and interna­tional hunger relief.

PRIDE has grown from the original one city hunger clean up, started at Aquinas, to include 62 cities with 4000 students raising over $55,000 last year. Ninety cities are expected to participate in the 1988 clean up, with several cities gearing up to steal Grand Rapid's two year honor of having the largest hunger clean up fund rais­ing effort in the nation.

John M. Searles, co-director of CAVA and 1988 PRIDE chair­man, sums up the projects' aims by saying, "I think PRIDE is a beautiful way for the Aquinas community to reach out and show their concern and support for poverty.

Any students interested in volunteering with CAVA or PRIDE should contact Aleta McKeage, at ext. 324. Volunteers for SAC should contact Aleta McKeage, also at ext. 324.

Meet With Legislators

The Emeritus Center of Aquinas College will again host its popular “Monday Morning Coffee with Michigan Legislators” beginning Monday, Jan. 4.

Every Monday morning for the next six weeks, a state lawmaker will meet informally with citizens of all ages from 10:30-11:30 a.m. at the Emeritus Center, Room 301. Participants will hear from recent legislation and bills under consideration and be invited to question the state leaders for the common good.

Lawmakers slated for the programs include: Representative Rick Bandstra, Jan. 4; Representative Richard Postuma, Jan. 11; Representative Ken Sikkema, Jan. 18; Representative Victor Krause, Jan. 25; Representative Walter DeLange, Feb. 1 and Senator Vern Ehlers, Feb. 8. The sessions are free and open to the public. For more information, contact the Emeritus Center, 235-6644 or Kathy Fitzgerald, College Relations, Ext. 381.
Campus Safety: 
Here to Help

By Susan Banovetz, 
Campus Safety Officer

Walking through the woods at Aquinas College at three in
the morning can be very scary—even if you are a campus security
officer. Especially if you are like me and have seen Friday the 13th, Night-
mare on Elm Street and all of their sequels. But, if I hear something
suspicious in the night or see shadowy figures, I radio my
partner in dispatch and know together we can handle anything.

Being a campus security officer for Aquinas College is not easy.
Our first responsibility is people. We strive to keep people safe from
such tragedies as fire, theft, or accidental injury. Our second
priority is to safeguard buildings and property. We do consistent
interior and exterior checks of every building on campus. In
addition, campus security officers patrol the campus in an effort to
be highly visible in order to deter crime.

The campus safety department’s mission is to serve the college
community. We will escort anyone from one point on campus
to another or from campus to a residence or vice versa. The
escort service is offered from dusk until dawn. We assist people who
lock their keys in their cars and we have a high success rate.
We lend out jumper cables if a car won’t start. We respond to
medical emergencies and will transport a victim to the hospital,
if necessary. We handle power outages due to bad weather and are
prepared to handle tornado warnings. We admit people into buildings after hours if they
happen to be locked out of offices. We approach suspicious
vehicles, persons and situations in order to ensure a safer envi-
ronment. We serve as the link between the college and the Grand
Rapids Police Department. We monitor the parking lots via foot
patrol to inhibit breaking and entering or larcenies of vehicles.
And even if we are not officially on duty, we are. We feel respon-
sible for Aquinas all the time. Campus safety officers must be
responsible—that is the very na-
ture of our jobs. After a long
application process and two tough,
pressure-filled interview sessions, the best candidates are hired. The

"awareness" of what the Campus
Security Department is, and to gain
the interest of potential Campus
Safety Officers.

The activity-filled week will begin on Monday, December 7th,
and will run through Friday, December 11th. Monday through
Wednesday applications will be available outside the Wege Center
Cafeteria, and the Administration Building's front desk.

On Tuesday, December 8, there
will be a "Fun Trivia Night!"
during dinner in the cafeteria. The
game will be similar to the
popular board game "Trivial Pursuit," but the questions will be
about safety and the Campus Safety Department. Prizes will be
awarded to the winning team.

Wednesday will be "Campus Safety Movie Night." The movies
will be shown in the Regina Hall lounge. The first movie will be at
8:00 p.m. with the second follow-
ing at 10:00 p.m. after a question
and answer session during the
intermission. Applications will be
available there also. The movies are
yet to be announced, but are
described only as "fun."
The surprise is scheduled for
Thursday, which has been titled
"Gotcha Day." Details will be
announced on Thursday.

Campus Safety is actively seek-
ing individuals to apply for a position, and anyone interested
should pick up an application and return it to the office in Hurby
Hall 106. The return deadline is Friday, December 18. Full-time,
regular students are eligible for the jobs, which is the highest paying
on-campus position available to students.

"routines" are then subjected to a
grueling 40-hour training week
before the fall term begins.

Self-defense tactics, fire fighting,
CPR, and first aid are only a few
of the skills required for the job.

One of the hardest expectations
is to remain calm, cool, and collected when a person
becomes innate because he or she
has received a parking ticket. We
have to remind ourselves that we
are often the first contact visitors
and prospective students have
with the college—and we must act
respectfully.

During the school year there are
25 students who make up the
department. On the average a
designated/office works 20 hours
per week. As the department is
open 365 days a year, 24 hours a
day, there are a lot of shifts to be
covered. It is typical to be up all
night and then have to go to
classes the next day. It is no easy
task. The coffee pot quickly
becomes an officer's best friend.

The administrators of the de-
partment are looked upon by the
student staff as respected friends
with authority. Barry Kantz, the
director since 1986, has done
great deal to enhance the pro-
fessionalism of the department. "I
think we have a really good group—they are positive and up-
beat and I am very proud of
them," says Kantz. Assistant
Director Dawn Blair sees the
department as a family. "Aquinas
is important, but it's the stu-
dents who make the difference.
Their enthusiasm and humor make
the work special," adds Blair.
The department recently acquired
a full-time day officer, Michael
Peters, who is also a part-time
student. "The administration is
responsible for the efficiency of the
department," says Kantz.
"But it is the hard-working stu-
dents and their dedication at
serving the Aquinas community
that make the department a
success."

So the next time you're on
campus and see someone doing
rumble in the night, call us at
459-7727 or ext. 333 and we'll be
there in a flash to see what we can
do for you.

Top photo) Day Officer Mike Palmer checks the lock on a door
after hours.

Bottom photo) Palmer helps Mark Steffen get into his locked car.

Campus Safety Sponsors
"Awareness Week"

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Senate, from page 1

executive committee so that stu-
dents recognize the Senate as
something they can use. "Again,
communication is the biggest
problem. I would like to see the
different committees support each
other. The faculty and the ad-
ministration can see the lack of
communication, and people are
asking, 'What has happened?' We
need to work together to build a
strong, supportive Senate," Nach-
tegall commented.

Walker says he will be there to
help his successor. "I will be
around, not necessarily on Senate
(a former chairperson automatical-
ly remains a senator and retains
voting privileges). I'm not sure if
I am going to stay on, but I am
willing to offer advice, and to
work with my successor so that he
will have less of a transition
problem than I had," Walker
states.

For his final sentiment about
the job of chairperson, Walker
sums, "The Chairperson position
is a thankless job. I haven't heard
anything positive about the Senate
all year. I have no bad feelings. I
regret resigning. The people
whom I was working with have
real good qualities and capabilities
for the future. To the Faculty,
the Administration, and the Aca-
demic Assemblies, look for the
Senate to be known. There is a
Senate. They will be seeing some
good things happening. I wasn't
able to put the time that is
necessary into the Senate, but it
was on my mind 24 hours a day. I
blame myself for not knowing
what was done in the past. It
takes half the term (a semester) to
learn how to run the Senate
properly. Bob (Nachtegall) is
young, only a sophomore, but he
seems very willing to do the job.
He is smart, and I think very
highly of him. He can do a good
job, but he will need help from
the entire Aquinas Community."

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