Aquinas College students face tuition increases of up to 15 percent next year because of a major shortfall in Federal financial aid assistance.

Aquinas President, Dr. Peter O'Connor, said that he feared students would have to shoulder the economic burden of a prolonged slump in Federal Government allocations to the college financial aid program.

"I am worried about keeping tuition under 15 per cent," Dr. O'Connor said. "And it's largely because of financial aid. It is becoming so expensive."

He said the college would spend $2.28 million on financial aid in 1989-90, a 21 percent increase over last year.

He feared the allocation would jump again next year to $2.5 million, representing a 600 percent increase on the $336,000 spent in 1980-81.

The college had been forced to raise tuition by 111 percent in real terms—over the same period. Students paid 9.5 percent more in tuition this year and eight percent last academic year, although both these jumps were within the range of national tuition increases.

He said extra revenue generated by higher enrollment levels had not greatly offset the Federal funding decline because it tended to cover other normal increases.

The director of the Financial Aid Office, David Steffee, said last week that the office was $26,000 in arrears.

However, Steffee was confident the deficit would be recouped at the end of the financial year.

He added that the office was being forced to shoulder the impact of a 3.4 percent drop in Federal funding.

The office had so far managed to maintain its aim of providing 45 percent of student's remaining unmet needs after Federal and State Government contributions had been considered. Students work or borrow to cover the outstanding 55 percent.

Last year, the office handed out $7.5 million in total aid. This went to about 85 percent of about 1300 18-22 aged undergraduates at Aquinas.

Steffee said the long-term solution to the problem lay with greater education spending by the Federal Government. But he believed it would take between two and four years to come through because of the Federal Government deficit problems.

Dr. O'Connor said he welcomed the pro-education stance of the present White House administration.

"I am hopeful the present funding process may be reversed. George Bush has described himself as the education President," Dr. O'Connor said. The relaxation of international tension, triggered by the success of pro-democracy movements in the Eastern bloc countries, could prompt the White House to reduce military expenditure. He hoped subsequent savings could be

Residence Hall alcohol policy clarified, enforced

by Sandra M. Erskine

TIMES Staff Writer

Aquinas College has been working hard to increase student awareness of alcohol problems on campus. The Aquinas Residence Life Staff has clarified alcohol policies, Paul Nelson, Dean of Students, is passing along his 0-1-3 drinking rule to students, and Alcoholics Anonymous has been brought to campus.

Last month every student living on campus received a memo regarding the transportation of alcoholic beverages onto Aquinas property. At the beginning of this year resident advisors informed students that beverages brought into the halls in a brown bag, or otherwise concealed would not be confronted. According to Timi Hough, resident director, misinterpretation of this rule created a problem in maintaining the college policy of supporting state alcohol regulations.

To counteract this problem the residence life staff began to enforce the alcohol policy as stated in the residence life handbook. The statement "open containers of alcoholic beverages" refers to any container which is readily noticeable by sight as containing an alcoholic beverage, whether or not the seal has been broken.

Alcohol transported in a "little brown bag" is no longer acceptable, even if the student is 21. A grocery bag which leaves an alcoholic product exposed at the top of a bag or visible through plastic will give an R.A. the right to view package contents and take appropriate action.

Hough says the majority of the students are cooperative, but there were ten or twenty who were abusing the rule, so to curtail the problem the policy has been redefined. "If the students remains smart and uses their best
NEWS

From the Editor...

Wouldn’t it be great to be in East Germany right now? Thousands of people are pouring across a border that has been closed for almost a generation. They can now catch a real glimpse of what capitalism and democratic societies are really like. Several East European nations are pushing for democratic reforms, such as free elections, opposition parties, and secret ballots.

I only hope that they can apply the ideals behind a democratic system in a more just manner than we have. Here we have free elections, choosing between two opposing parties. This looks great on paper, but the particular way we go about it makes it seemingly destined to collapse on itself. It’s as if our electoral system was designed to breed corruption. We’ve ensured that only the most wealthy (or those backed by the most wealthy) may get elected to anything. This situation comes about because a person running for any office must be deeply concerned with money. There is a direct correlation between a candidate’s campaign budget and his success or failure. Contributors naturally expect something in return, and often get it.

Our elections have been reduced to some kind of cruel joke. We invariably vote (at least for the last decade or so) for the one who lowers taxes. The result of all these years of lower and lower taxes have produced deficits and a national debt that are will face our generation. The gap between the rich and the poor in America is greater now than ever before. The middle class is disappearing swiftly. All this is happening because we vote for the short-term solution, and fail to concern ourselves with those politicians who advocate measures to alleviate these problems. We seem to be convinced that they will all go away on their own, for free. They won’t. Just ask Russia, or El Salvador, or France, or Zimbabwe (and so on). History has shown that in places where the rich are allowed to grow incredibly, despotsically wealthy and those without money are passed off as so many sheep, that government is soon overthrown. If we continue down this course, all the NRA and tobacco lobbies, all the multinational corporations will be powerless to control an angry, hungry, homeless mob demanding justice.

I hope that the democratic reform movements in Eastern Europe produce some real changes. Somehow I think that when millions of people have their first chance to make a real choice about their leaders, they will realize the accompanying responsibilities much better than we. I hope so.

Hi-speed chase ends at Aquinas

by Joan O’Neill
TIMES Staff Writer

On Thursday, November 2, officers from the Grand Rapids Police Department apprehended two men after a high-speed chase led the police on a high speed chase through Aquinas’ campus.

Upon coming to a dead end in a corner of the Wege Parking Lot, the three men, all in their early twenties, jumped out of their car, a 1976 light blue Buick, and proceeded to lead the police by foot through the wooded areas near Wege Student Center.

The police were able to seize two of the men. Both suspects were found to be carrying illegal substances as well as stolen credit cards, according to Laura Culbertson, Assistant Director of Campus Safety.

The police were unable to capture the third suspect.

Observatory to be built atop Albertus Hall

(College Relations) Aquinas students and community residents will soon be able to study the heavens from the new modern Baldwin Observatory, to be built atop Albertus Hall.

The Baldwin Foundation, under the leadership of Dr. Ralph B. Baldwin, has contributed $30,000 to the Aquinas College Grows Capital Campaign. The funds will provide half the monies needed to construct the new observatory.

“We plan to build a domed structure atop Albertus Magnus Hall of Science," explained Charles R. Frydrych, Jr., assistant professor of physics at Aquinas. "The installation of a 16" telescope will allow our students, as well as members of the community at large, a closer look at the skies. We plan to install the three smaller telescopes we already own on the deck area surrounding the dome. "We’ll also be able to offer more sophisticated and hands-on observation opportunities. In addition of offering those experiences to educators and students throughout the Grand Rapids area, we hope to open the facility to the general public at regularly scheduled times. The community will also be invited to observe special celestial events such as eclipses from the Observatory.”

Ralph Belknap Baldwin is a world-renowned astronomer and author. He is a Grand Rapids native who worked his way up at Oliver Machinery from a part-time employee in the 1930’s to a position as President of the company in 1970. He became Chairman of the Board in 1982.

He has a Ph.D. in astrophysics from the University of Michigan where he has also taught astronomy. His early studies led him to develop the impact theory to explain the formation of craters on the moon.

Baldwin has written five books. He has also published articles in numerous scientific journals and has served as a speaker at scientific conferences.
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judgment, there will be no prob-
lem."

Bob Mason, resident advisor says the policy is "not anything new...there was a gray area and the new R.A.'s were up in the air about things."

Some students feel the alcohol policy is an invasion of their pri-

vacy. "I understand R.A.'s have a job to do, but them looking in my drawers. What I do is my business and as long as I'm not being disruptive I don't see what the problem is," Todd Williams, a junior at Aqui-

nas says.

Nelson is "trying to be some-

where in between" on the alco-

hol problem at Aquinas, he wishes to protect the student's right to privacy but at the same time intervene when there is dis-

ruptive behavior. Nelson real-

izes the student's need for inde-

pendence, but also wants the stu-

dent to be aware that "alcohol is the number one problem" on campus as far as behavior prob-

lems. This is why Nelson consid-

ers the 0-1-3 rule helpful.

When a student is confronted with alcohol, it is always okay to refuse. The next part of the rule is to have one drink an hour or to stop at three drinks for the entire evening. Those who use the 0-1-3 rule will "maintain the glow" without getting out of hand.

For those who feel alcohol is becoming a problem in their lives or have questions, Alcoholics Anonymous meetings are now being held on a weekly basis at Aquinas. Leslie Dennis, personal counselor in the academic achievement center, says "alco-

hol is the biggest problem in terms of drugs and addiction," and students combined with al-

cohol have potential for self de-

structive behavior. Dennis feels young adults have the "idea that I can drink, I'm invin-

ible." But it's not true. Dennis would like students to be aware that "alcohol can cause over-

whelming problems in their lives...knowledge is power. The more people know about it—the more responsible decisions can be made."

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channelled into education spending.

Dr. O'Connor said the college was a labor intensive industry, which meant it was hampered by the fact that labor costs usually rose above the CPI. This kept tuition costs about 2 percent higher than inflation.

The college was being forced to incorporate cost cutting measures utilizing greater economies of scale.

"For example, the installations of new windows in Albertus Hall will allow us to save money on heating by being more energy efficient," he said.

Staffing levels would also remain constant, creating a further gap in the staff-student ratio.

"We will hold the line on staff increases and staff pay. Staff had more modest pay raises than they should (5 percent overall) this year because of the problem," he said.

He did not however foresee any staff cutbacks.

Dr. O'Connor said he believed the college was strong enough to ride out funding slumps in a short-

term basis. Increased enrollments and a more economical college budget would cushion the immediate impact.

But he feared that students and their families would suffer in the long term if the funding decline continued.

"The fact that we have been able to keep at providing 45 percent of student's remaining unmet need has meant that students have tended to have the same out of pocket expenses but we are struggling to keep that balance," he said.

"We may find over a period of years (that) students are less and less able to meet their bills. He predicted an increase in the number of students who would be forced both to borrow money and work to cover their tuition costs, although the college could always guarantee employment for students in need.

The Association of Independent Colleges and Universities of Michigan presented its case for greater financial assistance in a submission to the National Governors Association in September.

The report, on behalf of the American Council of Education, said the Federal Government provided 75 percent of total national expenditures on student assistance, while institutions gave 19 percent and States six percent.

Although appropriations for student aid have increased in recent years, it claimed the value of the aid had eroded sharply. The maximum Pell Grant represented 40 percent of average college costs in 1980 but only 26 percent in 1988.

Institutions had been forced to increase their student aid efforts by 150 percent and States by 105 percent.

The report claims that the downturn has triggered a significant decline in participation rates of minority students in college and students are taking longer to finish their degrees.

Aquinas Students Voice Their Opinions.

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ages can now refer to any container "which may be readily notice-

able by sight as containing an alcoholic beverage, whether or not the seal is broken." Furthermore, "if a staff member suspects that an individual is carrying alcoholic beverages, he or she has the right to view package contents, and take the appropriate action." It's your turn... what do you think?

"They don't have the right to look in our bags, we could have something that we don't want them to see" - Sue Flickinger, Frosh.

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"It's going to be too hard to enforce, it'll still be easy for students to get stuff in. It also puts R.A.'s in a tight position." - Joe Hallman, Soph.

"It's good because it'll make people more respon-
sible. This is a private school... we're supposed to be strict." - Chuck Veneklas, Soph.

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"I think it's good... it's not really an invasion of privacy because it's for their own good and the good of others." - Karen Beste, Soph.

"I like it... it reflects a general concern on the part of the rule makers of the school. It shows that they're inter-
ested in our well being." - Phil Stenger, Junior
The first thing I must address is in regards to the apologies I publically received from our Editor, David O'Connor, made in the last issue. The few hardly "frustrating experiences" I've had with the Times has made me nothing less but more grateful to be a part of this terrific staff. Although it was a bit embarrassing, thanks for the thought David!

The key, though, is the experience of learning more about the field of journalism and the impact the news media potentially has.

To somewhat of a lesser extent, I, along with this staff, am a part of professional news media. This isn't always easy to remember since we are a college press—trying to rebel from the influence of this institution. Nonetheless, we are a newspaper publication which means—what we print, will effect you, the reader, in a way nothing else can.

That's what it's all about.

The media — it reflects everyday life — the present. It also has the ability to open up the past and strongly affect your outlook on the future.

The future and the media go hand-in-hand. This raises a thought, as well as the basis of this article. We have exactly 31 days left in 1989. This, as we hopefully gathered means that not only the end of another year is soon approaching but more significantly, the end of a decade.

With this realization, I, the media, and a member of society, tried to find one overwhelming thought that "means" the 80's.

Sure, I could say this was a decade of extreme advancement: technology, physiologically, (insert any —logically you prefer) yeah, BUT... What I mean is, I couldn't come up with any one thing that related to me personally. Instead, I feel like more of a result of this era's experimentation.

Is man's emotion lost in the shuffle of high-tech hysteria? Do we, as bound individuals no longer have the ability to instigate change? And what I fear more, is that, unfortunately, most maybe substituting change with the "advancement of man" instead. Can I ask what in the world are we scared of? Alright, maybe it's me—living in the wrong era? But think, wouldn't it be thrilling to be a living part of a world effected or changed, bettered or worsened by men/women in a way never to be duplicated again, e.g., Freshmen and most Sophomores weren't even both in the 60's, yet I bet they know more facts and events about that time than they do of the 80's.

Consider this, "the sixties" and who doesn't think of the uniqueness of the Kennedy Presidency and its demise, Woodstock, Vietnam, beads, -tye-dyes...freedom, peace—the lack of, and all at the same time overlapping the severity of destruction of another land and the emotions of our own.

And what about the complete opposite — the 50's, where poodle skirts and bee-hive hairdos meant fashion, life was fun, relaxed, with no outstanding world thought that overcame society.

And, the 70's, where life was loose, the highly emotional sixties needed to be replaced in order to forget the diminishing effects of war. So, what did they do, didn't destruct — they discoed.

Thus, "the 80's" and what of them. The computer-age, working-era, COMPETITION, CENSORSHIP technological-advancement, and if that's not bad enough, we had: natural disasters, airline/space shuttle crashes, AIDS, could always count on world hunger, Mid-East turmoil, etc... But what improvements have we made socially, really? Oh, I can't forget the craze, we've got: high-tech-fashion, -industry, -finance, -emotion, -relations. Well, what the hell has happened to the simplicity of natural satisfaction. Is man less human and more robotic?

When we or future generations look back what will be seen is: the good and bad of the 60's, the release of the 70's and what of the 80's? Was there any creative, humanistic approach to world issues or purely a society filled only with: monkey suits and the business-oriented procedures? Are we heading towards more of the same in the 90's? We do NOT necessarily have to!

Okay, what's so terrible about advancement you say. I say nothing, unless we forget that we are human and we can better things, enjoy things, or just change things — if we want to. Stop analyzing—just do it! As Shelley once wrote, "Man's yesterday may ne'er be like his morrow, Nought may endure but mutability."

Aquinas hosts Ambassador

by Timothy Golomb

In celebration of their 40th anniversary, The World Affairs Council of West Michigan held a commemorative dinner at the Amway Grand Plaza.

The evening started off with a reception, accompanied by a string ensemble. The Council members were then seated and served dinner. A group of students from Aquinas were able to attend through a donation by Henry Fox Sales.

After dinner, The Grand Rapids Chamber Choir sang the Austrian and the U.S. national anthem, as well as a host of other songs. The evening peaked with a lecture from the nights special guest, Dr. Friedrich Hoess. Dr. Hoess is the Austrian Ambassador to the U.S. His Excellency spoke on the importance of Austria to Hungary and the excellent relations the two countries share with each other, including an open door policy. He also spoke on the importance of a world wide common market.

The following day, Aquinas College President, Dr. Peter O'Connor, hosted a luncheon at his Willowbrook Home. This event was attended by 24 business and academic leaders of West Michigan.

The guest speaker was again, Dr. Hoess. Dr. Hoess spoke on the importance of unified Europe in our global economy. He stated that Europe as a whole has 20% of all exports, and 18% of all world imports. This shows the economic weight of Europe as a global trader. Dr. Hoess is very much an advocate of free trade. He believes that with the obsolescence of tariffs within Europe, it will become a giant trade power. Dr. Hoess and others would’ve much liked to see an internal market for Europe by 1992. An internal market would be a duty free zone where the countries in Europe could trade with each other, just like the way Michigan would trade with Illinois.

After his short speech, Dr. Hoess answered questions from the area’s business leaders. The Ambassador was then taken to the airport and returned to the Austrian Embassy in Washington D.C.

Dr. Hoess has a great love for his country, as well as ours. He took time out to visit the state capital, Amway, Steelcase, and spoke with Aquinas students on their thoughts on his speech. Dr. Hoess seemed to be a kind and gentle man, as well as a man of great knowledge and foresight for Austria, Europe, and the world.
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By Joan O'Neill
TIMES staff writer

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I don't know much about music, but...

by Meg Langenfeld

I so desired to do Pia Zadora's new album or the Partridge Family's 'Greatest Hits' (a real new album) this issue, but then I remembered; this is a music review. Damn!!

First up, a new replica band has bounded or is that re-bounded onto the music scene. Bonham's 'The Disregard of Timekeeping' echoes Led Zeppelin and basically, why not? The late John Bonham, drummer for Led Zeppelin, spawned Jason Bonham, drummer for...you guessed it, Bonham. And they said you weren't that smart. The album title reflects the band's and Jason's father's distaste for drum machines used heavily in many current hits. The title track bursts open the album with a 2:08 orchestral piece that slides into the first release. This song, 'Wait For You,' is quantum leap back in time. Its pounding drums and heavy guitar reincarnate an almost equal Zeppelin. Lead singer, Daniel MacMaster, who joined the band only this year, has also practically duplicated Robert Plant's voice. There-in, is their flaw. Not down-playing this father/son relationship and literally remaking Zeppelin's style, Bonham will forever be compared to them. As many have stated, they're good, just not as good. Listen to the good rokin' singles 'Bringing Me Down,' 'Playing to Win'—possibly the next release, and 'Cross Me and See.' You'll hear the classic resemblances and also understand why they are just a couple degrees less skillful. 'Cross Me and See' also demonstrates the talent of Jason on drums. Obviously his father taught him.

The album ends with a powerful ballad, 'Room for Us All,' which contains a nice keyboard arrangement. This band, to many, is already great, but Bonham will leave you wishing for Jason's father's band. Bonham continues the legacy influencing a new generation of listeners.

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Eric Clapton's 'Journeyman' is stunning and his most expressive and tantalizing work since '461 Ocean Blvd.' Maybe you've heard of him...yeah, the guy on the Michelob commercial. Clapton refuses to vainly overplay his guitar or monopolize the spotlight. Instead, he faces each track on its own merits, surrounded by skilled artisans like Robert Cray, Daryl Hall, Phil Collins, George Harrison and David Sanborn (they all wanted free beer). From the soothing beautiful ballad 'Anything For You're Love' highlighting Robert Cray, to Running On Faith which weaves gospel and blues, Clapton moves easily into angry-toned songs such as ' Pretending 'about an emotional betrayal. No Alby's with Daryl Hall's harmony vocals recants the journeyman recent work of Steve Winwood. Gosh, wouldn't it be cool if Steve and Eric formed a band; they could call themselves Cream. Naw, it'd probably never work. Hound Dog, yes Elvis actually sang this, relieves the harmonic tension midway through the c.d., somewhat as the Greek Tragedy's Comic Relief. The unique style even includes barking. An open statement for a joke there, but I want to keep writing here! With actual other cool remakes—normally a contradiction in terms—of Ray Charles' Hard Times and Bo Didley's I Don't Know Much about Music, but...

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Scholarship winners named
By Falinda Geerling
Freelance Writer

Three freshman—Anita Jewett, Bridgett Riester and Chrystal Smith—were awarded the four-year WXMI TV-17/Aquinas College minority scholarship intended to encourage minority enrollment at the college and more minority interest in the broadcast industry through internship training at WXMI.

The recipients were selected by a committee composed of faculty of Aquinas College. Their selection was based on criteria agreed upon by the college, WXMI and an interviewing process.

The criteria included a high school grade point average of at least 3.0 and participation in extracurricular activities. In the interviews, the selection committee looked for outgoing personalities and broadcast-related interests, according to Maribeth Wardrop, a selection committee member.

The agreement between the college and the station calls for the recipients to serve internships either their junior or senior years.

"The minority scholarship program is designed with the hope junior and senior recipients will want to be interns at the station and will go into the broadcast field after graduation," said Pat Mullen, general manager of the local Fox affiliate.

"It is a way of attracting talented minority students with the potential for academic success and providing financial aid to these students who might not otherwise benefit from the excellence of an Aquinas education," said Peter D. O'Connor, president of Aquinas College.

"It opens doors for me," Anita Jewett said. "I will definitely take advantage of the internship." Jewett attended Creston High School and was involved in the student government, the Senior class play and the Business Club. A BA in International Business and a position at an embassy are two goals she is presently pursuing at Aquinas.

Bridgett Riester, on the other hand, admitted it was "too tough" as a freshman to make a final decision about her career. But she plans to use the scholarship to explore the possibility of a broadcast-related profession.

Riester attended Allendale High School, participated in the student government and played the lead role in the musical "Oklahoma." For now, she is thinking about a BA in Sociology and perhaps becoming a social worker.

The third freshman scholarship recipient, Chrystal Smith, attended Dominican High School, in Detroit. She was Vice President of her class and participated in the play "Annie." Smith's goal is a BA in Communication Arts, and she sees herself in front of a TV camera in about ten years.

"The scholarship and the internship will help me get my foot in the door of broadcast journalism, which is what I really want to do," said Smith. "I am interested in this field because I like public speaking, and I take great interest in what is going on around me."

Joker hits Campus
Submitted by Omnipop

The Student Activities Office will be hosting the latest in rising comedic talent, Joey Kola. The young New York comedian is scheduled to perform on Sunday, December 10, in the Wege Ballroom from 9 - 10 p.m.

Brooklyn-born Joey Kola is an actor and comedian who's rapidly making a name for himself. He has studied improvisational theatre with Martin Harvey Friedberg at the famed club, "The Improvisation" in New York City, and has acquired a considerable amount of theatre experience acting in plays from Shakespeare, Tom Stoppard and Elaine May.

Joey performs regularly at "Pipe," the popular comedy club in Brooklyn which helped launch the careers of such notable comedians as Rodney Dangerfield, David Brenner, Joan Rivers and Robert Klein.

Besides appearing at hundreds of colleges and clubs throughout the country, Joey hosts Long Island's only comedy cable show, which reaches over 10,000 viewers weekly. Joey has appeared on George Schlatter's "Comedy Club" on NBC, Showtime "Comedy Club Network" and MTV's "Half Hour Comedy Hour." Most recently, Joey was selected to showcase for the National Association of Campus Activities East Coast Coffeehouse Convention. While Joey Kola is poking fun at his household, he is becoming a household name.
The power of the pen

by Sandra M. Erskine

I just want to announce that I’m really irritated at the American Cancer Society for inventing the Great American Smoke Out. For me — yes I’m one of those awful people who smoke — it makes me want to smoke at least two packs on that particular day. It’s bad enough I have parents and peers who tell me to quit smoking because it’s not good for me, but now I also have the entire American Cancer Society on my back.

I am so tired of everyone badgering me to quit smoking; they just can’t comprehend I like to smoke. Granted the taste leaves something to be desired; you acquire a taste for it like most people acquire a taste for beer. But I don’t see the American Beer Society harping on drinkers about their insides. I know all the hazards of smoking, I read the Surgeon General’s warning every time I pick up a pack of cigarettes; lung cancer, heart trouble, two headed children.

Smoking (don’t you dare start to laugh) helps me to unwind and relax and gives me something to do when I’m nervous. Of course there are better ways to unwind, like exercise or hot baths. But being your average college student, I don’t have time to exercise and most residence halls don’t come equipped with bath tubs.

There’s always that question of why I started smoking in the first place. What other reason than the fact that I thought it was cool, just like any other teenager who starts to smoke. I marched into the local gas station, demanded a pack of Merits, walked out, lit up with three of my friends and I don’t quit yet. When I was old enough to drive, the same three friends and I would jump in the car at lunch time and smoke as many cigarettes as a half an hour would allow. No matter what anyone said, we were cool and we were rebels.

So now I know smoking is not cool, but I still don’t want to quit even though everyone is griping at me that I should. My friends and I have a pact, we’ll either quit when cigarettes are $2.00 a pack or we’re with child. Being with child is a long way off — $2.00 a pack isn’t. So relax, I’ll be quitting before too long out of lack of funds.

But in the meantime I’m still smoking and restrictions keep getting tougher. Buildings are becoming totally smoke free, which means you have to step outside for a fix and that’s great when it’s rainy or snowing. Smoking sections of restaurants are getting smaller and smaller. I can deal with the rules getting stricter, but at least leave us smokers alone when to abide by those rules. That means no strangers on the street should be able to remind me that smoking is dangerous to my health. And why is it every time I ask the waiter or the server to step outside I have to walk in the designated smoking area? If I respect the rights of nonsmokers then why can’t they respect my right to choose.

That’s what it all comes down to is choice. It’s my choice! So you know what I’m going to do when I put down my pen? Light a cancer stick.

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Bookstore buy-back hours unworkable for continuing ed. students?

By Scott Potter

It’s almost time for exams — again. Along with exams comes the selling of your old books. Dig out those books from long forgotten summer classes, it’s time to sell them back to the bookstore. At Aquinas, selling your books back to the bookstore is a major project for many Continuing Ed students. Just so you’ll know, the hours to sell back your books are:

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Before you get all excited PLEASE NOTE: If you get out of work a little early on Friday, Don’t rush over to the Aquinas Bookstore. On Friday they quit buying books at 2:00!! Are these hours set for the convenience of the bookstore’s customers, the Aquinas students, or are these hours set for the convenience of the bookstore?

I did talk to management at the bookstore about the hours. I mentioned the fact that one half of the students at Aquinas College are Continuing Ed students and that it could be difficult for these students, who mostly work days, to sell their books back during these hours. Let me tell you what I found out, but first let me tell what I found out at several of the other schools. I talked to people that work at the bookstores at Calvin College, Davenport College, Grand Rapids Junior College too.

Davenport’s Bookstore on the Fulton Street Campus, also only buys books back twice a year. If you take a summer class there, you must save your books until December. They buy back books December 4 - 9. Daytime hours are 8:30 -12:30 and evening hours are 5 - 7 PM, Monday through Thursday night.

Calvin College’s bookstore buys back books the last 3 days of exams only. Calvin’s Bookstore hours, for buying books, are 9:00 - 4:00. Please remember that Calvin College, which has twice the students, offers only 50 night classes next term, while Aquinas offers around 90 night classes.

Grand Rapids Junior College buys back books from 8:30 until noon and then in the evening from 6:00 until 8:00 on December 18, 19 and 20. Sounds like what you would expect from a JUNIOR COLLEGE?

Now, like I promised, this is what the Aquinas Bookstore will do for you — its customers. If you can’t make it to the regular buying times, it is possible to leave your books at another time and the Aquinas Bookstore will mail a check to you. Please call the bookstore to make the proper arrangements.

Here’s an option for the bookstore — why not drop the Monday buying hours and add an hour to Tuesday through Thursday night? The possibilities are numerous, the Aquinas Bookstore just has to take into consideration the needs of 50% of its textbooks customers.

One last comment on this subject. How is it that the Aquinas Bookstore can expand it’s nighttime hours when it comes to selling our books, but doesn’t see the same need for students to sell back their books?

Remember you “over 23” students, if you have a problem or need some help, call me at 249 - 9154. Leave a message, I’ll get back to you.
Leon Raikes--"Experience"

By Paul Perry

Third floor, academic building. A small office, really, simple, with a desk snug beneath the window. There is a painting of a small cabin behind Raikes' chair - simple, warm, direct.

"Okay, It's 1970. You're a senior at Kalamazoo College. You've completed studies in English literature, chemistry, and comparative religions. How did you ever decide on teaching?"

"I didn't, really," said Raikes, smiling. "I never thought about what my career would be."

"Really?"

A student of the late 1960's, Raikes was part of the great hunger for political and social awareness. He remembers many buses to D.C. for rallies and demonstrations. Once he even found himself in New York for a CBS interview on environmental issues. "Students in the 60's weren't anymore focused than you are," said Raikes. "We were just busier." Following graduation in 1970, Raikes was faced with the draft lottery and Vietnam. His decision to become a conscientious objector sent him to Boulder, Montana, where he was to work with the profoundly retarded for two years. But it was then that Raikes got a letter from a former Kalamazoo College friend, and a native of Lebanon, asking him to teach English in Lebanon. Raikes managed to apply his remaining year of C.O. duties to the teaching job and so began a romance with the Lebanese people that would last seven years.

Without any prior training, Raikes walked into an Arabic-speaking class and taught Hamlet, Tennyson, Pope, and other 17 and 18th century literature that students needed to pass government tests.

In 1972 Raikes proposed by mail to Kim Ridenour (who graduated with him from Kalamazoo College) and was later married in a friend's Beirut apartment. Between 1975 and 1978 the Raikes' left and returned to Lebanon twice, partly because of a mounting civil war. During their time back in Michigan, Leon worked as a chemist doing pigment tests. [Pause for cringe] But the Raikes' were plagued with a growing sense of displacement. The couple returned to Lebanon the third time in 1978 and straight into the heart of a national conflict.

Raikes was making all of $200 a month, then, while doing his masters work at the American University in Beirut - and good was an expensive commodity. He and his wife adopted a son, Ghassan, a refugee, whom they named Nathan. The young family lived in West Beirut. The overcrowded city was soon overcast with poverty and hunger - so were the Raikes. "If it weren't for our friends helping us through, we never would have made it," he said. "We went to be a service to the Lebanese and wound up being a burden on them."

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Raikes describes the force that drove him through these experiences as his 'social service bent,' a thing common to students of the 60's - not those of the 80's. "The attitude is a different one now - from 'we can do anything' to 'I can't do anything.' But I can understand the reasons for it. More energy is put into getting jobs, now, and jobs were easier to get in the 60's."

Some of Raikes' students were killed in the shelling, some maimed. On one night 200,000 refugees from southern Lebanon flooded into West Beirut - Marjoynou, the section of South Lebanon where Raikes had earlier taught, was now occupied by Israeli.

Raikes recalls having his small study shot at, having to walk different routes to the school, and even being shelled. "I'll never forget that - racing to the basement with Nathan, shells going off. It was terrifying."

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But the fact remains that AQ is a rather isolated college, with few minorities and a very limited understanding of the world. Raikes' advice to students: "Look outside your culture and spend more time with people different than yourselves." He praises groups such as CAVA and SAC and the recent hunger awareness week as some of the best things happening on campus. "You have the words, tests, and intellectual conclusions, but without the EXPERIENCE it doesn't mean anything." Obviously, these words speak to our generation, right here, right now. "You can't do anything by yourself," explained Raikes. "You have to work with and through others. Yes, the destiny of the world has to be changed and all of that, but by being together and by caring together."

Raikes has done much to create an alternative, interdisciplinary atmosphere for AQ students with classes such as Voices of the Third World, senior seminars, and more.

"But, Leon, why here? Why teaching after so much?"

"Teaching is what I do," he said, smiling. "I can't change the world, but I can have some influence on students. I get to learn new things in the bargain."

And so it goes with Leon Raikes. Tucked quietly away on the third floor, he continues the struggle to bring another kind of music to this sleepy little place. (And that's something you'll wish to God for on the way to law school - isn't it?)
Opinions on El Salvador

by Paul Antor
Coordinator, SAC

"Don't be tempted by the shiny apple. Don't you eat of a bitter fruit. Hunger only for a taste of justice. Cause all that you have is your soul!" - Tracy Chapman "All That You Have Is Your Soul"

Crossroads

So often we feel helpless in this society which places such little value on life and quality of life. The "me, me, me" generation is value on life and quality of life.

Hunger and homelessness recently as the school observed "Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week." The week, designated as so by the Community Senate, was coordinated by the Social Action Committee (SAC) and Community Action Volunteers of Aquinas (CAVA) offices.

About ten students travelled to Degage Ministry on Monday, November 13 to cook a meal and visit with the area residents who dropped in to the center. Tuesday's highlight was the Hunger Banquet. About fifty students, faculty, and staff attended this event, which was held in the Ballroom. The guests were divided up into persons from the First, Second, the Third Worlds, and were served a meal according. One could sense the envy in the eyes of those representing the Third World, as they sat on the floor eating their spoonful of rice watching the First World participants enjoying their full meal.

Almost twenty students took part in a local house building effort as they travelled to a worksite of Habitat for Humanity. Habitat, which works with future homeowners and volunteers to build and sell houses at cost, is currently building four homes on the city's southwest side.

On Friday, some 150 campus residents chose to fast during their regular meal hour. Seeder Corporation, the food service provider, then donated the cost of the food which was saved to the United States. The blood is on our hands, and this is no time to do the Pontius Pilate thing and try to wash the blood off. Our responsibility is twofold: educate ourselves, and act. We must commit ourselves to finding out the lifestories of those who are affected by this violence. We must come to know these people, even though they are far away, as human beings, just like you and I.

And then we must act. We must take our outrage and disillusionment and turn it into creative, non-violent action. We must pressure our government to cut off the aid, and to work to end the violence. We must cry out, "Not a dime for the death squad government of El Salvador!"

CAVA volunteer opportunities

"Give A Little Christmas" is a program where volunteers work at collection booths at EastBrook and North Kent Malls Nov. 18-Dec. 9. Time is scheduled in two hour blocks.

CAVA branches

by Torie Bonafede
Coordinator, CAVA

I would like to thank everyone who contributed time, services and money to the FASS Auction. The auction raised $700.00 for Special Olympics. Thanks again for all the support.

I would like to send a special thank you to Micole Buffo, Melissa Tiepa, and Maria Miles for their generous donations to can for CAVA.

A special note to those of you who have wondered about PIP (Positive Impact Program). We have finally received a go ahead from the Grand Rapids Public Schools. Training will take place the week before exams with the program beginning the week we return to school in January. Watch for the application forms around campus.

The volunteer of the month is Laurie Giddens. Her superb work have once again reminded the Aquinas Community that indeed there are many who face these realities. The college community responded well to this call to action and reflection.

on the FASS Auction made it a great success with students and college personnel. In addition to her continued help in the CAVA office with everything from bookkeeping to planning events, she is also the Resident Advisor of Third St. Joe's and Adult Children of Alcohols Support Group founder with Ms. Leslie Dennis. A special thanks to Laurie Giddens for her work on the FASS Auction and her tremendous contributions to the CAVA office. Congratulations on being "Volunteer of the Month."
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Intramural sports are a very important part of the sports programs at Aquinas College. Nearly every student living in the dorms has participated or would like to participate in intramural sports. Whether we are willing to admit it or not, each and everyone of us has a competitive side to them. If we didn’t, would we be in college? We all want to succeed in what we do. Isn’t that competing? Maybe it is only competing with yourself but it is still competing. In addition, don’t you feel good when you score higher on a test than your roommate or good friend? If you don’t then your lying to yourself or need to be examined. Competitive nature burns in all of us. We must live with that.

Intramural sports are the mediocre athlete’s dream come true when we look at things from this perspective. This is the person who may be one step below playing college sports, but gets the feeling and thrill of competition from I.M.’s. This is the design of the entire program. It gives students a chance to socialize, meet new people, form friendships, and, best of all, compete.

I realize it is very easy to get caught up in a game or a circumstance but think about the situation. Intramurals are designed for the students, plain and simple. Anyone who looks at this year’s intramural programs from an objective and all-encompassing viewpoint will come to the conclusion that several people deserve a serious pat on the back for a job well done. The top of the list belongs to the I.M. Director Mary Takas. In addition to her position with I.M.’s she is the girls J.V. basketball coach, girls varsity assistant coach, and softball coach. All of that and she is part-time help at Aquinas. Takas has gone out of here way to cater to the needs of students. Anyone who participated in softball knows how tough it was to field a team, much less an opponent. Due to this lack of players teams were allowed to add people to their roster as the season went on. This didn’t have to be allowed but was so games could be played. What fun is intramurals if you have three forfeits a day? In addition to this, when students were not responding to football sign-ups the deadline was extended to give more teams a chance to enter. Finally, when teams were made up of campus groups or clubs that had meetings or other engagements during scheduled game times, time changes were made rather than giving the team an automatic forfeit. Again, what fun is I.M.’s if you don’t play? I think Mary Takas deserves a big thank you from all of us whom she has tried to accomodate.

The second group of people who deserve a hand are the group of students who take care of recording game scores and standings as well as organizing the championship games for softball. They showed up for every game, called about time or field changes and even arranged for makeup games which were not going to be played if not for their initiative. Kristin, Christy, Angie and Brenda all deserve a pat on the back for a good job.

Finally I think everyone will agree that Tim Critchlow did a fantastic job as a softball umpire. He made every game, allowed player subs at the last minute and even caught when teams were short players. He was letting the people play. It would have been easy to call the games a forfeit and forget about them but Critchlow went out of his way to let as many games as possible be played.

I believe that anyone who steps back from the field and looks at the entire Intramural program including all the aspects they will realize what a stellar job the above-mentioned group has done. If you do then leave your competitive nature on the field and off the field thank the I.M. staff for doing a great job this year.

Three champions crowned
Super Bowls go smoothly

by Steve Guerrero

Friday, November 17, Aquinas College crowned its intramural football champions for 1989. Six teams competed in heated gridiron competition for the coveted I.M. champion t-shirt. The first action of the day settled the men’s red division title with defending champion Search and Destroy battling the River Valley Rejects. The game was practically a continuation of the teams regular season meeting which ended in an 8-8 tie. Neither team had much success as their were three interceptions thrown, one by River Valley quarterback Joe Stacey and two by Search and Destroy's Andy Postema. Stacey was the first to break through as he delivered a touchdown pass to Loren Pommer. The conversion attempt failed as River Valley put Search and Destroy’s repeat on hold, 6-0. Determined to repeat, though, Postema lead an impressive offensive march late in the first half. The drive culminated with a touchdown pass to Tim Sullivan as Postema shook off his slow start. The conversion failed and the score was tied 6-6 at the half. Playing the role of the “boogie man” in the Rejects second half nightmare was the Search and Destroy defense causing three Stacey interceptions. Stacey commented “The field and weather were both good. So it was their capitalizing on our mistakes. That was the difference.” The interceptions were made by Doug Heemstra, Joe Emanuelsen and Postema. Somehow, the Rejects stayed in the game until Postema again showed poise as he lead the winning drive culminated by a touchdown pass to Mike Sullivan. The conversion was good and Search and Destroy earned a 14-6 victory. Senior Ed Grube commented on the victory by the senior dominated team: “Because it was our senior year, it felt great to repeat and go out as champs.”

The men's white division turned out to be a game of revenge. The team East, who finished second to the Hustlers during the regular season, blitzed them 36-0 in the game that mattered the most. Ryan O'Toole quarterbacked East to the title as he connected for a touchdown on the game’s opening drive and then dazzled the defense with scrambling and passing throughout the second half.

Not to be outdone by either of the men's Superbowls, the women's championship game just might have the right to stake claim to being the best game played. The Trojans and Lushettes locked each other into a defensive struggle. Trojan quarterback Jenny Orme

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Volleyers finish one short
Saints take second in state

by Bryan Rizzo

The on-again off-again play of the Saints volleyball team characterized much of this year. The club looked unbeatable on one day and mediocre the next. The results were a fast season start with a bit of sputtering and flashes of brilliance mixed together. The Saints had enough good performances to qualify for the four team District 23 Tournament to see who advanced to the Regional Tournament in Ohio and who went home until next season.

The tournament was played at Northwood Institute with the Saints fighting for a trip to Ohio. The only obstacle between the Saints and a Regional final berth was the tournament host Northwood team. Playing in their own gym the Northwood team jumped on the Saints in the first game to take a quick 1-0 lead. The Saints then faced an uphill battle as the Northwood crowd grew in size and outshouted the small Aquinas contingency. However, the Saints managed to steal game two despite derogatory remarks from the hostile Northwood crowd. The lineup of Mary Margaruet Joseph, Shawn Pearson, Vonda Nagelkirk and Deanna McNamara teamed with a platooning Jennifer Omee and Mary House and another platooning duo of Michelle Szatkowski and Tracy Classic to battle a physically bigger team. As time wore on the physical size of Northwood eventually won out. However, Northwood was playing at home with a loud crowd and they boasted the District Player of the Year.

The Saints played extremely well, especially considering the odds they had against them, and have a very bright future as they lost just two seniors from this years squad. District 23 runners-up will do for this year but next year may be another story.

Saints Honors

Head baseball Coach and Athletic Director Terry Bocian has been named Midwest Baseball Coach of the Year for Area 6 for the 1988 season. The award comes from the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) and the recipient is selected by fellow-coaches in Michigan, Ohio, Illinois and Indiana. Bocian is one of eight winners nationwide. The award enters him as a candidate for national coach of the year who will be announced in January. Bocian has received this award one previous time, in 1978. Bocian guided the 1988 Saints to a 41-13-2 record. Included in the season was Bocian's 600th career coaching victory. In addition to this award Bocian has been honored nine times as the state of Michigan NAIA coach of the year. Currently Bocian ranks 11 on the all-time winningest Naia Coaches list.

Senior guard Paul Lauer has been named as one of the top players in the country. In The Sporting News College Basketball preview issue Lauer is mentioned in the Small Colleges section. According to the magazine Lauer ranks as one of the top 15 small college players in the country. In addition Lauer is the only district 23 player mentioned in the publication. (Editor's note: District 23 is the division which the Saints compete in and must win to qualify for the national tournament.)

Volleyball players Vonda Nagelkirk and Shawn Pearson were both honored at the District 23 tournament in early November. Pearson was named to the first team of the all-district team for the 1989 season. Nagelkirk was named as an honorable mention all-district team member. In addition, Nagelkirk was named to the first team of the all-academic team. Mary Margaruet Joseph was also honored.
SPORTS

Teamwork keys success of individually talented squad
Team concept essential for winning season, first week of play confirms need for unity

by Bryan Rizzo

Groups of five individuals showed up at the Aquinas College exhibition game against the KPUM-Soder Swedish club team. Different and similar groups of five individuals graced the court to open Saginaw Valley State's new 16 million dollar athletic facility. Finally, a TEAM showed up at Saginaw for a consolation game. The results: two embarrassing defeats to open the season, then a team victory.

The men's basketball team was embarrassed in its first two outings as they showed what individual play is all about. The first game was a 100-56 thrashing at the hands of a visiting Swedish club team. Next came a rather flat performance against Saginaw Valley State in which the Saints were outscored 93-70. Both games demonstrated that a team is what is needed to win. No floor leader was established and the Saints were never really in either game.

A strange thing happened in the third game of the season. A kid by the name of Tim Critchlow started to take things into his own hands. Suddenly, whether anyone on the team realized it or not, a leader was born. The hustling Critchlow not only scored 15 points, grabbed rebounds and dished out assists at an alarming rate, but he also was the one who huddled the team when a run seemed possible for the other team. Every free throw meant a word of encouragement and strategy from this emerging leader. Shawn Markham followed the lead of Critchlow to hustle and scrap his way for loose balls, rebounds and 15 points. The individual seemed to becoming a unit. The Saints blew away Spring Arbor 104-80. Paul Lauer added 39 points, 29 in the first half en route to an all-tournament team selection.

After the Saginaw Critchlow was complemented on his excellent performance despite the loss. His response embodies his character, one the team needs. He simply stated "I'd trade it for a "W" anytime."

The team attitude is the key for the Saints. With that attitude they will be tough to beat. Charles Ivy further proved the team ideal emerging when he had this to say about the tournament "This is a big victory. I especially have to compliment my man Johnny Morris on that last minute slam. It really helped boost our ego's." Ivy pointed to the thunderous dunk Morris delivered in the closing seconds of the Spring Arbor demolition. If this team concept continues the Saints will win; last year's tournament run will attest to that.

The individual egos of the team will have to be put on priority with winning. If winning wins out with every player the team will prosper; if egos win out the team will struggle. Experience has proven this to be the case. Team winning needs to be the priority. The players who want to win are becoming more obvious everyday. They want the team concept no matter what the circumstances. The big question is how far will this attitude spread?

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found Kerri Meinhart for what seemed to be a short yardage completion. But Meinhart broke free from Lushettes defenders and went the length of the field for the games first score. Meinhart, who added two interceptions on the day, stated "It felt awesome and I was happy for the whole team after we won." The Trojans added an insurance score as Omee connected with Amy Tiggelman for the final score and a 12-0 Trojan victory. Trojan player Mary House summed up the difference between a win and a possible loss "The weather didn't matter because our attitude was great and we just wanted to play."
The women's varsity basketball team is off to an excellent season start with two victories in its first two outings. Both triumphs took place at Oakland University.

The lady Saints started the season with a 55-37 blasting of cross town rival Calvin College. Aquinas jumped out to a quick 10-3 lead and pushed the margin to 24-9 before settling for a 32-22 halftime lead. Calvin cut the lead to 32-26 but would not get any closer as the Saints ran off a 16-2 spurt to put the game away. The Saints were lead by Brenda McNeil who poured in 18 points. Katy Glatz contributed 12 points and a team high six rebounds. Marie Bridges came off the bench to grab four rebounds, dish out four assists and make four steals.

Game two was not quite as easy as the Saints had their hands full with Tri-State University but managed to pull out a 49-47 victory. The Saints started quick but lost the lead with just under four minutes to play in the first half. Aquinas trailed 27-22 at the half. Tri-State was outgunned at the beginning of the second half as Aquinas went on a 12-3 run to take a 34-30 lead. However, the see-saw affair tipped back toward Tri-State as they tied the game at 38. Then, with two minutes and fifty-eight seconds remaining the Saints had a slim 46-44 lead. Katy Glatz drilled two free throws and the Saints maintained their lead and earned a narrow victory. Aquinas managed just a 29 percent shooting average for the game with Ann Hayward topping all scorers with 10 points. Glatz and Jane Van Opynian added eight points each to pace the attack for the victors. McNeil played a tough game grabbing 11 rebounds. Also tough on the glass were Glatz who snagged nine boards and Holley Hussey who had eight rebounds off the bench.

Cheerleading at Aquinas?

By Joan O'Neill

It has been said that practice makes perfect... and perfection is what Aquinas College's Cheerleading squad is seeking. Since mid-September, the cheerleaders have been practicing as many as five days a week in hope of perfecting their performances. In addition, the squad, which consists of three sophomores and five freshmen, also partook in a pre-season "mini-retreat" to enhance the camaraderie amongst its members and to set some goals for themselves.

"This year the squad is more on task," said Pam Strobel, the AQ Cheerleader's advisor. "There's more of team spirit, commitment and skill this year. It makes a difference." Strobel herself was never a cheerleader. As the advisor, she considers herself more of a critical eye for the squad. "In the years to come I hope we could actually get someone who is really a 'cheerleading coach'."

Cheerleading, at Aquinas, is not considered a sport. Instead, it is a club that receives its recognition as well as its money allotments from the Aquinas College Community Senate. The members of the squad, however, do receive one credit hour from the college for participating in cheerleading, just like any other participant in intercollegiate athletics at Aquinas.

This year the squad received money from the Senate to purchase new uniforms. These uniforms will replace the old, mismatched uniforms that were worn last year by the squad. One of the squad's main concerns, according to Strobel, is to get the crowd to participate more. They're in the midst of putting a dance routine together, which they will perform during halftime of the December 9 game against Hope. The squad is also revising the cheers they each remember from high school, adding stunts and mounts whenever they feel necessary.

The members of the Aquinas College Cheerleading Squad are: Paula Mangani, Captain; Leslie Graefen; Nicole Soble; Cherie Horn; Alene Thurston; Julie Kersten; Michelle Pelka; and Annie Hobgood, who is injured. The new squad debuted at the game between Aquinas College and a Swedish team on November 12, and they will be cheering at all of Aquinas' home games as well as away games within the Grand Rapids area.
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