Students Conquer Apathy
Spring Fling Most Successful to Date

By Josh Newman
Times Campus News and Sports Editor

Who would have thought, that after all of the plans to defeat apathy around this campus, that Spring Fling would be the ice-breaker. As the battle against apathy has been attacked by many forces, Spring Fling sold out for the first time in recent years. As a line formed outside the Student Activities office on Wednesday prior to the April 22, semi-annual dinner/dance, Yvonne Hall director of the Programming Board that put on the event, slapped a “SOLD OUT!” sign on the door of the office.

Meanwhile, in disbelief, people just slowly walked away as Student Activities Director, Timi Hough and chief organizer of the event, Brooke Davis, explained the sellout to the disappointed students. But be as it may, with the help of Mary Kay McKenney, Davis

managed to set up the Amway Grand Plaza to fill seats for another 60 Spring Fling thirsty students. The tickets, which sold for $25 each, included admission to the dance, a three course dinner, a disc jockey service, and a disposable camera. They sold a total of 260. In addition, another 50 tickets were sold to those who just wanted to attend the dance portion of the evening.

Davis, a junior, said of this year’s event, “this was a huge success. It was the most people that have ever attended Spring Fling, and the most fun of my college years.”

The ballroom was eloquently and colorfully lavished with blue and gold decor, and the theme was “In the Still Of the Night.” But the night was by no means, still.

The evening began with dinner and fine music performed by freshman pianist John Proulx. Proulx was the dining entertainment, and soothe the night over with slower piano tunes before the DJ music of Soundsations took over.

The bare dance floor was soon covered with gluttonously dressed students ready to dance the night away to the tunes spun by “Jose the DJ.” The floor was packed and remained that way throughout the entire evening.

Junior, Kenyatta Christian said this about the evening, “The evening was eloquent

Project Pride Opens
Students Eyes

By Curt Womak
Times Contributing Writer

It is widely known that sloth and lethargy tend to plague college campuses early on Saturday mornings. However, on Saturday, April 29, a vibrant spirit of volunteerism crept under Aquinas’ veil of sleepiness. At 9:00 a.m. that morning, an enthusiastic group of 130 Aquinas students, faculty, and staff members gathered outside of the Art and Music Center, giving up some much needed sleep for what most of them felt was a greater cause: Project P.R.I.D.E. (Poverty Relief is Developing Everywhere).

Last weekend’s Project P.R.I.D.E. was the sixth annual opportunity for the Aquinas community to pitch in and try to improve the image of some litter-ridden downtown Grand Rapids areas. P.R.I.D.E. volunteers were organized into 14 teams. After a short invocation by Sister Catherine Williams, the teams left the AMC for their own designated areas of South Division Avenue.

Clean-up basically consisted of gathering and disposing of trash (paper, glass, etc.), but it went a lot further for many volunteers. Amid the discarded fast food wrappers and cigarette butts were many neatly folded bed rolls and clothing items. Freshman Caitlin Dillon responded to an over-zealous volunteer who was about to pick up a pile of clothes along with the trash they rested in, saying, “Wait a minute. That’s somebody’s life.”

Freshman volunteer Rene Palileo shared Dillon’s sentiment. Said Palileo, “I was a little bit amazed at the sight (the clothing and bed rolls), but I was more amazed at how shocked people were to realize that there are really homeless people in Grand Rapids.”

Palileo continued, “We just sort of cleaned their area up for them, but left their belongings intact. I wish we could have done a lot more.”

Senior Rick Blankenship also felt moved by P.R.I.D.E. “It was a little overwhelming sometimes,” said Blankenship, “but all-in-all, it was a good program. It really was an eye-opener.”

Sophomore Nancy Weaver participated in the program for her second year and stated, “I’m originally from Grand Rapids, so it felt like home.”

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kind of good to give a little bit back to my community.”

After about two and one-half hours of work, volunteers gathered for lunch at God’s Kitchen, with pizza, sub, and drinks all donated from area businesses and church organizations. Reflections and evaluations followed, then volunteers returned home.

Many were touched by the experience. Freshman Alan Plum stated, “I’d like to think that I did something positive here, and I’m pretty sure that I did.”

Sponsored by CAVA (Community Action Volunteers of Aquinas), the one-day event actually began over a month ago for CAVA coordinator, Irene Gorsky, and next year’s coordinator, Stephanie Langstaff. Recruiting team leaders, making arrangements with the Sanitation Department, contacting resources for food donations, and organizing the specific clean-up areas provided countless hours of work for the CAVA office. After the day’s work was done, Gorsky commented, “I’m really glad it came together so well. There are so many complications that can come up when planning a project like this. It was a real relief to see us overcome all of them and pull it off.”

Itseems that the problem of apathy on this campus has taken a step towards being solved. The fact that students lack the enthusiasm to get involved has been knocked down one notch, thanks to Spring Fling and the students.
Resident Advisors Named For Next Year

By Brian Matzke
Times Contributing Writer

After going through the interview process, the 1995-1996 Resident Assistant staff has been named. Next year's staff includes 10 returners from this year's staff. The returners include two R.A.'s from St. Joe's Hall; returners from this year's staff. The returners have been named. Next year's staff includes 10 returners, Kristie Hengesbach and Tando Goduka.

Residential Life staff and lasted through March 17, when final selections were made. Applicants were informed of the final selections on March 20 and found out their tentative placements on March 31.

While the interviewing process can at times be quite overwhelming, it is well worth while. "It is a great experience," said Nicole Almond, who has been successful through the process twice.

The Resident Life staff was also pleased with the process. New Director of Residence Life, Randy MacGeorge, was also pleased with not only the process, but with the quality of the candidates. "We turned down some people that really have the potential and ability," MacGeorge commented.

Next on the agenda for those that made it through the process is R.A. training. The R.A.s must report back to school two weeks early to go through a training process on how to handle certain issues that may arise during the school year. Next year promises to be another great year in the residence halls.
Ireland Students Bid Farewell and Head Back Home

As all good things come to an end, so must each Ireland program semester. On May 1, the Irelanders would head their separate ways as the semester comes to a close. Many students will be on a plane heading home while some of the others have different plans in mind.

Junior Katie Clifford is one of a handful of students who plans to stay in Europe for an extended amount of time. "I had originally planned to stay until the fourth of July and visit some friends in Scotland and England, but then I realized that I like Ireland too much to leave," commented Clifford.

Senior Brandon Dillon's return date was also pushed back to Clifford's until he had a change of heart, as well. "I'll be back on May 25 - the American dollar is on the decline and the price of beer is up," said Dillon, who plans to tour Europe during his last few weeks.

While Senior Paul Toth has plans similar to Dillon's, Dr. Dan Brooks and Dr. Rebecca Coogan look forward to touring Ireland and England with family until the end of May. "Since I don't know exactly what we will be doing, it is kind of exciting, but I will be road-weary and I will be ready to be home when I get there," says Brooks.

Upon his arrival home, Brooks looks forward to indulging in a truly American treat—decent Chinese food. "The first thing I would like to do is order Chinese take-out forward to indulging in a truly American treat—decent Chinese food. "The first thing I would like to do is order Chinese take-out when I get there," says Brooks. "I'm looking forward to coming home—just to see them," commented Dillon.

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Though Dr. Brooks also hopes to return, his plans are not quite as concrete. "I've had that question from a number of people and I'm saying that I would not be surprised if I came back but I am not sure," stated Dr. Brooks. "In the next five to ten years, I would not be surprised."

Meanwhile, Dr. Brooks confidently says he would recommend the program to others, as would the student participants. "I definitely would, but only to a certain type of person because I think some people come over here and have a different impression of what it actually is like—but generally I would recommend it," said Kahle.

Opperman agrees that future Irelanders should have the right frame of mind. "I think if people are interested in coming over, they have to want to get to know the locals and experience it to the hilt," said Opperman.
Meijer Gardens, A "Pocket of the Tropics" in G.R.

By Eric VanGessel

"Lena (his wife) and I had to think about it for a few days," he said. "A hundred years from now, people won't know us any more than people now know who John Ball was, but they'll be glad some old-timers didn't develop these 70 acres for 300 homes." Other parts of the facility include a 14-foot waterfall which flows with 20,000 gallons of water. The size of the Conservatory can be imagined by laying the glass panes end to end, as they would stretch two miles.

The Lena Meijer Conservatory opened Thursday, April 20 at noon. The building is 68 feet tall and has 15,000 square feet of glass covering it, equivalent to about 3,000 window panes. It contains more than 70 different exotic plants from five continents. An interesting feature is that some of the plants are in dirt. The replacement for soil is a mixture of haydite, sand and peat, which contribute to the nutritional processes of the plants.

The entire project cost about $20 million, of which more than half was donated by the namesake of the facility, Frederick Meijer. He is the founder of Meijer Corporation, the super-sized convenience store.

In addition to the money which he donated, the plot of land on which the Botanical Gardens is located, was originally part of plans for development by Meijer Corporation. However, when Frederick was contacted about this idea, many thoughts flowed through his head.

By Eric VanGessel

Times Contributing Writer

"Mandatory Cleaning of Great Lakes Needed,"

By Andy Pieper

"A Model Village?"

By Dave Bult

Hooch for Bob Deppe. Two decades after former Grand Rapids mayor, Lyman Parks, envisioned a "model village" of residential housing in the plot of land north of Pleasant and between Jefferson and Lafayette S.E., Deppe Construction has made it come true. Yesterday, Deppe, Parks, and city officials broke ground on the southern half of that land, Heritage Parks (named after the former mayor), which promises 36 single-family homes.

Heritage Parks' northern neighbor, the 44-unit townhouse community, Heritage Commons, was built in 1977 by local, state, and federal dollars. But when the money ran out, so did the desire to finish the Parks portion of the development.

And then came Deppe.

His proposal brought gladness to the hearts of Heritage Commons residents, whom the city had promised back in '77 that the Parks would soon be developed.

Deppe's proposal also sent shivers up the spines of a few city Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) board members, who couldn't deal with its call for vinyl siding on the new homes. Some of the lots in the Parks complex are in a historic area and thus fall under the jurisdiction of the HPC and its regulations—one of which prohibits the installation of vinyl siding on historic homes.

It isn't like Deppe is trying to sandwich 36 vinyl-sided, single-family homes into a six-year effort to set uniform limits for all cities and industries which discharge waste into the Great Lakes. There are eight states affected by it, and they have two years to adopt the limits set by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (E.P.A.) this past March.

Before the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee voted on the amendment to the bill which would mandate all states to act together to clean up the Great Lakes, Ehlers addressed the committee and urged them to think of the future of the nation. "I encourage my colleagues to think about the Great Lakes as a national asset, not just a Michigan asset, and recognize that we should have a uniform starting point for standards when it comes to Great Lakes waters," Ehlers said.

Despite pressure from other Republicans in Congress to allow voluntary compliance, Ehlers refused to give up. Even Gov. John Engler has recently said he heard more 'nays than 'yays' and declared the amendment defeated. Ehlers then asked for a roll call of members and it was passed, 27-24.

Despite the good news, the victory may be only temporary. Rep. Michael Oxley, R-Ohio, chairman of a House subcommittee considering legislation on water pollution, said he will push for the initiative to be made voluntary.

The passage of this amendment precedes debate on a new Clean Water Act. The success of this measure shows "the vitality of grassroots efforts on the Clean Water Act," said Mark Van Putten, director of the National Wildlife Federation's Great Lakes Program in Chicago. "It would not have been possible without the strong leadership shown by Congressman Ehlers."
The initial stages of the investigation focused on possible international perpetrators. Some experts believed the terrorists were members of a radical Islamic fundamentalist group. But as time wore on and the FBI closed in on suspects, it was clear that this was a group. But as time wore on and the FBI closed in on suspects, it was clear that this was a domestic right-wing group. Debris from the blast was found many blocks away and nearby buildings suffered shattered windows and major structural damage.

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Terror in Oklahoma City

By Melissa Wysocki
Times Staff Writer

College: the land of golden opportunity. It’s where anything goes—anything one lets themselves get into, that is. Along with this involvement however, comes responsibility, and many students seem to lack this when it comes to drinking.

A recent survey reported that freshman start drinking soon after arriving to college, and 68 percent of the 720 college freshmen surveyed admitted to having gone on a drinking binge by the end of the first semester. Fifty-four percent of those surveyed reported a drinking binge by the end of the first semester. Fifty-four percent of those surveyed reported.

If we are aware of all the hazards that result from using alcohol, the question remains why do we abuse it? "Peer pressure...many do it to fit in with upperclassmen...especially those on campus," commented Rico Common. "People are looking for an identity, and do they think they’re going to find it in the bottom of a Red Dog?"

Justin Manwell voiced his opinion, citing a lack of control as the reason many students get involved with alcohol. "In college there’s more freedom," said Manwell. "They aren’t as likely to get caught, Sure, they might get warned, but, no one is going to tell their parents."

Many students expressed the belief that not all students who enter college binge on alcohol. Michelle Centilli doesn’t see the fascination with alcohol. "It’s a conscious choice," Centilli said. Kelly Corey offered her insight: "Some may have different reasons for drinking.

Among peer pressure there’s the added stress of college. There may also be problems at home, or one might come from an upbringing where they were exposed to alcohol."

Realizing that college students will experiment with different things, including alcohol, groups such as BACCHUS have emerged. BACCHUS, (Boosting Alcohol and Other Drug Use Awareness Campaign) were two such efforts to raise consciousness among students.

While studies continue to prove that drinking is a big part of college life for some students, other individuals realize the conscious decision to participate in such an activity. "Some people do it, not everybody does," stated one Aquinas student. Another student admitted to drinking more in high school than in this year of college.

"For some it’s a way of fitting in with some sort of crowd," suggested Jill Veenstra. "For others it may just be an extension of a high school pastime that has now moved on to college with them."

"Drink responsibly"-AO Times

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SCHOOLS OUT

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It seems like just yesterday I was getting into my car at 5:00 in the morning to head from the great state of Iowa to Aquinas College. I had no clue where I was going, or when I was going to get here, but all I knew is that the “Hot Tamale” was packed and I was ready to go. I came into this Catholic school with the thought of pure adventure, considering I was of a completely different faith than the schools’ population, with the exception of a few faculty members. What a ride I have taken.

The first experience I ever had was meeting one of the fellow nuns around Aquinas was By Holly S. Kent

Times Copy Editor

Well, here it is, the final For Play, and I’m not kidding this time. It’s time for me to leave this paper, after four years of constant suffering, joy, success, and failure. As a matter of fact, it’s time for me to leave this school.

I’m sure everyone else who is graduating this year is having the same feelings that I am having. In some ways I’m so glad to leave after these four years that I consider the best in my short life are over. Lately I’ve been taking a lot of trips down memory lane, and instead of making me grateful, this time, it’s time for me to leave this paper, after four years of constant suffering, joy, success, and failure. As a matter of fact, it’s time for me to leave this school. Considering I was of a completely different faith than the schools’ population, with the exception of a few faculty members, what a ride I have taken.

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Dear Editor:

When replying to a review of a book, one must be careful not to criticize the book itself. My apologies to Professor Eberle if my notes are inapplicable to his book, The German Idealists (CONVEX). To provide a little context, Etienne Gilson’s God and Philosophy (1941) is thin, readable, and cuts through the mists of how modernity has exploded in popularity on campuses. Although the notion that confusion is entranced and perplexed by “Theology”—my favorite proponent of which is Hean Baardstrøm who introduced the concept of Virtual Man in the ’60s and claimed Media to be responsible for presenting the Gulf War in such a hyper-real way that, to those of us who did not go, it was a mere virtual game. I don’t know whether or not reading this sort of post-modern theory is beneficial for those who don’t make a life of it; I’m fairly confident it is not for those of us who do.

With that thought in mind, I found it surprising Professor Eberle would respond to the post-modern condition by having our society “relate to the divine without an intermediary” and by suggesting “consciousness is evolving despite this period of confusion” (Swanson’s words for the other hand, the notion that confusion is masks,” Pascal’s Pensees (1670) are for those who don’t make a life of them. As far as I can remember, I never wanted to go to an education, but it wasn’t until I started taking Sister Miller’s art history classes, when I realized that I found something that I could actually enjoy. If it weren’t for her, I would have never stuck around to understand why I really came to this school. I have to admit, that along with my fellow editor, Holly Kent, I am going to get a little sappy. But my thoughts are this: After two years this is my last issue of the Aquinas Times, and I am going to town.

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Dear Editor,

**Detroit Is a Beautiful City**

This letter was written in response to a comment made in the article “Students Tour Europe for Spring Break”, which appeared in the April 5th issue of the AQ Times.

In the article a senior AQ student by the name of Brandon Dillion made a comment about a city he visited called Limerick. He was quoted as saying “It looked like Detroit—dirty and grimy”. He went on to say that Limerick “just wasn’t attractive”.

As residents of the city of Detroit, we found this comment very offensive. It is bad enough that Detroit has its downsides, but does every OTHER CITY. We feel that Brandon could have expressed his disapproval at his surroundings in a better fashion than naming our city.

In closing, we are aware that this may not be the opinion of the AQ Times, we felt that it was our responsibility to relay the truth about our city.

Thank You,
Angela Sawyers
Rene Patillo
Michael Chabot
Michael Travis
Yahaira Best
Piper Petet
Kimberly Mitchell
Cicely Bridges
Melinda Martin

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Dear Editor:

**Phone Mail Faux Pas**

This letter goes out to all the students, faculty, and staff at Aquinas. About a month ago some of my friends and I decided to “play” with the phone mail system. We broke into mailboxes and using the distribution lists we found, some people left messages they thought were amusing. Because of our lack of knowledge about where these messages were going, these messages of — "fun" with the phone mail system. We provided. No cold calls. Full-time also available. Apply by phone 24/hrs day 1-800-842-0466 extension 446 or extension 249 8am-5pm M-F. EOE.

This was the best experience I ever had here at AQ—well, maybe not the absolute best, some people may get offended. I want to thank Peter Wege, who donated the building that has pulled many all-nighters in. Oh, just a warning to the book store, if you don’t know this now, you will soon find out, the Times office is haunted. I think it’s Casper because he is a friendly ghost.

The Times has been brought up to a standard of professionalism, which my staff has accomplished over the year. I would like to thank my staff for a fabulous year, all of the writers, and all of the faculty/administration support we got this year. John Sorha is going to be taking over next year, and he will take the standard to an even higher level.

Back to my personal journal, for which I have been criticized in the past. I have met many people in the Grand Rapids area, as well as numerous people in the Aquinas community. Some of them I wish I could keep as my closest friends for the longest amount of time, and then to be honest, there are a few who I would like to forget.

I would like to thank Tennis Coach Jerry Hendrick, for three great years of recruiting and player performance. I would also like to say that this year was the best tennis year I ever had. I’ve never been involved with nine people who have so little in common, yet get along so well. All I can say to them is, “What’s my name…word on ‘em”.

Who have I forgotten? I would like to thank Duke for some great times and some great articles. Zuke and Duke was legendary.

I would like to thank the girls in the Benjamin house for letting me share my thoughts and philosophies with them while we managed to drink ourselves into another dimension. I would like to thank Nikki, for putting up with me during those months of, how should I say, “The semester I can’t remember.” And I would like to thank the Dog Pound—Amy, Shan, and Dana, for anything we can remember doing together. As well as all the guys at the Compod-ex should I say Senate.

I would like to thank Kevin Rezek, for being hands-down the coolest guy from Bay City I have ever met! With the exception of “BAY CITY THUNDER” of course.

This school has opened my eyes to many points of view, as well as many people who had enlightened my life. I would also like to say thanks to Joey Stimac and Little Johnny Proulx—two of the few men who could actually understand me. Whatever that means!

I will miss the years that I spent here at Aquinas, I sound like Charles Kuralt, but it’s been real. “See ya-KLG”.

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By Morgan Higginbotham

Dreams do come true. Perhaps you’ve got an A on a biology test, or win an all-expense-paid trip to the Bahamas, or maybe your parents will win the lottery. Then again, you could, perhaps you are a writer and, for the first time in your life, you have one of your works published. Even more amazingly, though, you are asked to have something else published. You are invited to attend a conference. For the first time in your life, you find your work to be appreciated, to be kept, to be taken seriously. These things could happen. As a matter of fact, one of our very own Aquinas freshmen, Alicia Belchak, recently had one of her dreams come true.

In Belchak’s senior year in high school, she had her first poem published in the National Library of Poetry, an organization which publishes several anthologies a year. Belchak read about the organization and their poetry competition in Writer’s Digest. She sent her poem titled “Poetry” to the National Library of Poetry, and they decided that it was worthy of being published. Belchak confessed that she “entered just for kicks.” She did not expect to win, and she and her family were extremely excited and surprised when she did. She received a monetary award, a certificate, and was invited to attend a conference in New York.

Early this year, Belchak was asked to submit another poem for the competition because she had the honor of being a previous winner. Once again one her poems was selected to go into an anthology titled The Best Poems Of ’95. The name of Belchak’s sophomore effort was “Mountain Lake.” Her poem also will be put on tape with musical accompaniment, and will be sold. Belchak was voted one of the best poets of 1994-1995 by the aforementioned organization.

Belchak has always wanted to be published, and considers writing an outlet which has given her “great rewards,” with this momentous award her greatest victory to date. Belchak plans to major in Environmental Science. Ideally, she would like to become a scientific writer, perhaps writing for National Geographic or some other science-based publication. She would like to take scientific writings and put them into layman’s terms. Belchak is not restricting herself to writing poetry. She started a novel in the seventh grade, perhaps she will complete it and have another hit on her hands.

"Dreams Do Come True"
By Joe Stimac
Times Entertainment Editor

As far as stupid movies go, this one is a rarity. Why? Because it made me laugh. With men like David Spade and Chris Farley in the cast (who could simply enjoy a gastric emission and make people laugh) it didn’t take much.

The script was no Monty Python-filled humor extravaganza, but a few appropriately timed one-liners did force a smile to cross my face. Maybe the humor came from Farley’s character, who had the IQ of a twelve-year-old. In fact, the entire plot focused on Farley’s being the heir of a company, and suddenly having to run it. The character was down-to-earth though; he knew he was dumber than the deer that he tooted around in the back seat of his car.

David Spade played a witty, sarcastic little corporate weasel that found his first friend. Both he and Farley did an equally well job to make me laugh. Both actors seemed well within their element. I can only give this two stars.

Live actors seemed well within their element. While a five-year-old might think that he comprehended the deeper meaning, the movie did make me laugh. Despite the absence of any higher meaning, the movie did make me laugh. With men like David Spade and Chris Farley in the cast (who could simply enjoy a gastric emission and make people laugh) it didn’t take much.

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by Joe Stimac
Times Contributing Writer

One of the best computer toys ever created is now on the market. Doubling as a practical tool for computers also makes it an excellent buy. For the mere cost of $29.95, the Berkeley X-men Screen Saver is an exciting and useful addition to your computer system.

Screen savers are programs that help to prevent phosphor burn-in. When monitors are left on for prolonged periods of time, they may become damaged, because images can leave permanent impressions on the screen. Screen savers keep images moving on the screen so nothing has a chance to burn in.

Even if your monitor isn’t in any danger, however, the X-men Screen Saver is still pretty fresh. It’s easy to install, not hard to operate, and enjoyable to watch. You could very well find yourself playing with the X-men Screen Saver more than any of your actual games.

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New Toys For Your Computer

By Joe Stimac
Times Entertainment Editor

By Lendell Hoard

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men Screen Saver more than any of your actual games. See Wolverine and Bishop “destroy” your screen, blasting and ripping up the set (don’t worry though, it’s just an illusion). Then the ever lovable, loud talking, blue haired Beast does flips across the screen of your computer, which looks like a danger room (the practice room of the X-men). Finally, play X-men trivia along with friends or by yourself.

There are eleven different ways to dress up your screen with the X-men Screen Saver, and all of them are fun. Berkeley also offers a line of other screen savers including Star Trek, Disney, and Marvel Comics Screen Posters. Berkeley screen savers can be found at a majority of computer stores across America.

By Joe Stimac
Times Entertainment Editor

Clearpata’s Nose

Random House, $23.00

For those of you who enjoy philosophy but cannot stomach the Greek, medieval or translated dialogues, this modern writer, thinker, and historian may be of interest. Daniel J. Boorstin is the author of magnificent award-winning works like “The Americans,” which is composed of three substantial volumes, Hidden History and many more.

A talented writer indeed, he portrays his ideas fluently and clearly. As a historian/thinker, he attempts to paint a picture of the present through the support of the past. A topic covered in Cleopatra’s Nose, is the concept of negative discovery. One of my favorite quotes of this section, “The history of Western science confirms the aphorism that the great menace to progress is not ignorance but the illusion of knowledge,” describes in brief the topics of the section. Another section of interest is the discussion of the contrast between explorers and inventors. The comparisons are quite illuminating.

This book is well written. So well written that I did not want to rush through it. I read a little bit every day as to enjoy it as much as possible. There are many ideas to be quoted from this work. And I will end with one of them.

This quote is again from the negative discovery chapter, which is my favorite. It is a quote from Marc Davis, Professor of Astronomy and Physics at the University of California, Berkeley. They are a list of “the six main products or the progress of cosmology over the last four hundred years.

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2. The Sun is Not the center of the Universe.
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4. Our type of matter is Not the dominant constituent of the Universe (dark matter predominates).
5. Our Universe (seen and unseen) is Not the only Universe.
6. Our Physics is Not the only physics. There might exist separate universes with completely different physics.”

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Mr. and Mrs. Feeney

Hailing from Chelsea, MI, the quartet known as The Holy Cows have forced critics to take notice. Their new album, Get Along, which is on Big Pop Records, entices with its rural-influenced, harmonious, guitar-driven sound. For country twang and the power of two lead guitars, The Holy Cows create a sound that you must hear to believe. The CD starts out strong with "Only Here For A Little While," a medium paced song that implies that love holds no price tag. The final three songs are poor in comparison to what should be on greatest hits albums. As a little boy in the heart of any American city walks into a room filled with empty beer cans and a bottle of beer, he doesn't know. There is also a love song, and a tune dedicated to all the cowboys and indians in the back yard with the neighbors. It is a ballad about discipline. In the song, "Lord Knows," Shakur tells of all the pain he's seen—seeing his friends die and how those memories stick vividly in his mind. "Dear Mama" is rising fast on the charts, and has proven to be a favorite. This song is a letter for Shakur's mother, thanking her for all she's ever done for him, although sometimes she never knew how grateful he really was. The most prominent line of this song was a line that mentioned how he didn't cry at his father's funeral because he couldn't have feelings for someone he didn't know.

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by Jeff Maloney

Times Contributing Writer

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**SPORTS EDITORIAL**

**The Grand Rapids "Explosion"**

By Josh Newman

Times Campus News and Sports Editor

Just four days before the Grand Rapids Explosion, Grand Rapids' newest professional sports team, was set to head to Arkansas for the season's opening soccer match, the team had its first loss. But the team's improvement has been crucial to the team's success. "Committing fewer errors has definitely been a big factor in our team's success," said coach Borowicz, after the 2-4 loss. "We've got a lot to prove to the other WHAC members that they can't just walk all over us." But the Lady Saints, with a 9-9 record in the WHAC, are a legitimate contender. GOOD LUCK, Lady Saints!

**SPORTS BRAIN TEASER**

1. Who recently became the second female college football player and what school is she from?
2. Who was recently appointed coach of the 1996 Olympic women's basketball team?
3. Who took over Pete Sampras' number one tennis ranking last week?
4. What Aquinas Saint baseball player was named WHAC Player of the Week last week?
5. What WHAC alum scored a goal in the Grand Rapids Explosion victory in their season opener? Where did he go to school?

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Multiple-error innings had been the downfall for the Saints throughout much of the first half of the season. Freshman Jen Forkner, the team's second leading hitter, had hoped that the team would bring it together in time for the play-offs. "Hopefully we can win one game, we want to be playing our best by the time the play-offs are here," said coach Borowicz.

Having one run-out at the beginning of the season had it's toll on the team as well. "The postponed games have made it difficult to get things going. I'm still kind of trying out players," to see where they fit best," said Coach Borowicz, after the 2-4 loss. Coach Borowicz, after the 2-4 loss.

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**AQ TENNIS**

The Aquinas Women’s Tennis Team put together two very impressive weeks during the climax of their season. On April 17 the Lady Saints defeated The Tri-State Thunder at Riverview Athletic Club 7-2 rapping up the WHAC regular season crown.

Later that week the women played their conference tournament. Again playing in Grand Rapids the Saints held off their WHAC competitors by a slim margin. The Lady Saints swept all three doubles flights and finished at 26 points with Tri-State close behind with 23. Freshman Dana Buckley led the way, winning Conference titles at two singles and two doubles. Buckley said of her teams performance, “I am so excited of how our team played. If we play this well again we can go to Nationals.” The strong performances during conference play this year earned seniors Wendy Wallinga, freshmen Dana Buckley and Melissa Mirotar and senior Kate Gilbert WHAC All Conference honors.

The Lady Saints must have taken their momentum into the next week at Districts. The women played well again, winning and turning away tough competition. The Saints won the tourney by one point holding off Transylvania University, a team that earlier beat Aquinas. Afterwards the Lady Saints were excited about the accomplishments and great season. We wish them well at nationals.

By Stephen Greene
Times Contributing Writer

**AQ Baseball Heats Up the Field**

Second in the WHAC Conference, Saints are 14-3-1

Success is nothing new to the Aquinas baseball team. This season the team is going for its 23 consecutive season of winning 30 or more games. After a mediocre start of 15-10, Coach Terry Bocian’s team has caught fire. Over the last 18 games, the team has gone 14-3-1, and has moved up into second place in the WHAC. What’s more, they are only trailing Spring Arbor by one and a half games going into the week of May 1 and have improved their record to a 29-13-1 mark.

“We’re really hot right now,” said junior Chris Yesh, who hit his first home run of the season earlier in the week in an 11-1 win over Alma.

While the turning point of the season seemed to be following the second game of a doubleheader against St. Xavier. After losing the game because of an error, the guys really started to make things happen.

“We started hitting the ball really well and scored a lot of runs after that,” recalled Yesh.

On top of good hitting, Aquinas has also received some great pitching performances. Troy Wilcox, last week’s WHAC pitcher of the week has been on fire. Last week, the senior right-hander went 2-0 pitching 11 innings and only allowing eight hits and two earned runs. He also struck out 17 in the same amount of time. He followed Ian Cosgrove and Chad Addicott who had previously been named players of the week.

It has not been simply a one man game, however. The whole pitching staff has been coming through. The rotation of Tony Vasquez, Ian Cosgrove, Jeff Wierenga and Chris Walligora have all been pitching extremely well of late.

This past weekend, Aquinas got a test of things to come. On Saturday, the Saints traveled down to St. Xavier to play a doubleheader. St. Xavier was ranked number 15 nationally in the NAIA and was expected to be a good test for the Saints. Troy Wilcox got the start in the opener and pitched a complete game. In fact, he had a shutout going until a single unearned run came across the plate in the 7th. But, it was too little too late for St. Xavier, as Aquinas had already put the game out of reach thanks in part to Jayson Ike’s two RBIs in a four-run 5th inning. Aquinas went on to win the game 7-1. The win was Wilcox’s sixth of the season.

The second game also provided some spectacular pitching. This time it was Chris Walligora’s turn to take the mound. Nick Ursal’s RBI gave the Saints a 1-0 lead in the first. Aquinas added an insurance run on an Ike RBI in the 6th. St. Xavier would come back to score in the bottom of the 7th, but the Saints held on for a well-deserved 2-1 victory.

The ability of the Saints to get good pitching and good execution was the key to the victory.

“It was pretty good to go down to St. Xavier and win. It is a good test of how far we can actually go and it gives us something we can measure ourselves against,” infielder Matt Stankiewicz said about the importance of the two wins.

On Tuesday, May 2, Aquinas will be seeking its 30th win for the 23rd consecutive season. They will be playing home against Calvin. Wednesday, Northwood comes to town. With districts right around the corner, every game has importance. In a preview of coming attractions, the WHAC tournament begins May 10 in Battle Creek, this is followed by the national tournament beginning on May 21. Look for the Saints to be there.

**Men Win Conference Title**

Third Year in a Row

The Aquinas College men’s tennis team finished its regular season with momentum, taking easy 9-0 wins over Spring Arbor, Cornerstone College, and Grand Valley. The Saints however dropped a tough 6-3 decision to crosstown foe Calvin College just before heading into the WHAC conference tournament. With Aquinas already winning the regular season title the Saints headed into the tournament with confidence. Junior captain Eric VanGessel commented, “If we play up to our potential we will win the WHAC.”

And play up to their potential they did. The Saints won eight of nine flights winning the conference in impressive fashion. Aquinas finished with 23 points on the tournament, followed by Tri-State in second with a distant 15 points. Aquinas strong performance throughout the year earned the top four singles players, Eric VanGessel, Scott David, Douglas Dooley, and Stephen Greene WHAC All Conference honors, as well as fourth year coach Coach Jerry Hendrick who took Coach of the Year Honors.

Coach Terry Hendrick has done a tremendous job since coming to Aquinas. He has brought in many of the areas top players and has won the WHAC three years in a row. Coach Hendrick summed up his teams recent performance, “I am finally glad to win the WHAC tournament. We have played a lot of good tennis this year and I hope we have a good showing at our Regional in Indianapolis.”

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