Campaigning for the college vote

The Unpopular Vote: College Voting Stats

By Lisa Cort
News Editor

18-24-year-old voter turnout, 1956
52%

18-24-year-old voter turnout, 2000
36%

878,217
18-24-year-old residents eligible to vote in Michigan, or 12% of the state electorate

Information from civicyouth.org

AQ organizations aim to register, inform potential voters

By Michael Busch
Staff Writer

As our country draws closer to Election Day 2004, many organizations at Aquinas, and across the nation, are calling for voters to exercise their right to vote.

On campus, the Women's Study Center organized AQ Votes, a non-partisan voter registration campaign with the goal of informing students and Aquinas visitors about voting.

Volunteers on campus are doing all they can to help with the program. "Basically, we have been yelling at everybody who walks by, 'Hey are you registered to vote?'" said Hilary Akin, chair of the College Democrats and a volunteer for the project.

The AQ Votes project was a main goal of the women's study center going into the full semester. They got the ball rolling when two delegated registrants from the city of Grand Rapids came to Aquinas College and taught a group of about 15 students how to register people to vote. The registrant taught all of the volunteers the intricacies of registering people to vote.

"Voting is important to an AQ organization," Akin said.

AQ welcomes 14-year-old freshman

By Matt Sieger
Staff Writer

This year's freshman class has an extra touch of diversity. Walking among a class of students who are fast approaching their 20s is Ryan Lomonaco, a freshman barely in his teens.

Ryan, Aquinas' youngest full-time freshman, is an exceptionally gifted fourteen-year-old student who chose Aquinas College after finishing high school at Grand Rapids Catholic Central.

"I'm pretty enthused about (Aquinas)," he said. Ryan lives off campus with his parents, Robert and Candy, and three sisters. His journey toward this particular educational institution really began at age three, when his parents first discovered he had a special talent. Though Ryan did not talk until he was two and a half, once he broke the language barrier, other barriers fell with it.

"We knew he had something special when he started talking. When you

Building a sustainable partnership

AQ, Metro Hospital receive $2.75 million grant to build green hospital

By Michael Busch
Staff Writer

The nation's only sustainable business program has exploded in size with an endowment of $2.75 million-in the form of a federal contract award.

Aquinas College and Metropolitan Hospital were honored to receive this money to aid in the construction of a new health campus and energy center in the city of Grand Rapids.

The federal award came from the U.S. Department of Energy at Oak Ridge Laboratory in Tennessee. Novi, energy, the energy manager for Metro Hospital, applied for the award along with 41 other organizations. In the end of the selection process, Novi was ranked number one among the other organizations and received its full asking amount. This started the partnership between Aquinas College and Metro Hospital.

The hospital's onsite energy center, named the Center for Sustainable Energy and Education, and the entire Metropolitan health campus, will operate as a sustainable business. This means that the hospital will use environmentally friendly and more efficient tactics in the operation of their health center. In doing so, they will cut operating costs passing the savings onto the patients.

"Our collaboration with Aquinas College at the CSEE will enable Metro to re-evaluate the way it conducts business," said Mike Faas, president and CEO of Metropolitan Hospital.

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last week.

One part of Brater's package would allow for some voters, including many university students who want to vote in their hometown elections, to register online by mail even if they wish to submit an absentee ballot. Existing laws require first-time voters to register in person to receive absentee ballots.

Brater's proposed legislation would also allow students to vote on campus without having to affix a change-of-address sticker to the back of their driver's license.

Another bill under consideration in the legislature would permit citizens to submit absentee ballots without providing an excuse, which is currently required under state law. This would have a minimal impact on students, for whom a school is an legitimate excuse for not being present at their designated polling places on Election Day. The bill would allow citizens to vote in person to participate in their local community.

As a result of a 2000 law the students on their driver's licenses must match the address on their voter identity cards.

Referring to the 2000 law, Brater said, "That had the intended consequence of disenfranchising students on Michigan campuses."

Public Act 118, enacted shortly before the 2004 elections, was challenged four years ago by six students who claimed they had lost their right to vote.

Students who wish to participate in their hometown elections may either register or submit the mail-in form to their local clerk's office. First-time voters who pur- chase the latter option forfeit the right to submit an absentee ballot.

All newly registered voters and those who have changed their ad- dresses should receive their voter ID cards in the mail within three weeks of completing the registration process.

Students who do not receive their ID cards within three weeks should contact their local clerk's office to confirm receipt of their registration forms.

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Matthew Tueth, di- rector of the sustainable business program at Aquinas, started this unique program at the college in August of 2003. "Initially," said Tueth, "I had hoped that 100 students to enroll in the program, but we started we had around 10 sign up. I was amazed." The program is made up of four inter-disciplinary subjects: business, business, en- vironmental studies, and sustainable busi- nesses. It is a large ma- jor, requiring 62 credit hours of coursework.

The program has grown over 400 students since its creation. With the CSBE, students will have the opportunity to test their theories that most students only read about in books. In ad- dition, it will also feature a hands-on learning lab.

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For more information about the sustainable business program contact Dr. Matthew Tueth at 633-1913.
Professor leaving AQ to help start Nigerian university
By Matt Seager Staff Writer

Jim Garofalo, who is currently a professor of education at Aquinas, has been a part of the college for 25 years. He is the former dean of the School of Education.

In January, Garofalo will be leaving this school to help found the Atiku Abubakar Technical Institute in Yola, Nigeria. Garofalo’s role will be to help establish the framework for this new educational institute to grow in prominence in the African community.

“The importance of this is just tremendous. It could be the training ground of leaders in Africa for the next two or three generations,” said Garofalo.

Garofalo worked in Nigeria under the Peace Corps from 1962-64. Following that, he was involved in other projects throughout the U.S. dealing with helping schools adjust their policies and procedures to match the demands of changing students.

Before starting at Aquinas, Garofalo helped organize public schools in Mississippi and helped public education structural issues on an Indian reservation in North Dakota. He worked in urban New York schools and even dealt with education plans for prisons.

“They know I’ve had experience,” said Garofalo.

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Aquinas students nominated for Grand Award

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The Francis Browning Mellon Scholarship for the performing arts in the Grand Rapids metropolitan area will soon be firmly linked to the concept of the performing arts in the Grand Rapids community performance category, for her performances in last year's One Trick Pony show, "Our Town." Guest said.

Matt Seager, a music major, and his friend, Tim Krauss, a theater major, are both nominated for the "Best Supporting Actor" category. Seager has also been nominated for Best Actress in the performance category, for her performances in last year's One Trick Pony show, "Our Town." Guest said.

"The ultimate goal would be to support myself (financially) acting," Guest said. "I think it absolutely sucks that we can't challenge the moral and social status quo and should be in awe of the music. The thrill is in the music. It trades creepy dissonance for eloquent chords that spout existential horror. It trades the song's title into the choral. The town seems simpler than the instrumental Marian sections, animal noises, and choir parts are quieter and consequently don't compete as much. In this way, the song is a sort of the most beautiful things about it is that so many students are interested in the music," Krauss said.

Through Medulla, the intent to sound archival is clear and works as a binding theme for the songs. They are all softly produced, especially when considering the available technology and atmosphere.

The album only fails when the ethic of anti-commerciality is employed too strictly, like the concept of Bjork, who was given the title "Triumph of a Heart," and theorists of popular music are averse to the songs. But for the most part, Bjork's work is a triumph of the music.
Stevie's DVD collection satisfies geeks

By Jamie Lockwood

Editor-in-Chief

Only 30 years after its debut, That's no bad-trout-strain, right?

So one of the first questions I had is how you would ever have right to more materials, including

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Duvall is divided into four parts. The first part deals with the initial concept, development, and shooting of the film. The second part addresses \"A New Hope\", \"The Empire Strikes Back\", and \"Return of the Jedi\". The third part covers the release of the film and the reaction to it. The fourth part deals with the success of the film and the impact it had on the film industry.

Duvall made a few choices in the way he directed the film. He chose to use a lot of special effects, including the holographic projection of Luke Skywalker and the holographic image of Princess Leia. He also chose to use a lot of music in the film, which helped to set the mood and tone of the scenes.

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The film was released in 1977, and it was a huge success. It was the first film in the Star Wars franchise, and it introduced the world to the story of the Jedi and the Empire. It was also the first film to use computer-generated imagery, which helped to create a whole new level of special effects.

Duvall also made sure to include a lot of humor in the film. He knew that the film was going to be a hit, and he wanted to make sure that people would have fun watching it. The film was a huge success, and it helped to launch the entire Star Wars franchise. It is still considered one of the best films of all time, and it is a must-see for anyone who loves science fiction.

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Who needs a timeout? Emily Johnson, Opinion Editor

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Six years ago, my dad drove me from Traverse City to Detroit, having me think that I would be attending a work party. We walked over to the arena, just to peer in and maybe get the ticket guys to let us in just to see the ice. "Think we can pay them off with five bucks?" my dad asked me. I shook my head, so then he pulled out two tickets. "Think those will work?" I looked in amazement. I walked up with him to the door, all smiles, and we entered the arena.

I admired hockey while growing up, and from the minute I entered the Joe, I knew that night would be one of the best of my life. I named every one of them. When Brett Hull, Steve Yzerman, Dominik Hasek just took to the track, basketball, or soccer. Every hockey fan out there knows that hockey itself. In fact, it already has. Players have

The love of the game will not be there. The Joe Louis Arena, by a score of 4-3. The 'Miracle' was compounded by inexperience. The recognition is definitely deserved for Bocian who was the head baseball coach at Aquinas for 30 years. As head coach, Bocian led the Saints to 1988 victories, becoming the first Michigan collegiate coach to do so.

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You've got to have the passion," affirmed the Saints' volleyball manager Nick Hawley, moments before the team's first conference match against the Golden Eagles of Cornerstone. The team was anything but short on passion last Tuesday night, as the pressure facing the fourth-ranked team in the nation was compounded by an injury, illness, and a legion of fans demanding "golden blood."

Despite the passion and support of their fans, the Saints received a crushing defeat from the Golden Eagles, scoring a mere 21 points against Cornerstone's 30. Leading scorers were Becky Barbinger with 11 points and Ashley Boukher chat with 8 points. According to captains Amanda Szymanski and Megan Holton, the team still needs a lot of basic practice, especially with their star player Renae Vossey, who led the team in assists, just back from an injury. Both agreed that the beginning of the conference season was important to them and their fans for revenge! It was important to him and his team to be ready for revenge. In any case, the team is undoubtedly going to work on their defense and offensives for the next match against Cornerstone, which takes place at Cornerstone on Sat., Nov. 6.

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At left, members of the Catholic Studies Club make elephant ears at their homecoming booth Saturday. The day was filled with many fun festivities for students, faculty, alumni, and friends of Aquinas as well. Paulie Gross (below, to the left), son of professor Katharina Gross, plays with balloons at homecoming.

During halftime of the men’s soccer game, seniors Chase Osborne and Briana Asmus (below) were crowned homecoming king and queen.

Despite a strong showing, both the men’s and women’s soccer teams lost to Madonna. Sophomore Katie Schmuck scored the loan goal for the women’s team in their 2-1 loss. At right, freshman Ezekial Rodriguez battles for the ball with a Madonna player. Above, Adam Cooper and Chris Graham take on three Crusaders.

Members of the women’s and men’s basketball teams (above) participate in Ernie’s Run. At left, student Nick Hawley shows his school spirit during the volleyball game.