

More campus repairs

Administration building one of several projects

By Amy Jentoft
Staff Writer

Low ceilings, outdated emergency lighting and inaccessible fire escapes are just three reasons why the Albion College Board of Trustees is looking into renovating or replacing the Administration Building.

Originally constructed in 1902 as the Lottie L. Gassette Memorial Library, the building was renovated in 1939 to house administrative offices after the library moved across the quadrangle to Stockwell Memorial Library. The last major renovation was in 1979.

According to Dale Dopp, vice president for finance and management, "The master planners identified in 1990 that something had to be done to the administration building."

The study done by MacLachlan, Cornelius and Filoni, a Pittsburgh-based architectural firm, offers details on the condition of the building.

Safety is one of the major

concerns, the report said. Fire alarms, emergency lighting and plumbing fixtures do not meet today's code requirements, and the second floor fire escape is not accessible from all offices. The masonry lintels are cracked to the point where snow often blows in these window frames during the winter.

Despite these troubles, the college has tried not to spend a lot of money to repair the building, said Kenneth Kolmodin, director of facilities operations. The building has deteriorated to the point that it would now be too expensive to effectively maintain it.

There are two options the college could pursue, according to Dopp and Kolmodin.

The first would be a complete renovation. The architects' plans include removing the back addition, gutting the interior and adding wings on either side of the building. Further plans include new central air conditioning, heating and ventilation systems, brick repairs and a new roof. Renovation would cost approximately

\$2,558,000 and would bring the building into compliance with current codes.

The second option is to replace the building. The architects would like to construct a new building just to the east of the current location, centering it more between the Kellogg Center and Olin Hall. The building would have three floors, be handicap accessible and in compliance with all mechanical and safety codes. The consolidation of offices into one area would make it more convenient for students.

The estimated cost for a new building — \$2,310,000 — is less than renovation, even with the additional \$50,000-\$60,000 cost of tearing the old one down.

Both Dopp and Kolmodin said the trustees are leaning in the direction of a new building.

"When we put up a new

building, we establish a depreciation period and fund for future maintenance," Kolmodin said. "The depreciation, or time a structure takes to deteriorate, is longer in newer buildings than in old. We think the best way might be to start from scratch."

Renovation or new construction would not be undertaken for the next couple of years due to a current lack of funds and the importance of other projects.

"We have several projects out there — the trustees are prioritizing them, and the students'

[academic areas] come first," Dopp said. These projects include reconstruction of the old bookstore for Campus Safety and Health and Counseling Services, and a complete renovation of the Goodrich Chapel basement, chancel area and front plaza.

Upon completion, the chapel basement would include faculty offices, soundproofed practice rooms and a student lounge. The chapel would have a level chancel area suitable for band and orchestra rehearsals and concerts instead of the current temporary stage.

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—Dale Dopp



Amel Eiland, East Lansing senior, Dan Marcus, Adam Roberts and Andrew Kitchen performed during Peacefest last Saturday.

Photo by Sally Sheffer

Green Party unites

Now it's easy being green at Albion

By Britt Halvorson
Staff Writer

When you think about elections, what colors come to mind?

Red, white and blue? How about green?

This election year, Green Party U.S.A. is offering an alternative to voting Republican or Democrat.

Ralph Nader, a consumer advocate who has founded numerous non-profit organizations, is the Green Party's candidate for president. According to Tom Sluis, editor of the San Francisco Bay Area's *Green Consensus*, Nader is most associated with

decreasing the power of large corporations. Nader is on the ballot in 21 states and the District of Columbia and an official write-in candidate in 23 states, one of which is Michigan.

Hayley Raynes, Blue Jay, Calif. sophomore, along with Matt Berres, Plymouth senior, and Meredith Gailey, Oxford sophomore, recently started the Albion College Greens. Since Raynes is from California, she is officially registered to vote with Green Party USA, something that Michigan does not yet allow.

Raynes commented on why she feels Nader is a good

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I-Week cultures awareness

By Matt Nave
Staff Writer

If you think the "West Bank" is the Albion branch of Chemical Bank near Felpausch, then you could learn a lot from International Week.

I-Week is this Sunday through Friday and is sponsored by off-campus programs, The Center for International Education, The Daoud Family Lectureship in Middle Eastern Studies, the Albion College Umbrella Group, and The Anna Howard Shaw Center for Women's Studies.

It is a time designed to help focus on the people and culture of another land, according to Vera Wenzel, director of off-campus programs. This year, I-Week's theme is "Israel and Palestine: Two Peoples in One Land."

Peace in the Middle East seems to be threatened once again, and many of the events planned for I-Week are designed to help understand why. The week is full of lectures and panel discussions by au-

thorities on Middle Eastern culture, a performance by a Palestinian band and Israeli dancing.

There will be an information and food festival in the Kellogg Center Gerstacker Commons from 6:30 - 10 p.m. Sunday. There will be information about Israel and Palestine and the history of the conflict, as well as the peace process.

From 7- 8 p.m., you can meet Bushra Karaman, a Palestinian actress. "Wedding of Galilee," one of the movies Karaman has appeared in, will be shown at 8 p.m.

Each day at noon there will be a video shown on the big screen television in the Stack from the "Jerusalem After Oslo: No Justice, No Peace" video series.

Monday at 4 p.m. there will be a slide presentation in the International House auditorium by Doug Goering, chair and associate professor of visual arts, and Frank Frick, chair and professor of

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religious studies. The slide show is entitled "Hebron: A Microcosm of the Challenges facing Israel and Palestine," and is a collection of pictures taken by David Turnley, a Pulitzer Prize winning photojournalist with the *Detroit Free Press*.

Wednesday, dinner at Baldwin will be prepared with authentic Israeli and Palestinian foods and recipes. From 9 p.m. to 11 p.m. learn Israeli dances to the music of a Palestinian Band.

A closing ceremony on Friday will feature Islamic, Christian, and Jewish prayers and songs for peace from 5 - 5:30 p.m. in the Bobbitt lobby. These events and many others this week may help students understand the people, cultures, and issues of Israel and Palestine.

The ceremony will close the week on international education here at Albion, but does not end the thoughts, hopes, and prayers for peace in the Middle East.

Albion Greens

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Presidential candidate. "The thing I like about him is that he doesn't care about winning. He feels that the fundamental issues are the most important."

The fundamental issues or "Ten Key Values" which Green Party USA stresses are: ecological wisdom, social justice, grassroots democracy, non-violence, decentralization, community-based economics, feminism, respect for diversity, personal and global responsibility and future focus.

American activists were inspired by the similar ideals of the German Green party and consequently formed the Green Committees of Correspondence network in 1984. Since restructuring in 1991, Green Party U.S.A. has been gaining momentum with organizations active in 46 U.S. states.

The German party, which inspired its American counter-

parts, is one of the most powerful Green organizations in the world. Heidrun Steinhaus, an exchange student from Heidelberg, Germany, said that it is ranked as the third strongest political party in Germany and received seven to eight percent of the vote in the last national parliamentary elections.

Steinhaus, whose brother has been a member of the Green Party for three years, said the party evolved from student movements of the 1960s. The group was officially founded in 1980 when it gained national status.

According to Steinhaus, the German Green Party focuses on achieving a higher standard of environmental consciousness in society, supporting women's and minorities' rights, decreasing unemployment, and distributing employment and wealth more equally throughout Germany's population.

The group also fosters a strong peace initiative and strives to get rid of the country's army, Steinhaus said. She also commented that the German group is

primarily composed of students, younger people and intellectuals.

In addition to the Green Party in Germany, there are 27 other Green movements recognized throughout Europe, nine groups in Africa, four in Asia, and one each in Australia and New Zealand. The increasing number of Green groups in the U.S. are some of the latest additions to the existing Green movement.

The recently formed Albion College Greens is not officially registered with the Green party, but supports the "Ten Key Values" of Green Party U.S.A. The group

strives to bring back fundamental issues and promote awareness of an alternative to voting Republican or Democrat, Raynes said.

"I think that people are often voting the lesser of two evils and turning their backs on politics."

According to Raynes, the Greens want to offer an informal setting where people can learn more about what the Green Party is. "We're open to all people and all issues," Raynes said. "We're just into letting people know what it's about. We're not into changing people's minds."

NORRIS NIGHT

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"The Senate Corner"

Here are a couple of highlights from the Student Senate meeting on Monday, Oct. 28:

—The Senate voted to approve the constitution of the Upper Room. The Upper Room is a new campus organization dedicated to providing a casual, interdenominational Christian worship service led by and designed for college students.

—A proposal was made to rescind part of the previously passed proposal to denounce the *U.S. News and World Report* rankings of "America's Best Colleges." This new proposal was brought up for discussion and tabled.

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NEWSBRIEFS

Spring Registration in Kresge Commons

Seniors will register for the Spring 1997 semester Nov. 18-19 in Kresge Commons in Wesley Hall. All other returning students will register in Kresge Commons on Thursday, Nov. 21.

Check with your adviser for your registration time.

Family Day

Family day begins tomorrow at 8 a.m. Registration is in the Kellogg Center on the first floor and some events are scheduled to start at 9 a.m. There will be a departmental faculty reception from 9-10:15 a.m. in the Kellogg Center. This is an opportunity for families to socialize with faculty members. For more information, brochures are available at the information desk in the Kellogg Center.

Asian Awareness Celebrates Diwali

The Asian Awareness Group is hosting their annual Diwali Dinner on Sunday, Nov. 10th from 5-7 pm in Kresge Commons. Diwali is a holiday that originated in India and is a celebration of the Festival of Lights. Indian food will be provided, and entertainment including dancing and singing.

Tickets will be sold for the Diwali Dinner Nov. 4-8 in the Kellogg Center and are \$3. All are invited to attend!

Into the Streets

Into the Streets will take place 1 — 5 p.m., Sunday Nov. 17. The program is designed to increase people's involvement in the community. Albion will be participating in this program for the fourth time. There will be community service projects focusing on issues such as the environment, children, youth education, senior citizens, public health, poverty and hunger, and literacy. For more information on where to sign up, contact Matthew Becker or Jadon Hartsuff, or call 629-1524.

Boswall discusses wildlife

Filmmaker offers views on ethics

By De Andre Clements
Staff Writer

"Thou shalt not deceive the audience."

"Thou shalt not deceive the animals."

Wildlife filmmaker Jefferey Boswall explained these "two commandments," as well as other "do's and don'ts" of wildlife filmmaking, to a large group of students and faculty Monday, Oct. 21, in Robinson 404.

Boswall, a native of the United Kingdom, started filming wildlife at the age of 27 while working for the British Broadcasting Corporation.

"My most recent BBC production, 'The Natural World: Wild Waterfalls,' attracted an audience of some 5.4 million viewers when it was aired in 1989," Boswall said. He added, "that was the second highest rating since 1983 when the series 'Natural World' began.

"There's an obligation to those who pay [humans] and for those who don't [animals]," said Boswall, who taught himself moral philosophy.

Wesley Dick, professor of history, agreed with the importance of the message Boswall presented.

"It was essential in that it gave ethical prescriptions and guidelines toward us the viewers, and to what we accept as the viewers," Dick said.

Boswall explained ways in which filmmakers may deceive viewers.

"There are four ways to deceive the audience: pictures, words, effects and music," he said.

Boswall showed different

film clips as examples of filmmakers attempting to deceive viewers as well as the animals. One of the films was a Walt Disney production.

"We musn't show animals behaving unnaturally," said Boswall, referring to the Disney film. The film showed lemmings, which are small rodents, jumping

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—Wesley Dick

off of a cliff into the ocean as a way to show that nothing will get in the way of these animals when they are on a mission.

"In actuality, the animals were being pushed off the cliff," said Molly Mullin, assistant professor of anthropology.

"I remember that particular Disney film, and how it was done," she added.

After the film finished, Boswall mentioned another one of his commandments.

"Thou shalt not harm the animals.

"As a filmmaker, being human beings, we have to decide what we are prepared to do. We're faced with complex choices," he said.

"We're faced with morality," he said and added, "morality is

subjective."

Boswall then asked everyone six questions dealing with morality.

If you were making a wildlife film:

1. How many of you would be willing to release a fly into a spider's web?

2. How many of you would be willing to release a worm to a frog?

3. How many of you would be willing to introduce a robin to a larger bird such as a hawk?

4. How many of you would be willing to introduce snakes to large birds that are known to eat them?

5. How many of you would introduce a monkey to a boa constrictor?

6. How many of you would use humans as bait to African crocodiles?

Patrick O'Connell, Des Plaines, Ill. sophomore, summed up the point of the questions well.

"There really isn't a difference between the mistreatment of a fly and the mistreatment of a human," O'Connell said.

"Not many people are aware of this issue," said Jason Watts, Allegan sophomore.

Boswall was invited to Albion College by Derek Bousé, assistant professor of speech communications and theatre. He was sponsored by the department as part of the Humphrey Symposium.

"This also demonstrated the work that professor Bousé is doing regarding film and the environment," Dick said. "It advocates Albion as a liberal arts college by sharing views and concerns about environmental discipline."

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As we see it

Editorial staff prefers Dole, urges students to vote

Some may criticize this issue of the Pleiad for going overboard on campaign coverage. Criticism isn't a new experience for us. But this week we did experience something new.

We argued over the editorial, this editorial. While there have been angles and phrases we haven't all agreed upon in the past, we have never had such a heated debate. The topic?

We decided to take our own advice and begin a political discussion in the hopes that our dialogue, quite feisty at times, would be continued by our readers. Our plan was to endorse one candidate for the seventh district and one for the presidency. We began with the easier choice.

No staff member is registered to vote in the seventh district, *but if we were*, by three-fourths majority we would endorse Kim Tunncliff.

Dissenting votes were largely because of his economic policies and of course the temptation to vote against Tunncliff so we don't lose one of the campus' finest resources.

On the presidential endorsement, we surprised ourselves. With seven votes, Bob Dole was the choice of a majority of the Editorial staff; President Clinton was the choice of five, and Green Party candidate Ralph Nader and libertarian Harry Brown received one vote each.

However, we are not divided on one issue: For all of the tension and disagreement, we concluded that discussions like these are vital to education and the continuance of liberal democracy.

This has been an extremely passive election. Few students are seriously involved or loyal to any of the presidential candidates. The lack of bumper stickers and poster signs, which were as common as cars and front lawns in 1992, serves as evidence for this apathy.

But in five days we will elect the most powerful man in the free world. Only 32 percent of 18 to 20 age group voted in 1992. And that is sad.

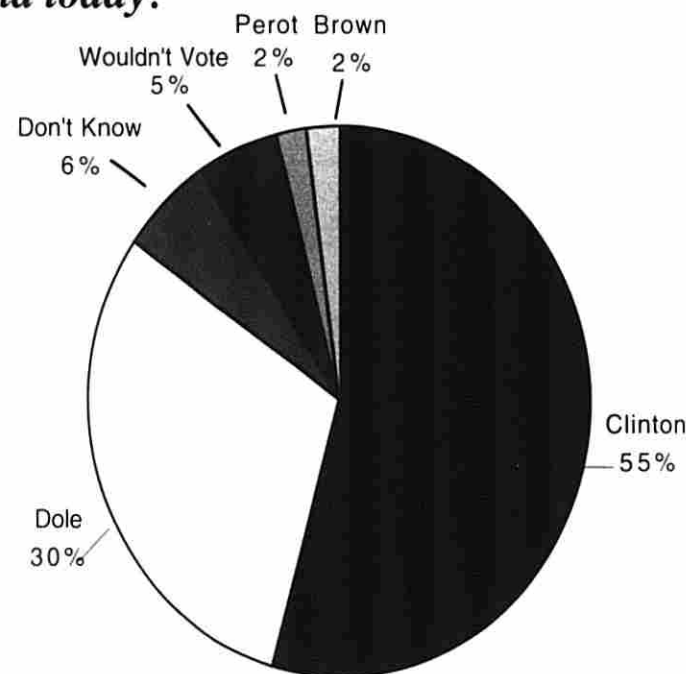
The Pleiad staff hopes that all will participate and cast their vote on Tuesday.

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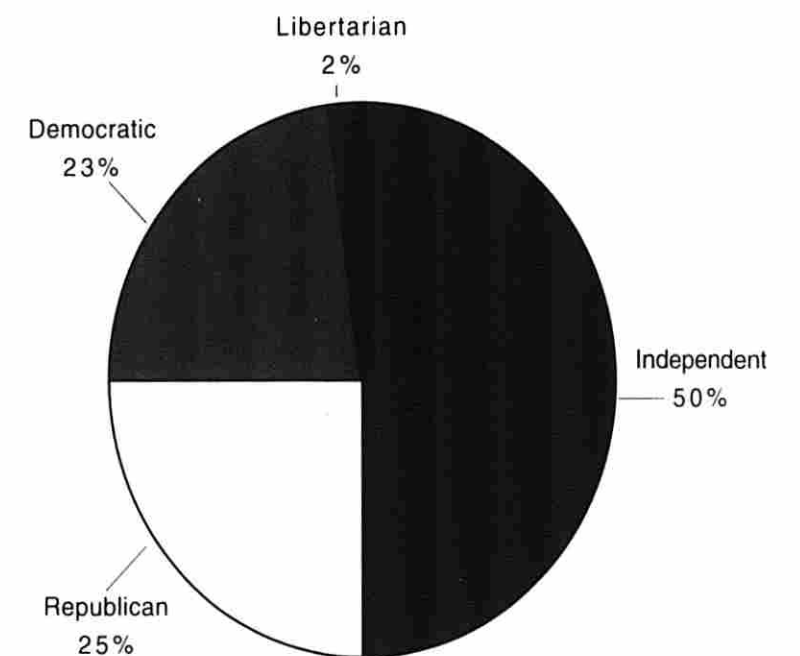
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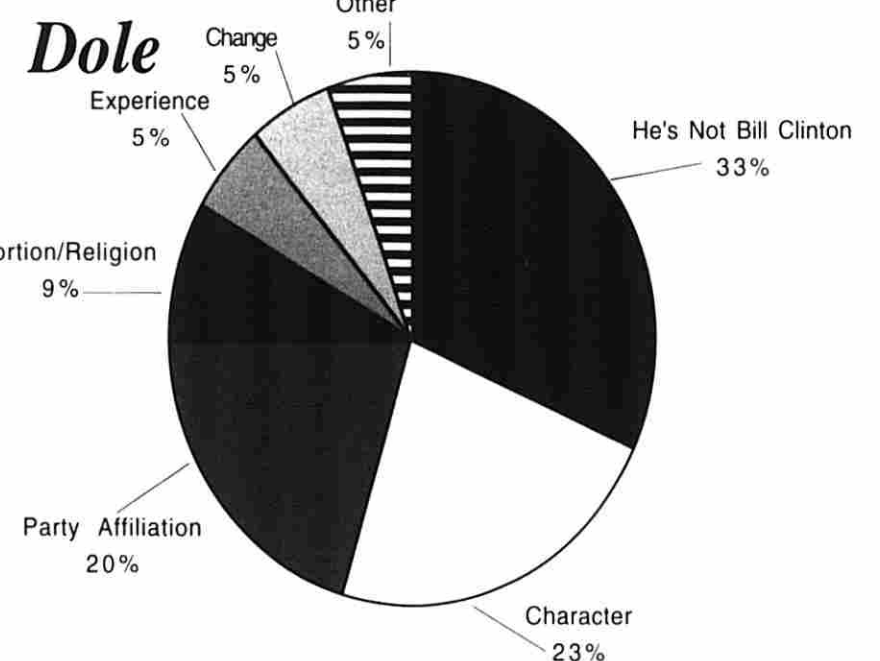
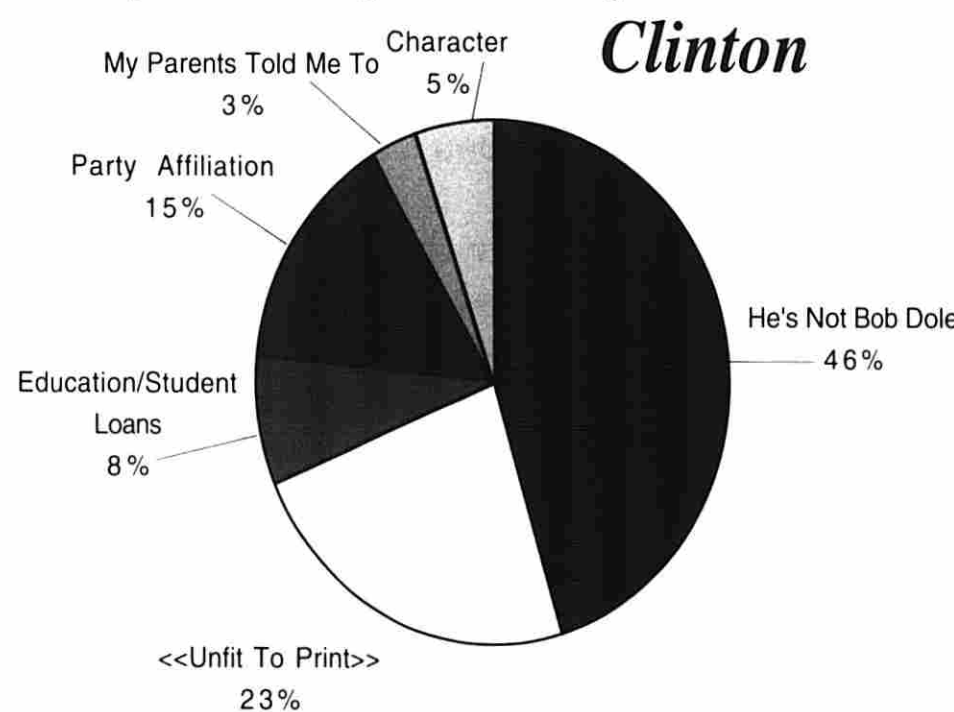
Who would you vote for if the election were held today?



What is your party affiliation?



Why would you vote for...



Building community

Kids trick-or-treat in dorms

After spending three and a half years at Albion College, I have come to terms with the fact that some things are recognized while others are not. Although it would be impossible to name all of the people who contribute to our college community, I can tell this one story.

While shopping at Felpausch last week, I was stopped by an Albion resident. This woman wanted to know if the college was going to have trick-or-treating in the dorms this year because her son was looking forward to it.

Trick-or-treating in the dorms is an event that was started by the Class of 1997 Council in 1994. The goals of the event were to provide a safe environment for the children of Albion and to increase the interaction among Albion College and the Albion community. This program has grown over the years.

Two years ago this event was held only in Seaton Hall. During this event, about forty sophomore volunteers passed out candy and escorted groups of children around the building. Community participation in this event was greater than expected. In fact, a candy shortage was narrowly avoided by two members of the council who made a quick run to buy the remaining Halloween candy.

This event is only one example of the many programs on campus started by ambitious and creative people. I would just like to thank all of the people who conceive the ideas, continue the traditions, and support the programs that enhance the whole Albion community.

—Kimberly J. Krzyzaniak
Hillsdale Senior

Marshall resident promotes voting

We have the chance again this year to choose our representatives in government. As we make that choice, we must look at who can make the government work to do the things we need done.

As our Seventh District congressman, moderate Kim Tunncliff will help rebuild the sensible center. Tunncliff supports the bipartisan "blue-dog" proposal which balances the budget with less debt than the Gingrich Republican plan and includes common-sense reforms to corporate welfare, as well as Social Security and Medicare, while protecting the environment and investing in education for our future.

Retired teacher, coach and principal Duane Richardson, running as a true representative of the people of the 63rd State House District, also knows we must support education for everyone. Working-class and proud, Duane knows it's good jobs that help give all families value. A widower who raised two children, Duane knows we must provide senior services and honor the life work of those who cared for us.

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You can make your government work for you... and work better. Vote November 5.

—John A. LaPietra
Marshall

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Campus Politics:

Three Albion organizations express election opinions



This year we, as students, face the most important election of our young lives. On November 5th we will elect the President who will lead us into the 21st century. There are many important issues to consider before election day, but the Albion College Democrats feel there are two defining issues for students to consider. The first is educational policy and the second is deficit reduction. When considering these issues, the choice is clear: President Bill Clinton and the Democrats are on the right track for the 21st century.

Education policy is particularly important to college students. As Senator Levin puts it, "a good education today means a good job tomorrow." President Clinton and the Democrats are clearly on the right side of this issue. The President supports a \$10,000/year family tax credit to make college more affordable for middle class families. Clinton also supports a \$1,500 tax credit to make a two-year associates degree as universal as a high school diploma. The President and Democrats in Congress have fought to protect the popular Direct Student Loan Program which lowers interest rates and cuts through red tape, thus making it easier for families to finance a college education. The Republicans voted to eliminate the DSLP in favor of the old system which was less efficient and had higher interest rates.

Deficit reduction is another important issue in this election. Federal deficits raise interest rates and inflation, thus raising the cost of buying a home, a car, starting a business, or paying off a college loan. It is this type of economic growth which is the backbone of a healthy economy, and provides new jobs for people entering the work force. In terms of fighting to cut the deficit, President Clinton and the Democrats have a clear record: they have cut the deficit by over 60 percent in the last four years. 75 percent of those cuts were achieved in the first two years under a Democratic Congress. On the other federal deficit, according to hundreds of economists. Additionally, we would be running a budget surplus this year if we didn't have to pay interest on the debt built up by the previous two Republican Presidents.

After considering all of the issues for the election, we hope that you choose to vote for Bill Clinton and the Democrats, but more importantly we hope you exercise your right to choose. The 18-25 year old age group has a lower voter turn out than any other. Our future is at stake, and Democrats in the 18-25 year age group have the duty to make our voices heard.

—by Thomas Raven,
President, Albion College Democrats

As we near the end of yet another election year we are again faced with the choice between "the lesser of two evils." Neither candidate truly speaks to our interests and when they do it's only to utter promises we tell ourselves they really mean. Democracy has become a toss up between tweedle dum and tweedle dummer.

Or has it?

This year there is a real choice. There is a candidate and a party talking about issues that matter to you and offering intelligent answers-- not sound bites. That candidate is Ralph Nader and the party is the Green Party.

The Green Party emphasizes value-based politics. When was the last time you voted for a party you believed in?

Committed to reclaiming the voice of the people the Greens support strict campaign finance reform to get the money out of politics and term limits to make representatives more accountable.

Determined to right the bureaucratic system controlled by and mostly beneficial to the powerful few, the Greens support a restructuring of social, political and economic institutions to retain decision-making and economic power on a more localized level.

Though it sounds ideological, the platform has much more breadth than either of the two major parties and addresses issues such as "corporate welfare" and the corrupting effects of "cash register politics." These terms, coined by longtime consumer activist Ralph Nader, shed light on the underlying problems facing our political system. How can democracy flourish in an environment where our voices are lost in the din of politicking? How can our views be represented by candidates that are bought and sold by big money?

Nader and his running mate Winona LaDuke, a Native American environmental and social justice activist, offer a real choice. Both are committed public servants running a citizen-supported, low-money campaign (under \$5000) in order to build the Green Party into a strong political force and addressing issues ignored by mainstream politics.

Grassroots organizing has secured ballot access in 21 states and write-in status in 22 others, including Michigan. A party is not built over night. It takes commitment, values and vision. It also takes a leap of faith. When you are fed up with politics, it's time for a change.

Ralph Nader. Write in. Right on.

—by Matt Berres,
Member, Albion College Green Party

In a few short days, millions of college students will be making a decision that will dramatically affect their futures. The Albion College Republicans urge you to keep your mind open to Bob Dole and the Republican agenda.

Shortly after college or graduate school many of us will enter the work force to begin building our families and careers. The Republican Party believes we deserve better than the status quo. Wages have stagnated for years and economic growth has been slow at 2.3 percent. After investing so much in our education, we want to see more high-paying jobs that will last a lifetime.

The GOP offers to cut taxes 15 percent, trim the Washington bureaucracy, and boost wages and growth. Why should we pay more to federal government than we spend on food, clothing and shelter combined?

Liberal Washington spending schemes have created a huge public debt, and our generation is being handed the tab. The government shouldn't be spending more than it takes in— plain and simple. Dole and Jack Kemp are committed to balancing the budget by 2002.

The Albion CRs support reform efforts of Congressional Republicans to create a new social security system for young people. This plan allows workers to keep more of their own money in a personal retirement account that cannot be raided by the government.

Dole has also promised to end affirmative action by outlawing preferential treatment in hiring, college admissions, and government contracting. The Republican Party believes no person should be discriminated against or given preferential treatment on the basis of race, ethnicity, religion or gender.

Bill Clinton is selling out our generation on issues such as Social Security, Medicare and government spending, for short-term political gains. We need real solutions that dramatically change the size, scope and purpose of the federal government. At the beginning of this century less than one-fourth of all government spending was at the federal level. Now three-quarters of all government spending is done by the federal government. Dole wants to reduce Washington bureaucracy and restore power to state and local governments. In our lifetime we could see a balanced budget, lower taxes and a solvent social security system.

General Colin Powell said, "Bob Dole is the candidate most qualified by virtue of his beliefs, his character and his competence to be the next president of the United States of America."

We hope that you will agree with Powell and millions of Americans who believe that Dole and the Republican Party are better for America's future.

—by Jeff Schroeder,
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Art exhibit combines nature and technology

Viewpoint ...

—By Sally Sheffer

As I looked at the various artwork in "Streams and Chains," my initial inclination was to piece the works together. However, it quickly became clear that finding similarities would be no easy task.



"Guardian Angel," one of Peter Edward Williams' bells, evokes thoughts of ancient tribal rituals.

"Streams and Chains" is a traveling art exhibit which will be on display in the Elsie Munro Gallery of the Bobbitt Visual Arts Center through Sunday.

The display features the works of Mary J. Eckhardt, Bill Fischer, Donna Groot, Timothy Norris, Patricia Opel, John Running-Johnson and Peter Edward Williams. The artists work together through affiliations with Western Michigan University.

Norris, curator of the exhibit, "deliberately selected artists whose works can be intriguingly compared and contrasted in unexpected ways," according to an Oct. 3 press release from the art department.

"Streams and Chains" provides a variety of media and design that, while maintaining a common theme, presents the viewer with a unique viewing experience. This diversity had a tranquilizing effect because, despite the wide variety of media, the display was never overwhelming to the senses. Instead the diverging styles of art made the exhibit more exciting.

Eckhardt's acrylic and mixed media wall reliefs are reminiscent of molecular models. They are each different in color and shape, yet the reactions are similar.

"Her works are sculptural conglomerate formations that imply alternate worlds," the press release said.

Fischer's hand-painted photo montage, "Atlas," explores the "alternate worlds" motif found in Eckhardt's work.

Geometric, industrial figures combine with pre-historic human images. With a background of planets, Fischer's montage gives the impression of other worlds colliding with ours.

Williams' bells are likewise suggestive of antiquity. But while they recall ancient ritual objects, "they are scored with exacting precision that speaks of industrial machinery," the press release stated.

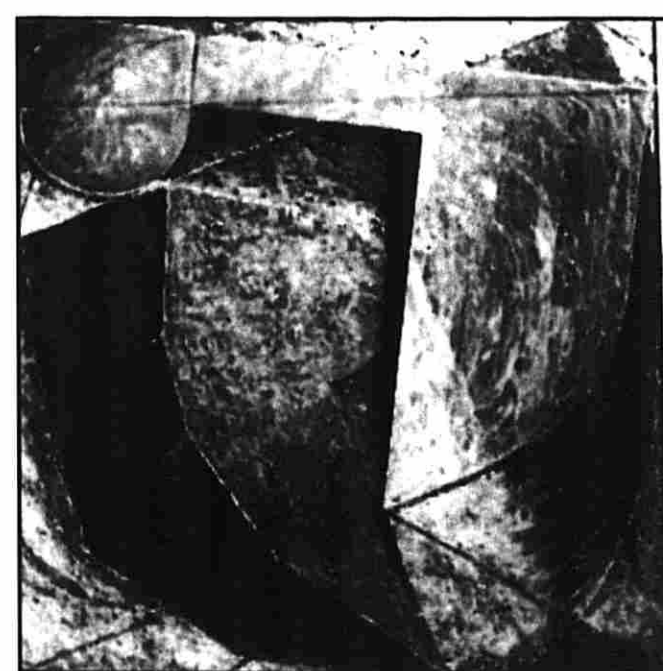
The sculptures by Running-Johnson have a pre-historic/industrial theme.

From a distance, "Stratta" appears to be an oversized muffler or a giant plunger, but upon closer inspection it loses its modern appearance and takes on the rudimentary, amorphous semblance of an obscure and ancient tool.

Groot's style seems simple and rustic upon initial analysis, especially in the organic images, "Orange Lily" and "Gray Lily." But as I studied the progression of her paintings, I saw the organic combining with modern architectural figures, as in "Mediterranean Sun."

"In the Angle," a mixed media image by

Norris, blends modern and historic symbols. The varying textures of this image balance the tension between the contrasting colors, adding to the overall

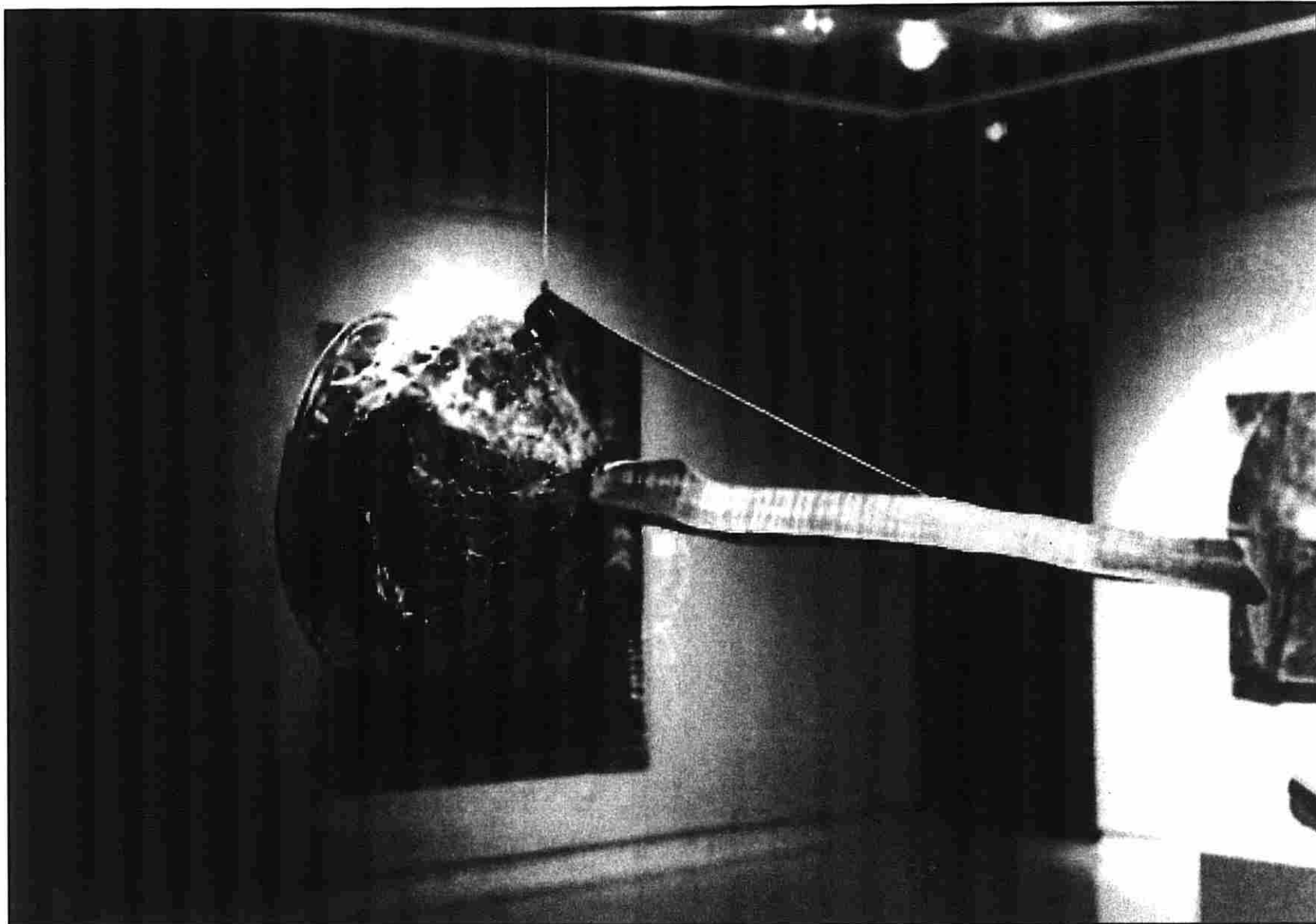


Timothy Norris' "In the Angle" highlights a sense of tension and the idea that the "action" of one object leads to a necessary "reaction" in another.

sense of friction.

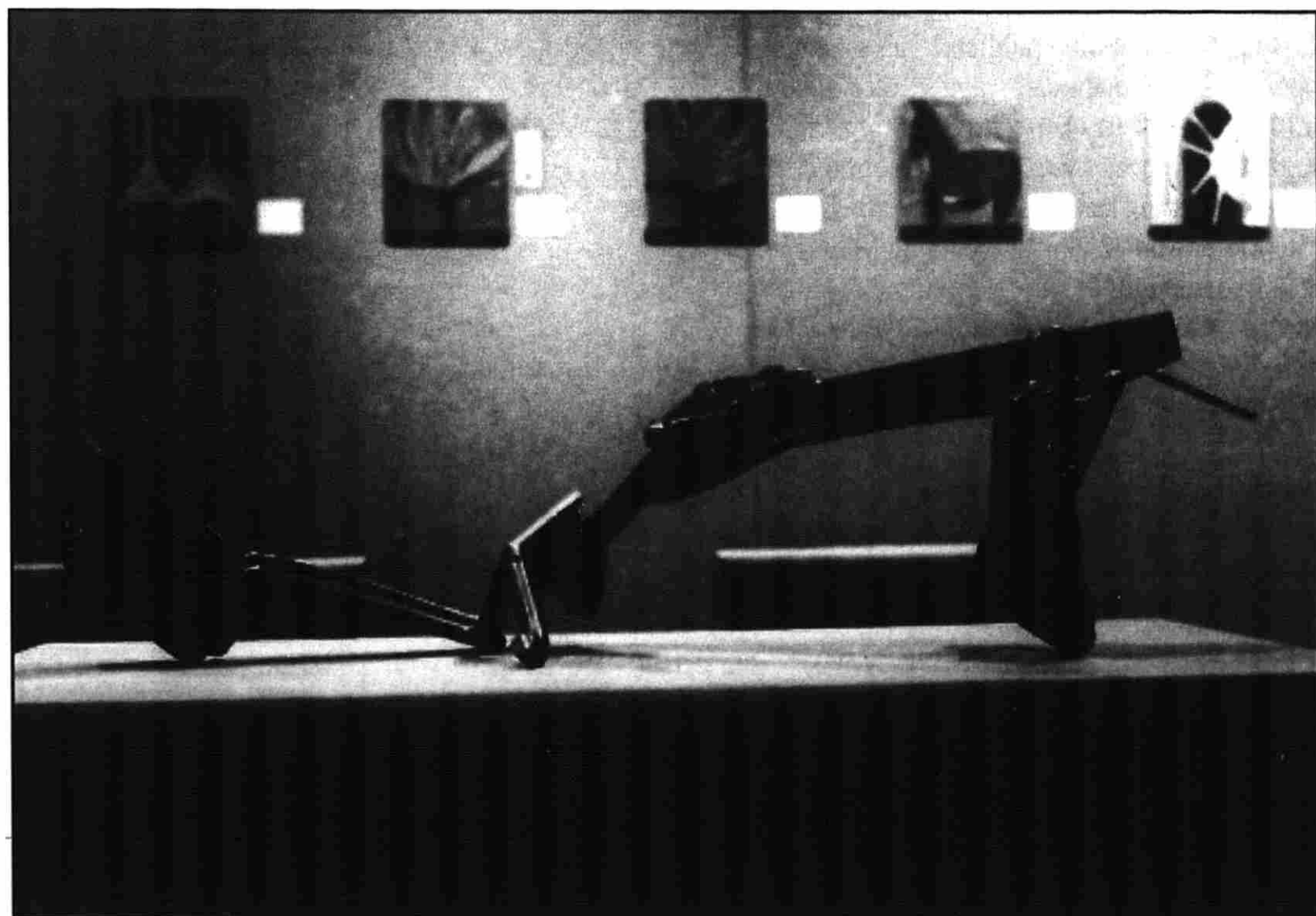
"For all of the apparent diversity present in the show, many underlying shared concepts reveal themselves upon closer inspection ... the show allows for each artists' sense of individuality while also revealing an array of surprising visual and conceptual connections," the press release stated.

By combining ancient traditions and modern technology, "Streams and Chains" continues the Bobbitt Visual Art Center's tradition of bringing cultural diversity to Albion College.



A giant plunger? Maybe an oversized muffler? Or perhaps it's some sort of primitive tool? John Running-Johnson's "Stratta" could be any or all of these possibilities. The wood and steel sculpture is solid until one begins to analyze it. Then it fades away into abstract obscurity.

Photos by Sally Sheffer



John Running-Johnson's welded steel sculpture, "Intake," symbolizes the gap between nature and technology, simultaneously suggesting geological formations and machinery.

The Britons aim for playoffs

Albion's football squad continues towards the postseason

By Zack Loerich
Staff Writer

Entering the second half of its nine game season, Albion's football team once again finds itself in the national championship hunt and a hot topic in Division III football.

The focus is primarily due to Albion's 5-0 record and it's trouncing of opposing teams by an average of 37 points per game.

Albion's football team has established a substantial following in the state press and a national ranking. This is nothing new to Coach Pete Schmidt and his team. In the 90's Albion has posted a 59-5-2 record.

In that time Albion has chalked up seven straight league titles and the '94 national championship. The question at hand is this: what chance do the Britons have at an eighth consecutive MIAA title and a '96 national title?

Expectations for Albion's

success were high in the preseason. Albion was ranked number four by Sports Illustrated, number five by the USA Division III college polls, and number nine by Street & Smith magazine.

In the MIAA this season, Albion has been running and passing over opponents. The Britons set an MIAA record of 770 total yards against Kalamazoo. The quarterback duo of Kyle Klein, Roscommon senior, and Joe Pesci, Farmington junior, whom Sports Illustrated called "the best in Division III," were instrumental in the performance.

This season Klein ranks third in passing efficiency (67 percent) and seventh in total offense (1391 yards) in Division III football. The team's offense ranks second with 2,749 total yards, fifth in passing offense with 1,559 yards, and fifth in scoring offense with a 46 point per game average.

In a 49-13 victory over Hope, the Briton's defense stepped up and held Hope to 9 of 22 passes

and recorded two interceptions.

Albion must face only two more opponents in conference play: Olivet and Alma. The biggest threat could come from Alma's quarterback Bill Nietzsche, who is currently ranked number one in total offense with 2,255 total yards. Albion will also have to contend with Alma's artificial surface playing field.

Albion will return to Sprankle-Sprandel to close out the regular season with a non-conference game against Thomas More on Nov. 16.

As last season demonstrated, one defeat could spell elimination from postseason play. The Britons ended the '95 season with an 8-1 record and ranked seventh in the NCAA Division III north region. The top five teams in the region were undefeated.

For Albion to make it to postseason play, the Britons must remain ranked in the top four in the Division III north region.



Photo by Sally Sheffer

Women's volleyball looks for a strong finish to the season

The women's volleyball team faced off Tuesday against first place Calvin College in the last home match of the season. The Britons carried a 3-8 conference and 6-15 overall record into the match but lost in three games.

The team should be looking for a strong showing for their final matches of the season when they travel to Manchester for the final tournament of the season tomorrow.

The Britons trail fourth place Alma and have been mathematically eliminated from MIAA title contention, though they hope to remain in fifth place to wrap up the season.

Albion had the chance to play the spoiler against Calvin College. Calvin is currently in a close race with Hope for the conference title. This was the last conference game for both teams this season.

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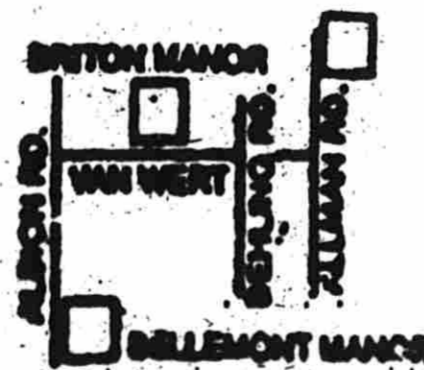
Tomorrow:	Football: Olivet
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