

Local Colleges Find Small Enrollment Dips

An Observer Roundup

Enrollment drops suffered by Oakland Community College and Schoolcraft College last fall have apparently leveled off during the winter semester.

An unofficial enrollment report at Schoolcraft shows an increase in numbers of students during the winter compared to 1972, but a decrease in student credit hours.

The actual number of students enrolled this winter is set at 5,785 compared to 5,549 last winter, up 4.2 per cent. However, the number of credit hours taken is 48,274 compared to 49,768 last winter, down about three per cent.

Enrollments generally

dropped between the fall and winter sessions but have remained fairly steady this year. Schoolcraft enrolled 5,840 students last fall.

The retention of students between the two semesters was attributed to efforts of a special task force organized by the college to recruit new students. College officials speculated that the enrollment might have dropped sharply without the task force.

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SC Parliamentary Question To State

Schoolcraft College trustees will ask Atty. Gen. Frank Kelley for an opinion on whether the board can count an abstention as a "yes" vote.

The board intended to amend its bylaws to include a provision stating "no member may be required to vote on any question, but if he or she chooses to abstain, the abstention shall be counted as an affirmative vote."

President C. Nelson Grote said the college's legal counsel said it may be "improper" and advised the trustees to get an opinion before taking action.

Students can earn four semester credits in the Biology 153 course on principles of biology. It will run from June 27 to Aug. 15 and meet Monday through Thursday from 8 until 11:30 a.m.

Students are eligible for the course if they have a "B" average in biology, are in the top third of their classes, are interested in science and have a recommendation from the high school principal.

Cell biology, environmental biology and evolution will be the main subject items.

Applications and additional information are available from the biology department at the college, 2765 Orchard Lake Rd., Farmington 48024.

The board also voted to amend its bylaws to use Robert's "Rules of Order" instead of Sturgis'.

The vote on this change was unanimous, but there was a stir initially over who should move it.

College retained more students between the fall and winter semesters than usual, according to Orchard Ridge Provost S. James Manilla.

Dr. Manilla said total college enrollments generally drop 12 per cent between fall and winter but dropped only six per cent this year.

On the Orchard Ridge campus in Farmington, enrollments dropped four per cent from last winter. Student enrollment was 5,633 in 1972 and is set at 5,412 this winter.

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Vallier had made the motion, but Rosina Raymond, who was acting as chairman, protested because she had made it.

Mrs. Raymond had suggested the change at the December meeting, but the board had to wait one month before voting on it.

LIT Students Earn Honors

Five local students have been named to the honor roll for academic excellence at Lawrence Institute of Technology. They are students in the evening college.

The students include Thomas P. Vukovich, 19413 Winston, Redford Township, 3.76 average in construction engineering; Albert Giers, 31481 Capri Terrace, Westland, 3.66 average in industrial management; Dennis C. Kuhn, 11336 Mercedes, Redford Township, 3.56 average in industrial management; Louis O. Isabell Jr., 25510 Rockingham, Southfield, 4.00 average in industrial management; and Daniel J. Roe, 22862 Longacre, Farmington, 4.00 in electrical engineering. A 4.00 average is equivalent to all A's.



LEONARD J. GEE of Garden City has been promoted to assistant vice president of National Bank of Detroit's Michigan banks department. Gee, who has been employed at the bank for 20 years, is a member of the Michigan Bankers Assn., Founders Society, Knights of Columbus and Michigan Traveling Circus. He is also membership chairman of the Bank Administration Institute and past management advisor for Junior Achievement.

SC Continuum Surveys Women

Nancy Dufour, who heads the women's continuum office at Schoolcraft College, has announced a district-wide poll of women through response to a survey form which appears in this issue of Observer Newspapers.

The college receives regular input from members of its citizen's advisory committee on the career needs of women, but hopes to enable more women to share in the planning through the survey.

A major concern of the office is the offering of desired or needed educational services at times and in places most convenient to women.

"THROUGH THE effort of the citizen's committee, the college has instituted a number of changes which make the school more attractive to mature women," Mrs. Dufour said.

She cited as examples the establishment of the office she heads, removal of formal admission testing, establishment of a day care center, and expansion of the human potential seminar which

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Summer Biology Class Set

High school juniors and seniors who are interested in biology can earn college credit by participating in a special summer class on the Orchard Ridge campus of Oakland Community College in Farmington.

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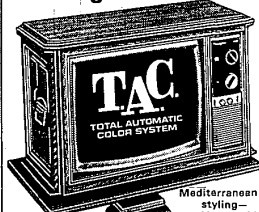
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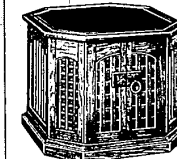
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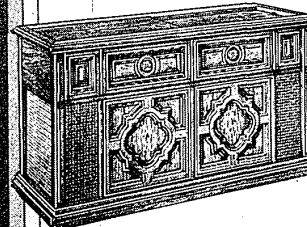
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