

# College awarded new grant of \$950,000

An institutional development program which began ten years ago at Madonna College will be extended for three years with the aid of a \$950,000 federal grant.

Announcement of the funding by the U.S. Office of Education was made jointly by Sister Mary Francilene, Madonna president, and U.S. Rep. Carl D. Pursell (R-Plymouth).

"We look upon this grant as a vote of confidence in our institution and as an

assist in the continuation of our growth," said Sr. Francilene. Madonna, a liberal arts college fully accredited by the North Central Association, has tripled its enrollment in the past six years and has served as a national model for integrating career education with liberal arts.

Implementation of the three major activities in the grant will begin this fall. The three activities described in this Advanced Institutional Development

plan call for establishing a comprehensive, computerized information component for its planning, managing, budgeting and evaluation system; an expanded effort in the area of financial development and a program of academic support for older learners, handicapped, and marginal students.

The computerized information system will interface all academic and fiscal operations of the college. It will

provide for the progressive control of student information from admissions through registration, scheduling, advising, graduation, and followup. In fiscal control, the system will be used for planning, budgeting, and accounting. Training will be provided for personnel for input processing and operation of an IBM System 34 which the college will install.

THE SECOND activity, financial development, is to assist the college in

training its personnel and in broadening its financial base, especially endowment. The goal is to increase the current endowment of \$1.5 million to \$3 million in three years. This will be accomplished by expanding voluntary giving, increasing gifts of cash and annuities from individuals, seeking and deferred gifts from estates, and appealing to foundations and industry.

"The stability of a substantial endowment is essential in this era of

escalating inflation," said Sr. Francilene. "to insure our independence and effectiveness as a private liberal arts college." Madonna has operated for 31 years on a balanced budget and has the lowest tuition of private colleges in the state.

The grant provides for additional staff people to join the three-year old development office and for them to receive professional training in fund raising techniques.

## Visiting students need homes

An urgent plea is being issued by the German Youth for Understanding committee, desperately seeking homes for 33 German students due to arrive in the United States sometime this week.

The plea came in the form of a letter from Ulrich Zahlen to Anneliese Hahn of Redford Township, who has sponsored many foreign students in her home. Zahlen, chairman of the committee, is a former foreign exchange student himself. He apparently found the experience so rewarding, he set up an organization to help others share it.

According to Mrs. Hahn, families are needed preferably with at least one teenager. She indicated students who will be arriving are between the ages of 15 and 19, and have all been exposed to English from the third grade up.

"It's a wonderful experience to have one of these students in your home," she said. "You form one-to-one relationships with them, learn to give and take and about how other people live."

The students would be staying in a home for one year and attending school with the host family's own children. They bring allowed their own spending money; the host family provides a place to stay and meals. Interested families should contact the Youth for Understanding office in Washington at 202-966-8900. It is requested families indicate which sex student they prefer, what age their own youngster is and whether they prefer a smoking or nonsmoking student.

Mrs. Hahn said host families should have the interest in hosting these youngsters in order to be considered. "I can't say enough about what a fantastic experience it was for our family," she said. "We have had our youngsters back to our home and we have visited theirs in Germany. You learn about brotherhood, and that although there are differences, all people are basically the same."

Families interested in reaching out a helping hand to these German students should call the Washington number or Mrs. Hahn at 534-3024.

## Chooses officers

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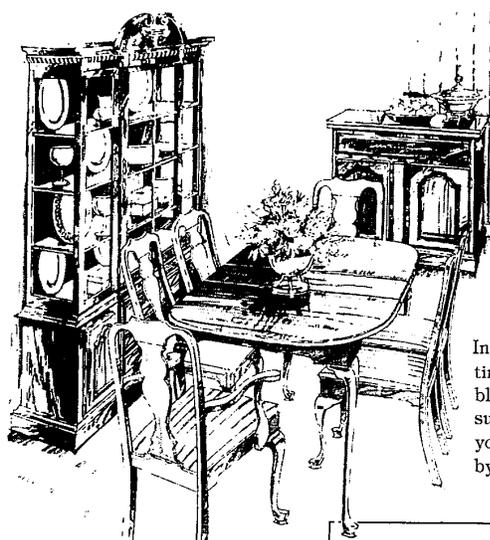
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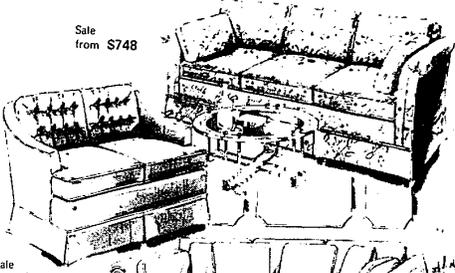
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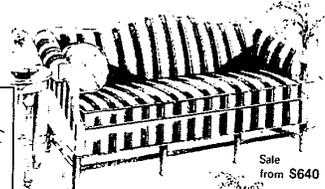
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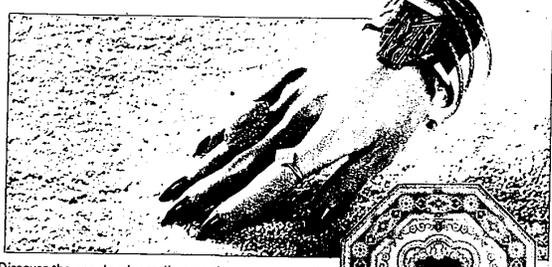
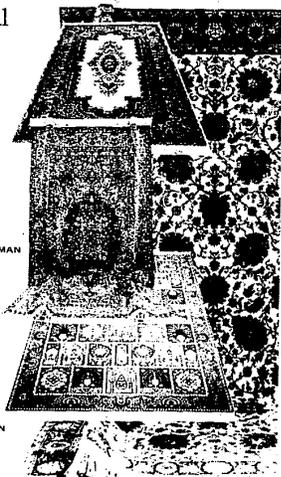
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