

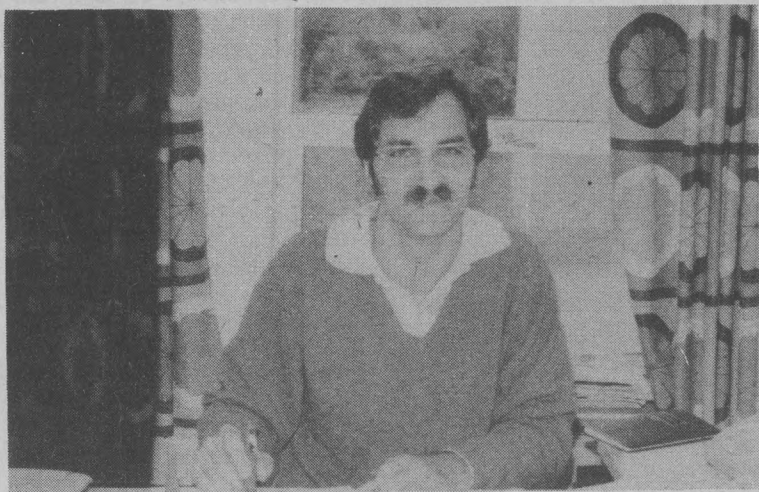
# The Ascent

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## ATHLETICS ABOUND



Mike Eckenroth, Daemen's new Athletic Director

Last March an issue of the Ascent carried the headline "Daemen Athletic Program? Look Out -- It May Be Headed Our Way!" Well, don't look now, but it just so happens that it has arrived.

Now, many of you may be asking where? If you go to the back hall of Wick Center to the office on the end, you will probably see a man sitting at his desk. Ask him, he should know, because he is the person who helped bring it here.

His name is Mike Eckenroth, and he holds the newly formed position as Director of Athletics. Mike received a degree in history from Albright College in Pennsylvania, followed by two masters, one in Education from Springfield University in Massachusetts and a second at Ohio State in Athletic Administration.

Now he is here at Daemen, with ideas and hopes for the future. Mike firmly believes that "athletics should be an integral

part of college, but not necessarily the most important," and that physical exercise is a necessary part of the overall education of the student."

He also feels that Daemen should affiliate itself with other colleges of the same size that have the same philosophies. That is the reason why he is looking into the possibility of joining with the Private College Athletics Conference, the only such organization in Western New York. He feels this is where Daemen belongs. To become competitive intercollegiate, the school must also affiliate with NAIA, the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics. When this move takes place, Daemen will be able to participate in wider hemispheres of athletic activity with other schools.

At present there are several intercollegiate teams here at Daemen, and many more in the

planning stages. The most significant ones in years past have been the basketball teams, both men's and women's. Both will

have new coaches this year. The women's coaching job will be filled by Donna Rebadow, who has been coaching in local high schools for the past five years. The men's team will be headed by Mike, who has had experience on both the school and college levels. The coaches and the teams look forward to a good year. Their home games this year will be played at the Erie County Community gym and student support is needed to make this year a successful one.

There also will be a boxing team, with Zan Robinson in charge. Several capable boxers are enrolled at Daemen, and it should provide exciting competition. At present Mike is attempting to gather a tennis team, or possibly two, one for men and one for women. Hopefully, by the spring semester, a regular schedule of meets with area colleges can be set up. In the near future, if there is enough interest, a soccer team could be established. Mike feels that this particular sport is the one which Daemen should concentrate on most as the conditions here are excellent for a good team to thrive.

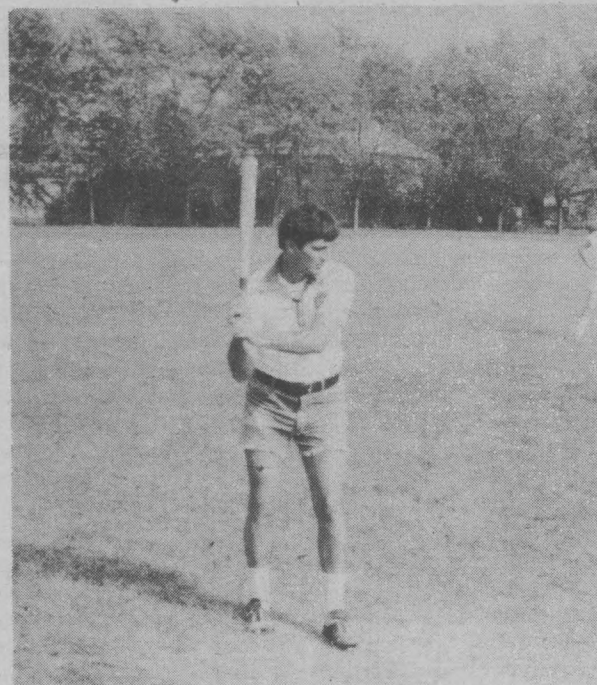
More important than the intercollegiate competition, though, will be the intramural activity. "Athletics could be a reason to engage in activities with different students other than on an academic level," Mike says. "College should provide this."

The college should also provide a place for this activity, an athletic facility. This is no longer a far-fetched dream for those at Daemen. It has become a distinct possibility. Mike personally would like to see the construction of a new gym in the near future. "That in itself will provide a place for people to congregate and integrate," the new director of athletics comments while discussing the new gym. "I'd like to see more participation by students. In order to make this athletic program go, there must be that participation to show the entire campus a need for the new gym."

program, as it now is, and what it could be in the future. A major step has already been taken, that being the acquisition of the new director. But, as Mike so strongly stresses, the students must show their interest and show that they do want it, for these ideas to bloom into reality. At this time, there are many intramural programs set up, from volleyball to bowling, and these activities and the entire athletic program itself can survive only if the Daemen College community takes an active part in it. The administration has started things rolling, and set it on the right track. The rest is up to you.

There it is, the athletic pro-

-Denise M. Siuda



There should be more of this in the future.

## Co-op One Student's Experience

IS IT WORTH IT to spend a semester or a summer working at a job related to your field?

Shouldn't you go to classes full time and graduate in four years with a good cumulative average,

a list of campus activities, and some relaxation in between? Well you can have all of the above, including graduation in four years while pursuing valuable field experience.

You don't believe it? Ask Kathleen Anderson, a senior Mathematics major, who has served as Junior Class Vice President, representative to the Educational Policies Committee, and is the President of the Student Association. This summer, Kathleen was employed at Delco Products in Rochester, a short drive from her home in Caledonia New York. While employed in the Production Control and Accounting Departments, she was able to pick up an extra three credits and receive valuable experience in the Math field.

What did this experience mean

to Kathleen? As she stated: "Before a chance to participate in the Cooperative Education Program, a student has probably lived in a strictly scholarly world with the usual menial jobs over vacations to help pay the bills and make life a little easier. Before graduation, it is rather reassuring to have the opportunity to compare the expectations of the academic world with the reality of the business world.

(For example) The pressure of responsibility is felt differently in each world. In school, a paper may not be due for an entire semester. In the positions I have held, the work must be finished before leaving at night. Also, accuracy is important at school in one manner and important at work in another. In school a simple addition error may result in the deduction of

several points on a test score. On the job an addition error may result in the shutting down of a car plant or shorting a worker of his pay.

The emphasis of the Program for me has been to grow. To start with the situation one has been living with for the past 21 years and only expectations of what another situation might require, is a breeding ground for growth. To meet the challenges of the circumstances and begin to change one's expectations to reality is growth. This has been a very beneficial way to spend a summer."

If you have not already looked into the Co-op Program, stop in the office located on the third floor (D.S. 337) or call Ms. Paulette Anzalone, ext. 334, or Ms. Geri Lawler, ext. 285. It will be worth the effort.



Kathleen Anderson

## "Marigolds" To Be Done At Daemen

Rehearsals have begun for Daemen Theatre's Fall production, Paul Zindel's Pulitzer Prize winning play, *The Effect of Gamma Rays on Man-in-the-Moon Marigolds*.

Tryouts have been held, and the all-female cast has been picked. Edith Greune, a new and accomplished actress to the department, was cast as Beatrice, the mother whose fear of failing and high school dreams keeps her from losing all faith in life. Helga Chmielowski will be playing the character, Ruth. Helga is a sophomore in the theatre concentration, and will be portraying a cruel and psychologically disturbed young woman. Ruth must live with her mother's dreams and exist with her younger but more sensitive sister. The touching and beautiful character of Tillie, the girl scientist, who wields science and humanity together, will be played by Sister

Sean Kelleher. The roles of Janice Vickery, and Nanny, were awarded to Jeanne Jarka and Christine Goodheart. Jeanne and Christine are both juniors and transfer students to the theatre concentration.

The "Effect of Gamma Rays" is a well heralded play. Time magazine called "Marigolds" a play filled with psychological perceptive ambience. Disgust and shame hang in the air of the house they live in, and yet Zindel reminds us that strong, strange, beautiful flowers spring from such compost heaps.

The Theatre Department has chosen this play to start the new season. The play opens November 10th and runs through the 13th. "Marigolds" will touch your emotions and ensure you an evening of pain, poignancy, beauty and hope.

## The New Dean's Hour

How is the new Den's Hour different from the old one? Well, there's been a time change. In the past they have been held in the evening, but to encourage student participation they have been moved to Thursdays at noon. (Yes, you can bring your lunch along, too.)

The idea was conceived approximately two years ago by librarian Lynette Howell and Dean Patricia Curtis. The Dean's Hour is an interdisciplinary forum where students and faculty can exchange ideas on an informal level. The library location was chosen because it "should be the place where ideas come alive."

Student input is being sought, and since the Dean's Hour has never dealt with a strictly scientific topic student ideas would be especially helpful in that area. Some topics which have been discussed are "Creativity" (The many aspects of the topic made a whole semester of discussion.) "The Limits of Growth," and "The Pursuit of the Good Life" (Sept. 22). The rest of this semester's schedule is: "Mythopoeisis" (Oct. 20), "Being Male" (Nov. 17), and "Being Female" (Dec. 15). If you have suggestions concerning the Dean's Hour, Lynette Howell would like to hear them.

-Barb See

## Sports Spotlight

FRISBEE GOLF was cancelled over the weekend due to inclement weather. However, congratulations are due the 15 people who braved the elements, and showed up for the event. Score cards, pencils and frisbees will be available when the tournament is rescheduled.

FLAG FOOTBALL will have been started by the time this issue hits the stands. Competition this year is expected to come from Bryant and Stratton, Erie Community College, and the Buffalo State Alumni Association. Home games will be played on the front lawn of Daemen. This field will also be used for intramural soccer.

BASKETBALL on the varsity level for both men and women will, without a doubt, be a high point of the winter sports here at Daemen. A full schedule has already been set up and promises to be entertaining and highly competitive. Home games will be played at the Erie Community College North campus.

VOLLEYBALL was looking like a water sport on the first day of games for the intramural volleyball league. It was postponed due to a horrendous thunderstorm on its' first day, but the teams are now involved

BOXING is a new sport to Daemen and even to some of the students here, but it is not new to the boxers themselves. Some of them have been boxing for half of their lives. You'll have the opportunity to see these incredible athletes in action the first part of November when the Daemen Boxing team takes on area boxers in a match right here at Daemen.

SPEAKING of Intramurals. Athletic Director Mike Eckenroth would like to see anyone interested in intramural basketball. It will be played at the Y on Fridays between 1:30 and 3:30.

-Dave Paschall

## Orientation Report



Freshmen arrived on campus the afternoon of July 25th.

Any situation involving forty upperclassmen guiding and assisting over 200 new students, mostly freshmen, can be very hectic and extremely tiresome. It can also be the catalyst for the foundation of new friendships, and a very enjoyable experience for all.

That situation existed on the Daemen campus on July 25th and 26th during the summer Freshman Planning Conference. They had a chance to orient themselves with the campus and the life they can expect while here. The experience was tiring to all, but it was also educational and memorable for many.

No program developed to provide new students with an insight into their institution of higher learning can be a failure, and that held true for the 1977 session as well. There may have been times when the whole af-

fair did not run as smoothly as planned, but on a whole it could be considered a success.

The first day of the conference consisted of registration and introduction to the college; a dinner - subs served on the terrace and an activities fair and a movie, with discussion groups following. Monday was capped off by a coffeehouse in Schenck and dorm parties.

After breakfast on Tuesday, the incoming freshmen partook in testing, mock classrooms and teacher / student advisement meetings. The whole affair concluded around four o'clock with freshmen and upperclassmen alike going home exhausted but pleased with the orientation in which they had participated.

-Denise M. Siuda

## Career Awareness Seminar

Come to the introductory seminar which will outline the Cooperative Education Program. This initial seminar will be held on October 12th from 2:30 - 3:20 and again on October 13th from 12:00 - 12:50 in room 115.

Some of the following seminars will discuss: self-awareness, career awareness, resume writing, job interviews, and career planning.

Remember that all students planning to get involved in Co-op must attend.

## Notice!

The ASCENT will have an envelope at Wick desk for contributions from the campus community. Anyone interested in writing articles, editorials, reviews or anything else that strikes their fancy is welcome to hand them in at Wick Desk. We also accept creative writing, cartoons and satirical articles.

All contributions must be in by 11:30 on the day of the deadline. The next deadline will be October 7th, and the following deadline is October 24th. The next meeting will be October 11th at 11:30 in the ASCENT office. All are welcome.

We also accept ideas for any articles you would like to see written. The ASCENT is your paper, so please participate!

## We're Not The Gestapo!

Although there hasn't been any outright complaint, students do not like having their books inspected as they leave Marian Library. This practice was begun last semester in an attempt to curb the theft of library materials.

The art and music collections suffered the greatest losses, and collections cannot be improved if stolen resources are constantly being replaced. Some part of every student's tuition is used to buy books, periodicals, records, and other resources for the library. The library staff is trying to preserve these materials for future student use.

Some type of mechanical inspection system may be installed, but until then remember that the library staff is trying to save your invested tuition, not invade your privacy.

-Barb See

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## Dance To Disco Night

"Dance to disco for cancer" was the theme for the party in the Rathskeller on September 16, 1977. Dancing, drinking, and socializing was the main activity of every student who attended. Dancers shuffled their feet to rock and roll, disco and acid rock. Bodies were pressed together for a few slow and mellow interludes.

Jeff Reale and Gordy Brown made the night interesting with their humorous gestures and singing while performing their roles as the night's disc jockeys. Joe DeTuro and Peter Van der Muelen "pegged" dancers with the American Cancer Society pins and made them donate ten cents.

The disco dance was a success. There was a good attendance and everyone had a good time. Daemen should see more fun activities and donate the profit to needy organizations.



Workers at the disco included (from left): Gordy Brown, Jeff Reale, Joe DiFuro, and, in front, Dave Donlin.

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## Colleges At The College

Daemen College, in conjunction with the Catholic College Coordinating Council, sponsored the 15th Annual Diocese of Buffalo College Night on the evening of September 19, 1977.

Over 700 wide-eyed high school students and their parents joined in the festivities and learned about over 70 colleges, universities, and community colleges from the central and eastern section of the United States, such as Boston College, Erie Community College, Fairfield University, SUNY at Buffalo, and Trinity College. Most local colleges participated.

Students that had particular interest in Daemen College arrived at 4:30 p.m. and joined several students and staff to dinner in our cafeteria. At 7:30 p.m. tables were set up on the second floor in Wick Center for all participating colleges in order for students to pick up information on their desired college. Representatives from each college were also present to answer questions.

There were three sessions on Financial Aid information sponsored by Daemen. The speakers at these seminars included Zophia Miller, Financial Aid Advisor, State University College at Buffalo; Dan Hunter, Assistant Director of Financial Aid, State University College at Buffalo; Pam Bryan, Director of Financial Aid, Daemen College and Carol Jamison, Financial Aid Counselor, Daemen College.

Several colleges held sessions in classrooms in Duns Scotus. These colleges included the College of New Rochelle, Canisius College, D'Youville College, Georgetown University, Iona College, Niagara University, and State University of New York at Buffalo.

-Nancy J. Balbic

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## We Are Alive!

Daemen College Campus Ministry (CM) Team would like to take this opportunity to answer some questions that may be floating around in your minds and hearts, as well as inform you a little as to how our Ministry appears to be unfolding at this time.

This year our Team members are: Sister Nancy Illig, O.S.F., Sister Christine Diensberg, O.S.F. (both of who are full time), and Father Denny Kelsch, O.S.F.S., who is part time. Renee Watson is our secretary and director of Community Action Corps (CAC). Our office is located in Wick Center (across from the Game Room). CM office is used for organizational and business undertakings as well as a place for all to drop in and say, "Hi!" Other areas on campus which are available to you for other needs are:

Chapel D.S. 1st floor (near library entrance)

Informal Prayer Room and Reading Resource Room D. S. 234

Because of so much activity going on in our office - if there is ever a time you would like to see one of our Team members individually - let that need be known and another place could be found so that some quiet and privacy can be maintained.

One question that frequently comes our way is: "Why does Campus Ministry Team consist of Roman Catholic personnel only?" The answer lies in the fact that our financial support comes from the Buffalo Diocese and the Sisters of St. Francis of Penance and Christian Charity. We are most open for Ministers and Rabbis joining us in our efforts to provide opportunities for your needs to be met.

Presently, we are contacting all churches in the Amherst area in order to have information available to you. Such information as: Church denomination, address, phone number, times of services, and a contact person who has expressed an interest in dealing with college students. Please be patient - this information will get to you as soon as possible.

Renee Watson has had one ear attached to the phone for hours in regards to finding agencies that are in need of volunteer services. Once she has all the information needed - she will set up a time and place for you to pick up a packet. CAC should be off to a good start in October.

This year we are experimenting with a time change for our Saturday Mass. As you know by now - our Saturday 4 p.m. Mass has been changed to 6:30 p.m. Feedback on this would be appreciated.

Many of you have expressed an interest in having a retreat. We are presently looking for possible dates and working out the details concerning such an event. If you have any questions - please drop by and share them with us.

Our main thrust is to provide opportunities for you as we hear, sense, and see them arise. We are available to you! We want to work closely with all our colleagues and support all student activities. Know that you have our support and interest. If we can assist you in any way - please let us know. And, on the other hand, you, too, will be hearing from us. It may be shown in many ways - a tap on the shoulder, a listening ear, chatting over lunch together, getting mixed-up at a mixer, joining you for a beer in the Rat, playing some ping pong or tennis, assisting in whatever activities are going on around here, providing well-planned Liturgies, Prayer Services, Ecumenical sharing, and others.

Just know that we are here for you. You, each in your own way, determines the direction our ministry goes. Your needs become our concern, and we will do our best in providing opportunities for you as we see these needs arise.

Just one last remark. To keep up-dated on Campus Ministry activities, please look for our announcements in our Daemen College Weekly Newsletter. You can pick one up every Monday morning at Wick Desk.

Sr. Nancy Illig, OSF.

## The World In Daemen And Daemen In The World

Everyone is invited to come and appreciate the sights and sounds of Mexico on October 27th at 7:30 p.m. in Schenck Lounge. The International Studies Program of Daemen College is sponsoring a Mexico Night featuring slides of past excursions to Mexico. Come and share the Sangria and talk to those from Daemen who participated in this cultural exchange. Sould in this cultural exchange. Should you discover that you've succumbed to the enticements of our neighbors to the South, Dr. Paule Hennine is organizing a Mexican Experience Program running from December 1977 through the latter part of January 1978. The package includes plane fare, hotel accommodations, room and board while living with a Mexican family, and organized trips to Mexico and Cuernavaca. The total cost is approximately \$685. A trip to Quebec at the end of May is pending and Dr. Hennine is hopeful of a possible trip to Cuba in the near future. For more information, contact Dr. Hennine at ext. 337 or Box 697.

There will also be a French Film Series in D.S. 34. All screenings will be on Sunday afternoons at 2 p.m. On Sunday, October 2nd, Jean Renoir's "French Can Can" will be presented. On November 6th "Diary

of a Country Priest" directed by Robert Bresson will be shown with speaker James Blue of U.B. The final film will be "Casque d'Or" on December 4th. Admission is \$1.00 for students and \$2.25 for the general public.

Dr. Hennine is currently coordinating an International Studies Program Club. Its purpose is to allow foreign students enrolled at Daemen to share the philosophies and customs of their native land and at the same time give Daemen students an opportunity to learn of the ways of life in other countries. Various members of the college community have themselves travelled to different countries abroad and such an organization would give them an interested audience with which to share their travel experiences. Students involved in the International Studies Program have spent semesters in Angers, France and Valencia, Spain. An International Studies Certificate is granted any student who has earned six credits in a modern foreign language at the intermediate level or one semester abroad and six credits of interdisciplinary seminars. Anyone interested in the International Studies Program is encouraged to contact Dr. Hennine.

-Andrea Ross

## Daemen's Student Code

Go placidly among the dark hallways and sadistic cafeterias and remember what little comfort there may be in being a Daemen student. Avoid any and all upper-classmen unless you are in need of something. Speak cleanly of your friends and enemies alike. Never hesitate to join a party, even for just one buzz. Never be late for Ahmad. Encourage rowdiness at all times. Speak glowingly of Math majors or computer people, for they can guess faster than yourself, and heed all their answers to three significant figures, even though they are all turkeys. Know the seven signs of Cafeteria food poisoning. Don't trust logic, it will only reveal your errors. When nothing else works. . . pray. Recall that a mistake is something that a virgin and an R.O.T.C. Paratrooper make only once. Always conclude that it is easier to snuff one little candle than it is to light the darkness of ignorance. Never be late for Eger. Always know "what" to kiss and when to kiss it. Rotate the friends you borrow money from. Whenever possible, guess answers, skip a few classes, and do whatever you can to pass with a B-minus. Although you guys complain about the way the girls look, remember, they say the same thing about the guys. Hospitalize anyone who disrespects your rights as a student. Never hesitate to be a chauvinist, keep women in their place. Be proud of the fact that girls outnumber us almost 9 to 1. Remember that making love to a girl and making love to a woman is as much as twenty years in some states. Be comforted in the face of desperation and disillusionment, and despite the changing destinies of men, there is still a big fortune to be made as a Natural Science major. Gracefully surrender the things of your high

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handles condoms. Remember, V.D. starts with YOU!! The mystery dinner tonight is grilled Reubens. Never forget your friends at home, for they are your salvation and your sanity. Forget your conscience. There are no sins at Daemen (despite what they told you at Orientation). Never be late for Dr. Wang. These are the happiest(?) days of your life; cherish them forever. You are a student in the system, so play the part. And, above all, enjoy yourself.

Adapted by Dennis Covert, from "The Knight" magazine, the humor magazine of Clarkson College of Fun and Games in Potsdam, New York.

## An Inexpensive Article

It's back to classes and you are thinking of the many items you need but maybe there seems to be a squeeze in your pocket-book. Well, don't give up! Everything you need can be found in a Goodwill store. . . and at bargain prices. Here's an example: A sweater for as low as 55¢!

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