

Football Team Travels to Ireland

Big lads make big impression



When the Bulldogs football team went to Ireland in early May, they left a good impression – and not just by beating the Irish All-Stars 53-0.

The team raised \$30,000 for the 10-day trip, and 46 athletes went. The NCAA permits teams to take such a trip once every three years, and AC was one of seven in the country to do it.

The biggest fans of the team this year were Charles and Eunice Howland, grandparents of junior defensive lineman Joel Howland (Adrian) and parents of **Scott Howland '82**. They actually went to Ireland to watch the team play, and were so impressed that Charles sent the following letter to the editor of the Daily Telegram in Adrian:

“Everywhere we traveled, from Dublin to Galway, we heard nothing but praise and admiration for the “Yanks.” Our travels did not follow the team’s;

we visited sites where the team had already been. When locals learned that we were from the USA they proceeded to tell us about the fine young men from Adrian College....What a wonderful experience! Thank you, Coach [Jim] Lyall, and your assistants.”

In addition to providing a culturally enriching experience, the trip allowed a few spring practices.

“This has been a wonderful way for our players to learn firsthand about a beautiful country and people, to do it together as a team, and to get to play some football in a pristine setting,” Coach Lyall said.

The team went to Spain in 2002.

Adrian, Cambios Nominated for Prize

Partnership makes finals for Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter award

A partnership between Adrian College and Cambios, Inc. was recently one of four finalists for the Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter Partnership for Campus-Community Collaboration.

The award, presented for the first time in Michigan, recognized college campuses and community organizations that work together in exceptional ways to improve people’s lives and teach college students the importance of community service. The award was presented by Rosalynn Carter, former first lady.

The mission of Cambios is to celebrate diversity and eliminate all forms of discrimination by providing programs and resources to the community. The goal of the partnership with Adrian College is to assist with the implementation of R.E.A.D. (Reading to End All Discrimination), a program that takes volunteer readers into elementary classrooms to read and discuss multicultural literature.

Even though the award went to Kalamazoo College and Kalamazoo Public Schools, the nomination for Adrian and Cambios was a wonderful achievement that raised awareness of the partnership in the state.

Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter sent a letter of congratulations to Adrian and Cambios with the following message: “The work you are doing through the [R.E.A.D.] program is exemplary and deserves the recognition it received. It is a great example of what can happen when people care about their neighbors and want to help make life better for them.”



While AC and Cambios did not win the \$10,000 award, it was a great honor to be named a finalist. Those in attendance at the June ceremony were (L to R) Michigan first gentleman Daniel Granholm Mulhern, Cambios board member Debora Tabarez, former first lady Rosalynn Carter, AC professor Agnes Caldwell, Cambios director Idali Feliciano, AC professor and Cambios board member Don Cellini, and Michigan Gov. Jennifer Granholm.

Admissions Gets New Home

Executive VP added to staff

When you drive down Madison Street at the front of campus, you might notice a new sign in front of the president's house. The building is being converted into AC's admissions welcome center.

The house was not big enough to accommodate Dr. Jeffrey Docking, his wife, and their four children, so the College bought a larger presidential residence off of Riverside Avenue. The former president's house is now being converted into quarters for the admissions department.

According to Rick Creehan, executive vice president, 65 percent of today's prospective students choose a college based on their impression from visiting campus.

"The new location will get the campus visit off to a great start," Creehan said, adding that a house will create a first impression of campus that is both professional and homey.

"It is an ideal setting for the admissions staff to welcome students to the Adrian family," he said.

The former location for admissions was the administration building at the center of campus, which was harder for visitors to get to because of its distance from any streets.

Creehan, who started Sept. 1, fills a newly-created position at Adrian. He was one of Dr. Docking's colleagues at Washington & Jefferson College. The main purpose of his job will be to direct activities involved with raising enrollment. He will be in charge of admissions, athletics, financial aid, plant department and public relations.

"We need to grow the College," Creehan said. "That will be my main goal for the next two to three years."



Rick Creehan



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Choirs to Perform Carnegie Hall

Trip to NYC planned for spring



For several months, members of the Adrian College Choir and the Lenawee Community Chorus have been preparing for an opportunity of a lifetime.

On March 10, up to 100 members of the two groups will board a plane to fly to New York City and perform in a large group concert at Carnegie Hall.

"We're very excited," said Tom Hodgman, chair of the AC music department and conductor of the Lenawee Community Chorus.

Hodgman received a letter last spring inviting the two groups to perform at the well-known venue in Manhattan.

"A colleague of mine had told them about us," said Hodgman, "so they did some research and familiarized themselves with our repertoire, and determined we were the kind of group they wanted."

The two choirs will perform with up to 150 members of other choirs. They'll have two days of rehearsals as one large choir before the performance takes place the evening of March 13.

Everyone will have some free time for sight-seeing while they're in the city as well.

"I thought it was important to leave the free time fairly open," said Hodgman. "Some will want to take in shows or visit museums while we're there, and others will just want to explore the city. Everyone will be provided with a token to go to the top of the Empire State Building."

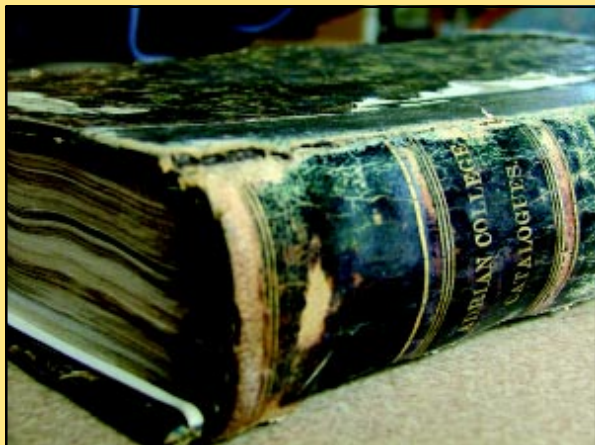
After the concert, the performers will be treated to a dinner cruise in New York Harbor.

"It's a great way for everything to end," said Hodgman. "We will have had this great experience at Carnegie Hall, and then a five-course dinner on a ship with dancing and a view of the Statue of Liberty afterward."

While the groups are financing most of the trip themselves, proceeds from Adrian College Choir and Lenawee Community Chorus performances throughout the year will go toward the cost of the trip. For information about helping to sponsor the trip, contact Hodgman at 517-264-3925 or thodgman@adrian.edu.

Library Recovers from Flood

One year later, archives back in order



Items such as this bound edition of Adrian College catalogues from 1860-1876 were recovered from the flood and are once again organized and accounted for.

Last summer's freak storm certainly caused its share of trouble in the College archives, but things are getting back to normal now.

As reported last fall in *Contact*, a torrential downpour in June 2004 filled the basement of Shipman Library with almost three feet of water, wreaking havoc in the archival room. Many documents were completely saturated, and even the documents above the water line took on over 100 gallons of moisture.

A professional document recovery company transported over 100 boxes of wet documents to a facility in the Chicago area, where they were recovered through a technique of freeze-drying.

The documents were then returned, and have since been reassembled into a usable order, thanks to the work of head librarian Noelle Keller and others. While some items were

lost – around 350 rare books are gone now, as are 57 books from Shipman Library's Piotrowski-Lemke Lincoln Collection – all valuable and unique items documenting Adrian College's history have been recovered (even if they are a little wrinkled and warped).

The first exhibit of the year in the Heritage Room in Shipman Library was called "After the Flood." It showed how the rare books, Bibles, Lincoln Collection pamphlets, issues of the *College World*, yearbooks, and other documents were affected by the water.

Note: *Issues of the College World from 1906-1975 and yearbooks from 1970-2003 were damaged by the flood. They were recovered and are still usable, but if you have better copies to donate to the library as replacements, please contact Noelle Keller at 517-265-5161, ext. 4229, nkeller@adrian.edu.*

Odds and Ends



There are items in the archives that might surprise you. How about the small, velum-covered Latin Bible dating from 1618? Or the gigantic "Astronomical Map of the Heavens," drawn by Professor Homer K. Powell in 1927-1928? Probably most unexpected, though, are the two guns and two swords. The rifle pictured here was part of

a cache of weapons belonging to the Fourth Michigan Volunteer Infantry, a Civil War unit that once had quarters on campus. The weapons were recovered when Old North Hall was razed. The date on the rifle is 1863.

Know It All

Is hydrogen peroxide the best thing to use on a cut?

Hydrogen peroxide has been used for years as the most effective way to take care of an open wound. However, it is actually toxic and not the best course of treatment.

Why is hydrogen peroxide considered toxic?

It is toxic because not only does it kill the bad cells but it also kills the good cells (fibroblasts). Fibroblasts are the cells that stimulate wound healing. I know everyone likes to see the bubbles fizz up when you apply peroxide, that's the way that most people know it's "working." However, these bubbles create small air pockets that impede the healing process. Plus, on larger abrasions it can be uncomfortable.

What should you use instead of hydrogen peroxide?

Actually, saline solution is what is recommended to properly cleanse a wound. It is non-toxic, sterile and inexpensive. Using a 250 milliliter bottle of saline will exert 4.5 pounds per square inch, so it will really irrigate the area.

Other quick tips for wound care?

Try not to allow a wound to scab over because this will impede the healing process. To prevent scabs, keep the wound moist. Use film dressings that help trap the moisture along with a thin layer of an antibiotic ointment such as bacitracin or Neosporin.

- This Know It All was provided by Jamie Fetter, head athletic trainer.