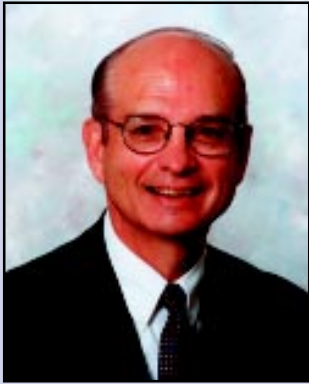


Caine announces retirement

President to serve until June 2005



Adrian College President Stanley P. Caine has announced that he will retire June 30, 2005.

He made the announcement at the winter meeting of the Adrian College Board of Trustees. He decided to make the announcement now in order to provide sufficient time for the board to organize and conduct a search for a new president.

“Stan Caine has truly made a difference here at Adrian College: in our mission and values, in our success as an educational community, and in the lives of each of us,” board chair Gary Valade said. “On behalf of the board, I offer him

congratulations and deep and genuine appreciation at the time of this announcement.”

Dr. Caine became president of Adrian College in 1989. When he retires, he will be 65 years old and will have served as president for 16 years.

“Serving as Adrian’s president has been the most challenging and the most satisfying portion of my professional career,” Dr. Caine said. “I have had the privilege of helping to provide leadership for a fine college in a great community.

“In the coming months we will complete the Ridge Student Center project and continue our efforts to achieve other ambitious goals that the College has set,” he said. “I look forward to that work and to a smooth transition to new presidential leadership.”

New Vistas

One-year position will focus on volunteers

Adrian College has been awarded an AmeriCorps*VISTA position through Michigan Campus Compact (MCC) for 2004-2005. An MCC VISTA member will commit to a year of full-time service on the campus, strengthening ties to local agencies and improving volunteer opportunities for students.

The position, which is being funded by Big Brothers Big Sisters of Lenawee County and the Adrian Kiwanis Club, will focus on improving and expanding community service efforts at Adrian College. The most notable component of the position will be a new partnership between Adrian College and Big Brothers Big Sisters to involve more students in the lives of community youth.

AmeriCorps*VISTA (Volunteers in Service to America) is a national service program for people 18 or over who want to develop lasting solutions to the problems of poverty in America. The program has been addressing the needs of impoverished communities since 1965. Adrian’s award comes as a result of a partnership between AmeriCorps*VISTA and MCC, an organization that advocates civic-mindedness in college students.

Tax Volunteers

Business students help low-income residents



AC student Lisa Runyan-VanDerRhoer and Ana Rivero '02 work on tax software in Ana's office.

When **Ana Rivero '02** needed volunteers to help low-income residents with their taxes, one of the places she turned was to her alma mater.

Ana works for the Community Action Agency (CAA), an organization that aims to promote self-sufficiency in Lenawee, Hillsdale and Jackson counties. She started to offer tax preparation assistance to low-income families last year. However, there are always more people that need the assistance, so this year the CAA sought to expand the program.

Ana contacted Professor Bill Nalepka in the accounting/business department, and he lined up four students willing to join her team of volunteers. Together, they were able to help 178 households.

The tax preparation was done using software provided by the IRS's Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program. The IRS provided the training.

The program was offered free of charge.