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Construction scheduled to begin in spring

Making a landmark decision for future students of Michigan Christian College, the Board of Trustees recently finalized plans to begin construction on new facilities. "Initial phases of construction will begin as soon as weather permits," stated Mark Davis, vice president for advancement. "Formal groundbreaking ceremonies will take place on graduation morning, May 4, 1996."



First-year students view a model of the residence hall complex.

The construction plans include two new residence halls, one for men and one for women, each housing approximately seventy students; a campus commons area that joins the two residence halls; and a new campus entryway, including necessary changes in roadways and parking areas.

"The new residence halls will provide the finest in dorm living," stated Jan Coe, director of admissions. "Rooms will be arranged in suites with private baths, and each dorm will include a central kitchen area for student use. Individual rooms

will be fully furnished and equipped with phone service and computer access."

"The campus commons will provide space for the entire student body," added Mrs. Coe. "It will include a lounge area with large-screen television, a fireplace, and adjoining laundry facilities."

The new residence hall complex is the first phase of a new campus master plan for Michigan Christian College. As soon as fund raising efforts for the residence hall complex are completed, college officials will begin planning the next construction project, an athletic center.

"By giving the go-ahead on construction plans, the board is expressing their strong commitment to building a bigger and better college," stated Dr. Ken Johnson, president of the college. "When completed, the project will totally reshape the appearance of the campus, and provide the college's greatest need, additional space for a growing campus population."

New Residence Hall Complex for Michigan Christian College

- Ferndale Residence Hall for Men
- Residence Hall for Women
- Student Commons
- New Campus Entryway

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Put Yourself in the Picture!



Following their first appearance with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra last fall, the MCC A Cappella Chorus recently received an invitation to return in February. The world-renowned guest conductor specifically requested the MCC chorus!

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Three teams place in nationals as another begins challenging season

Beginnings of a banner sports season for Michigan Christian College surfaced on November 4, as the men's soccer team captured second place in the national tournament of the NSCAA, and the women's volleyball and men's cross country teams placed third. The same weekend, the basketball team opened an exciting season.

The *Detroit Free Press* ran a feature on the soccer team at the close of their season. Sports writer Bill Roose stated, "Success isn't always in numbers. Take, for example, Michigan Christian College. The Warriors have reached a level of excellence with their six-year old soccer program."

Sporting a 9-2-2 season, the Warriors entered the national soccer tournament with a third-place ranking. They defeated the defending national champion, Sue Bennett College of London, Kentucky, and the top-ranked team, New Hampshire Tech of Concord, New Hampshire, before a 3-1 loss to Centenary College of Hackettstown, New Jersey, in the championship game.

Finishing their best season since entering intercollegiate competition in 1986, the women's volleyball team completed their year with a 21-15 season record and third place in the national tournament. During the regular season, the team posted notable victories over Mott Community College, Siena Heights College, and the University of Michigan-Dearborn.

The men's basketball team opened their season with Coach Garth Pleasant's 400th career victory. The Warriors then traveled to Tennessee to face Belmont University, Trevecca University, and David Lipscomb University. "I do not think there is a small college in America that is playing a more difficult schedule," stated Coach Pleasant. "According to Dick Vitale of ESPN, Belmont is the #1 NAIA college in America."

Noting the unexpected challenge that the Warriors poured upon Belmont, the *Nashville Banner* stated, "The Warriors showed up mentally and physically ready to knock off the Bruins." They continued, "The War-



Jim Tague approaches the ball with seasoned skill.

riors made the Bruins think about the long road to the national tournament." The Warriors posted an impressive 95-79 challenge to Belmont, getting as close as four points.

Last season, the Warriors stepped up their competition, facing NCAA and NAIA colleges. This season, they again will square off with institutions like Wayne State University, Oakland University, and Ferris State University.



Coach Pleasant reviews strategy during halftime.

Career Preparation

VALUABLE INTERNSHIPS

Since many employers look at experience as well as academic training, most bachelor's degree programs at Michigan Christian College require internships. The director of a child placement agency that has worked with several MCC interns recently stated, "MCC graduates have proven themselves prepared to take on professional responsibilities and to be spiritually-minded. Helping troubled children demands strength of character and a heart of love. MCC students have been equipped with both."

GREAT JOB POTENTIAL

Reciting a study by the University of Michigan, the *Detroit News* reported on December 3, 1995, that employment in Oakland County, the college's home, "has grown twice as fast as the state and nearly three times as fast as the national rates." They also noted that income levels in the county rank first in the state and in the top one percent of the nation. Students from Michigan Christian College seeking employment and internships while enrolled, and local employment upon graduation, benefit from those facts!



MCC ? Ask Me !!

"The past four years have been the highlight of my life. The family atmosphere at Michigan Christian College has not only prepared me for life, but has left me with friends that I know will last a lifetime. God has blessed me with a huge open door. With what I've learned from teachers who really care, I have the opportunity to succeed with a Fortune 500 company."

Natalie Atkinson, MCC Senior
Lennon, Michigan

Natalie is a business management major with a marketing specialization. Last summer she completed an internship with the Consumer Relations Department of General Motors. Upon graduation, she plans to return to GM.

While completing her work at MCC, Natalie has been an active member of the college community. During her junior year, she served as president of the student body. She played basketball and volleyball for two years. Currently, she is a member of the Pied Pipers, Symphony of Service, Alpha Tau, and Students in Free Enterprise.



mark your calendar!

High School Day

March 23, 1996

featuring the
20th Anniversary

Celebration in Song

"Reflections"

Celebration Chapel
Campus Life Infomercials
Campus Tours





*Starring in a November production of **Arsenic and Old Lace**, Shawna Thompson of Clarkston, Michigan; Tony Shaver of Cambridge, Ohio, and Sara Price of Warren, Michigan, portray Uncle Teddy and his eccentric sisters. The cast performed before a full-house on all three nights, delighting audiences with their strong portrayal of an unusual set of hilarious characters!*

MCC Theatre!

Company returned to the MCC stage this fall. The traveling drama troupe, formed by the Admissions Office to represent the college at youth functions, presents spiritually-oriented skits written to encourage and challenge the lives of teens. Those interested in scheduling Company, Autumn, Spectrum, or one of the choruses may call the Admissions Office toll-free at 1-800-521-6010.

Career Center adds services in new setting

Relocated in a more convenient area of the campus, the Career Center opened in new quarters at the beginning of the fall semester. The center has continued to expand its services with the number of four-year degrees offered by the college.

In developing the Career Center, personnel have focused their efforts on teaching students the skills needed to find employment. "Since about 80% of available jobs are never known by a placement office, we are taking a proactive approach," stated Ben Noah, director of the center. "The time spent in a job now averages only seven years, so we want our students to learn reusable skills."

At the beginning of their academic program, students can enroll in a special course entitled *Career Exploration and Development*, designed to help class members crystallize career goals. Throughout their college experience, students can participate in a variety of seminars sponsored by the Career Center, covering such topics as self-esteem, networking, resume writing, interviewing skills, dressing for success, and negotiation.

During the senior year, students can

participate in any one of a number of job fairs promoted by the center. The largest, the Michigan Collegiate Job Fair, attracts over 150 employers. "Last year, all but one student that attended found employment that day," stated Mr. Noah. "That student opted for a position with a church."

"By providing proper guidance throughout the academic process, the Career Center should not have to scramble to help students in the job search process," commented Mr. Noah. "We have a wealth of professionals both on and off campus who can assist, and we plan to use them."



Ben Noah assists Jennifer Garrity with a form.



Mark your calendar for these upcoming events

Chorus and Chorale Auditions	March 22-23, 1996
Celebration High School Day	March 23, 1996
Autumn and Spectrum Auditions	April 12-13, 1996
Drama Troupe Auditions	April 13, 1996
Summer Jam.....	June 23-28, 1996
AVB Concert (\$5.00 at door).....	June 27, 1996
Cedar Point Sonshine Rally	June 28, 1996
Fresh Start Welcome Weekend	August 23-27, 1996
Fall Semester Classes Begin	August 27, 1996
Junior-Senior Day	September 14, 1996

**For information on any of these special events,
phone the Admissions Office toll-free at 1-800-521-6010.**

Campus resources enhanced by Internet

Linking Michigan Christian College to over four million computer systems worldwide, campus personnel recently completed installation of the Internet. While many students have benefited from the availability of e-mail for writing to friends and family, others have discovered the resource the Internet provides for class research and projects.

"In preparing a paper about religion in public schools for my *Principles of Teaching* class, I found over 100 articles on the Internet," noted Philip Brackney, a youth and family ministry student from Attica, Michigan. "I chose a court case as the basis of my paper."

Terry Kingston, a junior criminal justice student from Sarnia, Ontario, used the Internet for a *Security and Loss Prevention* course. "I found a listing of security companies," stated Terry. "I then wrote to those companies on e-mail and received helpful information."

Marla Hall, a senior marketing student from Mount Clemens, Michigan, plans to

use the Internet for a *Business Communications* project. "I plan to prepare a paper on businesses that advertise on the Internet," noted Marla. "I plan to send a survey on e-mail to learn how effective others find the Internet as a means of advertising goods and services."

Trevor Baker, a senior from London, Ontario, found a convenient method of obtaining information on various graduate programs in social work. "I used the Internet to order catalogs," stated Trevor. "I already have received ten!"



Students use the Internet in the computer lab.