

**THIS WEEK  
IN DAILY HISTORY**

**Five years ago...**

Michigan head football coach Lloyd Carr announced on Jan. 13 that football players Jason Brooks and Ray Jackson were suspended for violating team rules.

The suspension and announcement came in the wake of Brooks and Jackson's alleged involvement in a fight outside the Sigma Chi fraternity at 548 S. State St.

**Ten years ago...**

University faculty unanimously passed a new quantitative requirement during their monthly meeting. This passage makes it mandatory that students complete three credits of quantitative reasoning in order to graduate.

Classes that would fulfill the quantitative reasoning requirement involve a combination of mathematical and logical components.

This requirement can be fulfilled by classes across the disciplines. However, courses that contain only minimal instruction in math and logic may fulfill only half of the requirement.

In an interview, LSA Associate Dean Michael Martin said one reason the committee recommended the requirement was as a response to a decline in quantitative and computational skills of college students.

He said he believes this added requirement will serve to make students graduating the University into more well-rounded students.

**Jan. 14, 1965**

Although no names were mentioned, the Daily learned that a group of prominent University students were responsible for the disappearance of the Paul Barryan trophy.

Through an intermediary who refused to divulge the names of those responsible, the Daily offered the opportunity of returning the trophy to the Student Publications Building quietly and unseen.

But Barryan was still missing.

The State News at the Michigan State University reported an anonymous phone call suggesting a photographer be at the Michigan-Michigan State basketball game held later that week because "Paul will be there."

**Jan. 18, 1980**

Five former Alpha Delta Phi fraternity members pleaded no contest on Jan. 17 to animal cruelty charges in connection with the killing and burning of their house's cat Dec. 6, 1979.

Douglas Hamlin, David Froikin, Brian Dargatzis, Michael Anderson and Jeffrey Abrahamson each faced fines up to \$100, or a deferred sentencing program involving 72 hours of community service, according to 15th District Judge S. J. Elden, who presided over the hearing.

The five fraternity members are on \$500 personal bonds, Elden said.

The five LSA students were charged with the misdemeanor "cruelty to animals" under the provisions of a city ordinance.

**Jan. 16, 1962**

With one second remaining, Tom Cole connected on a free throw to give Michigan a 56-55 upset victory over a powerful Iowa squad in the Wolverines' Big Ten home opener.

Don Nelson of Iowa led all scorers with 20 points, but the Hawkeyes star ironically made two fatal mistakes that cost Iowa the ball game.

**Jan. 18, 1972**

After just two days of classroom use, the new Modern Language Building on East Washington Street fell victim to an onslaught of mysterious terrors.

The flood — down stairwells and through corridors — resulted from a pipe burst in a frozen sprinkler system. Plant Manager Don Wendel said.

Flooding began just before 8:30 a.m., said Chuck Zimmerman, a student in a Spanish 362 class which was dismissed.

Zimmerman said a fire alarm went off at 8:32 a.m., but "everyone ignored it."

**Jan. 14, 1993**

The University applied for a government grant that would provide \$125,000 a year to fund an alcohol-free eighth on campus.

"I sense a strong desire for more spaces to socialize beyond the Union, the Greeks and the bars," said University President James Duderstadt.

The University would be notified in the late spring if it is chosen as a grant recipient.

If the money is received, Maureen Hartford, vice president for student affairs, said the nightclub and the retro-graft program should be working by fall.

**MSA calls for Trotter House renovations**

By **Clare Freeman**  
Daily Staff Reporter

After opening doors to University students for more than three decades, the William M. Trotter House is currently in need of renovations, Michigan Student Assembly Vice President Monique Perry said at last night's MSA meeting.

"William M. Trotter House is a space for students of color to feel welcome, to feel pride in their heritage and to feel part of the University that

they were traditionally left out of," Perry said. "But it is not a space where only students of color benefit."

The MSA already has created a Trotter House taskforce with the hope of illustrating to students, faculty and staff the building's importance to the University community.

The Trotter House originally opened its doors in 1971 as a Black Student Cultural Center.

In 1981, the building became a student multicultural center.

The Trotter House is facing a num-

ber of difficulties, Perry said.

"There is currently only a facilities director, it is not handicap accessible, there are no stairs windows and it probably cannot hold more than three student groups comfortably," Perry added.

While the Michigan Union and other University buildings sometimes charge for use of their facilities, the Trotter House's facilities are free to all student groups.

MSA also passed a resolution to create a Code of Conduct Advisory

Board, which will attempt to revise the University's disciplinary rules for students.

"C-CAB focuses specifically on just amending the Statements of Student Rights and Responsibilities," C-CAB co-chair Priya Mahajan said. "The Board is allowed to propose amendments to the statements every two years."

The board is reviewing the part of Statement that deals with the Ann Arbor city and campus jurisdiction, Mahajan said.

"Students feel restricted, the code is more disciplinary and non-academic," she added. "The students are under state jurisdiction, Ann Arbor jurisdiction, and additionally the University jurisdiction."

Three of the members of the board must be assembly members and the complete composition of the advisory board must include at least six students.

Additionally, the chair of the board is expected to update MSA through written reports every other week.

**LEGACIES**

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to minorities. In both 2002 and 2003, it was a deciding factor for no more than three dozen Black and Hispanic applicants, according to a report by the Houston Chronicle.

For this reason, legacy preferences — as opposed to race-conscious affirmative action — are discriminatory, Boyle said.

On Monday, the MCRI officially started its petition drive to end the use of race, ethnicity and other characteristics as factors in state institutions.

The group was spearheaded by University of California Regent Ward Connerly and his group, the American Civil Rights Coalition.

"This could be the alternative to the Connerly initiative that targets people who are already largely underprivileged and underrepresented," he said.

By presenting his efforts as a counter-Connerly initiative, Boyle hopes to highlight the "fundamentally flawed" reasoning of the MCRI proposal, which he said opposes to promote equal protection in a society that is unequal.

But the two initiatives are similar in some ways. Boyle modeled the text of his proposed amendment on that of MCRI. Both efforts focus on eliminating different forms of preferential treatment.

State Rep. Louis Drolet (R-Clinton Twp.), who co-chairs MCRI's steering committee, said he agrees with Boyle's belief that legacy preferences are unfair.

"I personally am against any admissions policy not based on merit or on

what someone could bring to a university," Drolet said, citing the University's consideration of not only legacy status, but also geography. "Most people within our organization oppose them as well."

MCRI's opposition to legacy preferences is evident. The group leaders considered adding a clause banning alumni preferential treatment in their proposed amendment, but opted not to for consistency reasons.

There is, however, at least a surface distinction between the two proposals, Boyle added.

"Connerly's proposal may force a decrease in merit, because one

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University, have giving rates upwards of 30 percent.

"It's obviously just a distant appeal to alumni, who are the key donors," said LSA senior Ruben Duran, editor-in-chief of the conservative journal Michigan Review. "Nevertheless, I wouldn't be sad to see it go."

Boyle likened giving alumni special treatment to help fundraising to a form of prostitution or bribery. Alumni should donate because they love the school, he added.

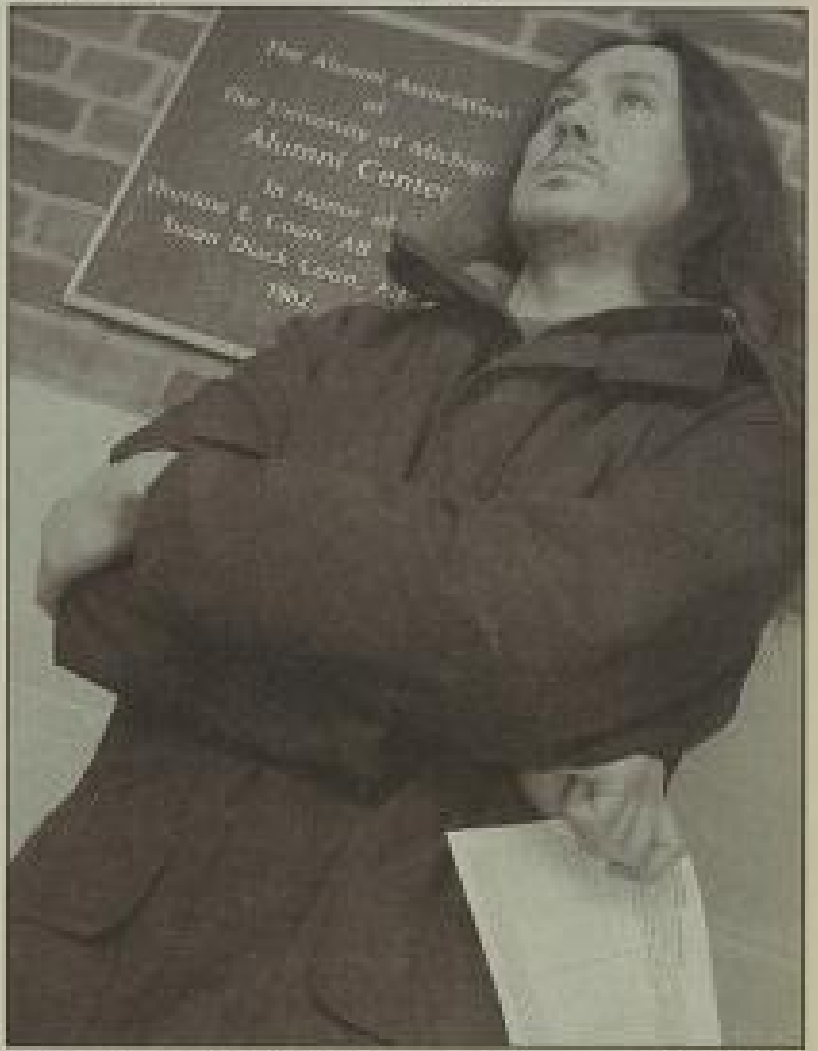
"We shouldn't do things that are morally wrong, just with the excuse that it raises some money for the school," he said.

The University gives primary legacy status to any applicant whose parent or stepparent attended the University and secondary status to those whose grandparents, siblings or spouses have graduated.

Under the new undergraduate admissions program, applicants are judged holistically, and points are no longer used to determine characteristics such as race, geographic location and alumni affiliation. These attributes are supposed to contribute to the school's diversity.

Currently, legacy is a qualitative factor for applicants, but under the former point system, applicants were given four points out of 150.

In absence of a point system, it is difficult, if not impossible, to quantify



Law School alum David Boyle holds his proposed ballot measure outside the Michigan Alumni Center.

the extent to which legacy contributes to admission or rejection, Boyle says. This is a disturbing ambiguity.

But Sally Lindley, associate director in undergraduate admissions, said that "nothing is done in isolation" and that "legacy status" is one of many things that we look at."

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**IDENTITY**

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issue. According to Nowling, there were more than 160,000 identity theft victims in 2002. "It is one of the fastest growing crimes in the United States, and affects more people each year," said Nowling.

"Identity theft in general is becoming a scare throughout the country, and the recent influx of television ads about the matter is an indicator," said Mike Phillips, vice president of College Republicans.

Identity theft can also pose a threat to students at the University. "Students are

heavy online shoppers, and the many security implications in these bills should help people feel more confident in doing so," Phillips said.

But not all students are optimistic about the success of the bill. "It may be beneficial, but at the same time people always find their way around the system," LSA junior Marlowe Marsh said.

In addition to the bill package, a two-part Senate resolution asks Congress to provide greater protections against identity theft and to increase the statute of limitations for identity theft lawsuits to two years from the time the fraud is discovered.

"I think it's important to remind people of what is going on," said Kraty Hanson, an LSA and Music school senior who was working at Winterfest to promote Arts at Michigan.

Students like LSA freshman Victoria Shen used the opportunity to discover new groups.

"I want to explore more to get more exposure... I'm interested in volunteering," Shen said.

Many students, such as LSA sophomore Lexa Cerdena, believe groups and activities are a way of enriching the college experience.

"It gets your mind off school and doing other things," Cerdena said.

**WINTERFEST**

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more student leadership positions and opportunities for students.

"We have a lot of people leaving our executive board," said Dory Berford, a member of the National Council of Negro Women and a LSA sophomore. Her group plans to have a cultural day at the Trotter House to teach local elementary and middle school students about Black History Month.

With the new semester, groups use this opportunity to re-establish their presence with the student body.

**Correction:**

The Jet Propulsion Laboratory lectures tomorrow and Jan. 20 and 22 will be in the Space Research Building, room 2246. The Daily incorrectly reported its location on Page 1 in Monday's edition.

**How is Your Housing Search for Fall 2004 Going?**

Do you know who your roommates are?

Have you and all of your roommates looked at 4 - 5 units?

Have you done your homework and researched the landlord/property manager?

Have you read the lease and had Student Legal Services/Off-Campus Housing Program help you figure out what it means?

Did you remember that you can try to negotiate clauses in your lease with the landlord/property manager?

Call Student Legal Services at 763-9920 and/or the Off-Campus Housing Program at 763-3205 for further assistance. You can also view the Off-Campus Housing Web site at [www.housing.umich.edu](http://www.housing.umich.edu)

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