

Alpena Community College **70th Anniversary Open House**

September 17, 2022, 1-5 p.m.

Program for the Day

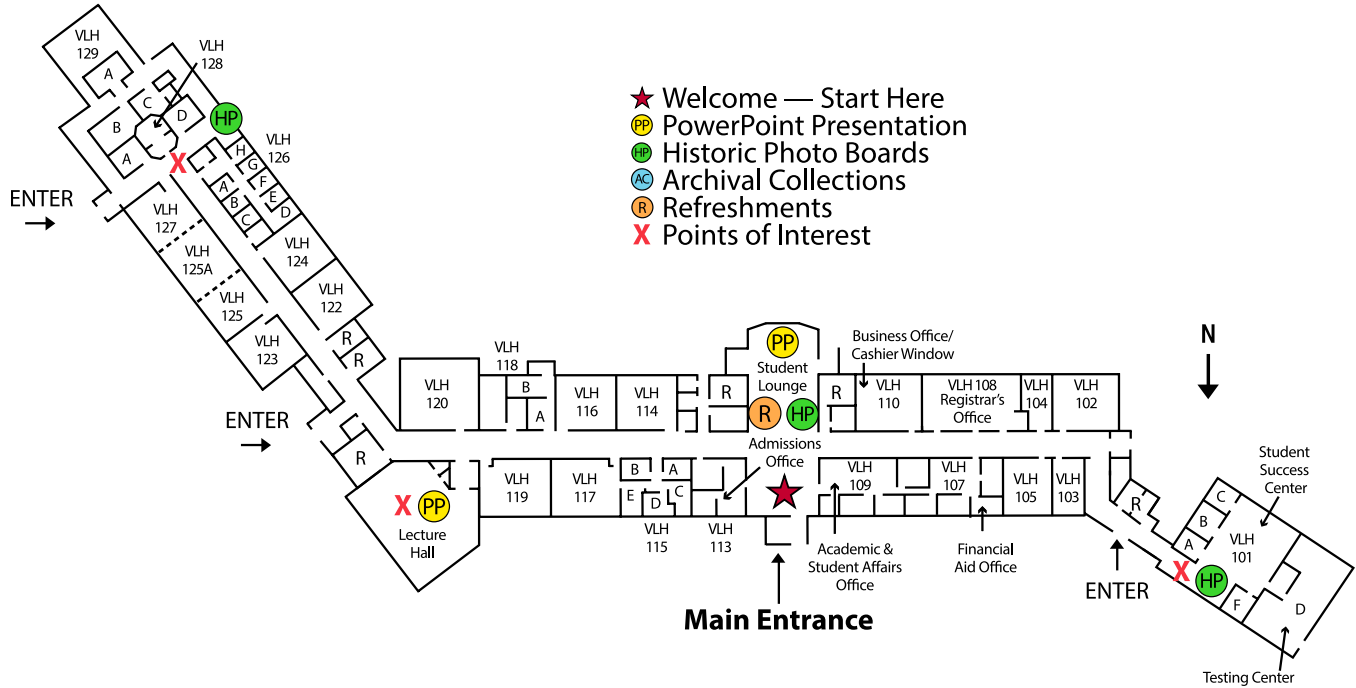
1:00 p.m.	..... Welcome and Short Speeches.....	Welcome Tent
	• <i>Mary Eagan, Director of Alumni Relations</i>	
	• <i>John Briggs, Chair of the ACC Board of Trustees</i>	
	• <i>Dr. Don MacMaster, ACC President</i>	
	• <i>Brenda Herman, Executive Director, ACC Foundation</i>	
1:15 p.m.	..... Cake Cutting	Welcome Tent
1:30 p.m.	..... Guided Building Tours Begin	Around Campus
2:00 p.m.	..... Guided Building Tours (2nd Round).....	Around Campus
2:30 p.m.	..... ACC Presidential Panel.....	Welcome Tent
2:30 p.m.	..... Guided Building Tours (3rd Round).....	Around Campus
3:00 p.m.	..... Guided Building Tours (4th Round).....	Around Campus
3:30 p.m.	..... Guided Building Tours (5th Round).....	Around Campus
4:00 p.m. Guided Building Tours (6th Round).....	Around Campus
5:00 p.m. Grand Prize Drawing	Welcome Tent

Celebrating 70 Years

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Van Lare Hall



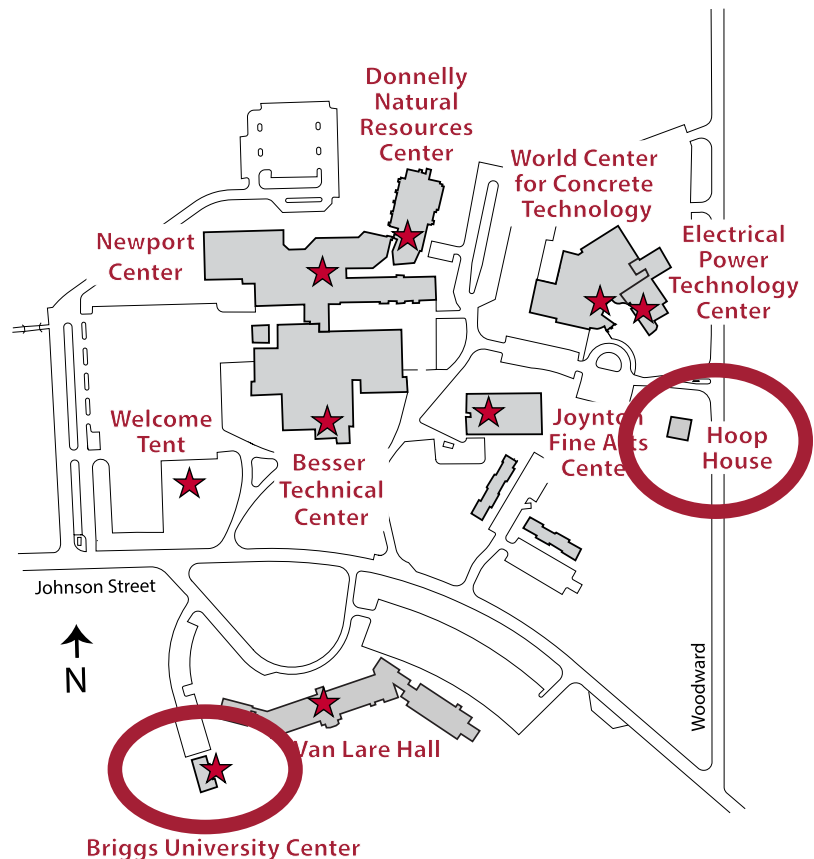
Van Lare Hall Points of Interest

- Van Lare Hall was the first building on ACC's campus. Originally named Central Hall, it was later renamed to Van Lare Hall in honor of Stanley Van Lare, ACC president from 1952-1968.
- During 1957, all the activities to eliminate overcrowding and establish a physically separate college site came to fruition with the first Alpena Campus building, Central Hall, on Johnson Street. Cost of the building was \$575,000.
- Van Lare Hall was the first step toward establishing ACC's physical and psychological autonomy from the Alpena Public Schools system. More autonomy would come during the 1980s and 1990s with more buildings and a developing identity as a distinct institution for the purpose of higher education.
- In 1962, a \$206,000 science wing was added to Central Hall followed by purchase of the former County Home Building on the corner of US23 and Johnson for use as a student center, including cafeteria services, a bookstore and Student Services Department.
- In 2021 Van Lare Hall underwent extensive renovation as part of the Healthy Futures Start Here campaign. The renovation included big changes to the front entrance, the Admissions Office, the student lounge overlooking the Thunder Bay River, and an addition at the east end of the building as part of creating state-of-the-art labs for the Nursing Program.
- Also in 2021 construction began on the Fitzpatrick Lecture Hall. Tim and Sue Fitzpatrick approached the College about adding a lecture hall featuring high-quality audio and video capabilities which could be used by a proposed Bachelor of Science in Nursing program. The Fitzpatrick's extraordinarily generous donation of \$1.45 million donation coupled with \$160,000 from the College for the video wall behind the podium allowed the project to move ahead.

Madeline Briggs University Center & Hoop House

Madeline Briggs University Center Points of Interest

- The late Madeline Briggs was married to John Briggs, a longtime member of the ACC Board of Trustees and its current chairman. Madeline was a lifelong teacher and student who, just prior to her death, became the first student to receive a Master of Arts Degree in Education through the University Center at Alpena Community College. Earning this degree was the culmination of a longtime goal that had been interrupted several times by moving or other family priorities. An outstanding educator and student, Madeline was recognized by her peers, students, and community members as a highly competent and dedicated teacher.
- The Briggs University Center was first known as the fisheries laboratory when it was constructed adjacent to Van Lare Hall in 1972 for \$186,000.
- After the fisheries program was phased out the Nursing Program moved into the building in 1984.
- The building is currently home of the Association of Lifelong Learners, a not-for-profit organization which sponsors, promotes and encourages lifelong educational and enrichment experiences for people of all ages in Northeast Michigan.
- The Briggs University Center has also served as the hub for ACC's university partners. Currently Northwood University and Davenport University have offices in the building.



Hoop House Points of Interest

- The hoop house started life as a project of the Friends of the Farmers' Market in summer of 2013. It was erected by ACC's maintenance crew with a little help from some of the Friends.
- A group of volunteers grow produce in the hoop house; all of the produce is donated to non-profit agencies in Alpena. Most of the produce goes to The Friendship Room, which often shares it with other places that help feeding people in need.
- The main thrust of the hoop house is to provide quality produce to help feed the poor in the area. Only organic seeds from the best suppliers are used; any fertilizer or pesticide used is organic. All money used to support the hoop house is donated by the volunteers or other private persons.

Open House Passport and Grand Prize Drawing

ACC's Alpena Campus has grown so much since it was established in the late 1950s and we want you to see it!

Visit all of the major buildings on campus to experience ACC's past and present achievements, and while you're there be sure to **get a passport sticker**. Place the sticker in the appropriate spot below; once you've collected them all you can turn in your completed tour passport page at the Welcome Tent to **register for a grand prize** to be selected at the end of the day.



Besser
Technical
Center

Ferris H. Werth
Electrical Power
Technology Center

Donald L. Newport
Center

Olin H. Joynton
Fine Arts Center

Charles R. Donnelly
Natural Resources
Center

Van Lare Hall

Harris Hall/World Center
for Concrete Technology

Madeline Briggs
University Center

Full Name: _____

Maiden Name (if applicable): _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Yes, you can text me.

Email: _____ Yes, you can email me.

Did you attend ACC? Yes No

In what time period? _____

What was your major? _____