From the Exec Sec--

The very first thing that this individual has to do is to extend his most humble apologies to John Bliese, Department of Biology, Kearney State College. In putting together the Membership Roster, I did not include John's name in the listing of Honorary Life Members. John's contributions to AMCBT and to Biology are too extensive for me to attempt to list in this short space, but they are indeed notable. John also has been a member of AMCBT for a very long period of time, and I should frankly have known better. Mee culpa John.

If some of you who have corresponded with this office have come to the conclusion that the E-S has been a little wooly this semester, it was true. I am in the process of completing the necessary requirements for a Secondary Teaching Certificate in the state of Missouri, and have been practice teaching as my schedule would allow. At times I have not known whether I am on foot or horseback. Believe me I have come to appreciate far more, those colleagues of ours who supply us with students.

Please talk up the forthcoming Annual Meeting. John Jungck is getting together a program which looks extremely interesting, at least in the preliminary stages. Also recruit some new members, and bring them along to the meeting in Chicago.

Lastly, those of you who have not as yet sent in your annual dues please do so. There will be a second notice coming out soon, and you could save us the postage.

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RESERVE 9/28 - 9/29 NOW FOR THE FALL AMCBT MEETING

1984: BRAVE NEW WORLD

ST. XAVIER COLLEGE

Saint Xavier College is a coeducational liberal arts college founded by the Sisters of Mercy and chartered in 1847. The previous location of the College was at 49th and Cottage Grove Avenue. The campus is now located in Southwest Chicago in the heart of a residential area. In 1969 the College became coeducational. From the outset the College has been primarily a teaching-learning institution. The element of service has always characterized the College. The College offers undergraduate programs in over 25 major fields and interdisciplinary areas and graduate programs in Business Administration (MBA), Criminal Justice, Education, Learning Disabilities, and Nursing. The College is on a 4-1-4 schedule with a 2 session summer schedule. A Weekend College program was introduced a few years ago. Currently the College serves more than 2,100 students.

The physical plant is that of seven buildings joined together. The Science Department is housed in three floors of the "S" Wing. Chemistry and Physics are on the third floor with Biology on the second and the animal facility next to the computer lab on the first floor.

About sixteen years ago, the Departments of Biology and Chemistry merged as a Department of Science. This was done to protect both majors and also to facilitate the sharing of equipment, personnel, and materials. The Department has
a Chair and a Co-Chair, each with specific duties developed by the faculty.

The Department of Science has five full time biologists, five full time chemists, a full time physicist, and a full time laboratory coordinator. Two regular part-time faculty also work in the Department, along with secretaries and student workers.

Students in the Department can get a BS degree in Biology or Chemistry and a BA degree in Natural Science. Biology majors can take a program for certification as secondary school biology teachers. At present the Department serves about 68 Biology majors along with providing support courses for the nursing major. Graduates have been successful in gaining admission to medical, dental, veterinary, and osteopathic schools, along with graduate schools. In the past few years a number of students have spent a semester in research at Argonne National Laboratory. Within the past eight years the College has developed a cadaver facility, an animal facility and a small research laboratory for biology, and a computer facility for the entire college. The Department anticipates a new greenhouse in the near future.

The Department is very pleased to welcome AMCBE to its campus in September 1984.

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Chicago, Illinois

Tentative AMCBE Schedule

9/27 Thursday PM - Executive Board

9/28 Friday AM - Field Trips (maximum 20 each)

I Shedd Aquarium

- behind the scenes (Linda Wilson?)

- option for people to go over to the Field Museum of Natural History on the same field trip (Ken Mason?)

II Argonne National Labs

- particularly biology (Radiation Biology, Oncology, and Human Protein Index as possible examples)

III Morton Arboretum

- in general and specifically effects of highway pollutants on plants