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A Proud History of Social Justice at AU

Allison Shulman, Guest Writer

There are 11 posters honoring the history of the World Day of Social Justice at Alfred University. Dillon Smith and Kelsey Oliveira, two AU students, placed these in major buildings around campus on Feb. 20.

“The purpose is to engage the community with its history,” said Oliveira. “My interest is helping other people find their voice. It’s important to know your story and the stories of others. To me, a lot of the work I do revolves around storytelling, which is a powerful tool of communication, of human empathy, and of understanding.”

Smith and Oliveira collaborated with the Center for Student Involvement, the Institute of Cultural Unity, Student Affairs, as well as with Laurie McFadden, campus historian and archives specialist, Patricia Debertolis, Associate Dean of Students, and Brian Saltsman, Director for Student Diversity and Inclusion.

“A lot of students don’t know about Alfred’s history of social justice,” Smith said. “Reconnecting to these roots is important because we then take that forward with us.”

Each poster tells a story from Alfred’s rich and unique



Photo Credit: Allison Shulman

history of social justice since its foundation in 1836. The collection of posters in its entirety can be found on the main floor of Herrick Library near the cafe.

The Women’s Rights poster is located in the Career Development Center. AU was the first school in America to teach co-ed classes. Women at the university were first in the country to give public orations at commencement ceremonies. In 1854, AU had a course titled “The Legal Rights of Women.” Women activists such as Sojourner Truth, Elizabeth Oakes Smith and Julia Howe have lectured at AU. Abigail Allen, AU President Jonathan Allen’s wife, was herself an activist and founded Alfred’s first women’s

literary society in 1846, one of the first in the country.

The poster for the LBGTOIA can be found in the Powell Campus Center. The Alfred Gay Liberation student group was first organized in 1974, and the village of Alfred was one of the first in the country to pass a sexual orientation equal rights law. Vicki Eaklor, a past history professor and champion for LGBT rights, taught one of the first gay and lesbian history courses in the United States.

The Religion poster is also in Powell. Unlike many other institutions, students with any religious connection have always been able to attend AU. In 1952, 26% of AU students were Jewish,

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Tampon Dispensers Coming to AU Bathrooms

Matt Hill, Staff Writer

AU Senior Kimmy Maddix is working to get functioning tampon dispensers in campus bathrooms.

Maddix says that last year she noticed a defunct tampon dispenser in a bathroom in the Office of Residence Life, and another in Powell Campus Center. She says she felt that these dispensers would have been a great service to students on campus if they worked.

Now, she has decided to do something about it. Maddix says she brought the issue to Brian Saltsman, AU Director of Diversity and Inclusion. They agreed that it was important for AU to focus on, and she got to work. Since then, Kathy Woughter, AU’s Student Affairs Vice President, and Amanda

Khodorkovskaya, AU’s Health and Wellness Coordinator, have gotten involved as well.

Maddix says her goal is to have these dispensers in all women’s and gender neutral bathrooms, as well as in some men’s bathrooms as well. Hopefully, she says, work orders will have gone through for broken ones by March 1. She says she wants the products to be free of charge, but that she appreciates anything the school is willing to do.

“If the school provided them, even at a cheaper price, that would be amazing,” she said.

Maddix says that to her this is a social justice issue. She identified it as a part of the “Pink Tax”. The Pink Tax, she says, refers to the additional costs women incur because of their gender. This ranges from products branded for women, like razors and

deodorant, being more expensive than products aimed at men to products that most men do not need to buy, like tampons.

She also said these products can be inaccessible in an emergency at AU. They are available in the bookstore on campus, she says, but they are expensive there. She says that, as students, the prices can be a problem.

There are a few other places hygiene products are available on campus, administration said. Woughter said that tampons are available through the Alfred University Food Pantry for free. Khodorkovskaya said that nurses in the Wellness Center can give out these products as well, and they are also available in the bathrooms there. However, none of these options help in an emergency.

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The Brilliance Behind Heartache



Photo Credit: Lily Smith

Lily Smith, Staff Writer

What's the deal with women getting shamed for making artwork inspired by heartache? Whenever a pop artist releases a new album, its fame is often linked to a giant breakup going public too fast -- not the individual artist. Why does stigma surround "relationship art"?

Three AU School of Art & Design students recently

decided to reinvent the term through a show titled *You Hurt My Feelings (Now I'm Going to Make Art About It)*. All three – Gracie Fossett, Makenzie BJ Morrow and Emsé Rafaelle Saccuccimorano – are juniors who enjoy printmaking, ceramics and sculpture.

"The show came about from all of us realizing we'd been making a lot of work about past relationships and

the only downside to this idea.

Woughter says that for now she wants to start small. The first building she wants to address is Powell, she says, because it is a central building, and she knows there is enough staff there to maintain the dispensers. Eventually, though, she said she would like to expand the availability to Ade Hall and the McLane Center, and even beyond that.

The school is still at the beginning of the process to get working tampon dispensers on campus. For now, Woughter is researching this issue. She has sought advice from other universities on Facebook, and is trying to determine how much it will cost. While Woughter looks for a price, Maddix is scoping out run down dispensers there already are at AU and work ordering them.

If you would like to get involved you can email Kathy Woughter at woughter@alfred.edu, or send a work order form on <https://my.alfred.edu/facilities/work-orders.cfm> if you see a broken tampon dispenser.

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AU administration has been supportive of Maddix's idea.

"I thought it was a great idea," Woughter said.

She said that she did not even realize that the few dispensers on campus were broken, and that she is happy she was alerted to the issue. She also said she likes the idea of these products being free for emergency use.

Woughter noted that other organizations, such as grocery stores, provide them in bathrooms. She said she feels that this accomodation makes a place more welcoming.

"The organization is trying to make things easier on guests," she commented about places that offer free hygiene products.

Saltsman agreed, adding that to him, these products are more than just a basic right, but also a matter of dignity.

Woughter did, however, note some concerns she has. Her main concern is the price. Because she and Maddix are still in the early stages of the process, she is not sure how much this will cost. She did say that, in her opinion, the cost is

how funny it was," Fossett said, "But also very necessary."

Their newest exhibition, which opened on Valentine's Day in the Robert C. Turner Gallery, invites you to explore the ideas surrounding stigmatizing women who create relationship art and how the art itself is viewed, while recognizing and observing the destructive nature of heartache.

This exhibition was curated with a plethora of work, from ceramics and hand-stitched fabric imagery to the construction of a wooden house frame. In the entrance of the show was a collection of 12 handmade prints with images of faces, bouquets of flowers and bold, solid colors. The title of the piece is called "Encyclopedia Of Ways Of Looking (You Confused Me About Perception & Now I'm Sad)." In front of those is a table holding a book open, with the words "Encyclopedia of Way of Looking." On one side of the book is the title, while the other side is an open confession about raw feelings and concerns.

All the artwork stops viewers in their tracks, makes them want to look closer and leaves them feeling the emotions radiating off the work.

"[Relationship] art stems from a place of thinking about your relationship, be that past, present, romantic, platonic, familial, intrapersonal," Saccuccimorano states.

Showstoppers included three sculptural pieces.

The first is titled, "We Both Knew This Day Was Coming

& Now I'm Sad". It consisted of a secured gold head, a hand-stitched fabric image and a headless ceramic body with small fruit. The structure is a house with a gold head that is secured onto a red candelabra display much bigger than the head. The head is located close to the floor in the back corner. The house display is large and, although it is just the frame, the house feels complete – you can even walk inside. There are white candlesticks in candle holders. Clouds underneath the piece give the impression that the head is floating, despite being secured onto a stand. The abundant clouds creep out from under the piece and move out toward the main space. The head's facial expression is neutral and natural

I felt a longing from this piece – a representation of clouded thoughts and mind. This piece makes me reflect on my own personal thoughts and how that affects my art making.

Next is a piece called "Lesson on Withholding (You Told Me I Didn't Have the Capacity to Love & Now I'm Sad)". It was made up of a green tinted ceramic body without a head, sitting on the floor, underneath bent legs, covered with tiny pieces of red ceramic fruit. The fruit is intentionally scattered all over the ceramic body and onto the floor. The body's hands are folded on the lap, holding on tight to the small fruit. The piece was located right inside the door, with a fixed spotlight, so it is the first piece that grabs the attention when visitors walk in.

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Upcoming Changes to AU Dining Services

Jaron Cheatham, Staff Writer

Resident Director of AU Fresh John Dietrich informed Fiat Lux News that there would be significant changes to their dining services next fall semester.

As of right now, Dietrich and his staff say that they are doing well at keeping up with the food department and that there is currently a “right balance of menu items.”

Dietrich mentioned that the biggest challenge they face is when students complain about the food but do not speak directly to them. The dining services can only improve when they know what the students want and that is difficult when the students do not say anything to them.

He stated that in order to address concerns, you have to talk to someone about them. The staff will help as much as they can for a student to be

satisfied, but that must start with the student themselves.

Dietrich and his staff are spicing things up for AU’s next fall semester and announced a “We Proudly Brew Starbucks.” Starbucks will be opening in the Powell Campus Center. Dietrich thinks this idea will be very enjoyable and satisfactory for students, teachers, and staff. AU will be constructing Starbucks in the summer, and its advertisements will be out very soon.

As for Ade Dining Hall, the cafeteria itself will be open daily, including Saturdays and Sundays. Dietrich also thought this idea would be beneficial to the students because the King Alfred Plan states that someone has unlimited Ade swipes, but that is not necessarily true if its not open on the weekends. Dietrich additionally mentioned that “a larger percentage of students live closer to Ade Dining Hall.”



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Powell Cafe will also be dramatically changing. Powell Cafe will only be open Monday through Friday. However, Starbucks will be open seven days a week. Additionally, World Restaurant Collection has introduced Trattoria to its menu. Trattoria is an authentic Italian-style eating establishment, made with fresh ingredients. Dietrich added Trattoria because he likes to discover something new and wants a variety of cultures for the students to experience

within the food department. Agave will be the WRC concept twice every five weeks.

Lastly, Dietrich mentioned that Art Walk takes place every third Thursday of every month with the help of the Community Table. The winners of the AU Fresh Food Photography Contest were announced at Art Walk on Thursday, February 21st. First place winner is Sarah Haley, with Zeinab Salari Far and Ashlee Willmier as honorable mentions.

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compared with the national average of 8%. The Hillel House opened in 1994 and remains a vibrant special interest house on campus that promotes all religions.

The poster for Social Justice through Art is on display in Harder Hall. Art Force 5 is an organization founded by Dan Napolitano, Assistant Dean of the School of Art and Design, made up of five programs: Graphite, Brushstroke, 3D, Runway and Zoom. Drawn to Diversity first appeared in 2006 to inspire creativity over conflict through non-violence workshop and impactful community based art.

AU’s Military History poster is in the Olin Building. In 1861, all nine males in the senior class volunteered to serve in the Civil War to protect the values they believed in. Students and alumni from AU have served in the military since the university opened in 1836. Hundreds, if not thousands, of them fought or are fighting in conflicts around the world defending the rights of Americans.

The Social Reform Guest Speakers poster on is in Alumni Hall. Social reform issues were strongly supported in Alfred during the 19th century and

included temperance, anti-slavery, women’s education and the public role of women and suffrage. Throughout AU’s history, nationally known social reformers have lectured here, such as Frederick Douglass, Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Kristin Beck. Beck is an AU graduate and retired Navy SEAL who gained national attention after coming out as a transgender woman following her military career.

The Food Insecurities poster is in Ade Dining Hall. As many students experienced struggles in adequate off campus housing, economic hardships, and accessibility to grocery stores, they were forced to find a solution. Dining services became a viable option to help address these issues. The AU Food Pantry, which is open every Saturday to students and the community, opened in 2017 to support those who struggle with not having enough to eat.

The International poster is in Scholes Library. Before the Civil War, almost all of AU’s foreign students came from France, Haiti, Canada, Cuba, and Spain, primarily as a result of Seventh Day Baptist missionary contacts in those areas. In 1969, 22-year-old refugee Don Cooper from

China was elected president of the Student Senate.

The Diversity poster for can be found in Residence Life in the Bartlett dormitory. Since it opened in 1836, AU has been open to students of any background, gender, religion, ethnicity and nationality. Three houses in Alfred were rumored to be part of the Underground Railroad. In 1877, President Allen wrote, “In the presence of rights: race, sex, or color distinctions disappear. The humblest and feeblest being has the same rights as the most powerful and gifted.”

The Women’s Sports poster is displayed in the McLane Center. In the 1840’s all students were encouraged to take “brisk walks” in the morning that would “stimulate every muscle of the body.” In 1863 a portion of the Brick dormitory was made into a gymnasium where women organized tournaments between classes. By 1922, Alfred women began to compete with other colleges. The first match was a basketball game against Geneseo. Other organized competitions for swimming, track, basketball, field hockey, archery and skiing followed. In 1943, AU women placed 11th out of 109 school in the

Telegraphic Tournament in Archery.

The poster for Environmental is located in the McMahon Engineering Building. In 1989, faculty and staff participated in a local protest and non-violent civil disobedience actions which successfully stopped a low-level radioactive waste site from being placed in Allegany County. The actions of the community served as a model for similar actions across the country.

Brian Saltsman said, “This is a step along the way for us to increase our own cultural competence, our own knowledge, and our own recognition of Alfred as a unique place in the world of social justice. We are very much about Fiat Lux, which means ‘let there be light.’ We’ve had our dark spaces but the pride and strength of our light is what we carry out into the world. We are torchbearers who put the needs of others before our own.”

Smith and Oliveira’s commitment to educating AU about its social justice history is a great expression of World Day of Social Justice.

Getting the Best Job 101!

Rafiat Agbaje, Guest Writer

Don't you just hate the "empty pocket" curse? No matter what you do, you just end up broke? When I came to college, I thought all my problems would be solved. Now that I am "free," I'd have no problems. Boy, what a joke! In my freshman year I couldn't do anything because I just did not have any money. That frustrated me! I had to come up with a solution financially, and I had to do it fast. I got a job at an AU dining hall and passed out due to the heat in the chicken station. Talk about a sign!

Then I met my money angel during our annual HEOP dinner. HEOP is a higher education opportunity program which supports economically and educationally disadvantaged students. The HEOP dinner celebrates the achievements of students in the program. It was there I met Zanaya, a sophomore who too expressed her frustrations about finding a job her freshman year. I decided to talk to professionals at the CDC to discover the best ways to ensure a good job on campus. I have put together

four tips that worked well for when job searching in Alfred.

Look no further, I am here to be your "fairy God dollar"!

Tip #1: Connections are important! Knowing the right people will get you far in college, so make sure you have a lot of connections. Go to the CDC for some resume building and advice. During my sophomore year I wanted an internship, so I visited the CDC for tips on improving my resume and pointers on how to get ready for an interview. You should also speak to your academic counselors and faculty members about job options.

I found out about my current marketing position in the School of Business. You can also speak to some upperclassmen about where you should be looking.

Tip #2: Work Study or Not? Work-study is created to give you a set number of hours per week in which you can earn decent money. This helps when you are new on campus and just need some quick cash. Almost all facilities on campus take work-study positions, like



Powell and Ade. What if you decide that work study is not for you, and hate having limited hours? That's where non-work study comes in. Non-work study gives you the hours you need, about 10 hours a week, with better pay and greater flexibility while adding extra income.

I was able to work in admissions for work study, while also working the AU catering services for non-work study. It was great for my wallet!

Tip #3: Knowing where to look. When looking for a job I check the my.alfred.edu, under the job board. This tab lists information on jobs in and around campus. Checking your email daily is also important since you might miss a job opportunity on Alfred Today.

I usually job search two

weeks before school, then I start emailing to see if they are available. I was able to see the communications and marketing job position just by reading the emails sent by professor Pamela Schultz. Also, look around campus building like Harder Hall and Binns-Merrill, where they post job listings on boards in the hallways.

Tip #4: Keep on checking! Make sure to keep up with jobs you are interested in. It is most likely that they have someone already, but can direct you to someone looking for an employee. Looking for a job and applying for it is the only hard part, and once that is done you are good to go. So start soon or you just might end up with the empty pocket curse!

How to Survive Transferring to a New College

Maddie Devine, Guest Writer

Although transferring to Alfred University has been stressful and overwhelming, it has been totally worth every moment. When arriving on campus for the first time on move-in day, you will feel a variety of emotions. You are about to be on your own, with unfamiliar faces in an unfamiliar atmosphere. You have been accepted into Alfred, received all of your financial aid and scholarships, and now you're mostly on your own. AU probably thinks that the 30 transfers they receive per year know exactly what we're doing since we've done the whole college thing before, but personally, I think transfer students could use a little extra TLC. Here are some tips that I wish I had known for my first few weeks on campus.

Tip 1: Don't bother coming to campus without your ID number and AU email. You

will not be able to do much without them. Your ID number is used to login to Bannerweb for student services, admissions, and financial aid. This number is also used to pay at the dining halls. You need your email to login into computers and Canvas. Can't remember your ID number? Pull up your email, it should have been sent to you three different times.

Tip 2: Don't starve yourself. As a transfer student, you won't have a good sense of what dining halls there are and where they are located. I sure had no idea, and I was hungry. Go to Alfred's website and type in "dining halls" in the search bar. All of the dining halls will pop up, including the menus and the times. How are you supposed to know where they are? Use this map, (it's the best) to help you find dining halls. https://www.alfred.edu/about/map/map-files/_docs/campus-map-7.2018.pdf

Tip 3: Don't register for classes last minute, like I did. Go on Alfred's website and watch the video on how to register for classes online. <https://my.alfred.edu/services/how-to-videos/students.cfm>

You will also receive your advisor's email, and how to get in touch. Another option is to send them an email to set up an appointment to register for classes when you arrive on campus. Remember, they have lives too, so your advisor may be on vacation or not available at that moment. Also, classes fill up quickly so registering online may be the way to go. While registering for classes, make sure to sign up for the transfer seminar class as well, you need to take it to graduate.

Tip 4: Don't be shy. You will most likely get lost a couple of times. Yes, it's a small campus, but

you are in a totally different place now. There are constantly upperclassmen, advisors and professors walking around campus. Ask them where something is, they will be happy to help. On my first day at Alfred University, I had people walk me all the way to class to make sure I got there. My roommate said that upperclassmen helped her as well. Asking questions is also such a great way to make friends.

Now all you need to do is check your email regularly, get involved and attend classes. Being in a new place will be overwhelming for some, but Alfred University will feel like home in no time.



Finding a Church at Alfred

Melina Sanchez, Guest Writer

Entering into a new chapter of your life as a college student can be intimidating, especially when it comes to finding a church. Trust me, I've been there. Coming to Alfred as a first-year student, my main concern was not being able to find a church, and losing sight of who my God is. But everything changed for me once HEOP Secretary, Mariah Evans, invited me to a Sunday service and introduced me to her church family, now my own. In the beginning, it was challenging for me to adjust because there were many new things I was exposed to. I was a newbie on my walk with Christ. But over time, I tapped more into the word of God and the church until I was able to open up. Trust me, it gets better once you initiate your search and start tapping into your ideal church.

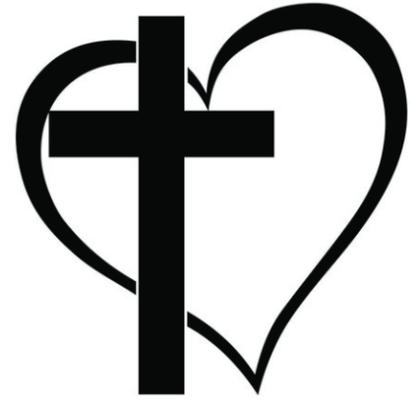
Identify what you are looking for. In Christianity, there are many denominations, such as Baptist, Christian (non-denominational), Methodist and Lutheran. Therefore,

identifying the denomination that interests you will help you narrow down your options. Also, make sure the church you're considering lives by what the Bible says and/or worships the same way as you're accustomed to back home. Identifying your preferences make your church experiences worthwhile. Jared Cooper, Assistant Dean of College Liberal Arts and Sciences, suggests students visit churches at the beginning of the semester since most do outreach events to meet new people. Just be aware of what you're being exposed to because not all churches have the same understanding of the Bible. Follow your heart: Is it telling you to dive in or keep on searching?

Reach out. Once you find the church you are looking for, try attending one of its Sunday services, Bible studies or any other event it's hosting. You can often find these events on posters in local businesses or on the AU website, such as via AU Connect. For example, every Wednesday, Lighthouse Christian Fellowship has Bible Study, and Intervarsity meets

every Friday. Also, reach out to someone in the church such as pastors, students or advisors, and ask them questions. If you are not comfortable walking to church reach out to them via email. I myself started going to a Sunday service to get a taste of the church, then I started going to Bible studies and some of its events until I decided to plant myself there. Evans recommends students meet with a member within the church in a relaxed setting and get to know who they are. Ask questions to see if the church is a good fit. Following these baby steps will give you the opportunity to introduce yourself and get connected with its members.

Get connected. Get to know the members of the church by sticking around as much as you can. They are open in helping out with anything. I've been able to get rides to Hornell, grocery stores and a warm home-cooked meal when homesick. Becoming a member



of a church is like establishing a home away from home. In Evan's case, she was introduced to the church by a student who took her out to lunch. This gave her the opportunity to ask questions on a personal level. Churches are an opportunity to learn about God and to meet people who are passionate about God.

Even if this sounds intimidating, do not allow fear to stop you from finding the right church. I myself felt lost and afraid of what was going to happen next since I came to the church with little knowledge. But you will find a church if you keep searching with a positive attitude, just like I did.

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The body language and position shows this body in a state of vulnerability – I feel vulnerable when I look at it.

Lastly was “Regurgitation as a Form Of Feeding (You Forced Me To Talk To My Pals About My Feelings & Now I’m Sad,” a rather large fabric image of a skinned animal laying on its back in an old-styled tub. The piece includes solid and patterned fabrics that are stitched together to create a narrative. The outline of the skinned animal includes thorough stitches and what looks like fur. The work is supported by clothespins and wire held up by welded metal telephone pole stands. These stands are about 12 to 18 inches tall. The piece’s location in front of an open window gives the fabric a new look by making it transparent and revealing the tied off stitch marks behind the image. There are a lot of materials that are incorporated into this piece.

The use of a dead animal feels unnerving but it definitely makes the whole image cohesive.

“We thought it was humorous for each of the titles to end with “And Now I’m Sad,” to bring light into it,” states Morrow. “That’s pretty much the inspiration too.”

The artists argue that one’s heartaches have value. I could not agree more. It is important to remember that your work will still be validated regardless of what the idea is or who or what inspired that idea.

For me, this show helped normalize the importance of emotions that drive behind relationship art. I feel more comfortable opening up my raw feelings in my own personal artwork. It is inspiring to witness a trio of women curate an impacting, intentional and unconventional show about relationships. Such shows help revolutionize the way we view and understand heartache.

This show will run until March 1 in the Robert C. Turner Gallery.

Dancin' Like It's 1997: Saxons Clinch NCAA Berth with Empire 8 Title

From gosaxons.com
February 23

The Alfred University men's basketball team (23-4, 14-2 Empire 8) is heading back to the NCAA Division III Tournament for the first time since the 1996-97 season following the program's first Empire 8 Championship title. Senior captain, Dom LeMorta (Scotia, NY/Scotia-Glenville) was named the Empire 8 Tournament MVP following 44 points over the course of two games.

The AU Saxons earned the program's first Empire 8 title in program history with a 90-78 win over St. John Fisher in the Empire 8 Championship game in the Terry S. Galanis Family Arena on Saturday afternoon. LeMorta led the Saxons with 31 points on 13-of-20 (65.0%) shooting. Fellow senior Sage Brown (Cortland, NY/Cortland) had 11 points and four rebounds while Scotty Stopera (Scotia, NY/Scotia-Glenville) had eight points, 10 assists and four boards.

The Cardinals were led by Empire 8 Player of the Year, Ryan Henderson, with 19 points and six rebounds.

The Saxons opened the game like they did so many in the Terry S. Galanis Family Arena throughout the 2018-19 season, dropping back-to-back three-pointers to open the game. Four minutes later SJFC knotted the game up at 12 points with 14:09 to go in the half. LeMorta



From gosaxon.com

drained a jumper on the next possession, giving AU a lead they would not relinquish the remainder of the game.

By the intermission the Saxons maintained a 46-40 lead behind 17-of-28 (60.7%) shooting from the field. LeMorta had 15 points and Henderson had 10 by the break.

Once again, the Saxons came out of the locker room firing on all cylinders. LeMorta opened the half with a jumper that was quickly followed by a Cole Eells (Ithaca, NY/Ithaca) three-pointer forcing a SJFC timeout only 41 seconds into the half. Despite the attempt to stop the bleeding, the Cardinals were unable to slow the Saxons who went on a 15-4 run, jumping out a 61-44 lead.

SJFC managed to reduce the

lead to only seven points with 4:18 to go in the game, 83-76, but AU kicked its offense into gear going on a 7-0 run over three minutes to seal the game and the program's first NCAA berth in 22 years.

Over the course of the game the Saxons shot 32-of-56 (57.1%) from the field and 7-of-16 (43.8%) from behind the arc.

"It's a surreal feeling right now. I'm just so proud of the guys, especially the seniors, having been able to recruit them and get to know them over the last five years and seeing how much work they've put in to get to this point, they deserve every bit of it," Head Coach Russ Phillips said. "The fans were outstanding! The community support from administration here has been very humbling.

The amount of emails and texts that you get from alums just saying that they're proud of the team and I'm just really happy for them. We look forward to watching the selection show and see where we're going next weekend."

The Saxons will wait until Monday, February 25 at 1:00 p.m. (EST) to hear where they will play the first round of the NCAA Division III Tournament. A live stream of the selection show can be found at NCAA.com. The first round will take place on Friday, March 1. AU is currently on a 13-game win streak - the program's longest win-streak since the 1988-89 season where AU finished 19-8 overall and advanced to the NCAA tournament.

Saxons Dominate in Season Opener over Medaille College

From gosaxons.com
February 23

The Alfred University men's lacrosse team came out firing on all cylinders in its 2019 season opener against Medaille College. The Saxons (1-0, 0-0 Empire 8) dominated the Mavericks in the 27-3 home victory.

Joe Fornataro (Rochester, NY/Greece Athena) was the headliner of this game, scoring seven goals to pass Dylan Macro '04 for second place on the Saxon all-time goals scored list with 129.

Fornataro was not the only Saxon to have a big offensive game as five other players scored multiple goals in the blowout

victory.

Cale Donegan (Corning, NY/Corning Painted-Post) recorded a team high nine points including four goals and five assists.

Noah Soriano (Valley Cottage, NY/Nyack) completed a hat trick for the Saxons with three goals. The first-year attackman also added one assist on the day.

Jason Berardicurti (Rochester, NY/Penfield), Kyle Landrigan (Canandaigua, NY/Canandaigua) and Connor Prunoske (Elmira, NY/Elmira) all had two goals apiece for the Saxons.

Jack Chapman (Elmira, NY/Notre Dame) ended his day with a total of four points

including one goal and three assists. He also picked up five ground balls on the afternoon.

Patrick Brewer (Bath, NY/Bath Haverling) finished with a goal and two assists while Garrette Briggs (Horseheads, NY/Horseheads) picked up a team high 15 ground balls. Briggs was also 17-19 on face-offs for AU.

The Saxons played three goal keepers throughout the contest with Scott Kimiecik (Randolph, NJ/Randolph) seeing the majority of the minutes and



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picking up the win. He allowed just one goal and had three saves.

The Saxons will enjoy this one before hosting Brockport next Wednesday at 4PM.

Saxons Claim E8 Regular Season Title With Win Over Nazareth

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February 19

The Alfred University men's basketball team had the Terry S. Galanis Family Arena rocking on Tuesday night for a matchup with a tough Nazareth College team.

Dom LeMorta (Scotia, NY/Scotia-Glenville) had a stellar night to lead AU to its 11th straight win of the season and their first-ever regular season Empire 8 title.

The Saxons (21-4, 14-2) defeated the Golden Flyers by a score of 94-83 and secured the top seed for the Empire 8 Tournament beginning this Friday. It will be the first time that the AU men's basketball team will host the Empire 8 tournament.

The game was close the whole way with both teams making tremendous plays to keep it tight for the entire contest. LeMorta came out firing right away with his first three-point bucket coming just over a minute in.

Down 6-5 with 18:27 on the clock the Saxons began a 13-4 run to go up 18-10.

Brewster Marshall (Horseheads, NY/Horseheads) began to heat up from behind the arc, with two long balls within minutes of one another to keep Alfred ahead, 24-19. Scotty Stopera (Scotia, NY/

Scotia-Glenville) also hit a three to put AU up 27-19 with 9:06 left in the first half.

Every time it looked as if the Saxons might pull away, Nazareth came fighting back. A couple of short jumpers capped off by a dunk and a three-pointer from Nazareth made the score 33-31 in favor of Alfred at the 5:43 mark.

From that point, LeMorta took over for the remainder of the first half, creating his own shots and burying every basket from all over the court. He led the Saxons to a 10 point lead at the break and accounted for 20 of Alfred's 49 points in the first half.

The Golden Flyers quickly worked their way back within striking range to begin the second half. Multiple midrange jumpers followed by a three made it a four point game at the 17 minute mark.

Sage Brown (Cortland, NY/Cortland) and Lemorta hit back to back three's to help AU regain a seven point lead.

Sam Dagon (Hornell, NY/Hornell) contributed to the long range shooting fest for the Saxons with two second half three's. Dagon also flew in for a timely tip in layup off of a missed three.

With 7:38 to go, the Golden Flyers hit a pair of free throws to pull within two points, making the score 68-66. A



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Marshall bucket for Alfred pushed the lead back up to three before Nazareth hit a shot from beyond the arc to make it 70-69 with 6:25 to play.

With the game on the line late, LeMorta proved once again how valuable he has been in big games all season and hit an off balance triple to make the score 75-71 with just over five minutes to play.

Brown came in clutch with a three of his own minutes later to push the AU lead up to nine points.

With under two minutes to play, the Saxons held a 10 point lead and the Golden Flyers were forced to begin fouling to extend the game.

LeMorta, Marshall and Stopera went to the line and hit 9-10 free throws to close out the game and give Alfred University a historic win.

"Going 1-0 everyday has been our slogan and mantra and has kept us going throughout

the season, so when the situations became a bit bigger, we didn't think about it and just focused on the task at hand," Head Coach Russell Phillips said. "All credit goes to the seniors. They've done a great job and they are some of the hardest-working guys I've seen. They've had goals set out to get to this spot and to win it. Hosting is going to be awesome for Alfred and for the fans as the fan support was fantastic tonight."

LeMorta closed the regular season on a high note recording a career high 35 points to lead all scorers. Marshall had a huge game in the post and from behind the three point line with 21 points and nine rebounds. Brown and Stopera also finished in double figures with Brown recording a near double double with 15 points and nine boards. Stopera ended with 10 points and a team high seven assists.

Alper & Palmer Lead Saxons in Final Day of Empire 8 Championships

From gosaxons.com
February 23

UTICA, NY – The Alfred University women's track & field team finished sixth of seven teams with 15 points at the 2019 Empire 8 Track & Field Championships held at Utica College. Junior Megan Alper (Belmont, MA/Belmont) led the Saxons with two podium appearances on the day.

Alper set a personal record in the 60m dash on Saturday, placing sixth overall. Her previous PR was set at the Golden Eagle Invite last season. Alper was not satisfied and moved up the podium with a fourth-place finish in the 200m dash with a time of 27.12.

First-year Madison Palmer (East Aurora, NY/East Aurora)

also stormed the podium, shattering her previous weight throw PR of 12.82 with a throw of 14.00 in the Empire 8 finals.

Alper continued her strong day as a member of the AU 4x400 team with Megan Sadowitz (Hopewell Junction, NY/John Jay), Kiki Doyle (Sea Cliff, NY/North Shore) and Sierra Wilson (Youngstown, NY/Lewiston-Porter) finishing sixth with a time of 4:27.02.

Sadowitz added a fifth-place finish in the high jump with a jump of 1.50 while junior Danielle Perry (Leicester, NYT/York Central) finished sixth in the triple jump with a mark of 10.34.

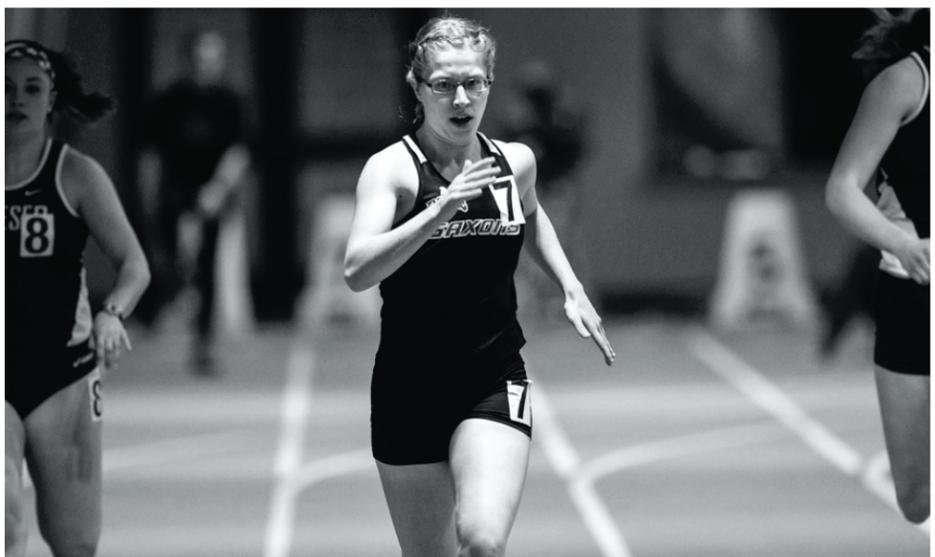


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Great second day for Alfred University men's and women's track and field," Head Coach Dr. Angie Taylor said. "Lots of finalists and great performances by our Saxons."

The Saxons will now turn their sights to the outdoor season where they will open up at Coastal Carolina as part of the Coastal Carolina Invitational.

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