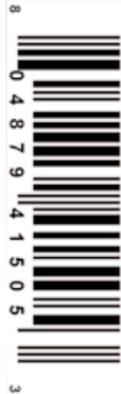




Sun at Beef Burger Bob's In late July 2016, "Beef Burger Bob" and his wife read The Alfred Sun in their little establishment in the southeastern Kansas town of Neodesha.

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Travel ban impact

President Trump's seven-country travel ban impacts local colleges

By ALAN LITTELL
Alfred Sun Contributor

President Trump has sown chaos across the globe by an executive order denying entry into the United States to refugees, immigrants and travelers from seven predominantly Muslim countries in the Middle East and Africa.

The implications of the order are so broad that some international students at Alfred's two institutions of higher education,

it does mean that people from those countries who leave the United States would not be allowed to return without securing a new visa, which is thought virtually impossible under terms of the Trump travel ban. The president's order has led to confusion on the part of immigration authorities at American airports and left thousands of would-be refugees and immigrants stranded overseas.

Closer to home, Alfred State



President Trump after signing order Jan. 27 barring travel from seven Muslim-majority countries.

Breaking News...

Federal court overturns travel ban; White House appeals court ruling

As *The Alfred Sun* went to press, a federal district court in Seattle issued a temporary nationwide restraining order lifting the seven-country travel ban. The Justice Department immediately applied for relief to the U.S. 9th Circuit Court of Appeals, based in San Francisco. The appellate court heard arguments Feb. 7 on whether to vacate the lower-court ruling and reinstate the Trump administration's edict barring individuals from certain Muslim-majority countries from entering the United States. A decision was expected within days. Whichever way the appellate court rules, legal analysts say, the issue will almost certainly reach the Supreme Court. Meantime, the State Department began restoring previously cancelled visas, and refugees, immigrants and travelers, including students, stranded overseas by the president's executive order were reportedly scrambling to board U.S.-bound flights while the ban's suspension was still in effect.

Alfred University and Alfred State College, are expressing concern over their status and ability to come back to the United States after traveling to their home countries during school breaks.

The seven countries subject to Trump's edict are Libya, Somalia, Yemen, Iraq, Sudan, Iran and Syria. The ban suspends entry of all refugees for 120 days and immigrants and travelers for 90 days, although travel from Syria will be curtailed indefinitely. The Trump administration has defended its order as a national security measure to prevent possible terrorists from coming to the United States.

The *New York Times* reported Feb. 2 that the State Department was revoking the visas of all nationals from the seven countries. A department spokesman was quoted as saying that those foreign nationals now in the United States would be unaffected. But

College reports the enrollment of 42 foreign students from 11 countries including Kuwait and Saudi Arabia, though none are from nations on the president's list.

At neighboring Alfred University, 58 students from 18 countries are enrolled in graduate and undergraduate programs. Spokeswoman Sue Goetschius said "two or three Iranian students" are now on campus.

In related university news, Alastair Cormack, dean of engineering, said a graduate student from Iran had been prevented from traveling to the United States. Cormack said the university was working to draft a program that would enable the student to continue his Alfred education while off-campus.

Alfred University President Mark Zupan issued a statement asserting the institution would do "all that we can to assist members of our community who

may be affected by the executive order." Zupan affirmed what he called the university's commitment to, and support of, "the members of our community irrespective of their religious beliefs, gender, ethnicity, race, socioeconomic status, and sexual orientation."

President Skip Sullivan of Alfred State College said his institution "welcomes educators and students from across the world." He said the school, as part of the 64 campus system of the State University of New York, would "abide by SUNY guidelines and look to their leadership as the situation may evolve."

In Albany, SUNY officials have urged students and faculty from countries affected by the Trump executive order to avoid travel abroad, as it was all but certain that those individuals would be barred from returning to the United States. The notice applies as well to the New York State College of Ceramics at Alfred University, which is part of the SUNY system. Elsewhere, such major research institutions as the University of Illinois, Purdue University and the University of Notre Dame issued similar warnings.

What is not known is whether the ban will be extended to include other countries. Reince Priebus, President Trump's chief

of staff, has left the door open to that possibility. Appearing Jan. 29 on NBC's "Meet the Press" with Chuck Todd, Priebus suggested the ban could eventually apply to Saudi Arabia, Egypt and Pakistan, three Muslim-majority countries with documented links to terrorism. And in a little noted aside, Priebus also suggested that American citizens holding valid U.S. passports could at some future time be detained and subjected to additional scrutiny at U.S. airports when traveling from countries on the proscribed list.

Congressman Tom Reed (R-23rd NY), an early and continuing ally of then candidate and now-President Trump, has announced his support for the Trump travel ban.

The Department of Homeland Security initially confirmed last week that the president's edict also included so-called Green Card holders—lawful permanent residents of the United States. That part of the order was subsequently lifted.

On a personal note, I recall that the immigration profile in 1962 of my late wife, Caroline Littell, raised a red flag at the American Embassy in London. The problem had less to do with ideology or security than with national identity.

Caroline was a British citizen

whose pedigree in the male line included her grandfather, a regimental officer who had served in that part of British India now known as the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, and her father, who was born there. Caroline in turn was born in Egypt, where her father, a professional soldier, commanded a regiment of tanks in Britain's desert war against German armor. He was killed in action in 1941.

Caroline told me that when she applied for a visa—we were to be married in New York—the embassy, uncertain about her status as a British national, briefly considered placing her on the Pakistani or the Egyptian immigration quota, both restricted to relatively low numbers of applicants.

Once her birth certificate from the British Military Hospital, Heliopolis (a suburb of Cairo), had been produced and verified, the difficulty was sorted out and she entered the United States on the more liberal British quota.

Had Trump's immigration edict been in effect at the time, my wife—who represented one of two generations of a British colonial family born in Muslim countries—would at the very least have been sidetracked by months of stringent background checks before being allowed into the United States.

OBITUARIES

Clara H. York, 88, 'Andover-the-hill' columnist



CLARA H. YORK

Long-time Andover resident
ANDOVER—Clara H. York, 88, is now basking in the presence of her Lord having passed away Tuesday, January 31, 2017 at Highland Park Nursing Center following a lengthy illness.

Clara was born on March 17, 1928 to Gerald and Flossie Irene (Harding) Hann. She was a 1945 graduate of Andover Central School. On August 17, 1946 she married Douglas C. York, who

predeceased her on February 28, 2004.

Mrs. York worked at the Market Basket in Andover from 1958-1967. She then worked as a teller at the Andover branch of Key Bank from 1967 until her retirement in 1992. Clara was also a contributing writer for the *Alfred Sun* where her articles appeared in the "Andover the Hill" column.

Clara is survived by three sons, Jack York of Rochester, Roger (Paula) York of Andover and Tommy (Valencia) York of Charlotte NC; a daughter Jean Orth of Cheektowaga; two brothers, Francis Hann of Wellsville and Howard (Georgiana) Hann of Birdsall; 21 grandchildren, and 17 great-grandchildren.

She was predeceased by two brothers, Richard Hann and Warren C. Hann.

Clara enjoyed quilting. She was particularly talented at writing and she published several short stories. Her children honor her dedication to them as a working mom, and her devotion to caring for her husband, who

endured blindness, for twenty-five years.

She was a member of the Andover Chamber of Commerce and served the community on the Andover Library Board. Clara was very active in the Andover Presbyterian Church, offering her gift of music as an organist for forty years, and serving as a Sunday School teacher, elder, trustee, and as a member of the United Presbyterian Women's Group. She was also a member of the Christian Business Women's Club.

Calling hours were held from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 4 at Baker-Swan Funeral Home, Andover. A funeral service followed at 4 p.m. with Clara's grandson, Jason York, officiating. A private burial will take place in Hillside Cemetery, Andover at the convenience of the family. Online condolences may be offered at www.baker-swan.com.

The family has requested memorials to be made to the Andover Rescue Squad, PO Box 726, Andover, NY 14806.

Daniel P. 'Hoot Owl' Brown, longtime plumber



DANIEL "HOOT OWL" P. BROWN

Lifelong Almond resident
ALMOND—Daniel "Hoot

Owl" P. Brown, 60, of 6969 Route 21, Almond, died Saturday evening, Jan. 28, 2017 at Strong Memorial Hospital in Rochester, following a brief illness.

Born in Hornell on June 27, 1956, he was the son of Robert and Kathleen (Watkins) Brown.

Dan grew up in Almond and attended Alfred-Almond Central School.

He had been employed as a plumber for nearly 35 years at Alfred University. Dan was an avid hunter and fisherman and had been a member of the Arkport American Legion. His favorite pastime was "Hoisting A Few" with his many friends, especially at the Old Mill Inn.

In addition to his parents, Dan

was preceded in death by two brothers, Robert Brown and Thomas Brown; and one sister, Marjorie Stephens.

Surviving are several nieces, nephews and cousins and his beloved dog, Shadow.

At Dan's request, there will be no calling hours. Friends are invited to attend a "Gathering of Remembrance" at 12 noon Sunday, Feb. 12, at the Old Mill Inn, located at 1 Depot St., Alfred Station.

Funeral arrangements are in care of the Dagon Funeral Home, 38 Church St., Hornell.

Dan's family request that in lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in his name be made to Trout Unlimited - Chapter 706 (Upper Genesee River Chapter), 7282 Route 305, Belfast, N.Y., 14711.

To leave an online condolence or share a memory, visit www.dagonfuneralhome.com

Kay A. (Bown) Buschle, 82, one-time AU nursing professor



KAY A. (BOWN) BUSCHLE

Former AU nursing professor
CENTRAL SQUARE—Kay A. (Bown) Buschle, 82, who taught nursing at Alfred University in the 1960's, died Jan. 1, 2017, in Syracuse, after a brief residency at Iroquois Nursing Home.

A lifelong resident of Central

Square, she graduated from Central Square High School and earned her bachelor's degree in 1957 and master's degree in 1962 from the School of Nursing, Syracuse University.

In addition to serving as a professor of nursing at Alfred University, she spent a majority of her professional career as a professor of nursing in the School of Nursing at Syracuse University, before retiring in 1994.

Her obituary notice in *The Syracuse Post Standard* noted she "she was an avid SU basketball and football fan" and "found great enjoyment boating on Oneida Lake and socializing with her nursing colleagues, friends, neighbors, and family."

Contributions in her memory may be made to the Gabriel F. and Kay A. Buschle Fund at SUNY ESF, Development Office, 214 Bray Hall, 1 Forestry Drive, Syracuse, NY 13210.

Portion of AU campus closed over 'suspicious package'

ALFRED—A portion of the Alfred University campus was closed Friday, Feb. 3 for approximately two hours while public safety officials and New York State Police investigated a report of a suspicious package in the vestibule of the Powell Campus Center.

A New York State Police Bomb Disposal Unit from Batavia was called to the campus by New York State Police operating out of the Amity barracks. Members of the Unit X-rayed the package and determined it was empty. The area around the Campus Center was reopened at 1:15 p.m.

Alfred University Public Safety personnel working in cooperation with State Police deemed the package suspicious because it lacked any mailing or return address information.

The university's Seidlin Hall, Kanakadea Hall and Powell Campus Center were closed and classes in Seidlin and Kanakadea cancelled while police investigated the package.

ALFRED POLICE REPORT

ALFRED—Alfred Police Chief Paul Griffith announced the following arrests were made by his department during the month of January 2017:

--Kail A. Blew, 20, of Elmira, was arrested Sunday, Jan. 29 and charged with driving while intoxicated with a blood alcohol content greater than .08%.

--Alyssa I. MacCheyne, 22, of Trumansburg, was arrested Saturday, Jan. 28 and charged with open container violation and littering.

--Courtney M. Alexyn, 23, of Bergen, was arrested Saturday, Jan. 28 and charged with open container violation.

--Drew T. Palmerton, 18, of Eden, was arrested Saturday, Jan. 28 and charged with unlawful possession of marijuana.

--Kenneth J. Burgstabler, 19, of Eden, was arrested Saturday, Jan. 28 and charged with unlawful possession of marijuana.

--Jarred W. Tegler, 18, of Rochester, was arrested Saturday, Jan. 28 and charged with open container violation.

--Danny W. Doran, 19, of Rochester, was arrested Friday, Jan. 27 and charged with open container violation.

--Anthony J. Demott, 18, of Dix Hills, was arrested Thursday, Jan. 26 and charged with unlawful possession of marijuana.

--Isabela I. Ortiz, 18, of West Seneca, was arrested Thursday, Jan. 26 and charged with unlawful possession of marijuana.

--Hakiere K. Parker, 21, of Rochester, was arrested Wednesday,

Jan. 25 and charged with unlawful possession of marijuana.

--Darius J. Holland, 20, of Fort Drum, was arrested Saturday, Jan. 21 and charged with unlawful possession of marijuana.

--Christopher M. Gutierrez, 20, of Alfred, was arrested Saturday, Jan. 21 and charged with open container violation.

--Michael J. Laine, 19, of Kent, was arrested Saturday, Jan. 21 and charged with open container violation.

--Matthew M. MacCagne, 21, of Montgomery, was arrested Saturday, Jan. 21 and charged with open container violation.

--Cameron P. Dopman, 24, of Corning, was arrested Friday, Jan. 20 and charged with one count of open container violation and one count of unlawful possession of marijuana.

--Daniel R. Connelly, 19, of Belfast, was arrested Friday, Jan. 20 and charged with open container violation.

--Dylan J. McKenna, 22, of Alfred, was arrested Friday, Jan. 13 and charged with open container violation.

--Ronald M. Eason, 55, of Canisteo, was arrested Friday, Jan. 6 and charged with reckless driving, speeding, and disorderly conduct.

--Michael A. West, 36, of Friendship, was arrested on Tuesday, Jan. 3 on a bench warrant and charged with driving without a proper license.

In the event of an emergency, call 911.

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SCRAMBLERS

solution

1. Bedlam; 2. Phase;
3. Reign; 4. Merge

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— King Crossword —

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SIEMENS PLM SOFTWARE

In-kind software grant a boost at AU

ALFRED—Alfred University Monday, Feb. 6 announced it received an in-kind software grant from Siemens PLM Software, with a commercial value of \$19.7 million.

The in-kind grant for Alfred University includes Siemens' NX™ software, a leading integrated solution for computer-aided design, manufacturing and engineering (CAD/CAM/CAE).

Siemens PLM Software is a leading global provider of product lifecycle management (PLM) software and services. The in-kind grant was provided by the Siemens PLM Software's academic program that delivers PLM software for schools at every academic level.

"This grant from Siemens PLM Software enables Alfred University to teach their students on the same world-class PLM software for digital product design, simulation, analysis, manufacturing and product data management that is used by leading manufacturers around the world. As a result, their graduates will be highly qualified for careers in science, technology, engineering and math," said Dora Smith, Global Director, Academic Partner Program, Siemens PLM Software.

"By using the same technology in the classroom that is used by companies all over the world to develop a wide variety of products, our students gain im-

portant real-world experience during their studies that will serve them well after graduation," said David Crenshaw, Director of the Fabrication Center at Alfred University. "This grant is exceptionally valuable because it helps us train our students for tomorrow's jobs using one of the best engineering design software solutions available," said Crenshaw.

The in-kind grant gives students access to the same technology that companies around the world depend on every day to develop innovative products in a wide variety of industries including automotive, aerospace, machinery, shipbuilding, high-tech electronics and many more. Graduates with this type of software training are highly-recruited candidates for advanced technology jobs.

Note: NX is a trademark or registered trademark of Siemens Product Lifecycle Management Software Inc. or its subsidiaries in the United States and in other countries.

Scene About Alfred

A weekly photo feature
By SHERRY VOLK
Alfred Sun Columnist



Contemplating Valentine's Day celebrations, it seems appropriate that the trans-continental, actually trans-world, cupid we all rely on should be recognized. We depend on the Alfred, NY, postal service in the persons of Nicki Dodge and Kim Campbell to sort and arrange the delivery of our mail and to send our greetings to loved ones and friends across the U.S. and around the world. It's the same here in Terlingua, TX, where Lisa Lowe provides friendly service and helpful information to "winter Texans" as well as to her local folks, 1500 miles from zip codes 14802 and 14803.



SUNNY SIDE UP

By ELLEN SHULTZ
Alfred Sun Columnist

A soup recipe from the Southwest

[Editor's Note: Like most of the recipes she shared with our readers over the past couple of decades, Ellen Shultz's Sunny Side Up columns are worth repeating.]

I always pick up cookbooks on my travels, so this recipe was found in a book I recently purchased in Arizona called "Southwestern Soups, Stews and Skillet Suppers." The story behind the recipe is that Sule Issifu came from his native Ghana to study in Oregon. There he met his wife Lydia and they lived for a time in Queen Creek, Arizona. Then he was called back to Africa to become king of the Mamprusi tribe, upon the death of his father who was the reigning king.

This is a traditional West African soup. It has been adapted for southwestern states.

The King's Courtship Peanut Butter Soup

- 1 chicken (4-5 lbs.) cut up 1/4 to 1/2 tsp. cayenne, to taste
- 2 T. peanut oil 1/2 tsp. salt
- 2 medium onions, chopped pepper
- 2 tsp. chopped garlic 1 bunch spinach, coarsely shredded
- 3/4 c. chunky peanut butter 1/2 c. salted peanuts, chopped

Step One: in a large deep pot, cover chicken with water and bring to a boil. Cover the pot, reduce the heat, and simmer until the chicken is just done, about an hour. Remove the chicken and reserve broth. Cool chicken pieces; remove skin and shred chicken.

Step Two: In a large, deep pot, heat oil and sauté onions and garlic for 3 minutes. Add shredded chicken and broth. Heat to a boil and reduce to a simmer. Remove about a cup of hot broth and mix with the peanut butter, adding more as needed to form a smooth paste. Add the peanut butter mixture to the soup, along with cayenne, salt and pepper to taste. Add spinach and cook 5 minutes. Add chopped peanuts. Stir and serve to someone you love. Serves 8, so it could be several people you love.

(Note: I used skinless chicken breasts, which I chopped before cooking, and canned chicken broth to cut down the preparation time. This makes a very rich soup.)

Gas prices drop

Average retail gasoline prices in New York have fallen 2.2 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$2.47/g Monday, according to GasBuddy's daily survey of 6,118 gas outlets in New York. This compares with the national average that has fallen 0.7 cents per gallon in the last week to \$2.26/g, according to gasoline price website GasBuddy.com.

ALFRED Weather for the Week

Jan. 31-Feb. 6				
Jan.	Hi	Lo	Precip.	Snow
31	27	8	0.01"	0.1"
Feb.1	32	17	0.15"	3.0"
2	37	12	0.02"	0.5"
3	33	16	0.02"	0.4"
4	21	9	0.01"	0.2"
5	30	10	0	0
6	33	23	0.02"	0.4"

January Summary:
Avg. high: 37 Avg. low: 20
Highest: 60 (Jan. 22 record)
Lowest: -6 (Jan. 7)
Total Precipitation: 3.56"
Total Snow: 12.6"

By JOHN BUCKWALTER
Alfred Area Weather Recorder

Kelly's Forecast

By KELLY SNYDER
Alfred Sun Weather Forecaster

"Waffles are like pancakes with (maple) syrup traps."
— Mitch Hedberg

Thursday Feb. 9	CLOUDY	(HIGH 22—LOW 13)	Chance of precipitation.....20%
Friday Feb. 10	PARTLY CLOUDY	(HIGH 28—LOW 25)	Chance of precipitation.....20%
Saturday Feb. 11	MOSTLY CLOUDY	(HIGH 44—LOW 35)	Chance of precipitation.....20%
Sunday Feb. 12	RAIN	(HIGH 44 LOW 31)	Chance of precipitation.....80%

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EDITORIAL PAGE

Lonelier than the Maytag repairman?

Dear Editor:

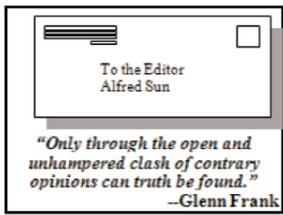
I just paid my town and county taxes, which makes me want to make some comments for our County Legislature.

Being located on Route 244 in Alfred Station, I see the Allegany Transit Bus go by six times a day, three times one way, three times the other. Same thing with the HAT buses. Very seldom do any of them have passengers. Sometimes one or two, but that is rare. That must make these drivers lonelier than Maytag repairmen.

It is my understanding that ACT was originally funded by state and federal grants. I once asked a former county legislator the total number of passengers a year, and he said he would get back to me. Months later I asked him again...he would not give me a number but said that ridership was up 11% over last year. Great answer..... 11% if WHAT? I have been in other villages seeing these buses traveling other routes with the same observation: few if any passengers.

I also understand that the transit system is not MANDATED by the state but RECOMMENDED, although apparently the county IS mandated to provide transportation for those needing public assistance. I think at one time transportation was provided by independent contractors on an as-needed basis, which would be more cost effective. Why can't this service be given back to the private sector to provide for those who really need it?

Apparently, the cost for 2017 will be \$855,469 and \$878,997 for 2018. One of our legislators said that over the last several years these services were provided "without any contribution of local tax payer funds," and represents a "major savings" for tax payers. Hey, funding from Albany comes from ALL taxpayers! Now, I see, \$850,000 is going to be spent on a park & ride center, again, "no cost" to taxpayers? Who pays for maintenance and utilities? Is this really necessary? I don't think the very low fares come near to covering the costs that our local taxpayers DO need



to cover. One of the comments used to justify this endeavor was that it would alleviate "road and parking lot congestion". In our rural county?!

Why does our county government have to keep expanding more services that benefit very few, pushing our taxes up and up every year? At least there are TWO legislators on the board who seem to care about fiscal responsibility.

I will save my comments on the truck stop plaza, waterline from Friendship, landfill, county prison, and IDA for another time.

Ronnie Snyder
Alfred Station

Rebuttal to comments

Letter to the editor of
The Alfred Sun:

With the unique possibility of millions of people of color in the United States of America being adversely effected by the choice of Senator Jeff Sessions to be President Trump's appointee to the Attorney General of the United States, I must respond to your "editorial comments" which followed my published letter to *The Alfred Sun*, 2/2/17.

I realize that you were constrained by space, which did not allow you the option to disclose that Peter Kirsanow, the prominent black, Republican lawyer from Cleveland, OH, who praised Sessions, and is a U.S. Civil Rights Commissioner, is also being considered for a possible role in the new Trump administration. [Cleveland.com, by S. Koff, 11/22/16]

In *The Christian Science Monitor*, original report, 11/19/16 and updated on 1/10/17, "The Complicated Racial Past of Jeff Sessions," by Staff Writer, Patrik Jonsson, indicated, not one but several known, "ill-conceived

comments" by Sessions, including that he once called the historic Voting Rights Act of 1965, a "piece of intrusive legislation." Then, what might he say, publicly, about the expected defunding of Planned Parenthood?

But, to Senator Sessions' credit, however, he has apologized for joking, that members of the Ku Klux Klan "were OK, until I found out they smoked pot." Although, his apology may have been prompted by his self-disclosure that his "loose tongue" gets him in trouble, it more clearly disclosed the character of his person. Having recognized this, he may well have modified his public behavior; but, what about his now, undisclosed intents as our U.S. Attorney General?

Can we all now look the other way, past his "old life" as a U.S. Attorney, an employee of the Justice Department in the Southern District, when he unsuccessfully tried to prosecute voting-rights activists accused of having a fraudulent, get-out-the-vote program? Had they been convicted, they would have faced a possible life sentence in federal prison.

I imagine that many, who think they have very little to risk in the game, can justify taking a chance on Trump's nominee, to actually be all-of-the-people's, unbiased U.S. Attorney General, and continue to just look the other way. Please, keep reminding us that we are all in this democracy, together.

Douglass Turner
Alfred

(Letters continue on Page 8)

LAFF - A - DAY



"How long have I been here?
Well, they've fed the fish twice..."

Sun Spots



The Star of Super Bowl LI Was Super and That's No LI
Or,
After She Threw Down the Gauntlet, He Picked It Up—
And Threw It for a Touchdown

Though some have said this star's a shady lady—
And no, I don't mean Gaga, I mean Brady—
It served to just inflate his football saga
When his performance upstaged even Gaga.

—O. Bradymous



FROM THE DESK OF DAVID PULLEN

By DAVID PULLEN
Allegany County Legislator

NYSAC LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE – 2017 REPORT

From January 29th through February 2nd seven County Legislators and several County Officials were in Albany to attend this year's NYSAC Legislative Conference. Those attending included Legislators Curt Crandall, David Decker, Dwight Fanton, Judy Hopkins, Kevin LaForge, Debra Root, and myself. Other officials in attendance included County Treasurer Terri Ross, County Administrator Tim Boyde, Clerk of the Board Brenda Riehle, Public Health Director Lori Ballengee, County Planner Kier Dirlam, Tyler Shaw and Lori Hennessy.

Monday morning began with NYSAC Committee Meetings. The standing committees included Agriculture & Rural Affairs, Taxation & Finance, Transportation & Public Works, Economic Development & Environment, Public Health & Mental Health, Public Employee Relations, Intergovernmental Relations & General Government, Children with Special Needs, Medicaid & Human Services, Public Safety, and Native American Affairs & Gaming. To cover as many meetings as possible our delegation attempted to have at least one representative at each meeting. I attended Public Employee Relations and Medicaid & Human Services. In addition to general updates we learned about various initiatives occurring around the State.

The keynote speaker for Monday's luncheon was State Comptroller Thomas DiNapoli. He reported State budget challenges and trends he is seeing in county government throughout the state. He noted that Downstate has mostly recovered from the Great Recession. Unfortunately, Upstate's recovery has been much slower. He reported that more than 90% of the growth in our state since 2008 has occurred Downstate. Upstate counties have struggled to handle state mandated costs and programs. He reported that the State Pension Funds are doing well, and remain fully funded. Current pension reserves now exceed \$180 billion.

Monday afternoon, and Tuesday morning and afternoon consisted of numerous workshops. Topics ranged from "Developing an Employee Social Media Policy," to Pre-School Special Education, Medicaid Financing & Rate Reform, to Next Generation E-911, to Cybersecurity & Threats to IT

Systems, to Early Childhood Intervention Issues, to Indigent Defense Developments, to State Budget Review, to Counties Working with Airbnb, to "Leftover Paint: A Solid Waste Nightmare," to Ridesharing Innovations in Transportation, to County Veteran Programs, to Reducing County Energy Programs. County representatives tried to cover as many of these workshops as possible. Some workshops were very valuable, while others seemed either too technical or too general. Overall I believe that I learned a great deal.

On Tuesday morning there was a Plenary Session consisting of a presentation by Chris Low, Chief Economist for FTN Financial Capital Markets. He analyzed current economic trends. He is generally hopeful that markets and business will do well over the next several years. He was generally favorable about the economic policies of President Trump. I asked a question about the impact of increases in minimum wage rates. He noted that numerous studies show that while incomes go up for some entry-level positions, that overall employment usually declines. The reason is that businesses are motivated to automate and eliminate the entry-level positions. It usually has the greatest negative impact on young workers, and on the lowest earning individuals.

On Tuesday evening Curt Crandall, Kevin LaForge, Tim Boyde and I attended a reception/dinner that Governor Andrew Cuomo hosted at the Executive Mansion. About 150 County leaders gathered for the privilege of being "scolded" by Governor Cuomo. He reported that he is doing a great job, and that the State is in fantastic shape. The only negative mark on his record is that local real property taxes are too high. He blames that on local officials. He took no responsibility for State mandates. He stated that there would be no significant mandate relief for local governments. His 2017 Budget Proposal calls on County leaders to convene meetings with Town and Village leaders to find ways to save costs and reduce taxes. They must submit a proposal to the County Legislature by the end of August, and a proposal must be submitted for countywide referendum in the November General Election. If it doesn't pass they must do the same thing again next year.

I hope to report more on this proposal in an upcoming article. And that's the news from Albany.

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MONK'S JESTER MASK TO BE ON STAGE

Trevor Monk gets his kicks clowning around

ALFRED—Alfred University junior Trevor Monk isn't shy about telling you he's a clown at heart. "I have a fondness for clowns and jesters," he says. "I have the alter ego of a clown."

As place kicker and punter for the Saxon football team, Monk carries a serious responsibility on his shoulders. But when his mother Brenda suggested he fashion a paper mache mask and submit it for a competition hosted by the Syracuse Opera company, Monk's inner clown asserted itself.

After a short period of research into masks worn during the Venetian carnival, Monk settled on the traditional Commedia dell'Arte character Buffone, or Jester.

"It wasn't a difficult choice," he says.

Monk's submission was one of sixteen chosen by Syracuse Opera for its upcoming production of Verdi's *Rigoletto*, which the company has chosen to set in Venice. Members of the opera cast will hide their Venetian identities behind masks that depict – in addition to the Jester – a variety of Venetian characters

associated with the city's annual carnival – the pre-Lenten celebration that dates back to Venice's Medieval period.

Masks were an important part of the celebration, partly because in concealing individual identities they permitted the co-mingling of social classes that otherwise remained distinct and separate. Of course, they also permitted a scandalous level of revelry without any legal consequence.

In addition to choosing Monk's mask as a winning submission, Syracuse Opera has given him two free tickets to attend a production of *Rigoletto*. The opera will be performed on Feb. 10 and 12 – about two weeks before the start of the 2017 Lenten season.

A resident of Liverpool, Monk is a third-year theater major with a minor in performance design and technology.

He made the mask during his winter break, fashioning the shape out of clay and then layering the paper mache over the mold. Since the individual wearing the mask would be singing, Monk de-



AU junior Trevor Monk, Saxon placekicker and punter, and mask maker.

signed the mask to be worn over the upper half of the face – with small bells hanging from the traditional floppy head piece.

Monk is a veteran of numerous theatrical productions in the Division of Performing Arts, but he has never seen a

production of *Rigoletto*. He's looking forward to the performance and seeing his mask paraded across the stage.

He's also looking forward to Halloween. As in the past, he plans to dress up as a clown.

LEARNED IT WHILE IN HIGH SCHOOL

AU alum still playing string bass after all these years

ALFRED—Alfred University graduate Roger Eiss '58 was a tuba player with his school orchestra in Saranac Lake when the school's string bass player graduated. A crisis ensued. There were no other string bassists in the student body, and the orchestra teacher didn't know how to teach anyone how to play the acoustic string instrument – a musical bear, frequently taller than the musician playing it.

"So I said I'll take the instrument and the instruction manual home over the summer and learn how to play it," Eiss says. And that's what he did.

Now, at the age of 79, Eiss is still playing the string bass. A resident of Ridgefield, Wa., he plays in the Clark College Orchestra and was a member of the orchestra when it won second prize earlier this year in the Community Division of The American Prize Ernst Bacon Memorial Award.

The orchestra, under the direction of Donald Appert, played a piece commissioned for the competition, *Palmetta Suite for Alto Trombone and Orchestra*, composed by Eric Ewazen. Ron Barron, principal trombone of the Boston Symphony, was guest trombonist for the performance.

"Playing behind the Principal Trombone of the Boston Symphony Orchestra isn't bad for a country body like me!" Eiss wrote in an email to his alma mater.

Eiss plays both classical music and jazz. As a student at Alfred University, he played in a jazz combo under the director of the late and great Anthony Cappadonia, who served on the faculty of Alfred State College. He likes to describe the string bass as "like a cello with a lot of hormones."

After receiving his Bachelor of Science degree from Alfred University, Eiss earned his Masters and PhD in chemistry.



ROGER EISS (AU '58)

He worked as a chemist in private industry before developing careers in government and economic development. In 2014, he and his wife, Francoise Bourget Eiss, donated an original copy of "*Traite Elementaire de Chimie, Seconde Edition*," published in 1793 by Antione Lavoisier, to Scholes Library. The two-volume treatise on chemistry had been in Mrs. Eiss's family for centuries, originally purchased by her great-grandfather.

Eiss has been a regular visitor to Alfred during reunion weekends, recently as a member of a group of bicyclists who have enjoyed long distance bike trips through New York (Motto: "Different Spokes for Alfred Folks").

In 2016, however, he was unable to make the trip for Reunion Weekend due to a scheduling conflict: The Clark College Orchestra was recording its performance of *Palmetta Suite for Alto Trombone and Orchestra* at the same time.

Learning to Fly: Celebration of Flight and Exploration features work by AU alum Greg Leshé

SOUTH ORANGE, NJ—Artwork by Alfred University alumnus Greg Leshé '85 is part of an exhibition entitled "Learning to Fly: A Celebration of Flight and Exploration," which opened Thursday, Jan. 26, at Seton Hall's Walsh Gallery.

The exhibition celebrates the 80th anniversary of a notable year in the early history of engine-powered air travel.

In 1937, Amelia Earhart disappeared over the Pacific Ocean in the midst of a circumnavigational flight, and the Hindenburg zeppelin caught fire and crashed in Lakehurst, NJ. Twenty years later, in 1957, the Soviet Union launched the Sputnik satellite.

The Seton Hall exhibition uses both historical objects and contemporary art to examine major themes within aviation history, including flight as innovation,

power, competition, and entertainment while also exploring New Jersey's impact on aviation history using these landmark events.

Artifacts from the New Jersey Aviation Hall of Fame, Cradle of Aviation Museum, Navy Lakehurst Historical Society, Newark Public Library, and the University's Archives are featured in the show alongside Leshé's artwork and artwork by Ellie Irons, Dan Phiffer, Winifred McNeill, Timothy Pickerell, Chad Stayrook, Lizzy Storm, and Sara Sun.

The show runs through March 10 and is open to the public. Additional information, including gallery hours and contacts may be found at:

<http://library.shu.edu/wa...>

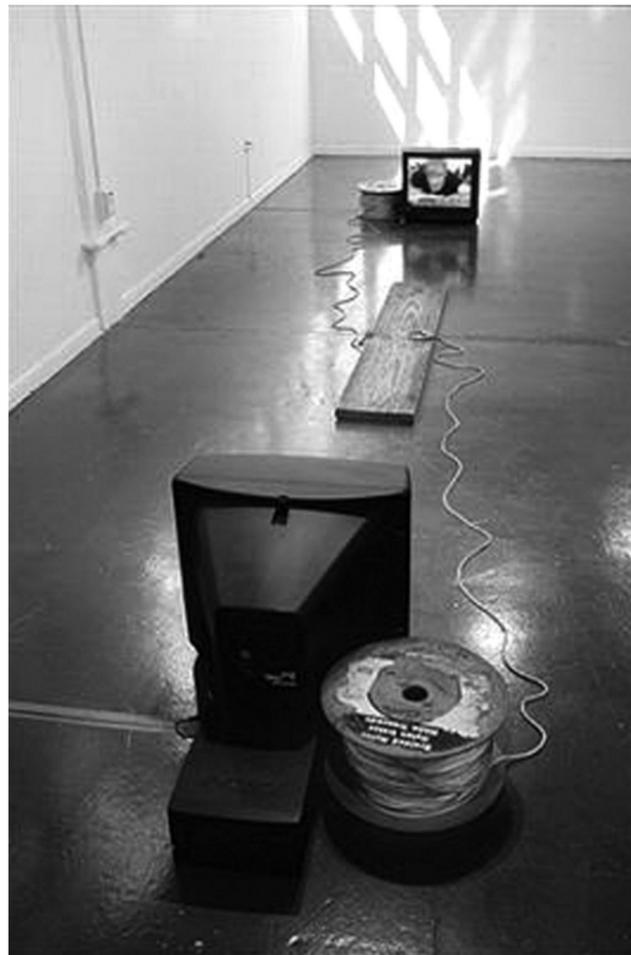
Leshé has two pieces in the show, including "Surface Drag," which he describes as "a two-

channel video installation ... (recording) a series of actions spanning 2,200 feet in opposite easterly westerly directions, marking and memorializing the Flanders Valley Airport runway. ...In my head airplanes still fly through here, through people's living room....The airport runway no longer exists. I am always going back there."

Leshé earned his BFA from the New York State College of Ceramics, School of Art and Design, at Alfred University. He received his MS from New York University and International Center of Photography in 1998.

He lives and works in South Orange, NJ.

'Surface Drag' (at right) is one of two pieces by Greg Leshé in the Seton Hall exhibition 'Learning to Fly.'



Cultural Arts Calendar



Music BANDS/DJs/RECITALS

Hornell Area Wind Ensemble Rehearsals Tuesday evenings at Hornell Intermediate School. New members are always welcome. For further information, call Nancy Luger at 587-9449 or call 545-8603.

Evening of Music with Sharon Johnson and Amanda Cox Piano and Vocals from Classical through the Broadway Era, 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 9 at the Nancy Howe Auditorium

AU Choral Spring Concert. 3:00 p.m. Sunday, April 30, Alfred Seventh Day Baptist Church Choral Spring Concert (Free Event) The AU Chorus will present a program of varied works. Free admission.

AU Instrumental Recital. 3 p.m. Sunday, April 9 at Miller Theater, Miller Performing Arts Center, AU campus. Featuring AU student instrumentalists. Free admission.

AU Jazz Band Concert 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 21, Miller Theater, Miller Performing Arts Center, AU campus. (Free Event) Hot tunes! Free admission! What could be better!

AU Symphonic Band Concert 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 28, Miller Theater, Miller Performing Arts Center, AU campus. (Free Event) Great music!

AU Symphony Orchestra Gems of the Baroque - (Free Event) 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 14, Miller Theater, Miller Performing Arts Center, AU campus. A showcase of AU student soloists performing music of Bach and Vivaldi with the AU Orchestra. Free admission.

AU Vocal Student Recital. 3:00

pm Saturday, April 29, Howell Hall, AU campus. Student Recital for Vocalists! (Free Event) Lovely voices performing many different genres!

MostArts Festival: Plan to enjoy Summer Music & Art, Sunday, July 9-Saturday, July 15, 2017 at Alfred University featuring the Young Pianist Competition. visit: www.MostArts.alfred.edu for more information.

The Ridiculous and the Sublime. 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 18. Percussionist Dustin Woodard will perform a solo recital of percussion works both electronic and acoustic. Free admission. Miller Theater, Miller Performing Arts Center, AU campus.

Wellsville Creative Arts Center offers live music some evenings with performances beginning at 8 p.m., doors opening at 6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 22-Woodshed Prophets; Friday, Nov. 4-Tony Trishka. Saturday, Dec. 17-The Howlin' Brothers. For tickets, visit: www.WellsvilleCreativeArtsCenter.com or call 585-593-3000.

CHORAL GROUPS
Andover Catholic Choir. Rehearsals 7 pm Mondays at Blessed Sacrament Church, Andover. New members welcome. Contact Director Marcy Bledsoe at 478-5238.

Genesee Valley Chorus. Weekly rehearsals 7 pm Tuesdays at Congregational Church, 289 N. Main St., Wellsville. New members welcome. For further information, call 585-593-3173.

Maple City (Barbershoppers) Chorus Meetings 7:00 p.m. Mondays at United Methodist Church of Hornell, 7528 North Main St Ext., near Webbs Crossing Road, Hornell. New members welcome. Call 607-698-4690 for info.

Sanctuary Choir. Rehearsals 1st & 3rd Sabbath of Month - 12:30pm; Instrumentalists 4th Sabbath of Month- 9:00am. The Seventh Day Baptist Church - Alfred Station. New musicians welcome. Call 607-587-9176.

COFFEEHOUSES
Coffeehouse live entertainment periodically at Terra Cotta Coffeehouse, 34 N. Main St., Alfred. Watch for schedule of coffeehouse performers.

Wellsville Creative Arts Center offers Coffee Houses TBA. Open Mic Night every Wednesday 7 to 10 p.m. For more info, visit: www.WellsvilleCreativeArtsCenter.com or call 585-593-3000.

CONCERTS/RECITALS
Davis Memorial Carillon Recitals. AU campus. Saturdays at 4 p.m. except August.

Wingate Memorial Carillon Recital Series at Davis Memorial Carillon, AU campus. Free concerts on Tuesdays during the month of July. The Wingate Memorial Carillon Recital Series honors Dr. Ray Winthrop Wingate, a professor of music at Alfred University for 56 years.



Theater & Dance

COMEDY
Comedian Clark Jones will perform at 9:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 4 at Knight Club, Powell Campus Center, AU campus.

Comedian Jamie Lissow will perform at 9:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 2 at Knight Club, Powell Campus Center, AU campus.

DANCE
Let's Dance Club offers occasional dances. For more information, contact president Carole Onoda at (607) 276-5475, vice-presidents John and Dee Cwynar at (607) 324-0373, secretaries Duffy and Barb Eisenheimer at (607) 295-7194, treasurers Charlie and Kathy Bill at (607) 295-7130, or band coordinators Doug and Melody Carrier at (607) 324-5821.

Community Ballroom at the Alfred Almond Bible Church, 4th Friday of every month. 7-7:30 p.m. Free instruction 7:30-9 p.m. open ballroom dancing. Ages 18 and up. For more information, call 276-6700 or visit: www.aabile.org

DRAMA GROUPS
Wee Playhouse meets monthly. Call Vice-President Martha Lash at 587-8675 for more info.

Alfred Community Theatre (ACT). Organized to revive summer theater in Alfred and help restore the 1890 Firemen's Hall Theater. For more info, call Dave Snyder at 587-8110.

PERFORMANCES
As You Like It!, romantic comedy by the Bard, new hope, new life and much love are found in the Forest of Arden. 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, April 6-7-8, Miller Theater, Miller Performing Arts Center, AU campus. Tickets required. Visit the Box Office or email performs@alfred.edu

AU Dance Theater featuring original choreography and performances by AU students and the Marlin Miller Guest Artist. 8 pm Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Feb. 16-18, Miller Theater, Miller Performing Arts Center, AU campus. Tickets Required.



Art/Galleries

INSTRUCTION/GROUPS
Allegany Artisans. The Allegany Artisans, local artists and craftspeople working together to host an annual studio tour, held annually in October, invite artists to apply. Work is juried. Studio must be in Allegany County. 585-593-6345 or visit the website: www.alleganyartisans.com.

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Cohen Center for the Arts. 55 N. Main Street, Alfred. Gallery open 11-5 Thurs.-Fridays.

Wellsville Art Association meets 7 pm on the last Friday of each month at Wellsville Community Center. For information on meetings or classes, call 585-593-3579.

Steuben Trust Gallery, Steuben Square, Hornell. On-going exhibits of Artist of the Month. M-F 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Sponsored by the Hornell Area Arts Council.

Southern Tier Fiberarts Guild, founded in 1983, meets at Trinity Lutheran Church, 470 N. Main St., Wellsville, on the first Saturday of the month from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. except months of July and Sept. The group welcomes spinners (and wannabes), quilters, knitters, crocheters, embroiderers, weavers, dyers, basket makers, hookers (rug hookers, that is) and everyone with a creative mind and an interest in fibers. For more information, call Debbie MacCrea at 607-587-9270, Carol Wood at 607-587-9519 or T.C. Gary at 585-593-4799.

MUSEUMS/EXHIBITS
The Andover House, exhibiting the best of Alfred connected Ceramic Art and 2 dimensional art. Historical and contemporary. Open 11am to 4pm on Saturdays. At 21 North Main Street, Andover New York. For visits by appointment call 585 593 3947 or 607 478 5014 : E-mail: Johnfdolan@yahoo.com.

Fountain Arts Center, 42 Schuyler Street, Belmont. For info or group arrangements, call 585-268-5951 or visit our website at: www.thefountainartscenter.org

The Corning Museum of Glass presents the most comprehensive glass collection in the world in "35 Centuries of Glassmaking."

For info, call 607-937-5371.

Fosdick-Nelson Gallery at Alfred University. Fosdick-Nelson Gallery is located in Harder Hall, AU campus. Open 11-4 Mondays-Fridays. Info 871-2412.

Glenn H. Curtiss Museum 8419 Route 54, Hammondsport. Special exhibits, special events. Open daily 10-4. Admission. (607) 569-2160.

Hagadorn House Museum Operated by Almond Historical Society. Genealogical research available Friday afternoons.

Hinkle Memorial Library Gallery, Alfred State College Campus. Open during library hours, 8 a.m.-10 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Fridays, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturdays and 3-9 p.m. Sundays. For more information, call the library at 607-587-4313.

Hornell Erie Depot Museum, 111 Loder St., Hornell is open Wed., Thurs., & Fri. from 6-8 pm, and Sat from 12:30-3pm.

Inamori Kyocera Museum of Fine Ceramics. The newly constructed museum focuses on fine ceramics used in technical and bio-medical applications. Located on the top floor of Binns-Merrill Hall, AU campus, Alfred. Open 10-4 Wed.-Fri. Free admission.



Alfred Ceramic Art Museum. Located on Northeast corner of Main and Pine Streets, AU campus, Alfred. Hours: Tues. thru Friday 10-5, Thurs. 10-7, Sat. and Sun. 10-4. \$7 Adults, \$5 Seniors, \$3 Local Residents, Free for Museum members, 17 and under, AU and A State faculty staff and students. For information call 607-871-2421; or visit the museum website: ceramicmuseum.alfred.edu

MARLIN MILLER GUEST ARTIST PROGRAM

Mariah Maloney, students to perform

ALFRED—Mariah Maloney, Artistic Director of Mariah Maloney Dance, has been teaching dance classes at Alfred University for the past week as part of the Marlin Miller Guest Artist Program.

Her many master classes have included an open rehearsal and setting for a new work that will be performed by 12 Alfred University students on Feb. 16-18,

with live music performed by Daisy Wu, visiting associate professor of music in the Division of Performing Arts.

A native of Homer, Ak., Maloney founded her company, Mariah Maloney Dance, in New York City after performing and teaching internationally with the Trisha Brown Dance Company. She is an Associate Professor at the College at Brockport, De-

partment of Dance, and earned a BFA from Purchase College and an MFA from Hollins/ADF.

In New York, she is produced at several venues including La MaMa Experimental Theatre, The Kitchen, Judson Church, and Danspace Project. In 2012, Mariah Maloney Dance also presented an evening length concert at Jacob's Pillow Inside/Out.

NOTES from the BOX OF BOOKS



MELANIE MILLER
Alfred Box of Books Director

Local teens will be tuning in at the library as Alfred Box of Books celebrates the annual Teen Tech Week™ March 5-11, 2017. They join thousands of other libraries and schools across the country who are celebrating this year's theme, Be the Source of Change to raise awareness about how Alfred Box of Books creates a space to extend teens' learning beyond the classroom where they can explore, create and share content.

Teen Tech Week is a national initiative of the Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA) aimed at teens, their parents, educators and other concerned adults. The purpose of the initiative is to ensure that teens are competent and ethical users of technology, especially

they types offered through libraries. Teen Tech Week encourages teens to take advantage of the technology at libraries for education and recreation, and to recognize that librarians are qualified, trusted professionals who can help them achieve greater digital literacy. The Alfred Box of Books was one of five libraries across the country awarded a grant to participate in Teen Tech Week.

Library Director, Melanie Miller feels that "Getting teens into libraries is essential. Offering gaming, access to computers, and online homework help is important, and letting them know that we can help educate them on how to use these resources will get them in the door. Once they're in the door, we can show teens that with technology at the library, anything is possible."

From maker spaces, to coding classes to online knitting clubs now offered by libraries across the country, the do-it-yourself theme shows how libraries provide meaningful contributions to the educational and social development of the teens in the community.

"Teen Tech Week is a way for librarians and educators to collaborate with and educate teens about technology," says Ms. Miller. "Over the last several years the library's role in increasing digital literacy has become more and more important, equal to that of reading literacy."

Teens are encouraged to celebrate Teen Tech Week. Melanie Miller hopes to attract a wide variety of teenagers and increase teen technology literacy locally by offering a series of programs including: Ozobots, 3Doodler, photo contest, and poster contest on what it means to be a responsible digital citizen.

Teen Tech Week is held annually the second week of March. For more information, visit www.ala.org/teentechweek.

What's Happening at Almond Library
By ELIZABETH CALL
Almond Library Director

Library wants to know who you are!

Who are you? The Almond 20th Century Club Library wants to know! Every month, you can sign up for a raffle ticket, and the prize is a \$25 Amazon gift card! Every patron is allowed one chance per month!

I have some exciting news-- we received a grant from the Allegany County Area Foundation in order to purchase building toys for the library's programming. We will be getting more Legos in order to have a Lego club, Knex sets for engineering projects, and 3-Doodler pens for everyone to use!

Miss Lauren's ballet workshop was a hit, as usual! Many thanks to Lauren and Natalie Norris, and to Lydia Rech for putting on such a great program!

We are celebrating Valentine's Day this year with a Sundae Bar for the kiddos! Each topping will have a literary name, like Winnie the Pooh's Honey Graham Cracker Bites! We will start serving the sundaes at 5:30!

Art and Coffee for Seniors: our project is Adult Coloring this week! We will be pulling out all of our best coloring sheets and markers!

Are you and the kids stuck here during the February break? We have great activities scheduled every day! Tuesday starting at 4 p.m. is "Minute to Win It"! Jo will be leading the kids in a series of fun games designed to make the kids whoop with glee! On Wednesday, we will explore science with STEM activities! Thursday brings us a scavenger hunt through the library -- everyone gets a prize at the end! Friday is "Discover You" day! Explore your future self in a creative art activity. Saturday, we will be playing Giant Jenga!

Adults get a great program this month, too! We will be doing spa crafts -- bath bombs, playdough soap and nice smelling sachets for your drawers! Join us on Feb. 21 at 6 p.m.!

Feel free to contact the library with any questions you might have about our upcoming programs or anything else, and check our website and our facebook page for the most up-to-date information: www.almondlibrary.org.

Coming up at the Almond 20th Century Club Library:

- Saturday Storytime-- every Saturday @ 11 am
 - Yoga with Kristin Buchholz -- Thursdays @ 5:45 pm
 - Library Tech Help -- 3rd Thursday of the month @ 6 p.m.
 - Book Club -- call for the next scheduled meeting
 - Teen Club -- Tuesday and Wednesday @ 3:30-6, some Saturdays
 - Art and Coffee for Seniors -- Fridays from 12:30- 2
 - A Taste for Wine and Murder-- Feb. 10 @ 7 pm -- reserve your seats now!
 - Valentine's Day Sundae Bar @ 5:30 p.m. Feb. 14
- Contact: (607) 276-6311 | almondlibrary@gmail.com | P.O. Box D, Almond, NY 14804
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AU Women's Studies Roundtable. Held on the first Friday monthly during academic year from 12:20-1:10 p.m. at Women's Leadership Center, Commons, Ford Street, AU campus.

AU Environmental Studies Speakers Series. Talks are 12:20 to 1:10 Fridays in Science Center Room 247. All are welcome; refreshments will be served.

Allegany County Bird Club. Meetings held at the First Congregational Church, 289 N. Main Street, Wellsville, unless otherwise stated, at 7 p.m. on the first Friday of each month; speakers begin at 7:15 p.m. The club will NOT meet during the months of January and February 2017.

Baker's Bridge Historical Association. Meets 7:30 pm, third Monday of each month, Sept.-April in the Meeting House, 5971 Hamilton Hill Road, Alfred Station. All programs free and open to the public. Jan. 16-Jim Ninos, "History of Cheese in the Alfred Area"; Feb. 20-John E. Ninos, "History of the Alfred Lions Club"; March 20-Blake Mayo, "Stair Climbing Challenge"; April 17-Abolitionism in Allegany County; May/June-Field Trip, TBA. Website: www.bakersbridge.org. For more information, contact President Jim Ninos, 607-587-9018, jninos@gmail.com. For a tour of the building contact our Collections Manager, Laurie McFadden (607-382-7276, mcfadden@alfred.edu).

Bergren Forum. 12:10 p.m. Thursdays, Nevins Theater, Powell Campus Center, AU campus when classes are in session. Bring a brown bag lunch; coffee & tea

available. Jan. 26-Likin Simon Romero, "Topology and the Shape of the Universe"; Feb. 2-Mary McInnes, "Orienting Istanbul"; Feb. 9-Linda Sormin, "Love Notes to Buddha"; Feb. 16-Stacy Bender, "Mindfulness and Parent-Child Relationships in Early Childhood"; Feb. 23-Ro Lohin, "Lives in Art: Looking at Painters"; March 2-The Presidential Committee on Diversity, "Building Diversity on Campus"; March 9-Spring Break. March 16-Xingwu Wang, "Sustainability Projects: Collaboration between Engineering and other disciplines across the AU Campus"; March 23-Mark Lewis, "The German Auto Industry"; March 30-Katarina Riesing, "Soft Core"; April 6-Phi Beta Kappa Wit and Wisdom Winner; April 13-Colleen Culley, "The Dude Moves: Questioning the Body Language of Masculinity"; April 20-Megan Staffel, "Why Should We Read Fiction?"; April 27-Andy Eklund, "Slavery, Immigration, and Women's Suffrage Through the Lens of Monsters"; May 4-Mark Zupan, "Inside Job: How Government Insider Subvert the Public Interest".

Maple City Garden Club. Monthly potluck lunch second Wednesday at Sawyer St. Court, Hornell (unless otherwise noted) at 12 noon. Program TBA: For info, call Zoë Coombs at 587-8031.

Nunda Historical Society. Questions: see www.nundahistory.org or call 585-476-2354 or 585-465-0971.



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John Stull Observatory open to the public free of charge, clear Friday nights from 9-11 p.m. Sept.-Oct.-Nov. and Feb.-March, April. Open clear Thursday nights from 10 p.m.-12 midnight during May, June and July. For info, call the Observatory phone at Alfred University, 871-2270.

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Maple City Bowl, 7580 Seneca Road, Hornell. DJ/Karaoke every Friday night 9 pm to 1 a.m. Come sing the night away with Our DJ! They are here every Friday bringing your favorite tunes! For updates, check www.maplecitybowl.net Or call 607-324-1011.

BRIDGE
Helen Bailey Bridge Club. Games at 2 p.m. Wednesdays and at 7 p.m. Thursdays at the Hornell United Presbyterian Church, Main Street, Hornell. For further information, contact Pat LaCourse at 587-8570.

Str8 Eight Card Game Tournament at 8 pm (unless otherwise noted) on the 8s at the Terra Cotta Coffeehouse, Main St., Alfred. The next tournament will be held at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 8. You get the idea. To learn more about the card game invented in Alfred, NY, visit: www.str8-eight.com

Alfred-Almond Boys Varsity Basketball Games (7:15 p.m. unless otherwise noted) Wednesday, Jan. 25-C.G. Finney Friday, Jan. 27-at Campbell-Savona

Feb. 8, 12, 14--Steuben County Tournament.

Alfred-Almond Girls' Varsity Basketball Games Friday, Jan. 27-Campbell-Savona, 7:15 pm

Steuben County Academic All-Stars All matches start at 6:15 p.m. (Medium Small School Division Schedule): Feb. 6-A-A at Jasper-Troupsburg Feb. 13-A-A at Hammondsport Feb. 27-Avoca at Alfred-Almond March 6-A-A vs. J-T at Avoca March 13-A-A vs. Avoca at H'sport March 20-H'sport vs. A-A at Avoca March 27-Snow date April 3-Championships

Special Events

*Andover Presbyterian Church will host a Burns Dinner at 6 p.m. Jan. 28. Seating is limited to 75 participants. Cost is \$30 per person. Reservations may be made at Walker Metalsmiths at One Main Street, Andover. Call 607-478-8567 for more information.

Cuba Goes Country! 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 29 at Palmer Opera House, Main Street, Cuba. The Palmer Opera House is proud to present Cuba Goes Country! Boot stompin', toe tappin' afternoon of country music performed by several talented local musicians. Featuring everything from classic country to contemporary country music stylings. Admission free, donations gratefully accepted to benefit the maintenance and upkeep of the historic Palmer Opera House. (Palmer Opera House, 12 W Main St. Cuba, 2:00 PM, DONATION)

Andover Maple Festival. 7 a.m. Saturday, April 1 thru 5 p.m. Sunday, April 2 at Andover Central School, sponsored by the Andover Lions Club. The Lions will sell their syrup as well as maple products from a number of other local producers during the annual Maple Festival Saturday-Sunday, April 1 & 2, 2017 at Andover Central School. Typically 40 gallons of sap are needed to produce a single gallon

of syrup. When the Andover Lions Club first began their Maple Festival in 1972, the maple lined streets of the Village of Andover were seen as a maple bush that could be used to demonstrate the process to the public. Trees on the streets near the school are tapped with traditional buckets and boiled down at the sugar shack that the Lions operate on the grounds of the Blessed Sacrament Church on Elm Street. Visitors are welcome to stop by for a look, a chat, a smell and free taste during the festival.

A full pancake breakfast is served 7 a.m. and on into the afternoon on Saturday and Sunday at the school cafeteria. Sausage and eggs with buckwheat pancakes topped with real, locally produced maple syrup will be prepared by the Rod and Gun Club. Maple products by local producers and buckwheat pancake flour will be on sale at the Maple Room, along with many other food vendors for lunch, snacks and dinner.

Support Groups

Adult Survivors of Sexual Abuse. Meets at various times. Call 716-593-6300 for info.

Al-Anon. 7pm Thursdays and Sundays at the United Presbyterian Church, 150 Main Street, Hornell. Use the side entrance

Alcoholics Anonymous. 7 pm Fridays at Union University Church Center in Alfred. Call 607-276-8588 for help or information.

Alzheimer's Support Group. Meets third Thursday of the month at noon in United Church, Belmont. (Palmer Opera House, 12 W Main St. Cuba, 2:00 PM, DONATION)

Cardiac Support Group. Meets second Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the St. James Mercy Hospital Cardiac Rehab (2nd floor). For info, call the Cardiac Rehab Unit at 324-8735.

Caregivers Support Group. For info, call the Allegany Office for the Aging, 716-268-9390 or toll-free 1-866-268-9390.

Diabetes Support Group. Meets fourth Thursday of the month from 6:30-8 p.m. in the Memorial Conference Room, ground floor just off the cafeteria at St. James Mercy Hospital. For more info, contact Bonnie at 607-324-8900.

Homeschool Support Group - Allegany-Steuben County LEAH (Loving Education at Home) meets at 7 p.m. the third Wednesday of the month at the Steere home in Almond. 276-6380.

LaLeche League. Mother-to-Mother Breastfeeding Support. Hornell group meets third Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at Christ Episcopal Church, corner of Main and Center Streets, Hornell. For more info, call 324-6266.

Etcetera

Creative Writers of the Southern Tier. Meets 1:30-4 p.m. second Saturday of each month March through November at site to be determined. For further information, call 585-593-0820 or 585-593-2324.

Allegany County SPCA. Volunteers or those wishing to contribute are asked to call 585-593-2200. Send contributions to PO Box 381, Wellsville, NY 14895.

Wellsville Lioness meets second Monday of the month upstairs at the Beef Haus.

Clinics--Blood Pressure Screening. No appointments needed. All ages welcome. Offered 11 a.m.-12 noon occasional Thursdays at Office for the Aging Nutrition Luncheon, Union University Church Center, Alfred.

Deadline

To include your event in this calendar, send information to: Calendar, ALFRED SUN, PO Box 811, Alfred, NY 14802 or e-mail: alfredsun.news@gmail.com no later than 5 p.m. Friday.

Event listings should be sent two weeks prior to ensure sufficient notice.

WHAT'S COOKIN'?

Allegany County Office for the Aging Meals on Wheels & Luncheon Center Menu Monday, Feb. 13

Pineapple Tidbits, Sweet & Sour Pork Over Brown Rice, California Blend, Banana Bread, Oatmeal Raisin Cookie. Diabetic-Fruit Cocktail.

Tuesday, Feb. 14
Macaroni Salad, Meatball Sub w/ Parmesan Cheese, Roasted Red Potatoes, Broccoli, Pumpkin Crunch. Diabetic-Applesauce.

Wednesday, Feb. 15
Mandarin Orange Salad, Chicken ala King on Biscuit, Squash, Chocolate Pudding. Diabetic-Pudding. *Birthday Cake @ Whitesville Center.

Thursday, Feb. 16
Three Bean Salad, Beef Stroganoff Over Noodles, Carrots, Carrot Raisin Bread, Peaches. Diabetic-Peaches. *Birthday Cake @ Centers.

Friday, Feb. 17
Tropical Fruit Cup, Breaded Fish/Tartar Sauce, Baked Potato/Sour Cream, Beets, Italian Bread, Applesauce Cake. Diabetic-Pears.

For reservations, call the site coordinator or 585-268-9390 or (toll free 1-866-268-9390) by 2 p.m. previous day.

ALFRED NUTRITION SITE

Union University Church Center, 12 noon
Call Debbie Pierson at 607-793-0118.
Monday—10:30-11:30 a.m. Exercises w/ Mary Lou Maxon. Lunch at 12 noon. "Have A Heart."
Wednesday—10:30-11:30 Exercises w/ Mary Lou Maxon. Lunch at 12 noon. "Gumdrop Day."
Thursday—Lunch at 12 noon. "Name That President."

BELMONT NUTRITION SITE

American Legion Hall, 11:30 a.m.
Call Eileen Kane at 585-808-1472
Tuesday—Exercises at 9:30 a.m., lunch at 11:30 a.m. "Valentine's Party." Blood Pressure Clinic.
Thursday—Exercises at 9:30 a.m., Lunch at 11:30 a.m. "Trivia."

BOLIVAR NUTRITION SITE

Fire Hall 12 noon
Call Cheryl Johnson at 585-808-5640
Monday—10:30 a.m. Growing Stronger Exercises. Lunch at 12 noon.
Wednesday—Growing Stronger Exercises at 10:30 a.m., Lunch at 12 noon.
Thursday—Lunch at 12 noon.

CANASERAGA NUTRITION SITE

Canaseraga Fire Hall, 12 noon
Call Barb Welch at 607-295-7301.
Tuesday—Exercises at 10:15 a.m., "Bird Day." Lunch at 12 noon. Cards/Games at 1 p.m.
Thursday—Exercises at 10:15 a.m. Lunch at 12 noon. "Bird Day." Cards/Games at 1 p.m. Tracy DuBois, Issues & Answers.

CUBA NUTRITION SITE

AA Arnold Community Center, 12 noon
Call Judy Enders at 585 808-5201
Monday—10:30 a.m. Growing Stronger Exercises, Euchre, Cards, Dominoes, Puzzles. Lunch at 12 noon. "Everybody's Sweetheart." Jaime Sarvis-"Milk 101."
Tuesday—10:30 Euchre, Cards, Dominoes, Puzzles. Lunch at 12 noon. "Valentine's Day."
Wednesday—10:30 Euchre, Cards, Dominoes, Puzzle. Lunch at 12 noon. "Current Events."
Thursday—Growing Stronger Exercises at 9:30 a.m., Euchre, Cards, Dominoes, Puzzles. Lunch at 12 noon. "Who Doesn't Like Florida?"

FILLMORE NUTRITION SITE

Fillmore Fire Hall, 12 noon
Call Maggie Smith at 585-737-5609
Monday—10:30 am Growing Stronger Exercises, Cards, Jigsaw Puzzles, Euchre. Lunch at 12 noon.
Thursday—Growing Stronger Exercises at 10:30 a.m. Cards, Jigsaw Puzzles, Euchre. Lunch at 12 noon. Jaime Sarvis-"Milk 101."

FRIENDSHIP NUTRITION SITE

Community Center, 12 noon
Call Vivian Howell 585-973-2650
Tuesday—10:45 a.m. Growing Stronger Exercises. Lunch at 12 noon. Cards at 1 p.m. Jaime Sarvis-"Milk 101."
Thursday—Growing Stronger Exercises at 10:45 a.m. Lunch at 12 noon. Crafts at 1 p.m. Chris O'Connor, Issues & Answers.

WELLSVILLE NUTRITION SITE

YMCA, Riverwalk Plaza, 12 noon
Call Donna Fiegl at 585-593-7665.
Monday—Stretch at 9 a.m., Bingo at 10:30 a.m., Lunch at 12 noon, Euchre at 1 p.m.
Wednesday—Games at 10 a.m., Lunch at 12 noon, Euchre at 1 p.m.
Thursday—Stretch at 9:00 a.m., Bingo at 10:30 a.m., Lunch at 12 noon.
Canasta at 1 p.m.
Friday—Bingo at 10:30 a.m., Lunch at

12 noon, Pinochle at 12:30, Euchre at 1 p.m.

WHITESVILLE NUTRITION SITE

Whitesville Fire Hall, 12 noon
Call Linda Haggerty at 585-296-3800.
Monday—10:45 Growing Stronger Exercises, Jigsaw Puzzle, "Similar Words." Lunch at 12 noon.
Tuesday—Lunch at 12 noon. Jigsaw Puzzle. "Birds in the Trees."
Wednesday—10:45 Growing Stronger Exercises. Jigsaw Puzzle. Lunch at 12 noon. "Spring Scramble." Jaime Sarvis-"Milk 101."



At the Movies

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Locally Made

The DIY Farmer's Wife Approach

By KRISTINA SNYDER
Alfred Sun Columnist

DIY Cream of Mushroom Soup

Cabin fever has hit me hard this year. I keep dreaming of gardening and walks in the sunshine. This week I've decided to just embrace the season we are in and filled our menu with winter comfort food. One of my favorites is cream of mushroom soup. It's easy and is so pleasing that even the pickiest of palates will enjoy it.

What You Need:

- *1 stick butter
- *1-2 cups of mushrooms
- *1 onion
- *2c chicken broth
- *2c cream
- *salt & pepper

Chop mushrooms and onions into very fine and uniform pieces. Sauté in medium stock pot mushrooms, onions and stick of butter covered on medium heat until onions are translucent. Salt and pepper mixture, then add broth and cream. Simmer for five minutes on medium. Serve hot with fresh rolls!

If you have a household tip to share or questions for *The Farmer's Wife*, e-mail: Kristinamariesnyder@gmail.com or write her at: *The Farmer's Wife*, 1724 Randolph Road, Alfred Station, NY 14803.

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Thurs. 1:30, 4:30, 7:00

Feb. 10-Feb. 16
Split (PG-13)
Fri.-Sat. 12:15, 3:00, 5:45, 8:45
Sun. 1:15, 4:15, 7:15 Mon. 7:15
Tues. 12:15, 3:00, 5:45, 8:45
Wed. 1:15, 7:15
Thurs. 1:15, 4:15, 7:15

Feb. 10-Feb. 16
The Lego Batman Movie (PG)
Fri.-Sat. 12:45, 3:15, 6:00, 8:30
Sun. 1:00, 4:00, 7:30 Mon. 7:00
Tues. 12:45, 3:15, 6:00, 8:30
Wed. 1:00, 7:30
Thurs. 1:00, 4:00, 7:30

Tuesday Bargain Day: Movies all day and evening \$6.00 plus FREE small popcorn with fountain drink purchase.

CELEBRATION OF SERVICE CEREMONY

Five receive 'Spirit of Service' awards at ceremony

ALFRED—For the Alfred community and its two institutions of higher education, providing service to those in need is a top priority.

In fact, many community members, faculty, staff, and students within Alfred actively live out the principles that Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. himself stood for — equality, social justice, community, and service. That's why each year, several of these civic-minded individuals are recognized during the annual Celebration of Service Ceremony.

Receiving the 2017 Alfred Community Spirit of Service Award was **Guifang Lui** (Master Fang), a local Tai Chi instructor. She began offering a class in Tai Chi, at no charge, to meet each weekday morning on the Village Green in Alfred. The group, which has since grown to more than 60 people, includes people from Alfred and the surrounding communities. She has also provided a bridge and an opportunity for the local community to meet and befriend



Pictured are the 2017 Spirit of Service Award recipients and nominees. Pictured, front row from left to right, are Mawia Elawad, Guifang Lui (Master Fang), and Kelly Harrison; and back row, from left to right, are Dr. Bob Pipal, Zachary Hamm, Nur Amalina Amir Hamzah, Kemar Kidd, Larissia Hall, Dr. Robyn Goodman, Dr. Michele Hluchy, Diane Winans, and Melanie Ryan. Not pictured are nominees Bob Rankl and Brittany Smith.

Tennessee on disaster relief trips and rebuilding/cleanup efforts. Also nominated were Brittany Smith, a Wellsville resident and Reaching Individual Success in Education (RISE) program supporter; and Kemar Kidd, an individual studies major from Bronx.

Hagar Professor of Natural Science and Professor of Geology **Dr. Michele Hluchy** was presented with the 2017 Alfred University Faculty/Staff Spirit of Service Award. Hluchy has brought an awareness of poverty and health in Haiti to the Alfred community. Her Water for Haiti Project raised \$15,000 to build a well there, and she also organized another project to donate books to Cameroon. Fellow nominees include Zachary Hamm, technical director in the Division of Performing Arts; Dr. Robyn Goodman, professor of Communication Studies; and Bob Rankl, head football coach.

Receiving the 2017 Alfred University Student Spirit of Service Award was **Mawia Elawad**, who was described as "an incredibly articulate advocate for social justice for women, people of color, immigrants, the LGBTQ+ community, the Muslim community, etc." She has shown that she is passionate about working to spread the message of equality and compassion to youth within the community and beyond through her work with the Art Force 5, a "team of creative superheroes" who deliver the powerful messages of anti-violence, community-building, and creative problem solving. Also nominated was Nur Amalina Amir Hamzah, the university's current Student Senate diversity director.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Cuomo reduces state library aid 4.3%

Letter to the Editor:

Governor Cuomo has reduced State Library Aid by 4.3% in his 2018 Executive Budget. He also eliminated \$130,376 in Construction Aid for libraries in Allegany, Chemung, Schuyler, Steuben and Yates counties. In total, he has cut \$191,760 to 48 Southern Tier libraries.

Residents should be disappointed. In 2015, our libraries received nearly 1.1 million visits, loaned 1.7 million materials, provided programs to 150,000 attendees and offered Internet access 200,000 times.

Conservatively, this is a \$36 million savings to residents. What a great return on investment considering public money for all 48 libraries adds up to \$6.6 million. Comparatively, the least funded school district in our region has a \$6.6 million budget.

Libraries are the smallest fraction of community investment. They represent 1% of total property taxes. Moreover, State Library Aid is 1/10 of 1% of the State Budget. Quite frankly these funding levels are not enough for Southern Tier libraries to keep pace, but it shows how little we invest.

The Governor's library spending is off target. All libraries fall under the NYS Education Department. It is unfortunate he calls for a 4.3% cut to libraries, while increasing school aid by 3.9%. Please understand libraries support school investment. However, libraries are part of education infrastructure. There is a reason 160,643 Southern Tier residents hold library cards.

Moreover, libraries support economic development. Since 2014, Southern Tier Library System has partnered with county government and Southern Tier Network to build a broadband fiber network connecting communities to Internet speeds exceeding NYS Broadband Standards. 25 of 48 communities will be connected through their library in 2017.

This project is important because it marginalizes barriers to Internet for rural residents. It also supports businesses, agencies and governments by reducing costs and driving necessary infrastructure. 1/3 of this project is

funded by NYS Library Construction Aid, which the Governor intends to reduce. The remaining costs are covered by the federal government.

Despite some skepticism, libraries are thriving. They may be underfunded, but their impression on communities continues to grow. This is why library budgets pass with an average approval rating of 68%. Where else can you go to access computers, WiFi, music downloads, 3-D printers, eBooks, yoga or cooking classes, music concerts, lectures, book discussions, art shows, story time and digital instruction? The list goes on.

Southern Tier libraries also warehouse 1.9 million materials made available to all communities through delivery services. Ironically, of the 1.7 million materials checked-out by residents, eBook usage only accounts for 10%. Anyone who thinks the Internet can replace library services is mistaken. Research indicates library users continue to depend on non-digital resources.

If you have been to a library recently you understand their educational, cultural, technological and economic value. But you also see funding shortfalls preventing libraries from meeting their potential.

What can residents do about the Governor's proposal? They can contact their elected officials to express concern. Contact information is available by visiting www.stls.org/advocacy-resources.

Your representatives will be glad to hear from you, and I know your library will return the favor in immeasurable ways.

Sincerely,
Brian M. Hildreth,
Executive Director
Southern Tier Library System

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many Chinese members of the Confucius Institute, thereby exposing the community to another culture. Also nominated was Dr. Bob Pipal, president of the A.E. Crandall Hook and Ladder Company and former Alfred University chemistry professor.

The recipient of the 2017 Alfred State Faculty/Staff Spirit of Service Award was **Kelly Harrison**, secretary for Human Resources. Harrison is a huge advocate for veterans, as she is always organizing and volunteering for veteran organizations and coordinating benefits through her volunteer work at

the American Legion. Also nominated were Melanie Ryan, coordinator of student disability services; and Diane Winans, payroll examiner in the Office of Business Affairs.

Larissia Hall, a technology management major from Keuka Park, was the recipient of the 2017 Alfred State Student Spirit of Service Award. Hall, who is an academic peer mentor on campus, commits to at least 50 hours of service through her academic semester, has been very active with disaster-relief organization All Hands Volunteers, and has traveled all over the county and to Louisiana and

Vets focus of coming discussion group

ALFRED—A new reading and discussion program centered on the book, *Standing Down: From Warrior to Civilian*, is coming soon for Alfred State students, faculty/staff, and community members.

Veterans, family members, and others are welcome to join the conversation reflecting on military service as well as the challenges and opportunities of transitioning from active duty to civilian life. All will be provided a copy of *Standing Down: From Warrior to Civilian*—a new anthology including selections from Homer's Iliad to personal accounts of those who have served in Vietnam, Iraq, and Afghanistan.

Dr. Gerry Ianovici and Army Veteran/SUNY Distinguished Service Professor Emeritus Joseph Flynn will facilitate this interactive program meeting from 3 to 4:30 p.m. Wednesdays, Feb. 22, March 1, March 8, March 22 and March 29.

Books (and snacks!) will be provided along with great learning and conversation.

This program is undertaken in partnership with Humanities NY and co-sponsored by the Center for Civic Engagement, Department of English & Humanities,

and Hinkle Library.

Participation is limited to 15 people, so sign up soon by emailing civicengagement@alfredstate.edu.

Academic All-Star results listed

Results from Monday night's first match of the Academic All-Stars season are as follows:

LARGE SCHOOL DIVISION

Corning Gold 61 - Corning Black 35
Bath 49 - Hornell 24

MEDIUM LARGE SCHOOL DIVISION

Naples 65 - Campbell-Savona 35
Canisteo-Greenwood 69 - Addison 34

MEDIUM SMALL SCHOOL DIVISION

Hammondsport 79 - Avoca 40
Alfred-Almond 60 - Jasper-Troupsburg 21

SMALL SCHOOL DIVISION

Prattsburgh 27 - Arkport 13
Canaseraga 33 - Bradford 23

Next Monday, Feb. 13, the Large School Division will be meeting at Hornell High School; Medium Large Schools will meet at Naples Central School; Medium Small School Division will face off in Hammondsport; and the Small School Division will meet in Canaseraga.

All matches begin at 6:15 p.m. Hope to see you there!

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PRESIDENT TRUMP'S TRAVEL BAN

AU alum Priya Gandhi, now a lawyer, aids travelers

NEW YORK—"I've never felt anything but safe in America," says Alfred University alumna Priya Gandhi. "That's what made me want to go and be a part of this."

Since Sunday, Jan. 29, Gandhi, a 2007 graduate of Alfred University, has been spending most of her evenings – and will be working through this weekend – at JFK International Airport, offering free legal assistance to individuals whose entry into the United States has been barred by President Trump's Executive Order of Jan. 27.

A 2012 graduate of New York Law School, she practices law as in-house counsel with a New York City insurance company (She prefers not to identify the company). She lives in lower Manhattan, and the subway ride to JFK takes 90 minutes. Last Sunday morning, however, as she watched the news from Terminal 4, where dozens of volunteer lawyers were helping new arrivals cope with the ramifications of the White House order, she grabbed her laptop and headed for the ac-



PRIYA GANDHI

tion.

"It's been difficult," she says. "These people have legal visas. ... A lot of them are here on student visas and employment visas or a legal permanent residence. Or they're here for medical treatment, or they're visiting with family... They've already been vetted; we can't make that clear enough. They're coming into America legally."

In response to the executive order, Gandhi and dozens of other lawyers have been filing writs of Habeas Corpus and temporary restraining orders to stop U.S. Customs and Immigration officials from returning affected individuals to their points of origin. The work has been exhausting but invigorating, she says.

"I haven't had a lot of sleep at all. "But I was never involved in immigration law before this, and it's definitely piqued my interest."

While an undergraduate at Alfred University, Gandhi majored in Psychology and has fond memories of studying with Psychology Professor Gordon Atlas and

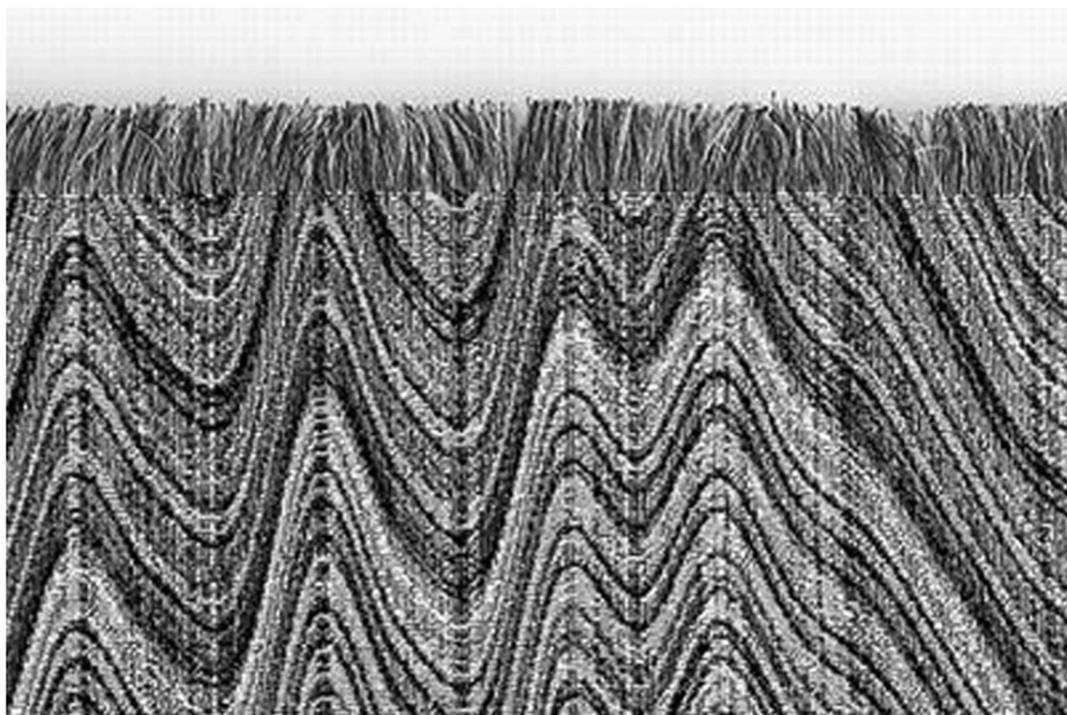
Danielle Gagne. Since her mother and father had lived in Germany before immigrating to the U.S., she also studied the language with Professor of German Sandra Singer. She loved the classes and even remains "friends" with her former professors on Facebook.

"At Alfred, you weren't just another number," she says, "you're an actual face with a name."

Regarding the legal pushback against Trump's executive order, Gandhi says she and her colleagues "are hoping there will be a light at the end of the tunnel." The legal issue, she says, will boil down to whether or not the order is constitutional.

Until that clarification occurs, she expects to keep riding the subway from downtown Manhattan to JFK International. The work is exhausting, but it has its professional – and emotional – advantages. "You can see the difference you're making in peoples' lives," she says. "They're us, and we're them."

AU ELECTRONIC ARTS HOSTS ARTIST



Laura Splan's artwork has included computerized jacquard woven tapestries.

Artist Laura Splan to visit Feb. 20-24

ALFRED—Alfred University's Institute for Electronic Arts will host artist Laura Splan Feb. 20-24 for an artist residency.

Splan, who received her MFA at Mills College, Oakland, Ca., explores intersections of art, science, technology and craft. She has recently been using her own body to generate bio-data that she uses in the production of sculptures and images. The project has evolved into a variety of materials and formats, including computerized jacquard woven

tapestries and 3D printed sculptures.

While at Alfred University, Splan will create computer-generated animated weavings from bio-data collected via Arduino microcontrollers. The waveforms generated from the data will be used in AfterEffects and other software with animation, sound, parenting, and expressions to create animated weavings that visualize and embody the experiences from which they were derived.

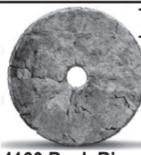
The Institute for Electronic

Art's Visiting Artist Program is sponsored in part by the New York State council on the Arts.

Pan Steak Dinner Friday, Feb. 10 at Fraternities Lodge in Almond

ALMOND—The Alfred Fraternal Association of Kanakadea-McArthur Chapter #242, OES and University Lodge #230 will serve a public Pan Steak dinner Friday, Feb. 10 at the Lodge building, Karr Valley Road, Almond. Dinners consist of pan steak and gravy, real mashed potatoes, vegetable, roll, dessert and beverage. Prices for adults are \$10 while children under 12 are \$5. Serving starts at 4:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. or all is gone.

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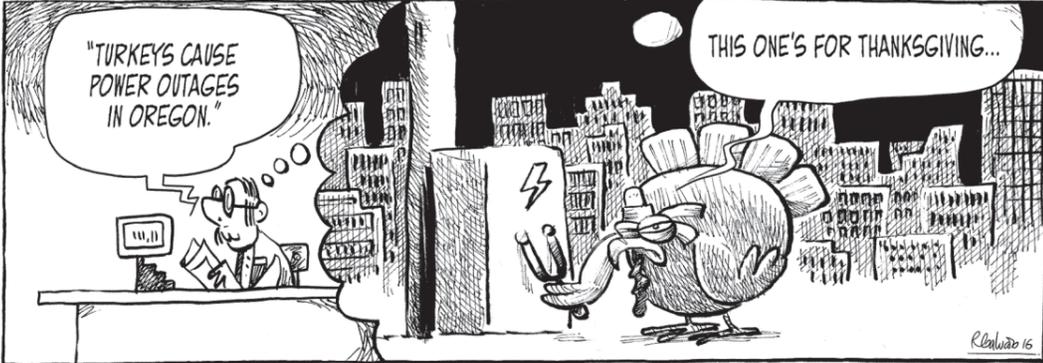
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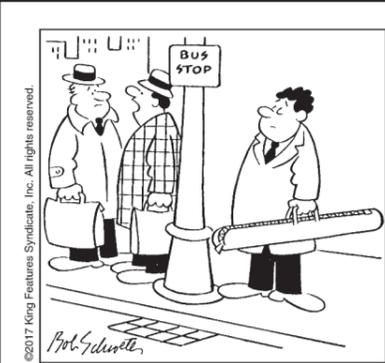
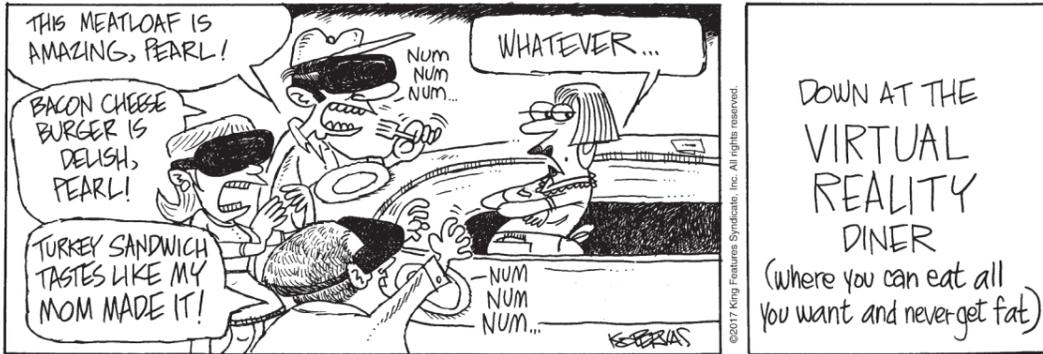
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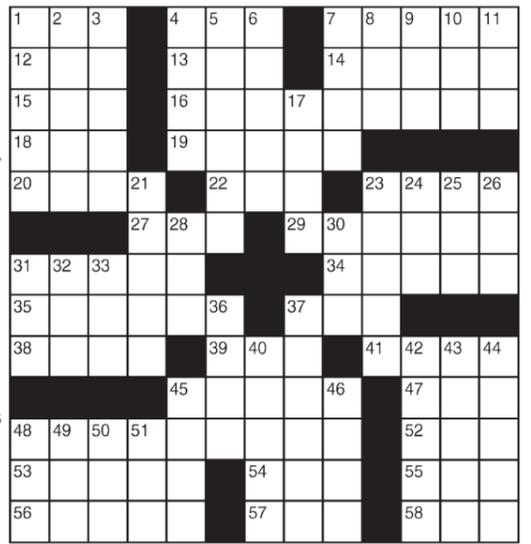
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- 4 Taxi
- 7 Expert
- 12 Potential syrup
- 13 Lennon's lady
- 14 Similar
- 15 Citric beverage
- 16 Underwent reduction
- 18 Jeremy of basketball
- 19 Tijuana toddle-oo
- 20 Rolling stone's lack
- 22 Poetic night-fall
- 23 Antitoxins
- 27 -- de deux
- 29 Maintenance
- 31 Quibblers split these
- 34 Senorita's wiggle?
- 35 "Rabbit, Run" author
- 37 Feedbag morsel
- 38 Piratic quaff
- 39 Paving goop
- 41 "-- is life!"
- 45 Con game
- 47 Pair
- 48 Absolutely
- 52 Use a towel
- 53 Photoshop company
- 54 Reading matter, for short



DOWN

- 8 "The Greatest"
- 9 Kin of "i.e."
- 10 -- out a living
- 11 Homer's neighbor
- 17 Bourgeois, to Brits
- 21 Parsley serving
- 23 Revue segments
- 24 Conger or moray
- 25 Roulette bet
- 26 Mimic
- 28 Request
- 30 Sch. org.
- 31 Embrace
- 32 Spring mo.
- 33 Bachelor's service
- 36 Needle case
- 37 Corsage bloom
- 40 Point of view
- 42 Milk dispenser
- 43 Moe's brother
- 44 Rulebook compiler
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In The Alfred Sun 50, 25 and 10 Years Ago

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Alfred Sun Editor and Publisher

50 Years Ago, February 9, 1967

H. David Trautlein, professor of social science at the State University Agricultural and Technical College at Alfred, has been appointed dean of the newly established Herkimer County Community College...

The Allegany County Mental Health Board met in the Supervisors' Chambers Wednesday evening, Feb. 1 to elect officers and discuss the duties... The Rev. Russell J. Clair of Wellsville, president of the Allegany County Mental Health Association, served as chairman pro tem in convening the meeting, presiding during the election of Dr. William Pulos of Alfred, as chairman....

Dr. Van Derck Frechette, professor of ceramic science at State University College of Ceramics at Alfred University, has been named to a committee of the American Ceramic Society which will investigate the feasibility of establishing a central system for filing and retrieval of vast quantities of technical literature in the field of ceramics...

1966 Alcen receives award—The 1966 Alcen, yearbook at Alfred-Almond Central School, has received fourth place in the annual Buffalo Evening News Western New York Interscholastic Press Association competition. This annual compiled a total of 890 points out of a possible 1,000 in the blue ribbons honor rating in Division E, according to Robert Bakeman, general advisor. The yearbook staff included Betsy Judson, editor; Lois Tinklepaugh and Wyn Parry, art editors; Terry Montgomery, photography editor; Pamela Scofield, literary editor; Donna Ordway, business editor and patron solicitor; and Linda Rawleigh, circulation editor. Assisting Bakeman as advisors were Linn Phelan, Mrs. Ruth Seaman and Mrs. Joan Felahi.

Alfredians—Peter Randolph has returned to the University of Rochester, and Robert to St. Lawrence University after spending the mid-semester holiday at their home... The Rev. Orville Johnston was the Alfred Seventh Day Baptist Church guest minister last week and will preside this Saturday during Pastor Clarke's leave of absence... Mrs. Dale Butts and infant daughter have returned from St. James Mercy Hospital... Mrs. Ernest Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Snyder and daughters were dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Mix at Alfred Station...

Dr. and Mrs. Robert R. Meijer of Walton Lake, Fairfield, Iowa, and recently of Little Silver, N.J., announce the engagement of their daughter, Virginia Lynn, to William George Houghton Frechette, son of Dr. and Mrs. Van Derck Frechette of Alfred...

Construction is scheduled to start soon on a new \$150,000 church building which will serve students and Alfred Methodists. The Decker Construction Company, presently employed with work on the Alfred College campus, will build the new church on the 13-acre site at the west end of the Agricultural and Technical College campus on Moland Road. The construction is scheduled for spring and summer of 1967 with completion expected in the fall of this year...

Pack 19 held its monthly Cub Pack meeting at the Community House at Alfred Station, Jan. 26. The Rev. David Clarke officiated in the absence of Cubmaster Judson Stearns. Mrs. Dorothy Porter gave a report on the Den's trip to the Alfred Observatory, Jan. 19. The Cubs traveled back in history and reappeared through a time machine as some famous person who contributed to the development of America. The following boys were presented awards: Robert Pulos, Wolf and Gold Arrow; Douglas Clarke, Bobcat; James Coates, Wolf; David Porter, Wolf; Stan Shaw, Wolf and Gold Arrow; David Trautlein, Wolf; Pat Canale, Gold Arrow; Jim Coombs, Bobcat; Jay Larence, Wolf and Gold Arrow.

The first meeting of the Alfred Historical Society was held Feb. 1, 1967 in the Alfred Community House. The chairman pro tem, Roland Hale, opened the meeting... The nominating committee presented the following slate of interim officers, who have agreed to serve until the formal election, to be held in May: president Roland Hale, Vice President Burton Crandall, Treasurer Leon Bassett, Directors M. Elwood Kenyon, June Moland and Warren Bouck...

Miss Debbie Soule, a student at Alfred-Almond Central School, spoke on her experiences while living in the Near East at a recent meeting of the Future Homemakers of America. Miss Soule talked about her schooling, the customs of the people whom she met and the foods she ate while living there for a year. She showed slides of her school in Beirut, Lebanon and her trips to Turkey and Damascus...

25 Years Ago, February 6, 1992

Alexander (Alex) Joseph Yunevich, 82, died on Tuesday, Jan. 28, 1992, in Venice, Florida, after a lengthy illness. Yunevich served as Alfred University's head football coach from 1937 to 1941 and again from 1946 until his retirement following the 1976 season. During those 36 years, he posted a 177-85-12 record, unique in Alfred University history, guided his football teams to six undefeated seasons; and drew nearly unprecedented national attention to a small college football program. In addition to serving as the University's football coach, he also coached golf and wrestling. "Alex was an interesting man," says Jim Moretti, current head football coach at Alfred, who played for Yunevich from 1968-1971. "He never really changed much. When everyone around him was making changes as football evolved through the years, Alex just did his thing. He believed in good pressure defense and that won a lot of games for him through the years. As an individual, he had a tremendous sense of humor. He was a players' coach. The players really liked and respected him. He really made you laugh. He loved to tell jokes." "Alex coached in a manner all to himself," says Johnny Nelson, who worked with Yunevich from 1954 to 1976 as the University's sports information director. "He had his own way of coaching. He was very successful with the kids. Those years with Alex were 20 of the happiest years of my life," Nelson, 83, says, "It was a wonderful time..." A 1932 graduate of Purdue University, where he was an All-Big 10 and second team All-American fullback, Yunevich was named Small College Coach of the Year in 1956 by the Washington Touchdown Club and was named Small College Coach of the East by the New York Football Writers in 1971, after guiding the Saxons to an 8-0 record and the Lambert Bowl. During World War II, Yunevich was a Lieutenant Commander in the U.S. Navy's Bureau of Aeronautics. Following his graduation from Purdue, he served as an assistant football coach at Purdue (1932) and Lehigh (1933) and was head football, track and baseball coach and co-athletic director at Central Michigan University (1934-37). A native of Clinton, Indiana, Yunevich earned 16 varsity letters at Bicknell (Indiana) High School from which he was graduated in 1928. Since his retirement from Alfred in 1976, Yunevich had been residing in Venice, Florida with his wife, Anne.

Postmasters Last Day—Fellow postal employees hosted an open house in honor of Alfred Station Postmaster Marge Burdick on her last day in Alfred Station Jan. 29, as she has assumed the position of Postmaster in the Troupsburg Post Office. It also happened to be the day the Alfred Station Post Office had its copy machine installed—a longtime request of Mrs. Burdick. Here, Officer-in-Charge Colleen Sutfin of Hornell is instructed how to use the machine while Mrs. Burdick looks on.

(Photo) Ninth grade students in Mrs. Staiger's music class at Alfred-Almond invited Mrs. Bonnie Ordway's first grade class to the high school to learn about the dulcimer. Each 9th grader worked with one or two first graders in small teams to teach them the basis of playing the Appalachian Lap Dulcimer. Above, Andy Dwyer assists Bill Brown and Chelsea Weber, while below, John Sootheran helps Andrea Student make some music.

The Alfred "chapter" of Habitat for Humanity is planning a project trip to Columbus, Georgia between March 7th and 14th this spring. The group, consisting of 17 persons from Alfred University plus Pastor Gordon Shea and family of the Alfred United Methodist Church, will work at the same site where they worked last spring... The local students will hold a Bowl-A-Thon at Tech Lanes on the weekend of Feb. 15 in an attempt to raise funds for their trip. Funds exceeding the actual costs of the trip will be donated to the Habitat project in Georgia...

Ruth Elizabeth Bauder, 9, of Framingham, MA, died at home on Thursday, Jan. 30, 1992 following a long illness. Ruth was born in Framingham on Nov. 27, 1982, daughter of Lawrence D. and Deborah L. (Payne) Bauder. Besides her parents, she is survived by her brother Nathan G., 7, her sister Danielle A., 4, paternal grandparents Ernest C. and Lorraine L. (Larsen) Bauder of Sudbury, MA; maternal grandparents, Norman E. and Gladys E. (Pierce) Payne of Folsom, CA....

For the Birds—(By Betsy Brooks) My informal phone-call poll is still running about 4-1 in favor of birds being either non-existent or decidedly down at local feeders this winter. My own feeder birds seem low in numbers—yet when I added up my January backyard bandings I had banded 87 birds (compared to only 13 in January 1991) including 26 Pine Siskin, 32 goldfinch, 4

Purple Finch and 11 juncos. Ever since New Year's Day, a flock of 18 robins has been making life colorful along our section of Waterwells Road. They're still finding plenty of wild fruit to feed on. A robin I caught and banded in January was six grams (1/4 ounce) heavier than one I banded and weighed in September...

10 Years Ago, February 8, 2007

Officials at Alfred State College have announced the promotion of several staff members: Dr. Ronald R. Rosati, vice president for academic affairs; Lisa Porter, budget control officer; and Nancy Shearer, director, Enrollment Services, have been named provost, controller, and dean, respectively. Additionally, Charles V. Neal, professor, Business Technology Department, has taken on the duties of interim associate vice president for academic affairs...

William Crandall, a 1942 alumnus of Alfred University and professor emeritus of Ceramic Engineering, has donated a 1900 Strich & Zeidler grand piano to the Village Hall Theatre which has been undergoing renovation in recent years. The Alfred 21st Century Group is now working to raise the money needed to rebuild and refinish this beautiful instrument, said Laurel Buckwalter, Alfred University carillonneur and chair of the Piano Project Committee... "This red mahogany piano has elegant turn of the century styling which makes it ideal for the Village Hall and preferable to a modern piano," said Buckwalter...

50 Years Ago, Feb. 7, 1957—Jack B. Moore, editor and publisher of The Bolivar Breeze for the past three years, has resigned those posts and has accepted a position with a Rochester advertising agency... Mrs. Alfred Nudd was guest of honor at a pink and blue shower held at the home of Mrs. Leon Lobdell last Wednesday night. Little Miss Sheryl Ann received many nice gifts...

Remembering Alfred As It Was... (By Donald Polan) My parents bought the former President Arthur Main's house in 1933. The portion of the house in which he had his office and library was my bedroom for many years. It had its own entry which had been used for entry for students while Dr. Main was the Dean of the Seminary after retiring as President of the University. The Gothic became the center point of the "Alfred Theological Seminary" as it became a semi-affiliate of the University with moderate independence from the parent. The next president, Boothe Colwell Davis, lived in the large brick house on South Main Street which more recently became Omicron sorority with an addition on the rear. I spent many hours at this house as my best friend was President Davis' grandson Frank Lobaugh Jr. There were treasures in the attic of the house including a football schedule with results of games in the early years of the century with the likes of Syracuse, Army, Rutgers and Lehigh as opponents. One year they played the Carlisle Indians, the college for which Jim Thorpe played. He went on to become an Olympic track star who lost his gold medals when it was found that he had been paid to play in a football game several years earlier. The following presidents reside in the Crandall Hall on South Main Street—the large, white pillared building near the fire hall. Three lived here (Walters, Drake, Miles) until the new house was built on (Pine Hill Drive)...



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ALFRED STATION SEVENTH DAY BAPTIST CHURCH Sabbath sermon text is Esther 4:16

ALFRED STATION—The Alfred Station Seventh Day Baptist Church welcomes all to its Sabbath Worship Hour at 11 a.m. Sabbath (Saturday), Feb. 11. It will be "Youth Sabbath." For more information, call the church office at 607-587-9176.

Sermon Text "Go, assemble all the Jews who are found in Susa, and fast for me; do not eat or drink for three days, night or day. I and my maidens also will fast in the same way. And thus I will go in to the king, which is not according to the law; and if I perish, I perish." (Esther 4:16)

Youth need to find role models and in Esther youth have found such a person. Esther beautiful on the outside and on the inside a heart of faith. Esther understood that the reason she was raised to a position of power and authority was to serve her God and the His "Covenant" people.

Esther's faith commitment was one that involved risk. The risk of doing what was right could mean that her life would be forfeited. Her uncle's words ring in our ears setting a high bar for standing up for those who

cannot stand up for themselves: "Perhaps you have come to the kingdom for such a time as this."

Esther's word of acceptance and response to the cause of filling the gap for others echoes down the valleys of history to inspire the depth of our actions, "If I perish, I perish."

If you are unable to join us physically consider joining us virtually through the live stream of the Worship Hour beginning at 10:55 a.m. (EST) at www.alfredstationsdb.org.

ALMOND UNION OF CHURCHES

'Who, me, Lord' sermon looks at Moses

By LINDA STAIGER

Note: This article is a condensed version of Pastor Michelle's weekly message at Almond Union of Churches. The door is open to you—one and all.

"Who, me, Lord?"

Excuses. We all have them and we have all heard them. Most are pretty lame—the teacher doesn't like me, the dog ate my homework, lots of traffic.....etc. We all make excuses in our lives when things don't go the way we think they should.

Unfortunately, there is no part of our lives which breeds excuses like our Christian walk. Too busy to go to church. It's too early, I'm tired, it's stormy, I'll go when I get my life together, it's OK-me and Jesus have our own thing going. We are not alone. Even the founders of our faith and many we consider to be Bible Heroes made excuses. Look at Moses.

We consider Moses to be a faithful follower, but he was just as human as the rest of us. He was deeply aware of his own inadequacies so when God told Moses that He has heard the cries of the people and is about to deliver them Moses balked.

God said YOU must go to Pharaoh, lead My people out of

Egypt. Sort of like, "Hey, Moses. You're up...get out there and hit one out of the park!" Moses resists with one excuse after another, but God keeps refuting them.

The thing is, Moses felt unqualified or at least under qualified. He felt inferior and by his own power, he was...and so are we. BUT God says, "I've got this." Tell them My word—I am with you.

Moses still had excuses: what's up with this guy anyway? Wouldn't YOU do what God asked? Maybe, maybe not. But we weren't there. We aren't in anyone else's shoes. We are in our own set of circumstances.

But we really aren't that different from Moses. I can't do that because...I'm too old, I

don't have money, maybe later. These are foolish in God's eyes...He who created us can overcome every human weakness.

God has a plan. Moses needed to trust that plan. As do we today. Sometimes we get ahead of God's plan and try to do things in our own power. Wait on His timing instead. We need to be preparing. We have God's promises...He's got our backs.

We aren't that different from Moses. God wants to use us, doubts and all. It's OK—He speaks to us. To you and to me. Whatever. Listen and ye shall hear Him. Let Him erase our doubt, sorrow, despair. He sends us love, peace and hope. Listen...and answer, "Here I am Lord."

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY Onondaga tradition keeper to share

HORNELL—Eli Thomas, artist, story teller, and keeper of Onondaga traditions will share his story, and the knowledge taught to him by his elders, through his oil paintings at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, February 12 at 198 Main Street, Hornell across from the Spotlight Theater.

His presentation is sponsored by the Hornell Alfred Unitarian Universalist Society (HAUUS) that meets the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month in this location.

A coffee hour will follow this program and all are welcome.

Unitarian Universalism is a liberal religious denomination drawing wisdom from many sources.

THE GLORY OF AMERICA

Thursday, February 9

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Alfred State hosts STEM confab

ALFRED—Hosting a conference at Alfred State that marries sustainability and STEM disciplines just makes sense, given that the two are heavily focused on at the college.

That's why last week, 60 participants from institutions of higher education throughout the state gathered at Alfred State for just such an event: the "Applying STEM Disciplines to Support Sustainable Communities Symposium."

Hosted by Alfred State in collaboration with New York Campus Compact (NYCC), the conference focused on discovering and sharing best practices related to the interface of science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) disciplines and sustainability. The NYCC is a membership association of college and university presidents committed to promoting "active citizenship as an aim of higher education," according to its website, www.nycampuscompact.org.

The keynote speakers were Dr. Mark Gallo, professor of biology at Niagara University, and Dan McMann, facility planner at Niagara University. Gallo is a member of the American Society for Microbiology Scholars in Residence program, the chair of the K-12 Committee for the American Society for Microbiology, and has been a frequent presenter at the National Association for Biology Teachers and the National Science Teachers Association annual meetings.

Prior to joining Niagara University, McMann, who graduated from Alfred State in 1994 with an architectural engineering degree, worked as a senior project manager at BHNT Archi-



Dan McMann, facility planner at Niagara University and an Alfred State alum, speaking at the podium, and Dr. Mark Gallo, professor of biology at Niagara University, give the keynote speech during the Applying STEM Disciplines to Support Sustainable Communities Symposium held recently at Alfred State.

itects, P.C. He has been awarded the "Wall of Fame" and "Best in Category" from VP Buildings, the "Best Green Construction" from Business First Brick by Brick, and was a finalist for the "Best Retail/Restaurant" for his work on the Hamburg Casino.

In addition to the keynote speakers were several breakout sessions on several topics such as specific course assignments that connect STEM and society, incorporating sustainability into the curriculum, and innovative partnerships.

Jonathan Hilsher, director of the Center for Civic Engagement at Alfred State, said faculty and students in the STEM disciplines develop and contribute a unique skill set that can be applied to identify and address community challenges, includ-

ing those related to sustainability.

"Some of the most innovative STEM courses and programs connect know-how and innovation to issues of critical local, national, and global importance," Hilsher said. "By applying these courses and programs to things such as renewable energy, green building, and sustainable agriculture, we can help make the world a better and more environmentally friendly place to live in."

Dr. Laurie S. Worrall, executive director of New York Campus Compact, said, "New York Campus Compact sponsored this gathering at Alfred State because it is important to bring faculty, staff, and community partners together to learn from each other."

Hospital collecting items for Bath VA

WELLSVILLE--It's the season of hearts so let's show the veterans who use the Bath VA that we care! From now until

Valentine's Day on February 14, collection boxes will be located in Jones Memorial Hospital's Human Resources,

Medical Imaging, and Practice Management Office. Carol Dodge of CURVES is also collecting items. The items needed include:

- Deodorant
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- New T-Shirts (M through 3x)
- American Flags
- Gift Cards to Restaurants and Grocery Stores
- Car models and model paints

Jaime White, a medical imaging tech at JMH, has volunteered to deliver the items collected to the VA. Jaime is a veteran, member of the Wellsville American Legion Post and president of the Purple Heart Homes Southwestern New York Chapter.

"When Jaime mentioned that the VA in Bath is looking for these simple, everyday items, I knew this would be a project that we could all support," said Judy Burt, who organized the project at Jones. "It is a small token of the appreciation we all feel for the sacrifices our veterans have made. Thank you to Carol and Curves for volunteering to host a collection point in the community.

Other organizations are welcome to join the collection. "Bring them to the hospital on Valentine's Day and Jaime will make the delivery to Bath."

For more information, please email Judy Burt at burtj@jmhny.org or call 585-596-4050.

ALLEGANY COUNTY NEWS



Master Gardener volunteer classes begin on April 25

Applications due by Feb. 17

BELMONT—Do you love gardening and want to share your experience and knowledge with others? Consider becoming a part of Cornell Cooperative Extension of Allegany County's Master Gardener Volunteer Program where you can help individuals and communities.

The Spring 2017 Master Gardener Training class begins Tuesday, April 25 in Belmont. Classes are from 8:30 a.m. – 3 p.m. each Tuesday and Wednesday through June 6. Class size is limited. The deadline for applications is Feb. 24. The Master Gardener class consists of seven weeks of classroom work and a few online modules. During these seven weeks, Master Gardeners will create their first Power-Point gardening presentation.

Master Gardeners are volunteers trained by Cornell Cooperative Extension to provide practical home and garden education to Allegany County residents. Master Gardener duties include, but are not limited to:

- Presenting gardening information to the public, through hands-on workshops, events, conferences, and clubs/groups. Presenting is the main way education is done through our volunteer group.
- Answering questions at the Extension's Master Gardener Office through face to face interactions and through our phone Helpline.
- Writing research based articles for newspapers, Facebook, CCE website and other venues.
- Presenting at local libraries both adult and children's programming.

Volunteering at horticultural events, county fairs and farmers markets, and schools.

Spring training will be held at the CCE office in Belmont. The tuition fee is \$200 which covers cost of class reference materials, presenter fees, manual, and handouts. If you want to attend this training but do not want to become a master gardener volunteer, the tuition fee is \$650. Volunteers will be given first priority.

A person considering applying to become a Master Gardener should ask themselves these questions:

- Do I want to learn more about the culture of plants and soils?
- Am I eager to participate in a practical and intense training program?
- Do I look forward to sharing my knowledge with people in my community through presentations?
- Do I have enough time to attend training sessions and to serve as a volunteer?

If you answered YES to these questions, get your application in now! You must preregister for this program, complete an interview with Colleen Cavagna, provide references, and have a volunteer background check administered. So don't wait!

Participants in the program must attend all classes or make up classes they missed. After successful completion of the training program, each Master Gardener Volunteer is required to serve 50 volunteer hours the first two years and 30 hours each year afterwards that they remain a Master Gardener.

Contact Colleen Cavagna at Cornell Cooperative Extension of Allegany County; best method of contact is through email at cc746@cornell.edu for more information or call (585) 268-7644 Ext. 12.

Boy Scouting history on display

ANDOVER—Allegany County Historical Society and Andover Historical Society are proud to announce there will be a Boy Scout Historical Display at the Allegany County Historical Center, 11 East Greenwood Street, Andover during the month of February.

The display will concentrate on the Seneca Council which existed in our area until 1975.

Items on display will include local Scout items, history of the Boy Scouts, Camp Wolf Creek, and pictures.

The public is invited and to bring in Boy Scout items for a free appraisal.

The schedule for visits will be: Sundays, Feb. 12 and 19 from 12 noon to 3 p.m.; Wednesdays, Feb. 8 and 15 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.; and Saturdays, Feb. 11 and 18 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Admission is free. For more information, contact Ron Taylor, President and Executive Director of the Allegany County Historical Society at 585-610-8668.

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ALFRED UNIVERSITY SPORTS ROUNDUP

Still more accolades for junior linebacker

ALFRED—The accolades continue to roll in for Alfred University junior linebacker A.J. LiCata (Lake View/Frontier).

LiCata, who earned All-America honors from three different organizations following a stellar 2016 campaign, has been named Jay Berwanger Division III Player of the Year by the Metropolitan New York Football Writers Association. The award is named for Jay Berwanger, the University of Chicago football player who in 1935 became the first recipient of the Downtown Athletic Club Trophy, which a year later would be renamed the Heisman Trophy.

LiCata will be recognized at the annual Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) awards banquet Feb. 23 in East Rutherford, NJ, where he will also receive his award as ECAC North Defensive Player of the Year.

The Metropolitan New York Football Writers Association is affiliated with the Eastern Football Network, which is a subsidiary of the American Football Network. Eastern Football Network (EFN) writers have covered every college football program within the District of Columbia and the States of Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia and West Virginia since 1988.

LiCata has been named a First Team All-American by the American Football Coaches Association (AFCA) and was a Third Team selection by both D3football.com and the Associated Press.

The Empire 8 Conference Defensive Player of the Year and a First Team Empire 8 All-Star, LiCata finished the 2016 season with 153 tackles, just one off the school single-season record. He had 11 ½ tackles for loss, 4 ½ sacks, an interception and a



MORE ACCOLADES—This Alfred University junior linebacker A.J. LiCata (Lake View/Frontier) may need a larger helmet next season if he receives anymore honors. LiCata had an outstanding season, recording 153 tackles, just one shy of a Saxon record held by John Hoosock. LiCata will be recognized at the ECAC Awards Banquet Feb. 23 in East Rutherford, NJ.

forced fumble. He was one of 10 semifinalists for the 2016 Gagliardi Trophy, awarded annually to the top football player in Division III. In addition to being named ECAC North Defensive Player of the Year, he was also named a First Team ECAC North All-Star.

Alfred finished the 2016 season with a 12-1 record, with the 12 wins representing a school single-season record. The Saxons won the Empire 8 title with a perfect 8-0 league record and became the first team in the 15-year history of the conference to go through a regular season unbeaten (10-0). AU won its first two NCAA playoff games at home, against Bridgewater State and Western New England, before falling at home to Mount Union in the quarterfinals.

Alfred University head coach Bob Rankl will accompany LiCata to the ECAC awards banquet, where Rankl is being

recognized as ECAC North Coach of the Year. The Saxons will also be honored as recipients of the 2016 Lambert Division III Cup, given each year to the top Division III team in the East.

AU men drop heartbreaker

The Alfred University men's basketball team fell short to St. John Fisher in a 68-64 thriller Tuesday evening.

The Saxons (8-13, 5-7 Empire 8) were led by senior Tyler Seelman (Lorton, VA/Hayfield Secondary) with 11 points, four rebounds and three assists. Senior forward Eric Adams (Readington, NJ/Hunterdon Central) had a good all-around game as he finished with nine points, eight boards and one dish. Senior guard Julian Reinhart (Hornell) chipped in 10 points and added one rebound. Alfred got help from the bench as they outscored Fisher's, 43-31.

The Cardinals were led by

Ryan Keegan who finished with a double-double (16 points, 13 rebounds) and Jake Haight with 12 points, five rebounds and three assists. Fisher took advantage of the second chance opportunity as they outscored Alfred, 19-14.

Alfred trailed by as many as 15 points in the first half before coming back to trail 37-32 going into halftime. The Saxons came into the second half on fire as they were able to regain the lead with 14:23 left to play after the jumper by Seelman was good. Fisher was able to gain the lead for the final time after Ryan Henderson tipped in the off shot by Alex Sausville with five seconds remaining in regulation. Haight was able to seal the game for the Cardinals as he hit both of his free throws with one second remaining.

The Saxons are in action Friday, Feb. 10, as they take on Stevens Institute of Technology at 8 p.m. at the Galanis Family

Arena.

Women fall to Cardinals

The Alfred University women's basketball team lost to host St. John Fisher College 74-42 Tuesday evening at the Bobby Wanzer Court.

The Saxons (2-19, 0-12 Empire 8) were led by senior forward Amanda Off (New Berlin/Unadilla Valley) who finished with 11 points and five rebounds and sophomore guard Katlyn Boland (New York/A. Phillip Randolph) who chipped in seven points. Boland went 5-for-8 (62.5%) from the free throw line. First-year forward Sam Pierre-Louis (Wheatley Heights/Half Hollow Hills West) finished with a team high six rebounds to go along with five points.

The Saxons are next in action this Friday, Feb. 10, as they host Stevens Institute of Technology at 6 p.m.

Spicer E8 Athlete of the Week

Junior Seth Spicer (Corning-Painted Post) of the Alfred University men's track and field team, earned Empire 8 Athletic Conference Field Athlete of the Week on Monday afternoon.

Spicer earned a #5 national ranking in the men's heptathlon after the Ithaca College Bombers Invitational on Saturday and Sunday as he broke the 14-year old school record with 4,787 points. The only fellow NCAA Division III athlete that he lost to at Ithaca was SUNY Cortland's Jack Flood who is ranked #1 in the country and who had 5,155 points. Spicer's school record came from his five personal records out of the seven-event schedule. His PR's came in the long jump (6.44 meters), shot put (12.68 meters), high jump (1.77 meters), pole vault (3.80 meters) and the 1,000-meter run (2:45.74).

Spicer and the Saxons will next head to Utica College on Saturday, February 11 for the Empire 8 Indoor Track and Field Championships.

ALFRED STATE SPORTS ROUNDUP

Bialecki basket lifts women to win

Stay up to date on the latest news, scores, and statistics at: www.alfredstateathletics.com.

Women's Basketball: 11-7

Catherine Bialecki (Alfred Almond) scored with under seven seconds left to lift Alfred State to a 58-57 victory over Hilbert in their lone game of the week.

Bialecki continued her solid play with a game-high 32 points and 11 rebounds. She finished the day 13 for 23 from the field and 6 for 6 from the foul line. Steffanie Preston (Groton) finished with eight points while Kane chipped in six points, seven rebounds and three assists.

Alfred State shot 45.6% from the field and hit 6 of their 8 foul shots. The team forced the Hawks into 21 turnovers.

Men's Basketball: 9-12

Jalen Smith hit a fall away three-pointer as time expired in overtime to lift Hilbert to a 89-88 victory over Alfred State in the Pioneers lone game of the week.

Dante Jordan (New York/Law & Public Service) led the Pioneers with a career high 23 points and nine boards. Davis finished the day with 14 points, 10 assists, and five boards. Marquis Edwards (Queens/ In-Tech Academy) finished with 13, Marcus Rhett (Middletown) had 11, and Juwan Tolliver (Buffalo/McKinley) chipped in 10 points, seven boards, and six assists.

The Pioneers shot a blazing 63.3% from the field in the 1st half but cooled down the rest of the way and finished the night shooting 44.9%. The team was 5 for 15 from three but struggled from the line making 13 of 22 attempts. The Pioneers held a slight 43 to 40 advantage on the boards and forced Hilbert into 25 turnovers.

Swimming: Men 2-2, Women: 4-1

The swimming and diving team spent the week preparing for the AMCC Championships which

will be held this week at Penn State Behrend. The Pioneers will compete in the four-day event starting on Wednesday.

Indoor Track & Field

The indoor track and field team competed at the Ithaca College Bomber Invitational on Saturday.

Lindsey Thiel (Liverpool) led the Pioneers with a 4th place finish in the 5,000. She crossed the finish line in 19:28.12. Her time is nearly six seconds faster than her career best at Alfred State and improves her 3rd best time in school history.

Jacob Hanss (East Rochester) was 12th in the men's 5,000 finish in 16:29.80 while the Distance Medley Relay team of Austin Demberg (Minisink Valley), Trevor Stiles (Hornell), Ryan McFarland (Waverly), and Conrad Kroll (Minisink Valley) were 6th in 12:27.53. Joe Richardson (Geneva) finished 16th in the triple jump with a leap of 11.98 m.

Wrestling: 7-7, 11th at Baldwin Wallace Invite

George Van Valen (Ithaca) led the wrestling team as they competed at the John Summa Invitational at Baldwin Wallace. Van Valen finished 2nd in the 184 lb. weight class.

Van Valen was dominant in his first three matches to reach the finals. He pinned Frank Russel (Wabash) in 41 seconds, earned a 16-0 tech fall over Avery Jones (Thomas More), and then shutout Zeckary Lehman (Baldwin Wallace) 4-0. Van Valen was defeated by Jordan Bushey in the championship match.

Konnor Kremer (Horseheads) finished the day was 3-2 in the 174 lb. weight class while Mitchell Lattuca (Lancaster) also picked up three victories in the heavyweight bracket.

Kremer was the lone Pioneers to earn a victory in the team's dual meet at Oswego on Wednesday. He downed Jeff Lombardi 4-1.

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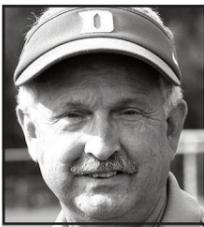
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HITS AND MISSES:

Was going to start out this week with the "wild" loss suffered by the Bonnies over the weekend in college hoops, but have to begin with Super Bowl 51 and the equally wild finish by the champion NE Patriots from the AFC. In what looked like a runaway by the Atlanta Falcons for much of the NFL contest, MVP Tom Brady directed his charges to an improbable and first ever, victory in overtime. New England prevails, 34-28.

To be sure, it wasn't all Brady, but he was at the controls and directing passes all over the place. A SB record for attempts and yardage. An awesome catch by Julian Edelman, yardage on the ground and a great game by James White and a defense that came up big in the second half of play. The Pats are now 5-2 in the Belichick Era and could (potentially) be 7-0 except for two very "unique" plays by the NJ Giants in their two wins over New England. Brady now has four, SB, MVP's.

Now for the Bonnies ... egads. St. Bonaventure, with A-A grads Brent Reynolds and Robert H. Torrey in attendance, went ahead 66-65 on a three-pointer by Matt Mobley at the 0:04 mark. The students (and Hair?) stormed the court, a technical was called, VCU converted and Bona loses in overtime. Ouch. The Bonnies drop to 14-8/6-4 with the tough defeat.

It was a tough weekend (again) for Top 25 men's college hoop teams as: Kansas, Baylor, Kentucky, Virginia, West Virginia, Arizona, Maryland, Notre Dame (four in row) and Creighton ... all lost! Oregon blasted the Arizona Wildcats, 85-58. Yikes. And get this score, St. Mary's of California beat San Diego, 71-27! Was that San Diego-Mesa College? 27-points?

The UConn women's basketball program is now 22-0 on the season and their overall win streak is at 97-games! Just crazy. They are undefeated in AAC league play ... forever. Their next "big" game is against #3 South Carolina on 2/13.

Two college coaches grabbed all-time wins #1000 over the weekend as Tara VanDerveer of the Stanford women's program and Jim Boeheim of the Syracuse Orange men's hoop team notched those milestone marks. Unfortunately, only the women's tally stands official. Syracuse/Boeheim had 101-wins deleted by the NCAA for misconduct in the basketball program. Believe mainly due to the wondrous, Fab Melo.

Catherine Bialecki (A-A) had an awesome game last week for the Alfred State College women's b-ball team as Coach Boyd's squad beat Hilbert, 58-57. Bialecki tallied 32-points and grabbed 11-bounds! Alfred State is 11-7 on the year.

In D3 men's basketball news, the Saxons are (8-12) after beating Ithaca before dropping a game against Hartwick. Alfred next plays SJ Fisher (2/7), Stevens and Utica in E8 league play. The Saxons are currently in sixth-place in the conference but in a tight bunch with Nazareth, Hartwick and Utica for a post-season tourney spot in the E8. Fisher and Stevens have basically locked up berths already. Coach Kornaker's team is 15-5/10-1. Coach Curle at Plattsburgh is (10-11) ... surprising!, while "Spanny" in Cortland is at 15-6.

My "apologies" to the Orlando Magic of the NBA as the Brooklyn Nets are easily the worst team in the league, better suited for NBADL play.

The Atlanta Hawks will have an NBADL franchise in "nearby" Erie, Pa. for the next two seasons.

Olympian and former WNBA MVP, Elena Delle Donne is now a member of the Washington Mystics.

Hall of Famer, Magic Johnson is now a LA Laker ... advisor.

One Big Check



From left, Almond Library Assistant Johanna Stanton holds one end of a "big check" presented by Allegany County Area Foundation Board Member Dawn Wildrick-Cole to the Almond 20th Century Club Library while Library Director Elizabeth Call holds the other end. The check represents an \$800 grant that will be used to purchase Science Technology Engineering and Math (STEM) building toys and supplies for patron use. (Photo provided)

Almond 20th Century Club Library awarded \$800 grant for STEM toys

ALMOND—The Allegany County Area Foundation recently presented a grant check in the amount of \$800 to the Almond 20th Century Club Library. This grant money will be used to help purchase STEM building toys and supplies for patron use.

The STEM (Science Technology Engineering and Math) toys that are being purchased will help to stimulate scientific thinking, while creating an enjoyable experience. They will help teach children skill sets that will help them advance towards

careers and success in these types of curriculum areas. Some of the purchases will include: K'Nex Gear Sets, Lego Duplo, 3d Pens, Makey Makey Invention kit, plus many others.

Founded in 1912 by the Twentieth Century Club, formerly the Ladies' Reading Circle, the Almond Library provides books, movies, and essential services to the Almond community. They are a member of the Southern Tier Library System, a network of libraries in Allegany, Steuben, Yates, Schuyler, and Chemung coun-

ties in Western New York. For more information about the Almond 20th Century Club Library please visit their web site at: <http://almondlibrary.org/>.

If you would like to make a difference in your community by leaving a legacy please contact the Allegany County Area Foundation today at 585-808-8444 or e-mail: director@alleganycountyyareafoundation.org. The Foundation welcomes tax-deductible gifts in any amount, including memorials to friends and loved ones.

THE DUGOUT CONTINUED...

The once-proud NBA franchise needs Johnson in his prime to help them.

The recent comeback by Tiger Woods isn't going all that well. He missed the cut in his opening event at (Hair) Torrey Pines in San Diego and withdrew this past weekend at the Dubai Desert Classic with back spasms. His next two PGA starts will be in LA and the Honda Classic in Florida.

Brittany Lincicome won the LPGA opening event in the Bahamas in a playoff over Lexi Thompson as Americans were 1-2-3-4-5. A huge rarity in women's golf now.

In D3 men's lacrosse the Ithaca College Bombers of Coach Jeff Long are ranked #2 behind defending champ, Salisbury in the pre-season poll. RIT is third, St. Lawrence eighth, RPI is 15th and Cortland is 20th. Ithaca plays RPI early on (3/4) after a trip to Tampa in mid-February. The Saxons are at Ithaca on April 22nd.

The Texas Air Hogs of the American Association have named Billy Martin, Jr. as their Field Manager.

The New Jersey Devils AHL affiliate will move from Albany to Binghamton next season.

Former Byron-Bergen volleyball standout Alyssa D'Errico was named the assistant coach at Dayton University. She won five sectional titles with the Bees, three state titles her last three years and four NCAA championships at Penn State. So, seven-straight seasons with a championship! Home to former softball teammate, Chark and alma mater of Geneseo soccer coach, Wiley!

A total of 16-coaches will not be back on staff for the Buffalo Bills next year as a whole new crew of assistants comes in.

The Orlando Sentinel newspaper listed a batch of Central Florida signees for next year in college for various sports. Went thru and found: Max Esperance headed to UR for football, Trevonte Wheeler going to St. Lawrence for football and Sam Sherbacow is off to SUNY Cobleskill for soccer. Yikes! Also, Kaylan Wiggins

... no relation to Joe, is off to Florida International for football.

Small World time in Saratoga Springs as A-A grads Gary "Doc" Moore and Hi-Hi-Higgins run into each other last week. Not at Druthers.

The Alfred Saxons softball team will head to Clermont, FL for the NTC/ College Spring Games. AU will play Oneonta, RPI and many other colleges from all over the place. Double dippers from March 5-10. Not too far from Leesburg, maybe head there and hook-up with former Alfred AD, Jim Moretti.

Golfed four-times last week, the most since a Sumo Tour South outing a few years back, I'm sure. Monday with Bob Baker at Cleveland Heights in Lakeland, Wednesday in the Molokai league (second place!), Friday at the Mount Dora CC with Len Stillings (Vermont) and at Shady Grove in Sumterville on Saturday with Our Man Frank and Mr. Timmer. Jake Taft currently sidelined and unable to make a foursome. Afterwards on Saturday, lunch at Gators Dockside (excellent) at Brownwood in The Villages with a rowdy and happy Syracuse hoop crowd on hand.

Will not do all of these, but like to, upcoming: the Valspar PGA stop, maybe the NCAA's in Orlando ... if Duke there!, Alfred softball, Walsh baseball, golf with Coach Mac, a Detroit Pistons game in Orlando, golf with Simbo, another round with Baker and wrapping up with the Yanks-Rays MLB opener on April 2nd with Frank-Jake-Scum-Syracuse Dave. Will head to the Gasparilla 15K to see 3L run in late February. Might go to the Allegany County picnic in March with Big D.

North Carolina - Duke tonite (2/9) in hoops! Big test for the Blue Devils to see if they can compete.

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