

Briefs

Senate Update

Election packets are now available at the Campus Center desk.

Status report goals for spring 1989 were handed out. Some goals for this year are parking, senate publicity, and networking of student groups.

An investigation committee to review action of the President Edsel David was not formed due to lack of interest.

The Automatic Teller Machine for Rogers Campus Center was mentioned. "Negotiations are still in progress," said Nessa Connor, vice-president.

The location of the nuclear dump in West Almond was discussed. A public hearing will be held at Belfast High School on Jan. 26 at 6:30 p.m.

Reporter Offers Free Ads For Seniors

Graduating seniors can have their name sent to 20,000 prospective employers.

"Situation wanted" ads will be placed in the spring issue of the Alfred Reporter. The ad will state your name, objective, and must be no more than 35 words.

Ads must be turned in by Feb. 10 to the Career & Counseling office. There will be an informational meeting for interested students on Monday, Jan. 30 and Tuesday Jan. 31 at 7:30 p.m. in the McNamara room of the Rogers Campus Center.

Free Jazz Show This Weekend

Students from the Eastman School of Jazz will perform a free concert Sunday Jan. 29 in Susan Howell Hall.

Soprano Belinda Pigeon, tenor George R. DeMott, and pianist Kelly Horsted will perform a number of selections from artists, including Purcell, Handel, Haydn, Gershwin, Bernstein and Donizetti.

The concert, sponsored by the Division of Performing Arts, will begin at 3 p.m.



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County Gears Up To Fight State Dump Proposal

Brian Folker and Joyce Wagner

"Would you want to live in a dump?"

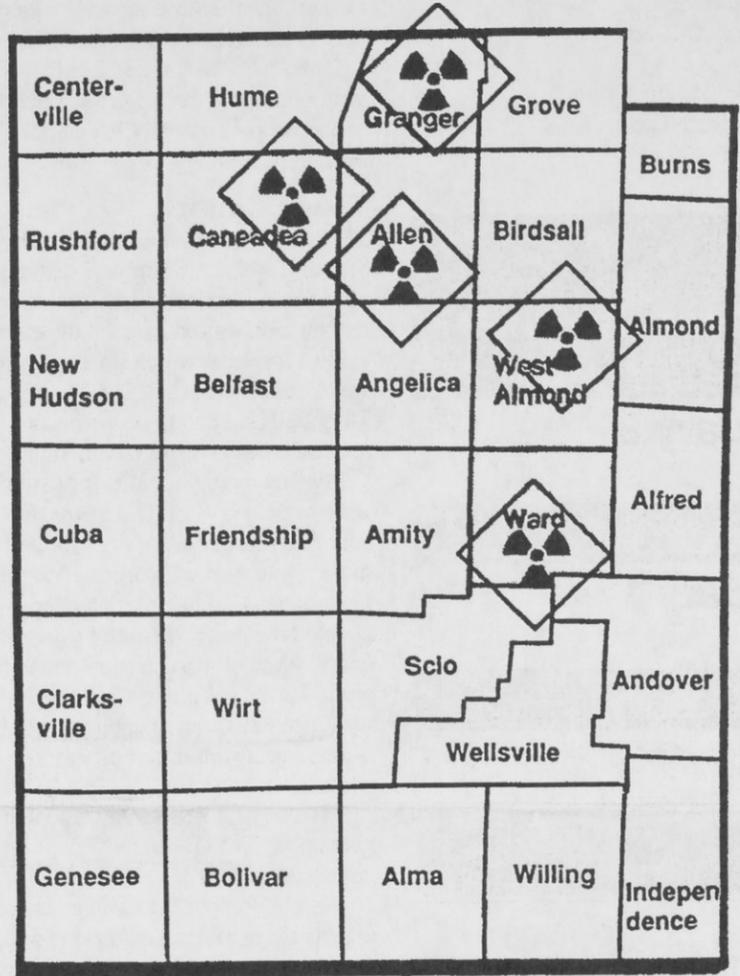
This is the question Rose Sciotti and other Concerned Citizens of Allegany County are asking as they prepare to do battle with New York State over a proposed radioactive waste dump site.

County officials and residents will face the Governor's Low Level Radioactive Waste Siting Commission tomorrow night at Belfast High School. After an informal discussion beginning at 6:30 p.m., the commission will have a public hearing about the site at 7:30 p.m.

Last December the Siting Commission named Allegany County as one of 10 possible host counties for the dump site. Within the county, two candidate areas, Ward/West Almond and Granger/Allen/Caneadea were named as possibilities.

County legislator Delores Cross said the Siting Commission chose Allegany County because of its low population density, relatively wide open spaces and its proximity to Route 17, a major state highway. On a number of geological and environmental criteria the county was ranked highly desirable as a waste disposal area.

Since the Dec. 21 announcement, which took many people by surprise, county residents and officials have worked *continued on page 4*



AU Joins Opposition To Dump Site

Joyce Wagner

Alfred University has officially joined the mounting opposition to a proposed nuclear waste dump site in Allegany County.

The Administration last weekend released a statement opposing the dump site after faculty, students and staff expressed outrage at New York State's intention to examine the county as a potential site for nuclear waste.

Moreover, in its statement to the Governor's Commission on Low Level Radioactive Waste Siting, the administration said it believes the state should not build a new site anywhere because current technology cannot cope with safe disposal of the potentially deadly waste.

"In our view, the cardinal rule in the containment of nuclear waste is to keep the number of contaminated locations to

an absolute minimum," the statement read.

"The state of New York already has a number of such sites at nuclear power facilities, at West Valley and perhaps at military reservations. We see no compelling reason to expand the number of sites and believe that such an expansion poses an undue risk."

Before last weekend the University had maintained an official stance of neutrality toward the site issue because faculty and students were on vacation. "We didn't know what kind of consensus we'd find on the campus," President Edward G. Coll, Jr. said.

Coll said the university opposes a dump site in Allegany County because of the economic and environmental dangers such a site poses. He said the presence of

nuclear waste in this area could threaten both AU's recruiting efforts and its envisioned ceramic corridor between Alfred and Corning.

In a time of severe state budget troubles—the state university system's budget has been cut by \$47 million this year—Coll said he does not feel that placing AU's institutional weight behind county-wide protests will affect state funding of the NYS College of Ceramics or of research projects.

"I certainly hope [the state can] understand we have a vested interest in the welfare of this area," he said. "While we support many legislative initiatives we do reserve the right to state our opposition when the community expresses major concern over a proposal."

Martin Luther King, Jr. Remembered In Alfred

Julee Allen

Martin Luther King, Jr. Week was honored on the Alfred University campus the week of Jan. 16. A movie and lecture were the features which marked this event.

On Wednesday, Jan. 18, the movie "Martin Luther King, Jr. - From Montgomery to Memphis" was presented in the Parents Lounge. The movie chronologically sketched the outline of King's involvement and propagation of the civil rights movement in the 1960s. "We are not about to turn around...no wave of racism can stop us...like an idea whose time has come...we're moving to the land

of freedom." King's determination to see equality and justice served to minorities on a national scale ultimately lead to his assassination in 1968.

Roosevelt Brown, Educational Opportunities advisor, felt that "Martin Luther King, Jr. - From Montgomery to Memphis" was a "beautiful way to start Black History Month."

Has King's civil rights movement carried over well into the Eighties? That was a question asked to guest speaker Dr. Russell Adams of Howard University Thursday, Jan. 19 at Susan Howell Hall. Adams' speech was what he referred to as

a "social scientist's reading of the forces and influences that shaped Martin Luther King and the civil rights movement." Adams particularly stressed that the stability of the black community and economic situation made the time right for a social change.

During a brief question and answer period, Adams answered questions such as the carryover of King's movement into the Eighties. "While there is a shooting in Miami...we're all here now. There is some structural slippage; the income is more differential at a 60-100 ratio (comparison *continued on page 4*

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PA&SS, Others Enhances Education

Faculty and staff who bring artists, speakers and writers to Alfred University should be applauded.

Their hard work is evident in the quality of the people and groups which have visited Alfred this year and are planning to visit this spring.

The fall included comedian Rich Hall, the Broadway show Greater Tuna and Stratford Festival Actress Pat Galloway to name only a few.

Matt Dubai's dedication to the AU community in bringing what he thinks they will enjoy is seen in that he missed selling out 16 consecutive Performing Artists and Speakers Series by just 15 tickets. He hopes to begin another string of sellouts this semester with the Eastman Jazz Ensemble, which will perform Jan. 28 in Harder Hall at 8 p.m. The Washington Ballet is already a sellout. Following those two shows are a play "For Colored Girls..." Feb. 18 and a performance by RCA Recording Artist Liz Story April 7.

The majority of funding for PA&SS events comes from the University, while almost 15 percent is grant money from the NYS Council for the Arts, the Mid Atlantic Arts Foundation and The National Endowment for the Arts.

Dubai's PA&SS schedule also includes a lecture series and a writers series. The lecture series is headlined by Karen Sughrie, the executive producer of CBS's Face The Nation and the Woodrow Wilson Fellow.

To the Editor:

My mind floats back in time, to about a year ago when a dream was shattered by a phone call. The bank called to inform me that my application for an independent student loan was rejected. There was no way I could return to AU by January '88. They said all I had to do was wait a semester, but I wasn't sure I could.

My first twenty months in Virginia were not easy. Cash was never readily available since most of my time and money was spent at Northern Virginia Community College. Death nearly claimed me twice via motor cycle accidents. Nothing was constant in the fragile world I lived. Waiting would be hard. It would come with no guarantees for the future, and a guarantee was exactly what I needed.

The Army Reserves gave me that guarantee. The GI-bill solved all my money problems.

For me, joining it was an avenue taken to arrive at a point. There were, and still are, many things that I want to do with my life. The Army would make it possible for me to start, that's why I joined. For one of the first times in my life I was pushing myself toward something I wanted to be.

There had been a radical change in me since I dropped out of college. Maybe it happened at National Health Labs, where my job made me feel so important. Or maybe at Cherrydale Veetrianarian Hospital where I shoveled crap. Possibly it happened slowly, like a flower growing strong enough to bloom. A flower growing in me called 'self respect.' The kind that gave me the courage to find out what I want out of life. The kind that told me I was better than shoveling crap for a living.

A lot of people think they will get this by joining the Army, that they will suddenly grow up and know what they want out of life. I met one of these people last semester. He wasn't doing well in school, and told me he was considering the Army so he could learn discipline. He was going to do it for the wrong reason: there are no baby sitters in the Army. The desire to better oneself has to come from within. Nobody will be able to discipline him if he can't discipline himself, and he can if he tries. I think he was just confused and frustrated with school. He was looking for a place to run to.

When I joined the Army, a plan for my life was already made by me. Though I was also doing poorly in college I never considered hiding in the Army. I lived on my own at first, and it was hard, but it was worth it.

If you are one of those people thinking about running away to the Army all I can say is DON'T DO IT!! David Shiftman, a friend of mine who dropped out of AU and returned, as I have, gave me some solid advice once that I will now give to you; "Get a job and live on your own. Read a newspaper and get an opinion. Learn to live on your own. And learn to live for yourself."

If you want to talk to me, I live in Brick 317. My friends call me "Alf"... "Private Alf."
Tony Alfonso

To the Editor,

The Alfred community, that same hotbed of liberal idealism that gave us one-way streets in a town lucky to have any streets, has recently been caught up in a groundswell of "no nukes" mentality. Cleverly adopting the international "no fallout shelters" symbol, this group has boldly set out to let opportunity pass the area by.

The assumption made by the group is that the government plan to pull in with four trucks full of radio-active muck and dump it in a creek somewhere. The wildlife in the area will then spontaneously drop dead and the children will be born with three heads.

Aside from the initial economic benefits of having the government build a large plant and hire people to run it in an area whose chief product is apparently deer, Alfred should examine its roots as a town. Alfred's livelihood is, like it or not guys, students. Its primary impact on the world can be summed up in one word, Ceramics. Nuclear waste is made into a glass (don't we study that here?) and stored in a large pool of water made of specialized ceramics (yeah, that too!) built of local materials by local contractors. Ring any bells? West Valley whose children are born remarkably normal, employs many ceramists.

So instead of organizing in the glow of

The writers series, in which Professor Ben Howard is very instrumental, has U.S. Poet Laureate Howard Nemerov March 15 and National Book Critics Circle Award winner Sharon Olds April 6.

PA&SS is not the only source through which students see and talk to visiting writers, artists and speakers. Each college brings visitors to campus to attend classes and hold seminars.

Dean Rand of the College of Nursing organizes two lectures a year for students and area nurses to broaden their perspective of nursing. The Miller Lecture is held on Parents Weekend each fall and is funded mostly by the Miller family. The Sigma Theta Tau Lecture is held on Parents Weekend in the spring.

Professors Szczerbacki and Delaney of the College of Business and Administration are coordinating a Human Capital Workshop and an Entrepreneurial Conference. These programs are funded through grants from area businessmen and the CBA budget.

In the College of Ceramics, the Visiting Artists Committee is given a budget to bring to AU world famous artists like international sculptor Martin Puryear.

The names above are only a small group of those who work so hard to enhance the education of Alfred University students. Their efforts are greatly appreciated.

lights powered by nuclear plants, let's welcome some government money into our area. And as to the village who gave us some wonderful new laws this summer, Alfred only had 3 roads that went somewhere. Now it has one and 2 roads that go half of somewhere. If I were the government, I would be a little worried about locating a nuclear dump here in the first place.

Sincerely,
Dan Marvin

To the Editor,

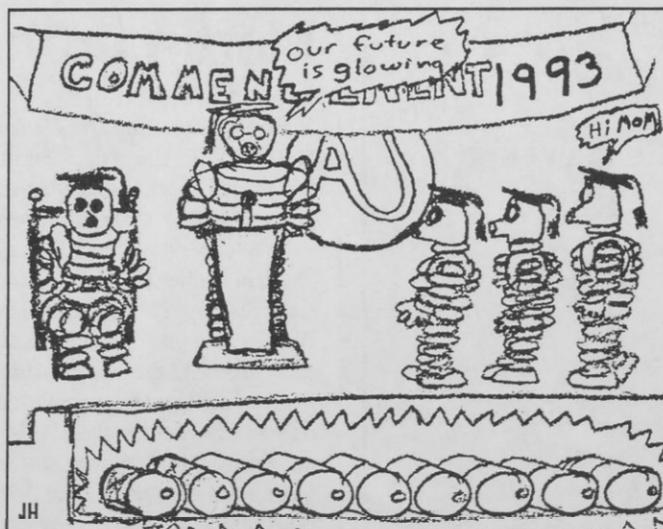
I am writing to protest the featuring of the ROTC program in the Alfred Reporter alumni newspaper, the domination of the front page and "centerfold."

The pictures in the centerfold of weapons and war-like situations were offensive and inappropriate for a paper documenting a university. A university is for learning skills to better life, enrich our existence and hopefully enhance our world. The objects of ROTC, the skills of war and its destruction of civilization are firmly at a contrast to the goals of a university.

Considering the position the world is in today with the armaments to destroy itself many times over I feel that aggressive military promotion is out of place.

I am curtailing my donations until this consorting with ROTC is stopped.
Sincerely,
Pamela Mattson-McDonald
Class of 1979

ed. note: last weekend we received a faculty letter protesting a nuclear waste dump site in this county. Unfortunately because of space limitations we could not print this letter in its entirety. The letter, signed by 112 faculty members, encouraged readers to attend a protest meeting at Belfast High School this Thursday at 6:30 p.m.



LIVING WITHOUT FREEDOM

Former Prof Recounts Years as Political Prisoner

Editor's Note: Hiber Conteris, a Visiting Professor of Latin American Studies at Alfred University during Fall 1988, has received critical acclaim for the works he wrote as a political prisoner. His novel Ten Percent of Life was published in English after his release in 1985.

Tod Tepfenhart

Instead of thinking about the horrible torture he knew was coming when he heard the soldiers enter the chamber, Hiber Conteris recited his version of Dolan from Homer's Iliad. Conteris couldn't see his accusers because of the bag they had placed over his head. They asked him questions about his involvement with the underground, but he didn't tell them what they wanted to hear.

The punishment came and lasted at least 40 days. Throughout more than two weeks of intense torture soldiers burned Conteris with cigarettes and steam. They subjected him to electric shocks and hung him by his wrists for hours at a time. They repeatedly held his head in tubs of water mixed with urine, blood, and vomit until he nearly suffocated. "You persist," Conteris recalls, "They interrogate you and you fight it ... Finally they won." He signed their confession. But the torture didn't stop there.

Political unrest had wracked Uruguay since 1968 when the government called on the military to force striking bank employees back to work. Things progressively got worse as the military was given more and more power.

Conteris became part of the national liberation movement - the Tupamaros - which rejected military rule and wanted the government to return to its 50-year-old democratic heritage. Conteris, a political science instructor, journalist and published author, left the Tupamaros in 1970 because he disagreed with their decision to use violence against the government.

Conteris left Uruguay in 1972 when he heard the military was looking for him. By June 1973 the military had taken complete power of the country, once known as the Switzerland of South America. After a

two-year stay in Europe, Conteris returned to his family. When he came back he found a country where he could not teach, write or take part in any public activities. A country that had banned all political parties and dissolved Congress. A country where public meetings were outlawed and where censorship of books, plays and the media were standard.

Conteris took a job with an advertising agency and for over two years lived a relatively normal life. Then one day the military came to the publishing house and took his books. The books had been banned. "This was probably the first sign that I should have left the country," Conteris suggests.

Soon after, in December 1976, he traveled to Europe to attend a peace conference. When he returned he called a friend from the airport who told him the military had been to his apartment twice. Conteris decided to leave the country. He reserved a flight and was already seated when the authorities boarded the plane and took him into custody.

The military interrogated and tortured Conteris for weeks before he finally signed a confession of trumped-up charges. Even after he signed, the beatings didn't stop. He was put in solitary confinement; for nearly 30 days soldiers came day and night to deliver "severe punishment."

"I knew this was the critical point," Conteris said. "I thought, 'Any day now I will go crazy'."

Conteris began composing his own version of Homer's story of Dolan to take his mind off his horrific situation. Conteris began his "writing" early every day before the soldiers came. All he did between morning and night was recite and create stanzas in his mind, since he was allowed no writing materials.

After being held captive for three months, Conteris faced his trial in the military-controlled court. "It was a kind of game for them," he said. "I could expect no real justice." Conteris had to sign an official confession and never even saw the judge. He was sentenced to 15 years plus one to five because he was

considered "dangerous."

By the time he was taken to the judge, Conteris had composed 168 stanzas. He finally got a pencil and paper and began to write. "I could not finish immediately because the purpose of writing was to help me survive," he said.

But his writing was halted there by the military regime. Conteris was taken back to the military barracks where he performed forced labor for 10 to 12 hours a day with other prisoners. On one occasion he recalls they had to dig a trench two kilometers long; the next day they had to go back and fill it in. At night, when the soldiers closed the door, he said, "we felt free—free to talk."

After 14 months, Conteris was transferred to the Libertad ("Liberty") prison, the official prison for political prisoners. "The situation there was a little better because we were considered war prisoners," Conteris said. This meant the prison was monitored by the United Nations and other human rights groups.

After several months at the prison he was allowed to work in the prison library. While working he found two of his books that the military had banned. "You can imagine my surprise....," Conteris said half-jokingly.

The officials still would not let Conteris write though. Then in 1982, because of pressure from groups like Amnesty International, the Red Cross and International PEN, the prison authorities allowed him to write. The next three years turned out to be the most creative of Conteris's life — he wrote five novels, two plays, and more than 20 short stories during his time at Libertad.

In November 1984 Uruguay held its first election since the military takeover. When the new government took over in March 1985, it granted Conteris a full pardon and released him. After more than eight years in prison, Conteris was finally free.

Conteris looks back rationally on his native land now. "I am not angry. The military is trained to kill and torture," he said. "We chose that kind of political activity and we knew the consequences."

CAREER & COUNSELING

SUMMER JOBS & INTERNSHIPS



Ann B. Schulz

When? **NOW!** If you're thinking about a summer job or internship to help with college costs, career focus and maybe even some college credit, you need to begin the search now. Most of the better positions for summer career-related work experience are filled in the first few months of the year. Don't wait until spring, it's too late!

Why? Career-related work experience is one of the three most valued commodities sought by prospective employers. It enhances your marketability and helps you get the competitive edge.

A summer job or an internship in a field you're interested in will also aid you in identifying the right career area for you — one that matches your work values, skills and interests.

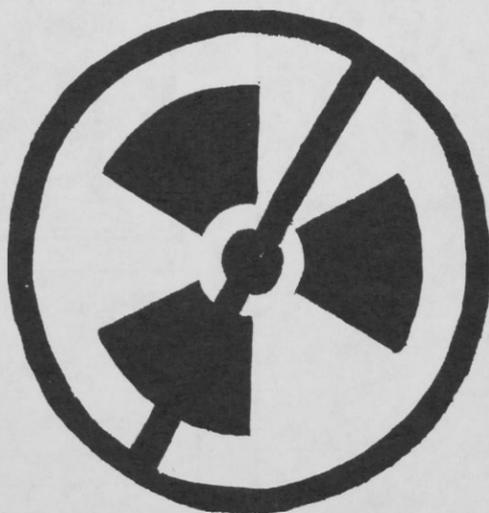
An internship, furthermore, provides an opportunity to earn both money and college credit while you gain precious work experience.

Where? Career and Counseling Services has career counselors and a job development professional to assist you in this process by using the Alfred Network. This network contains information on hundreds of employers, specific career publications in the Resource Library, varied internship leads and data and techniques of resume and cover letter preparation and skill building for the job search process. We can help! Financial Aid Office, Alumni Hall.

Cheryl McKeon, the Assistant Director of Financial Aid, conducts a Fall and Spring Summer Job Fair with job listings and contact names for all students. Dr. Gene Mueller, Director of Off-Campus Academic Programs and Placement, has internship and summer job information for students of Art and Engineering.

The professors and advisors for your major can often provide you with employer contacts specific to their academic disciplines.

BELFAST HIGH SCHOOL



THURSDAY JAN 26 6:30PM

Inter-Greek Council

Greek life in Alfred is always busy for those students involved in fraternities and sororities. For those students who are not involved but are considering it, there is only one thing to keep in mind. Alfred University and the Inter Greek Council policy is that you must have a 2.0 average to pledge.

Being concerned with the welfare of the Alfred Community kept the Greeks very busy last semester:

- * Alpha Chi Rho gave stuffed Christmas bears to St. Judes Church, donated to the community chest and sponsored the bloodmobile this semester.

- * Alpha Kappa Omicron gave to the community chest and the March of Dimes, and participated in Adopt-a-Grandparent.

- * Delta Sigma Phi had a haunted house for the community's children to benefit the March of Dimes.

- * Kappa Psi Upsilon sponsored a Halloween party for the community's children and gave to patrons for the performing arts.

- * Klan Alpine participated in the AU Telethon.

- * Lambda Chi Alpha sponsored the Adopt-a-Youth Christmas party, helped with the bloodmobile and sponsored a faculty/staff wine and cheese party.

- * Sigma Alpha Mu participated in Adopt-a-Smoker, gave to the local church's advent giving tree and sold banners to raise money for the American Cancer Society.

- * Sigma Chi Nu gave gifts and sang Christmas carols at the Hornell Nursing Home, gave money to the Richard Molin Memorial Fund for cancer research and participated in Adopt-a-Grandparent.

- * Theta Theta Chi participated in Adopt-a-Grandparent, helped Kappa with the Halloween party and helped Sigma carol at the nursing home.

- * Zeta Beta Tau gave to the American Cancer Society.

Kappa Psi Upsilon and Theta Theta Chi were the winners of the \$200 scholarship sponsored by the University for the best grades among Alfred greeks.

This semester promises to be just as fulfilling as the last. IGC as a whole is planning a canned food drive and each individual house has many new projects planned for the coming months.

County Gears Up To Fight...

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furiously to organize a coordinated protest against the state's proposal.

In a resolution which will be presented to the Siting Commission tomorrow night, the Allegany County Board of Legislators will make it clear that they believe the county is not a proper location for a dump site.

"We're trying to make the resolution stronger, specifically tailored to Allegany County," said legislator Delores Cross (R-Cuba).

Cross said certain geological aspects make the county an unstable location for the proposed site.

"We're within 25 miles of a relatively major earthquake fault," she said. "I think that needs to be very seriously examined."

Cross said the county's land is additionally unstable because of "hundreds" of holes dotted throughout the area as a result of gas and oil exploration. She said that if any leachate from a waste site escaped through these holes, it could contaminate groundwater below.

The Concerned Citizens of Allegany County, organized shortly after the commission's announcement, has assembled chapters throughout the county to rally residents in written and vocal opposition to the state proposal. The group has sponsored public meetings to discuss the impact of a waste site, and it has gathered signatures to present to the commission at the Belfast meeting.

Petition coordinators at the University had collected approximately 500 signatures by last Thursday to meet the petition deadline. Response at Alfred State was not as strong because students arrived back from vacation on Wednesday.

Transportation to the Belfast meeting will be provided by the University and Alfred State. There will be two buses leaving from the Physical Plant and five from the Alfred State campus. Sign-ups are available in the Rogers Campus Center and the Orvis Activity Center. Departure time is 5:45 p.m.

Slap Offers Help For Low Grades

Jennifer Prah

Is getting better grades one of your New Year's resolutions? For many, what the postman left in the mailbox in early January was a feared and unwanted kind of card — the dreaded report card.

For students who had difficulty making the adjustment to college life, or those who felt that turning 21 meant more partying and less studying, there is hope.

SLAP, the Student Learning Assistance Program, is an organization that could help you improve your academic status.

Mary Anne O'Donnell, the dean of Students, is responsible for providing academic retention and academic support programs for Alfred University. Seemingly, these services are unclear among AU students, although SLAP has been in existence since 1976.

"SLAP is more than just a room with a filing cabinet full of old tests," says O'Donnell of the existing misconception. "Its main purpose is to supply students with a peer to peer counseling program," she said.

SLAP is run by students trained as peer counselors who help students with academic and personal problems, and provides them with study skills techniques, time management schedules, test anxiety skills and a student-teacher liaison, a communication link between students, faculty and administration.

Unfortunately, the popular misunderstanding that the person who gives out the old tests in the SLAP office is simply performing another work study job, still exists. Quite the contrary. Not every student can belong to the SLAP program.

In order to become a peer counselor, one must be invited. The student affairs office sends memos to faculty members requesting recommendations. Special invitations

are sent to students with Dean's List status, asking them to schedule an interview.

The interviews, conducted by the peer counselors, consist of an informal question and answer period. Counselors look specifically for "those students who possess the qualities necessary to be a positive influence on others," said Chris Peckham, a 1988 graduate and former SLAP member.

The decision-making process can take up to one week. Once accepted to the program, peer counselors participate in a one-week training course before fall classes begin.

O'Donnell, David Kaplan and Cathie Chester from Career and Counseling, Matt Dubai and other faculty members conduct various seminars for the counselors on topics such as relaxation techniques, counseling skills, health and student awareness.

Last year, O'Donnell felt that SLAP could be more positive for students if it got more publicity. She created an ad-hoc committee consisting of Dubai, two SLAP counselors, two students and one residence hall staff member, that concentrated its efforts on advertising, informational programs, and changes within the group itself.

Last semester, in an effort to put the SLAP members' valuable skills to work, six of the nine peer counselors were assigned to the freshman residence halls, rather than limiting duties solely to management of the SLAP office in Cannon 101. Each counselor was responsible for 90 students, giving them an opportunity to meet and to get to know a SLAP member. The remaining counselors managed the office as in previous years.

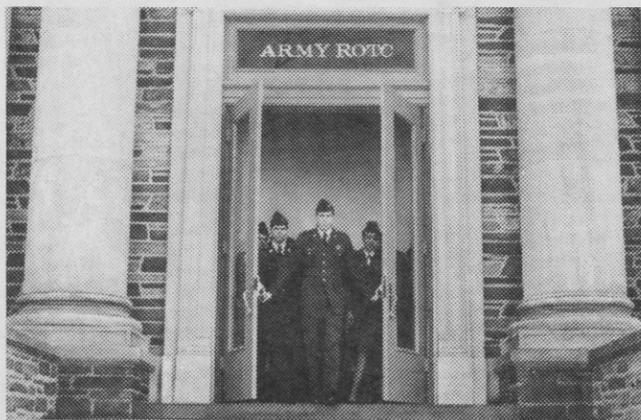
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of the average black income to white.)" Adams contributed that finances were one key issue as to the slippage of minority enrollment in colleges, as well as the sense of "social isolation" that many minorities encounter.

Black History Month will also be honored in Alfred throughout the month of February. Scheduled events include the documentary "Eyes on the Prize", shown Feb. 13 and 14, and a forum entitled "People of Color: Issues and Concerns" on Feb. 5.

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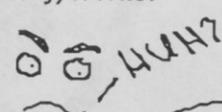
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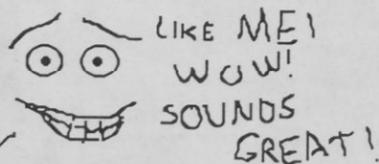
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Reagan Legacy Leaves Students With Big Debts

Michael O'Keefe

(CPS)--Eight years after they rode into Washington, D.C., pledging to change federal student aid forever, members of the Reagan administration can say they have succeeded. In their wake they're leaving students who generally have to borrow aid they used to get as grants.

Virtually all observers--whether conservative or liberal--say the dramatic shift in financial aid probably is his administration's most enduring campus accomplishment.

"Debt is the great legacy of the Reagan administration for students," said Fred Azcarte, resident of the U.S. Student Association.

Still others are disappointed that the trend away from grants wasn't faster.

"The intent of financial aid was to supplement the cost (of a college education)," contended Jeanne Allen of the Heritage Foundation, a conservative think tank that helped develop many of the administration's campus policies.

"It was never meant to guarantee everyone gets a college education," she continued. "Ronald Reagan's goal was to get back to the original intent...to ensure full access to a college education, but not that it be fully paid by the federal government."

Allen said Reagan largely succeeded in "making sure only the people who were deserving got aid money."

President Reagan came into office where educational goals, too, like abolishing the Department of Education, shifting the responsibility for funding campuses from Washington to the states and, of course, drastically cutting the federal budget for schools and colleges.

But "the announced intention to decrease expenditures...never materialized," noted Terrel Bell, Reagan's first education secretary.

It wasn't for lack of trying. In its first two budget proposals and again in 1987, the president tried to cut some major programs by as much as half.

"They repeatedly asked for cuts in student aid, but that was rejected by Congress," recalled Charles Saunders of the American Council on Education.

"They wanted to do away with student aid," asserted Rick Jerue, director of the House Postsecondary Education Subcommittee. "Things would have been far worse if Congress had not opposed the Reagan administration on cuts."

Most direct aid to campuses for libraries and housing were in fact abolished, as were aid programs like Student Social Security and the Middle Income Student Assistance Act.

In the process of attacking those and other programs, "they did manage to throw student aid programs into disarray and confusion, and we've fallen behind the actual purchasing power of 1980," the ACE's Saunders claimed.

The shift from grants--which students don't have to repay--to loans was probably the most significant and longlasting byproduct.



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The shift from grants to loans under President Reagan means both present and future college students will graduate with often large debts.

fluke," said Gwendolyn L. Lewis of the College Board. "It will probably continue. We're not likely to see a shift (back to grants) in the future."

In the mid-1970s, Lewis said, 80 percent of the federal aid given to students was in the form of grants. By 1987-88 it was down to 47 percent.

C. Ronald Kimberling, who served in the Education Dept. under Reagan, blamed Jimmy Carter. "The most astronomical growth in loans came in the Carter administration," he said, adding the government loaned \$7.8 billion to students in 1981, up from \$1.9 billion in 1978.

However, the amount of money granted to students also rose during the same period. Much of the increased loan money was given to middle-class students, who had been made eligible for student loans for the first time.

Student life, regardless of who started the shift to loans, has changed as a result. Liberal arts students, for example, changed their majors from lower-paying careers like teaching to more lucrative fields because they knew they'd need to repay loans, some said.

"Students know they are going to graduate with large debt, and that affects what classes they pick, what majors they choose, what jobs they select when they graduate," claimed Arlette Slachmuylder, president of the State Student Association of New York.

"It creates a lot of pressure on the student that 't existed in the past," he added.

USSA's Azcarte charged, "Some students will be in debt for the rest of their lives. Many young people are going to

college because they can't assume the debts."

Many who do choose to assume the debts now can't pay them back, critics said.

Just covering defaulted loans costs Washington \$1.6 billion a year, up from \$530 million in 1983 and about half the total it spends on Stafford Loans (formerly called Guaranteed Student Loans)

Lewis of the College Board predicts that the amount of money loaned to students will have to be reduced in order to cover the cost of defaults.

Increased spending to repay banks for defaulted Stafford Loans accounts for part of the increase in the Education Dept.'s budget during the Reagan years.

"When I started," former Secretary Bell said, "the budget was \$14 billion. Now it's \$21 billion. There's a perception in academia that there were cuts, but in actual dollars, there's been an increase."

After inflation is figured in, however, student aid programs were actually about 20 percent smaller in 1986 than in 1980, a 1986 USSA study alleged, while an August 1988 Wall Street Journal analysis pegged the decrease at 9 percent from 1980 to 1988.

Bell said "the higher education community and Congress frustrated" the administration's hopes to cut college spending more, and some Reagan critics remain bitter about it.

"We've been forced (to fight) to hold the status quo," Azcarte said. "I'd rather work on issues such as the retention and recruitment of minorities instead of defending programs that have existed for years."

Bill Proposes Replacing Aid With Service

(CPS)--Students would have to join the military or do volunteer work to get college financial aid if a new bill introduced Jan. 6 becomes law.

As expected, Sen. Sam Nunn (D-Ga.) and Rep. Dave McCurdy (D-Okla.) said they'd introduce legislation that would phase out all federal student aid programs within five years, replacing them with a deal in which students waive to perform some kind of "national service" in return

for aid.

McCurdy, in announcing the measure, said it would enforce the notion that "democracy is not free."

If the plan passes--both legislators expected Congress to vote on it by early 1990--students would have to serve one year in a public service like working in a nursing home or hospital or two years in a combat branch of the military.

Students who served in the military

would get a \$25,000 grant at the end of their hitch.

Students who served in civilian jobs would get a \$10,000 grant.

McCurdy hoped the plan would "reinvigorate citizenship" as an ideal that was first severely damaged during the Vietnam war. Then "the 1970s and early 1980s featured 'me generations' more interested in their own financial gain and getting BMWs than serving their country."

MONEY MATTERS

David L. Gruen

Welcome back! I hope your holiday was a good one. If you plan to apply for financial assistance for the 1989-90 academic year you should pick up the necessary forms in our office. Students who submit a completed application by March 1 will be assured that they will be notified of their aid offer before the end of the semester. A completed application will consist of an FAF filed through the College Scholarship Service, copies of the parents' and student's 1988 IRS 1040s, an Alfred University financial aid application, and a completed verification form with any required documentation. For students filing as financially independent of their parents, an Affidavit of Independence will be required with necessary documentation.

Once again the FAF will be your application for institutional aid programs, federal financial aid, and the Pell Grant, and begins the process for the Stafford Loan (formerly the Guaranteed Student Loan). For New York State students the New York version of the FAF will be your application for the TAP/Regents Scholarship programs. There was much confusion this past year in using the FAF for the TAP program. Read the instructions carefully and be

sure the incomes listed in the TAP section are New York State tax information and not federal income information. Out of state students may use the generic version of the FAF available in our office, or you may wish to pick up your own state's version at a high school or college near your home.

Summer job opportunities are arriving in our office and are available for your review by appointment. We surveyed prospective employers throughout the country, concentrating on Western New York and the Northeast. Some jobs have early deadlines. Call or stop by the office to make an appointment. Also, work-study and non-work-study jobs are updated on the computer "bulletin board" in the GENERAL account of the campus computer. If you need a job, check the listings. We'll help you if you have questions.



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The **Student Senate Elections** are scheduled for February 23 and 24. Pick up an election packet at the Campus Center Desk if you are interested in running.

Dates to remember:

Feb. 17....Election packets due
Feb. 22...."Meet the Candidates" at the senate meeting, 7:30 pm in the Parents Lounge.

INTRAMURALS

League Sign-up



Doug Dowdy

Intramural league sign up for the C block will occur according to the following schedule. All meetings will be held in the Intramural Office, McLane Center; the presence of a team captain is necessary at the scheduled times.

Jan. 24, 6 p.m.; roster card pick-up for five-on-five basketball (men), volleyball (men, women, co-rec) and innertube water polo (co-rec). Roster cards, forfeit fees and captains meeting will be held on Jan. 30 at 6, basketball at 6:30 and volleyball and water polo at 7 p.m. Referees are needed in each sport, particularly in water polo, where a current WSC is necessary. If interested, please stop by the Intramurals office any afternoon.

A good time to mention the good time had by some of your fellow students while participating in Alfred's first major off-campus travel trip to Killington, Vermont. Three of five days provided excellent ski conditions throughout the mountain's many trails. And if you're ever stuck for quarters for laundry a stop at Dave or Mike's room might help out! Next major excursion—Montego Bay, Jamaica.



Saxons Regain Winning Tradition

Brian Battle

4-0 in the tough ICAC, the 1988-89 men's basketball team seems to have regained that winning tradition.

Since Jan. 1 the Saxons have had six wins and no losses; it has won seven of its last eight games. Led by top scorers Paul Harding and Mike Falowski, along with top rebounder Tony Thomas, they've been unstoppable since the semester break.

The Saxons opened the new year Jan. 5 with a win over Hobart, 81-72. They were led by junior Falowski, who had 22 points, 11 rebounds and seven assists, and junior Derek Jackson, who had 11 points, eight rebounds and four blocks.

Jan. 7, the Saxons traveled to Oneonta to play the previously Top 20-ranked Hartwick Warriors. Defeating Hartwick 82-77, the Saxons found their top scorers in senior Harding, who had 20 points, and sophomore point guard Kevin Jones, who had nine points, eight assists and seven rebounds.

Shortly after, rival Ithaca College came to town to play the Saxons in a tough ICAC match-up. The Saxons once again prevailed 63-59 in a tough game with balance scoring throughout. Both Falowski and Harding pumped in 12 points and senior Tony Thomas dropped in 11 points for the victory.

On Sunday, Jan. 15, Clarkson traveled down to play the Saxons, who pulled this one out in overtime, 84-82. Once again



Matt Hermesen

Mike Falowski (44) prepares to sink a freethrow in the Saxons 84-82 overtime win over Clarkson.

the Saxons placed four players in double figures, led by junior Rob Kornaker with 19 points including three three-pointers. Falowski took 13 points and Harding 12.

Noted for an all-around good game was senior Paul Barrett, who had 15 points and 10 rebounds. The Saxons improved to 8-3 and 3-0 in the ICAC.

After struggling to win the Clarkson game, the Saxons came back to play Houghton College Jan. 16. It was a game in which everyone say playing time. The Saxons took control of the game right away and had built an 18-point lead at halftime, 50-32. And when it was over AU defeated Houghton 106-78.

The leading scores once again were Kornaker and Harding, with 18 and 15 points respectively. Sophomore Lee Ellwood, along with Falowski and Thomas, had 10 points. Thomas also had eight rebounds.

On Wednesday Jan. 18, the Rochester Institute of Technology came down to play the Saxons in another ICAC game. Led by Harding with 20 points, once again the Saxons took control and easily defeated RIT, 88-77.

Some outstanding players in this game were Jones, who had 5 points and 12 assists, Falowski, Thomas, Bill Gorman and Tom Hall off the bench.

At the end of two weeks the Saxons were 6-0 and 4-0 in the conference, extending their home undefeated winning streak to six. This Friday, Rochester Polytechnic Institute comes to Alfred to play the Saxons. If the team keeps up this winning streak, they may enjoy a play-off spot in the near future.

Lady Saxons Record First ICAC Victory

Carolyn Clark

In a year of firsts—this is the first year the Independent College Athletic Conference has sponsored a women's basketball conference—the Lady Saxons recorded their first ICAC win after defeating the Rochester Institute of Technology 61-58.

Sophomore Pat Cooney stole the ball from RIT's offense and converted it for a lay-up, giving the Saxons their largest lead of the game, 42-29, early in the second half.

RIT then came back to take the lead 54-52 with only two minutes remaining.

Sophomore Michelle Finn then hit a jump shot to tie the score 54-54. It wasn't until there were 36 seconds remaining that RIT fouled Beth Mott, putting her on the line with a one and one situation. Mott made both ends to put the Saxons up by one.

Freshman Pam Kelleher was then fouled on her shot, sending her to the line with eight seconds remaining. Kelleher made both foul shots and put the game away. RIT inbounded the ball and, at the buzzer, released a three-point shot which hit the backboard but wasn't good

enough.

Mott led the Saxons with 15 points and 20 rebounds, while Cooney chipped in 13 points.

Mott leads the team, averaging 12.9 points and 15.6 rebounds per game. Tracy Smith follows, averaging 9.6 points and 7.8 rebounds, while Cooney is shooting 42.1 percent from the three-point range.

The Lady Saxons, who improved their overall record to 5-9, will return home on Saturday, Jan. 28 to face the Rochester Polytechnic Institute at 6 p.m.

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Tickets are selling out fast for this semester's PA&SS events. As of Jan. 20, PA&SS had only 130 tickets left for its Feb. 18 Broadway smash "For Colored Girls..."

There will be an Alfred-Almond tutorial organizational meeting Feb. 2 in the Campus Center's Video Lounge at 7:30 p.m.

The Hot Dog Day '89 Committee needs volunteers and chairpersons. HDD is an annual event to raise funds for local charities such as Red Cross, Oz Helpline, St. Jude's Center for Catholic Ministry and the Boy Scouts. HDD activities include auctions, carnivals, Mud Volleyball and more. For more information, call Adam LAng at 871-3113.

Tom Hanks and Eddie Murphy star in the upcoming Nevins Theater movies. *Big*, a tale of a young mind in a grownup body, will be shown Friday, Jan. 27. *Coming to America*, a comedy of an African king searching for an American wife, will be shown Sunday, Jan. 29. Both movies start at 8 p.m.

Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges is now accepting nominations. Applications are available at the Campus Center and at the Student Affairs Office. Deadline for submission is Feb. 10.

Snow Fences, a presentation of artwork by children of staff and faculty at Alfred State College and at Alfred University, will be on display Jan. 27-Feb. 1 in the Fosdick-Nelson Library.

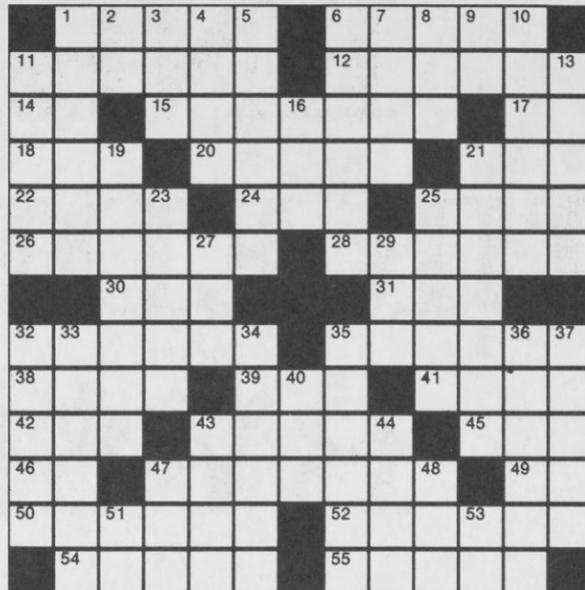
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