Village of Alfred sets April 6 hearings on vendor law, budget

By LINDA LEWANDOWSKI
Alfred Sun Reporter

ALFRED—Alfred Village Mayor Craig Clark and the Village Trustees have scheduled public hearings on the proposed vendor law and this year’s budget for 7 and 7:15 p.m., Tuesday, April 6, respectively, to be followed by the regular monthly meeting of the Board at 7:30.

The Mayor said the budget is “looking good” with savings in all departments, keeping taxes at the current level for next year.

The budget includes the cost of repaving Main Street from the intersection of West University to the village limit on Jericho Hill. The project will be coordinated with an upcoming NYS DOT paving project which extends from the intersection of Routes 21 and 244 through Alfred Station to the corner of Main and West University in the village.

Construction will begin in late June, and the estimated completion date is mid-August. The cost of the village project is estimated at $87,000, with $25,000 of that coming from the NYS Capital Highway Improvement Program (CHIPS).

The Board also acted on the Main Street Grant Application and Administration Grant Plan, designating Amanda Burns as grant writer, with the Board agreeing to directly oversee the writing of such, and the appointment of a part-time administrator, funded from the grant, to handle all reporting, documentation, financial transaction approval, and implementation of the grant, if awarded.

Recommendations from the Planning Board are a integral part of the grant process.

In the public hearing preceding this month’s meeting, the revision to Parking Ordinance, Article VI, Section 5 was heard. The revision prohibits parking on the east side of Mill Street between Church and West University “except where 15-minute parking is indicated.” The prohibition extends on Mill Street from the intersection of Church for a distance of 108 feet. In the meeting following the hearing, the resolution was approved by the Board.

In other business, the Trustees:

--Authorized Police Chief Tim O’Grady’s request to make an application for demilitarized equipment.
--Authorized the annual agreement to support the Alfred State College Summer Sports Festival.
--Discussed improved signage for Village Hall property and proposed a signage committee.
--The Mayor emphasized how important it is that all residents respond promptly to the census materials now appearing in mailboxes, as the results of the count have a direct effect on government funding for roads, schools, and other community programs.

Craig Clark, interim vice president for academic affairs at Alfred State College, met with Honors Program members March 8 to describe his years working in Saudi Arabia. From 1982-1989, Clark was employed as a civil engineer at various locations in Saudi Arabia as the kingdom experienced rapid development and massive building programs. In that period, opulent mansions, industrial complexes, and entire cities rose out of the desert almost overnight. In coming months, Clark plans a return visit to observe progress in the past two decades. Clark has been associated with Alfred State College since 1979, serving in a variety of teaching and administrative capacities, including professor and department chair, Civil Engineering Technology, as well as dean of the School of Applied Technology and executive director of the Wellsville campus. Clark also serves as the mayor of the Village of Alfred. Pictured here: Octavia Alston Wilson, Brooklyn (11238), agricultural technology; Clark, Sarah Stiller, Andover, nursing; Bethany Williams, Hornell, nursing; and Christopher Schwarz, Vestal, CAD/CAM technology.

Village Planning Board endorses Main St. plan

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ALFRED—Alfred Village Planning Board members, in the March 4 meeting chaired by Anne Wenslow, voted to endorse the proposed “Plan for Main Street Grant Application and Administration” as presented by Mayor Craig Clark and Clerk-Treasurer Kathy Koegel.

The plan designates Amanda Burns as the 2010 Main Street Grant writer. The Village Board and clerk-treasurer will have direct oversight of the grant writer, and if the grant is successful, the hiring of a grant-funded part-time administrator.

The New York Main Street program is intended to strengthen business districts through funding of improvements in structures, storefronts, and energy efficiency. Funds for new construction are not available through the grant.

The Planning Board will be involved in the planning for the grant, with member Justin Grigg working closely with Amanda Burns to complete the application by the April 23 deadline. More information can be found at www.nysdhcr.gov.

Notice was given of three upcoming meetings:
--On March 9, the Alfred Village Board, meeting at 7:20 in the Village Hall for a public hearing on the revised parking law, followed by the regular meeting at 7:30 p.m.
--On March 18, 7 p.m., A Wind Energy meeting with speaker Steve Dombert of Hartsville.
--On April 19, 4:30 p.m., Alfred Alive, a community action group, which has had a good turnout at previous meetings.

All meetings are held at the Alfred Village Hall, and the public is welcome. The next regular meeting of the Planning Board will be Thursday, April 4 at 7:30 p.m.
OBITUARIES

RICHARD A. STIMSON

Worked for Agway, Air Preheater

ANDOVER—Richard A. Stimson, 100, longtime Andover resident, passed away peacefully Wednesday (March 3, 2010) at Jones Memorial Hospital in Wellsville.

Mr. Stimson was born on April 23, 1909 in Princeton, MA to Dr. Joseph H. and Mary Ella (Brooks) Stimson. He was a 1929 graduate of Worster High School and in 1931 graduated from Alfred State Agricultural and Technical College. On Aug. 21, 1935, in Alfred Station, he married Mary Ellen Whitford, and predeceased him on Dec. 2, 1988.

Richard worked for Grange League Federation (Agway) in retail sales in Honesdale, Pa., Alfred, Cattaraugus and Wellsville for 20 years. In 1955, he went to work for Air Preheater in Wellsville as a sub-assemblyman and continued there until his retirement in 1975.

Dick was survived by his daughter, Elinor Stimson Park, his beloved sister, Elinor Stimson Park, his predeceased by two brothers, 20 years.

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Fredrick Stimson and Brooks predeceased by two brothers, 20 years.

Carolyn and their families who survived by his “second family”, and nephews. Additionally, he is survived by his children, Bob, Billy, Marilyn and Marjorie Cornell and her children, Kelsey Wood and Anthony Wood; and several nieces and nephews. Additionally, he was a member of Andover United Methodist Church since 1951, where he also served as trustee.

Friends called on Monday, March 8 from noon to 2 p.m. at Baker-Swan Funeral Home in Andover. The funeral service was held at 2 p.m. Monday, March 8 at the funeral home immediately following the visitation with Rev. Carol Schweigart, officiating. Burial followed in Alfred Rural Cemetery.

The Stimson family wished to express their sincere thanks to the staff at Jones Memorial Hospital for making his final days peaceful and blessed and to Dr. William Cogh for his compassionate service.

Memorial contributions in Dick’s name may be made to Andover Rescue Squad, PO Box 726, Andover, NY 14806 or to Andover United Methodist Church, PO Box P, Andover, NY 14806.

DORIS C. GARDNER

Business teacher; store owner

CANISTEO--Doris C. Gard- ner, 86, of 38 Chestnut St., Canisteo, passed away Saturday (March 13, 2010) at the Wellsville Manor.

Born in North Hornell, Nov. 19, 1923, she was the daughter of Dr. Kenneth and Florence Skillman Comfort. She was a graduate of Canisteo Central School, and graduated cum laude from Alfred University.

She taught business in several area schools prior to opening Gardner’s Clothing Store in Canisteo in 1954, which she and her husband, Barney Gardner, operated until 1993.

She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Canisteo, The American Association of University Women and the Alfred University Alumni Association.

She was predeceased by her parents and her husband, Barney Gardner in 1995.

She is survived by her son, Kenneth (Cindy) Gardner of Canisteo and granddaughter, Jessica Thompson of Greer, S.C.

Honoring Doris’ wishes, there were no calling hours. Family and friends attended a memorial service at 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 17 at the First United Methodist Church of Canisteo with Rev. Robert Dean officiating. Burial was in Bath National Cemetery.

Friends may make memorial contributions to: Hornell Area Humane Society, P.O. Box 533, Hornell, NY 14843.

To send a remembrance to the family, please visit www.brownandpowersfuneralhomes.com. The family is being assisted by Gerald R. Brown, director.

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ALFRED—A memorial service for June E. Brown, formerly of 30 Sayles Street, Alfred, who passed away Monday, Dec. 28, 2009 at the Wellsville Manor, will be held at 3 p.m. Saturday, March 27 at the Union University Church in Alfred.

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Alfred Sun Columnist

While Ellen’s away, the editor will play!

By DAVID L. SNYDER
Editor, Publisher, and Cook(?)

Spring is a glorious season. But it’s also “skunk season.” Virginia Bassett passed along this recipe via Linda Lewandowski. And, while this recipe is not of the culinary kind that readers are accustomed to, it may prove handy. Virginia found this recipe from Paul Saunders, one-time AU professor and long-time Alfred weather recorder, when she was sorting through old papers:

Skunk Spray Deodorizer

2 quarts of hydrogen peroxide
6 tablespoons baking soda
A little shampoo

Use to bathe the dog. Probably more than one time.

While this recipe does not appear in the Alfred Community Cookbook: A Hot Historical Helping of Dramatic Recipes, perhaps it should. There is, in the cookbook, a lot of Alfred history and folklore. The ACT cookbook is available for $15 (or two for $25) at Hair Care in Alfred or Canacadea Country Store in Alfred Station.

Have you ever had ham and leek dinner? You will find your friends and neighbors who will be looking forward to a chance just to sit and talk and enjoy a time of good fashion getting together.

How much will this cost? It costs a donation. You donate dollars as a gift to help a worthy cause. What cause is that? We have two men in the congregation Curtis Palmier and Calvin Babcock who are hoping to leave in June on a missions project. They will travel to Guyana, South America. There they will use their skills in a construction project rebuilding a manse helping the men and women of the Guyana Seventh Baptist General Conference to take a step toward self-sufficiency.

The Alfred Station Seventh Day Baptist Church, “A 3 C – Church” Connect- Care- Community” invite to come to the Ham and Leek Dinner, April 11. The Alfred Station Seventh Day Baptist church meeting house is the big white building at 587 Rt. 244 Alfred Station. The meeting house is located down from Canacadea Country Store and Baker’s Bridge Antiques, across from the Hillbottom Pottery. If you have questions about the Sabbath, Salvation, or Seventh Day Baptists call the church office as 607-587-9176.

The Fourth Annual Ham and Leek Dinner in the social rooms from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Sunday, April 11.

What will you find when you come to the Ham and Leek Dinner? There is a full menu of ham, cooked leeks, macaroni and cheese, (for those whose taste is in the never will category), scalloped potatoes, potato and leek soup, rolls and pie for dessert. Beverages will be coffee, tea, milk, and of course refreshing water.

What else will you find at the dinner? You will find your friends and neighbors who will be looking forward to a chance just to sit and talk and enjoy a time of good fashion getting together.

Ham and Leek dinner...may require acquired taste
In government’s hands
To the Editor:
We’re on the verge of handing an immense amount of control of our health care over to the government. According to House Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D-CA), “[W]e have to pass the bill so that you can find out what is in it, away from the fog of the controversy.” Last year when the House passed their version of the bill, we wondered if any of them voting for it even read it. Now we’re at the point of Pelosi pushing to pass a trillion dollar bill just to see what’s in it! Give me break!
The U.S. Post Service was established in 1775. They’ve had 234 years to get it right and it is running deep into the red. Social Security was established in 1935. It’s had 74 years to get it right and it is going broke. Fannie Mae was established in 1938. It’s had 71 years to get it and it is a mess. Freddie Mac was established in 1970. It’s had 39 years to get it right and it too is a mess. The War on Poverty started in 1964. Liberals and Progressives have had 45 years to get it right. After $1 trillion of our money is confiscated each year and transferred to “the poor,” they’re hardly better off than when the welfare began. Nevertheless, the politicians cry for more and make us pay the limp for more votes.
Medicare and Medicaid were established in 1965. They’ve had 44 years to get it right and they are going broke. The Department of Education was created in 1977 supposedly to ease our dependence on foreign oil. It has swollen to 16,000 employees with a budget of $24 billion a year and we import more oil than ever before. It’s had 32 years to get it right with only failure to show for it. By the way, all of these so-called services have no authorization in the Constitution.
Every “government service” shoved down our throats while overspending our tax dollars is failing and now Obama, Pelosi, and Reid want Americans to believe that they can be trusted with a speculative government-run health care system. This is not about the need for good health care. It’s about trusting the government to run it.

Mel McGinnis

Sun Spots
If You Build It, They Will Come – And Rob You Blind

The mouse
In our house
Cheats.
The bait
It, of late,
Eats
Without even springing the trap.
The fat
Little rat,
Defies,
Puts its paws
In the jaws
Of the lion’s
And makes off with every last scrap.
The tongue
Of its young
Is quick
To learn
How to turn
This trick,
Whether the bait’s peanut butter or scouse.
And no matter
How better
I build it,
And thought
That ought
To have killed it,
They keep building a much better mouse!
—Anoth R. Mouse

A "cheap and good newspaper serving Alfred since 1852"
The Alfred Sun
By David Pullen
Allegany County Legislator

"AFFORDABLE" VERSUS "NEEDED"
I just read a report on the Internet about the projected State budget deficit. For 2010 it is now estimated at more than $9 billion. Another report estimates the federal deficit for the next fiscal year will exceed $1 trillion (or $1.0 billion). Is this because the government is collecting enough tax money? I don’t think so. The real problem is that government is spending too much money. It really isn’t all that complicated.

Most of us have some experience with budget issues. On a daily, weekly and monthly basis most of us experience the reality that there is simply not enough money to do everything that needs to be done. We have learned to establish priorities. We have also learned that we must frequently make difficult choices. As parents we have told our children that they can’t have things they need, let alone everything they want. This is an unfortunate reality. But it remains a reality nonetheless.

Most of us know that there are only two ways to balance our home or business budgets. We can increase revenue or we can reduce spending. There are no magical formulae that allow us to continually increase revenue or spend more than we earn. We cannot make decisions based upon perceived “need” or on the basis of what would be “good”. Those factors are important and come into play in the setting of priorities or determinations. However, they are incidental factors when it comes to determining whether a particular thing can be afforded.

In early February I attended the NYSAC Conference in Albany. While there I listened to numerous State officials discuss their specific programs and areas of responsibility. They consistently focused on the “need” and “benefits” of their particular program. They rarely discussed cost or funding. They became defensive and oppositional when I asked them to provide the financial sources for those programs. It came obvious that they simply do not approach things from a viewpoint of what is affordable.

I believe this mindset is at the heart of the current budget crisis in both Albany and Washington. Our leaders no longer approach the budget process from a perspective of what can be afforded. They approach everything from the viewpoint of what is needed or desirable. Most of us outgrew particular mental traps during infancy or adolescence. It appears that our leaders have never learned that lesson or have regressed and forgotten it. The effects of this mindset are obvious and disastrous. It is imperative that this be changed.

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guesting!"

The exhibit can be viewed during the Library's regular hours: 8 a.m.-11 p.m. Monday—Thursday; 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday; 1-7 p.m. Saturday and 1-11 p.m. Sunday.

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Singer/songwriter Joe Crookston to perform at Wellsville Creative Arts Center March 27

We have been told Crookston will perform at 8 p.m. Saturday, March 27 at the Wellsville Creative Arts Center. Come early for dinner (served 5-9 p.m.). Tickets are $12 advance purchase/$14 at door. Member tickets are $10 advance purchase/$12 at door. Tickets may be purchased online, in advance, at www.WellsvilleCreativeArtsCenter.com or at the Art Center Coffee House. For more information visit the website or call 585-593-3000.

Joe Crookston’s music and songwriting is deeply rooted in the grand celebration of life, death, ancestry and the interconnectedness of us all. It’s music that is real, music that connects and music that tells stories with precision and craft.

Born and raised in Northeast Ohio, with Hungarian music roots, he inherited his love of music and song from his late mother, a prolific songwriter and accordion player. Whether it’s his mesmerizing guitar sound or bubbling banjo, his music draws from his rural Ohio roots and exudes a remarkable inter-generational, universal and timeless quality. His audience rapport, musicianship and playful stage presence is intense, mesmerizing and musical. His audience rapport, musicianship and playful stage presence, his mesmerizing guitar sound or accordion player. Whether it’s his mesmerizing guitar sound or bubbling banjo, his music draws, cycles of joy and pain, and eventually they thread the needle through all of us...

- VICTORY MUSIC REVIEW

"Fall Down as the Rain" was chosen by Performing Songwriter Magazine as a 2004 "Top-12-Do-It-Yourself" independent recording and was featured on NPR's "All Songs Considered" as well as Syndicated Minnesota Public Radio, The Midnight Special and Folkscene. It was also named "Best Folk Recording" by Seattle's KBCS radio and WXOU in Auburn, MI. "Able Baker Charlie and Dog" went straight to #1 on the US folk/ acoustic DJ Charts and was awarded "Album of the Year" by the International Folk Alliance. He has shared festival stages with the likes of Livingston Taylor, John McCutcheon, Arlo Guthrie, Tim Reynolds, John Gorka and many others.

"I've watched audiences glued to their seats at the end of Joe's shows simply not wanting the evening to end. There is a spirit in his music that is simultaneously sacred, celebratory, artful and solidly grounded in tradition... Go see this man perform, and don't be surprised if you drive home singing his songs with a renewed sense of what's possible."

- SEATTLE FOLKLORE SOCIETY

Finger Lakes]

CAROLS, HYMNS and CHANTS

Like forms in the natural world, musical forms have their own, distinct identities. A ballad is one thing, a sonata is another. In his review of the Cowley Carol Book (1902), a collection of traditional Christmas carols, the British musicologist Sir William Henry Hadow (1859-1937) explores the differences between two such forms: the carol and the hymn. Although Sir Henry’s discussion has nothing overtly to do with Zen, it brings to mind an important component of Zen practice.

As Sir Henry explains, a carol is the “folk-song of religious music; its essential character is simple, human, direct; it sings its message of joy and welcome, of peace and goodwill, and remembers, while it sings, the sanctity of motherhood and the gentleness of little children.” Carols are by nature democratic. They appeal to emotions that are “the common heritage of mankind,” and they aim at “no display of learning, no pageantry or ceremonial.” They are “the service of poor men in their working garb,” and they bring “tunings which all may hear and understand.” In keeping with their humble origins, the melodies of carols are “simple and flowing” and “easy to remember.” Their native place is the “open air,” where a “few rude voices” are singing “under the frosty stars.”

By contrast, hymns are most at home in churches and cathedrals. They are an instrument of worship, and they have an authorized place in the Sunday service. In their solemnity and grandeur, hymns represent the “majesty and erudition of the Church.” Marked by “intricacy of contrapuntal device,” “ingenuity of modulation,” and “colored or perfumed harmony,” hymns are the likes of William Byrd sort well with the “fretted aisles and blazoned windows” of the great English cathedrals. Unlike the carol, which evokes a beautiful “beggar-maiden” in peasant rags, the hymn wears “a sumptuous habit of jewels and brocade.” It is an integral part of Anglican liturgy, and it carries the weight of ecclesiastical authority.

Zen has no exact equivalent of the hymn or carol. Western “bare-bones” Zen, as practiced by Clark Strand, Toni Paecker, and others, dispenses with liturgy altogether; and even the liturgy of formal Zen, with its wood-blocks, bows, and bells, is a plain austere affair, at least when contrasted with Sunday morning at York Minster or Eveson sang at King’s College, Cambridge.

Yet formal Zen does make use of chants, which combine the most prominent features of hymns and carols. Like the hymn, such chants as Atta Dīpa (“You are the Light”), the Heart Sutra, and the Four Great Vows embody the authority of a venerable tradition. Chanted in Pali or Sino-Japanese, they evoke a strangeness comparable to that of an Anglican Mass. At the same time, most Zen chants are, in musical terms, rudimentary. The Heart Sutra is chanted in a rhythmic monotone, and Atta Dīpa consists of two notes at an interval of a fourth (do–fa). However strange their form or formidable their authority, they can be learned and chanted by anyone.

Unlike its counterpart in Christian liturgy, Zen chanting is not a form of worship. Its functions are, first, to loosen the diaphragm in preparation for seated meditation, and second, to unify the body, breath, and mind in the act of chanting. As John Daido Loori Roshi has noted, Zen chanting grounds the practitioner in the here-and-now. No less important, it serves to cultivate wholesome states of mind, particularly those of respect and gratitude. In Daido Roshi’s words, Zen chanting has “little to do with the volume of your voice. It has all to do with the state of your mind.”

Nowhere are these purposes more evident than in Tei Dai Denpo, or lineage chanting, in which Zen practitioners intone the names of their ancestral teachers. Shido Bunan Zenji. Dokyo Eisan Zenji. Hakutsu Eaku Zenji. . . Echoing in the zendo, this ancient chant evokes a mood of profound communal gratitude. Travelling the centuries, it conjures an unbroken lineage of practice, thought, and feeling, extending from the fifth century B.C. E. to the present day. An amalgam, if you like, of hymn and carol, it also honors the teachers in ourselves.

Ben Howard is Emeritus Professor of English at Alfred University and leader of the Fall-ing Leaf Sangha, a Zen practice group in Al- fred. The Falling Leaf Sangha meets every Sunday from 7:30-8:45 PM in room 301 of the Miller Performing Arts Center on the Alfred University campus. Newcomers are welcome.
JONNY GEEZE will perform at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 20 at the Black-Eyed Susan Acoustic Café in Angelica.

ANGELICA—Black-Eyed Susan Acoustic Café is proud to present guitarist/singer Jonny Geeze of Auburn, MA on Saturday, March 20. Café doors open at 4:30 for dinner with music beginning at 7:30.

Geeze, a sophomore at Houghton College, has been performing for four years. He has played at numerous coffee-houses along the East Coast including the Moonstruck Café in Charlton MA; Udderly Delicious in Oxford MA; and the Black-Eyed Susan Café in Angelica. Geeze will be at the Linger Longer Café in Allegany.

Most of his original music has been influenced by past experiences, whether it be relationships with friends, high school, college. AU Chamber Singers plan March 26 concert

ALFRED—The Alfred University Chamber Singers will present a program of show tunes “Off Broadway,” on Friday, March 26, at 7:30 p.m., in Susan Howells Hall. Tickets will accompany the evening’s program; a cash bar will open at 7 p.m.

 Admission is $10 per person or $5 for AU students. Reservations are required; groups pieces will be included. For more information, please call 585-466-3399 or visit www.black-eyed-susan.com.

The doors at Black-Eyed Susan open for dinner, specialty coffees and desserts at 4:30 every Saturday. Enjoy the mellow sounds of Jim Schwartz on guitar at 6 p.m., with Jonny Geeze beginning at 7:30 p.m.

There is no cover charge, but guests are expected to contribute to the musician’s tip jar. The kitchen remains open on Saturdays until 10 p.m. and the café closes at 11 p.m. Reservations for dinner -- while never necessary -- are strongly encouraged.

Coming Saturday performances include: alternative folk music by BETHEL STEELE & SIERRA ROCKS on March 27; swing, jazz, pop and standards by pianist/singer ALAN HOWE on April 3; mesmerizing, authentic folk music by LISA BIGWOOD on April 10; and traditional folk by MIKE STROBEL on April 17.

Black-Eyed Susan is located at 22 West Main Street in Angelica’s Park Circle National Historic District. The café is open for lunch Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Guests can dine in with a beautiful view of Park Circle, or have a meal delivered to their home or workplace. Menus are posted on-line.

Black-Eyed Susan Acoustic Café seats 70 and is fully handicap-accessible, making it a perfect place for business meetings, showers, private dinners and other events. For more information call 585-466-3399 or visit www.black-eyed-susan.com.
Alfred Village Band offers concerts at 7:15 p.m. Wednesdays during July at the Alfred Village Bandstand. For further info, call Linda Stagner at 276-2068 or e-mail Elaine Hardman at 585-593-6345 Elaine@stoneflower-pottery.com.

Angelica Sweet Shop 44 West Main St., Angelica. Angelica Sweet Shop open Mon.-Wed. 10-2, Thurs.-Fri. 10 a.m.-9 p.m.; Sat.-Sun. 8 a.m.-8 p.m. Scorable played Thurs., evenings 6-9 p.m. For more info, call 585-486-7070 or e-mail info@angelicasweet-shop.com.

Black-Eyed Susan Acoustic Cafe 22 West Main St., Angelica. Open Mon.-Fri. 11-2 for lunch; 2 p.m. for dinner, espresso & desserts. Open Mon.-Fri. 11-2 for lunch, 2 p.m. for dinner, espresso & desserts. Open daily nights from 9 p.m.-1 a.m. Fridays. Info 585-593-3399 or visit black-eyed-susan.com.

Blue Sky Mission will be in concert at 7:15 p.m. Friday, Feb. 12 in the Knight Club, Powell Campus Center, AU campus. Sponsored by WAFP 97.7.

Franz Nicolay of the World famous Friendship Society and Heiz Stead will be in concert at 10 p.m. Friday, Feb. 19 in the Knight Club, Powell Campus Center, AU campus.

Hornell Area Wind Ensemble Rehearsals: Tuesday evenings at Hornell Intermediate School. New members are always welcomed. For further information, call Nancy Lux at 587-4449 or call 585-9603.

Malanca will be in concert at 10 p.m. Friday, Feb. 5 at a location to be announced. Sponsored by AU SAB. For more info, call 607-871-2179.

Maple City Bowl 7580 Seneca Road, Hornell. DJ/Karaoke every Friday Night 9 p.m.-1 a.m.; Saturday night bands from 9 p.m.-1 a.m. Jan. 23—Meat Cutters Union; Jan. 30—Lucky 8 Feb. 6—Dashoe; Feb. 13—The Hodgettys; Feb. 20—Roundhouse Kick. For updates, check Maplecitybowl.net or call 607-324-1011.

Wellsville Creative Arts Center offers live music most Saturday evenings with performances beginning at 8 p.m.; doors opening at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 23—Doug Weirman & Co; Feb. 6—Alien Piston; Feb. 6—The Claire Lynch Trio; Feb. 20—Mark Erelli; March 13—Robin & Linda Williams and their Fine Group; March 20—Keith Engler Band; March 27—Joe Crookston; April 8—The Rich Fabec Band; Fri., April 15—Red Moly; Friday, April 23—The Horse Files; Fri., April 30—Jim Paga. For tickets, visit www.WellsvilleCreativeArtsCenter.com or call 585-593-3000.

Wellsville Performing Arts Orchestra, Musicians and music lovers who want to be patricians and support the arts, call 585-593-0119 or visit www.wellsvillemusic.org for more information.

Choral Groups Rehearsals: Wellsville United Methodist Church, Wellsville. New members are always welcomed. Contact Daniel BRender at 478-5238.

Genesee Valley Chorus—An evening of liturgical dance. All ages and ability levels. For more information about registering for classes, contact Director Rebecca Moore at 585-567-2079.

Full Moon Brewery meets Thursday nights. Call Vice-President Martha Lash at 607-871-2412 for more info. Alfred Community Theatre (ACT). ORG. To revive summer theater in Alfred and to help in the restoration of the 1890 Folks Auditorium. For more info, call Dave Snyder at 587-569-2804.

Alfred Community Theatre presents “The Secret Garden.” For further information, contact Gra-ham Marks/Kegan Staffel at evalley@home.net or call 607-478-8178.

Alleluia School of Dance offers classes in Houghton and Wellsville. Classical ballet and ligurical dance. All ages and ability levels. For more information about registering for classes, contact Director Rebecca Moore at 585-567-2079.

The Alfred Performing Arts Association (APAA) will present its annual British pantomime “The Babes in the Wood.” April 16—Red Molly; Friday, April 23—The Rich Fabec Band; April 30—Black Tie Ball; May 7—Avenue Q. For more information, contact Debbie McIvor at 607-587-9519 or e-mail Debbie@stoneflower.com.

MUSEUMS/EXHIBITS

Americans Mancé Tours at the Corning Museum of Glass.dedicated to the finest glass in the world. For more information, call Debbie McIvor at 607-587-9519 or e-mail Debbie@stoneflower.com.

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

Southern Tier Fibers 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 spin-ners (and wannabees), quilters, knitters, crocheters, embroider-ers, weavers, dyers, basket mak-ers, hookers (no hookers, that is) and everyone with a creative mind and an interest in fibers. For more information, call Debbie MacIvor at 607-587-9519 or e-mail Debbie@stoneflower.com.

Museum of Joe’s Place The Schein-Joseph Interna-tional Ceramic Museum of Alfred. Due to nearby con-stuction, the SJIMECA gallery space is currently closed. For in-formation about scheduling a special exhibit, please visit our website or call. For more in-formation visit the SJIMECA website and or call 607-871-2412 or visit the museum website: www.ceramicsmu-museum.org.

Mather Homestead Museum, 36 Maple St., Wellsville. Open 2-5 p.m. Wed. & Sat. or by appt. 607-871-2412 or call 617-153-1615. For further information, see www.mathershomestead.org.

National Warplane Museum Open I-86 in Big Flats. Call 607-739-8200 for information by the museum for more information.

Rockwell Museum, 113 Cedar St., Corning. Largest American Western Art collection on view in the eastern United States, with paintings, sculpture, Native American artifacts, and firearms.
GREENE at 587-9488. Visit: 9493. To tour building and/or view dinner. For more information, call Annual meeting and dish-to-pass Student Diary During the Civil War’’

Allegany Hill Road, Alfred Station. Pro-

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Fridays in Room 270 at Herrick Library

March 19-21, The Blind Side; March 25-

Edgar Allan Poe, halfway between

Brewster, Alfred. Open reading of original

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Baltic Sea. Visit: www.bakersbridge.org

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Franklin Field. Open: 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Tu-

Dad’, 7:00 p.m. in STS 130.

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Theater. Open: 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Tu-Thur.

$12/single, $18/family. Mail to: Laura Vetter; May 2010—Lun-

Hornell Fortnightly Club. Meets third Thursday

“Flora and Fauna at Letchworth”

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7:30 p.m second Wednesday of each month

April 2 to July 8, North Hornell.

Housewarming.”

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Fine Dining at Herrick Library. Open:
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Lectures/Readings

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ARTIST KNOT STARTING SMALL with an enormous crowd

By ELAINE HARDMAN
Alfred Sun Reporter

ANDOVER—Amy Brown meant to start small but her first show at the newly remodeled gallery, the Artist Knot in Andover, drew a huge crowd—enormous in enthusiasm and massively impressed.

Among the first guests to walk in were Rick and Sarah Recio from Wellsville. Rick said that several forces nudged them to attend the show. They read articles about the store/gallery in two area papers and then their neighbor brought a gift from the Artist Knot. Rick drove past it twice a day for a while—always too early or too late to stop—but the postcard about the show made them set the date for a visit.

Recios found three “favorites” on display in the show as well as in the main gallery: a Salvador Dali print, a painting of elephant tulips and a Dick Lang bowl. They sipped wine, visited friends, snacked on an engaging spread of food and in the end chose the Dali, an intricate design wonderfully framed and matted.

Ann and Rich Hampshire, present, were pleased that there is a place like the Artist Knot to show off all our local artists. Anthony Lipnicki, proprietor of the Mustard Seed Inn, said, “This is a wonderful addition to the community of Andover. Andover is turning into “the place to be” and this opening gave me the chance to appreciate the talent in our area. It also made me realize the quality of art made by some of my friends.”

Another guest, Ty Houston from Hornell, spent a great deal of time studying Bob Chaffee’s wood carvings as well as an oil painting by Jay Pullman of Hornell. Pullman’s painting, Time for a Rest III showed a pile of logs, large diameter pieces on the bottom and smaller on the top, a blue jacket hanging on one log and a maul leaning against its future task.

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“The title is Time for a Rest III and that makes me want to know the story. Was the jacket still on the person in number one? Was there a number 4? Was it the painter’s jacket?”

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The Artist Knot is filled with the work of 48 artist and artisans but Starting Small has small works created by 12 of them. The show includes drawings by Jerry Brown, paintings by Tom O’Grady and o’briuthiann, wood carvings by Alec MacCrea, silver jewelry by Trina Allen and pottery by Mark Corwine. Molly Dougherty of Richburg was not only the youngest artist but the most popular among patrons.

“Starting Small” opened on Friday, March 12 and continues on Tuesdays through Saturdays until April 23 during regular hours. In addition to art, the Artist Knot also sells professional art supplies and materials.

Visit www.ArtistKnot.com for hours. (Note: Elaine Hardman is a member of Allegany Artisans and is also represented by The Artist Knot Gallery; her work is included in Starting Small.)

Dick Lang’s covered brown jar.
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Compiled by DAVID L. SNYDER
Alfred Sun Editor and Publisher

FIFTY YEARS AGO, MARCH 17, 1960

MORE than a thousand residents of the surrounding area are expected to visit the College of Ceramics at Alfred University this weekend. Classes will be held from noon to 2 p.m. during the annual "open house" held as part of the 28th annual St. Pat's Festival. The glass industry is being featured in exhibits and displays throughout Binnin-Merill Hall. Glass blowers from Corning Glass Works will perform in the huge kiln room. Onlookers will watch the dip blobs of red-hot glass being touched and formed into vases and other decorative glassware. They also will see a skilled glass worker form delicate figures from hot glass tubes.

**Alfred Station**—Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Ormsby and children called on Mrs. Mabel McIntosh and Miss Myrtle Ferry at Alfred last weekend. Sunday...Bobbi and Alyce Lewis entertained six of their friends at a sled-ding party Sunday afternoon...Mrs. Dale Woodruff and family of Wellsboro, PA spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Lewis...Mr. and Mrs. Donald Post of Alfred and Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Stuart were recent callers of Mrs. Mae Whitford...Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Burdick and Norma returned home Monday evening after spending a two weeks vacation in Florida. While there they stayed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Paton of Winter Haven and called on Mr. and Mrs. Charles Saunders of Hornell at St. Cloud. They took the Tamiami Trail to Puntia Gorda where they spent a week. They called on Mr. and Mrs. Frank Burdick at Holly Hill and attended the Thursday evening Seminary Christmas Party in Panama Beach where they met several people from Alfred Station...Mrs. Ralph Allen entertained several women at a Stanley Home party at her home last Tuesday evening. Mrs. Frank Burdick of Alfred was the demonstrator...Alfredians—Miss Marion Fosdick has returned from a two weeks trip to Florida...Mr. and Mrs. Robert Reider of the Rochester and Mr. and Mrs. Michael Stepanian of Niagara Falls spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Barron...Mr. and Mrs. Dale Patton spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W.G. Patton of the Turnpike...Mr. and Mrs. John Reynolds and family of Cohoes...Mr. and Mrs. E.H. McArthur of Utica were greeting friends at the brunch held at the Alfred Station Seventh Day Baptist Church on Sunday, March 13...Miss Linda Jacobsen, Douglas Barber, Timothy Diggins, Cynthia Fraser, William Hall, Daniel Neverett, Claire Randolph and David Snyder.

**TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO, MARCH 14, 1985**

**Turnout for voter registration on Saturday, March 9 at Alfred Village Hall was light from 12 noon until 4:30 p.m., but somewhat heavier after 4:30 p.m. According to election inspector Evelyn Thomas, four voters were registered before and approximately 20 after that. Thomas said she believed most of the 40 were students...Registration of students is now permitted by the voting law.**

(Photo) This barn, owned by Rev. Albert N. Rogers of Bridgeport, Alfred Station, was burned by fire Friday evening...Some 150 scouting enthusiasts were in attendance at the 28th annual St. Pat's Festival. The glass industry is being featured as vice-president. Purpose of the club is to help competitors...K. David Porter of Alfred Station, whose teaching career spans 11 years in Belfast, has recently accepted a teaching position at Alfred. Porter, a native of Alfred, held the position of principal of Alfred Station High School for 20 years...Considered the stuff kids listen to, it's reasonable to suppose the schools and colleges give courses in music degradation...Do those automatic teller machines laugh as soon as you put your card in the slot?...Mrs. Frances Weaver has returned to her home in the practical operation of government...The Pennis, his wife, Connie, and daughter, Licia, will return in early August.

**Betty S. Mapes, 79, died Friday, March 1, 1985 at Jones Memorial Hospital in Wellsville. A native of Canaseraga, she was a former resident of Hornell and Whitesville. Residing in Alfred Station since 1972, she was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Canaseraga...She operated the Canaceraga Country Store and Mapes Woodworking Company with her husband in Alfred Station for many years...**

**Lisa Rose Eddy Aultman, 6, daughter of Alan and Rachel Aultman of Alfred Station, died Thursday, March 7, 1985 at Jones Memorial Hospital in Wellsville after a long illness. A native of Wellsville, she was a life resident of the Alfred-Almond Station area. She attended classes for the handicapped at Lincoln School in Hornell.**

The 75th year of Cub Scoutng was celebrated by the Cub Scouts and Webelos of Pack 26 and their families at the "Blue and Gold Banquet" Pack Meeting held Wednesday, Feb. 27 at the Almond Municipal Building. Some 30 scouts turned out in attendance.

Sam Sanders resigned last week as Alfred University's head football coach to accept a position as defensive line coach with the Toronto Argonauts of the Canadian Football League. Jim Moretti, a 1972 graduate of Alfred and assistant A.U football coach for the past six years, was appointed to replace Sanders according to Gene Castrovillo, director of athletics at Alfred...

**TEN YEARS AGO, MARCH 16, 2000**

**Alfred Village Mayor Gary Ostrower Tuesday night announced the appointment of a "Task Force for Property Improvement" charged with the task of determining proper actions to stem the tide of deterioration of properties in the village and, in particular, the Alfred Village Historic District. Mayor Ostrower said the task force would meet later this month in a closed session to determine its goals and a tentative action plan. Members include Larry Greil, Anne Acton, Mary Jacobson, Douglas Barber, Timothy Diggins, Cynthia Fraser, William Hall, Daniel Neverett, Claire Randolph and David Snyder.**

**Edwin Ross Lewis, 97, of 4187 East Valley Road, Andover, died Thursday, March 9, 2000 at the Hornell Gardens in Hornell. He was born Nov. 4, 1902 in Young Hickory, NY, son of B. Frank and Blanche Granter Lewis. On June 4, 1924, he married the former Irma Fiddler at Canaseraga...He was a former resident of the Troupsburg rural schools, Mr. Lewis was a former railroad employee in Corning before operating his own dairy farm on East Valley Road in Andover, which he did from 1924 to 1986.**

After the meeting, the Village Board voted to promote Senior Patrolman Tim O'Grady to Police Sergeant. Police Chief John Simons said O'Grady has passed the civil service exam and is currently acting as a night shift supervisor. "We have a young department and they need a lot of supervision and guidance," Simons said. O'Grady replaces retired Sgt. Bruce VanDruff, who Simons said is "now sunning himself in North Carolina..."

**Nancy Cushing-Daniels, a former Alfred resident, has been granted tenure by the Gettysburg College Board of Trustees based on her accomplishments in the area of Spanish language and literature. Cushing-Daniels' tenure and academic promotion to associate professor will become effective Sept. 1, 2000...At Gettysburg, Cushing-Daniels has taught numerous courses on Spanish language and literature as well as a first year sequence in Spanish...**

**Paul J. Gabriel has been selected to represent Alfred-Almond Central School at the 2000 Boys State program sponsored by the American Legion. Paul will be sponsored by the American Legion Post #875 of Alfred and the Alumni Lodge #494 of Alfred. Paul is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gabriel of Main Street, Almond, who are both veterans of the U.S. Marines and members of the American Legion. Boys State is a program of the American Legion developed from the concept that youth should be offered a better perspective of the practical operation of government...**
By PASTOR KEN CHERGER

ALFRED STATION—Have you ever heard of the seven last words of Jesus on the cross? This Sabbath, 20 your friends and neighbors at the Alfred Station Seventh Day Baptist church, “A 3 C church,” invite you as Pastor Ken to the sermon series concerning these words.

What are the seven words?

In reality they are really seven sayings or expressions: (1) “Father, Forgive them for they know not what they do?” Luke 23:34, (2) “Truly, I say to you today you shall be with me in paradise.” Luke 23:43, (3) “Woman, this is your son.” … “This is your mother.” John 19:26-27 (4) “Why have you forsaken me?” Luke 23:46. This Sabbath is a day of reflection about the meaning of the words: “Truly I say to you today you shall be with me in paradise.”

The seven last words of Christ on the Cross

Buddhist monks, nuns taking a ‘peace walk’ through the area

By GUDRUN SCOTT

Special to the Alfred Sun

A group of highly distinquished monks and nuns of a Japanese Buddhist organization are visiting Western New York and walking thru the area for the month of March and April. Together with others, anyone who would like to join them, are walking for the purpose of peace.

“We typically walk 12 to 18 miles per day,” one said. Everyone is welcome to walk with them or just watch.

The specific focus on this particular walk is to pray and meditate for a good outcome of a specific meeting at the United Nations on the Nuclear Treaty which starts on May 3, 2010. At that time 188 nations will be meeting in New York City to honor and confirm the Nonproliferation Treaty (NPT).

This year is the 40th Anniv-ersary of that Treaty. Every five years the members of the treaty meet to affirm that yes, they do NOT have the nuclear bomb and they are not going to build one. In addition the treaty addresses the importance of reducing the bombs of those nations who have them.

I heard about this distinguished group visiting our own backyard and I wanted to meet them at the beginning of their walk this Saturday at the Seneca Indian Reservation in Steamburg along Rt 86. I participated in the opening ceremony conducted by the Seneca Indians at their community center that evening. There were people in the walk who had arrived from as far away as Japan and also from France.

There was a great sense of peace about them.

The leader of the group is a nun named Jun-San Yasoda, a Japanese Buddhist nun who has walked across the whole United States. This religious order prays for American Indians and is held in high honor by them. Her Lakota name is the well named servant of “Walks Far Woman.”

If you would like to help the walk, to walk with them or to provide media cover, or provide food and shelter, you can go on their website www.mawalk.org and last I checked there was a schedule of the day to day walk posted. They are going to five Indian reservations along their route.

THE GLORY OF AMERICA

Thursday, March 18

O
n this day in 1837, Grover Cleveland was born. In his political career he became mayor of Buffalo, governor of New York, and ultimately the 22nd President of the United States. He concluded his Inaugural Address of March 1885, with...
University gearing up for spring with tours via seven-person bike

ALFRED—Alfred University (AU) is getting ready to roll with its spring bicycle tours of campus. Spring visitors are already making appointments to ride the bike in April, but Jodi Bailey, director of marketing for the University, says the newly painted purple bicycle "in action!"

"The bike was delivered in October," says Bailey, "and used as long as the weather held last fall. Over the winter, it went to the students in the auto-body curriculum at neighboring Alfred State College’s School of Applied Technology, who painted it purple and gold, Alfred University’s colors.

"Even though the bike was not used over the winter, we had many visitors comment on it," said Bailey. "We tell them that as soon as the streets and sidewalks are clear of snow and ice, it will be back in action!"

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Lessons in Another Language give voice to adolescent protagonists who inhabit rich emotional and sensual worlds as they navigate the wreckage created by the adults meant to be caring for them.

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—MARGOT LIVESEY

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Meals on Wheels & Lunchroom Center Menu

Monday, March 22

Lemon lime salad, scalloped potatoes & ham, tomato zucchini, rice bread, rice pudding, diabetic fruit cocktail.

Tuesday, March 23

Coleslaw, chicken breast, supreme w/sauce, brown rice, carrots, banana bread, fresh fruit.

Wednesday, March 24

Tossed salad wiildrness, goulash, green beans, garlic bread, peach cobbler, diabetic peach cottage, birthday cake at Whitesville Center.

Thursday, March 25

Juice, beef stir-fry over noodles, mixed vegetables, potato bread, cheese cake, diabetic peaches, birthday cake at centers.

Friday, March 26

Peachy cottage cheese, cheesy corn Chowder, peas, corn bread, chocolate pudding, diabetic pudding.

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

ALFRED NUTRITION SITE

Union University Church Center, 12 noon

Call Cindy Berry at 607-382-4918.

Monday—Exercises at 10:30 a.m., lunch at noon.

Tuesday—Exercises at 10:30 a.m., lunch at noon.

Wednesday—Exercises at 10:30 a.m., lunch at noon.

Thursday—Lunch at noon.

BELMONT NUTRITION SITE

American Legion Hall, 11:30 a.m.

Call Lisa Johnson at 585-393-5938.

Tuesday—Exercises at 10 a.m., lunch at 11:30 a.m.

"March Things" and "Optimum Month" Information & Assistance - Ruth Alvardo.

Thursday—Exercises at 10 a.m., lunch at 11:30 a.m.

"Autograph Album & Friends." Cheryl Czworka, "Why Go Nuts?"

BOHOL NUTRITION SITE

Fire Hall 12 noon

Call Carolyn Hallet at 585-268-2072.

Monday—Exercises at 11 a.m., lunch at 12 noon.

Tuesday—Exercises at 11 a.m., lunch at 12 noon.

Wednesday—Exercises at 11 a.m., lunch at 12 noon.

Thursday—Lunch at 12 noon.

CANASERAGA NUTRITION SITE

Canaseraga Fire Hall, 11:45 a.m.

Call Barth Welsh at 607-256-7301.

Tuesday—Exercises at 10:30 a.m., Lunch at 11:45 a.m., Bingo.

Thursday—Exercises at 10:30 a.m., Lunch at 11:45 a.m. "Autograph Book.

CUBA NUTRITION SITE

AA Arnold Community Center, 12 noon

Call Linda Nelson at 585-968-2397.

Monday—Exercises at 10:30 a.m., Euchre, Cards, Dominoes, Puzzles at 11 a.m. Lunch at noon, "Dubble the Fun" Puzzle.

Tuesday—Euchre, Cards, Dominoes, Puzzles at 11:30 a.m., lunch at noon, "March and April Mix-Up.

FILLMORE NUTRITION SITE

Filmore Fire Hall, 12 noon

Call Maggie Brown at 585-737-5600.

Monday—Exercises at 10:30 a.m., Lunch at noon.

Tuesday—Exercises at 10:30 a.m., Cards, Jigsaw Puzzles.

Thursday—Exercises at 10:30 a.m., Cards, Jigsaw Puzzles, Euchre.

FRIENDSHIP NUTRITION SITE

Community Center, 12 noon

Call Donna Fiegl at 585-593-7665.

Monday—Exercises at 10:30 a.m., Lunch at noon.

Tuesday—Exercises at 10:45 a.m., Lunch at noon.

Wednesday—Games 10 a.m., Lunch at noon.

Euchre 1 p.m.

Thursday—Stretch 9 a.m., Bingo at 10:30 a.m.

Lunch at noon, Bridge at 1 p.m.

Information & Assistance - Erica Blake.

WELLSVILLE NUTRITION SITE

Community Center, 12 noon

Call Donna Fieg at 585-563-7865.

Monday—Exercises at 10:30 a.m., Lunch at noon.

Tuesday—Exercises at 10:45 a.m., Lunch at noon.

Wednesday—Games 10 a.m., Lunch at noon.

Euchre 1 p.m.

Friday—Bingo at 10:30 a.m., Lunch at noon.

Friends at 12:30 p.m.

WHITEWATER NUTRITION SITE

Whitesville Fire Hall, 12 noon

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One of the first things that took place shortly after I became Director was the beginning of a beautification project. The Di-rec tors and Advisory Council developed a questionnaire and then polled residents and business in Tinkertown/Alfred Station and the residents and businesses in the Village's ex- tended Business District.

After compiling the results of these questionnaires we held a series of public meetings to dis-cuss our findings. Several things came out of those meetings: 1) The desire for entry-way signs to the Village, Alfred Station and Tinkertown. 2) A request from people for some landscaping at ausrious entry points. 3) New lighting for the Village Business District as well as new side-walks, park benches and other amenities.

We developed a series of entry way signs design and got cost estimates for their construction. We researched possible styles of lamp posts, brick paver designs, benches and litter receptacles. More community meetings were held for input from the public and then we began work. The end result with a great deal of community support both mone-tary and physical the Main Street Streetscape became a reality al-though it took a decade to com-plete. Five entry way signs were installed with landscaping around each sign.

Landscaping projects such as the two triangles in Alfred Sta-tion were a result of requests by numerous individuals. Once again many volunteers appeared to help with the planting of sev-eral hundred plants. It was suggested by the Vil-lage Crew that the Village really needs a new holistic look, as the old single string of lights across the Business Block was in pretty sad shape. A committee was formed to explore the pos-sibilities and the holiday wreaths are the result. Others wanted flowers during the summer months to enhance the streetscape. The organization investigated types of plants and hanging baskets and now with the assistance of the Alfred Business Association each spring flowers grace the Business District in both hanging baskets and planters.

The restoration of the Alfred Village Hall and second floor theater space was the idea and concept of many individuals, from the Alfred Community Theatre Group, to the Alfred Po-lice, the Village Board and nu-merous residents. With a great deal of grant writing and major donations as well as from area foundations A21CG was able to restore the building to its original beauty plus making the theater space handicap accessi-ble. That project also took a decade but was well worth it in the end.

There are not just success sto ries but also a few failures that the organization attempted. There was discussion of a bike path connecting the Village and Alfred Station. The funding was available and although there was great interest by many there were also many against it. The project died before it really got started. Perhaps another time it can be explored by another group and become a reality.

We talked about better light-ing along the Tinkertown section of Route 244. That discussion and plan never really got off the ground.

On the whole though I believe that the Alfred Twenty-First Century Group with the assis-tance of many community mem-bers has made a tremendous positive difference to the Alfred Community. We can take pride in what has been accomplished though there is still much more to be done. I will spend some time next column talking about some of the other things the organization has accomplished over the years. Stay tuned for more!

Saxon softball team wins 5 of 6

COCOA BEACH, FL.—The Alfred University softball team (5-1, 0-0 Empire) tallied five wins this week in Cocoa Beach, FL. The Saxons defeated Finlandia, 10-1; Penn State- Beaver, 9-1; Southern Vermont, 8-0; Carlow, 9-2; Castleton State, 9-0, and Alfred was de-feated by Upper Iowa, 2-1.

In the opener against Finlan-dia, stopped after five innings, junior Chelsey Cary (Corti/Pembroke) got the pitching vic-tory; going five innings la-wowing an unearned on three hits while striking out four. Cary also went 1-fo-3 at the plate with a run, a stolen base and an RBI. Sophomore outfielder Molly Shepherd (Camillus/West Genesea) had a double and scored a run; sophomore Nicole Hedrick (Albany/Center- nal) also homered and scored a couple of bases; junior first baseman Ashley Passaro (Long Beach) went for-3 with a run scored; senior centerfielder Alex Vanasse (Campbell/Corning West) had a hit, scored a run and stole two bases; senior outfielder Shannon Mather (Union-Endicott) had a base hit scored once; and senior second baseman Karen Folts (Penn Yan) walked twice and scored two runs.

Against Penn State-Beaver, Hedrick got the complete game pitching win—in a game stopped after six innings — allowing an unearned on six hits. She went 3-for-4 at the plate with two RBIs and a pair of stolen bases.

Alfred’s Cary tossed a no-hit-ter in the win over Southern Ver- mont. The junior, who threw a no-hitter in her first start in Florida last season, struck out nine and walked one. Fenton went 2-for-2 with a three-run homerun and LeBarron went 2- for-2 and scored twice. Nett went 1-fo-2 with a stolen base and scored a run.

Against Castleton State, Cary pitched her second no-hitter in as many starts, striking out eight and walking one in a game stopped after five innings. Cary, who improved to 3-0 on the sea-son, also no-hit Southern Ver- mont in another five-inning, 8-0, victory. Many went 2- for-3 with a two-run double and scored a run to lead the AU of-fense. Hedrick went 2-for-2 with an RHB and a run scored; LeBar-ron went 2-for-3 with two runs batted in;Passaro had a hit, a stolen base and a run scored; and Nett had a stolen base and drove in a run.

In the loss to Upper Iowa, Hedrick was the hard-luck loser. She hurled a complete game, al- lowing two unearned runs on four hits while striking out two and walking four. Hedrick was 3-for-4 at the plate with a stolen base.

The other games on the Saxons’ 10-game Spring Break slate were cancelled due to possible tornadoes in the Cocoa Beach area.

AU women’s lacrosse team drops season opener

The AU women’s lacrosse team lost its 2010 season opener, falling 13-11 at Allegheny Col-lege Saturday.

Alleged, by look for 3-0 lead less than four minutes into the game, but Alfred responded with three straight goals — one by freshman midfielder Ali Garcia (Salt Lake City, UT/Union Memorial) and two by junior attack Michelle Adams (Horseheads) — to make it 3-3 with 5:48 left in the first half. The host Gators closed the half with three unanswered to take a 6-3 halftime lead and lead 11-5 midway through the sec-ond. Adams finished with a game-high six goals for the Saxons. Junior midfielder Elyse Caldwell (Maine-Endwell) had two goals and an assist and sen-ior attack Emily Tobin (Pen- field) had a goal and two assists. Garcia and Fitzgerald each had a goal and an assist: senior at-tack Abbey Schaffnit (Bemus Point/Maple Grove) had two as-sists, and freshman midfielder Tracie McGinnity (Rochester/ Gates-Chili) had one assist. Jun-ior Kate Baughman (Rush-Hen-rietta) made nine saves in goal for Alfred.

Outdoor track and field teams prepare for season opener

The track and field teams are slated to begin their season on April 15th at Muhlenberg in Allentown, PA.

Men’s tennis slated to begin season at Penn State-Behrend

The men’s tennis team is set to play their season opener at Penn State-Behrend on March 26, fol-lowed by a match at Y’Doulle on March 27.

Chambliss set to compete at NCAA championships

Senior Kameron Chambliss (Alfred Station/Alfred-Almond) will compete at the champi-onships in both the three-meter and the one-meter diving events this week. Those championships will be held March 17-20, in Minneapolis, MN.

Russo, Cary Saxons’ Athletes of the Week

Mike Russo: The senior attack from Mattydale had seven goals and three assists in the men’s lacrosse team’s two wins last week— against Misericordia and Vassar College in Myrtle Beach, SC. He had four goals and two as-sists, and netted the gamewinner in overtime, in a 12-11 win against Misericordia.

Chelsey Cary: The junior pitcher from Corti, pitched two no-hitters and won all three of her starts on the softball team’s spring trip to Cocoa Beach, FL. She struck out 21 and walked four, while allowing a total of three hits and one unearned run in 15 innings over three starts. Cary’s no-hitters came against Southern Vermont and Castleton State.

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It is time for the 2010 NCAA men’s basketball tournament action to start with ballyhooed programs such as Kansas, Kentucky and Duke claiming #1 seeds in three regions. Syracuse landed the fourth coveted spot and will play out of the West Region but starting play in Buffalo. Defending champion North Carolina, the fourth of the most "storied" schools perhaps, was relegated to the NIT this post-season. A rare down year for the Tar Heels.

Not sure if the word "parity" applies to the field this year or lack of power teams, perhaps. Who can win this event other than KU, UK, Duke, SU, West Virginia, maybe Ohio State or perhaps Kansas State? Obviously someone can but wouldn’t count on it. Of power teams, perhaps. Who can win this event other than KU, Duke, SU, West Virginia, maybe Ohio State or perhaps Kansas State? Obviously someone can but wouldn’t count on it.

**East Region** - The Wildcats of Kentucky rule here and if the young team can string together six games strong very well they could be cutting the nets in Indianapolis. A dangerous WVU squad looms in the bottom portion of this bracket with Wisconsin, Cornell and Marquette in the mix. Best second round tilt could be a Wisconsin Badger team taking on the Cornell-Temple winner. Kentucky is the obvious choice here, talent-wise, but taking West Virginia to advance.

**South Region** - Duke zips thru this bracket. Well, would like to see that but am not counting on it. Louisville could very well knock off the Blue Devils in round two! An exciting second round clash could see Siena from the Albany area taking on Texas A&M. A late-surgering Notre Dame is here but will have their hands full with ODU right out of the gate. Going with Duke (heart) but Louisville or Villanova might very well be victorious from this group.

**Midwest Region** - The Jayhawks are the best team in the land period. They also have Ohio State, Michigan in-state, Georgetown and Maryland added to this collection. Kansas has been ranked at or near the top all year, they have experience and should win this after struggles. Hard to pick against them. How about Michigan State and Maryland in round two? Wow. Kansas.

**West Region** - The Zag are heady here because the Carrier Dome hosts the regional. They will take on the Catamounts from Vermont in their opener at the HSBC Arena in Buffalo. Pittsburgh and Xavier in round two could be fun. Kansas State is at the bottom of the bracket from the strong Big 12. Going with #2 K-State.

West Virginia over Duke, Kansas beating K-State (again), the Jayhawks winning over WVU. "Don’t” buck-it!

**HITS AND MISSES:**

Derick Frechette finished sixth in his age group (65-69) at the Jacksonville River Run on Saturday past. Dave Coyne (Avon) was 10th in his age group of 55-59. Former Torrey Painting Strider teammate, Gary ‘Doc” Moore was second in his age group (50-54) at the Runnin’ O the Green race in Rochester. Former Canisio resident Mark Andrews was third overall in the "Green" event. Also, Olympian and A-A Hall of Famer John Tuttle is back running and recently was in a Masters 5K and 10K race in the Atlanta area. A 5K in 17:26 and his 10K was 34:48. Big D, Moore; Tuttle ... Eagle "Hall members and ex-TPS runners.

The Wellsville boys basketball won the B2 sectionals over Finney as Coach Jim Insley grabbed that elusive trophy. The Lions went to six title games in his first eight years at the helm and lost them all! Ouch. The Fillmore boys won the D1 crown and Houghton landed the D2 championship. All Allegany County schools.

**Coach John Crosett** and his Wayland-Cohocton girls basketball squad topped Pal-Mac in the BB sectional finals to win another championship.

In **D3” West Regional** high school basketball action it was Maple Grove of Section 6 topping Houghton, 52-36. Chris Secky had 24-points for the winners. Secky, the brother of AU signal-caller and E8 first-team QB, Tom Secky.

The **Nazareth girls basketball squad beat Wellsville in the high school girls sectionals as the victorious Lady Lancers claimed title #9 ... in the last 12 years! The ladies from Wellsville won in 2009.

The **University of Rochester women’s basketball program is in the NCAA Division II “Final Four” this week after beating #2-