Theme park to be built on Jericho Hill

By DAVID SNIDER
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ALFRED--“If you build it, they will come.”

An affluent developer who at this time chooses to remain anonymous is hoping that familiar quote from the “Field of Dreams” movie will prove true.

The developer, in an exclusive interview with The Alfred Sun, told of his plans to invest $100 million in a first phase of development of “Tip Top Park,” a theme park on Jericho Hill.

The plan, while still in its planning stage, will be developed primarily on AU property.

The developer is confident that Alfred University Trustees will approve a sale of substantial acreage for the theme park that he said “has the potential of making Alfred a summer resort town.”

Tip Top will incorporate AU’s equestrian center for horse shows, develop Foster Lake as a campground and natural water park, build a midway of 25 rides in two major clearings–hayfields just northwest of Elm Valley Road’s intersection with Kenyon Road, and on the east side of Lake Road.

Subsequent phases will include construction of an open horseshoe shaped 10,000-person capacity stadium for concerts and athletic events at the site of the the University’s grass football field east of County Rt. 12 and Kenyon Road.

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Alfred State College offers scholarships to Haiti victims

Students Will Learn Construction Skills to Help Rebuild Haiti

ALFRED—Alfred State College President Dr. John M. Anderson Monday, March 29 announced a new scholarship initiative to benefit students from Haiti affected by the recent earthquake devastation.

The “Scholarships for Haiti” program has been established to provide five scholarships in either its building construction or construction management engineering technology curricula in an effort to help rebuild the infrastructure of the struggling island nation.

“The mission of the Scholarships for Haiti program is to help transform lives by reaching out to a community in desperate need,” Anderson said. “So many Americans have roots in Haiti. What better way to provide aid than to help educate their youth in the disciplines that can be applied to rebuilding their country?”

The scholarships will allow five students to pursue two or four years of study in either of the College’s two construction programs beginning in August 2010.

“The students will have the opportunity to receive a top-notch education in the construction industry trade,” Anderson noted. “We can offer a unique curriculum perfectly suited to the array of skills in such great demand in Haiti, from carpentry to project management. This is a long-term challenge being faced in Haiti, and these students will be well prepared to contribute significantly to helping to solve those challenges.”

Alfred State College has been ranked the top undergraduate construction management school in New York State, as well as among the top 10 nationally. (Nelson, Michael, December 31, 2006, C-School Blog – Construction Management Education)

The standard four-year curriculum features a balance of technical courses designed to familiarize the graduates with all aspects of construction management, and prepare them for career opportunities as project managers, estimators, construction supervisors, project schedulers, and many other related professions. The two-year building construction program will prepare the students with the hands-on skills necessary to rebuild Haiti.

According to Anderson, the five scholarship students will be selected in the upcoming months. “We’re working through the SUNY Office of the Vice Chancellor for Global Affairs as well as Secretary of State Hillary Clinton’s office to get in contact with the appropriate organizations within Haiti to help identify the five students.”

The Scholarships for Haiti program is similar to previous efforts to aid students from countries affected by significant natural disasters. In 2008, 150 Chinese students who were impacted by the earthquake in the Sichuan province were provided with tuition and living expenses at 22 State University of New York (SUNY) campuses. Two of those students attended Alfred State College for one year. The program allowed the students to continue their education and then return home to China after one year to help rebuild the local economy.

Similarly, students from Alfred State College’s construction programs continue to provide hands-on help rebuilding the U.S. Gulf Coast region as a result of the damage exacted by Hurricane Katrina.

“We were inspired by the leadership provided by SUNY following the China earthquake and took it upon ourselves to seek out a way to help in Haiti,” Anderson said. “Of course, in this instance we will be able to offer up to four full years of education in two very unique curriculums. The array of study includes everything from carpentry to construction management and will provide the level of occupational relevance and sustainability that these students will require in order to have a significant positive impact back in their home country. These are very specific and multi-faceted programs, with an outstanding faculty and the most advanced tools and state-of-the-art technology.”

The scholarship program is just one way in which Alfred State College students, faculty, and staff are reaching out to help those in Haiti. The college community effort “Rebuilding Haiti One Brick at a Time” has raised more than $7,800 to date through various events and donations.

According to Anderson, the college will continue to solicit grants and private donations to help offset the costs of the Scholarships for Haiti program. “The timing is such that we have not had an opportunity to fully pursue that side of things yet. We knew that in this instance it was more important to act quickly. It is our hope that other SUNY schools will follow our lead and make scholarships available in other programs that could directly benefit Haiti.”
OBITUARIES

MARY K. LEWIS
Teacher, AU employee
HORNELL—Mary K. Lewis—96—formerly of Alfred, passed away peacefully with family present on Sunday evening (March 28, 2010) at Updyke’s Willow Ridge in Hornell, where she had resided for the past four years.

Born August 21, 1913 in the Irish Settlement near Belmont, Mary K. was the daughter of Patrick and Kathrynn (McManus) Doner. An infant brother, Leo, died when she was a child.

She graduated from Belmont High School and the Alfred Teacher Training Program. Mary K. first taught school in Belmont. She then began a long career in the Registrar’s Office at Alfred University. In November 1933, she married Jerry Lewis. Theirs was a loving marriage of 56 years, until Jerry’s death in 1990.

On summer afternoons, Mary K. could always be found on her front porch, enjoying her flowers, hummingbirds, and all who passed by. A glass of iced tea was always ready for one of her many friends who would visit.

Mary K. was a communicant of the St. Brendan - St. Jude Parish. She was also a member of the American Legion Auxiliary, Alfred-Almond Station Seniors Citizens Club, and Sigma Chi Nu sorority.

Surviving are her son, Patrick Doner and daughter, Kathy (Champlin) Lewis. There are many friends who would visit.

Friends called from 5 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 30 at the Dagon Funeral Home, 38 Church St., Hornell. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at 11 a.m. Wednesday, March 31 at St. Jude Chapel in Alfred with Fr. Sean DiMaria officiating. Burial followed at St. Mary’s Cemetery in Belmont.

The family of Mary K. Lewis request that memorial contributions in her name be made to the charity of the donor’s choice.

ARLENE A. ROBERTS
Alumni Hall of Fame member
ALFRED STATION—Arlene A. Roberts, 77, of 1474 Terbury Road, Alfred Station, whose 26-year career as a secretary in the guidance office at Alfred-Almond Central School spilled over into a life’s devotion to the school’s alumni, passed away peacefully, Monday (March 29, 2010) at the Wellsville Manor.

Born in North Hornell, July 28, 1932, she was the daughter of Reed and Lottie Turybury Champlin of Alfred.

Arlene was graduated from Alfred-Almond Central School, Class of 1950, going on to graduate from SUNY Morrisville Class of 1952, majoring in food service administration.

She was an assistant dietician at Broadacres in Utica from 1953-54, the school lunch manager at Cato Meridian Central School in 1955, and the secretary at Nolan Machinery in Pulaski from 1960-65.

In 1965 she moved back to Alfred, and in September of 1966 became secretary at the Guidance Office at Alfred-Almond Central School and worked in that position until retirement in 1992.

In 1982 she became secretary of the Alfred-Almond Alumni Association, and remained in that position until 2003, and continued on as a AACS Alumni member of the Board. Arlene was also inducted into the Alfred-Almond Alumni Association Hall of Fame as a contributor. She was also secretary/treasurer and board member of the Maplewood Cemetery since 1982, in Alfred Station for many years.

She had a love of crocheting, dressing “Bed Dolls” and received two ribbons for Best of Show at Allegany County Fair in Angelica.

She was predeceased by her husband William Roberts in 1982, whom she married June 24, 1954.

She is survived by her daughter Stephanie Roberts of Alfred Station, brothers Verge (Patricia Carney) Champlin, Raymond Champlin and Dale Champlin, sister-in-law Mrs. Betty Roberts, nieces Linda Strong (Fred) Robinson, Robyn (Shelton) Champlin, Corinne Champlin (Brian Harrison), nephews Terry (Sylvia) Strong, Collin (Tammy) Champlin, David Champlin, Tracey Champlin and Randy Champlin, and great nephew Logan William Champlin.

The family will be present from 3-6 p.m. today (Thursday, April 1) at the Bender-Brown & Powers Funeral Home, 354 Canisteo St, Hornell, where funeral services will be held at 6 p.m. with Rev. Dan Knopf officiating.

Burial will be in Maplewood Cemetery.

To send a remembrance visit www.brownandpowersfuneral-homes.com, the family is being assisted by Chester A Gospier IV director.

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“I’ll make our government open and transparent.” Well, to someone who’s legally blind, that’s apparent. Yes, this talk of transparency, we see right through; Joe Wilson’s “You lie!” has begun to ring true.

—Fool Nonymous
WHAT HAPPENED TO STICKER SHOCK? or WHO PAYS?

What do things really cost? Most of us pay a lot of attention to the prices on things that we purchase. Unfortunately, that doesn’t usually include when the government is involved. That is a primary reason that the cost of government programs keeps escalating. Why does this happen?

One likely reason is that most of us don’t know what government programs really cost. Most agencies are set up so that it is difficult to find out. Costs are broken out in different ways and reported in different categories. Revenue usually comes from a variety of budget lines and sources. Some of this is probably unavoidable, but it makes oversight difficult. As a County Legislator I have spent numerous hours studying budget reports, asking questions, and trying to understand department budgets. Most citizens don’t have the time or inclination to do this.

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With the better weather work will once again begin in earnest at the Burdick-Saunders house. This week Mark Cushing returns to complete some unfinished work from his last trip in early February. The porches will finally be completed and the Yankee gutters will be built for the front and back porches. Mark will be bringing with him baseboard and other trim for the first floor rooms that will be stained and prepped for installation on site.

Northeast Structures will begin installing the new slate roof as they remove the old slate. If the good weather holds we should see a good deal of progress around the site! Jeff Voorhees will return to complete the painting as soon as the weather is conducive to exterior painting.

I have spent the last several columns on the background of the Alfred Twenty-First Century Group. From its origin, to the make-up of its Board, some of the projects we are responsible for (both successes and failures) and a bit about free technical services. This week I will concentrate on houses.

During the existence of A21CG there have been three houses restored/restored and placed back on the tax rolls and one currently in the works. The purchase of the Burdick-Saunders house is A21CG's fourth and definitely the largest restoration project undertaken to date. We continue to use the Alfred State College Applied Technology students whenever possible as well as local contractors. Our time-line for the house is December 2012.

We have made great progress on the house and are extremely appreciative to Alan Griffin, our loan provider. We have listed the house on OldHouses.com as a work in progress with the hopes that we will have a buyer prior to finishing the house. It is always nicer to have the buyer make their kitchen and bathroom selections as far as fixtures are concerned.

Once this house is complete who knows what will be next? There are lots of possibilities in the community. Time will tell. Our major concern now is to complete this and get it back on the Village's tax rolls as soon as possible.

In my next column I will talk a bit more about the organization and what it provides to the Alfred community at large.

Before ending this week's column I would like to thank the following individuals for their continued support and kind donation to A21CG: Dan and Patricia Napolitano and Michelle and David DeGrass.

In recent activities of the Alfred Police Department:

--Alec M. Currier, 19, of Peru, was charged Wednesday, March 28 with disorderly conduct and unlawful possession of marijuana following an incident on North Main Street. He was released and issued an appearance ticket for Alfred Village Court.

--Roland E. O’Brien, 21, of Hoosick Falls, was charged Monday, March 26 with open container violation following an incident on North Main Street. He is to appear in Alfred Village Court.

--Michael B. Parker, 55, of Alfred, was charged Sunday, March 25 with disorderly conduct, driving with .08% or more blood alcohol content and driving while intoxicated following a traffic stop on State Route 21. He was released to a third party and is to appear in Alfred Town Court.

--Jeffrey R. Reynolds, 19, of Marilla, was charged Saturday, March 27 with unlawful possession of alcohol by a person under 21 following an incident on Mill Street. He was released to a third party and is to appear in Alfred Village Court.

--Paul Tultis, 26, of Pomona, was charged Saturday, March 27 with disorderly conduct and an unlawful possession of marijuana following an incident on North Main Street. He was released and issued an appearance ticket for Alfred Village Court.

--Rachel Herzog, 20, of Napanoch, was charged Wednesday, March 31 with driving while intoxicated and blood alcohol content greater than .08% following a traffic stop on Fraternity Row on the Alfred University campus. She was issued traffic tickets for Alfred Village Court and released to a third party.

For emergencies, dial 911.
AU theatre prof awarded gold medallion

ALFRED – Beloved on campus for her teaching, her humor, her leadership and her genuine caring for her students, Becky Prophet, professor of theater at Alfred University, received accolades from her colleagues in the Kennedy Center/ American College Theater Festival for her service to the organization’s Region Two.

Prophet received the Gold Medallion, the association’s highest honor, during the Region Two festival earlier this year.

The medal, which has been awarded since 1972, albeit in dwindling numbers each year since the supply of original pieces is running out, is “presented to those in the KCACTF regions who have made extraordinary contributions to the teaching and producing of theater and to the development and quality of the Kennedy Center’s American College Theater Festival.” The award also recognizes efforts “to raise the quality of college theater in the United States.”

Unaware she was the guest of honor for the evening and wrapped up in her work with directing students at the festival, Prophet very nearly missed the awards dinner, arriving an hour late. She was in the middle of gathering suspicious something was going to happen when her husband Craig arrived at the festival — ostensibly to help technical director Zach Hamm – Prophet said she was caught off-guard by the presentation.

Melanie Baker, an Alfred University junior with majors in English and theater, spoke on behalf of Alfred students in presenting the award. Baker called Prophet “a brilliant professor and asset to the students in Alfred. She is famous around our campus for her impressive crossword puzzle skills and delicious baking and she is infamous for her biting wit and endless use of puns.”

Prophet said she began her affiliation with the Kennedy Center/ American College Theater Festival years ago, before she returned to her alma mater (she is a 1971 graduate of AU) more than 15 years ago, charged with creating a theater major.

“With the geographic challenge we face here — our distance from major cities and theaters – I wanted our students to be exposed to and to understand what’s going on in other” theater departments, Prophet explained.

That led to Alfred University student and faculty attendance at the regional festivals, but it also led Prophet to become the premier “road warrior” for the region, meaning she attends as many as 10 or 12 productions at other schools in the region each year as an evaluator, more than anyone else in the region.

Region Two is different from some of the other regions, Prophet explained, in that it no longer calls its evaluators adjudicators, but “respondents.” “It’s not a competition. We don’t judge. We try to offer constructive criticism.” For her, that means trying to determine if the production “achieves what it wanted to achieve.”

Based on their observations, the respondents select five to eight productions for the region to invite to the annual festival. Twice during the past decade, Prophet has been invited to present her productions at the regional festival “Sylvia” in 2000, “American Doll” in 2008.

Given the number of schools in the region, and the number of productions staged throughout the expansive area each year, for one faculty member to have two invited productions in eight years is a remarkable achievement.

Regardless of what other AU faculty attend the festival, Prophet takes on the responsibility of organizing, getting students there, introducing them to the festival, and meeting with them at least once a day to review what they are doing or to attend a production together.

It’s a role the students appreciate, Baker said Prophet “has become a second mother to me” at the Festivals.

She has served as National Plays Project director at several regional festivals; the intent is to help playwrights develop their work through a concert reading of their work for evaluation.

Casts are selected, and have five hours to prepare a scene for the respondents. It’s a “time-intensive program, but very gratifying,” said Prophet.

Prophet has been an Irene Ryan judge as well, evaluating student actors for regional awards; those selected advance to the national festival.

Seeing a lack of programming for student directors, Prophet created the Student Directing Institute and has run the program for the past seven years. A unique feature of the Region Two festival, the Institute ‘gives students a chance to study and engage in directing at the festival,” Prophet explained. This year, Prophet made it even more memorable than usual by inviting a special guest instructor – Actor Bill Pullman, an Alfred University trustee.

Her involvement in the Student Directing Institute led to an invitation to the national Kennedy Center festival on a fellowship in 2006.

The Student Directing Institute is not her only innovation for the region. In the late 1990s, she saw a need for something for student stage managers, and her students made the first presentation of a production book. It has grown to the point where now about 20 student stage managers make presentations for critique at the festival. She was involved as well in developing programs in dramaturgy, a relatively new profession in American theater where research on plays, their time periods, and social conditions is brought into rehearsals and design processes.

“I have definitely been very well-rewarded” for her commitment to the Kennedy Center/ American College Theater Festival, said Prophet. “I know what’s out there (at other schools) and I know what to work for and build toward at Alfred.”

Diego Pinon to teach Butoh

ALFRED—Diego Pinon, a master teacher, choreographer, and performer in the Japanese dance form Butoh, will be at Alfred University in April for a residency that will include a lecture, a short workshop, and several intensive workshops, all open to students, faculty, staff, and community members. Admission to all events is free.

Pinon’s lecture will take place in Room 301, Miller Performing Arts Center, at 5 p.m. Thursday, April 8. He will teach a short workshop on Friday, April 9, from 11:20 a.m. to 12:35 p.m. in Room 300, Miller Performing Arts Center.

There will be intensive, four-to-five-hour workshops on Saturday, April 10, and Sunday, April 11, starting at 11 a.m., also in Room 300, Miller Performing Arts Center. The intensive workshops have limited space; please contact dance faculty member Robert Bingham at binghamr@alfred.edu if you are interested in participating or have any questions.

Pinon is among the most well-regarded and sought-after performers, directors, and teachers of Butoh, a contemporary dance form that originated in Japan in the 1950s. He has studied extensively and performed with many of the masters of Butoh, including Kazuo Ohno, one of the founders of the form. Pinon’s in-depth study and practice of Butoh has included delving into his personal and cultural heritage.

Pinon is a native of Mexico, with a background in modern dance and theater. He incorporates Mesoamerican ritual practice and philosophy into his approach to teaching and dancemaking. He calls this approach Butoh Ritual Mexicano, which has aesthetic ends, though he says the largest purpose is “touching, if only for a moment, the inexplicable matter of the human soul.”

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ANDOVER—The Mustard Seed Inn and B&B, will host a Classical Guitar Night at 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 9 featuring Ben Howard and Mosies Guevara performing a variety of pieces from Renaissance, baroque, Classical and modern music for two guitars. The recital will feature solos, duets and arrangements of works originally composed for the lute, an ancestor of the modern classical guitar. The event is part of the Mustard Seed Inn’s First Fridays programs and those attending are requested to bring a non-perishable food or personal care item for donation to the local Andover Food Pantry. The May 7 First Fridays program will feature Batavia’s author Bill Kauffman who will talk about localism.

Ben Howard studied classical guitar with Gilbert Biberman in Leeds, England and has performed in master classes with Dennis Koster, Alice Artzt, and David Russell. The author of six collections of poems, most recently, Leaf, Sunlight, and Asphalt (Salmon 2009), he has combined guitar performance with readings from his work. He is Emeritus Professor of English and Adjunct Professor of Performing Arts at Alfred University.

Born in San Miguel de Allende, Mexico, Moises Guevara obtained his degree as Professor de Guitarra from the University of Guanajuato. He has studied classical and flamenco music, most recently with renowned guitarist, Dennis Koster in New York City. He has given numerous concerts in Mexico and in New York at the invitation of the West Side Arts Coalition.

The Mustard Seed Inn and B&B is located at 13 East Center Street, in Andover, New York. Call Mary and Anthony Lipnicki at (607) 478-5329 for further information.

Rich Fabec Band set to perform

WELLSVILLE-The Rich Fabec Band will perform at 8 p.m. Saturday, April 10, 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 at: RichFabec.com.

Rich Fabec fronts this scrunching blues jam band from Illinois. A three-piece outfit, the band explores a history of the blues in its shows—covering explorations of blues roots from the Delta, Chicago, Kansas, New Orleans and Texas styles. Critics have praised Fabec’s guitar styling as dark blues—think Buddy Guy, B.B. King, Stevie Ray Vaughan and Albert Collins. Fabec’s other influences include Jimi Hendrix, Cream, Allman Brothers and ZZ Top.

Fabec’s guitar is truly his voice and fits into every style of blues/rock he can muster.

A night with the Rich Fabec Band is an experience that leaves blues’ fans talking. They have been amazing audiences in Illinois, Missouri and Kentucky for two years. The army of fans is growing. The Rich Fabec Band has one goal in mind—“Keep real music alive!”

“Fabec has some tricks up his sleeve...wonderfully slick guitar lines.”

‘Meditation as medicine’ title of Bergen Forum presentation April 8

ALFRED—Dr. Shannon A. Hickey, assistant professor of religion at Alfred University, will present “Meditation as Medicine: A Critique” on Thursday, April 8, during AU’s Bergen Forum at 12:10 p.m. in Nevin’s Theater, Powell Campus Center. The program is free of charge and open to the public.

Hickey will survey and critique recent efforts to promote Buddhist meditation in medicine, particularly the practice of “mindfulness.”

“While mindfulness does seem to offer important therapeutic benefits, the process of medicalizing and commodifying it also generates several problems,” said Hickey.

This spring, Hickey is teaching meditation in a non-religious manner at Alfred University every Wednesday from 12:30 to 1 p.m. in the Knight Club, Powell Campus Center. The class is free and open to all.

For more information about meditation, contact Hickey at hickey@alfred.edu.

The Bergen Forum, sponsored by the Alfred University Division of Human Studies, meets Thursdays during each academic semester at the University. Participants are encouraged to bring a lunch; coffee and tea will be available.

"Death is certain,” Zen teachings remind us, “but the time of death is uncertain.” What truth could be more evident, one might say, what reality more apparent. And yet that truth and that reality are difficult to accept, even under the most auspicious conditions. And should we learn that our own death is imminent, the difficulty increases a hundred fold.

So it was with Carol Ruth Burdick (1928-2008), my friend of forty years, who learned on the evening of Friday, February 29, 2008 that she had advanced pancreatic cancer. Known to this community as “CB,” Carol was seventy-nine years old. Surgery, as she saw it, was out of the question, as was chemotherapy. The plain fact was that she was going to die, and soon. Rather than share that fact with friends or family, she spent the night facing it alone.

Knowing nothing of her diagnosis, I called CB early the next morning to inquire after her health and to suggest that we meet for conversation, as we often did on Saturday mornings. When she told me her bad news she expressed my sympathy, but I didn’t know what to say. “What’s the prognosis?” I asked.

“About six weeks,” she replied.

A few hours later, CB and I sat at her dining-room table, looking out of her big picture window at her frozen pond. Her mood seemed preternaturally calm. “How are you feeling?” I asked. In response, she reported that during the night she had made a list of the ten “positive aspects” of her impending death. “You know how I hate positive thinking,” she declared—and then went on to read her list.

First, she would not be burden to her grown children. Second, she would not suffer the humiliation of senile dementia. Third, she would not become destitute. Fourth, she would not have to endure a second knee replacement. Fifth, she would no longer need to worry about her internal pains, for now she knew their cause. Her list continued, each item detailing another benefit of her death—silver linings, if you like, in the darkest of contexts.

Exactly six weeks later, on another Saturday morning, CB passed away. Since then, I’ve often thought of her list. What prompted her to compose it, I’ve wondered, and what purpose did it serve?

To some, CB’s list might seem an elaborate form of denial, a rationalist’s defense against an implacable force. Perhaps it was, but I would prefer to see it as an expression of her literary sensibility and her practical outlook. CB was a published writer of poems and essays, articles and memoirs. It was natural that she would turn to language and literary form to articulate her situation. And CB was also an unsurprising realist, who cast a cold eye on human folly and romantic self-deception. Void of such notions as a happy afterlife or romantic legacy, her list acknowledged the concrete changes her death would bring, both for herself and her loved ones. It was not a wish list but a sober appraisal, reflective of both her stern Protestant upbringing and her literary education.

Yet CB’s list was more than a realist’s analysis. It was also, in its way, an affirmation of the wholeness of life. Positive / negative; good / bad; fortunate / unfortunate: by their very nature, such dualities divide the stream of being into artificial halves, favoring one over the other and falsifying the whole. Perhaps that’s why CB disliked “positive thinking,” which not only “accentuates the positive,” as the old show tune advises us to do, but also isolates half of our reality more apparent. And yet that truth and that reality are difficult to accept, even under the most auspicious conditions. And should we learn that our own death is imminent, the difficulty increases a hundred fold.

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Ben Howard is Emeritus Professor of English at Alfred University and leader of the Fall-ing Leaf Sangha, a Zen practice group in Alfred. 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.

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Creative Arts Center offers spring session of art classes in Wellsville

WELLSVILLE—If you’ve ever had the urge to tap into your creative side, to sculpt, throw a pot on a wheel, carve a masterpiece from a block of wood—don’t just sit there—come down and sign up for a class at the Wellsville Creative Arts Center.

The new Spring session of classes will begin on April 5th and run to June 3 and each class is held one day a week for 8 weeks. All skill levels from beginner to advanced are welcome! Registration for the following classes is open now:

- Ceramics: All ceramic classes include 25 lbs. of FREE clay, use of the center’s glazes and FREE firings for work made in class and during “Open Studio” Hours.
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Programs at the Nancy Howe Auditorium

- The Wind in the Willows performed by the Rochester Children’s Theatre
  Supported by Art For Rural America (AFRA)
  Saturday, April 10th at 10:30 am
  This musical adaptation of Kenneth Grahame’s story of adventure, loyalty and friendship on Saturday, April 10th at 10:30 am at the Nancy Howe Auditorium in Wellsville follows the curious Mole on his trip down the river of The Life Adventurous. Emerging from his home at Mole End one spring, Mole’s whole world is changed when he meets up with the good-natured, boat-loving Water Rat, the boisterous Toad of Toad Hall and the society-stunted Badger who lives in the Wild Wood. Incorporating a number of Mr. Grahame’s short stories and culminating with a journey on Toad’s Wild Ride, The Wind in the Willows is a joyous live musical adventure for everyone involved! (This program is rescheduled from February 27th because of inclement weather that day.) This program, sponsored by Art For Rural America (AFRA), is free and open to everyone.

- 2004 animated Disney film include Jonathan Taylor Thomas, Matthew Broderick, Whoopie Goldberg, and James Earl Jones and the music received an Oscar. This library-sponsored film is free and open to everyone.

- The Lion King (1994)
  Saturday, April 3rd at 10:30 am
  For social and political change; as well as Marketa Fantova, acting designer, Wilton, NH; Zach Courter, costume designer from Crystal Lake, IL; Cecily’s governness, Miss Prism, is created by Kari Aldrich, a senior English major from Franklin, MA. The Rev. Chasuble is played by Jonathan Hamolsky from Rindge, NH. Lady Augusta Bracknell, the controlling commanding arbiter of behavior, will be performed by Anna Kowalewzuk, a junior theater major from Scarsdale.

- The Importance of Being Earnest
  will be staged 8 p.m. April 14-17

ALFRED—The Alfred University Performing Arts Division will present its final production of the season, “The Importance of Being Earnest” by Oscar Wilde, at 8 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday, April 14-17, in the CD Smith III Theatre, Miller Performing Arts Center. General admission is $5. Reservations are recommended and may be made by e-mailing perform@alfred.edu or by calling 607.871.2828.

Wilde wrote “The Importance of Being Earnest” in 1895. The comedy almost defines Victorian English manners energetically by defying them. The play runs through the upper crust of society where two young men plan to be christened Earnest because the young women whom they wish to wed refuse to marry, by their own sweet testimonies, no other than a man named Earnest. All four lovers romp through the social rules, bending arguments and ethics to accelerate their urgent plans, much to the chagrin of that bastion of blue bloods—Lady Bracknell.

Dr. Becky Prophet, professor of theater, is director of the production. Also on the production team are students Michelle Courter, costume designer from Centerreach; Dan Meltzer, lighting designer, Wilton, NH; Zach Grosser, sound designer, Cornish; as well as Marketa Fantova, AU professor of theater, who will design the scenery. Staff members Zach Hamm, technical director, and Debra MacCrea, the costume shop manager, will create the costumes and props, while Nancy Freelay,Freelee Design, provides clerical support.

Additional student staff includes Kim Rau from North Hampton, MA, who is the stage manager. Amanda Lynch of Huntington and Jonathan Ugalde of Johnstown are assistant managers. Allison Cotte from Baldwinsville is props manager; as well as Elin Deaver, assistant manager. Amanda Lynch of Hampton, MA, who is the stage manager, will design the scenery. Staff members Zach Hamm, technical director, and Debra MacCrea, the costume shop manager, will create the costumes and props, while Nancy Freelay, Freelee Design, provides clerical support.

The cast consists of all AU students. Alegernon, played by Jonathan Hamolsky from Rindge, NH; Zach Courter, costume designer from Crystal Lake, IL; Cecily’s governness, Miss Prism, is created by Kari Aldrich, a senior English major from Franklin, MA. The Rev. Chasuble is played by Jonathan Hamolsky from Rindge, NH. Lady Augusta Bracknell, the controlling commanding arbiter of behavior, will be performed by Anna Kowalewzuk, a junior theater major from Scarsdale.

Prophet has spent nearly three decades teaching and working in theater. After earning a bachelor of arts degree in English from Alfred University, a master of arts degree and a Ph.D. from the University of Michigan, she acted, directed, and taught in Massachusetts, Michigan, Wisconsin, and Atlanta before returning to her alma mater.

Earlier this year, Prophet received the Gold Medallion from her colleagues in the Kennedy Center/American College Theatre Festival for her service to the organization’s Region Two.

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Alfred Village Band offers concerts beginning at 10 p.m. Saturday, April 10 at the Knight Club, Powell Campus Center, AU campus. Admission is free.

AU Chamber Singers and AU Jazz Band will present a “Jazz Night” concert at 8 p.m. Friday, April 30 in the Knight Club, Powell Campus Center, on the AU campus. Admission is free.

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 Hornell Area Wind Ensemble rehearse Tuesdays evening at Hornell Intermediate School. New members are always welcome. For further information, contact Nancy Lugier at 587-9449 or call 584-6603.

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Alfred Ballroom Academy, N. Main St., Alfred. Jennifer Decker Fon- man, director. For further information, phone 607-587-8115.

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Alumna School of Dance offers classes in Houghton and Wellsville. Classical ballet and ballet technique. Ages and ability levels. For more information, call to register for classes. Contact Director Rebecca Moore at 585-567-2079.

Alfred Community Theatre (ACT). Organized to revive summer theater in Alfred and to help in the restoration of the 1899 Firemen’s Hall Theater. For more info, call Dave Snyder at 587-8110.

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A Gala of One-Act Plays will be presented by Alfred University students at 8 p.m. Friday, April 24, 2010 in the Knight Club, Powell Campus Center, AU campus. Admission is $5. For more information, call Debbie McDowell at 607-877-6167 or the box office at 607-587-9619 or T/C. Gary at 585-593-7499.

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Girls go wild’ at Riley Lecture

By LEAH Houk

Alfred University communications major

ALFRED--Are America’s girls becoming more violent? This was the question posed by professor of women’s studies Meda Chesney-Lind, who delivered the fifteenth annual Elizabeth Hallenbeck Riley and Charles P. Riley Lecture in Women’s Studies Sunday, March 21, titled “Girls Going Wild: Facts and Myths about Girls and Violence.”

Chesney-Lind, who teaches women’s studies at the University of Hawaii at Manoa, is an expert on girls and violence and the author of seven books related to that topic.

Beginning in the 90’s, the media began covering violent girls with increasing regularity. “There were all these images of menacing girls peering over their guns,” Chesney-Lind said, “but everything about these images is wrong.”

Research has shown that girls, even girls involved in gangs or drug-related activity, though they often carry knives, rarely carry guns. The girls with guns on Chesney-Lind’s slides were all Black and Latina.

Besides the images of the gang members from minority races, the other image of violent girls that has captivated national attention has been the “mean girl.” Chesney-Lind showed a slide with a cover of a Time Magazine depicting a terrified girl with pins stuck into her, clutched like a voodoo doll in another girl’s fist. “Notice that the ‘mean’ girl’s victim is white,” Chesney-Lind said. “What’s going on here is a construction of girls.”

Chesney-Lind reminded the audience of other well known, fairly recent and sensationalized cases in which girls committed acts of violence. She mentioned, for instance, notorious Youtube videos showing girls violently attacking other girls. A flurry of recently published books has also “begun stoking the fire that girls are getting meaner and more violent,” Chesney-Lind said.

“Catfights have now been criminalized,” Chesney-Lind said.

Also partially responsible for the increasing number of arrests of young women is the re-categorization of status offenses as violent offenses. For instance, making arrests mandatory for all domestic violence-related incidents has resulted in a higher rate of arrest for girls. Chesney-Lind said that if the answer is that girls are getting more violent, somebody’s going to get dead.”

Surprisingly, there has actually been a decrease in murder arrests for young women in recent years, and arrests for robbery “are up and down,” Chesney-Lind said.

Chesney-Lind offered three explanations for the increase in assault charges. After the shootings at Columbine High School, what she called “upcriming” began to occur more frequently. There is an increased police presence on college campuses, and those “different eyes on the same events” have led to arrests for crimes that previously flew under the radar.

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Also partially responsible for the increasing number of arrests of young women is the re-categorization of status offenses as violent offenses. For instance, making arrests mandatory for all domestic violence-related incidents has resulted in a higher rate of arrest for girls. Chesney-Lind said that girls who have been charged with beating their mothers are more likely to be arrested than their brothers are for the same crime, and girls assaulting their female relatives accounts for the majority of girls’ arrests on domestic violence charges.

“Now I’m not condoning this, but raise your hand if you’ve ever hit your sister,” Chesney-Lind said. “Don’t really raise your hand, but I’d be the first one with my hand up. When you start criminalizing domestic violence, you have surprising consequences.”

In recent years, court referrals, as well as detention rates, have also skyrocketed for girls, while only rising marginally for boys. Chesney-Lind emphasized that the same skewed racial percentages that show up with men’s crimes also plague women’s.

Three out of every seven women arrested are black, and three times as many black women as white women are actually incarcerated. Native American women are also disproportionately represented in U.S. prisons.

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in Susan Howell Social Hall…

Vice President of the Alfred University Class of 1963.

as dean of the College of Liberal Arts last year to accept professor of psychology, effective about August 1. Dr. Maryland as Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and

York, she was named an associate professor in English in 1944, the position which she presently holds.

Miss Theresa Anne Coleman of Almond has been named to the Dean’s List at Nazareth College at Rochester. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Coleman and is a graduate of the Alfred-Almond Central School.

Alfred Station—Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Willard and family of Penn Yan spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Ivanna Lewis…Everett Davis has been confined to his home for the past few weeks with a virus infection. Mrs. Charles Lehman and Miss Sylvia Clark of Andover called on Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Walter, Sunday…Mrs. Frank Palmer of Scioto spent Thursday and Friday with her daughter, Mrs. Alfred Tucker and family…Mr. and Mrs. Harold Perry and son, Brian, of Hornell were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Andover…Miss Anna Alice Appleton…David Palmer returned Sunday morning to Fenn College at Cleveland, Ohio after spending his spring vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Palmer…Miss Glenn Shaw spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Shaw and Johnny at South Wales. Saturday they all attended the Ice Follies at Buffalo…

Alfredians—Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Bostwick attended the fashion show at the Statler in Buffalo, Sunday…Miss Andrea Rawady, who attends school in White Plains, was the guest of her aunts St. Mary and Mrs. and Mr. Al Rawady, Mr. and Mrs. John Gorton and Mr. and Mrs. James Tinklepaugh were among the Alfred-Almond Central School and served in the United States Army for two years, from 1934 through 1956. He was a member of the First Church of the Nazarene in Maywood, CA. He was a coast-to-coast truck driver most of his life. He married his wife, Joyce, in 1980…

FIFTY YEARS AGO, MARCH 31, 1960

Compiled By DAVID L. SNYDER

Drake announced today the ap-

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO, MARCH 28, 1985

Benjamin “Ben” R. Nye, 49, of Alta Loma, CA, died at Loma Linda University Medical Center, CA, Wednesday, March 13, 1985. He was born in West Bing-

Russell Clare Livergood, 76, of 40 Chestnut Street, Andover, died Sunday, March 24, 1985. Born May 6, 1908 in Clearfield, PA, he was married to the former Gladys Emerson of Birdsall for 53 years. She survives him as do two children, a former dairy farmer and was employed as a custodian at Alfred State College, retiring in 1974. Surviving besides his wife are two daughters, Mrs. Janet Perkins of Andover…

50 Years Ago, March 28, 1935—The local Garden Club of Alfred-Almond held its annual meeting at the home of Miss Mary Lee Stillman. The main feature of the program was a talk on the raising of snapdragons, by Prof. E.M. Myers of the School of Agriculture. It was decided that the garden club should make a definite effort toward the cleaning up of any unsightly spots in our community. A committee was appointed for that purpose.

Alfredians—Mary Jane and Dan Sass returned recently from a “Great Florida Two Week Escape.” They visited friends, former students and families on both the East and Gulf coast and spent two nights at Epocet Cen-

The Alfred Sun 50, 25 and 10 Years Ago

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Sunbeans—Amie Acton and Corey Teegarden of Girl Scout Troop 226 in Alfred are conducting a soda can for the Hornell Humane Society as part of the girls’ silver award project…After reading Wanda Mauro’s letter in the March 9 Alfred Sun, Hannah Crump of Redlands, CA, with similar feelings for Al-

For the Birds—(By Betsy Brooks) Gas was twice as expensive last winter, so the 900 total miles that a 10 miles-to-the-gallon gas-guzzler, cost us dearly. The cheapest gas was $1.04 per gallon in El Paso and the most expensive was in Julian, California at $1.84 a gal-

The April 6th meeting of the Allen Civic-Aman-

Bonnie of Karr Valley…Mr. and Mrs. Milton Baker and family of Penn Yan spent Sunday with Mrs. Kent’s brother, Mr. and Mrs. E. Lynne Kibler of Andover…Mr. and Mrs. James Tinklepaugh were among the Alfred-Almond Central School and served in the United States Army for two years, from 1934 through 1956. He was a member of the First Church of the Nazarene in Maywood, CA. He was a coast-to-coast truck driver most of his life. He married his wife, Joyce, in 1980…

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it’s coming. One can almost smell spring in the air. It can be good times again for the Alfred Lions Club is also looking forward to seeing green (money), as an aid to help those who qualify for Lions help. Hopefully, our green will come, in part, from sales of the Lions Millen-

and Mrs. James Tinklepaugh were among the Alfred-A–
Ellen’s mind stuck on southern cooking

After almost six weeks in the southern states my mind is kind of stuck on southern cooking. We worked our way through almost every kind of seafood offered, then I began to focus on vegetables—particularly the kind we don’t often cook in the north or prepare in every kind of seafood offered, then I began to focus on vegetables—

This is an easy recipe from a cookbook entitled Southern Living-2009 Annual Recipes published by Oxmoor House. To make it easier, Wegmans has packages of triple washed and chopped collard greens.

Sautéed Collard Greens

½ c. chopped onion 1 tsp. salt
3 garlic cloves, minced ½ tsp. pepper
1 T. chopped fresh ginger 1 (l-lb.) pkg. collard greens
1 T. sesame oil 1 T. sugar
1 Serrano pepper, split* 1 T. rice vinegar
32 (1-lb.) pkg. collard greens.

Remove and discard Serrano pepper before serving. *1/2 jalapeno

Back in 1884, a simple item appeared in the Alfred Sun that said, “Wanted, one thousand subscribers to the Sun.”

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Quite frankly, we want to keep the dream alive.
**Business First honors two A-A seniors**

ALMOND—Two seniors from Alfred-Almond Junior-Senior High School have been named to Business First’s 2010 All-Western New York Academic Team.

Samuel Huang (First Team) and John Cormack (Special Mention) have qualified for this year’s list of the 100 best and brightest high school seniors in the eight-county region.

Winners were chosen for their records of academic excellence, school leadership and community involvement. The top 25 were named to the First Team, 25 runners-up to the Second Team, and another 50 to the Special Mention list.

“[This is an honor of true significance],” said Jack Connors, president and publisher of Business First. “The Academic Team is an extraordinarily exclusive group. There are roughly 20,000 seniors in Western New York’s high schools this year. Only 100 have met the incredibly stringent standards to make the Academic Team. That’s the top one-half of one percent, the real cream of the crop.”

Schools throughout the eight-county region were asked to nominate their smartest and most accomplished students for consideration by a nine-member committee, which included six admissions directors at area colleges and three Business First editors. A total of 112 schools responded with 386 nominees. (Each school was limited to four candidates.)

The complete list of 100 honorees—along with their photos and profiles—will be published in Business First’s 2010-2011 Guide to Western New York Schools, which will hit newsstands on June 11.

A story about the Academic Team program, including a list of last year’s winners, can be accessed at: http://tinyurl.com/2009wnya-cadteam

**Dish-to-pass dinner set**

**ALMOND—**The Almond 20th Century Club Library will meet at 6 p.m. Wednesday, April 14 for their annual Dish-to-Pass Dinner. The event will be held downstairs at The Almond Library, Main Street, Almond.

Please bring table service for yourself. There will be a nomination of officers. Members are encouraged to bring a guest. New members are always welcome.

There will be a guest speaker following dinner. The library has a list of individuals which makes the facility accessible to all. Any questions? Please call 276-6311

**Community Coalition reception April 6 to honor those ‘making a difference’**

**ALFRED**—The second annual Alfred Community Coalition Awards Reception will honor those community businesses or individuals who have made a difference in the lives of the students of Alfred University and Alfred State College, with particular regard to health and safety.

The 2010 recipients will be honored at an awards reception at the Alfred Village Hall from 5 to 6 p.m. Tuesday, April 6. Desserts will be provided by the Alfred State College Culinary Department. During the reception, those in attendance will enjoy the first public playing of the recently restored 1900 Strick Zeidler baby grand piano.

**Community Spirit Award:** The people who kept our community safe during the Main Street fire, and who came together afterward to help the community heal.

For the last award, it should be noted that literally hundreds of people pulled together to provide help, comfort, and support to those affected by the Main Street fire. While it would be impossible to personally invite everyone, the Alfred Community Coalition invites you to please come to the awards ceremony if you had a role to play or if you wish to join in as we thank everyone. Students representing both campuses will present this award and read a citation for everyone who is present.

The Alfred Community Coalition is comprised of members from Alfred University, Alfred State College and the Village and Town of Alfred who are dedicated to addressing issues that arise regarding students living in the Alfred community. The Coalition works proactively to reduce high risk behaviors of students in the community. The Coalition also is committed to promote responsible decision-making of college students and to educate students on their rights and responsibilities as good neighbors and citizens in the Village and Town of Alfred.

**Annual Spring Machinery & Equipment Sale**

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**DR. SHIRLEY MULLEN, president of Houghton College, who recently announced her engagement to be married, takes a ride in the Chevrolet Equinox fuel cell electric vehicle.**

Houghton gets look at fuel cell car

**HOUGHTON**—The focus of the Houghton College Science Honors Program for 2009-2010 is alternative energy sources for transportation. What will we do when the oil runs out? While students have tackled this question throughout the year, it took center stage on campus when representatives from GM’s Fuel Cell team visited the college with their Chevrolet Equinox fuel cell electric vehicle on Thursday, March 18.

During this academic year, Houghton College students have designed and constructed working prototype vehicles that run on an alternative fuel source, experimented with techniques for producing the required fuel, and analyzed the environmental and economic concerns related to their design. The students have developed four prototype vehicles for use on campus that operate by using some form of alternative energy source – solar energy, ethanol, fuel cell or biodiesel. The best design would maximize range, acceleration, top speed and comfort while minimizing overall cost and negative environmental effects. Along the way, students have learned in workshop-type class sessions about topics ranging from bioengineering to control through electromagnetics to thermodynamics efficiency.

GM’s Fuel Cell Team stopped by to share their insights on alternative fuel strategies and to discuss the technologies behind the Chevrolet Equinox fuel cell electric vehicle. In September 2009, these electric vehicles surpassed one million miles of gasoline and tailpipe pollution-free driving. More than 50,000 gallons of gasoline were saved in the fuel cell Equinox, a vehicle run on electricity created by an on-board fuel cell stack – the only emissions being wisps of water and vapor. “Currently we have 115 of these vehicles in circulation driven by everyday customers,” stated Daniel O’Connell, Director - Fuel Cell 101X Service, Support & Infrastructure at GM.

“The feedback we have received from these drivers has been invaluable – allowing us to make changes and progress the technology. We’re only four years from these vehicles becoming mainstream so we need to keep moving forward.”

According to the GM fuel cell web site, “In the not too distant future, fuel cells will change how we live our everyday lives. They will power our vehicles, homes and office buildings more efficiently and with significantly less impact on the environment than fossil fuels. Fuel cell technology could end energy shortages and reduce reliance on imported oil. Before that day comes, however, four important challenges – hydrogen storage, cost reduction, durability, and infrastructure development – must be solved.”

Houghton College students were impressed with the Equinox Fuel Cell vehicle and enjoyed the opportunity to test-drive it around campus. Students working on prototype vehicles for the Science Honors Program were able to experience and appreciate the years of research and development needed to have a working vehicle that is road travelled and safety tested.

“I was impressed with the pick-up of the vehicle and the ease of increasing the speed,” states Andrew Evans ’13 (Casablanca, Morocco). “We’re working on prototypes of a go-cart size while GM has been able to take their technology and apply it to a crossover size vehicle that has a trailer hitch. It is a practical vehicle for everyday use that can take the family camping and has ample space within.”

The students were inspired to continue their work on alternative energy vehicles. “This makes me hopeful,” remarked Evans. “I’m specifically working on the fuel cell prototype team and our technology isn’t quite there. Trying to get the equipment to talk to each other and function properly is a real challenge, so hearing from GM that they build all of their equipment from scratch for that very reason was gratifying and reassuring.”

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Ham and leek dinner proceeds for mission trip

ALFRED STATION—The Fourth Annual Ham and Leek Dinner will be held in the social rooms at the Alfred Station Seventh Day Baptist church meeting house from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Sunday, April 11.

There is a full menu of ham, cooked leeks, macaroni and cheese, for those who 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.

Cost is 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 Palmer 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 woman of the Guyana Seventh Baptist General Conference to take a step toward self-sufficiency.

The remodeled house will be developed as a suitable place from which to run a church affiliated business. Through this project instead of just giving persons in this third world country “tangible items” as an example they will be receiving a hand-up. Curtis and Calvin will need to raise $2,500 dollars. Through your donation at the Ham and Leek dinner you will be sharing what we Americans have with others; who do have not.

Your friends and neighbors at the Alfred station Seventh Day Baptist Church “Connect- Care- Community” invite you 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. For more information, call the church office at 607-587-9176.

Mark your calendar for A-A alumni banquet

ALMONT — The Alfred-Almond Central School Board of Education and administration anticipate that the Universal Prekindergarten (UPK) program for preschool children will continue into the 2010-2011 school year. Children born on or before December 1, 2009 are eligible to apply for attendance in the program. Children age eligible to attend kindergarten are not eligible to apply for attendance in UPK.

The application will be available at the Elementary Office and on the district website at www.aacs.wnyrc.org. If you would like to receive an application in the mail, please contact Joan Titus at (607) 276-6525. Completed applications and a copy of your child’s birth certificate and immunization records are due at the Elementary Office no later than Monday, May 3, 2010.

Applications received after May 3 will not be considered if more than 18 applications are received. A random selection process as required by New York State will be performed should the district receive more applications than the 18 available openings.

Families will be notified whether their child did or did not receive a spot in the UPK program by Friday, May 7, 2010. Questions should be directed to the Elementary Principal, Tracie Preston at (607) 276-6525.
AU equestrian team competes at Regionals

CANTON—The Alfred University English equestrian team competed in the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association (IHSAA) Zone II, Region II championships, Saturday, March 20, at St. Lawrence University. AU finished third in the region and two Saxon riders qualified to compete in next month’s Zone II championships.

Twelve AU riders competed at the regional championships at St. Lawrence, with the top three in each event qualifying to move on to the Zone II championships April 10 at Centenary College in Hackettstown, NJ. AU juniors Barbara Koziol (Syracuse/ Bishop Ludden) and Johanna Moore (Summit/Morrisstown-Beard)—will compete in the Zone II show.

Moore placed first in novice equitation over fences and third in novice equitation on the flat and will compete in both events at Zones. Koziol was third in intermediate equitation over fences and will compete in that event at Zones. The top two riders in each event at the Zone II championships will move on to compete in the IHSAA national championships May 6-9 in Lexington, KY.

Koziol also placed fourth in intermediate equitation on the flat. Other AU riders who competed and placed at the regional championships were: senior Beth Ullbrecht (Penn Furnace, PA/State College), sixth in open equitation over fences and fourth in intermediate equitation on the flat; sophomore Kaley O’Keefe (Penfield), fourth in intermediate equitation over fences; sophomore Kelly Rinebold (Ontario/Wayne), seventh in intermediate equitation over fences; sophomore Danielle Ross (State Island/St. Peter’s), fifth in intermediate equitation over fences; sophomore Kate LeSuer (State Island/St. Peter’s), fifth in intermediate equitation over fences; junior Michelle Flannery (Syracuse/Westhill), fourth in novice equitation over fences; sophomore Kate LeSuer (Edinboro, PA/Cambridge Springs), seventh in walk-trot-canter, and sophomore Zhenia Bemko (Cranford, NJ) fourth in walk-trot-canter.

Fail to advance
Two members of the AU Western equestrian competed March 27-28 at the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association (IHSAA) national Semi-Final championships show.

Junior Brittany Biegel was fifth in intermediate horsemanship and senior Alicia Pickett-Hale did not place in advanced horsemanship. Neither qualified to compete in the IHSAA national championships in May in Lexington, KY.
AU laxers snap two-game skid with 12-5 win over Caz

The softball team (9-1, 0-0 Empire 8) earned its first win this weekend defeating Pitt-BRADford, 8-0 and 9-1, on Wednesday and RPI, 4-1 and 7-4, on Sunday. Against Pitt-BRADFORD, AU batted seven home runs in the doubleheader (six in the second game) and both AU pitchers — sophomore Nicole Hedrick (Albany/Catholic Central) in the opener and junior Chelsey Caryl (Corti/Penfield) in the closer — tossed one-hitters. Hedrick also hit first-inning leadoff homeruns in both contests.

In the first game, AU scored twice in the first inning and three times in the second. That’s all the run support Hedrick would need, as she struck out five and walked two while giving up only one-fourth inning single to move to 3-1 on the season. She went 3-for-3 at the plate with a solo homerun, a double, and two runs scored.

Sophomore third baseman Molly Shephard (Camillus/West Genesee) had two hits, a run scored and two RBIs; senior shortstop Jesika LeBarron (Toffare, NJ/West Deptford) hit a double and threw out two Pitt-BRADFORD runners attempting to steal.

Cary took a no-hitter into the fifth inning in the second game before Pitt-BRADFORD’s Sarah Angeletti spoiled the effort with a one-out homerun. Angeletti’s blast made it 3-1, Alfred, but the Saxons plated six runs in the bottom half of the inning—all scoring on three homeruns—to take the abbreviated victory.

Hedrick allowed an unearned run in the first inning, then shut the visitors out the rest of the way, allowing four hits while striking out six.

AU trailed 1-0 before plating three in the bottom of the fourth and four runs in the sixth inning run. Shepherd went 3-for-3 with two doubles, a run scored and an RBI to lead the Alfred offense. LeBarron (double) and junior rightfielder Britney Law (Levelou) added each had a hit and drove in a run, and Fenton had a hit and scored a run.

Alfred took the second game, 7-4, surviving four solo home runs from RPI (5-10). Cary improved to 5-0 on the year, throwing five innings and allowing three runs on seven hits and striking out seven. Hedrick allowed one run on two hits over two innings to earn the save.

AU built a 6-0 lead after three innings before RPI tallied a pair of runs on the top of the fifth in a four-run outburst. Cary was backed by McCarthey and Bach. Alfred got one run back in the bottom of the inning before RPI scored a run in the sixth to make it 7-3. Bach’s second homerun of the game, in the seventh, closed out the scoring.

Hedrick had two hits, including a homerun, and Fenton went 2-3 with two RBIs and an R BI to pace Alfred’s bats. Netta had a double and two RBIs; LeBarron hit a run-scoring double and scored once; and senior second baseman Karen Folts (Penn Yan) scored once and drove in a run.

Outdoor track and field teams prepare for season opener

The track and field teams will begin their season on Saturday against Muhlenberg in Allen-town, PA.

AU men’s tennis team splits pair of weekend matches

The men’s tennis team (1-1, 0-0 Empire 8) rebounded from a narrow season-opening loss at Penn State-Behrend Friday to shut out host D’Youville College, 9-0, Saturday evening.

Against D’Youville, Alfred got singles wins from junior Connor Houghton (Orleans, MA/Naugatuck Regional), 6-0 in first singles; junior Nick Schneider (Liverpool), 6-1, 6-0 in second singles; sophomore Nathan Garlettes (Haverfort, PA/Haverford), 6-0, 6-1 in third singles; sophomore Alex Wicks (Arlington, VA/Washington & Lee) and freshman Trenton Berardi (War-ren, PA) won third doubles, 8-5.

In the loss at Behrend, Alfred got singles wins from Garlettes, 6-2, 6-3 in third singles; Kucko, 6-0, 6-2 in fourth singles; and Nonnenmann, 6-4, 6-1 in fifth singles. Kucko and Nonnenmann won second doubles, 8-3, and Garlettes and junior Ryan Partia (Valley Stream South) took third doubles, 8-5.
Saxon track and field teams open season

ITHACA—The Alfred University men’s and women’s outdoor track and field teams opened their 2010 season at Ithaca Saturday. There were no team scores, but several AU athletes turned in solid performances.

Freshman Emily Moorehead (Waverly) broke the women’s school record in the hammer throw in her first time competing in the event at the collegiate level. Her throw of 37.30 meters broke the former record of Elizabeth Menter (32.72 meters) set in 2002. Sophomore Richard Scott (Eden) earned the men’s team’s only victory, taking first place in the 200-meter dash (22.80 seconds).

Scott also placed eighth in the 400-meter dash (50.50 seconds) and teamed with freshman Chris Lopez (Rochester-Pittsford Sutherland) and sophomores Justin Shardlow (Alfred-Almond) and Mitchell Schrechen-gast (Falconer) to take fourth in the 4X100-meter relay (44.66 seconds).

Other top performers for the AU men were: junior Shawn Ross (Ticonderoga), third in the shot put (13.89 meters); junior Markenson Joseph (Brooklyn/ Nazareth Regional), eighth in the hammer throw (40.81 meters); senior Lee Consolo (Plattsburgh); fourth in the 800-meter run (2:00.49); Lopez, fifth in the long jump (5.99 meters) and 10th in the 100-meter dash (11.65 seconds); senior Ned Lessig (Reading, PA/Wilson), seventh in the 400-meter hurdles (1:02.00); senior Jesse Schuster (Tonawanda), 10th in the 3,000-meter steeplechase (10:46.48); freshman Jeremy Weaver (Lancaster Catholic), sixth in the 200-meter dash (23.73 seconds), and senior Corey Smith (Albion), sixth in the 5,000-meter run (17:12.15).

Freshmen Amy Morrissey (Hornell) and Kelly-Jo Beck (York) helped pace the AU women. Morrissey was second in the 400-meter dash (1:03.85) and fifth in the 200-meter dash (28.28 seconds), while Beck took sixth in the discus (27.09 meters), seventh in the shot put (9.71 meters), and eighth in the javelin (24.67 meters).

A-A ‘gold team’ wins soccer tourny

The Alfred-Almond gold team took first place at the Saturday, March 20 indoor soccer tournament held at AACS. The gold team defeated Belmont in the finals to win the tournament. The team included (front) Caitlyn Cook and (back from left) Levi Bayus, Noah Holmok, Coach Mark Lawrence, Casey Young, Dustin Kinnaird, and Levi Lawrence. (Photo provided)

FREE CLEAN-UP!

Saturday, April 17

The Alfred University Saxton Football Team would like to volunteer to help clean up your yard, home or garage, etc. The team will be available starting at 9 a.m. Saturday, April 17. Call the football office at 871-2889 to make arrangements for members of the team to help clean up your yard/home/yard.