Buffalo native puts down roots in Alfred

ALFRED--Sometimes, the stars are misaligned and a farmer or a gardener is born into the wrong city. When it happens, those budding individuals must make their own way to a place where they can become rooted—a place where their passion for plants and agriculture can thrive.

It happened this way for Tom Kacalski, Alfred State College ’06, ’09. And now Kacalski is providing specialized growing services for Alfred State’s Dining Services.

Kacalski was born and raised in the Buffalo area, and he knew very early on that he loved plants and the outdoors. He experimented with gardening in the family backyard, but really had no one to teach him how to make his small plot explode with produce.

“As a Boy Scout, I pursued the Gardening Merit badge,” Kacalski recalled. “But I was the only one in my troop who was interested.”

After high school graduation in 2004, Kacalski transplanted himself to Alfred State College in order to pursue a degree in landscape development. Finally, he had found the place where his passion could blossom. He received his AA degree in 2006, and then went on to complete a BA in technology management in 2009.

In 2010, armed with his two degrees, Kacalski began his own small commercial gardening venture on a hilltop outside of the small village of Alfred. The plot is owned by a local resident Jude Freschette, who has a passion for gardening.

“I learned a lot about the business aspect of produce while I was in charge of the hydroponic lettuce production at Alfred State College my junior and senior years,” Kacalski explained. “We were growing lettuce in the green house for use by ACES.”

Auxiliary Campus Enterprises and Services (ACES) provides dining services to Alfred State College.

“We loved that fresh lettuce helped us to elevate our dishes,” explained Norasethaporn. Kacalski provided nasturtiums and calendula (also known as pot marigold) to ACES. Nasturtium flowers and leaves are edible and provide a peppery touch to salads and pasta. Calendula provides brilliant yellow edible blossoms that are an economical substitute for saffron.

After Tom graduated, he started to work for ACES part-time, just when he started his small commercial garden. Eventually he approached ACES about its catering needs.

“I worked for ACES catering when I was in college and over the summer and I knew that they sometimes used edible flowers for their dishes. I approached Brian Norasethaporn, the catering manager, to see if he would be willing to buy flowers from me,” Kacalski said.

ACES jumped at the opportunity.

“Edible flowers are one of the most elegant garnishes that we can use on our food. We like everything to be as fresh and as beautiful as we can make it, and Tom’s gardening business helped us to elevate our dishes,” explained Norasethaporn.

Kacalski sold tomatoes, peas, potatoes, tomatoes, onions, and more to ACES, he sold produce to Kin Ku’s, a local Asian restaurant.

In 2010, Kacalski began growing market, Kacalski has bigger plans for next year’s garden. He has also become a member of the college’s Green Team Garden/ Greenhouse initiative. That team is working toward developing a community garden in the Village of Alfred that will be ready to plant come spring.

“Alfred State College has provided me with the opportunity to finally start my dream of growing and supplying local, healthy foods,” Kacalski said. “I’m looking forward to continuing to work with ACES and Alfred State and expanding my business in 2011.”

By ELIZA ORDWAY

Director, Alfred of Books Library

ALFRED--Are you curious about the new eReader craze? Un-sure where to begin? The Books of Kindle... Thanks to the Friends of the Books of Kindle Library we have purchased a Kindle, a Nook and an eReader for patrons to explore in the library. You can reserve to have a library card or drivers license to use these materials. Just ask at the Circulation Desk to get the device you would like. There is usually a Public Computing Center staff member available to assist people with these devices as well.

The College has some benefits from this grant, such as new tables and chairs and extended hours, it does not provide funding for our daily operations or the purchase of books and other library materials. Patron and community support for our on-going services is still greatly needed and appreciated. I am extremely excited about the number of patrons who are so enthusiastically embracing the Public Computing Center and are utilizing its services, there is so much out there to learn about.

Please take a moment to go to our website www.alfredbooks-library.org and click on our patron survey. Your responses to this will help us to better meet your needs. We have new hours:

**Upcoming Program Events:**
- January 20th 5-7pm Family Game Night
- January 21st 11 am Story Time
- January 24th 11 am Stretch and Grow
- January 27th 3-5pm Finger Paint Day! Stop in to make a colorful creation!
OBITUARIES

dover Volunteer Rescue Squad, P.O. Box 726, Andover, N.Y. 14806.

SARA H. SCHRAER
Made her own spaghetti sauce
ANOVER—Sarah H. Schrader, 91, of Andover, passed away Friday (Jan. 14, 2011) after a brief illness, surrounded by family.

Mrs. Schrader was born on Sept. 9, 1919 in Avon to Peter and Frances (DeAngelo) Piampiano. On Jan. 17, 1948, at St. Ann’s Catholic Church in Hornell, she married Richard C. Schrader, who survives.

Sarah worked in the cafeteria at the Andover Central School from 1967 until her retirement in 1982. In addition to Dick, her husband of 63 years, Sarah is survived by a daughter, Pamela (George) Slack of Ontario; two sons, Richard (Marlene) Schrader of Veneta, PA and Carl Schrader of Andover; six grandchildren, Paula (Michael) Doyle, Kristen (Mark) Schachtel, Jeremy Slack, Rachel (Aaron) Armstrong, Richard (Meghan) Schrader and Catherine Schrader; four great grandchildren, Nina Doyle, Lilly Doyle, Elijah Schachtel and Abigail Schachtel; many nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by two brothers, Michael Piampiano and James Piampiano; and a sister, Josephane Coffey.

Sarah greatly enjoyed cooking and was famous in the family for her home prepared spaghetti sauce. She was fond of playing cards, watching television and dining out. She was an avid Yankee supporter, a member of the Blessed Sacrament Church in Andover. In addition, she was a founding member of Andover Freemen Auxiliary, a member of the American Legion Auxiliary and served for many years as an election inspector. But more than these, she cherished her time spent with her husband and family, and the many “get togethers” on the holidays, especially July 4th celebrations.

Calling hours took place from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 16 at Baker-Swan Funeral Home in Andover. A Mass of Christian Burial was held at 10 a.m. Monday, Jan. 17 at Blessed Sacrament Church in Andover with Rev. Sean DiMaria as celebrant. Burial followed in Gate of Heaven Cemetery. Online condolences may be offered at www.baker-swan.com.

Memorial contributions in Sarah’s name may be made to Andover Volunteer Rescue Squad.

SAMUEL D. STRICKLAND
Swan—Samuel D. “Sam” Strickland, 56, of 10285 Warden Rd., Swan, died Monday afternoon (Jan. 10, 2011) at McAsley Manor in Hornell following a long battle with cancer.

Born in Fort Lee, VA on Sept. 16, 1954, he was the son of John Strickland and the former Joan Dickerson.

Throughout the years, Sam resided in many locations including Virginia, Alabama, New York State and Vermont. He has resided in Swan for the past seven years. After receiving his GED, Sam earned his bachelor’s degree in animal husbandry from the School of the Ozarks in Branson, MO.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Army and had served in the country from 1972-1975. While in the military he was stationed in several locations in Germany. He was employed for about 20 years with the USDA as a meat inspector, primarily while living in Vermont.

Sam was an avid outdoorsman who enjoyed fishing and making maple syrup. He was also a member of the Canaseraga American Legion.

He was preceded in death by his father, John O. Strickland, Sr.

Surviving are his son, Samuel D. Strickland of Canaseraga; his mother, Joann Wing; three brothers: three sisters; several nieces and nephews.

At Sam’s request there were no calling hours. A memorial service will be held at the convenience of the family. Arrangements are in care of the Dagon Funeral Home, 38 SR 11.

Memorial contributions may be made to either the Canaserga Fire Department or to Canaseraga, N.Y. 14822 or to Canaseraga Spirit of Christmas. To leave and online condolence or share a memory, visit www.dagonfuneralhome.com

Office for the Aging seeking volunteers to help people with their tax returns

BELMONT—The Allegany County Office for the Aging is looking for volunteers to help people with their tax returns. This is a great opportunity for people who like working with numbers, have experience in filing their own tax returns, and have some free time during the month of January (for training), February, March, and April.

Nationally in 2010, more than 32,000 volunteers helped more than 2 million taxpayers with their returns. The Office for the Aging invites you to be part of that team. This year our tax volunteers helped 200 people prepare their tax returns and 125 more to E-file their returns.

The Tax Counseling for the Elderly Program (TCE) offers free income tax assistance for low to moderate income Allegany County residents. Volunteers are trained to help people who are 60 and over with federal, state and local returns. The Office for the Aging partners with the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) and the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) to provide the TCE program.

TCE Volunteers handle basic forms. If the client’s return is more involved, the volunteer directs the client to a paid preparer.

The training is in Belmont at the Allegany County Office for the Aging Jan. 10, 12, 14, 18, 19 and 21, 2011. Volunteers are interested in joining the TCE program as volunteers, or if you would like more information, please call the Office for the Aging 268-9350 or toll-free 1-866-268-9390 and ask for Lynn.

Alfred Police Report

The Alfred Police Department made the following arrests recently:

--Gregory A. Caraway, 21, of Bronx, was charged Friday, Jan. 14 with driving while intoxicated, blood alcohol content greater than .08% and speed not reasonable and prudent, resulting in a property damage accident at the intersection of North Main Street and Pine Street. Caraway was issued traffic tickets and released to a third party. He is to appear in Alfred Village Court on Wednesday, Jan. 26.

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Meeting for property owners in village’s Business District set for Wednesday, Jan. 26

ALFRED—Attention property owners in the Village of Alfred Business District.

The Village of Alfred will hold a public information meeting for property owners interested in participating in the Village of Al- fred 2010 New York Main Street Program Grant at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 26 in Alfred Village Hall, 7 West University Street.

Members of the Village-appointed Grant Advisory Committee will distribute the local program application packet and, along with the Grant Administrator, describe the process property owners must follow when applying for New York Main Street funds.

Property owners interested in this opportunity are strongly en- couraged to attend this meeting. Questions regarding the meeting can be directed to Justin Grigg, Chair of the Grant Advisory Committee at 607.382.3707 oravy.grants.team@gmail.com.

Beverly’s Corner
By BEVERLY SNYDER
Alfred Sun Columnist

“Billy always wins,” I remember complaining to my Aunt, who always seemed to be the referee during our chess games which we played at Christmas time each year. I generally was invited to stay with my family for a week directly after the Holiday and to enjoy the company of my Uncle, and cousins. We played at Christmastime each year. I generally was invited to stay with my family for a week directly after the Holiday and to enjoy the company of my Uncle, and cousins. We played at Christmastime each year.

There were two events that I particularly recall as being thor- oughly enjoyable during this time, and that was our intermittent trips to the Toy or Candy castles. These were large, decorative stores housed in architecture reflecting the nature of their titles. The Toy Castle exterior was reminiscent of those built during the dark ages, when knights were heroes and ladies in waiting enjoyed this privilege.

The Candy Castle was really just a candy store, but disguised with a Castle theme as the façade. The excitement that Aunt, Bill and myself felt as we anticipated the experience of frequenting these estab- lishments, is hard to express adequately. We were thrilled however, to participate in these ventures and found great delight in the treas- ures that these locations offered us.

I don’t know if it was the time together with relatives, the delectable sweets, or the nifty gadgets that we obtained on these outings that brought me the greatest joy, but I do realize that the simplest things in life, can certainly be the most rewarding.

SERVICE NOTES

Air Force Airman Benjamin Z. Koch graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, TX. The airman completed an inten- tional program that in- cluded training in military discipline and studies, Air Force Airman basic fitness, and basic warfare principles and skills. Airman who complete basic train- ing earn the title of Airman and are automatically associ- ate in applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force. He is the son of Donald Koch of County Road 18, Alma, and Patricia Koch of S. Broad St., Wellsville. Koch gradu- ated in 2010 from Wellsville High School.

Airman Benjamin Z. Koch
Air National Guard
Cookbook for a totally different kind of recipe, a copy of an old mag-
dazine that has been passed down in the family. My all-time favorite one is a corn chowder recipe given me by an elderly relative who had taught himself to cook when he lost his job and his wife had to go back to work. I’ve written about that recipe before. Of course, all-time favorite chowder recipes are usually made by an elderly relative who had taught himself to cook when he lost his job and his wife had to go back to work. I’ve written about that recipe before.

Chowder makes a good dinner
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Beef Chowder
1/2 lb. ground beef 2 (10 oz.) cans cream of celery soup
3/4 c. chopped celery 2 (16 oz.) cans tomatoes, cut up
3/4 c. chopped onion 1 (17 oz.) can whole kernel corn
1/3 c. chopped green pepper 1/4 c. snipped parsley

Stir beef, celery, onion, and green pepper till meat is browned; add remaining ingredients and 1 tsp. salt. Simmer, covered, 30 minutes. Stir often. Makes 8-10 servings.

The American Red Cross will hold Blood Drives from 8:45 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. Monday, Jan. 24-25 at Belmont BOCES; from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 27 at Alfred University’s Powell Campus Center; from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday at Houghton College; from 12 noon to 5 p.m. Monday, Jan. 31 at Absolom Care of Houghton; from 12 noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 1 at Belmont United Methodist Church and from 10:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 16 at Alfred State College.

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It’s time for the Allegany County Picnic on Friday, march 4 in Davenport, FL. The 55th an-
ual picnic will be held at Polo Park East Recreation hall locate
don Rt. 27 west of Orlando. The park is 7 miles north of I-4, 1 mile south of Hwy 92 and 13 miles south of Clermont, FL on Rt. 27. Bring a dish to pass, table service and beverage. Doors open at 11 a.m. for all former and current Allegany County residents. This is a time to remi-
nisce with old friends and to meet new folks. Door prizes, a 50/50 drawing and music by our Allegany County Picnic Band. For further information, call Margaret Easton at 727-288-
6383 or e-mail Marg at fjeas-
ton@aol.com

Concerned Citizens of Alle-
gany County (CCAC), now in-
volved in the resistance to Horizo
nal Hydro-fracturing in NY, has launched a website: concernedcitizensallegany:tri-
pod.com Check it out.

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The State of New York Mortgage Agency (HOMA) offers a down payment assistance program to qualified homebuyers. HOMA offers a shared equity mortgage to eligible homebuyers. The shared equity mortgage is structured like a loan, but with several unique features:

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THE ALFRED SUN, Thursday, January 20, 2011

Kanakadea-MacArthur Chapter, OES installs officers
ALMOND - Kanakadea-MacArthur (Kana-Mac) Chapter #242 of Almond recently in-
stalled its new slate of officers for the ensuing year.

Elected as Matron and Patron respectively were Gloria R. Grif
f and Tad P. Manske. Jennifer Guthrie and Ronald Nichols will
fill the chairs of Associate Ma-
tron and Associate Patron.

Secretary Mary-Lou Car
ledge was re-elected to serve the next of many years she has

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Sun Spots

A pretty darn good newspaper serving Alfred since 1883

THE ALFRED SUN, Thursday, January 20, 2011

Sun Spots

I know a young lady who plays the trumpet, a prim, proper girl who is far from a frump; these two characteristics just lately collided in what should only make a lifelong devotee excited. Our high-minded bugle-babe put this away: "...The Post hardly even has a，在报头是linear..."

Christmas display
Letter to Editor Bro - Alfred Sun
This was one of the best letters I've ever seen mean-

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To the Editor -

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The Alfred Sun

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THE ALFRED SUN

As I recognized sarcasm when she said, "awesome." The sun said, "I have no idea, I'm just here because I'm tired of being asked to go on a road trip.

"Nonetheless, with these words, did my best to beseech her:

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The article begins with a news item about Amy Speace performing at the Wellsville Creative Arts Center on January 22. It features an interview with Amy Speace, who shares insights into her music and personal life. The article also includes a section on the ‘Standup for Peace’ comedy show set to take place at Alfred University, with a performance by Scott Blakeman and Dean Obeidallah. The show is described as a platform for comedians to address serious issues, with a focus on the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. The article highlights the importance of understanding and bridging different perspectives, and it mentions the Seeds of Peace camp as one of the organizations that promotes peace through education and interaction. The article concludes with a call to action for readers to support these causes by attending the shows and spreading awareness about the issues.
Harder Hall, on the Alfred University campus.

STAR TREK LIVE! is a free program open to the community, pre-arranged guests. Admission is free on a first-come/first-seated basis. Community Opportunities and Initiative connected with the Youth and Learning Initiative (BTOP) grant.

Youth and Learning Initiative sponsored by the Children's Museum (MOM) grant (BTOP) grant.

ALFRED—Beginning January 22, the Alfred Box of Books Public Computing Center will offer open computer lab hours in the library. The open lab hours will be open to both college students and community. Admission is free on a first-come/first-seated basis.

Over the past few weeks several local patrons have already been making use of this service. A few examples of some of the individual training sessions that have already happened include: library accessibility, setting up email accounts such as the Gmail and the Amazon Kindle, setting up an email account, learning how to download audio and eBooks from the library website, creating an instruction brochure for a Microsoft Word training session, or assistance with Microsoft Word. Individual training sessions are scheduled in one hour time increments and take place in the Box of Books Library.

Some highlights may include liquid nitrogen experiments, the incredible shrinking and inflating balloons, the spinning ping pong balls, the floating superconductor, and various other cool science demonstrations.

Producers Mad Science Productions describes STAR TREK LIVE! as "an action-packed, interactive spectacle that is out of this world! Audience members join the newly formed Starfleet Academy only to be unexpectedly whisked into an exciting adventure steeped in the grand tradition of the Star Trek franchise."

Questions can be directed to Dan Napolitano, director of Student Activities at Alfred University at 607.871.2175 or Napolitano@alfred.edu.

Alfred University will also host an exhibition of its science and technology offerings outside of the theater from 5-8 p.m. for the departing early-show crowd and the arriving late-show crowd.

Come hear the story of "Six Characters in Search of an Author." Four performances included seven paragraphs of admonitions on the back of the Alfred University "Winter Concerts 2010" program, covering three different venues.

In November, 2010, I attended Luigi Pirandello's play within a play, "Six Characters in Search of an Author." Four performances were given at the C.D. Smith III Theatre on the AU campus. Preceding the drama a request to the audience concerning its desired behavior was delivered by a young woman. Unfortunately the statement, which enumerated such disturbances as the use of cell phones, behavior was delivered by a young woman. Unfortunately the statement, which enumerated such disturbances as the use of cell phones, was assumed to be one scene in a play within a play by some listeners.

A note inside the front cover of the program pled, "For the comfort and safety of the audience and performers, please refrain from using flash photography and recording devices. Some attendees may have purposely disregarded those other people and were similarly unconcerned about the blocking of a seat. They used prohibited equipment at the risk of breaking copyright laws and getting caught doing so. Members of AU's Division of Performing Arts are constantly aware that this could happen.

Most lecture halls and auditoriums on the AU campus have seating challenges. Even the new Miller Theater which opened during the fall semester of the 2010-2011 academic year, has seating issues. To provide good stage viewing throughout the hall, there is a long descent from the main entrance behind the rear rows to the front rows. The rows of seats are very wide. To me it is obvious that those arriving early should move into the closest row of available seating as a matter of good personal comfort and some personal safety requires use of an aisle seat. However, many people seem to find it acceptable that others should clamor past them, almost inevitably stumping, and perhaps toppling over into the row below. It also appeared to me that some people choose to sit in corridors near the stage. Most do not. Instead, at the first break in a performance an announcement is made that standing late-comers may now file down to the still vacant front rows. Again, shuffling over aisle seats continues.

Miller Theater has the best acoustics and the largest audience capacity of any indoor entertainment venue at AU. Alas, nearby parking areas are inadequate. Poor weather conditions and changing construction projects which clog the campus map exacerbate the problem. Is there a solution? Studies have shown that drivers entering filled parking areas, directing them to others where low-fare shuttles to Miller Theater await. That might reduce late-comer numbers. You cannot see me, but I hope I am heard.

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PUBLIC COMPUTING CENTER TRAINING TEAMS will be able to help them if necessary. Patrons may also schedule a time to sit down with one of the Public Computing Center Training Team members to help them with a specific computer related issue. These individual training sessions are scheduled in one hour time increments and take place in the Box of Books Library.

I possess about eighty books devoted to manners and etiquette. They range from large, book tomes to slim paperbacks. In addition, I have guidebooks to foreign places, which offer information on local conductations. Including items from the early 1800's forward, this growing collection provides both light reading and informative insights concerning the evolution of manners.

I remember the earliest "manner" which I was taught, presumably at the moment I learned to speak. Over and over I was told, "Keep your hands off the table." For some are meant to be seen, felt, not heard. For some are meant to be seen, felt, not heard. Therefore I can't imagine that this brought about a state of total confusion. It left me certain that I was invisible to all except my own family members, to whom I somehow was allowed to talk.

McCoys' Drugstore in Joplin, Missouri, was situated behind a bus stop. Since my parents could not park our car there, they would phone the store to ask for an item to be set aside for pick up. I would be dropped off to go into the store to retrieve it, while my parents hovered about the block. I would always insist that I would not be recognized by the McCoys or their salespeople unless a parent had me in tow. Miraculously, this plight never materialized, which may have been aware that this could happen.

Sound and sight are important features of both. Today's changes in what both groups and individuals find acceptable are constantly being challenged. Some cases were the globally controversial noise of the vuvuzelas during the recent soccer World Cup competition in South Africa. I took belated comfort in realizing that the embarrassing squawks I publicly produced from a clarinet in my youth were far less offensive.

Formerly, the customary announcement made to audiences prior to a performance noted emergency exits and had nothing to do with courtesy. Nowadays, seemingly obvious manners of etiquette require addressing either on a printed program or orally. "Concert Etiquette" included seven paragraphs of admonitions on the back of the Alfred University "Winter Concerts 2010" program, covering three different venues.

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ANGELICA—The happy sounds of the ukulele will ring out at Black-Eyed Susan Acoustic Café on Saturday, Jan. 22 when we present singer-songwriter Cherith Meeks of Canadea.

Cherith grew up in Lima and has been performing for more than 20 years… since she was four years old when she began playing and singing in church. She has a degree in Music Theory and Composition from Houghton College and is starting to look seriously into publishing some of her classical music.

According to Cherith, her style of writing for live audiences is a mix.

“The artists I am most influenced by would be Ingrid Michaelson and Sarah McLaughlin. Regina Spektor definitely changed the way I incorporate piano into my pieces. I am a huge fan of minor keys which is one of the reasons I decided to take up the ukulele—because it’s hard to play sad music on the uke. It just makes me want to sing and write happy music!”

She has played at Open Mic nights at Black-Eyed Susan and also at Grace Cafe in Avon, NY but most recently her music is “played in my living room for my husband and my fish.” Cherith continues, “I am excited to get it out there for people to hear!”

The doors at Black-Eyed Susan open at 11 a.m. every Saturday for lunch, with dinner, specialty coffees and desserts starting at 4:30 p.m. Enjoy the mellow sounds of Jim Schwartz on guitar at 6 p.m. with Cherith Meeks 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. Lunch is served weekdays from 11 a.m.–2 p.m.

Coming Events at Black-Eyed Susan:

SATURDAY January 29:
MICHAEL SCOTT SMITH, songwriter on solo guitar, mandolin, banjo, harmonica and vocals playing original and traditional American folk music. Michael is a member of the band “Band of Brothers”.

THURSDAY, February 3
Monthly ACOUSTIC OPEN MIC hosted by Bob & Gena Decker. The café opens for meals at 6 p.m., with OPEN MIC from 7–10 p.m. All are welcome, bring a friend!

SATURDAY, February 5:
Swing, Jazz and songs from the great American Songbook by pianist ALLAN HOWE. Think of Ellington, Porter and Gershwin with a dash of Sinatra, Ella, and Sammy. That’s the company you keep with you listen to Allan play and sing.

Black-Eyed Susan Acoustic Café serves lunch Monday through Saturday and dinner with live music every Saturday evening. Located at 22 West Main Street in Angelica’s Park Circle National Historic District, the café seats 90 and is fully handicap-accessible, making it a perfect place for business meetings, showers, private dinners and other events. Menus and music schedules are posted online. For more information call 585-466-3399 or visit www.black-eyed-susan.com.
Zweygardt featured in Alfred State gallery

ALFRED—The Llewelyn Art Gallery on the Alfred State Col- lege campus will present the work of sculptor Glenn Zweygardt from Jan. 12 through Feb. 25. Zweygardt creates com- plex metal sculptures using di- verse materials, such as cast bronze, glass, iron, marble, stainless steel, stone and granite. The Llewelyn Art Gallery is located in the Engineering Technology Building, room 312, on the Al- fred State College campus. Reg- ular gallery hours are Monday through Friday 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. The works of Zweygardt are simultaneously ancient and contemporary. Zweygardt possesses an uncanny ability to fuse dissimilar elements into cohesive concepts, naturally occurring and fabricated forms, into struc- tures that comment on the per- ceptions of the observer. This interaction of artist, nature, and technology has a multifaceted effect on the observer's imagery and psyche. Duplication and relationship are recurring themes present in Zweygardt’s work. A care- fully chosen stone, cast and fabricated in a block of metal or steel becomes the basis of definite architectural themes that are unique to Zweygardt’s work. Zweygardt’s mastery of the building process along with his use of the most diverse of materials seeks to mirror the workings of the human mind and collective consciousness. Zweygardt’s group will focus on creating work that spans virtually the entire spectrum of possibilities of “traditional” modernist sculpture. Ka- te Zweygardt earned the BFA degree from Wi- chita State in 1967. He received the MFA from the New York State College of Ceramics at Alfred University. Zweygardt works independently and collaborates with emerging artists. More information on Glenn Zweygardt can be found on his Web site: www.glennzweygardt.com.
Terra Cotta Museum. Main St. At Alfred. Tours Fri.-Sun. 1-4 by appointment only, call President Laura Mc.

Alfred University. AU campus...www.bakersbridge.org

Bergen Farm. 1210 W. Main St. 324-4129. For information, call President Laurie Mc.

The Visitor Center at Morristown. 12 Main St. Morristown. 324-2101. For information, call 716-587-9493.

Theatre at University at Albany. 119 College Cir. 518-442-3930. For more information, call 585-569-4780.

John Stull Observatory open to the public. Hours: Fri. and Sat. Beginners nightly. Free admission. For more information, call 716-593-0820 or 716-593-8107.

The Filibremaya Support Group meets on the second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. For more information, please contact the Alfred Sun at 607-871-2175.

Gastric Bypass Support Group. Third Wed. of each month from 6:30-8 p.m. in Memorial Conference Room at the Alfred SUN. For more information, call 607-569-6335.

Hornell Fortieth. 120 S. Main St. Hornell. 324-8473. For information, call President Laurie Mc.

Aim at 12:30 a.m. “Coffee Break.”

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“Not Without Blood.”

Call Donna Fiegl at 585-593-7665.

—Exercises at 10 a.m., lunch at 12 noon. “National Oatmeal Day.”

Call 716-593-6300 for info.


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Belmont—Through joint efforts of the Adult Educational Opportunity Center (AEOC) and Historical Society annual meeting set Jan. 26 in Andover

Andover—The Andover Historical Society will hold its Annual Meeting at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 26 in the Andover Community Center on East Greenwood Street. Election of Officers and Board Members will be the first order of business.

Town Historian Mabel Cormick will talk about the Annual Andover History publication and the need for information from various community organizations by mid-February. She and others will assemble this information for It Happened in Andover in 2010 for distribution and sale at $3. The Society is planning a display at the Maple Festival and will be selling Andover Post Cards in addition to the above publication. Anyone interested in Andover and Allegany County History is encouraged to attend the Society’s meetings.

For further information, please call (607) 478-8676 or number is 607-276-6311.

Kathleen Conkin offers homework help

ALMOND—Almond 20th Century Club Library will offer homework assistance from 4 to 7 p.m. Thursdays, starting Jan. 27 through the end of the school year.

Students and parents are encouraged to take advantage of this free service. Kathleen Conkin, aide at Alfred-Almond Central School for 14 years, is pursuing her degree in Human Services and is participating in a work study program. She is dedicated to helping her students achieve the best anywhere. Miss Conkin will offer her skills to the students in need, be it junior, elementary or senior high. She wishes to acknowledge that she does not have any foreign language skills and higher levels of math may be above her.

Previous to AACS, Kathleen was employed by ARC for over 6 years where she worked one-on-one with clients; some of which attained their Ged. Kathleen has maintained a solid grade point average while pursuing her bachelor’s degree. She is working hard to achieve her goals and dreams. She would be thrilled to help those who are in need of extra help be it reading assistance, problem solving, etc.

It is suggested that prior to coming to the library that one makes a phone call to make sure that the session hasn’t been cancelled. Our hours on Thursday are from 1 ‘til 7 and the phone number is 607-276-6311.

New session of ceramics classes start Jan. 25 at Creative Arts Center

Wellsville—A new session of ceramics classes at the Wellsville Creative Arts Center will begin Tuesday, Jan. 25 and run through March 19. Pre-registration is required. Sign up in person at the Arts Center (585) 593-3000 or register online at www.WellsvilleCreativeArtsCenter.com.

A variety of classes will be offered. Wheel-Throwing, Hand-Building and Sculpture for students of all skill levels. There is also a Glaze Experimentation class for students with some clay experience.

The cost is $225 for members, $250 for non-members. The cost of the class includes free studio access seven days a week, free glaze and firings with purchase of clay. 10% OFF the member price and 25 lbs of clay FREE is offered to all first-time students. The additional advantage of the class includes free studio access seven days a week, free glaze and firings with purchase of clay. 10% OFF the member price and 25 lbs of clay FREE is offered to all first-time students.

Comments from our students: “...a wonderful experience,” “The teachers are very patient and learning fun,” “The Wellsville Creative Arts Center provides an opportunity for people in the southern tier of NY and northern PA to experience instruction in the arts that’s equal to others.”

A-A students in Area All-State

ALMOND—Eight Alfred-Almond Central School music students were selected to participate in the New York State School Music Association, Zone 15, Area All-State Music Festival held in Elmira back in November.

Students selected for the Junior High Band (grades 7-9) were Carolyn Anderson on euphonium and Meghan Norfolk on flute.

Students selected for Junior High Chorus were Natasha Jackson, Emma Tylell and Abby Williams, while selected for Senior High Mixed Chorus were Robert Graves, Kaleigh Kenney and Zach Wilcox.

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Almond 20th Century Club Library

JobLink sets classes at Alfred Library to assist with computer skills, resumes

ALMOND—JobLink is offering a free class at the Alfred Library, 4 to 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 6 and today, Thursday, Jan. 20, with classes repeated Feb. 3 and 17 from 5 to 6:30 p.m.

The first class is a basic computer class teaching how to use a keyboard, mouse, the desktop, navigate the Internet and how to set up an email account. The second class will teach you how to create a resume that highlights your strengths, skills and abilities.

You must have basic computer skills (using Microsoft Word, keyboard and mouse).

Sign-up is required and you may do so by calling 607-276-6311 (you may leave a message — your name and contact info and which classes) you wish to take or by stopping in.

Offered through the Southern Tier Library System, JobLink is a mobile training unit to help area residents improve their computer and internet skills to find employment.

Call 607-276-6311 to sign up for the class.

JobLink services focus on basic computer skills, training and support for finding a new career. The JobLink van is a mobile computer lab complete with a laptop of computers, a trainer and technician with the ability to set up in any location.

The additional advantage of this program is its ability to bring broadband access to individuals who have limited or no access. Training is available throughout libraries in Steuben, Chemung, Yates, Schuyler and Allegany counties. For a complete class schedule visit JobLink.sfls.org.

JobLink is made possible through a federal American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Broadband Technology Opportunity Program (BTOP) award. JobLink is one of five mobile computer training units and among 30 public access computer centers found across the southern tier of New York State.

For more information about JobLink contact Anna Ezzolo at (607) 962-3141 or ezzolaa@sfls.org.
Compiled By DAVID L. SNYDER
Alfred Sun Editor and Publisher
FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, 1961

Most colleges and universities expect 80 percent of their alumni to contribute regularly to their support by the time they reach what is considered the Fiftieth Year of their graduation. Alfred was no exception, and a member of the American Alumni Council here Wednesday. William J. O'Conner, Assistant to the President of Alfred University, was guest speaker on behalf of the Board of Directors and met with campus conduct by members of District II of the AAC...

The annual report of the three-man Alfred Village Police force shows a total of 2,131 vehicle and traffic infractions during the year 1960.

Alfredians—Miss Shirley Wurz, Mrs. Helen Cotrel and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Fennner attended the dedication of the Southern Tier Kennel Club in Olean Sunday evening...Mr. and Mrs. Eddy Foster returned Wednesday afternoon from a five-week trip to the West Coast; Mrs. and Mrs. Phillips Foster and family at East Lansing, Michigan, and the Rev. and Mrs. John Clements and sons in Milwaukee, Wisconsin...Miss Marion Fosdick is visiting her sister, Mrs. Arthur Tenny and niece at St. Petersburg, Florida, for two weeks. Upon leaving there Miss Fosdick will be a judge at the pottery exhibit of Arts and Crafts, at the annual State Fair in Tampa, Florida...Roger McGraw spent the weekend with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Harris in Whitesville...Dr. and Mrs. Ray Wingate and Mrs. Dan Rase and son were recently at the Corn ing Glass Center to view the Italian Celle, built in 1750...Mr. and Mrs. James and Mr. and Mrs. Harold MacMichael Friday evening in honor of Phillip's birthday...Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Alton of Almond purchased the former Alan Schmidt home on lower Main Street at Phillips Creek...Mr. and Mrs. John Westlake have Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Decker Sunday. Their daughter, Ruth, born Jan. 8, 1961.

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ROCHESTER—Four members of the 12 & under group in the Kanakadea Valley Aquatic Club (KVAC) travelled to the Webster Aquatic Center Jan. 14-15 to compete in the Niagara District 12 & under IMX Challenge. The pentathlon set-up consisted of 5 races including the 200 Individual Medley, 100 Breast, 100 back, 100 Fly and 200 or 500 freestyle.

Alyssa Greaney age 10 finished in fifth place out of 40 competitors in the 10 year female bracket. She swam to personal bests in the 200 IM (2:57.59), 100 breast in a USA swim gold time of 1:32.96, 100 fly (1:31.51) and 200 free (2:43.57). Teammate Bridget Cochran took 19th place in the 12 year female division finishing the 200 IM (3:04.01), 100 breast (1:39.19), 100 back (1:21.93) and 100 fly (1:43.76).

Ondrej Fanta(10) swam the 200 yard freestyle in a time of 3:43.31 and Silas Cochran (9) finished his events with some personal best times; 200 free (3:15.62), 200 IM (3:38.21), and 100 breast (1:49.91). KVAC will compete next on Saturday, Jan. 22 when the team travels to Elmira Southside High School to participate in the Southern Tier Swim League.

KVAC swimmers Aaron Haase, Madeline McConnell and Jonathan Ingold qualified for the 2011 Niagara District Power Point Swim Meet in Webster.

WEBSTER—Three swimmers from the Kanakadea Valley Aquatic Club, Aaron Haase (Hornell), Jonathan Ingold (Hornell) and Madeline McConnell (Belmont) competed in the 2011 Niagara Senior Powerpoint Championship at the Webster Aquatic Center on Jan. 15-16. The meet brought together top swimmers, who met the qualifying standards, from 26 club teams throughout Western New York.

Aaron Haase (16) earned a medal for his 8th place finish in the Boys 13 and over 500 Yard Free (5:21.49). He took ninth place in the 100 Yard Free (52.35) and swam the 100 Yard Fly with a time of 1:01.27. Jonathan Ingold (16) swam the 50 Free in 24.74 seconds and a personal best in the 100 Free with a time of 53.75.

Madeline McConnell (15) took tenth place in the Girls 13 and over age category in both the 100 Yard Back (1:03.72) and the 100 Yard Fly (1:03.30). She also swam the 50 Yard Free (25.72), the 100 Free (56.75) and the 200 IM (2:21.66).

For more information about KVAC visit the club website at kvacswim.org.
Men's Basketball: 3-10

The men's basketball team returned to action after a two-week break and fell to Binghamton 74-69 in its 2011 and WNYAC opener. ASC lost 25-24 at half but was unable to hold the lead. Nicole Palmiter (Betheesda, MD) led the blue & gold with 13 points while Colquitt Keys (4 rebounds, Springs, MD) and Nick Tucker (Belmont/Genesee Valley) each chipped in eight.

ASC Sports Roundup

Women's Basketball: 10-6

The Lady Pioneers opened up play in the new year and lost two tough battles. ASC fell 74-69 to Medaille JV and then lost a hard fought 64-51 contest at Jamestown.

Medaille connected on 11 out of 27 three-point attempts as they pulled away from the late Lady Pioneers rally. Amie Brooks (Pavilion) led the Pioneers with 19 points while Shadecake Campbell (Brooklyn/Wilson Grady) had a double-double with 17 points and 10 rebounds. Camille Romero (Queens Village/Mary Louis) came off the bench and finished with 14.

The women's basketball team could not rally all the way back in their WNYAC opener vs. JCC. Brooks led the way for Alfred with 19 points. Romero chipped in nine while Campbell and Nuri Bey (Bronx/Evander Childs) each finished with six.

Swimming: Men 1-2

Women 1-2

The swim teams entered 2011 competition this weekend when they travel to Erie CC for the ECC Invitational. The invite features the long format of events.

Indoor Track & Field at RIT

The indoor track & field team opened up their season with an impressive showing at the RIT Invitational. The Pioneers had three event winners on the day in competition versus mainly four-year schools.

On the men's side, Brett Harrington (Mt. Vernon) won the 55 m hurdles in 7.82. He was also 4th in the long jump (6.36 m). Tyrece Constantine (Binghamton) won the high jump with a leap of 1.93 m. For the women, Skylar Fong (Alfred/Remembrance Academy) won the 600 m with a time of 1:36.40.

The indoor track team are the defending ASC regular season champs and will honor the play team of Shatara Noble (John/Rochester), Briana Dorsey (Rochester/School of the Arts), Tara Murphy (Rochester/Wilson), and Jessica Stewart (Erie CC) on Senior Night (Feb. 1). Goat Crohan (Lehigh) crossed the finish line first in 1:52.64.

In the 3000 m Steeplechase, 3rd in both the 200 m (2.57) and the 56 m (7.74), Murphy finished third in the 3000 m in 9:34. She was 6th in the 55 m (7.82).

Other top finishers included; Rawle Crawford (Mt. Vernon) in the 800 m, finished 3rd in the 200 (23.61), Byron Jones (Niagara Falls) was 4th in the 100 (11.25) and Ken Boyer (Albion) was 7th in the 400 (53.10).

ASC Sports Roundup

The Pioneers hit the mats for the first time this coming weekend when they take on SUNY Geneseo at home and then head to Binghamton to compete in the New York State Championships.

Thursday, January 20

On this day in 1961, the youngest man ever elected President delivered his Inaugural Address. John F. Kennedy stirred the heart of America when he said:

“...The energy, the faith, the devotion which we bring to this endeavor will light our country and all who serve it—and the glow from that fire can truly light the world. And so, my fellow Americans—ask not what your country can do for you—ask what you can do for your country...Let us go forth to lead the land we love, asking His blessing and His help, but knowing that here on earth God’s work must truly be our own.”

John F. Kennedy, 1961
AU women win two of three

Alfred University’s women’s basketball team (6-8, 2-4 Empire 8) finished their non-conference season with two wins and one loss last week. AU defeated Elmira, 65-62, Tuesday evening and Alfred defeated Fredonia, 88-71, Friday afternoon. Alfie lost to Stevens Saturday afternoon, 61-39.

Junior forward Asha Newsome, Alfred’s top returning scorer, continues to average double figures each game. The 6’0” forward from Millville, Pa. scored 17 points, and had six rebounds. Captain Emilie nursery (Buffalo/Holy Angels) netted 11 points, adding six rebounds and three blocks to score the Saxons past the Hawks.

Frosh forward Erin Meineke (Ontario/Wayne) picked up a pair of weekend road scores, but several AU men and women were left rattling the rafters as the Saxons went from 74.5 to 138.5 points, adding six rebounds and three blocks to score the Saxons past the Hawks.

AU men’s basketball goes 2-1

The AU men’s basketball team (7-7, 2-4 Empire 8) defeated Hartwick, 76-60, Tuesday evening, before dumping a pair of weekend road games to Hartwick, 76-60, and Stevens, 76-57.

In the Elmira game, AU held a commanding 44-34 lead entering into intermission. Senior guard Mike Stotera (Scotia-Glenville) netted 11 points, had six rebounds and two assists, and had six rebounds. Sophomore guard Joyce Beatty (Waterford/Waterville) scored 13 points and had seven rebounds.

At Hartwick, the Hawks built a 32-23 lead at the half, but AU was able to pull even with a 47-47 tie entering the final buzzer of the game.

Two of three games win at home

At Stevens, AU managed to stop the lid on the previously un败ed Eagles, 139-95. The Saxons tallied 96 points and held Stevens to 39.

AU player suggestions


Heavy snowfall not a skier’s ‘Nirvana’

By MARCIA LIGHTMAN

Special to the Alfred Sun

The casual by-word for the 4.5 inches of snowfall that would be nirvana for a ski racer, but Wednesday’s winless conditions in the slopes of Swain was anything but.

Experienced racers actually preferred to have icy base that lies under all that fluff, where they can dig in an edge and ride it, but the most chalening conditions involve alternating piles of powder and ice, and nothing is the case for Wednesday’s slalom race. The race hill had been groomed, once in the morning, but the snow continued to fall and actu ally had to be scraped off the course in places, and stumped at the beginning of the course in other places in order to create safe racing conditions. It was still a night to be survived, rather than enjoyed, and many of the Eagle skiers did not enjoy their finest hour.

Nick Graves and David Ermer took the top two places in the giant slalom and third in the one run modified event, but A-A’s top girl, Cortney Cook, was disqualified when she spun around the final gate, and her younger sister, senior Zach Mix (Mt. Morris), eighth in the shot put, and Mix in the fastest four man scoring group. Corty led the pack in 3rd place, with Derrick Clark earning a career-best 4th, Porter in 8th, and Ben Dewey ninth with a score of 280. Nick Graves helped the Eagles’ composite score of 540 with a 12th place finish, which couldn’t even be counted in the Eagles’ total score.

The girls climbed back toward the top with the third place team score of 127, trailing only Swain and NY in 1st and 2nd. The Eagles will put in another day of practice with a double outsl of slalom and giant slalom before taking a break until the next weekend. Alfred University to host a weekend of collegiate racing competition.

Boys basketball

Andover, A-A both winners

ANDOVER—Both Andover and Alfred-Almond boys basketball teams were victors in their only game of the week.

Andover swept a pair of home games over Allegany County Divas and the Eagles, 43-31 defeat back on Dec. 11.

Adam Starks had 19 points and Tyler Whitfield 14 to lead the Panthers against Hinsdale. In the win over Friendship, Ian Perry had a season high with 9 points, while Starks added 12 and Whitesell 9.

The Panthers, now 8-2 on the season, currently sit in the #2 seed among Section V Class D2 teams, just behind Livingston County’s Mt. Morris. Mt. Morris handed the Panthers one of their two losses on the season at the Arkport Exchange Club Christ mas Tournament, 74-68 in the championship game.

Alfred-Almond’s Eagles, meanwhile, behind Jake Kendall’s 24 points, outlasted the Lakers at Hammondsport, 47-41 on Jan. 12 to improve to 7-0.

Coach Brad Hoyt’s Eagles sit in the #5 seed among a rugged field of Section V Class D1 teams. C.G. Fifine tops the field with an 11-2 record, followed closely by Notre Dame of Batavia (9-1), Fillmore (10-0) and Elba (8-2). Just a point behind A-A is Jasper-Trotnsburg (7-2), a team that handed A-A a 43-31 defeat back on Dec. 11, and atop the list is Batavia’s Bel mont last night (Jan. 19) against Genesea Valley, then host a hot A-A team this Tuesday, Jan. 21 in a key Steuben County League matchup.

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HITS AND MISSES:
The NFL playoffs continue to roll along with a couple of surprises weekend past and two promising conference title games on the line this Sunday. The veterans included Pittsburgh, Green Bay, Chicago and the NJets. A “classic” Ravens-Steelers game with two dropped passes by Baltimore receivers proving to be their undoing. The Packers put on a show in the comfort of the Georgia Dome and are the hottest team in the league right now. The Bears did the rolled over matched Seahawks and the Jets stunned the Pats in Foxboro. As previously stated, my two pre-season SB picks were the Ravens and Packers. Sticking with Green Bay all the way, think they can win it all but one could probably say that about all four survivors. Green Bay won’t have the dome to play in this week at Chicago with their crummy field which will hurt the Packers attack. Chicago plays great “D” but going with GB, 21-20. In the AFC championship tilt two great defenses but like offense of Pitt slightly better. Steelers over the Jets, 21-20. Aaron Rodgers versus Ben Roethlisberger in Dallas would be fun to watch.

In National League Lacrosse it was the visiting Toronto Rock (Korn) topping the Rochester Knighthawks, 12-9 in the home opener at the BCA-War Memorial for the K-Hawks. 3L and I did not take in this contest as “comp” tix apparently unavailable from K-Hawks office. This after Lauren intern there twice and worked there last summer, filling in for her boss Brooke, who was on maternity leave. Wow, how soon they forget! Rochester is in the East division along with Philly, Boston, Buffalo and Toronto.

The Western New York (WNY) Flash, in the women’s pro soccer league, drafted Alex Morgan from California and Team USA as the #1 overall pick. The Flash will play all their home games in Rochester at the Webster Marine Stadium, formerly known as the PAETEC Park. The Flash are a Buffalo-based organization but they will not play any games in the Buffalo area. Now, if they could just get Abby Wambach on their roster!

CUBA—The Alfred-Almond swim team under the direction of Coach Gerry Flaitz is made up of a mixture of boys and girls. This team of exceptional athletes continued their undefeated streak last week when they traveled to Cuba-Rushford Jan. 13.

The feminine swimmers are significant contributors to the overall success of the swim team and this week was no exception. Maddie McConnell brought home two individual first place finishes; 200 IM (2:23.74) and the 100 Back (1:04.63). She also teamed up with Logan Peck (breast), Kevin Cook (fly) and Grace Scherzer (free) to bring home a number one finish in the 200 Medley Relay (2:06.28). Logan also snapped up second place in the 200 IM (2:30.22) and Shelby Allen garnered third in the 50 free (25.54) and 100 free (54.29) during the same race. Grace went on to complete her highest score of the season when she captured third place in the 200 freestyle event.

Other notable finishes included the medley relay team made up of Zach Woughter (back), Alfie von Stackelburg (breast), Katelyn Young (fly) and Shelby (free) who finished second with a time of 2:11.76. Third place in the same race went to Chloe Harris (back), Kaitlyn Flaitz (breast), Piper Foulke (fly) and Corrigan Herbert (free). Taylor Godshall was a winner in the 100 fly with a time of 1:07.27. Zach was second with a time 1:01.96 and Katelyn Young finished in third with a time of 1:15.30. Piper Chester contributed to the team’s success when he finished in the top spot in diving.

The dual force of Patrick Greaney and Nik von Stackelberg continued their winning ways when they each won two individual events. Patrick finished in the top spot in the 50 free (24.54) and 100 free (54.29) and Nik hit the pads first in the 200 free (1:54.45) and 500 free (5:03.70).

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