

SUN in India
The 12th grade of Shanti Bhavan, located near Balliganpalli, Tamil Nadu, India, take a break from studying for their India State Certification Exam in English, to read *The Alfred Sun* with their teachers Becky Prophet and Jessie Sherman. Craig Prophet is not reading the SUN. He took the photo.

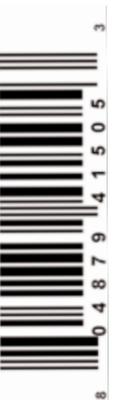


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Reed given notice by Martha

By ELAINE HARDMAN
WELLSVILLE—Tom Reed has been given notice by Martha Robertson.
Martha declared her candidacy in a series of stops including one in Wellsville on Thursday followed by an eight-town tour set to spread the message on Friday. "These upstate

counties need a fighter in DC. Someone who creates jobs, fights for Medicare and Social Security and wants to invest in education."
Martha said that Reed hasn't done much in Washington in the past 6 years and we can't afford to wait. While Reed has lost time she has helped to create solid,

long-term jobs in Tompkins County and wants to use her proven approach to bring jobs throughout the 23rd Congressional District.
During her time at the David A Howe Library, Martha Robertson introduced herself to the 23rd district. She and her husband lived in Ohio where she was first a Kindergarten teacher and then a mother. While there she helped establish the Cleveland Children's Museum.
Then her husband was offered a job so the family moved to Dryden 30 years ago to make their home.



MARTHA ROBERTSON

After working at the Tompkins County Science Center and running her own business she heard about a proposal to build a road that she felt would harm downtown businesses so she organized with neighbors and defeated the project. The road was never built and the experience brought out her political skills. With some urging she ran
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Village resident asks planning board:

Why are dogs leashed while felines run free?

By PETER McCLAIN
Of the Village Planning Board

ALFRED—The Village of Alfred Planning Board met Thursday, April 11 in Village Hall for its regular monthly meeting. No applications were reviewed; however Peg Eisenhardt briefed the board on plans to provide outdoor accommodations on the vacant lot located at the corner of West University and North Main for patrons of Hedgerow Bakery.
Additionally, a member of the public queried about the logic of requiring village dogs to be leashed and collared while cats can freely roam. The question was referred to the Village Board for consideration.
It was reported to the Planning Board that the village Code Enforcement Officer will begin attending Village Board meetings in order to coordinate more closely with the Chief of Police; Peter Degnan has been selected as the new village counsel; and that David Slottje of Ithaca would review the village Zoning Code while assisting the village with its hydraulic-fracturing moratorium this summer.
Finally, the Planning Board assigned a working group to develop two proposals relating to conditions required for congregate houses in the village which will be reviewed by Mr. Slottje this summer before being considered by the Village Board in the fall along with any other recommended changes to the code.

After 100 years, fire company still focused on mission



THE ALFRED STATION Volunteer Fire Company, marching here in a parade in Wellsville, has won the grand trophy 11 times in the past 15 years of county fire conventions. (Photo provided)

ALFRED STATION--From its man-drawn hose cart start a century ago to its five-vehicle fleet of today, the Alfred Station Volunteer Fire Company has never lost sight of its mission of protecting its community.
In 1912, several concerned Alfred Station community members joined together to form an organization in order to promote

the social, temperance, and moral interests of this place and community. Calling themselves the Improvement League, these volunteers quickly took on the responsibility of fire protection for Alfred Station with their purchase of a man-drawn hose cart with a 25-gallon chemical tank to fight fires.
Eventually incorporating as

the Alfred Station Volunteer Fire Company Association in February 1927, change has been a constant for this organization. However, in the 100 years that have followed its founding, our friends and neighbors have continued to volunteer, placing themselves in harm's way to protect our community.
Much goes into supporting the

company's mission. In order to respond to alarms, members must be prepared with the right training and equipment. Firefighters dedicate thousands of hours each year to training and prevention. The skills and efficiency of Alfred Station's members have placed the company as a leader in Allegany County.
In addition, Alfred Station hosts the county's largest and only "in house" FAST Team (Firefighter Assist and Search Team). This group of firefighters is highly trained to quickly search for and rescue other firefighters in trouble.
Members compete county-wide each year to demonstrate

their skills. Alfred Station has won the grand trophy at the county fire convention 11 times over the past fifteen years. The members are quick to include the professionalism of its neighboring companies - Andover, Alfred and Almond as a reason for their success.
As a private company, Alfred Station must raise its entire budget. Approximately half of the operating budget comes from fire protection contracts with the towns of Alfred, Hartsville and Ward. The remaining half comes from fundraisers, grants and private donations.
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THE ALFRED STATION Volunteer Fire Company, has a fleet of five vehicles, but must now raise funds for protective gear.

Congressman Tom Reed hosts town meeting in Wellsville

By ELAINE HARDMAN
Alfred Sun Reporter

BELMONT—Tom Reed hosted a town meeting on Saturday. He first gave an update on budget talks.

The White House offered a budget that adds to the deficit which he claims to be the biggest threat to the future. He cited the chained CPI application for Social Security as a good step but says that since the White House budget is not balanced, he can't support it.

The House of Representatives offers a budget that is balanced without raising taxes.

The Senate's proposal raises taxes also but at least there are budgets to look at and debate.

On foreign matters, Reed says that there are indications that the North Korea leader is not a rational person and is suffering problems with his military as well as with other countries. Reed said there is some possibility North Korea could target Alaska or Hawaii but it's not really a high concern.

The meeting then focused on questions from the audience, a group that at times erupted into passionate argument with many voices and conflicting statements being flung about the room at

once.

One constituent said that Social Security did not contribute to the deficit so it should not be cut in order to deal with budgetary problems. Reed said, "We are not supportive of chained CPI the way the white house is presenting it but chained CPI is a step in the right direction."

Someone said that Social Security cost of living increases needed to be calculated differently and Reed agreed with that.

One constituent demanded that Republicans back down from protecting the wealthy from tax increases while the rest of us fall into poverty.

In response Reed said that the expired payroll tax relief resulted in higher taxes for 90% of workers. He said Washington has an insatiable appetite for money and when someone says they only want to tax the rich they really want to tax everyone.

It was shouted out that the rich are better at finding tax loopholes than the middle class and Reed said that it was time for comprehensive tax reform because we have 70,000 pages of tax code and that's just too complicated.

Someone was applauded for suggesting saving money by tak-

ing away the first family's body guards. Another voice called out that the presidential family always had body guards and Reed said that we all need to make cuts on services.

He said that the White House wants to change taxes for corporations but Reed wants to stop criticism of so-called corporate taxes. He said that there isn't really a corporation being taxed but rather a group of people who work for corporations and pay what we call corporate taxes. These are just taxes like we all pay.

The 2nd Amendment was brought up several times and caused most of the shouting. Some said that the 2nd Amendment was to protect citizens from tyranny from within or without.

One constituent said that he witnessed Nazis in the Netherlands when he was 8 years old and that the Nazis used records of gun ownership to come into people's homes and take away guns. He said that the US is "dangerously equivalent to the Nazis" but others shouted disagreement.

Reed said that people come to his office speaking on behalf of groups who want to confiscate all guns but he and his assistant were unable to provide a name other than that of Barbara Boxer.

(Reed suggested that her website would prove that Boxer wants to end gun ownership. I found an amendment to limit assault weapons. It named over 2200 weapons that were exempt from regulation but the amendment is no longer in the Senate bill.)

Someone said that when he was growing up that people had guns in school so they could learn how to use them properly from an early age but guns aren't allowed in school anymore.

Reed suggested that what is needed is not a gun debate but laws to help police, teachers or doctors report people who might have mental health issues to some kind of support system. "I think we should treat mental health problems as an illness."

Mike Healy, one of Allegany County's Legislators, said that it's hard for law enforcement to deal with mentally ill people because they have to respect privacy laws and they have no mental health facilities to go to.

Someone asked Healy if laws ever prevented crimes. Healy said, "Laws are usually reactive but we can't actually measure if crimes are prevented because if the law effectively prevents a



REP. TOM REED

crime, there's nothing there to count."

Fred Sinclair, another legislator, said that he watched his youngest grandson use a video game online with friends. In the game the children killed with automatic weapons. He asked if there was a way to limit violent games the way that child pornography is limited.

Reed said that he recently became aware of how violent some of the games his 12 year old has

and realized the need to talk with his son about guns. He thinks that John Boehner will bring a bill to fund mental health initiatives.

On the topic of American manufacturing jobs, Reed said that having cheap utilities will bring jobs back to the US. Companies have realized that taking their manufacturing overseas means giving away intellectual property rights and that cheap labor isn't as beneficial as ex-

pected. Someone suggested that building our infrastructure would mean good jobs. Reed said that there must be ways to fund road building other than a gas tax. He is opposed to raising the gas tax.

Someone suggested a tax on Wall Street transactions but Reed said, "My gut says no to taxes."

Tom Reed encourages people to communicate with him at any time with their questions and concerns. Find information at Reed.House.Gov

OBITUARIES

RONALD D. COLEMAN

Long-time Almond resident
ALMOND/HUDSON, FL—Ronald D. Coleman, 82, died at Bayonet Regional Hospital on March 30, 2013. He is survived by his wife of 27 years, Judy; three children—Laura (John) Mullen, Cathy (Bobby Henderson) Coleman and Michael (Jill) Coleman, 3 grandchildren and 1 great granddaughter; and a brother, Tim Coleman. Ron was preceded in death by his parents, Gladys and Paul Coleman, an infant daughter and his step-daugh-



ter, Kathy Musso.

A complete obituary will follow with the date and time of the memorial service to be held in Almond.

OBITUARY POLICY

The Alfred Sun does NOT charge to publish obituaries. It never has; so long as the janitor has his say, it never will.

ALFRED Weather for the Week

April 9-April 15				
April	Hi	Lo	Precip.	Snow
9	70	26	Trace	
10	74	44	0.60"	
11	55	35	0.80"	
12	44	32	0.07"	
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Fire company stays focused

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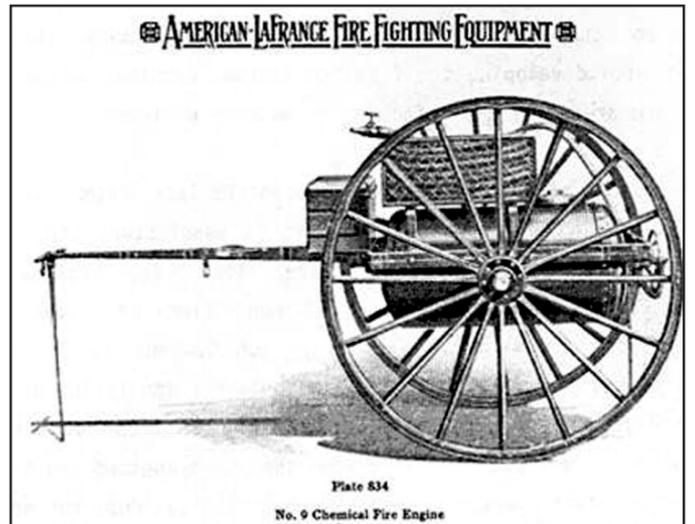
As community residents, the members of Alfred Station work tirelessly to keep costs down, which has allowed them to continually upgrade their fleet over the years from the first motorized fire equipment (a used 1925 Hudson chassis purchased for \$25.00 on which the chemical tanks were mounted) to its current fleet of five vehicles (two engines, a tanker, a brush truck, and a rescue truck).

The current fleet reflects the efforts to maximize the equipment on a conservative budget. Both engines were purchased new, one on a low-interest loan from New York State. The tanker was built by members from an old concrete block truck, and both the brush and rescue trucks were purchased used from other companies (the brush truck for only one dollar).

Over the past ten years, members of the company have been able to secure nearly \$300,000 in grants to fund equipment purchases. This has allowed the mission of the company to continue without placing an additional burden on the townships and residents.

However, with new federal requirements, new gear must be purchased. Alfred Station has kicked off an equipment campaign, and has sent letters to community residents seeking support to purchase new turnout gear. This protective clothing will keep our firefighters safe as they respond to emergencies.

As the second century of service begins for the Alfred Station Fire Company, members are asking for support to help ensure a safe response as the alarm sounds.



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UPK will continue at AACS

ALMOND—The Alfred-Almond Central School Board of Education and Administration anticipate that the Universal Prekindergarten (UPK) program for A-A preschool children will continue into the 2013-14 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 is available at the Elementary Office and on the district website at www.aacs.wnyric.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 Wednesday, May 1, 2013.

Applications received after this date 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 eighteen available openings. Families will be notified whether their child did or did not receive a spot in the UPK program by Friday, May 3, 2013.

Questions should be directed to the Elementary Principal, Todd Goho at (607) 276-6525.

Andover Historical Society to meet

ANDOVER—The Andover Historical Society will hold its April meeting on Wednesday, April 24 at the Andover Presbyterian Church. The meeting will begin at 6 p.m. with a tour of the church. At 6:30 p.m., the annual holiday dinner, this year catered by Chelsea Wallace, will be served in the church dining room.

Following the dinner, at 7:30, the public is cordially invited to hear our speaker of the evening, Mona Meagher. Mona will share her experiences in Red Cross Disaster Relief Care.

Reaching Out with Saving Grace

ALMOND--There is a holocaust occurring in our generation, and it is happening here in our own country. We know it as abortion.

A staggering 55 million lives have been ended in the United States since the Roe vs. Wade decision in 1973, 218 thousand last year alone. This is not just a national problem, but also a heartbreaking reality in our own communities. There were 688 abortions reported in Allegany and Steuben counties from 2008 to 2010. These innocent children do not yet have a voice- will you speak for them? What will you say?

If you have ever been in the position of wanting to reach out to a woman in crisis and help her walk the road to saving the precious life growing within her, please join us from 9-11 a.m. Saturday, May 18 at the Alfred Almond Bible Church for a presentation by the Pregnancy Resource Center of the Valleys.

During this brief informational session we will address basic counseling strategies, how crisis pregnancy centers work and ways to be involved. There will be a light breakfast served so please RSVP by May 13th to the Alfred Almond Bible Church (607) 276-6700

Scene About Alfred

A weekly photo feature
By **SHERRY VOLK**
Alfred Sun Columnist



We enjoyed many adventures this past winter, but a very different type of day was spent at McDonald Observatory (University of Texas at Austin) in Fort Davis, Texas. Early in the day, our guide, Judy, took a group, including several kids, to visit the famous Harlan J Smith Telescope. Weighing in enormously at 60 tons, this behemoth is 32 feet long and 12 feet in diameter. The main mirror is 107 inches in diameter, 12 inches thick and weighs 7,800 pounds. Judy gave one little girl the hand-held controller which re-aligned, rotated, and relocated the telescope with the touch of a finger. A similar box in the hands of a child rotated the enormous observatory dome.

The two domes in the second photo house the 82 inch Otto Struve telescope and the Harlan J Smith, respectively. The third photo is the dome for a different sort of telescope, the Hobby-Eberly, a joint project of the University of Texas, Penn State, and two German universities. The main mirror's diameter is a whopping 433 inches, and it tips the scale at 26,000 pounds. The enormous size and relatively low weight are possible because the main mirror is made up of 91 separate hexagonal mirrors, each just over 2 inches thick.

I took the last photo because I'd been taking so many pictures of domes that I just couldn't quit.

In the middle of the day, Judy took her group to the auditorium for solar viewing; two telescopes are always trained on the sun, and with proper filtering and some cool tools, we were able to view, on a screen, the slow rotation of the sun by following sunspots, the solar corona, and some solar flares.

Finally, as twilight approached, we gathered with a

few hundred others for a Star Party. After some orientation, and a squinty-eyed view of the comet PANSTARRS just on the horizon, we stood in line to see the moon, the Pleiades star cluster, Andromeda galaxy, and other heavenly wonders. Students and Astronomy Department members were our guides at the many telescopes set up for the purpose.



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SUNNY SIDE UP

By **ELLEN SHULTZ**
Alfred Sun Columnist



Mulligatawney Soup originated in India

Mulligatawney, says my faithful old dictionary, is a highly seasoned soup or stew which originated in India. I've come across many recipes for it, but this one captured my interest because I thought the heat of the dish could be easily toned down if you don't want your soups extra spicy.

I found this recipe in *The Complete Cooking Light Cookbook* published in 2000 by Oxmoor House.

Mulligatawney Soup

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|---------------------------------------|--|
| 1 T. butter | 1/8 tsp. black pepper |
| 1 1/2 c. chopped onions | 2 (10oz.) cans chicken broth |
| 1 T. curry powder (or less) | 1/2 c. flour |
| 2 cloves garlic, minced | 2 c. low fat milk |
| 1 lb. skinned chicken thighs, chopped | 3 c. Golden Delicious apples, peeled & chopped |
| 1/2 tsp. salt | 1/4 c. parsley |

Melt butter in large saucepan over med. heat. Add onion, curry powder, and garlic; sauté 3 minutes. Add chicken; sauté 5 minutes. Add salt, pepper, and broth. Reduce heat to med.-low; simmer 10 minutes. Place flour in bowl. Add milk; stir until well-blended. Gradually add to soup. Cook until thickened (about 10 minutes) stirring constantly. Add apples; cook 5 minutes. Remove from heat; stir in parsley. Yield: 9 one cup servings.

Everything that we touch turns to SOLD!



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Almond Community Day needs 'community' input

By TAMMY KOKOT

ALMOND—A meeting was held at the Almond Library Tuesday, April 16 at 6:30 to decide the future of Almond Community Day. It was decided that a second session would be held Thursday, April 18 at 5:30 p.m. to accommodate those unable to attend on the 16th.

Our planned celebration of small town life will be held on Sept. 7. Non-profit organizations that benefit from this day's events are requested to send an active and willing representative to be a part of the committee.

As the community at large benefits with all that goes on that day (Fire Dept. fundraiser, yard sales, one-stop shopping from vendors, entertainment for the kids), it is my sincere hope that folks will step forward and help expand this "committee" of "one, plus two side-kicks" into an actual committee. As I will be just past two months post-surgical, physically I will be unable to manage necessary set up, day of, and clean-up demands.

Brass tacks reality is that if folks aren't willing to help, Almond Community Day very possibly won't occur unless someone else is willing to take over. If you read my "article" here in the Sun last year, it's obvious that a lot (for one person) goes into something that benefits the entire community.

There is no benefit to me for my efforts...I do it because I don't want Almond to be one more name added to the list of towns/communities that have let tradition fall by the way-side. Why? *Non-profits count on the day's proceeds as part of their year's fundraising events. *Yard sales help generate money for kid's school clothes and supplies. *The Chicken BBQ and Boot Drive add money to the coffers of the Almond Volunteer Fire Department for equipment and training.

The reasons are endless as to WHY Almond Community Day should continue, it's just going to take a few more volunteers to ensure that the event doesn't meet its demise.

The Almond Fire Department will be looking for parade participants, so bring ideas and contacts to the meeting.

Questions? Comments? Concerns? Contact info: tmkcandles@aol.com, 607-276-2222, Facebook (there are three events set up ~ the meetings and the event day itself.

Vendor registration forms will be available by email or pick up at the Almond Library starting Saturday, April 20. (if we have a committee).

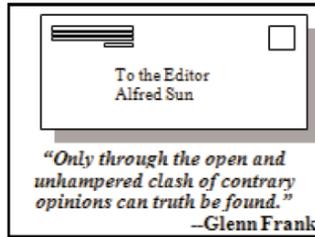
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Boston Marathon
Turned a Terror-thon,
Then to Care-a-thon;
Now, Repair-a-thon.

—A-thon A. Mouse



April Car Care Month

Dear Editor,

If you own a vehicle, chances are it needs some work. National Car Care Month in April is the ideal time to spring into action and give your car some extra attention.

Results of vehicle inspections held at community car care events across the country reveal that 77 percent of vehicles need service or parts. Neglected vehicle care almost always means much higher costs down the line in the form of more extensive repairs or lost resale value.

Whether you visit a professional service technician or do it yourself, a thorough vehicle inspection this spring can keep your car safe and dependable. Following a routine maintenance program on an ongoing basis, like the Car Care Council's free personalized schedule and e-mail reminder service, can help you drive smart, save money and make informed decisions.

Sincerely,
Rich White

Executive Director
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Support Fair Tax Act

To the editor:

Income Tax season for 2012 is almost over, except for those unfortunate souls who will be audited by the IRS. Did you know: if the IRS says you are guilty, you are guilty until you prove your innocence! How contrary to our constitutional principles is that? We don't have to continue to tolerate such treatment by agencies of our government that are supposed to serve us; not enslave us.

House Ways and Means committee chairman, Dave Camp, has promised significant change in the tax code this year. The best "significant change" would be adopting the FairTax Act.

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Your representative is a member of the House Ways and Means committee where all tax legislation must begin. Please phone the Washington office of Representative Tom Reed at (202) 225-3161 with the message "I want you to support adoption of the FairTax."

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FROM THE DESK OF DAVID PULLEN

By DAVID PULLEN
Allegany County Legislator

WHAT IS SIGNIFICANT?

Every session of the Board of Legislators is different, and makes different impressions on those present. Several aspects of the Board session held on April 8th made major impressions on me. Former Army Sergeant Gary J. Fries led the Pledge of Allegiance, as our guest veteran. A few minutes later Chairman Curt Crandall recognized Gary for his military service. We learned that Gary received a Bronze Star Medal, with two "Oak Leaf Clusters." A Bronze Star medal is awarded for acts of heroism, acts of merit, or meritorious service in a combat zone. (An "oak leaf cluster" is awarded for further acts of heroism or merit, instead of awarding an additional medal.) Chairman Crandall reported that while reviewing Gary's military service record Gary noted that it didn't mention the fact that he had received a Purple Heart and spent several months in a military hospital, but questioned "whether that was significant." A Purple Heart decoration is awarded to those injured or killed during military service. Most veterans (including me) consider it "extremely significant." Anyone who has been wounded, spent months in a military hospital, and has received multiple medals for heroism and/or meritorious acts has done something significant. We owe a lot to Gary and our other veterans. As the saying goes, "Freedom isn't free."

Several members of our 911 Dispatch Center were recognized for their service, and that of their colleagues, manning our Dispatch Center. This is a demanding and challenging service that operates "24/7" every day of the year. I consider their service to our County to be significant.

Privilege of the Floor was given to Mona Carbone from Jones Memorial Hospital regarding organ donation programs, and the need for more donors. We were reminded that tissue and organ donation saves lives. Some organs (like kidneys and livers) and tissue (like blood and bone marrow) can be donated by the living. Other donations can only be done when a person has died. We can all give a "gift of life" by signing up to become organ and tissue donors. What could be more significant than saving another person's life?

Privilege of the Floor was also granted to United Way "Success by 6" Committee Chair Judy May, along with a proclamation declaring April to be "Month of the Young Child." This program is committed to improving the quality, availability and affordability of early day care and education to our children. This will enable them to enter school ready to succeed. That is a worthy and significant goal.

Three resolutions were presented to the Board and were all approved. Resolution 60-13 accepted and appropriated federal and State Cost of Living ("COLA") funds to various Department of Health Programs. Resolution 61-13 accepted and appropriated an insurance payment from NYMIR for windshield damage to an Office for the Aging vehicle. Resolution 62-13 accepted and appropriated funds (\$998,224) for the "Cleaner, Greener Communities Grant Program" for which Allegany County serves as lead agency.

Something else of great significance has been happening in Allegany County over recent months that can only be recognized when considered cumulatively. We are experiencing a massive turnover in leadership among our agency and department leaders. Some changes occur somewhat regularly, especially with elected officials. However, the changes over my time as a County Legislator are almost staggering. In recent months and years we have replaced our Commissioner of Social Services, County Attorney, Sheriff, Superintendent of Public Works, Director of Personnel and Civil Service, Probation Department Director, Public Health Director, and County Administrator. A huge amount of "institutional memory" is lost with each transition. Positive change is possible, though not guaranteed, with each change. Selecting the right replacements is an important responsibility of the Board of Legislators. How well we carry out this responsibility will have a *significant* impact upon the future of our County. Overall, I believe there is a lot going on in Allegany County.

Sun welcomes letters

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AU students staging 'Almost Maine' this week

ALFRED—The Alfred University Division of Performing Arts will present John Cariani's "Almost, Maine," Wednesday, April 17 through Saturday, April 20 in the CD Smith III Theater, Miller Performing Arts Center. Curtain time is 8 p.m.

Tickets are required. Reservations may be made via the Box Office, <http://las.alfred.edu/performing-arts/events/>, by calling 607-871-2828 or email performers@alfred.edu.

"Almost, Maine" portrays a small town reminiscent of Alfred. With a close-knit community in which everyone knows everyone,

the play focuses on 19 dynamic characters and portrays their different experiences with love.

With nine individual stories showing different perspectives on and outcomes with love, the show will leave the audience with questions about the nature and meaning of this long-pondered emotion.

Since the play's premiere at the Portland Stage Company in Portland, Maine in 2006, it has received high acclaim throughout the country.

With one exception, the production is entirely directed and produced by theater students, in-

cluding Holly Durand '14 (director), Nate Gibson '13 (scenic designer), and Allison Burrell '14 (costume designer). Guest artist Donald Robert Fox is providing lighting design.

Fox is an award-winning light-

ing designer who has stage managed, technical directed, or designed more than 150 productions. He has previously designed lighting and productions for the New York Premier of Tom Stoppard and Andre

Previn's "Every Good Boy Deserves Favor," which premiered at Carnegie Hall. He also guest designed lighting for the Alfred University production of "A Streetcar Named Desire" in 2010.

ASC Alumni Choir sets 62nd concert April 28

ALFRED—Alfred State is pleased to present the 62nd Annual Alumni Choral Spring Concert, directed by Anthony Cappadonia, professor emeritus of music at Alfred State. The concert will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday, April 28, in the Anthony C. Cappadonia Auditorium, Orvis Activities Center, on the Alfred campus, and is free of charge and open to the public.

Performers for the concert include the Alfred State Voices, Alumni Jazz Singers, '87 Collegiate Quartet, '57 Varieties – Instrumental Jazz Combo, Alfred State Alumni Choir, and a finale by the combined alumni and College choirs.

A sampling of musical selections planned for the concert are "Do Not Fear", "Come on and Dance with Me", "String of Pearls", and "Shenandoah". The finale song, "The Blessing of Aaron," will be dedicated to the memory of loved ones.

Each spring, alumni from across the United States return to Alfred to attend the Annual Choir Alumni Weekend for rehearsals, a dinner/dance, and this concert.

The Alfred State Concert Choir Alumni Organization was formed in 1957 and maintains an active membership of over 400. This organization has supported the college concert choir with donations and fundraising efforts over the years to provide scholarships for college choir members, and established the Anthony C. Cappadonia Scholarship Fund to be used by the college to assist future students.

Five short one-acts featured in showcase

ALFRED—"New Voices: A Showcase of One Acts" is a collaboration between Hornell Community Theatre and Alfred State Drama Club to encourage people interested in theater to try new roles. Five short one-acts are being produced as a show to allow individuals from the greater Hornell community and Alfred State to try their hand at directing, acting, script writing, or other creative aspects of theater. The acts are as follows:

"Introduction to the Audience" is a one-woman piece written by Bruce Kane. It features Robin Kerr-Wilson in the solo role, with direction assistance by Dianne T. Rokenbrod. This cleverly-written piece is a great opening to the event, and is an exploration of Kerr Wilson's comedic talent. Ali Q. Moore is a prolific writer, but this show marks the first time he will see one of his works come alive on stage. He has written and directed "A Mouse Story," which is an homage to his sister's pets and explores about a pet mouse's desire for freedom and safety.

"Giving You My Heart," written by D.M. Larson, is almost entirely physical acting with only a few words of verbal script. This interesting piece about the interplay and emotions between three developmentally disabled individuals is being directed by Cindy Buckley, who is expanding her directing experience through this creative one act. Kris Majka has written and will direct Death of a Hired Man, which was inspired by a poem by Robert Frost of the same name.

A dramatic piece, "Majka's Act" features a couple arguing about the merits of helping a migrant handyman that has once again turned up on their doorstep.

The final piece is a scene titled "A Different Kind of Prince," written and directed by Amanda Lynch as part of her senior theatre project entitled "Small Talks," which looks at every day conversations and how they can reverberate.

"New Voices: A Showcase of One Acts" will be featured two nights only, Friday, April 19 at Alfred State in the Pioneer Lounge, Pioneer Center, and Saturday, April 20 at the new Hornell Community Arts Center. Both shows start at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$5 general admission and \$2 for students, at the door.

A question and answer session with directors and actors will be held following the second show. Questions regarding this event may be directed to Barb Pierce at (607) 587-4075 or janna.buckwalter@alfredstate.edu.



The 2013 NYS SkillsUSA Postsecondary competition winners present at Saturday's award banquet include (front from left) Sean Richardson, Katherine Brackebusch, Jordan Cusumano, Josh Schneider, Tsu Zhu, Matthew Elderkin, Timothy Randall, Nicholas Bigelow and, center from left, Jacob Grisewood, Lisset Reynoso, Michelle Hess, Michael Loveland, Michael Swift, Chad Stauring, Nathan Kulak, Joe Livecchi, Ryan McArdell and, back from left, James Congdon, Brandon Boehmer, Travis Harvey, and John Koester. (Alfred State Photo)

Alfred State has plenty of winners

Alfred State hosts 15th annual NYS Postsecondary SkillsUSA

ALFRED—Alfred State's School of Applied Technology, Wellsville, hosted the 15th annual New York State Postsecondary (college level) SkillsUSA competition on Saturday, April 6.

Competitions took place in automotive refinishing, automotive service, carpentry, commercial baking, culinary, electrical construction wiring, masonry, technical drafting, and welding. Schools competing this year were Culinary Institute of America, SUNY Delhi, and Alfred State. Winners will compete in the National SkillsUSA competition in Kansas City in June.

Winners of this year's NYS competition preparing to compete at Nationals include:

AUTOMOTIVE REFINISHING –

THIRD PLACE winning the BRONZE MEDAL: Ryan McArdell, Baldwinsville (AS)

SECOND PLACE winning the SILVER MEDAL: Tim Randall, Spencerport (AS)

FIRST PLACE winning the GOLD MEDAL: Nick Bigelow, Williamson (AS)

AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE–

THIRD PLACE winning the BRONZE MEDAL: Brandon Boehmer, Machias (AS)

SECOND PLACE winning the SILVER MEDAL: Michael Loveland, Delhi (SUNY Delhi)

FIRST PLACE winning the GOLD MEDAL: Matthew Elderkin, Frewsburg (AS)

CARPENTRY –

THIRD PLACE winning the BRONZE MEDAL: Jacob Grisewood, Belmont (AS)

SECOND PLACE winning the SILVER MEDAL: Travis Harvey, Almond (AS)

FIRST PLACE winning the GOLD MEDAL: Sean Richardson, Silver Creek (AS)

COMMERCIAL BAKING –

THIRD PLACE winning the BRONZE MEDAL: Lisset Reynoso, Bronx (AS)

SECOND PLACE winning the SILVER MEDAL: Katherine Bracke-

busch, Marshall, WI (CIA)

FIRST PLACE winning the GOLD MEDAL: Michelle Hess, Dansville (AS)

CULINARY ARTS –

THIRD PLACE winning the BRONZE MEDAL: Jordan Cusumano, Lorain, OH (CIA)

SECOND PLACE winning the SILVER MEDAL: Tsu Zhu, Flushing (AS)

FIRST PLACE winning the GOLD MEDAL: Michael Swift, Canton, OH (CIA)

ELECTRICAL CONSTRUCTION WIRING –

THIRD PLACE winning the BRONZE MEDAL: Nathan Kulak, Grand Island (AS)

SECOND PLACE winning the SILVER MEDAL: Joe Livecchi, Webster (AS)

FIRST PLACE winning the GOLD MEDAL: Chad Stauring, Belfast (AS)

MASONRY –

THIRD PLACE winning the BRONZE MEDAL: John Koester, Hornell (AS)

SECOND PLACE winning the SILVER MEDAL: Josh Schneider, East Rochester (AS)

FIRST PLACE winning the GOLD MEDAL: James Congdon, Dunkirk (AS)

TECHNICAL DRAFTING –

THIRD PLACE winning the BRONZE MEDAL: Ryan Schepis, Medina (AS)

SECOND PLACE winning the SILVER MEDAL: Matt Hickman, Macedon (AS)

FIRST PLACE winning the GOLD MEDAL: Kyle Clapsdale, North Tonawanda (AS)

WELDING –

THIRD PLACE winning the BRONZE MEDAL: Kyle Duff, Tafton, PA (AS)

SECOND PLACE winning the SILVER MEDAL: Mitchell Williams, Jasper (AS)

FIRST PLACE winning the GOLD MEDAL: Bradley Taft, Woodhull (AS)

In addition to medallions and certificates, winners also received prizes donated by: Abbott Welding, Olean; ACES Campus Store, Alfred; Allegany County Area Foundation, Bel-

mont; Buffalo Sabres; Canisteo Valley Transportation, Canisteo; The Carriage House Family Salon, Wellsville; CMS Industries, Inc., Orchard Park; Cutco, Olean; Culinary Institute of America, Hyde Park; DeWalt; Duggan & Duggan Contractors, Allegany; Fassett Lane Lumber, Wellsville; Genesee Hardware & Building Supply, Genesee, PA; Giant Food Mart, Wellsville; Hess Farm Tire, Andover; Hornell Do It Best; Ka-Bar Knives, Olean; Kinley Corp., Allegany; Klein Tools; KOS, Inc., Couderdport, PA; MAC Tools, Arcade; Makita Tools; Marshalltown Trowel, Marshalltown, PA; Mazza Sheet Metal, Olean; McDonalds, Wellsville; Middaugh Real Estate, Inc, Wellsville; Miller & Richard Masonry, Genesee, PA; Miller Electric Manufacturing, Appleton, WI; Milwaukee Electric Tool; MSC Industrial Supply, Johnston, PA; North Main Lumber, Wellsville; Salon Visage, Wellsville; Seneca Data, Syracuse; Snap-On Tools, Pine City; St. Mary's Cement, Buffalo; Tinkertown Hardware, Alfred Station; Tractor Supply, Wellsville; United Refining Company; Walker Business & Staffing Services, Wellsville; and Worth W. Smith Co. Surplus, Olean.

SkillsUSA is a national organization that serves trade, industrial, technical, and health occupations and students in public high schools, vocational centers, and colleges. They serve over 290,000 students and instructors nationwide.

Alfred State was the first college in New York State to establish a student organization for postsecondary SkillsUSA and continues to lead in this process.

Cultural Arts Calendar



Music
BANDS/DJs/RECITALS

Alfred Village Band offers summer concerts of popular music and marches at the Alfred Village Bandstand. For more information, please e-mail Nancy Luger at: lugerna@yahoo.com or call her at 607-587-9449.

Black-Eyed Susan Acoustic Cafe 22 West Main St., Angelica. Open every day for lunch; dinner and live acoustic music on weekends; now serving breakfast - call for details. **Acoustic Open Mic Night** 1st Thursday of month 7-10 pm. Café opens early for dinner, espresso, wine & beer, Scrabble & chess. **Music Schedule:** Friday, March 15--Curtis Osgood and RJ Siegers; Saturday, March 16--Savannah King; Friday, March 29--Chacho; Saturday, March 30--Bryan Rason; Friday, April 5--Joe Miller; Saturday, April 6--Amanda Davids; Friday, April 12--Don Baker; Saturday, April 13--Dan Holt; Friday, April 19--Marie Chabot; Saturday, April 20--Ron Ireland; Friday, April 26--Kate Jeong; Saturday, April 27--Bill Ring and Stacy Farina. Music begins at 7:30 p.m. Café open 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. for meals, espresso, beer, wine, desserts. **Black-Eyed Susan Acoustic Café**, 22 W. Main St., Angelica. Call 585-466-3399 or visit black-eyed-susan.com

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

Maple City Bowl, 7580 Seneca Road, Hornell. DJ/Karaoke every Friday Night 9 pm-1 a.m.; Saturday night bands from 9 pm-1 a.m. For updates, check www.maplecitybowl.net Or call 607-324-1011.

Wellsville Creative Arts Center offers live music most Saturday evenings with performances beginning at 8 p.m., doors opening at 5:30 p.m. Saturday, March 16--Burns & Kristy; Saturday, March 23--Farewell Drifters; Saturday, March 30--Driftwood; Saturday, April 6--D.B. Rielly; Friday, April 19--Hickory Project; Saturday, April 27--Nora Jane Struthers & The Party Line; Friday, May 3--Big Leg Emma; Saturday, May 11--Lustre Kings. For tickets, visit: www.WellsvilleCreativeArts-Center.com or call 585-593-3000.

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

Genesee Valley Chorus. Weekly rehearsals 7 pm Tuesdays at Congregational Church, 289 N. Main St., Wellsville. New members welcome. For further information, call 716-593-3173.

Maple City (Barbershoppers) Chorus Meetings 7:30 p.m. Mondays at St. Ann's School, 27 Erie Ave., Hornell. New members welcome. Call 276-6835 for info.

Sanctuary Choir. Rehearsals Thursdays at 7 pm, The Seventh Day Baptist Church-Alfred Station. New members welcome. Instrumentalists practice 9 a.m. fourth Saturdays. Call 587-9545.

COFFEEHOUSES
Coffeehouse live entertainment periodically at Terra Cotta Coffeehouse, 34 N. Main St., Alfred. Saturday, Open Mic Night Wednesdays when colleges are in session.

Wellsville Creative Arts Center offers Coffee Houses nightly Monday-Thursday 7:30-10:30 p.m. with Movies on Mondays, Acoustic Campfire on Tuesdays, Open Mic Night every Wednesday 7 to 9:30 p.m. For more info, visit: www.WellsvilleCreativeArts-Center.com or call 585-593-3000.

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

Buckwalter, AU Carillonneur.

Wingate Memorial Carillon Recital Series at Davis Memorial Carillon, AU campus. Free concerts on the lawn 7-8 p.m. Tuesday evenings in July.



Theater & Dance

COMEDY
Friday Night Live. AU student comedy troupe. Call 871-2175 for further info.

Pirate Theater. AU student comedy troupe. Holmes Auditorium, Harder Hall. Call 871-2175 for further info.

DANCE
Alfred Dance Academy, N. Main St., Alfred. Katherine Lang, artistic director. For further information, phone 607-661-0952.

Alfred Swing Dance Network holds dances periodically in the 1890 Firemen's Hall Theater located in Alfred Village Hall. For more information, contact Graham Marks/Megan Staffel at ealvey@frontiernet.net or call 607-478-8178.

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

Let's Dance Club offers occasional dances. Five dances are scheduled Sundays from 2-5 pm at Arkport American Legion: Nov. 25, Jan. 27, Feb. 24 and March 24. For more information, contact presidents George and Carole Onoda at (607) 276-5475, vice-presidents John and Dee Cwynar at (607) 324-0373, secretaries Duffy and Barb Eisenheimer at (607) 295-7194.

treasurers Charlie and Kathy Bill at (607) 295-7130, or band coordinators Doug and Melody Carrier at (607) 324-5821.

Valentine's Day Dance. 9 p.m.-12 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 16, Knight Club, Powell Campus Center, AU. Sponsored by International Student and Scholar Organization.

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

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

PERFORMANCES
Almost Maine. Play presented by AU Performing Arts. Save the dates: Wed.-Sat., April 17-20.

Art/Galleries

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

Angelica Ink Letterpress Located at 20 Allegany Avenue, Angelica, NY. 585.466.7040

Angelica Sweet Shop 44 W. Main in Angelica's Park Circle National Historic District. Open daily 8 am-5 pm For more info: 585-466-7070 or www.angelicasweetshop.com.

Artist Knot. 36 Main Street, Andover. Current Exhibit: "Betsy Kent: Divergence". Admission is always free. Gallery Hours: Tues., Wed. & Fri. 11 am -4 pm, Thurs. 11-5 & Sat. 11-3 or anytime by appointment. Closed Sun., Mon. and Holidays. (607) 478-5100.

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

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

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

MUSEUMS/EXHIBITS
Americana Manse. Tours at the Americana Manse, Whitney-Halsey Mansion, Inc. in Belmont. Call 585-268-5130. Special Group Tour rates. \$4.00 adults.

Fountain Arts Center, 42 Schuyler Street, Belmont. Exhibit hours are Mon., Tues., Fri. from 10 a.m.-12 noon and 2-4 p.m. or by appointment. For info or group arrangements, call 585-268-5951 or visit our website at: www.the-fountainartscenter.org

The Corning Museum of Glass presents the most comprehensive glass collection in the world in "35 Centuries of Glassmaking." Including five new Art and History Galleries. For info, call 607-937-5371. Open daily 9-5.

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

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

Hagadorn House Museum Op-

erated by Almond Historical Society. Genealogical research available Friday afternoons.

Call Homestead Museum. Hartsville, celebrating 19th and early 20th century life in rural western NY. Is open from noon to 4 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays from May to October, in Hartsville. The museum is located 2 miles south of Hartsville on the corner of Purdy Creek Road (County Rt. 28) and Post Road. Weekdays by appointment. For further information, call 607-698-4789.

Hinkle Memorial Library Gallery. Alfred State College Campus. Open during library hours, 8 a.m.-10 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Fridays, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturdays and 3-9 p.m. Sundays.

Inamori Kyocera Museum of Fine Ceramics. The newly constructed museum focuses on fine ceramics used in technical and bio-medical applications. Open 10-4 Wed.-Fri. Free admission.

The Schein-Joseph International Museum of Ceramic Art at Alfred. Located on the top floor of Binns-Merrill Hall, AU campus, Alfred. Open 10-4 Wed. thru Fri. Free Admission. For information call the Museum at 607-871-2421; or visit the museum website: www.ceramicsmuseum.alfred.edu.

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NOTES from the BOX OF BOOKS

By ELIZA ORDWAY
Box of Books Library Director

To continue with our efforts to keep costs down and reduce our carbon footprint, this year's Annual Report to the Community will be provided in a number of formats; a summary of the report is provided below, a full report will be available in PDF format on the Box of Books web page www.alfredboxofbookslibrary.org, print copies will be available in the library itself and a summary will also be provided on our Facebook page.

Box of Books Library Summary Report to the Community

2012 was a learning year for the Box of Books library and its staff. We explored how to best utilize all the new equipment and the new space layout provided in the past year. This year offered the opportunity to share the great equipment and staff that are available to the community here at the Box of Books.

Thanks to the Alfred University work-study program we were able to continue our increased hours from of 45 during the academic year.

In attempts to tailor our programming to our participants program sessions offered over the course of the year decreased 33%, program attendance decreased by 35%.

Program and Service Highlights

- Maintained Website and Facebook page for the library to promote events and services.
- Hosted numerous community events throughout the year.
- Partnered with Alfred University Education Fieldwork Students and the Alfred Lions for programming.
- Provided 45 hours per week of quality library service and programming through the year.
- Checked out 677 downloadable eBooks, and 275 downloadable Audio Books.
- Utilized email notices and Alfred Sun to keep patrons aware of events at the library.
- Conducted 125 programs and story times attended by 1,144 area children, youth, and adults.
- Offered 15 summer program sessions attended by 202 children, youth, and adults.
- Checked out 24,256 items to library users.
- Registered 142 new library users.

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Resource Highlights

- Added 1,350 items to the collection.
- A generous donation from the Friends of the Box of Books allowed for additions to the DVD collection, equipment purchase for the adult programs and additions to other collections throughout the library.
- Processed 424 gifts-in-kind added to the collection.
- Provided a steady stream of popular fiction and non-fiction through the McNaughton leasing service (both hard cover and audio formats) provided by Brodart.
- Borrowed 3,632 items from other libraries.
- Lent 1,512 items to other libraries.

Coming Events at the Box of Books:

Thursday, April 18 at 4:30 - Minute to Win It Games; participants will compete in activities against each other.

Friday, April 19 at 11 - Mother Goose on the Loose; music, movement, and stories for preschoolers and their caregivers.

Thursday, April 25 at 4:30 - Paper Tree Crafts; participants will learn about arbor day and make paper trees.



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Lectures/Readings

AU Women's Studies Roundtable. Held on a Friday monthly during academic year from 12:20-1:10 p.m. at Women's Leadership Center, Commons, Ford Street, AU campus.

Allegany County Bird Club. Meetings held at the Allegany County Office Building in Belmont unless otherwise stated, at 7 p.m. on the first Friday of each month; speakers begin at 7:15 p.m.

Baker's Bridge Historical Association. Meets 7:30 p.m. third Monday of each month, Sept.-April in the Meeting House, 5971 Hamilton Hill Road, Alfred Station. April 15--Mary Jemison's Story with Kay Bennett & Bill Heaney; May--Field Trip. For more information, call President Laurie McFadden, 587-9493. To tour building and/or view exhibits, call Historian Susan Greene at 587-9488. Visit: www.bakersbridge.org

Bergren Forum. 12:10 p.m. Thursdays, Nevins Theater, Powell Campus Center, AU campus. Bring a brown bag lunch; coffee & tea available. Spring Semester 2013 Schedule: April 4--Rodney Holmes (Visiting Musician); April 11--William Carty, "Color in Ceramic Glazes: A Happy Accident"; April 18--Susan Morehouse, "Why I Like 'Brave': A Memoir of Mothering and Movies."; April 25--Wakoh Shannon Hickey and students, "Genealogy.com, Google Earth, and Grandma: AU Students Trace Their Roots and Routes."; May 2--David Degraff, "The Physics of Snowboarding."

Hornell Fortnightly Club. 7:30 pm second Thursday of each month

during academic year, Hornell High School Library. Membership dues \$12/single, \$18/family. Mail to: Donald Doster, 191 Hornell St., Hornell, NY 14843.

Maple City Garden Club. Monthly potluck lunch second Wednesday at Sawyer St. Court, Hornell (unless otherwise noted) at 12 noon. Program follows: April 10--"Saving Seeds" with Brigette Reynolds of Quest Farm, and Sandy Dygert. May 8--Plant auction and planning the 2013-2014 program. June 12--Field Trip to Quest Farm to hear Tom McDowell's talk and display of his honey bees after a noon lunch at Mulheissen's. For info, call Zoe Coombs at 587-8031.

Poets Theatre. 7:30 pm second Thurs. each month, 20 Broadway, Hornell. Open reading of original works. Interested persons invited. For info, 716-466-8524.



Films

AU Alternative Cinema—7 p.m. Thursdays when college is in session, Holmes Auditorium, Harder Hall. 7 p.m.
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Fun-n-Games

STAR GAZING

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

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

Special Events

Herrick Library, Alfred University will host the following events:
TEAM TRIVIA 8 p.m. Saturday, April 6 at the Book End Lounge.
MASSAGE & THERAPY DOG at 8 pm Thursday, May 9 at the Book End Lounge.

Support Groups

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

Alcoholics Anonymous. 7 pm & 8:30 pm Fridays at Union University Church Center in Alfred. Call 607-276-8588 for help or information.

Alzheimer's Support Group. Meets third Thursday of the month at noon in United Church, Belmont. Call Allegany County Office for the Aging at 716-268-9390 for more info.

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

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

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

JMH Diabetes Support Group meets monthly on the third Wednesday Sept.-May. 7 p.m. in Walchli Room, (unless otherwise noted), Jones Memorial Hospital, Wellsville. For more information, call the JMH Diabetes Nurse Educator Brenda Torrey 585-596-4035.

The Fibromyalgia Support Group meets on the second Thursday of each month 6-7 p.m. at JMH. For more information, please contact the group facilitators Iris Bahamonde (585-593-1910).

Gastric Bypass Support Group. Third Monday of each month 7-8:30 p.m. in the cafeteria at St. James Mercy Hospital. For more info, call Faith Mills at 607-661-6265.

Afternoon Grief Support Group. Meets second Wednesday of the month at 1 p.m. in the NcAuley Manor Chapel on the 2nd floor. For info, Chaplain Astuti Bijlefeld or Deacon Bob McCormick at St. James Mercy Hospital Spiritual Care Office at 607-324-8153.

Evening Grief Support Group. "Good Grief Group" meets second and fourth Monday of every month at 7 p.m. in the hospital Chapel, on the ground floor. For more info, contact Deacon Bob McCormick at bccormick@sjmh.org or call the Spiritual Care Office at 607-324-8153.

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

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

Multiple Sclerosis Support Group. Meets first Wednesday of each month at 10 a.m. at Friendly's. For more info, contact Robert Staub at 607-545-6404 or Donna Boag at 607-295-9852.

Pulmonary Support Group of Jones Memorial Hospital meets from 1 to 3 p.m. 2nd Monday each month at the Walchli Education Room at the hospital. For more information, call Group Facilitator Mona Carbone at (585) 596-4114.

Etcetera

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

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

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

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

Deadline

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

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

WHAT'S COOKIN'?

Allegany County Office for the Aging Meals on Wheels & Luncheon Center Menu Monday, April 22

Cinnamon Applesauce, Roast Pork, Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy, Brussel Sprouts, Rye Bread, Gingerbread w/Lemon Sauce, Diabetic-Pineapple.

Tuesday, April 23
Juice, Stuffed Cabbage Roll w/Sauce, Succotash, Wheat Roll, Butterscotch Pudding, Diabetic - Pudding.

Wednesday, April 24
Pears, Baked Chicken, Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy, Squash, Wheat Bread, Apple Crisp, Diabetic - Peaches.

Thursday, April 25
Three Bean Salad, Sloppy Joe on a Bun, Cream of Broccoli Soup, Spinach, Fruit Cocktail, Diabetic-Fruit Cocktail.

Friday, April 26
Applesauce, Boiled Dinner, Green Beans, Corn Bread, Tapioca Pudding, Diabetic - Pudding.

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

ALFRED NUTRITION SITE

Union University Church Center, 12 noon
Call Cindy Berry at 607-281-8794.
Monday—Exercises at 10:30 a.m. with Mary Lou Maxon, Lunch at noon.

Wednesday—Exercises at 10:30 a.m. with Mary Lou Maxon, lunch at noon.
Thursday—Lunch at noon.

BELMONT NUTRITION SITE

American Legion Hall, 11:30 a.m.
Call Lila Johnson at 585-268-5380.
Tuesday—Exercises at 10 a.m., lunch at 11:30 a.m. "How Would You Handle This?"

Thursday—Exercises at 10 a.m., lunch at 11:30 a.m. "Coin Operated Machines," "Birthdays."

BOLIVAR NUTRITION SITE

Fire Hall 12 noon
Call Rita Morris at 585-928-2278
Monday—Exercises at 11 a.m., lunch at noon.

Wednesday—Exercises at 10:30 a.m., lunch at noon. Blood Pressure Clinic. Sheryl Thorn-Cornell Cooperative Extension, "My Plate."

Thursday—Lunch at noon.

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Canaseraga Fire Hall, 12 noon
Call Barb Welch at 607-295-7301.
Tuesday—Exercises at 10 a.m., "Bingo" Lunch at 12 noon. Exercises/Cards at 1 p.m. Lynn Oyer, Issues & Answers.

Thursday—Exercises at 10:15 a.m., lunch at 12 noon. "Word Fun." Exercises at 1 p.m.

CUBA NUTRITION SITE

AA Arnold Community Center, 12 noon

Call Linda Nelson at 585-968-2397
Monday—Exercises at 10:30 a.m., Euchre, Cards, Dominoes, Puzzles. Lunch at noon. "Queen Elizabeth II." *Call in reservations for Evening Meal!

Tuesday—Euchre, Cards, Dominoes, Puzzles at 10:30 a.m., lunch at 12 noon. "How Would You Handle This?" Sheryl Thorn, Cornell Cooperative Extension, "My Plate."

Wednesday—Euchre, Cards, Dominoes, Puzzles at 10:30 a.m., lunch at noon. "Current Topics."

Thursday—Exercises, Cards, Dominoes at 9:30 a.m., Lunch at 12 noon. "Evening Meal." Sheriff Whitney, "Scams to Be Aware Of." Lynn Oyer, Issues & Answers.

FILLMORE NUTRITION SITE

Fillmore Fire Hall., 12 noon
Call Maggie Brown at 585-737-5609
Monday—Exercises at 10:30 a.m., Cards, Jigsaw Puzzles, Euchre. Lunch at 12 noon. Sheryl Thorn, Cornell Cooperative Extension, "My Plate."

Thursday—Exercises at 10:30 a.m., Cards, Jigsaw Puzzles, Euchre. Lunch 12 noon.

FRIENDSHIP NUTRITION SITE

Community Center, 12 noon
Call Vivian Howell 585-973-2650
Tuesday—Exercises at 10:45 a.m., Lunch at 12 noon. Cards at 1 p.m.

Thursday—Exercises at 10:45 a.m., lunch at 12 noon. Crafts at 1 p.m. Blood Pressure Clinic.

WELLSVILLE NUTRITION SITE

Community Center, 12 noon
Call Donna Fiegl at 585-593-7665.
Monday—Stretch at 9 a.m., Walking at 9:30 a.m., Bingo at 10:45 a.m., Lunch at noon, Euchre at 1 p.m. Exercise at 1:30 p.m.

Wednesday—Walking at 9:30 a.m., Games at 10 a.m., Lunch at noon, Euchre at 1 p.m., Exercise at 1:30 p.m.

Thursday—Stretch at 9 a.m., Bingo at 10:30 a.m., Lunch at 12 noon, Bridge at 1 p.m., Exercise at 1:30 p.m.

Friday—Walking at 9:30 a.m., Bingo at 10:30 a.m., Lunch at 12 noon, Pinochle at 12:30 p.m., Exercise at 1:30 p.m.

WHITESVILLE NUTRITION SITE

Whitesville Fire Hall, 12 noon
Call Becky Mattison at 607-356-3571.
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One Time, One Meeting

The Practice of Zen Meditation

By BEN HOWARD



NO COMING, NO GOING

If there is one indisputable fact of ordinary experience, it is that all things come and go. The bus arrives, picks up its passengers, and departs. Children grow up and leave home. Friends die. Yet throughout the literature of Zen we find the resonant line, "no coming, no going." And over the centuries Zen teachers have often intoned that phrase, as if its meaning were self-evident.

For most people, I suspect, it is not, but it can sometimes be intuited through direct experience. With that aim in mind, I would like to offer a simple, twenty-minute exercise, drawn from the teachings of Zen Master Thich Nhat Hanh.

This exercise consists of four gathas, or meditative verses. If you wish to explore the exercise, I would recommend that you record the *gathas*, leaving silent, four-minute intervals between them. Or, if possible, sit with a group, and appoint one member to recite the gathas. If you have a small bell to ring before each of the gathas, so much the better.

Begin by assuming a stable, upright posture, either on a cushion or in a chair. Take a deep breath and gently release it. Take another and do the same. Then relax, letting your awareness settle into your lower abdomen. Feel your belly rise and fall, as your breath flows into and out of your body. When your mind is calm, and you are fully present, proceed to the exercise.

Aware of my in-breath, I breathe in.

Seeing my in-breath no longer there, I breathe out.

Silently recite this gatha and all subsequent gathas at least ten times. You may find it helpful to abbreviate the language: *aware of in-breath; in-breath no longer there*. Maintain full awareness of breathing, noting the points where your in-breath begins and ends.

Aware of the birth of my in-breath, I breathe in. (Birth of in-breath)

Aware of the death of my in-breath, I breathe out. (Death of in-breath)

As you practice with this gatha, view the beginning of each inhalation as a birth and its end as a death. Note that your breaths vary in depth, length, and texture. Closely observe these changes, but do not interfere with your breathing.

Seeing my in-breath born from conditions, I breathe in. (Birth conditional)

Seeing my in-breath die from conditions, I breathe out. (Death conditional)

By focusing attention on your ever-changing breath, this gatha heightens your awareness of its conditional nature. Here the primary condition is the state of your respiratory system, specifically your lungs. If they are not yet full and are functioning normally, your in-breath can continue. If not, your in-breath must end. *This is, because that is:* your in-breath depends upon causes and conditions. It is not a separate entity.

Seeing my breath comes from nowhere, I breathe in. (Comes from nowhere)

Seeing my breath goes nowhere, I breathe out. (Goes nowhere)

As the previous gatha fostered awareness of your breath's conditional nature, this one awakens awareness of its unconditional nature—what Zen calls its "emptiness."

To cultivate this recognition, acknowledge that there is no place in space from which your breath comes and to which it returns. When conditions are sufficient, it manifests; when they are not, it remains in hiding. By acknowledging as much, and by exploring that recognition, you can touch the unconditioned realm of your experience.

In classical Mahayana teachings the conditioned and unconditioned aspects of our experience are known, respectively, as the "historical" and "ultimate" dimensions. They are likened to a wave and the water of which it is made. The wave is born, endures, and dies; the water abides. Over time we can come to see every event in our experience—every breath, sensation, thought, and mental formation—as both wave and water, empirically existent but fundamentally empty of a separate self. And we can learn to balance those two views of reality, allowing neither to dominate the other.

That is the work of a lifetime, but it can be enabled by this exercise, which Thich Nhat Hanh regards as "one of the most wonderful practices of meditation in Buddhism." What I have presented here is an abbreviated version of a much longer exercise, which you can find in Thich Nhat Hanh's *The Blooming of a Lotus* (Parallax, 1991). Over the years I have often returned to this exercise, and I have found its cumulative influence transformative.

Ben Howard leads the *Falling Leaf Sangha* (www.fallingleaf-sangha.blogspot.com), a Zen practice group in Alfred.

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ASC Jazz Band, 'Voices' will join in concert

ALFRED—The Alfred State Jazz Band and Alfred State "Voices" will present a shared spring concert at 2 p.m. Sunday, April 21 in the Cappadonia Auditorium, Orvis Activities Center, on the Alfred State campus. Admission is free and open to the public.

Music will include a tribute to Dave Brubeck by the Jazz Band, directed by Jerry Ives, as well as several other pieces. Alfred State "Voices" will offer up "Baba Yetu", the theme music of the Civilization IV computer game.

Several "Voices" students will offer solos as well. "Voices" is directed by Linda Staiger and accompanied by Bo Pang.



"Voices" members include (from left) Jon Schunk, Tyler Ribble, Nate Nolin, Tad Johnson, and Jerrod Comer.

AU Performing Arts offers student recital

ALFRED—The Alfred University (AU) Division of Performing Arts will present a student recital Sunday, April 21 at 3 p.m. in Miller Theater. The recital will feature a variety of piano, woodwind, and brass performances. Admission is free and open to the public, and all are invited for refreshments following the program.

The Guzheng: Music of China class, taught by Zhongbei (Daisy) Wu of AU's Confucius Institute, will open the recital with Lou Shuhua's "Evening Songs on the Fishing Boat."

Also featured during the performance will be Elton Burgstahler's "At the Spinning Wheel" on the flute, "Sonata for Clarinet" by Saint-Saens, Hindemith's "Sonata for Trumpet and Piano," and

Alexander Arutunian's "Concerto for Trumpet and Piano."

Other pieces will include Tchaikovsky's "Waltz of the Flowers from the Nutcracker," "The Chase" by Burgmuller, "Toccatina" by Timothy Brown, Johannes Brahms's "Waltz in A flat major," and "Moonlight Sonata, mvt. 1" by Ludwig van Beethoven, all on piano.

The students in the recital are from the studios of Christopher Foster, assistant professor of music and director of bands; Amanda Robbins, adjunct faculty member; Daniel Wartinger, adjunct faculty member; Wu; and Laurel Buckwalter, University carillonist and music instructor, who will also serve as piano accompanist throughout the program.



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Spring storms electrify skies of Alfred

THIS PHOTO was taken in Alfred Tuesday afternoon, April 9 by Elliot Severn of Stratford, CT, an environmental studies senior at Alfred University. Elliot is president of AU's Astronomy Club and serves as guide at the Friday night open houses at the University's Stull Observatory. Severn says, "I've been into astronomy since I was a kid and started experimenting with astrophotography when I was 11. As-

tronomy got me into photography and recently I've been getting involved in space flight photojournalism. He's actually covering the inaugural launch of a new rocket this week at Wallops Island, VA. A new private Antares rocket, built by the Dulles-based Orbital Sciences Corp., was slated to blast off from NASA's Wallops Flight Facility at 5 p.m. EDT Wednesday, April 17. If all goes well, the test flight will pave the way for the future unmanned cargo deliveries to the International Space Station.

Dr. Richard Kellogg writes children's book based on Sherlock Holmes

ALFRED—Dr. Richard Kellogg, Professor Emeritus of Psychology at Alfred State, is the author of a new book titled Barry Baskerville Solves A Case.

The children's story, beautifully illustrated by graphic artist Gary Kato, is about a precocious youngster who aspires to become a famous detective like his role-model Sherlock Holmes. Barry Baskerville amazes his classmates and teachers with his amazing powers of observation and deduction.

Barry even manages to solve

a baffling mystery and convinces his parents that he has the necessary abilities to become a skillful investigator.

Barry Baskerville Solves A Case is intended for an audience of young readers between the ages of seven and 10. The book is published by Airship 27 of Fort Collins, CO, and is available at the Amazon website.

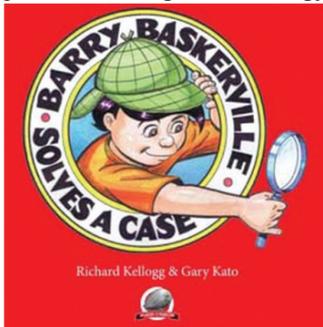
Dr. Kellogg is the author of three previous books involving Sherlock Holmes and the most recent one is titled Vignettes of Sherlock Holmes (New York: Gryphon Books, 2008). He has

received grants from the SUNY Research Foundation to develop instructional materials on the problem-solving methodology

of Sherlock Holmes.

A frequent contributor to *The Baker Street Journal* and *The Serpentine Muse*, Kellogg en-

joys introducing young readers to the magical world of Sherlock Holmes and his loyal companion, Dr. John Watson.

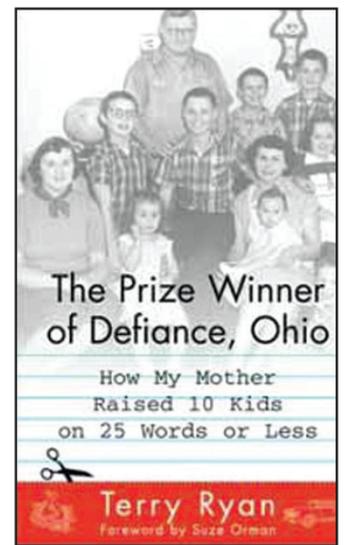


Crandall to talk at Book Club

HORNELL--The Hornell Fortnightly Book Club will hold its annual Library Tea to raise funds for the Hornell Public Library Children's Summer Reading Program at 2 p.m. Monday, April 22 at the Hornell Presbyterian Church, Main Street, Hornell (Use Church St. entrance.)

The speaker for the event is Steve Crandall, dean of libraries at Alfred University, who will talk about Terry Ryan's book, The Prize Winner of the Defiance, Ohio: How My Mother Raised Ten Kids On Twenty-Five Words Or Less.

Donations will be gladly accepted at the event, to benefit the Children's Summer Reading Program at the Hornell Public Library.



Architectural students to present proposals

ALFRED—Eleven Alfred State College architecture students (Joy Carlson's junior studio in historic preservation and adaptive reuse), will present their proposals for mixed use retail and apartments for the empty lot (1, 3, 5 N. Main St., former home of the Alfred Sports Cen-

ter) at 6 p.m. Thursday, April 25 in Room 355, Student Lounge, Engineering Technology Building, Alfred State campus.

Each student will present individually to the audience, speak about their project for five minutes, and then answer any ques-

tions.

Versions of the "period" houses presented last week will be on display where the refreshments will be served.

Please contact Joy for more details at: carlsojm@alfred-state.edu or office: 587-4641.



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Hornell Wind Ensemble Young Artist Concert set

HORNELL—This spring the Hornell Area Wind Ensemble is Celebrating Youth with a free concert at 7:30 p.m. Saturday April 20, at the Hornell High School. Area high school instrumental students who are winners of the Luther Hoffman Young Artists award will inspire you when you hear them playing with such talent and dedication.

Young artist winner Michelle Maginn is a junior at Livonia High School. She's been playing the clarinet since the age of eight. She is first chair in the Livonia Wind Ensemble and will be accompanied by the Hornell Ensemble as she performs the clarinet concerto "Solo de Concours."

Megan Warriner, runner-up, is a senior at Jasper-Troupsburg Central School and has been studying French horn for five years. She's a member of the Hornell Area Wind Ensemble as well. Megan will also perform during the concert with piano accompaniment.

In a true celebration of youth and music, the evening will begin with a guest performing group, the Jasper-Troupsburg senior high concert band, under the direction of Jonathan Neff. Mr. Neff has been the band director at Jasper-Troupsburg for six years, and is also a Hornell Wind Ensemble member.

Co-conductors Edwin Belin and Christopher Lynn have put together a concert which showcases these students' musical gifts and pleases all tastes. They share the baton for this program; Mr. Lynn will present "Grand Serenade for an Awful Lot of Winds and Percussion" by PDQ Bach (aka Peter Schickele.) Conductor Lynn confided during a rehearsal that this is not the most serious work on the program!

Edward Belin conducts A Brass Thing. It's movement three from "Serenada Schizophrenia" by Danny Elfman. Elfman composes for film, and this musically complex piece features an eclectic blend of styles.

Listen for dark, deep brass sounds.

Conductor Belin shifts the music into big band rhythms with "Four of a Kind" which features the wind ensemble's terrific trumpets in this swing-era piece.

The Wind Ensemble is proud to claim Christopher Lynn as its resident composer. He's written some magnificent compositions. His "Flight of the Aeronaut" is a stirring piece commissioned by the Jasper-Troupsburg Senior High Band. Listen to the layered sounds of the percussions, as bass and timpani are joined by tom-toms, snares and random percussions.

These selections and more will make for an enjoyable musical evening. This concert is sponsored in part by public funds from the New York State Council on the Arts Decentralization Program and is administered locally by the ARTS' Council of the Southern Finger Lakes.

ePLACE plans instruction on Word 2010 at Box of Books

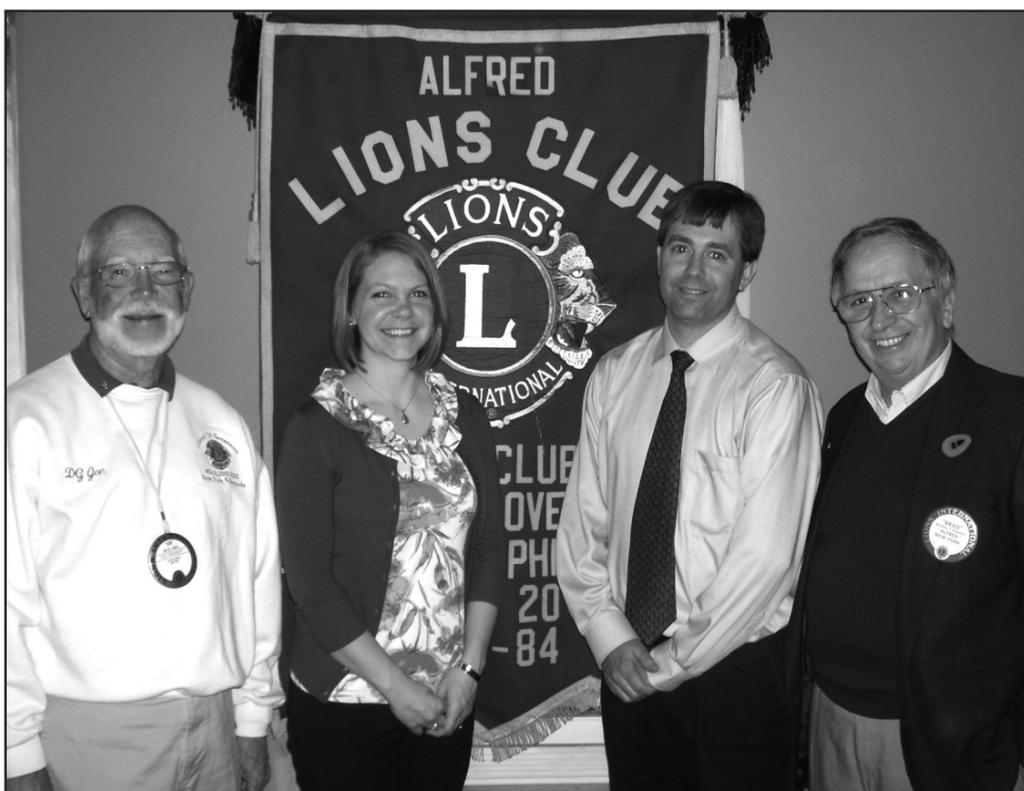
ALFRED--The Alfred Box of Books Library ePLACE will offer an "Introduction to Microsoft Word 2010" class from 4:30-6 p.m. Wednesday, April 24 at the Box of Books Library.

Microsoft Word is a computer program that you use to create documents like letters, resumes, meeting notes, recipes, and so on. It's very handy for home use as well as at work, and it's very powerful.

Some of the fun things you can do is change the size, shape, and color of letters and words, add pictures, make tables, and create bulleted lists (and change how the bullets look!). This introductory class will get you started using Word so that you become comfortable with the basics. Then you can start exploring more options and features on your own, or you may wish to continue with individual instruction at the ePLACE.

Keep in mind, if you are job hunting and you need to create a resume, references list, and cover letters, Word is a great program to use because so many companies use it. If you have been filling out online applications and they are asking for a digital version of your resume, Word is the way to go! If that sentence didn't make sense to you, don't worry. Contact us at the ePLACE and we'll show you what to do!

The class will be held from 4:30-6 p.m. Wednesday, April 24 at the Alfred Box of Books Library located on the corner of Main Street and West University, in Alfred. Please give us a call to pre-register, at 607-587-9290, or email occonnor@stls.org, or go to the library's web site at www.alfredboxofbookslibrary.org. You can also stop by the library and sign up in person.



Serving Learning officers visit Alfred Lions

Alfred University student Service Learning Coordinator Jessica Jennings and Alfred State College Director of student Civic Engagement Jonathan Hilsher joined Lions Club Treasurer Jon LeGro (left) and President Brad Bowden (right), after speaking at the Lions April 11th dinner meeting about the organization and goals of their respective programs. The Lions hope to partner with the student groups in some community projects in the future. This past year, students from both schools and Alfred Almond Central School assisted with the Lions Club's Library Lions Story Time programs. (Photo by Bill Emrick)



MICHELLE MAGINN is the Young Artist winner. She's a junior at Livonia High School. She's been playing clarinet since she was eight years old.

Multilayer solar cells taught by visiting Chinese scholar

ALFRED—Visiting Chinese scholar Jihua Liu recently introduced his Alfred University (AU) electrical engineering students to multilayer solar cells using the Inamori School of Engineering's newly installed solar simulator laboratory.

Liu is a visiting professor from Shanghai University of Engineering Science, China. He recently assisted Xingwu Wang, AU professor of electrical engineering, in the installation of new solar simulators in the lab, which will allow testing and experimentation with solar cells at all times and under any conditions.

Liu discussed his research in the development and use of CZTS (copper, zinc, tin, and sulfur) films in solar cells. Liu and his associates are in the process of conducting research and experimentation with microwave-assisted methods of preparing less expensive and more efficient CZTS films.

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FIFTY YEARS AGO, APRIL 18, 1963

The Citizens National Bank of Wellsville will celebrate the completion of the remodeling of the Wellsville office from 2 to 5 p.m. Saturday, April 20... Construction of the new Alfred office of the Citizens National Bank is expected to start this spring or summer. The new office will be located on the west side of North Main Street, opposite the Post Office building.

The Alfred village board of trustees raised the load limit requirements of its new "no travel" truck ordinance to 10 tons after two persons appeared at a public hearing to protest the five ton limit originally requested. The measure goes into effect on April 21 and applies to trucks servicing the west side campus construction project at the Agricultural and Technical Institute. Trucks over 10 tons in weight must travel up Main St. to W. Pine, turn right at the Atlantic station, left to Elm and approach the construction project from the Tech gym road. Use of other roadways is prohibited under the terms of the ordinance but special permits may be obtained in cases of emergency...

Nearly 100 persons attended the annual sunrise service sponsored by the Senior Youth Fellowship of the Union of Churches Easter Sunday. The event, held on the Turnpike Road off McHenry Valley, featured narrative shadows of the burial and resurrection of Christ portrayed by the youth. Special music, "Lo, In the Grave He Lay," was rendered by a quartet composed of Judy Bracken, Sharon Kelly, Jean Carpenter and Eileen Bird, accompanied on the trumpet by Nathan Hardy. Three crosses, silhouetted against the sky, formed the background for the portrayal. Young people who participated included Sue Montgomery, Kathy Stuart, Paul Reukauf, Charles Hardy, Susan Smith, Richard Rawleigh, Terry Van Duser, Faith Tucker, James Tucker, Michael Stuart, Gail Horton, Craig Braack, Miss Carpenter, Miss Bracken, and Mrs. Richard Davis, advisor. Following the service, breakfast was served in the church parlors with Mr. and Mrs. Davis and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Stuart serving as cooks.

Alfredians—Dr. Paul C. Saunders has signed a contract for a fourth year at Roberts Wesleyan College at North Chili. This will be the 50th consecutive year of teaching for Dr. Saunders, which he began in September of 1914... Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Snyder and two older children, Ronald and Sharon, spent a few days over the holiday weekend, sightseeing in Washington, DC... Dr. and Mrs. Stephen Saunders and family of Springville were guests for the weekend of Dr. and Mrs. Paul Saunders... Mrs. Eugene Van Horn, Christy and Eric, Mrs. Blanche Fenner of Almond, and Mrs. Donald Van Horn of Albany spent Monday at Rochester... David Hildebrand of Chattanooga, Tenn., is spending this week in Alfred and visiting with his mother, Mrs. Lucille Hildebrand, who is a patient in Bethesda Hospital, Hornell... Mr. and Mrs. Karl Scheffer and children of Clearfield, Pa., were weekend guests of Mrs. Scheffer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. Ray Polan... Mrs. M. Ellis Drake visited her daughter, Mrs. Arthur Hurst and family at West Weymouth, Mass., for a few days last week and helped to care for her new granddaughter... Mrs. Leah Crofoot and Miss Margaret Banghart spent the Easter weekend at Cleveland, Ohio, as guests of Dr. and Mrs. Stanley Harris and son... Mrs. Eeva Potter and Ethel Hayt attended the banquet and visitation of the Rebekah District Deputy President, Anna Rogers and her staff, at Allentown Lodge on Wednesday and at Wellsville on Thursday... Mr. and Mrs. Winfield Randolph and family spent the Easter weekend with Mrs. Randolph's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Haswell at Syracuse...

Almond—Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bracken and son, Michael, spent the Easter weekend at the home of her brother, Joseph Cotton, and family, in Horseheads... Sunday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wightman, Jr., and family of Cowlesville... James Bey, a student at Delhi Ag-Tech, spent the Easter holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Bey... Mrs. Ruth Sisson spent Easter, Sunday at the home of her son, Harold, and family in Andover... Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Gillette were Mr. and Mrs. William Mess and son, Billy, of Hornell; Mr. and Mrs. Martin Gillette and sons of Almond, and Miss Virginia Gillette of Lockport, who is spending the week at her parents' home... The children of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Burnside spent a few days this week at the home of their

grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Allen Witter...

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO, APRIL 21, 1988

The Alfred Town Board, negating a petition seeking a public referendum to determine whether the highway superintendent should be an elected position, unanimously defeated the motion at its April 13 meeting. Thus, the Town Board will continue to appoint the public servant. Initially at the meeting, the board brushed over the issue with little comment, knowing that no action by the Town Board would kill the issue. Later, however, Councilman Don Higgins reintroduced the topic and advised other members, "I think we should state some reasons for not taking action... I don't think we should just ignore the whole thing." Councilman Barbara Bernstein said the board is not pursuing a public referendum "because the board has appointed the highway superintendent and that's what we were voted in to do." "What's wrong with the people deciding?" asked Highway Superintendent Doug Burdick. Mrs. Bernstein answered, "I think a town has fewer problems with five people interviewing candidates than with people electing someone without any knowledge of the candidates' qualifications. She further said that an elected highway superintendent legally would be less accountable to the Town Board..."

A non-profit group, to be known as "Alfred Friends of Books" was formed at a meeting held Sunday, April 10, at the box of Books Reading Center. The purpose is to provide services for the community via the Box of Books... Officers elected at the April meeting are: Chairman, Sheila Gilmour; Secretary, Connie Gradoni; and Treasurer, Joanne Droppers...

"It's history," as they say. Demolition of the Happy Valley Ski Center lodge on Route 244 just outside Alfred has been completed. It's now officially a thing of the past. But memories linger on... of the skylit nights on the hill... of broken legs... flying trapeze jumps... conversation with hot cocoa around the cozy fireplace... the thrill of victory and the agony of defeat. The Martin Curran family of Alfred, who were synonymous with Happy Valley, was contracted to demolish the lodge and recently completed the project. The Currans had been instrumental in maintaining the ski center for its 15 year history. Constructed in 1965, the Alfred State College facility was improved annually and in 1973 was regarded as one of the finest ski facilities in Western New York. Alfred State boasted that it was "one of the few colleges in the nation with its own ski slope." While the facility was used for physical education instruction and the college's ski team (which captured a national junior college championship), it was also open to the public. Area families made good use of the facility in teaching youngsters to ski... The Currans operated the ski rentals and sales for the college's Faculty-Student Association (now the Auxiliary Campus Enterprises and Services). In 1976, ACES leased the facility to the family after the ski slope had been a losing financial battle for ACES...

(Photo) Phil Curran, Pat Curran and Chris Curran talk over "old times" with friends at the Happy Valley Ski Center lodge, which they dismantled in the spring. While the fireplace and chimney were left standing on this warm Spring day, they too have "come down" since this photo was taken. The Currans were instrumental in maintaining the ski center for several years.

The 17th annual Hot Dog Day festivities, sponsored jointly this year by Alfred University and Alfred State College, will feature an ice cream bash, street carnival, The Rocky Horror Picture Show and, of course, hot dogs...

Thelma Smith of Painted Post has announced the engagement of her daughter, Mary Jane, to David Doerschug, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. Roland Doerschug of Alfred Station... A July 30 wedding is planned...

Mr. and Mrs. L. Roland Doerschug of Alfred Station have announced the engagement of their daughter, Susan Ashley, to Gregory Donald Burns, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Burns, Vermetts, Manitoba, Canada... A May wedding is planned in Silver Creek, home of her paternal grandparents.

Bessie "Beth" Brown, 84, of 9 Reynolds St., Alfred, died Wednesday, April 13, 1988 at her home following a lengthy illness... A resident of Alfred since December 1987, she lived most of her life in Newfane and resided for eight years in the state of Delaware. She was a member of the Assembly of God Church and was active in Bible readings and Bible study. Survivors include three daughters, Lyle Beth Hunter of Alfred, Lu-

anne Barrett of Dover, Del., and Coralynn Swerfeger of Phoenix, AZ; a brother, Chester Arthur Dilley of Sun City, AZ; a sister, Bonnie Denk of Cape Coral, FL; 11 grandchildren; several nieces and nephews.

Dr. John Foxen, dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences at Alfred University, has announced the appointment of Dean Hoover, associate professor of mathematics, as the Cole Professor of Applied Mathematics for a three-year period beginning this fall...

(Photo) Recipients of special awards at the 42nd Annual FFA/FHA banquet held recently at A-A included Denmark exchange student Aleksander Micic, FHA state officer Tammy Davis and Alfred Sun Editor David Snyder.

TEN YEARS AGO, APRIL 24, 2003

(Photo) Ben Palmer III and son Patrick were enjoying the Alfred Sun in Daytona Beach, FL back in February when they were attending the Daytona 500.

Dr. Vasantha Amarakoon, professor of ceramic engineering and director of the New York State Center for Advanced Ceramic Technology at Alfred University, won not one, but two, excellence in teaching awards, presented during Alfred University's annual Honors Convocation...

James F. "Jim" Donavan, 76, of 126 Thacher St., Hornell, passed away Friday evening (April 18, 2003) at St. James Mercy Hospital, where he had been a patient for three days... In 1966, he transferred to the Alfred Post Office as a carrier and in 1984 he was named Postmaster, retiring in 1988...

After more than two years of planning, Alan and Judy Burdick are finally ready to open their home to visitors at the Country Cabin Manor Bed and Breakfast. The Burdicks, located on Route 244, just west of Alfred State Farm, have made a habit of staying in bed and breakfasts when they travel. For the past four years, each time they left a bed and breakfast they would look at each other and say "our house is as nice as that, we can do that too." Two years ago, the Burdicks started putting their plans in motion and began remodeling both the exterior and interior of the house. Since Alan is a contractor, he did most of the work himself. "I designed it and he built it," Judy said, "We're a design build team." What the Burdicks like most about bed and breakfasts is that you are treated differently than you would be at a motel or hotel... "It's like being a visitor in somebody's house."

Pamela Lakin, an assistant librarian at Herrick Memorial Library and director of Alfred University's Study Abroad Program, is this year's faculty recipient of the Abigail Allen Award, presented each year in memory of one of AU's "Founding Mothers." Lakin was selected for her work in "building an outstanding collection of research materials in women's studies at Alfred University, supporting young women in seeking diverse internships and studies abroad, aiding faculty and students in pursuing research in women's studies; and encouraging women of all ages to participate in political issues by advising the Women's Issue Coalition..."

The Alfred University Blood Drive Tuesday, March 27 was a great success from the Red Cross's point of view. Some 132 donors came to the drive, 17 of whom were first-time donors. A total of 111 usable pints of blood were obtained...

The Dennis (Lumpy) Allen-Greg Norton Memorial Golf Tournament to benefit youth programs and scholarships will be held Saturday, May 17 at the Six-S Golf Course in Angelica...

Home contests against rivals Hartwick, Hobart and St. Lawrence highlight Alfred University's 2003 football schedule. AU, seeking to improve on a 4-6 record last fall, will also host Union and Grove City. Road games are at St. John Fisher, Ithaca, Waynesburg, Utica and Thiel. The 2003 season is the last before Alfred begins a full Empire 8 Conference schedule. In 2004, Springfield (MA) and Norwich (VT) will join the Empire 8 for football only. They join Alfred, Hartwick, Ithaca, St. John Fisher and Utica to give the Empire 8 seven teams, the minimum needed to give the conference an automatic qualifier to the NCAA Division III playoffs... In 2004, Thiel, Waynesburg, Union and Hobart will be replaced on the Saxons' schedule by Springfield, Norwich, Washington & Lee and Case Western. Those four teams will remain on the schedule through the 2005 season.

50 Years Ago, April 23, 1953--Details of the proposed \$425,000 addition to Alfred-Almond Central School was explained at two meetings recently...

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'Sacred Wakefulness,' Psalm 30

By LINDA STAIGER

ALMOND—Getting a little older? Having trouble sleeping through the night? I guess you are not alone. Get to sleep fine, but wake in the middle of the night for no apparent reason? Not so nice. 'Cause then your mind starts going over all the worries of the day making further sleep doubtful.

Our ancestors didn't have the luxury of flipping a switch to turn on lights so, from dusk to dawn they spent hours in almost total darkness. One can understand how the night was considered the realm of the devil and his minions.

Today, it's still the time when evil of all types can come out of hiding. So how did they handle the 13-14 hours of total darkness with no electricity, no TV and, get this--NO FACEBOOK! Hit the hay around 9 after the chores were done or perhaps play a game, tell a story around the fire or head over to the tavern for some wine or beer. BTW, that was probably better to drink than milk or water due to lack of purification systems. (Perhaps the alcohol is responsible for more than just a few tales of demons and goblins!)

At Day's Close: Night in Times Past, by Roger Ekirch says our ancestors had a way of dealing with long, dark nights which gives us a clue about the use of insomnia. Before the advent of streetlights, factory night shifts, alarm clocks, etc. people actually experienced "segmented sleep." "First sleep" that took place between bedtime and midnight or so, then a "second sleep" that lasted until dawn. In between, people got up, tended

the fire, had a drink, or stayed in bed and read, talked or prayed.

Many of the prayer books of the 15th and 16th centuries included prayers for the period between first and second sleep. The between time, insomnia for us, was a natural time to reflect on the previous day and look forward to the next. To reflect on your dreams, maybe journal them. Rather than waking up upset that they were not able to sleep, they found it a great time to reflect on their relationships with God and to pray.

Psalm 63:6 "On my bed I remember; I think of you through the watches of the night." Perhaps that is why we have so many vivid dreams in the Bible--they were written between sleep periods! Psalm 30 looks like it could have been written in the middle of the night.. someone spent some time reflecting on God's faithfulness and love. Like David who had several very serious times in his life.

Like maybe you now...something is worrying you--a serious illness, a child, take your pick. Here's where Psalm 30 may offer some guidelines for dealing with these stresses.

First: Remember that God is present. The psalm starts with a prayer of thankfulness for God's presence. Troubles seem to multiply at night because that's when it's easy for us to feel all alone. BUT, God is watching you...He hears your cries. "Now I lay me down to sleep, I pray the Lord my soul to keep." He can keep your soul--Because He is with you. We have a great song for choir.. "Lo, I am with you always"that's it.

Second: Remember that

things tend to look better in the morning. Or, "It's always darkest before the dawn." Maybe your Mother said the same thing to you that this reporter's Mom did. (Whoa, there--another time your Mother was right!) Psalm 30:5..."Joy comes in the morning." Mourning during the night becomes joy in the morning. David turned his "mourning into dancing"--can't you just see him wrestling with anxiety during 'first sleep,' then being strengthened by prayer during his period of 'sacred wakefulness' before drifting into 'second sleep'? We're often told to 'sleep on it' when dealing with a problem, but maybe we should say 'wake on it' instead. Our ancestors dealt with a lot less stress because they welcomed the time of reflection in the middle of the night...instead of staring at a ticking clock like we might, the reflected and prayed. Leading us to:

Third: The key to rest is thankfulness. If you do wake up in the night, how do you get back to sleep? It helps to move our thoughts away from scarcity to abundance. In the dark, we can get focused on what we don't have. But, look at what you DO have.

Perhaps insomnia isn't such a bad thing after all, provided we use it in sacred ways that help us look toward morning with joy, not dreading a short night. Next time you wake up in the middle of the night, remember David and the generations of people who welcomed the waking as he did--and relax. Lying awake can lead you to a sacred time...that blessed 'sacred wakefulness'.

'Two Covenants of the State' topic

ALFRED STATION—Good whatever time you are reading this article your friends and neighbors at the Alfred Station Seventh Day Baptist, "A 3 C church: Connect-Care-Community," hope that your day is blest. Yes and they would also like you to join them this Sabbath April 20 in the 11 a.m. Worship Hour.

During the Morning Worship Hour, Pastor's Ken's sermon focus will be on two biblical texts: Romans 13:1-7, Acts 12:20-24. The Sermon is titled "The Two Covenants" of the State." The Covenant with God; the State purpose is to promote good and punish evil. The State is God's minister in these manners and is given the power to use the "sword." The Covenant with the people is to promote good and crush evil. Acts 12 will give Herod as an example of one of the ways God holds the State accountable for the violation of Covenant.

Preceding the Sabbath Worship Hour at 9:45 am is Sabbath School, a place for seekers about spiritual things to study the Bible and find out what its meaning is for life in the 21st Century. One of the aids we have in our study is The Helping Hand in Bible Study, a quarterly

guide to the weekly study of Scripture. If you would like a copy of the Spring Quarterly Booklet "Beyond the Present Time" please contact the church office.

Following the Worship Hour at Camp Harley Sutton is the monthly Youth overnight for those in grades 7-12 beginning at 1 p.m. One of the highlights of this month's gathering will be the 2nd Annual Toilet Brush Bowl completion. All young people in grades 7-12 are welcome. Together we will study scripture, have fellowship, worship and have free time.

Your friends and neighbors look forward to seeing you this Sabbath April 20. The Church meeting house is located at 587 Route 244 Alfred Station. It is in a very busy part of the County, down from Robert Lawrence Trucking, Canacadea Country Store, Baker's Bridge Antiques across from Hillbottom Pottery, up from The Bicycle Man, Hi-Tech Ceramics, Way to Gro and Alfred Knitting Studio. If you would like further information about Salvation, the Sabbath or Seventh Day Baptists, please call the church office at 607-587-91786.

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Listen my children, and you shall hear
of the midnight ride of Paul Revere,
on the eighteenth of April in Seventy-five...

Alfred Area Church Directory

ALFRED-ALMOND AREA

HORNELL ALFRED UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY--Now meeting at 10:30 AM the second and fourth Sundays of each month at 198 Main Street across from Hornell Cinema. The Rev. George Smith leads the group the second Sunday. Call 607-698-4508 or 607-522-7803 for more information.

ALFRED-ALMOND BIBLE CHURCH--Rt. 21, Almond. Pastor John Prince. Sunday School 9:30 am, Sunday Worship 10:30 am, Sunday Evening 6 pm. Midweek Home Groups 7:30 pm. Phone 607-276-6700. www.aabile.org.

ALFRED ASSEMBLY OF CHRISTIANS--Remembrance of the Lord in the Breaking of Bread, Sundays at 9:30 a.m., Family Bible Hour at 11; Gothic Chapel, corner of Ford & Sayles, Alfred. Bible Study 8 p.m. Fridays in Almond. Call 276-6380 or e-mail lookup@frontier.net for more information.

ALFRED RELIGIOUS SOCIETY OF FRIENDS (QUAKERS)--6 W. University St., Alfred, (a sign will be present in front of the building during meetings). Worship 10:30 a.m. Classes for children during worship. Child-care available. For more information, phone 607-587-9454, visit our website: www.alfredfriends.org or write: info@AlfredFriends.com

ALFRED SEVENTH DAY BAPTIST CHURCH--5 Church St., Alfred. Adult Sabbath (Saturday) School, 10 a.m. in the SDB Parish House; Sabbath Worship Service at 11 a.m. Church Office: 607-587-9430.

ALFRED STATION SEVENTH-DAY BAPTIST CHURCH "A 3 C church: Connect-Care-Community" Affiliated with the Seventh Day Baptist General Conference USA and Canada INC. Sabbath (Sat.) 9:45 am Sabbath School (8 classes from Nursery-Adult) 11:00 am Sabbath Worship Hour **Youth Program:** Jr. Youth Fellowship (Grades 3-6) 2nd Sabbath of month 2 - 4 pm; Youth Fellowship (Grades 7-12) 3rd Sabbath of month 1pm Sat. - 10 am Sunday overnight at Camp Harley Sutton. **Music Program:** Sanctuary Choir (Grades 9 and up) 1st Sabbath (Sat.) 12:30 pm, 3rd Sabbath (Sat.) 9:00 am; Jr. Choir (Grades 1-8), Instrumentalist 4th Sabbath (Sat.) 9:00 am **Fellowship:** Monthly Dish to Pass Fellowship Meal 2nd Sabbath 12:30 pm; Men's Prayer Meeting 1st Tuesday of the month (Rm 15); Wellsville Bible Study 10 am Tuesday. **Hosting:** Alfred Area Food Pantry 5:30 pm Tuesday and Thursday; Woman, Infant, Children Clinic 1st Thursday of month, Red Cross Blood Drive Monday before Memorial Day, Monday before Labor Day Pastor: Rev. Dr. Kenneth Chroniger **Contact:** pastorken@alfredstationsdb.org, P.O. Box 7777 Alfred Station NY 14803, 607-587-9176 Campus: 587 Route 244 Alfred Station, Remember the Live streaming of the 11:00am Worship Hour www.alfredstationsdb.org

ABUNDANT LIFE MINISTRIES--Rt. 21, Almond. Pastor Everett Hasper. Sunday 10 am & Wednesday at 7:30 pm. 276-6201. www.almcommunity.org

ALFRED UNITED METHODIST CHURCH--1389 Moland Road, Alfred. A Christ-centered community where people find acceptance and fulfillment, care about others, and seek to live according to God's plan. Sunday Worship 9:00 am Fellowship 10:00 am Church School 10:30 am., nursery care available both hours. Website www.gbmg-umc.org/alfred-umc. 587-8168. Pastor: Rev. Timothy M. Middleton Sr.

ALMOND UNION OF CHURCHES--11 Main St., Almond. Rev. G. Stephen Dygert, Pastor. A joyful, welcoming and compassionate multi-denominational church seeking God's truths for today's world. Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Morning Worship 10:30 a.m. Prayer Group Wednesday 9 am at 39 Main St., Almond. Call 276-6151 for more information.

HARTSVILLE COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH--Purdy Creek Road, Hornell. Pastor Charles Williams. Sun. School 9:30 am, Worship 10:30 am.

HILLEL AT ALFRED--Friday night services 6:30 pm at Melvin Bernstein Hillel House, 18 S. Main St., when AU is in session. Ad'l services & programs throughout the year. For more info, contact Larry Greil (871-2215 work or 587-8694 home) or Barbara Greil (587-4313 work).

INSTITUTE OF DIVINE METAPHYSICAL RESEARCH--Sundays 12 noon at Almond Grange, Almond. Choir starts 11:40 am. Meetings Tuesdays and Thursdays 7:30 to 9:30 pm at Almond Grange Hall.

LIGHTHOUSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP--Randolph Road, Alfred. Pastor Roger Gardner. Worship 10 am Sundays. Sunday Prayer 6 pm. Bible Study 7 pm Tuesdays at Powell CC, AU; Bible Study 7 pm Wednesdays at Alfred State College. 607-587-9257.

SS. BRENDAN AND JUDE PARISH--Father Sean DiMaria, Pastor. St. Brendan Church, 11 S. Main St., Almond. Weekend Mass: Saturday, 5:00 p.m. Weekday Masses Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9:00 a.m.; St. Jude Chapel, Lower College Dr., Alfred (on the Alfred State College campus). Weekend Masses Sunday 11 a.m. & 6:30 p.m. p.m. (6:30 p.m. when colleges in session) Office phone: 607-587-9411, Rectory phone: 607-276-5304.

UNION UNIVERSITY CHURCH--Alfred, 10:30 a.m. Sunday at 5 Church Street. A multi-denominational community church welcoming all faiths. Infants nursery, K-6 classes during service, youth programs. Church Center at corner of Main and Church Streets, Rev. Laurie DeMott 587-9288.

ANDOVER AREA

CHRISTIAN & MISSIONARY ALLIANCE--Rochebeau Ave. Rev. Philip Barner, Sunday School for all ages 9 a.m.; Fellowship Time 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service 10 a.m.; Wednesday Mid-week Prayer/Bible Study 7 p.m.

ANDOVER UNITED METHODIST--33 E. Greenwood St. Pastor Anita Youtzy. Worship service 11 am, Sunday School 9:45 am.

BLESSED SACRAMENT CHURCH--1 Church St., Andover. Father Sean DiMaria, Pastor. Weekend Mass Sunday 9:00 a.m. Weekday Mass Tuesday, 9:00 a.m. Office phone: 607-478-8885; Rectory phone 607-276-5304.

CHENUNDA CREEK FELLOWSHIP--Mennonite congregation of believers in the Town of Independence, five miles south of Andover. Sunday School 9:30, Worship 10:45 a.m. Pastor Stephen Richard 585-610-0166. Church phone 478-5277.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH--Corner of Elm & Church Streets. Pastor Frank Troutman. Sunday School 9:45 am, Morning Worship 11 am.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN--E. Greenwood St., Andover. Coffee served at 10:30; Worship Service at 11 AM, Pastor Christian R. Mattison.

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EARTH DAY planned

ALFRED—Alfred State, in partnership with Alfred University and Alfred residents, has announced a week-long series of events planned in celebration of Earth Day. The events, which begin on Sunday April 21 and run through Sunday April 28, include movie showings, service opportunities, outdoor activities, and social functions.

"Thanks to strong commitments by the two colleges and strong support from the village and local businesses, Alfred is beginning to emerge as a hot-bed for sustainability," said Julian Dautremont-Smith, Chief Sustainability Officer at Alfred State. "This extensive series of events is indicative of increasing interest in environmental protection in the area." The schedule of events is as follows:

SUNDAY, APRIL 21

Pollywogg Holler Clean Up

10 a.m.-1 p.m., Pollywogg Holler (6240 South Rd. Belmont, NY)

Help with spring cleaning around the Pollywogg Holler property. Tasks will include cleaning up downed trees and branches, trail maintenance, debris removal, freshening up gardens & more. Wear weather-appropriate clothes, boots, and work gloves. All volunteers will receive a free pizza. Please RSVP at goo.gl/MX4D7

Hike and Picnic under Wind Turbines

11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Join a hike on the Finger Lakes Trail to see the Howard wind turbines up close! Hikers will bring their own food and picnic under the turbines. Meet at Alfred State's Huntington Administration Building parking lot OR AU's Ade Hall at 10:30 a.m. to offer or find a ride. RSVP to stantoca@alfredstate.edu or adm2@alfred.edu.

Showing of the film My Name is Allegany County

7-8:30 p.m., Cappadonia Auditorium in Alfred State's Orvis Activities Center

Alfred State's Sustainability Club will show My Name is Allegany County, the inspiring story of how county residents successfully stopped the construction of a nuclear waste facility in Allegany County.

MONDAY, APRIL 22 (Earth Day)

ACES Celebrates Earth Day

All day

Alfred State's Auxiliary Campus Enterprises and Services, Inc. (ACES) is celebrating Earth Day all day. It will be serving up a variety of meatless treats at their Grill Station and will introduce a new locally produced pizza crust. ACES will help minimize waste by distributing reusable water bottles at lunch and providing plastic to-go bags only upon request at Friendly's, Taco Bell, 10 Elm, and Exit West.

Showing of the film Living Downstream

7 p.m., Alfred Village Hall

This event is a screening of the film "Living Downstream". This poetic documentary follows ecologist and cancer survivor Sandra Steingraber as she travels and tries to bring attention to the environmental links of cancer.

TUESDAY, APRIL 23

Water taste test

11 a.m.-2 p.m., outside Alfred State's Central Dining Hall

Alfred State's Sustainability Club will be promoting tap water with a fun challenge that asks students to see if they can tell the difference between bottled water and tap water.

Stuff swap

3-6 p.m., Alfred University's Davis Gym

Come and trade items you no longer need for items owned by your peers! Excess stuff will be donated to Op Shop (located in Alfred Seventh Day Baptist Parish House) afterward.

Showing of the film Thin Ice: the Inside Story of Climate Science

7-8:30 p.m., Cappadonia Auditorium in Alfred State's Orvis Activities Center

Alfred State's Sustainability Club will show Thin Ice: the Inside Story of Climate Science, a new movie that introduces the global community of climate scientists and examines popular critiques of their work.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24

Creek Clean-up

4-5:30 p.m., footbridge behind Community Bank on Main Street

Join Alfred State's Outdoor Recreation Club to clean up the small creek that goes through Alfred. Wear waterproof boots and clothes that are okay to get dirty. Club will provide gloves and garbage bags.

Alfred State Sustainability Club Meeting

5-6 p.m., Physical & Health Sciences Building conference room (Rm 102)

Get involved in sustainability on campus by attending this regularly scheduled meeting of Alfred State's student Sustainability Club.

Allegany sustainability networking at Pollywogg Holler Eco-Resort

6:30 p.m., Pollywogg Holler (6240 South Rd. Belmont, NY)

Join other sustainability-minded people in and around Allegany County for live music and delicious pizza from a wood-fired oven. The goal of this event is to strengthen the sustainability community in Allegany County and create opportunities for area sustainability advocates to collaborate. Bring a friend! Carpools from Alfred will leave at 6 p.m. from Alfred State's Huntington Administration Building. There is a \$5 entrance fee.

THURSDAY, APRIL 25

Mountain Biking

4-7 p.m., meet at the gazebo in front of Alfred State's Orvis Activities Center

Join Alfred State's Outdoor Recreation Club on a mountain biking trip on the Finger Lakes Trails. Participants must bring their own bike, helmet, and safety equipment. Contact (607) 587-4329 with questions.

The Green Party: Time for Something Entirely Different

5-5:50 p.m., Alfred Village Hall

Virginia Rasmussen will introduce the Green Party and lead a discussion.

FRIDAY, APRIL 26

Tour of Sustainability Innovations at Alfred State's Wellsville Campus

11 a.m., Zero Energy Home (2530 River Road, Wellsville)

Take a guided tour of the sustainability projects at Alfred State's School of Applied Technology, including a Zero Energy Home, multiple renewable energy installations, and a constructed wetland that filters contaminants out of water.

SATURDAY, APRIL 27

Tree Planting in Andover

8:45 a.m., meet at Andover Central School

Join the Upper Genesee chapter of Trout Unlimited to plant trees around Dyke Creek in Andover. Bring gloves and boots.

Hot Dog Day Fair

Noon-5 p.m., Main Street in Alfred

Several Earth Week activities are happening in conjunction with Hot Dog Day. Alfred Community Garden will host a table to recruit new gardeners and provide some hands-on seed planting activities for the kids. In addition, tofu dogs will be sold at the Hillel Club stand by the bus stop. Volunteers are also needed to help collect recyclables generated by Hot Dog Day. Please sign-up to help with recycling collection at goo.gl/u2tWv.

SUNDAY, APRIL 28

Hot Dog Day Clean-up, Shift 1

8 a.m., meet in the parking lot of Community Bank on Main Street

Help clean up any litter left over from Hot Dog Day. Alfred State will provide materials. Wear clothing that can get dirty. Please sign-up in advance at goo.gl/U415C

Hot Dog Day Clean-up, Shift 2

12:30 p.m., meet in front of Alfred University's Kanakadea Hall

Garbage bags and plastic gloves will be provided. Wear clothing that can get dirty.

Alfred State Sports Roundup

Baseball: 6-21, 4-6 Region III Division III

The Pioneers were 1-3 this past week and had two other doubleheaders rained out.

Tom Banicky (Orson, PA/Hancock) hit .556 on the week while Colton Caldwell (Dublin, OH) hit .500 with three RBI. Stephen Solomon (Harrisburg, PA) tossed two solid outings. He was 1-1 with a 2.40 ERA in 15 innings of work. He walked four and struck out 17. Last Week: 4/9: L 7-5 (8), W 4-3 (9) vs. Tompkins Cortland CC, 4/14: L 10-2, L 2-0 @ Niagara CCC.

Lacrosse: 3-6, 2-2 Region III West

The Pioneers defeated Mercyhurst North East 7-6 in their lone completed match of the week. A match vs. Broome CC was suspended due to lightning at half-time earlier in the week.

ASC's Taco Bell #1 in nation for voice of customer

ALFRED—Alfred State's Dining Services Taco Bell location has been rated #1 nationwide in Taco Bell's Voice of the Customer Program. The Taco Bell operation on campus is managed by Michael Murray of Auxiliary Campus Enterprises and Services, Inc.

"Of the 5,539 locations nationwide, your team is #1 with our Voice of the Customer program. It is the most important obsession metric as it is feedback your guests are giving on their experience," explained Jill Woods-Dale of Taco Bell.

"Our standard is 78 percent, (but) the Alfred State team has had three consecutive months at 100 percent," Woods-Dale stated.

Taco Bell also measured the Alfred State customer experience after 5 p.m. and the score remained perfect at 100 percent. Importantly, the dining unit was also awarded a 100% food safety pass rate for the CORE evaluations. These high metrics all add up to one thing: satisfied customers.

"Everyone on campus knows how hard Mike Murray and his teams work," said Karen Canne, Director of Dining Services for ACES. "It's nice to know that our customers see that and respond to it. Being rated # 1 by our long-time vendor is a wonderful acknowledgement of the hard work by everyone - our student employees, our regular staff, and Mike and his leadership."

Taco Bell has been a dining unit at Alfred State since 1998 when it was co-located in Central Dining Hall. The new location was opened in the Student Gathering Place in 2007.

Keegan Phalen (East Aurora) finished with three goals, Brandon Griffin (Corning East) had a goal and two assists, and Nate Spoor (Penn Yan) found the back of the net twice. Bradley Murdoch (Auburn) grabbed a game-high nine ground balls. Mike Alessi (Liverpool) made 17 saves in net to earn the victory.

Last Week: 4/13: W 7-6 vs. Mercyhurst North East

Softball: 3-15, 2-9 Region III Division III

The Lady Pioneers lost the only two games they were able to play this week. Three other scheduled doubleheaders were postponed due to the poor weather last week.

Brooke Gustin (Wellsville) had the best offensive week finishing 3 for 5 with 3 RBI while no other Lady Pioneer collected more than one hit.

Last Week: 4/9: L 8-3, L 9-1 @ Onondaga CC

Track & Field: Men #4, Women #6 in latest NJCAA DIII poll

The track and field team continued their outdoor season with some strong performances at the Redhawk Open hosted by Roberts Wesleyan. The Pioneers competed in cold and windy conditions all day.

Brian Edwards (Neversink/Tri-Valley) and Nate Andres (Arcade/Pioneer) led the way for Alfred State. Edwards was 2nd in the discus (43.59 m) and 5th in the shot put (13.70 m) while Andres was 2nd in the 400 (51.60) and 5th in the 200

(23.63).

Frankie Bailey (Rochester/Marshall) was 4th in the 400 hurdles (59.24), the 4 x 100 relay team of Dane Dechow (Randolph), Brian Tubbs (Chemung/Waverly), Zach Woodard (Adams Center/South Jefferson), and Desmond Chambers (Rochester/Gates Chili) finished in 5th (45.42), and Robert Howard (Syracuse/Henninger) was 8th in the discus (38.12 m).

Rafael Ramirez (Parksville/Tri-Valley) and Jennifer DeNovio (Guilderland) both qualified for the NJCAA Div. III National Championships. Ramirez tossed the hammer throw 38.54 to qualify while DeNovio threw the discus 27.20 m.

Last Week: Seven top eight finishes @ Roberts Wesleyan Invitational

Mike Alessi Named Athlete of the Week

Mike Alessi (Liverpool) has been named the Alfred State athlete of the week by the Sports Information office after a solid performance in goal for the lacrosse team. Alessi made 17 saves vs. Mercyhurst North East to lead the Pioneers to a 7-6 victory on Saturday in the lone contest for the team. Alessi made key saves down the stretch to persevere the victory. On the season, Alessi has played nearly 500 minutes and has made 123 saves on the year. The Pioneers finish off the regular season this week with contests vs. Broome CC, Niagara CCC, and Monroe CC.

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AU men's lax team in lightning delay with Nazareth

ALFRED—The Alfred University men's lacrosse team (7-3, 1-3 Empire 8) held off visiting Elmira College to earn a 9-8 victory over the weekend. Earlier in the week, AU hosted Nazareth in a game that was stopped at half-time due to lightning and will be concluded this week.

Against Elmira, a pair of goals in the first and second quarter from junior attacker Brett Carroll (Buffalo/Bishop Timon-St. Jude) kept the Saxons even with the Soaring Eagles at 4-4. A goal from senior midfielder Matt Zon (Tonawanda/Sweet Home) gave AU the 5-4 lead heading into halftime.

Elmira netted two goals in the opening of the third quarter giving the visitors a 6-5 edge before junior midfielder Ben Demarco (Jamestown) scored three-straight unanswered goals to put AU on top by two (8-6) heading into the fourth.

The Soaring Eagles answered back with a pair of goals at the 11- and six-minute marks of the fourth quarter to tie it at 8-8. Junior midfielder Derek Green (Pittsburgh, PA/The Kiski School) then netted the game-winner, unassisted, with just under three minutes remaining to give Alfred the victory.

Junior defender Chris Tauterouff (Canandaigua) picked up a game-best nine ground balls and senior defender Jake Spadoni (Webster-Schroeder) caused a game-high four turnovers to anchor the Saxon defense. Senior Justin Becker (Conesus/Livonia) made eight saves in 58 minutes for AU.

The AU-Nazareth was stopped at halftime with the score tied at 6-6. The Empire 8 contest will resume at that point at 4:30 p.m. April 16 at Merrill Field.

Women's lacrosse team falls to Elmira

The women's lacrosse team (3-4, 0-4 Empire 8) suffered an 11-8 loss to visiting Elmira College, Saturday afternoon at Merrill Field.

Junior attacker Ashley White (Islip) and sophomore attacker Kaitlyn Button (Cazenovia) (three groundballs, three caused turnovers) each netted two goals apiece to lead the Lady Saxons in scoring. Senior midfielder Tracie McGinnity (Rochester/Gates-Chili) picked up a game-high six ground balls and caused two turnovers. Sophomore Taylor Tarajos (Rochester/Greece Olympia) played the full 60 minutes in net for Alfred, making a game-high seven saves.

Softball team wins six in perfect week

The women's softball team (14-10, 6-2 Empire) swept three doubleheaders last week: home against RIT; at Stevens Tech; and home against Penn College.

Against RIT, the Saxons won the opener, 3-1, and took the sec-



First homer at Harrington Field

Alfred University's #15 Nicole Maher hits the first ever home run in the inaugural game at the new Harrington Park on the Alfred University campus. Maher hit a three-run blast over the center field fence in the first inning. (PhotosbyLAN.com)

ond game, 5-2.

Sophomore pitcher Jessica O'Sullivan (Habersham, SC/Groton-Dunstable (MA) Regional) went the distance for the Saxons to improve to 5-1 on the season. She allowed an earned run on six hits and struck out five.

Jakobsen got the pitching win in the second game, allowing one run on three hits while striking out a pair in five innings of work to improve to 2-3. Sophomore Alison Wickwire (Tonawanda, PA) tossed two innings – allowing an earned run in the seventh – to earn the save.

In the Stevens doubleheader, the Saxons won the opener, 5-1, and took the second game, 2-1, to improve to 6-2 in league play.

In the opener, O'Sullivan struck out nine and allowed a run on four hits to improve to 7-1 on the year, and senior second baseman Maressa Mistretta (Shirley/Longwood) capped a 2-for-3, two-run game with a two-run homerun in the seventh.

In the second game, AU rallied from a run down to score single runs in the fourth and sixth innings. Sophomore Samantha Jo Muller (Port Jervis) got the win in relief of O'Sullivan, who started but wound up earning the save.

Senior first baseman Hana Gross (Union, NJ) hit an RBI single in the fourth that scored

ton Park, the University's new on-campus field, with a doubleheader sweep of Penn College Sunday afternoon. The Saxons took the opener, 9-0, and completed the sweep with a 15-0 win; both games ended after five innings.

Maier hit the first homerun at the new field, a three-run blast over the fence in center, as the Saxons took a 4-0 lead after one inning. Junior outfielder Rachel Guszick (Sparowbush/Port Jervis) ended the game with a three-run shot to right in the fifth that put AU up 9-0. Jakobsen went the distance to earn the shutout, allowing one hit, striking out four and walking none to improve to 3-3 on the season.

AU banged out 18 hits in the nightcap, sending 13 batters to the plate in the first and scoring nine runs.

Saxon men's tennis team whips Hartwick

The men's tennis team (4-6, 1-1 Empire 8) won pounded host Hartwick College, 7-2, Sunday afternoon for the Saxons first Empire 8 Conference victory of the season. With the win, AU improved its Empire 8 record to 1-1 (4-6 overall).

Freshman Connor Doud (Ballston Spa) won first singles, 6-2, 6-4; sophomore Peter Benoit (Gasport/ Barker) won second singles, 6-2, 6-4; freshman Dan Baruch (East Meadow) won third singles, 6-3, 6-3; sophomore Michael Graham (Elmira/Southside) won fourth singles, 6-2, 6-3; and senior Trenton Berardi (Warren, PA) won sixth singles by forfeit.

Men's and women's track and field teams place 6th at Westminster Invitational

The Alfred University men's and women's outdoor track and field teams each competed at the Westminster Invitational Saturday. Both AU teams placed sixth out of 16 teams competing.

Sophomore Miasia Hillman (Buffalo/Hutch Tech) and senior Randy Brito (NYC/Cardinal Hayes) each won events for the Saxons.

Hillman led the AU women with a win in the 100-meter dash (12.86 seconds) and also placed second in the 200-meter dash (27.03). Brito won the men's 400-meter hurdles (58.78 seconds) and also teamed with senior Chris Lopez (Rochester/Pittsford Sutherland), junior Eddie Potter (Lansing) and sophomore Nolan Rummel (Kings Park) to win the 4X400-meter relay (3:26.96).

Green, Hillman Named Saxon Athletes of the Week

Derek Green: The junior midfielder from Pittsburgh, PA, netted the game-winner with under three minutes left in regulation as the men's lacrosse team netted its first Empire 8 Conference win of the season, a 9-8 victory over visiting Elmira. Green finished with a goal and two assists to go with a groundball and a caused turnover.

Miasia Hillman: The sophomore from Buffalo won the 100-meter dash and took fifth in the 200-meter dash to help lead the women's outdoor track and field team to a sixth-place finish (of 16 teams competing) at the Westminster College Invitational. She ran the 100 meters in 12.86 and the 200 meters in 27.03. Hillman also anchored the 4X100-meter relay that placed third in 51.58.

Maier with the tying run, and Wickwire's double in the sixth scored Maier with the game-winner. Mistretta was 2-for-4 and Picini and Maier were each 2-for-3.

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The Dugout

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HITS AND MISSES:

Starting off this week with The Masters golf tournament and what an amazing turn of events that took place from late Friday/early Saturday on. Adam Scott prevailed over Angel Cabrera on the second hole of a playoff to grab his first major, the first major by an Australian as he blocked Cabrera from grabbing his second green jacket. Tiger Woods overcame one of the unluckiest breaks I have ever seen on a golf course, an ensuing two-stroke penalty and landed in the T4 slot, four shots behind the playoff competitors. Or, what hole #15 on Friday cost him! Woods nailed his approach shot into the green, it hits the pin and caroms off into the nearby pond. Instead of a birdie 4 he gets a bogey 6 ... temporarily. Woods is later penalized two-strokes because he admitted in an interview that he dropped his ball back further than the original spot so he wouldn't hit the pin again. This is where he was penalized and shouldn't have been. First of all, Tiger is interviewed after every round and especially in a major. No one gets that attention. No interview and he isn't penalized two shots. The Masters committee already had said his drop was "ok." The rules person in the Woods group apparently said nothing while he was making the drop. Then the committee doesn't stop Woods from signing an incorrect scorecard. They couldn't have stepped in and said ... "hold on a second here, we need to review something?" A botched decision. A ruling and some bad luck most likely kept Woods out of a playoff. Congrats to Scott though as he was victorious after faltering down the stretch of the 2012 British Open and virtually handing Ernie Els the Claret Jug.

Thoroughly enjoy watching The Masters every year on the tube and especially when Woods and Fred Couples are in contention as they were much of this year. Couples is amazing at this event. Now 53-years old, a Champions Tour player on a limited schedule due to his back and he seemingly turns back the clock at Augusta each year. My predictions and where they actually finished: Woods (1/T4), Rory McIlroy (2/T23) ... what happened here?, Matt Kuchar (3/T8), Jim Furyk (4/T23) and Phil Mickelson (T5/T48) ... never a factor plus Couples (T5/T13).

Backing up to a week ago Tuesday as the UConn women blasted Louisville to win the NCAA basketball championship behind frosh Breanna Stewart who played her high school ball at Cicero-North Syracuse. An amazing resume already for this player as she was the 2011 Gatorade NYS Player of the Year and the USA Basketball Female Athlete of the Year. In 2012 she was named the Naismith high school Player of the Year and the Gatorade National Player of the Year. Many more accolades in high school, with Team USA, to mention here. Then she caps off her freshman year at UConn with a title as she was named the Most Outstanding Player of the tournament. Wow, where does she go from here?

The WNBA draft was this past Monday nite and the top three picks were expected to be: Brittney Griner (Baylor), Elena Delle Donne (Delaware) and Skylar Diggins (Notre Dame). I realize you don't pass on a talent like Griner but Delle Donne is the entire package. And she was committed to UConn to start her college career before opting out, playing volleyball at Delaware, before getting back on the hardwood. All three are future Team USA Olympians. Griner is expected to go to Phoenix where she will team up with Diana Taurasi (UConn).

The NBA draft will be filled with selections and very likely ... who is that?, as players are declaring themselves "ready" for the pros in a weak overall draft. Injured Kentucky standout Nerlens Noel will probably go first but he is coming off an ACL injury. Then who? Declare early to be the 10-11-12 man on the bench ... maybe?

Christian Laettner (Duke) stopped by the suite on Monday nite of the Michigan-Louisville men's championship game to congratulate D2 champion, Drury as the Panthers were enjoying the festivities. "Guessing" Pat Atwell will be sending me a photo and autograph any day now! Of Laettner, not himself.

Tough injury suffered by LA Lakers great, Kobe Bryant last week as he tore his Achilles tendon. Season over ... obviously, career? He would be my #3 pick on the MVP list for this year behind LeBron James of the Heat and Kevin Durant of the Thunder.

It was a great AT&T commercial airing during the NCAA tournament that featured Magic Johnson and Kareem Abdul-Jabbar of the Lakers as well as Bill Russell and Larry Bird of the Celtics. The two most storied franchises in the NBA and four of the greatest players to ever play the game.

The Rochester RazorSharks basketball team (6-1) is in first-place in the East Division of the IBA-PBL and they have played West Virginia in five of those games. What? There are 14 other teams to play in the league and they have played West Virginia five times out of seven games? Who made up this dandy schedule?

The Alfred Saxons (16-10) softball team is tied for first-place in the E8 conference with Ithaca as they are both at 6-2 and they also split their "double dipper" earlier in the season. Alfred University has league DH's this week with Elmira, Hartwick and SJ Fisher.

It is a season of struggles for Joe Q. French's softball team at UMBC in Maryland as they are (8-31) on the year with one conference victory. Ouch. Qua's troops are at Albany this weekend.



THE GREEN MACHINE (back from left) include Amber Hurlbut (Coach-Birdsall), Richard Snyder (Wellsville), Alan Geer (Wellsville), George Geer (Wellsville), Dan Fugate (Coach-Alfred), Kelly Dunham (Special Olympics Coordinator - Wellsville); (Center from left) Anthony Geer (Wellsville), Katie Hugar (Wellsville), Adam Waasdorp (Wellsville), Shawn Ordiway (Allentown); and, in front, Justin Northam (Wellsville).

Green Machine takes 1st

The Green Machine Basketball team, representing Allegany County's Chapter of Special Olympics, took first place in a Regional competition in Clearfield on April 6th.

The Green Machine also represented in the skills competition held that day and earned first through fourth places.

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Skilled winners were (back from left) Terry Armstrong 4th, Terry Brown 4th, April Kozlowski 1st, Evan Mattison 2nd, with Coach Kelly Dunham.

The Dugout continued...

Tim Mead's (Andover) baseball team at Walsh in Ohio is at (16-11) overall and 10-7 in GLIAC league play. The Cavs split games recently with Grand Valley in Michigan as the games were played at Cornerstone University. Grand Valley leads Walsh by one-game in the conference standings.

Skip Sherman's (Alfred-Almond) baseball squad at Genesee Community College is 11-6 this spring as they have battled the weather like everyone else. GCC dropped a couple of games to Monroe CC, 4-1 and 4-3 last week and are off to play the Ithaca JV's this week.

In Division III lax action the Alfred Saxons are 7-3 overall, 2-3 in the E8 with a home "conclusion game" on tap versus Nazareth this week plus games at SJ Fisher and Hartwick left on the slate. Coach Jeff Long's Ithaca Bombers are 8-4, 2-1 after a win over SJ Fisher last week, 11-3. Stevens and 'Naz are tied at the top of the E8 standings.

Frontier Field in Rochester, home of the Red Wings, will host the Pepsi MAX MLB Field of Dreams game on Saturday, May 18th. Expected players at the event: Johnny Bench, Wade Boggs, Rickey Henderson, Trevor Hoffman, Reggie Jackson, Pedro Martinez, Fred McGriff ... The Crime Dog, Mike Schmidt ... wow!, Ozzie Smith and Frank Thomas. Actually had the opportunity to meet McGriff

a few years ago at a Phillies spring training game in Clearwater, FL. Saw Bench play in one of those traveling, retired all-star games once in Buffalo.

Some NYS vanity plates spotted: S8BRFN ... with NHL Buffalo logo, DUKE P8N ... Blue Devils and Peyton Manning?, SUBTL 1 ... Frank, ANGEL-ROC ... not Korn, W8N4FRI and TBIRDTO ... sure.

College QB Gunner Kiel is on the move again as the once-promising signal caller is departing Notre Dame and is headed for Cincinnati. This after first committing to Indiana, backing out and selecting LSU, then ending up with the Irish. Yikes.

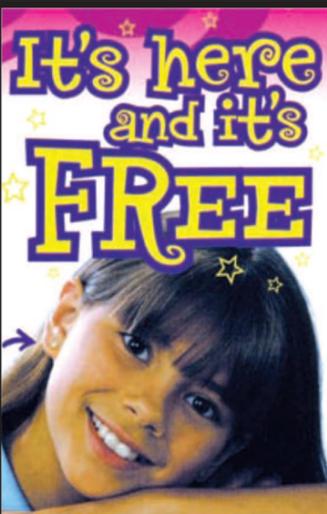
Yale wins the college "Frozen Four." Yale? Where was Boston College or Minnesota or Boston University?

Birthday greetings this week to brother Scott, ex-wife Barb, Uncle Butch and George Takei ... Sulu! **Did not run into Tony** (or Ginny) Schon on my recent trip to Florida at the coffee/donut house.

Volleyball standout, Gabby Reece was at fitness center 3L manages in NYC on Sunday past as she was promoting a book and teaching a class on tour. Daughter Lauren, a foot-shorter for sure, had her picture taken with Reece.

A busy Saturday on tap with work in the morning, then going to take in some of the AU-Fisher softball game and some of the AU-Fisher men's lax game, before hooking up with Randy Beale and heading to the Genesee women's soccer banquet in the evening. Vital Spot afterwards with the Novaks, Verdinos and Beale ???

Ending with a sad note, and don't have hardly any of the facts, but two explosions went off in the finish line area of the Boston Marathon on Monday. What kind of coward does something like this with innocent people gathered in the city?



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