

Bits 'n Pieces

The Ski Team will have its last pre-season meeting Dec. 14 at 5 p.m. in the Davis Gym upstairs classroom. All past team members planning to ski this year must attend; interested students are encouraged to attend.

If you have a 3.2 GPA or above, you can apply for the AU Honors program. The course selections include Africa, Superconductivity, Sociology Through Literature and Fiction Into Film. If interested, see Dr. Strong in 212 Seidlin.

All students not returning to AU next spring (excluding graduating seniors and students on a leave of absence or study abroad) must officially withdraw prior to leaving campus. Call 2134 to set up a withdrawal appointment with a Student Affairs staff member.

Last Chance For Killington

There are a few spots left for the Killington ski trip. The trip will occur Jan. 8-12, five nights lodging and five days of skiing with 1500 other college students for only \$255.

If you are interested, come to the last-chance meeting Dec. 8 at 6:30 p.m. in the Parents Lounge or call Kim at 3218.

Students In Rendez-Vous Meetings

There will be a Students in Rendez-Vous meeting on Wednesday, Dec. 7 from 4 to 5 p.m. in the Mc Namara Room of the Campus Center and another on Thursday, Dec. 8 from 7 to 8 p.m. in the Video Lounge.

Pioneer Center Managerial Positions Available: Alfred State College is looking for Pioneer Center managers for next semester. Those interested should contact Deirdre Shaffer at 587-4354 or at 587-4326. Applications are available in the Pioneer Center at the Alfred State Office of Residential Life or in Orvis Activities Center at Shaffer's office.

Senate Elections Committee

Those who wish to be members of the Elections Committee should contact Nessa Connor at 587-9572 or leave a message with the student senate.

AU Security Now Hiring: 3-4 security positions are available. These positions are open to all students, and auxiliary or regular shifts are available. Pick up application forms at the Security Office in the Physical Plant.

The Math Competency Signup Deadline

is Thursday, Dec. 8 at 4 p.m.. Sign-up in Meyers Hall, rm. 334.

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Extremities: A Performer's Fantasy Come True

Julee Allen

The production notes in the program gave a little hint as to what the audience would experience last Friday night: "Extremities" is an inspiring play; the kind of script actors love. It gives the performer the power to reach out and grab the audience by their throats, to scream at them in pain, and to shake them to their souls with a question of injustice."

The Alfred University Division of Performing Arts production of Extremities by William Mastrosimone, certainly did shake many audience members. It is a rape fantasy--a woman's fantasy to get revenge on her attacker.

Mastrosimone wrote the play after meeting a rape victim who shared her story with him--she had been beaten and raped in her own home. The case was brought court, but it was her story against his. The rapist was released.

She lived in constant fear of being visited again by him; eventually, she moved away. She told Mastrosimone that if she could have had her attacker under her control for five minutes; she wished she could have made him feel what he did to her. Extremities is that woman's wish for five minutes extended to an hour and a half long play.

The play begins with the attempted rape of Marjorie, (junior Selby Bierman) by Raul (freshman John Fregosi)

Marjorie sprays Raul's eyes with Raid, ties him up and puts him in the fireplace. It's up to her to decide his fate, until her two roommates Terry (Rachel Roberts) and Patricia (Bridget Parlato) walk in



In Extremities, Marge (Selby Bierman) tells Terry (Rachel Roberts) about Raoul's (John Fregosi) attempt to rape her.

with different ideas and solutions.

This play had a chilling force to it--a powerful script and four very capable, talented actors who definitely left an impression on the audience. It can almost be guaranteed that this production will not be too easily forgotten.

Director Leo Schlosser wrote "Rape is to kidnap and hold a person hostage in their own body, to pierce the soul with a burning poker. I hope our production has caused you to ask yourselves some

questions. I hope we have helped to dash the dual myth of rape--that it is done for sex and that the victim brings it upon herself."

Mastrosimone's friend and Marjorie were victims of circumstance--rape can easily happen to anyone. Marjorie, however, made her assailant come to terms with what he had done to her. A fantasy come true--a fantasy hopefully no one will have to ever wish for.

Ceramics College Expects Budget Cut

Brian Folker

The College of Ceramics may have a larger tuition increase for the 1989-90 school year than previously estimated, due to an increase in the New York State deficit.

According to The Buffalo News, Budget Director D. Forsythe's Nov. 11 estimate was \$800 million higher than his August 1 estimate, bringing the total projected deficit to \$1.94 billion. Due to a decrease in personal income tax revenues, the state did not receive all the

money it expected.

The College of Ceramics is waiting to hear how much the budget cut will be for SUNY, and then decide where cuts will occur. The College already experienced a \$42,000 cut in August which reduced the amount of equipment and supplies for the current year.

Susan Strong, Co-Acting Dean of the College of Ceramics said, "We should hear any day how much the budget will be cut, but until then we can not make

any estimates on tuition increase or where the cuts will occur."

Tuition usually increases every year in both the University and the SUNY system, but the SUNY increase will probably be more than the normal increase next year. In the last 10 years Ceramic increases have been about half of the University's.

The state budget cut will only affect the College of Ceramics, and not the private sector of the University.

Taylor Outlines Superconductivity's Potential

As the nitrogen vapors cleared, the magnet appeared, magically levitating above the superconductor. This demonstration concluded Dr. Jennifer Taylor's lecture on the myths and realities of superconductivity at the Nov. 9 Bergen Forum.

Taylor, an Alfred University professor of ceramics, began her lecture by defining zero resistivity, the unique property of superconductivity. Zero resistivity is the non-existence of electron collisions as they travel through a material at very low temperatures. "Theoretically, the electrons pair up when travelling through the crystal lattice, eliminating collisions," said Taylor.

Taylor then discussed the implications of zero resistivity. Better computer performance would result from using superconductors instead of metal conduc-

tors, which generate heat while carrying an electric current.

Taylor explained metal superconductors, which have existed since 1911, require superhuman effort to cool them to their critical temperature around -460F.

Ceramic superconductors function near -300F making them economically feasible.

Another application for ceramic superconductivity Dr. Taylor talked about was high voltage transmission. She told of the possible placement of an underground superconducting cable carrying electricity from Quebec to New York City.

"High efficiency electric motors and superconducting magnetic energy storage systems could reduce the need for power plants by 10%," stated Taylor.

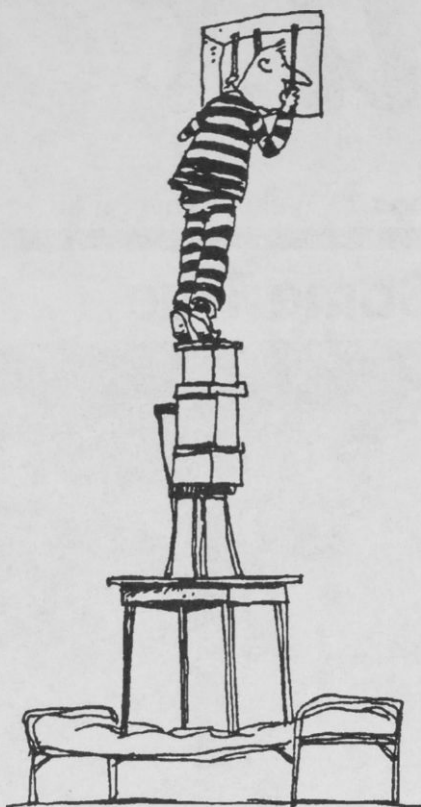
However, commercializing superconductivity technology faces several

obstacles. Taylor explained the need to get electrons to flow through superconducting materials and how this low current density might be improved by aligning the superconducting crystallites.

Taylor believes society has already benefited from ceramic superconductors. "Superconductivity research has caused electrical engineers, ceramic engineers, and physicists to work together and communicate ideas to one another," said Taylor. She also spoke of the new enthusiasm children have for science, which in the past has been overshadowed by the emphasis on athletics.

Taylor sees Alfred University's role as an educational institute first, with ceramic superconductivity research to support industry but not research in the same league as the big national labs.

Does school never end?



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A Paralyzed Senate Can't Represent Students

The Student Senate has failed to do its job this semester. It has not effectively represented students' concerns, attitudes and goals to the administration.

To understand this failure one need only listen to the stark silence which permeates the Parents' Lounge on Wednesday nights. Senate executives have spent fourteen weeks getting their house in order, revising their constitution and recommending student budgets while senators sit idly by, approving almost everything and questioning almost nothing.

Both Senate President Edsel David and the senators must shoulder the blame for the senate's failure to really represent students. The senate has been paralyzed by a leadership void and senators' lack of enthusiasm.

The president has technically fulfilled his duties. He has set agendas and presided over meetings; he has served as the official liaison between students and administrators.

But he has failed to meet the most important unwritten requirements of his job: he has not provided visible, forceful leadership in the senate, and he has not motivated senators to act on students' behalf.

In a poorly publicized recent referendum, students voted to create the position of senate chairperson. The chairperson will run all meetings; he or she, when appointed, will become the most visible force in the senate.

If the president had taken initiative to spur senators into action, the senate would not need a chairperson. But David is not wholly to blame for the senators' inaction. Senators ran for their positions understanding they would act as the people's voice. Students continually complain among themselves about campus issues such as housing, entertainment and cumbersome rules and regulations. If senators do not solicit students'

concerns and bring them to the senate forum, or if they don't at least bring some spunk to the meetings, leadership is meaningless.

The senate can, and should be, the voice of the people. In some respects, it has done an excellent job. The finance committee has disbursed the students' money wisely, insisting on a full account of expenditures from all groups it supports. The constitution committee worked tirelessly to make the constitution more readable.

But now that it has its house in order, the senate must tend to the students. To make itself a more effective body, it has to do several things:

-It must revoke the chairperson's position. Students have already elected a president to run the senate; allowing a chairperson to assert leadership denies students their choice.

-It must adopt a constitutional amendment requiring senators to meet with their constituents at least three times a semester, so students can voice their grievances and suggestions.

-It must increase publicity of its purpose and programs, so students know their student senate is more than a money-giving organization.

The student body must also take an active role in the senate. They must tell senators their ideas, concerns and attitudes, instead of turning a blind eye and supporting a bitter, petulant wall of silence.

The senate will have its presidential election next February. Petitions for the positions of president and vice president will be available the first week of classes in January. When students sign these petitions they ought to take a hard look at who they're supporting. The senate is here for us. But they can't do anything for us unless they hear our voices.

Letters To The Editor:

Dear Editor,

Alfred University rightfully prides itself in its diversity. Although only twenty-five percent of the student body are involved in Greek letter organizations, this fraction of the whole constitutes a very active portion of the campus. Members of the fraternities and sororities enthusiastically devote their time and effort to many of the schools clubs and activities.

Alfred University is unique in many ways, one of which is the student operated and faculty advised security staff. Of the members of this group, 64 percent are involved with one of the Greek houses. The two co-chiefs show their leadership and cooperation daily while at the same time uphold the values of their two independent fraternities.

Another student control group is our Resident Assistant program. Of the 38 students involved, 11 are active in Greek life. Our very own campus center information desk is 62 percent run by members of Greek houses.

Helping to bring prospective students to AU in the future are the Admissions Campus Guides, one half of which are Greek. These students are not only campus guides, however. Many of them also work as counselor's assistants and admissions calling personnel. The student admissions staff is also active in the Students-in-Rendezvous Program that encourages current students to return to their high schools for a day and discuss Alfred with interested seniors. Once a new freshman class arrives each fall, it is the Orientation Guide's job to help the initial transition. Fifty percent of these OGs are sorority or fraternity members. Also, the human relations encounter during orientation is facilitated by students and staff. Of the eligible 46 undergrads this fall, 20 of them are a brother or sister.

Annual campus-wide functions are also given assistance by the University fraternities and sororities for instance, Homecoming, the Halloween party, Winterfest and Hot Dog Day...

These leadership challenges are considered valuable experience to all those who participate. If we all stop and consider this information, it becomes

evident that the Greeks do represent a diverse cross-section of campus involvement. On behalf of the Inter-Greek Council, the Sisters of Alpha Kappa Omicron and myself would like to thank you for reading this and hope that it may have increased your awareness or changed some misconceptions you may have had concerning Greek life at Alfred.

Amy L. Patmos

To the Editor:

Senate President Edsel David's *Roving Reporter* comments are an irresponsible indictment of Alfred Greek life (Fiat Lux, Oct. 26). This student body leader elected by both independents and Greeks should represent a better example of objectivity when assessing University organizations.

Many fraternity and sorority members not only participate in, but lead major campus organizations. WALF, the Fiat Lux, SAB, and yes, even the Student Senate (1985-1987) have been or are supervised by one or more competent and independent greeks. How could they fulfill these duties if they were used to being told what to do?

It takes a free-thinking, open-minded person to lead people, not simply a disciplined follower. In my days as an

active fraternity brother, I was proud to see that our system of open forum discussions and meetings helped some otherwise introverted members speak their minds with greater confidence and eloquence. This just doesn't happen in the totalitarian regimes Mr. David has created in his own mind.

Granted, Mr. David's opinion was requested as a private individual. However, in the close Alfred environment, the distinction between a person's "extracurricular" and personal identity is at best hazy. When the Senate President, Fiat editor, or any other organization head goes "on the record," those remarks reflect upon his job. I wouldn't be surprised if Mr. David's comments cause some legislative rifts in the Senate when he must deal with the Greeks he has so unfairly maligned.

Whether it be a fraternity or the Student Senate, no one should solely be doing the "telling," while others solely do the "listening." If you enjoy doing the "telling" so much, Mr. David, my only hope is that you keep your personal biases to yourself until your term is over.

For now, I think you owe all Greeks, past and present, a belated apology.

Ron Bel Bruno '86



Students Pessimistic About U.S. Economy

Kurt Potter

Alfred University students are not optimistic about the future of the American economy, says a recent poll conducted by Students In Free Enterprise.

Of 50 students questioned, 64 percent do not believe the economy will be stronger when they graduate. Only 26 percent said they think the economy will be stronger than it is today.

"The students' opinion is a reflection of the view held by many economists. We have been out of a recession for six years and a correction in the economy might soon occur," said Dr. Savo Jevremovic, professor of economics and chairman of academic programs for the College of Business and Administration.

SIFE conducted a survey of student attitudes about the U.S. economy and economic issues, including trade, the deficit and quality of life indicators.

According to the survey, 64 percent of students think Japanese products are of better quality. Jevremovic said this feeling is common among Americans.

"We used to believe Japanese products were purchased more because of the lower pricing, but now that the US dollar is weaker and their products are more expensive, the buying trend does not

seem to be changing. This indicates that Japanese quality is the real reason for preference," he said.

Students showed overwhelming support for an increased minimum wage. Eighty-eight percent said Congress should increase the wage from its current level, \$3.35 an hour.

"A higher wage would help students because this is the wage paid for the work they now do," Jevremovic said.

Some economists claim raising the minimum wage would hurt workers, especially youth, by increasing unemployment.

Concerning the national deficit, 74 percent of students polled said they oppose higher personal taxes as a means of cutting the deficit. "The Congress has only two choices: raise taxes or reduce expenditures. If taxes are not raised, we'll have to cut needed programs from the budget. There's a good possibility taxes will have to be raised to fight future inflation," Jevremovic said.

Of other questions asked, 68 percent of students agreed that a national health care program would benefit the nation. Massachusetts governor Michael Dukakis promised such a program in his presiden-

tial campaign. With George Bush in the White House, however, chances for such a program are slim.

Students are somewhat split on the question of American unions. Forty-four percent said unions have too much power. But since companies have moved overseas to take advantage of cheap labor, unions have slowly lost power in the 1980s.

A majority of students polled oppose protectionist measures in foreign trade. Fifty-two percent said the United States should not restrict trade, even if the trade deficit does not improve. While Japanese products are more expensive than comparable American products, American consumers prefer Japanese quality.

Now that the US dollar is weaker, experts predict that the trade deficit will shrink as people overseas buy more US products. However, many countries continue to erect trade barriers, which could pose a problem for the United States in the 1990s.

SIFE is an organization which offers free market economic education programs on college campuses. AU students may earn one credit hour of course work through SIFE activities.

AIDS Strikes One In Three College Students, Study Says

(CPS)—As many as three out of every one thousand college students may have AIDS, show the preliminary results of a nationwide study involving 20 campuses.

The results, if they hold up when the full study is completed in February, would indicate students are not paying much attention to efforts to get them to change their sex habits and mean a significant portion of the American student body is at risk of catching—and dying of—AIDS, observers say.

"If the figures hold up, there is more concern than we had anticipated," said Dr. Rolan Zick, director of the University of Colorado health center.

"At this point, the numbers are so preliminary, it's practically meaningless," cautioned Anne Sims of the Centers for Disease Control (CDC). "Meaningful estimates" won't be proper until the study is finished in February.

The CDC, along with the American College Health Association, is gathering and testing 1,000 blood samples drawn from students on 20 campuses for other medical reasons to see how far AIDS has spread.

Few know which 20 campuses are in the study, but Tulane and Rutgers Universities, as well as the Universities of Colorado, Maryland, and Georgia have acknowledged they're participating.

AIDS is caused by a virus which destroys the body's immune system. The virus is most typically contracted by having sex or sharing intravenous needles with an infected person, or by contaminated blood products. There have been more than 76,000 cases reported in the United States since 1981, with 43,000 fatalities.

"Students are a sexually active group," said Dr. Florence Winship of the University of Georgia health center, and because students tend to be young and inexperienced, "they feel immune, even when they know the problem's out there."

Department of Education Fears Reduced Pell Grants

(CPS)—Students may find their Pell Grants will shrink after next June, the U.S. Department of Education warned last week.

Department spokeswoman Victoria Tripp said the government is running short of the funds it uses to make Pell Grants.

As a result, the government could try to balance its books by cutting the amounts it grants all but the very poorest students, by borrowing money or by asking Congress for a "supplemental appropriation."

Tripp said she didn't know how big the "shortfall" in Pell Grant funds would be—

she guessed it would be \$30 million-to-\$50 million—but Charles Saunders of the American Council on Education (ACE) in Washington, D.C., predicted it would amount to \$250 million.

Saunders feared the department would choose to compensate for the missing money by cutting everyone's grants a little, which the Reagan administration threatened to do to both Pell Grants and Guaranteed Student Loans when shortfalls arose in 1987 and 1986.

Saunders wants the department to ask Congress for a supplemental appropriation

instead of cutting grants.

He termed the department's choice "the first test of the Bush administration's support for education."

"It's not fair to automatically reduce students' awards. The department's estimates are always wrong, then if the estimate (of needed funds) is over the appropriation, they want to reduce the grants by that much."

Tripp said the department would make its decision about how to handle the shortfall in January.



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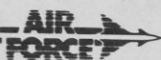
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If you plan to apply for financial assistance for the 1989-90 academic year, you should pick up the necessary forms in our office before you leave the campus for the holidays.

The new Financial Aid Forms (FAFs) are now available along with the required institutional forms. Students who submit a completed application by March 1 will be assured that they will be notified of their aid offer before the end of the semester.

A completed application will consist of a FAF filed through the College Scholarship Service, copies of the parents' and student's 1988 IRS 1040s, an Alfred University financial aid application, and a completed verification form with any required documentation.

For students filing as financially independent of their parents, an Affidavit of Independence will be required with necessary documentation.

The FAF will be your application for institutional aid programs, federal financial aid, and the Pell Grant, and begins the process for the Stafford Loan (formerly the Guaranteed Student Loan).

For New York State students, the New York version of the FAF will be your application for the TAP/Regents Scholarship programs. There was much confusion this past year using the FAF for TAP program. Read the instructions carefully and be sure the incomes listed in the TAP section are New York State tax information and not federal income information.

Out of state students may use the generic version of the FAF, available in our office, or you may wish to pick up your own state's version at a high school or college near your home.

For the first time, Alfred University will have two processing code numbers for the FAF. For students attending the private colleges, the code number remains 2005. For students attending the New York State College of Ceramics, the code number is 2060.

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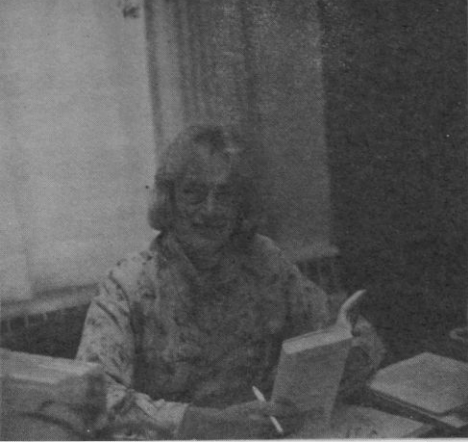
Ann Schultz was hired recently as a career counselor for the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

Alfred University hired Schultz last August after faculty decided the Liberal Arts college needed its own counselor.

Schultz is responsible for providing a wide range of services. "I help liberal arts students, freshmen through graduate level, become more knowledgeable about academic major concerns or graduate schools so they can compete in those markets competently."

Schultz offers private counseling to liberal arts students. She also conducts various group workshops that range in topics from Self Assessment Evaluation and its Relationship to Career Decision Making to Resume Preparation. The workshops take place every other Wednesday.

Schultz also said she is available for



Ann Schultz, career counselor

classroom lectures. The liberal arts faculty has a schedule of the workshops, available upon request.

Before Schultz came to Alfred, she was the Assistant Director of Career Education at the University of Florida, for five years.

Klingensmith Continues Acid Rain Research

Maggie Sippel

"In Western New York, the rain is acid, period," said Clarence Klingensmith, speaker at the Nov. 16 Bergren Forum on acid rain.

Since 1985, Klingensmith, professor emeritus of chemistry, has tested the pH and conductivity of rain samples from the Southern Tier.

The pH of the precipitation in Alfred is about 4.2. At the rain gauge in Jasper, the samples are pH 4.2 as well, said Klingensmith.

Since last year, Klingensmith has sampled water in local lakes, testing the hardness, pH and alkalinity of water in Foster Lake, Tech Lake, Keuka Lake, Kanacadea Creek, Vandermark River and other smaller bodies of water.

The pH of local water is between 6 and 9, healthy for aquatic life, said Klingensmith.

However, the data he collected "is evidence that acid in the rain does affect the

water. It consumes the alkalinity that must be there for healthy aquatic life," he said.

Klingensmith claims that Western New York receives the highest concentration of acid deposition in the North Eastern United States.

Although unproven, Klingensmith believes that acid in rain comes from sulfur dioxide that is released into the atmosphere by combustion processes of fuel containing sulfur. When it is put into the atmosphere, it is oxidized to sulfuric acid.

The large sulfur emitters in the Ohio Valley, Chicago, Detroit and Sudbury, Ontario "have tall emission stacks to avoid local pollution and make it continent-wide pollution. It blows in the wind and comes down on New York State as acid rain," Klingensmith said.

"But don't blame everything on power plants. Every time you drive one mile, you add one or two grams of nitric oxide to

The University of Florida is also where she received her masters degree in Student Personnel Administration and Higher Education.

Schultz said she came to Alfred because she wanted to work at a smaller college. At Alfred, she could work with students on a more personal basis.

Schultz also said she chose Alfred because, "Alfred has an excellent reputation."

Interested students can find out more about the services Ann Schultz offers by calling the The Career and Counseling office, located in Bartlett Hall at 871-2164 or by visiting the office in person. Schultz has office hours between 8:30 am and 4:30 pm, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

Schultz said there are many things she enjoys about the job, but she said most of all, "I enjoy the challenge of identifying and implementing goals to meet the needs of liberal arts students."

the atmosphere. If you drive 15,000 miles per year, you get enough nitric oxide for 140 lbs of nitric acid. Multiply by 50 million autos and you get into millions of tons very easily," he said.

Possible environmental damage from air pollution and acid rain includes dead lakes, streams and trees, erosion of buildings, reduced crop yields and increased incidence of cancer in humans, he said.

Alfred University's Involvement:

In 1985, AU took over the job of running the rain gauge at Jasper, one of 200 stations in the National Atmospheric Deposition Program sponsored by State Agricultural Experiment Stations, a federal inter-agency task force on acid precipitation, and private research organizations.

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The Architect As A Futuristic Hero

Dave Hoskins

Visiting artists Ken Kaplan and Ted Krueger presented their works to the freshman art class Tuesday Nov. 15. Together, they are K/K Research and Development, an alternative to traditional architectural practice.

Their presentation focused on the Renegade City Project, which is an idea for a futuristic aquatic-based city located in the Bering Strait that would allow people to determine their own politics and economy, without the historical baggage of society. They have made kinetic sculptures of the Renegade City showing the dynamic relationships within a city. Their consideration of social, psychological, and ideological issues has established a dialogue that will allow others to continue this work. However, they offer no utopian solutions.

Kaplan and Krueger returned Wednesday morning for an open forum in freshman foundation. Property ownership in a landless city-state and antagonism between technology and the environment were among some of the topics discussed.

The K/K Research and Development laboratory located in New York City experiments with materials and design methods for the fabrication of prototypes. Their work has been reviewed in such publications as Art Forum, Village Voice, and the New York Times. Ken and Ted met at Columbia University, where they both received their Master's degrees in Architecture in 1984.

Conteris Shares His Works

Gwyn Clarke

Hiber Conteris, visiting professor of Latin American Studies, had more to share than just literature at the Visiting Writer's Series on Dec 1.

Conteris, besides sharing a short story and an excerpt of one of his novels, told briefly of his political imprisonment in a Uruguayan prison.

Although he was banned from writing for more than half of his nine year stay, he read and discussed books with his cell mate, who was also a novelist. His cell mate was a great fan of mystery and detective novels; on a bet with him, Conteris wrote his first mystery novel.

Conteris asked Professor Gilmour to read his first piece, a short story entitled "The Cellars." The story was of a man and his desperate search for a woman named Monez.

He had first seen her on a gray, rainy, melancholy day in October at a Saturday concert. He was watching her and she caught his glance with her own shy, elusive glance. But she had disappeared somewhere and he searched fruitlessly for her during the two intervals of the concert.

During a performance at "The Cellars," a hangout where he and his group met on Saturday nights and performed, he saw her once again. His friends told him his performance was obviously disturbed.

In a sudden revelation on a bus, he knew her name, though he did not know how. He saw her again with a man and a woman and was able to speak to her shortly while the



Visiting Professor, Hiber Conteris

man was gone. She was amused with his interest, but excused herself as soon as the man returned.

It was a long time before he saw her again. He was lonely. His group had stopped meeting, too, and he had begun to live in "The Cellars."

The rest of the story describes his fears of loneliness and death and the way they work into the mystery of Monez.

After "The Cellars," Conteris read an excerpt from his novel, Virginia en Flashback. In the reading, he told how he writes, "I lock myself up anyplace" and "work for hours and days." He eats little during this time and has only the necessities: cigarettes and alcohol, six records and a turntable, and of course, the typewriter.

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SENIOR Appreciation Dinner—A Festive Time For All

Paula-Jeanne Mills

As President Edward Coll put it, "This is a time for festivities and not for speeches." This statement sums up the atmosphere of the night for the Senior Appreciation Dinner held on Friday, Dec 2, 1988, at 7 p.m. in Ade Dining Hall.

Several short speeches were given after the dinner in appreciation of the seniors for all of their hard work and effort the last four years.

For the first time, the dinner included two senior speakers: Dan Marvin and Pam Mullen, who gave a lively and funny "co-speech" about life at Alfred.

After the speeches, seniors were asked to sign up for the "Senior Week" and "Senior Class Speaker" committees.

The 1989 Class Officers were elected and the winners are: Edsel David, Class President; Adrienne Cardillo, Class Correspondent and Paul Caple, Class Agent.

The dinner portion of the evening ended with a group of seniors leading in the singing of Alfred's Alma Mater.

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Intramurals

Doug Dowdy
Co-Rec softball saw what turned out to be the biggest upset of the fall, when Mugwumps trashed previously unbeaten Bombers 4-3 to earn a final spot against Cannon, with the entire football team cheering them on to a 19-16 win over A.P.O.

The luck of the Mugwumps couldn't be extended any further as Cannon won the championship 13-10. The men's division nearly had a favorite on the sidelines also as Mudville 10 needed extra innings to dump Spookies 7-6. Top-seated Ad Hoc, seeking their second championship in three seasons, had little trouble with ZBT, winning 11-3. Mudville took a 5-4 lead into the last inning, only to watch in horror as a grand slam homer gave Ad Hoc the nod and the championship 8-5.

Co-Rec soccer semi-finals had no such upsets as Tefftation topped Special K 2-1 and Cannonites crushed Gate Crashers 3-1. That set the stage for a barnburning final, a match that ended in regulation in a 1-1 tie. In the first-ever Intramural shoot-out, Tefftation drilled in 3 to top the Cannonites.

The men's semi-finals seemed more a warm-up than a slugfest as Lambda cruised past Tefticles 4-1 while Rufflefeathers stretched out while topping Hit and Run 5-1.

And so the stage was set. Within 10 seconds of the start, Lambda was up 1-0. And with 20 seconds left, overtime seemed inevitable, as the teams were deadlocked 3-3. With the accuracy of a well shot arrow, a Rufflefeather heater from 20 yards out found nothing but net, giving Rufflefeathers their first championship.

In Co-Rec bowling, Cannon out-pointed the New Yorkers to earn Cannon's second fall championship ring. The men's final, while controversial, had Delta out-pointing Lambda.

Wide-open scoring ruled the night as Snakepit breezed past Teft 30-14 and Lambda crushed Could Be Worse 40-6. Snakepit took a 38-37 lead in the final 2:25 and celebrated—briefly. Lambda charged down, the score 43-38. Snakepit won in a championship win, 44-43.

Cagers Cruise, 106-50

Brian Battle
It is hoop time again in Alfred. This year's team is different because Roman Catalino is the head coach and the names of Azzara and Tighe are gone, but they have first team All ICAC Tony Thomas and second team Mike Falowski. Also back this year is captain Paul Harding.

The Saxons look tough, especially in the opening round of the Lenox-Trenton State Classic (N.J.). The Saxons opened up with a 81-80 victory over Catholic University. It was a great victory over a team that beat the Saxons last year in their own tournament.

It was a total team effort. Harding led in scoring with 31 points. Thomas put in a good performance as well, scoring nine points and pulling down a team high 10 rebounds.

It was a close game throughout, but the Saxons put it away with a Bill Ziegler shot with 10 seconds to go. Paul Barrett, Tom Hall, Kevin Jones and Derek Jackson also put in good performances.

The championship game against host team Trenton State College (ranked second in the nation) was a different story. The Saxons were outplayed, and the final score was 108-67 in Trenton's favor.

Trenton was an all around tough team lead by All-American Greg Grant, who scored 37 points in 32 minutes.

It was an educational experience for the young team, showing what they have to work on for the future.

Thomas led with 16 points and six rebounds. Harding chipped in nine points and was selected to the all-tournament team.

The Saxons rebounded from the loss by defeating Elmira before Thanksgiving break. Elmira beat Alfred last year, but the Saxons came out on top this time with a 71-67 victory.

Rob Kornaker led the team with 16 points, and transfer Bill Gorman pumped in 13 and pulled down nine rebounds. It was a good win as the Saxons improved their record to 2-1.

Then, on Wednesday, the team traveled north to play rival Geneseo. It was a

game that the Saxons appeared to be the better team but just didn't have enough to pull it out.

The Saxons led by five at the half, but the lead dwindled down to a final three point deficit as the Saxons lost 96-93.

The Saxons were led by Harding with 32 points, including 28 in the first half. Barrett had 13 points, six assists and seven rebounds. Falowski, who had 13 points in 13 minutes, should also be noted for good play. In addition, Kornaker, Hall and Jackson fared well.

The Saxons ended the week with a victory over Conestoga College of Canada. Conestoga wasn't much of a challenge for the Saxons, but it was an enjoyable game for both teams. It was a game that everyone got to play in.

Jones, another transfer, led in scoring with 14 points. Sean Wilson added 12 points.

The game was a good tune-up for upcoming games. The Saxons improved their record to 3-2 with the 106-50 win.

The Saxons have two more games remaining before semester break. On Thursday, they travel to Keuka College and face Nazareth College on Saturday.

Soccer Update

The men's soccer team lost to RIT in the regional final of the NCAA div. III championship 3-0. Finishing 14-1-3.

Women's Basketball

Carolyn Clark
The Alfred University women's basketball team fell just short in their loss to Houghton College 61-60.

Houghton College led the Lady Saxons in the second half 50-37 before the women gained momentum to narrow the score to 50-47. Two late-second-half three-point field goals by Michele Finn helped the women on their comeback.

Patricia Cooney, with seconds left, stole the ball from Houghton's offense to drive for a lay up narrowing Houghton's lead to one point. The following play, the women rebounded Houghton's missed field goal but, with only one second and no time-outs left, couldn't overcome Houghton for the win.

Tracy Smith chipped in a game high 16 points, as well as nine rebounds, while Beth Mott led the women with 11 rebounds and finished with 13 points.

Also scoring for the women were Patricia Cooney (10), Pam Kelleher (7), and Michele Finn (6).

After four games, Beth Mott is the leading scorer and rebounder averaging 14.5 points and 16.5 rebounds per game. Tracy Smith follows Mott, averaging 14 points and 6.5 rebounds per game, while Patricia Cooney and Maura Hanley are shooting 100 percent from the line.

The loss to Houghton dropped the Lady Saxons record to 1-3.

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Saxons Romp, Bewilder Bengals 35-7

Greg Cohen

Quarterback Lance Locey passed for one touchdown and ran in for another in his first college start, as the Alfred Saxons (6-2-1) rolled over the Buffalo State Bengals (1-7) 35-7 on Coyer Field.

Bob Jones scored Alfred's first touchdown on a one-yard run at 4:51 in the first quarter.

Ray Rogers broke open for a season's best 43-yard burst for a touchdown at 14:36 in the second quarter. Pantxo Irazusta's kick failed.

Locey scored from the Bengals' one yard line at 8:37 on a quarterback sneak. Locey then completed a pass to Joe Hamilton for the two-point conversion.

Alfred left the field at halftime with a comfortable 21-0 lead.

John Hoosock recovered a fumble on the first play of the second half, putting the Saxons on the Buffalo 19 yard line. On the second play of the Alfred drive, Locey connected with Jones for a 23 yard touchdown strike at 13:59.

Seconds later, Buffalo's Scott Berent exploded for a 52-yard touchdown run, bringing the Bengals within 21 points. Berent finished with 165 yards rushing on the day.

At 3:44 in the third quarter, Rogers sealed the victory with a 30-yard touchdown run.

The 35-7 win capped a five game winning streak for the Saxons.

John Schneider and Tony Calamunci paced the defense with eight tackles each.

Locey completed 11 of 16 passes for 142 yards.

Rogers carried the ball 22 times for 165, finishing the season with a team leading 801 yards. Rogers also led punt returners with a 7.8 average.

Jones caught four passes for 70 yards bringing his season total to 421 yards on 22 receptions. Jones also led in kickoff returns with an 18.6 average.

Hamilton finished the game with four receptions for 35 yards, finishing the year with a team leading 23 receptions for 308 yards.

Paul McDonnell completed 72 of 150 passes for 1131 yards and seven touchdowns. McDonnell also picked up 420 yards rushing.

Irazusta led the Saxons in scoring with 48 points.

Joe Iudice picked off five passes this season, returning the ball for a total of 75

yards. Iudice also led the defense with 11 broken up passes and one blocked field goal.

John Hoosock and Pat Hogan were tied with a team leading 71 tackles.

Calamunci sacked opposing quarterbacks 4.5 times and recovered three fumbles.

Only Cortland State had a better showing against Ithaca than AU did. According to Saxon head coach Jim Moretti, "We became more of a disciplined team...generally we met our expectations. We finished strong."

The Saxons just missed out on the ECAC North Championship bid, just as they did last year. The U.S. Coast Guard got the nod, and crushed Plymouth State College in the championship game.

Moretti explained that Alfred Saxon football is highly respected among Upstate New York colleges.

"Other coaches put us ahead of other teams in Upstate New York Division III poll voting. I'm pleased that our opponents recognize us," Moretti noted.

To maintain this respect, Moretti pointed out that the Saxons really need good freshmen. "It's crucial," he said.

Cohen's Corner

Greg Cohen

With Larry Bird out for several months, the Celtics will really be put to the test. So far, the bench warmers have been doing a good job. First round pick Brian Shaw has turned out to be the sleeper of the 1988 draft.

The Knicks have what it takes to be a contender now, after acquiring Oakley, drafting Strickland and a finding a new scoring threat in Newman.

The Nets should be credited with the comeback of the year, acquiring veterans McGee, Carroll, and young Walter Berry. Number one pick Shackleford and last year's first round pick Hopson need time to make an impact.

In the NHL, how about those Kings? From the worst to the best in one season. To top it all off, Gretsky isn't doing it alone.

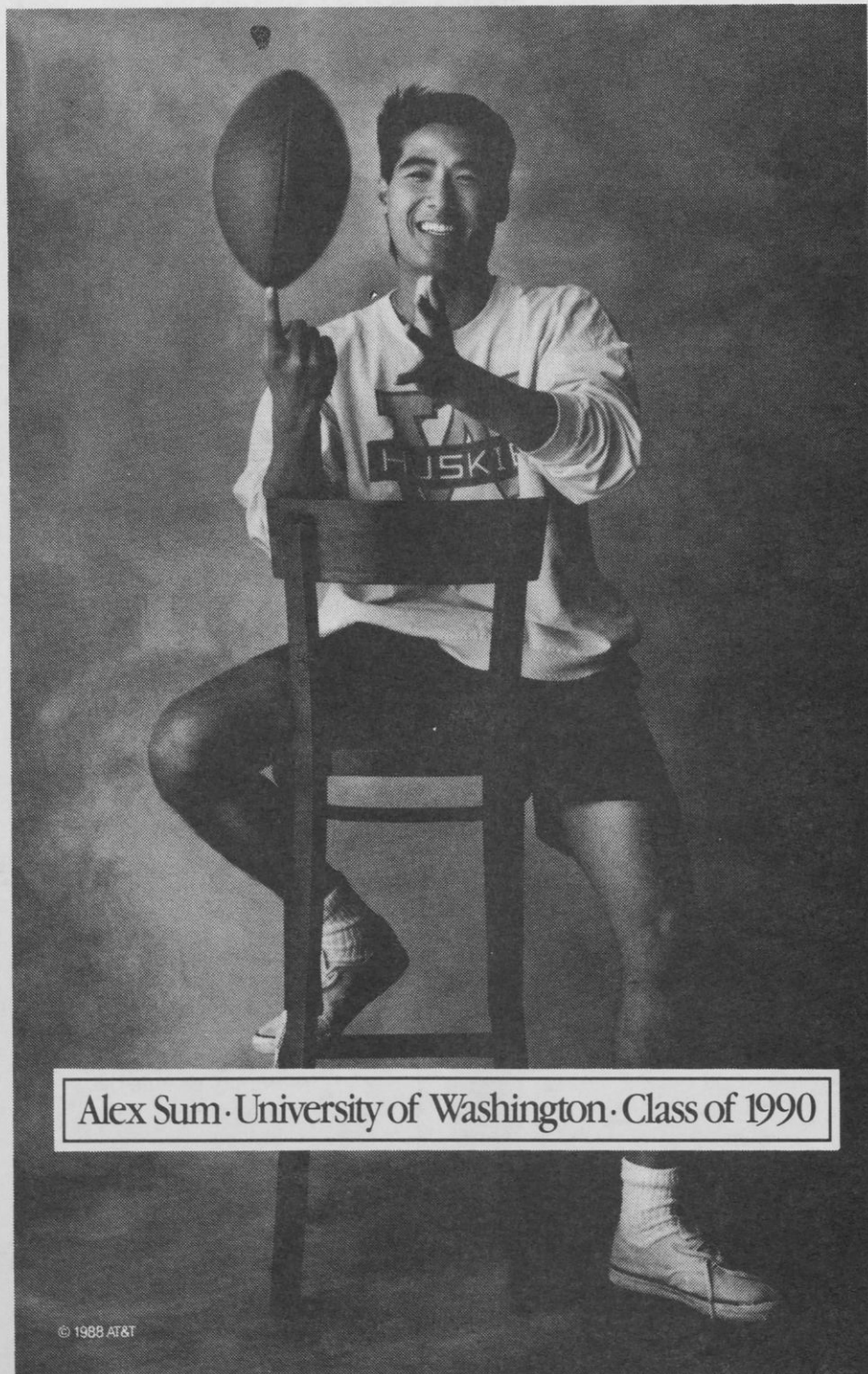
If the Dallas Cowboys can keep the losing streak going, Landry could be looking at another Super Bowl as early as next year with the acquisition of quarterback Troy Aikman of UCLA, the expected number one pick in the draft. Dallas would have everything they need, with the exception of maybe an offensive lineman and a linebacker or two.

As far as the Bills go, well, probably all the way. I would have picked the Bears in the NFC, but with McMahon and Tomczak both out, look for the Saints, the Giants or maybe even the Oilers to be there in the catbird seat.

Let's talk baseball. I think this will indeed be the year of the Yankee-Met subway series. With the Bronx Bombers picking up Steve Sax's contract and being on the verge of signing Dave LaPoint, I have to be optimistic. Al Leiter and Scott Neilson ought to solidify the pitching staff. Look for Hensley "Bam Bam" Muellens to take over at third base. The Mets lost Ojeda to an injury, but a late entry by the name of West last year looks like another solid starter. If the Mets had a potent offense to go along with the best pitching staff in baseball, they would be untouchable.

Boston will be right in the thick of things all year. They could come out on top.

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Anonymous

For Chanukah I pray for perfect health for George Bush for the next four years and no attempts to take his life.

Robin M. Eichel

A stiff drink and less B.S. in my befuddled existence.

Joyce Wagner

A two-month old hippopotamus carcass with a built-in TV.

Ken Kelleher

A pink pussycat.

Dave Sanders

Sixteen and Swedish.

Tod Tepfenhart

Horns.

Race Lee

I want Donald Trump to adopt me.

Karen Grant

A car.

Jean Charles

A position as global dictator.

Jon Woolson

About 5'7", good looking, lots of money and very giving of gifts.

Kirsten O'Connell

To pass all my exams.

Joe Stecher

An M1 keyboard.

Rob Wissert

A new wardrobe.

Jennifer Torns

New York City in Alfred.

Terri Moy

One less sibling and a new performing arts center.

Pam Bish

My thesis.

Laurie O'Sullivan

Mrs. Claus.

Chris Beck

One of Dr. Campbell's ties.

Charlie Miller

Everything on a gold platter.

Lara Zoldan

A can of spinach.

Dave Borland

New ski boots (for beginners).

Brian Swanson

A horse.

Gretchen Shively

To become a US citizen and work on a tobacco farm.

Rick Reyes

A brewery.

Ted Kiefer

A partnership with Kiefer.

Scott Pastorell

An NBA contract with the L.A. Lakers.

Karim Razzaq

A radar detector, world peace and a new compact disc player.

Eric Sommer

A black labrador retriever puppy.

Christina Graham

A personal parking space next to my residence hall not marked "faculty only."

Fred Rich

A Honda Prelude.

Kim Buck

A new set of parents.

P. O'Brien

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A troop of Swedish boy scouts.

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A third testicle.

Ralph Lott

Somebody to paint my car.

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More staff members.

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To get rid of the Santa Claus fantasy and replace it with Sting representing the Christmas spirit.

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P. J. Mills

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