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Diversity resolution debated by Student Senate

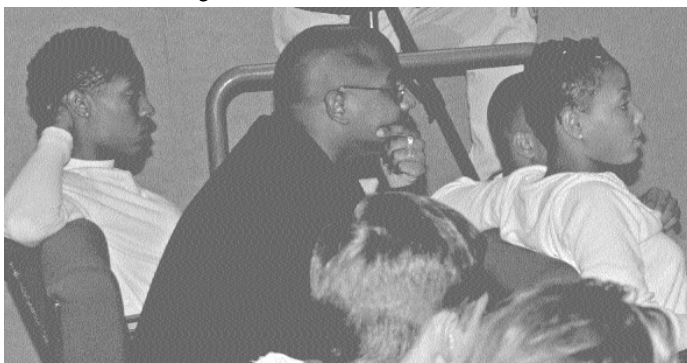


PHOTO BY JAY WEISBERGER

Alex Toribio (center) watches the Student Senate proceedings last Wednesday. Toribio had proposed a resolution that would declare Senate's stance on diversity and equality. Senate, however, chose not to draft a resolution.

BY STEPHANIE WEBSTER
MANAGING EDITOR
JAY WEISBERGER
COPY MANAGER

A recent proposal for a Student Senate resolution has sparked dis-

cussion and controversy about racial equality on campus.

Alex Toribio, a senior criminal justice major, proposed the resolution March 24 to address what some students feel as an uncomfortable learning environment for

minority students.

Toribio cited the lack of minority faculty members as one area that needs improvement.

"You like to see people of your own race taking the lead," he said.

Toribio said he feels the adminis-

tration is working hard to help with diversity on campus, but, he said, "It's time for Student Senate to take a stand on racial equality."

Previously, Senate voted to accept the procedures for passing resolutions last semester.

According to the policies and procedures established by the senate executive board, a resolution "is an important document that expresses the feeling of the entire Senate on a certain issue."

Once a resolution is passed, it is widely distributed to inform students, faculty and staff of the Senate's view.

"The resolution is designed to be effective when nothing else is effective," said Jim Kostiv, a senior political science major and former finance chair of Student Senate. Kostiv helped draft the policies and procedures for passing a resolution last semester.

Students were divided about the issue of a resolution.

"Nobody was against the spirit [behind the resolution]; they were against the mechanics," explained Ben Link, a senior history major.

Some students felt the resolution should contain clauses about discrimination based on religion, gender, sexual orientation and disabilities.

Toribio, who is also the Senate representative from Poder Latino, favored separate resolutions, however.

"Each issue is so important that I feel they should be handled equally and separately," Toribio said.

He added that he did not want to give the impression that one group was more important than another.

Other students said they didn't feel the resolution was the right way to tackle the problem.

They gave examples of previous problems, such as student concern over the health center and the plight of the track team that have been addressed and solved, through Senate without the use of a resolution.

After discussion at the meeting March 31, the Senate executive board met to investigate whether

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SAVAP clarifies use of pager system

BY MICHELLE PANCOE
EDITOR

Nearly a semester after the Sexual Assault Victims' Advocacy Program changed its contact number, many students still do not know how to use the service.

"We're concerned that the campus community doesn't know about the number," said Cathie Chester, co-coordinator of the organization.

SAVAP was forced to switch service providers due to the unreliability of its former provider, she explained.

Students need to know how to use the beeper service, she added.

"Unfortunately... it seems like students are aware of our existence but they don't know how to use us," said Matthew Katz, a junior art and design major and member of SAVAP.

Chester explained that the beepers are now operated by a service in Hornell which operates beepers for St. James Hospital. She said the new service does not include the ability to provide a recording for callers. On the other hand, the service is more reliable and the advocate on-call can travel farther and still be accessible, she clarified.

SAVAP is also recruiting advocates.

"It's a great chance to help

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Students hold vigil for peace in Kosovo

BY KELLY KNEE
NEWS EDITOR

Anyone walking past Harder Hall April 8 would have seen a striking sight. A circle of students, holding hands, stood in silence in support of the people of Kosovo.

The students were holding a vigil to make more students aware of the strife that is currently occurring in that area.

Kosovo is a portion of Yugoslavia, populated primarily by ethnic Albanians.

Since the late sixties, the Albanians have been demonstrating and fighting for independence from Yugoslavia.

In 1974, the Yugoslavian constitution declared Kosovo an autonomous province within Serbia.

Kosovo remained an autonomous province until 1989, when the Serbian president, Slobodan Milosevic, stripped the province of its autonomy, triggering a wave of protests in which more than 20 citizens were killed, according to a chronology of the Kosovo conflict by the Associated Press.

In 1991, the Separatist Party in Kosovo declared the province a republic which has since been recognized by Albania. In the years since the declaration of Kosovo's status as a republic, there have been several attempts to peacefully resolve the conflict, to no avail, according to the AP report.

The violence began again on Feb. 28, 1998, when two Serbian police officers were killed by Kosovo Albanians, triggering police reprisals. This led to several attempts between the Serbs and the Albanians to resolve the prob-

lem, but talks ended when the Albanians boycotted further meetings.

In the summer of 1998, Kosovo's liberation forces took over 40 percent of the province before being stopped by a Serbian offensive.

The violence continued until October 1998, when NATO approved a series of airstrikes designed to end the fighting. This authorization led Milosevic to withdraw troops and allowed monitors from NATO to verify compliance with the conditions NATO set.

However, the truce did not last very long, as daily citizen violence led to a series of peace talks between the Serbs and the Albanians starting in March.

These talks led to the declara-

tion of interim autonomy for the Kosovo Albanians, which the Serb delegation refuses to recognize, ending the peace talks.

Based on the failure of the peace talks, Milosevic was warned of the potential for air strikes unless he signed the autonomy agreement.

Milosevic refused to sign the treaty, and on March 23, 1999, NATO authorized airstrikes in Yugoslavia.

The airstrikes angered some in Europe, most notably the Russian government. Russian President Boris Yeltsin phoned the Prime Minister of Italy, Massimo D'Alema, to express Russia's anger over the bombing of Yugoslavia, according to an Associated Press report.

Yeltsin also threatened that Russia may alter its military policy if the airstrikes against Yugoslavia continued.

However, Russia's foreign minister, Igor Ivanov, assured world leaders that Russia has no intention of becoming involved in the confrontation, said Robin Cook, British Foreign Secretary.

On March 24, the airstrikes began, and NATO commander Gen. Wesley Clark said that NATO forces will "systematically" destroy the Yugoslav army unless the offensive against the Kosovo Albanians is ended.

Serbian President Milosevic denounced the airstrikes as a "grave crime against the people of

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PHOTO BY KELLY KNEE

Students share a moment of silence in front of Harder Hall at last week's "Vigil for Peace." The vigil was held as a result of the continued NATO airstrikes over Yugoslavia. Many students are in the dark as to why the United States has even gotten involved in the conflict.



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Students need to discuss equality

Equality for all has proven to be a tough goal to achieve.

It is a novel idea for all of us to say we are not prejudiced. Most of us are probably doing a decent job not discriminating against others.

But that does not mean we're perfect, and it does not mean that equality will suddenly materialize.

We have become content to just let things be. Many believe that equality just needs to develop on its own, over time.

This looks good on paper, but just like a well-rooted plant, if we don't nurture it over time, the idea of equality will die.

Until an open forum to discuss grievances about race, religion and other diversity issues was suggested at Student Senate last week, many of us had been just standing by, doing nothing.

Some of us have been going through the motions, attending workshops and conferences, but never really thinking or talking about the issues.

Others have been too uncomfortable to accomplish anything valuable. We have stifled our questions and concerns because we are afraid to offend.

Many students on this campus are unaware that minorities sense discrimination. Many of us would not notice discrimination if it happened right in front of us. And even more of us have never stopped to think about diversity on this campus.

Discrimination does not go away by itself. We will not wake up tomorrow morning and find that AU is a happy, accepting place. Ignoring it will also not make it go away.

When was the last time you heard someone say they felt discriminated against and dismissed the claim as invalid? Were you sure what they meant? Did you ask?

Discrimination is such a broad term that we can never be quite sure what is meant by it.

People should feel free to question claims of discrimination. A college campus should provide an atmosphere where issues such as discrimination can be discussed.

Even if a discussion does not lead to answers, clarification of the problem is the first step toward a solution.

Many students are so afraid of offending someone that issues of discrimination are rarely discussed.

This is not to say that students can voice any opinions whatsoever. Certainly, people shouldn't say offensive or derogatory things.

But they have the right to ask questions about issues that puzzle and concern them.

Communication is the key to solving every problem.

When we choose to not confront diversity issues, we allow for misunderstandings and misinterpretations.

AU students need a place, with no administration members and no media coverage, to vent their feelings about these complex issues, and to listen fairly to what others have to say.

We need something different than diversity training or a special speaker.

We need to talk.

When we can hear the viewpoints of others, we may find that some of our assumptions about them were wrong.

We may be able to move towards a solution. Ignoring discrimination will not make it go away. Talking will not solve the problem either, but it will make it better.

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COLUMN

We should care about Kosovo

BY JAY WEISBERGER
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Do you know what's going on in Kosovo?

Do you know why NATO is bombing over there?

If you don't, now is probably a good time to start caring. Maybe I'm looking too deeply into it, but the situation in the Balkans worries me more every day.

What also troubles me is that few people know or care what is going on over there. Most are too busy tuning in to other shows or studying to give the Kosovo situation any thought.

To anyone who has kept up on the whole thing: Good for you. Perhaps you understand that this might be the closest to a real war the United States has fought in quite some time.

Russia is talking about a world war starting over Kosovo. U.S. soldiers have been captured, and it appears they have not been treated well.

Did the United States put itself into a bad situation? Many people think so. They say we have no business being there.

Maybe we did have a reason to enter the conflict. Maybe the reasons have gotten lost in the scandal-ridden area we call our nation's capital.

First of all, we have to look at why we're there. The tension in the Balkans is nothing new. However, for years, there seems to have been a system of ethnic cleansing in place in Yugoslavia.

We like to make ourselves feel good when we say "never again" with the Holocaust. Such a claim is hollow if the United States sits back and watches ethnic Albanians slaughtered.

The United States has regretted not helping put a stop to the ovens of Auschwitz sooner. So, after many failures to solve the Kosovo situation through diplomacy, NATO acted.

This is not Vietnam. These are human rights.

Do I like putting our troops in danger? No. I have relatives in the military. I don't want to see them putting their lives on the line.

But, that doesn't mean I'm not going to support the troops we put into action. No one likes war, but as Americans, we need to respect the fact that there are people willing to put their lives on the line for us. It's why we have an army.

President Clinton should be commended for not trying to incite a more major conflict by sending in ground troops. Restricting the attacks to airstrikes is actually a very smart move.

Chances are, if ground troops

end up in Kosovo, this whole situation is going to explode; I don't care what the analysts say.

Let's hope it doesn't come to that, but, at the same time, let's at least have the integrity to support what our forces are doing over there. Our troops deserve it.

There are troops who didn't get to spend Easter with their families or go to a Passover seder this year. For them, there was a reason to miss these events. Let's not contradict that.

We have become such a fragmented society that, not since WWII, have we been able to unite behind a cause our country has fought for.

We all lead different lives and are motivated by different things. That's not a bad thing. It makes us more diverse.

Nowadays, one of the only things we have in common is our country.

What is bad is when we don't support the Americans who put their lives and families at risk for their country.

Whether you know about Kosovo or not, we're there.

Don't we owe it to our troops to care about what happens over there? Don't they deserve people paying attention to what they are risking their lives for? □

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

ROTC blamed for Pine Hill damage

DEAR EDITOR:

On March 19, everyone that has an e-mail address received a message that the Reserve Officers Training Corps program would be conducting exercises on Pine Hill.

Most of us probably did not give much thought to the event. However, a potentially dangerous hazard, as well as other consequences, have arisen because of it.

Anyone who has followed any of the trails on Pine Hill has inevitably seen the garbage that was carelessly and casually thrown all over the hill.

Anyone who has followed the yellow-square trail on the left side of the firebreak has seen the abandoned "bunker" that is an eyesore to all who pass it.

Some people may have even seen the spent brass cartridges that litter the ground everywhere ROTC fired a weapon.

The hazard though, which is not as readily seen, is the live ammunition that was also left behind by ROTC.

Spent ammunition is ammo that has been discharged through a weapon and has no explosive potential—it is harmless.

Live ammunition is ammo that has not been fired through a weapon, and as such, remains extremely volatile.

ROTC was using blank ammunition to simulate real ammo. However, under certain circumstances, blank ammunition can be almost as dangerous as real ammunition.

There are two primary situations that are most relevant to travelers on Pine Hill.

The first is called a "cook off." This happens when live ammunition is heated to an extreme tem-

perature, usually by contact to direct sunlight. The temperature ignites the powder, causing the round to discharge. Fortunately, this is a rare occurrence.

The second situation, when live ammunition will almost definitely discharge, is in the presence of fire. Fires are prohibited on Pine Hill, yet people build them.

Whether ROTC realized it or not, many of the places where they dropped ammo are near fire-pits.

The combination of fire and live ammunition can create a situation where someone can be maimed or worse. This possibility became all too real to one 2nd lieutenant in the United States Marine Corps.

In the winter 1998 edition of *Ground Warrior*, a magazine published by the Marine Corps, there is an article in which a soldier had to have his eye removed due to the exact situation outlined above.

His squad decided to camp in an area that was commonly used by several units. They built a fire in an area where several blank cartridges were buried just below the surface.

Seven of the Marines and their officer "were seated about 2 or 3 feet from the edge of the fire... [A short while later] several individuals heard a loud pop-similar to an exploding blank cartridge-come from the fire... a jagged piece of metal about the size of a sewing needle pierced one of his eyes."

Investigators found dozens of blank cartridges within one inch of the topsoil. At the end of the investigation, one of the causes was determined to be "Lack of accountability for blank cartridges."

There are two parties who are responsible for the present state of Pine Hill. The first, of course, is ROTC.

It is customary on all military ranges to pick up spent and live brass when an exercise is complete. On all military training grounds, spent blank ammunition is also supposed to be picked up.

The members of ROTC, as potential future leaders in the Armed Forces of the United States, have an obligation to enforce and practice all standard training policies.

Even if the members of ROTC do not know what those policies are the Alfred community uses Pine Hill. Who can possibly justify leaving trash, bunkers and all types of ammunition all over the hill?

The second party who is responsible is the University administrator who authorized this event.

It was irresponsible to let ROTC run all over Pine Hill, firing semi-automatic and automatic weapons, and not set parameters for their actions.

It was irresponsible not to demand that they return Pine Hill to the way it was before they trained on it.

Consequently, those of us who take refuge on the hill from time to time must endure the garbage and all varieties of ammunition because of the actions of others.

There is a belief in both the military and civilian worlds that when nature is used, whether for camping or a command post, you leave the area looking as if you were never there.

This seems to be something that the two parties responsible for the present state of Pine Hill overlooked.

Sincerely,
Michael Hodd
Class 2000

AU's population increasing

BY KELLY KNEE
NEWS EDITOR

Alfred University may be getting much bigger in the next year.

The expansion is due to an increase in the number of students who are staying in school, coupled with the large number of high school seniors who have decided to attend the University.

The increase in the number of current students who are staying in school is a product of extensive efforts by the University to improve retention rates.

Sue Strong, vice president for enrollment management and associate provost, said that overall, there is better retention of students this year, in comparison to previous years.

Strong said that there was a higher rate of return at the beginning of both semesters, and that there were fewer academic dismissals, withdrawals and leaves of absence taken.

Strong said the University does "everything we can to provide a rewarding experience" for students who attend AU.

Strong explained each college within the University has a retention committee, which tracks stu-

dent files and identifies potential problems.

In addition to identifying at-risk students, the retention committees use past student files to observe trends in the student body, which help the colleges develop programs, such as the freshman year experience, that aid in retaining students.

Strong said the student opinion survey is another source for ideas and input into what the students are pleased and displeased with.

Strong said the survey serves to identify problematic areas for students, which the retention committee can then target.

The retention of current students is only part of the reason it may get a little more crowded in Alfred next semester, however.

The second reason for the expansion is the increased number of high school seniors who will attend the University in the fall.

Katherine McCarthy, director of admissions, explained the fundamentals of the University's program for recruiting new students.

McCarthy said the admissions office seldom recruits specific people based on one special talent, such as national merit scholarship, or excellent athleticism.

Instead, McCarthy explained,

the admissions office "works hard to identify students who are interested [in AU], and who would be a good match with the University."

The admissions office is looking for potential students who have good high school preparation, and the students who are recruited do not fall into any obvious groups, said McCarthy.

Once the admissions office has identified interested students, there are several strategies the office employs to encourage those students to attend AU.

McCarthy said there are a variety of regional admissions programs, ranging from mailings and high school visits to receptions hosted by alumni.

These strategies help establish contact between the university and the potential student, which is extremely important, said McCarthy.

These strategies, in addition to others, are the key factors in recruiting a strong freshman class each year.

The reply date for the fall semester is May 1st, and Strong said that the University is anticipating a freshman class of the same size, or larger, than the class of 2002, the current freshman class. □



LOCAL

AU Junior Mike Pellicciotti has been named as a finalist for a Truman Scholarship.

Of the 230 finalists, 65 scholarship winners will be selected. Winners will receive \$3,000-\$30,000 to help cover the costs of senior year and \$27,000 to aid with graduate school costs.

• Holocaust survivor Hedy Berliner, an Alfred resident, will speak about her experiences in a lecture tonight.

The event is sponsored by Hillel and will begin at 7 p.m. in Susan Howell Hall.

• Jill Nelson, the first black woman to write for the *Washington Post Magazine*, will be the speaker at the fourth annual Riley Lecture in Women's Studies.

The lecture is scheduled to be in Susan Howell Hall April 19 at 4:30 p.m.

• A new lecture series named for Samuel R. Scholes Jr. has been created.

The lecture series will focus on chemistry, but should also appeal to the entire university community.

The inaugural lecture was held last month in Nevins Theatre.

• Assistant professor of English Carol Burdick and 1998 graduate Megan Allen have been the first recipients of the Abigail Allen Award, given by the women's studies program.

The award is given to one professor and student (or alumnus) "whose service to the University community, and to the women's studies community especially, exemplifies the standards set by Abigail Allen," said Karen Porter, director of the women's studies program.

Allen was the wife of the University's second president, Jonathan Allen. Abigail, however, essentially shared the presidential responsibilities with her husband.

NATIONAL

Investigators unearthed a rifle buried near the Amherst, N.Y. home of slain abortion doctor Barnett Slepian.

The rifle has been turned over to the FBI.

Authorities are still looking for anti-abortion activist James Kopp, who disappeared after the shooting of Slepian.

Kopp's vehicle was in the Amherst neighborhood in the days before the killing. Kopp's car turned up afterwards at Newark International Airport in New Jersey.

• Delores Hill, principal of Tabernacle Church of God Elementary School in Brooklyn, has been arrested for running a small-time drug ring out of her school.

Hill, the school nurse and a janitor have all been taken into custody for selling cocaine to adults while students were in class.

• Louis Farrakhan, controversial leader of the Nation of Islam, is recovering from surgery and will be on medical leave for four to six months.

In his absence, the Nation of Islam will be run by the National Board of Laborers due to the fact that none of the candidates to replace Farrakhan have the appropriate religious credentials to lead the Nation.

INTERNATIONAL

The airstrikes against Yugoslavia continue.

Reports of heavy damage have been coming in from Yugoslavia, as well as reports of civilian casualties. Pristina, the principal city of Kosovo, has sustained heavy damage from allied bombing.

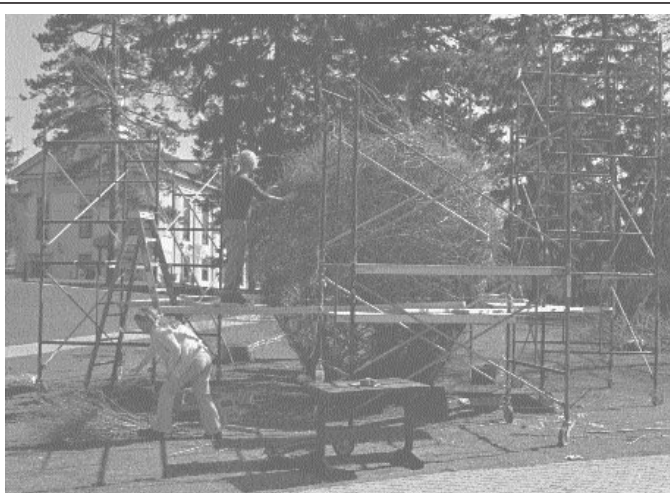
Last week, Yugoslavia presented a cease-fire plan that was unilaterally rejected by NATO, saying it fell well short of what was necessary for the airstrikes to stop.

Ethnic Albanian refugees have been swarming out of Kosovo, while Yugoslavia has reportedly accelerated its aggression against the Albanians.

An effort to free three captured U.S. soldiers failed as it was announced the soldiers would not be freed as long as airstrikes continued. [See related article, page 1]

• Niger's President, Ibrahim Bare Mainassara, was assassinated by his own bodyguards in an airport last week.

Mainassara's government has been widely criticized by the populace of Niger and it is suspected that Mainassara's government fixed recent elections to avoid defeat.



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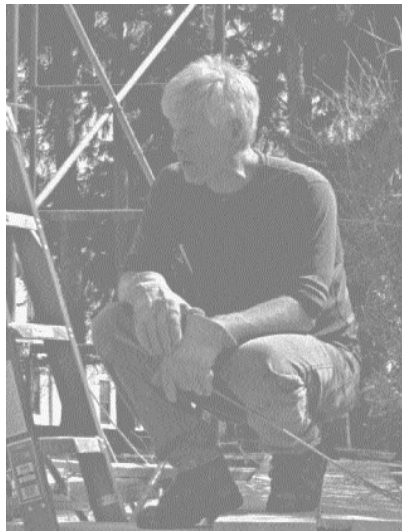
Visiting artist Patrick Dougherty is building reproductions of ceramic pots out of tree branches on the lawn in front of the campus center.

The artwork is being created to commemorate the 100-year anniversary of the New York State College of Ceramics.

University officials said the sculptures will be anchored into the ground and will remain standing for three months to a year, depending on the weather conditions.

Above: Dougherty works on the sculpture from scaffolding constructed around the first of three sculptures. Yellow rope is being used to hold the branches together in the initial building stages.

Right: Dougherty takes a break from his work to explain his creation and philosophy to several curious AU students. Many students have been speculating about the purpose of the structures.



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...Resolution

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the resolution should be drafted.

At the Senate meeting April 7, Carlos Pearce, Student Senate president, read a memo produced by the Senate executive board.

According to the memo, "After much discussion amongst the executive board and careful consideration of the open debate conducted on the Senate floor, we have decided not to draft a resolution. We appreciate Alex's proposal, but we do not feel that this important issue should be addressed by means of writing a resolution."

Through the memo, the executive board proposed to implement an ad hoc constitutional committee to create a Senate Mission Statement.

The statement would be "Senate's way of making a statement about our acceptance and appreciation of diversity in all its forms," according to the memo.

Sensors voted to implement the committee. Roxane Rodriguez, Dustin Weideman, Chandra Leister, Tiana Geraldino and Rachel Downey were elected to serve on the committee.

The committee has been instructed to complete its task in two weeks.

Link described the decision of the Senate executive board as "very wise." He said the issue of racial equality is very valid and needs to be addressed.

"I hope something will come about that is effective and accepted," Link said.

"Both parties have done an excellent job of presenting their sides," said Pearce.

"I also believe the Senators have done an excellent job of... talking about it with their organizations," he added.

Mike Pellicciotti, a junior busi-

ness administration major and former Student Senate president, addressed Senate about the decision and its implications on April 7.

People need to take productive and active steps, he said. "Dealing with it means talking about it," he added. He suggested that Senate sponsor a forum for "frank and open discussion" about racial diversity and equality at AU.

"The people on this campus who should be communicating aren't," Pellicciotti added.

Several students agreed that the forum would be a good idea.

They asked whether it would be a one-time event or an on-going series, and whether it would be held this semester or established next semester.

They also wanted to know if University administrators would be invited to the forum.

Many students said they felt administrators should not be invited, because their presence might make some students uncomfortable.

Despite this action, Toribio expressed disappointment after the meeting.

"I don't feel [adding a mission statement to the Senate constitution] is the right way to show the voice of the students," he said.

Toribio was quick to assert he was not angry with the Senate executive board for its decision.

Rodriguez, however, said she was pleased with the decision.

"The mission statement is a good idea," she said.

She added that she felt the mission statement would allow for the interests of all groups to be equally stated.

Rodriguez was also pleased with the discussion of the issue on the Senate floor.

So was the Senate President.

"I am happy that students are expressing their concerns and issues at Senate," said Pearce. □

Student Senate Resolutions

According to the explanation of the policies and procedures for passing a resolution, "a Senate Resolution is an important document that expresses the feeling of the entire Senate on a certain issue."

Student Senate does not pass legislation. Therefore, a resolution is "the only written expression of Senate concern."

The policies and procedures dictate that Senate "should make certain that the document is of the highest caliber, and that it is only passed after heavy discussion."

Regulations for passing resolutions:

1. Any Senator may make a motion that the Student Senate of Alfred University pass a resolution... Based upon the issue, the Senate executive board should make the determination as to whether or not the issue is worthy of a resolution. If the problem or situation can be fixed or resolved quickly, then the issue should not be discussed as a resolution issue.

2. Resolutions should only be investigated if the issue brought to the floor of the Senate cannot be solved by normal means or has been previously denied by the administration or another party. It is recommended that Senate resolutions not be used as a tool to frivolously portray the feeling of the Senate.

3. If the motion made by a Senator for the passage of a resolution is deemed valid, then the floor should be opened up for discussion on the issue.... The executive board should then investigate the

matter for one week, to see if the situation can in any way be resolved.

4. If the executive board finds that the issue under investigation cannot be resolved, then the board should call a special meeting to develop and word the resolution.

The completed resolution should be ready for presentation to the Senate body within two weeks.

5. At the next meeting of the Student Senate, the completed resolution should be presented during old business... Once discussion is completed and closed, a vote for the passage of the resolution should be opened during the new business portion of the meeting.

6. A resolution of the Student Senate can only be passed by a three-quarters vote of the Student Senate.

7. If the resolution passes, the completed document should be read to the Senate as an official Senate Resolution.

8. The Senate Secretary then has the duty of distributing the document to administrators, students, faculty and staff.

Types of resolutions:

1. Resolutions are not only used for concerns and complaints. Resolutions may be used to express the Senate's appreciation for something.

2. If the University were to pass a very favorable policy or respond very well to the Senate's concerns, the Senate might decide to pass a resolution of appreciation for the University's work.

3. In addition, resolutions may be used to dedicate a day or week toward some cause.

...Kosovo

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Yugoslavia."

The airstrikes continued throughout March, and into the beginning of April, with NATO striking out against the First Army headquarters in Belgrade.

As a result of the airstrikes, refugees begin pouring out of Kosovo at a rate not seen in a European country since World War II.

Alfred University students have varying levels of awareness about the situation in Kosovo.

Student reactions ranged from "I had no idea what was going on," to "I am very concerned about the situation," and everything in between.

The Alfred vigil was in support of the Kosovo refugees and also to bring awareness of the events, said attendees of the event.

In addition to the vigil, the Alfred community has pulled together to collect clothing for the refugees.

Ann Baldwin, associate director of External Affairs for the College of Ceramics, organized a clothing drive to help the people of Kosovo.

Baldwin said that she originally intended it to be a relatively small project, but that once a local radio station became aware of the drive, the project became much larger.

"We have clothes coming in from Long Island, Ithaca... all over," Baldwin said. Baldwin said students from the University, Alfred State College and the Alfred community have all contributed to the drive.

The clothing drive ended today, and all the collected clothing will be sent to the American Friends Service Committee in Philadelphia, Pa.

Baldwin said "30 years ago, people would have gotten off their duffs and done something," and that she thought the clothing drive would be an excellent way to bring back that spirit of involvement. □

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Burdick presents her 'Swan Song' at Bergren

BY STEPHANIE WEBSTER
MANAGING EDITOR

Carol Burdick, assistant professor of English, delivered her "Swan Song" to a packed Nevins Theatre at the Bergren Forum last Thursday.

Or, as she termed it, it was her "swan dive," because she tackled several controversial issues.

"Will the new millennium bring equality based on numbers to the women of Alfred University?" Burdick asked rhetorically.

She listed the number of women professors in each college of the University. According to her calculations, less than one-third of AU professors are women, and 15 percent of full professors are women.

Burdick said she hoped that the University would hire more women faculty, more non-white faculty and more faculty in general. Despite the "battle cry" from the Office of Admissions advertising AU's small classes, professors are over-burdened

with large classes, she said.

She also said the University should promote adjunct professors. Burdick compared them to "beasts of burden" and said that their salaries "make minimum wage look good."

"It disturbs me that so many of our faculty are over-burdened and weary," Burdick said.

She wondered if stressed-out, overworked students at the University were a reflection of their tired professors.

AU was smaller and the classes were more manageable in the past, Burdick said. She explained that there was less pressure to do research and publish writing, as well.

Burdick also supported the University secretaries. She worked as a secretary herself, she said, and both she and her employer breathed a sigh of relief whenever she found something they needed.

Even though she wasn't a great secretary, she said she still thinks they deserve more pay for their valuable services.

Burdick summed her ideas up into one statement: Despite the

numerous renovations the University has made, "it's beginning to feel a bit hollow behind the facade."

Burdick also questioned the University's policy in regards to student entertainment.

In the past, she said, the University brought enriching cultural events to campus.

Now, however, pop bands and comedians are the norm [see sidebar].

The faculty and staff are so tired from their burden of responsibilities that they cannot attend AU's existing art and music programs to support the students, she added.

Burdick suggested that the health center change its hours. She said it would better suit a tired and ailing student body that can't drag itself out of bed for morning appointments.

She also commented on what can happen when freshmen pledge fraternities or sororities.

Burdick said she has seen many students' grades plummet when they pledge their freshman year. She said she didn't think first-year students should

be allowed to pledge.

Burdick switched gears to speak of her students and how much she has learned from them. She quoted from several of their assignments.

"My students come to the class with different backgrounds... and goals," Burdick said.

She related an anecdote of an 18-year-old's essay about her child's birth. In the next assignment, the student debated about whether she should join a sorority.

"Some students are gifted with compassion, while some are not," she also said. She spoke of a student who came to AU from a third-world country.

The student was shocked when she read an article about homelessness in the United States. The student wondered how such an affluent country could have such poverty.

Burdick ended her lecture by explaining that a swan song is not a requiem. She is not leaving Alfred, and she will still be teaching classes.

Burdick closed with her poem

titled "Only the Smell of the Violets."

She received a standing ovation from the audience. □

A response?

The Student Activities Office seemed to be responding to Assistant Professor of English Carol Burdick's comment at the Bergren Forum that the University needs to provide more "cultured" entertainment and less "pop" entertainment to the students.

In the weekend update e-mail, sent April 8, the Student Activities office said, "We ask that you look over the list of events and hopefully find poetry within the music, honesty within the comedy, beauty within the performing arts, and experience the culture of others within each and every opportunity. Many students and staff have committed many hours to provide these opportunities and we hope you get the most from them."



PHOTO BY KELLY KNEE

Lance Lehman, security co-chief, removes a "boot" from a car in front of the campus center after the owner paid his tickets. The University has cracked down on cars parked in front of the campus center this year.

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REVIEW

Chamber singers perform music inspiring hope



PHOTO BY JEN BURKE

Pete McClain (left) and Clinton Powell rehearse for last Saturday's AU Chamber Singers concert. McClain and Powell are both basses.

BY STEPHANIE WEBSTER
MANAGING EDITOR

The audience at the Alfred Seventh Day Baptist Church craned their heads to see the Alfred University Chamber Singers in the back of the church as they sang "Hope There Is,"

based on a poem by Oodgeroo Noonuccal, an Australian Aborigine.

The repetition of the words of the poem made each one important as the singers harmonized.

The song began the multi-cultural program titled "Hope" last Saturday.

Luanne Clarke, director of the Chamber Singers, explained that all the music on the program was from cultures that have been oppressed in the past.

Two of the songs on the program, "Sigalagala" and "Natufurahi siku ya leo," are sacred songs from Kenya.

The Chamber Singers sang "Sigalagala" from the back while three members of the AU Dance Theatre, directed by Susan Caligaris, danced down the aisle.

The song changed tempo several times to indicate jubilation, and the dancers seemed to light up with celebration. Their green sleeveless costumes were cheerful and reflected traditional African clothing.

The Chamber Singers were accompanied by several percussionists who kept a fast and exciting rhythm.

As the drums beat, the singers processed up the aisle during "Natufurahi siku ya leo." At times the drums drowned out some of the singers' voices and made it hard to hear them.

The program included pieces from Ireland and America, and the second half of the program was dedicated to songs from Israel.

The men sang "The Cobbler" and "Eileen Aroon," two Irish songs that contrasted completely.

"The Cobbler" was chauvinistic in tone but fun, while "Eileen Aroon" was a more traditional love song. The men seemed at first to have problems blending, but by the end of the song they had achieved unity.

The men also presented "Mouth Music," which was also accompanied by percussion which at points seemed too loud.

The song rolled along at top

speed, however, and the men's voices were very clear and crisp.

The women sang two of the songs from Israel, "S'Vivon" and "Mayim, Mayim," accompanied by violins. Their voices blended harmoniously and they seemed to be having fun.

The Chamber Singers were accompanied by flautists on "Shedemati," a Hebrew song.

Two special highlights on the program were "There's a Land," by Leslie Burrs, and "Adon Olam," by Jeffrey Ryan. Burrs visited AU recently and worked with the Chamber Singers.

"There's a Land," from Burrs' opera *Vanqui*, was sung a cappella, which Clarke noted was unusual. She said Burrs seemed to be happy that the Chamber Singers would be performing the song that way.

Jeffrey Ryan wrote "Ecce Homo," which the Chamber Singers performed twice last year.

The more traditional feel of "Adon Olam" was much different from the dissonant "Ecce Homo," which only resolves at the end.

The audience seemed to enjoy themselves, even clapping along to "Simona MiDimona," a song about a town in Israel and the "exotic appeal" of its North African residents to Northern European immigrants.

The Chamber Singers also seemed to enjoy the songs, and their energy and appeal propelled the concert. □

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REVIEW

AU band strong at spring show

BY JUDY TSANG
STAFF WRITER

The AU Concert Band expressed its theme of heritage in the Spring Concert, April 9, through musical selections dating back to the 1800s.

With Marc Sackman, professor of music, as conductor, the band performed for a Holmes Auditorium audience of about 200 people.

The pink and amber lights allowed for a warm, welcoming atmosphere.

With strong staccato beats of a traditional march, the concert commenced with Hector Berlioz's "Marche Hongroise," immediately lifting the audience's spirit.

The strength of the piccolo and flute section was clearly visible, contrary to the misconception of a weak woodwind section in a march piece.

A dedication was made to Anna Babcock (1938-1998), the former costume mistress for the AU Performing Arts Department with Frank Ticheli's version of "Amazing Grace."

"She was a very special person," Sackman said. "We'll just let the music play on."

This selection delivered a calm, soothing tribute to Babcock.

Adam Spach performed an exquisite alto saxophone solo in

this lullaby-like piece.

"English Folk Song Suite," the concert's third piece, allowed for a variation from light taps of a march to reflections of holiday music with its three sections.

The first section featured the trumpets while the second section spotlighted a clarinet solo. The ringing of a triangle com-

"["It's About Time"] opened with a strong, jazzy feel and continued just as strong, forcing the audience to tap its feet to the upbeat tempo."

pleted the feeling of Christmas in the third section.

Dave Brubeck's "It's About Time" proved to be different from the other songs.

It opened with a strong, jazzy feel and continued just as strong, forcing the audience to tap its feet to the upbeat tempo.

At one point, band members stopped playing their instruments and performed by clapping.

Gradually, each section returned to performing with their instruments as the handclaps of the other band members answered.

Before the closing piece of the night, Sackman thanked the attendance of the audience and acknowledged all the seniors gracing the AU stage for the last time.

Each senior was individually introduced and recognized.

The closing piece of the evening, "Russian Christmas Music," featured Shawn Welk on the English horn.

This selection gave the idea of awakening to a cold winter morning.

The sounds of tower clock bells chiming were reproduced to give off the feeling of the early 20th century.

The echoes of the instruments rang out even after the precise cut-off at the end of the song.

The audience responded with a standing ovation, delighted with the concert.

As the applause continued, the band showed their appreciation with an encore of a Johann Sebastian Bach chorale.

This was the Concert Band's final performance of the semester. □

REVIEW

Kazan's *On the Waterfront* an explanation of his actions

BY DAVID WESTHART
CONTRIBUTOR

A great deal of controversy surrounded director Elia Kazan's 1999 Oscar for lifetime achievement. In light of this controversy, it seems like a good idea to look at his film *On the Waterfront*.

The film is considered by some to be Kazan's unapologetic defense for "naming names" to the House Un-American Activities Committee in the 1950s.

The film opens with Terry Malloy (Marlon Brando) as an unwitting accomplice to a corrupt local union as they eliminate a worker who is about to testify against them.

The worker is seen as a "canary," and after he is thrown from his rooftop, the comment is made, "He could sing, but he couldn't fly." This sets up the crisis of conscience that is the basis for the film.

As Terry meets and falls in love with the murdered worker's sister, Edie (Eva Marie Saint), he begins to doubt his loyalty to the mob boss, Johnny Friendly and his brother Charley.

They have used Terry for years, first as a boxer, taking a fall during the fight that would have led to a title shot, then later in the union. □

The "contender" scene between Terry and his brother has become a movie cliché, but when seen as part of the whole, the scene conveys real power.

There is a sense of desperation throughout the film. For example, men scatter for the tokens thrown by the foreman; each token represents a day's work.

The image of a crowd is used several times as one person is washed over by the mob, unable to fight back. The use of black and white always adds to a film like this, implying the moral ambiguity of right and wrong.

Does the film work as a defense of Kazan's actions in the 1950s? Even though Johnny Friendly is brought down at the end of the film, there is no real satisfaction; the cost was too great.

The HUAC hearings only served to raise the political profile of some at the cost of others' careers.

As I watched the 89-year-old Kazan walk to the podium at the Oscars to receive his award, I couldn't help but think of Brando's character walking down the pier at the end of the movie, and the faces he passed—some admiring and some scornful.

Overall, *On the Waterfront* is an excellent film that is sure to maintain your interest until the resolving climax. □

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Senate UPDATE

BY STEPHANIE WEBSTER
MANAGING EDITOR

Student Senate is approaching the end of the year. The last Senate meeting will be April 28.

At the April 7 meeting, Finance Chair Craig Calvert announced that budgets for Senate organizations are due April 16.

Finance hearings will be April 18 and April 25.

Treasurer Seth Mulligan said organizations should give bills to him or hand them in to the mailbox in the campus center.

He said he also needs copies of all receipts in order to process them.

Roxane Rodriguez, chair of the multicultural committee, announced that the committee was sponsoring a trivial pursuit contest April 8 in the Knight Club and prejudice reduction training April 11 in the campus center's Kenyon-Alten room.

Dustin Weideman, chair of the academic affairs committee, said that the committee is still continuing progress on offering a sign language course.

He also said they would be looking into getting all-night study rooms before the end of the semester, perhaps in the Commons.

Maria Freitas, chair of the safety committee, said that they are working with Physical Plant to create more parking. Currently, funding is an issue, she said.

Freitas said Pat Schwartz, director of Security, requested that students who have to park in the McLane lot call an escort to their residence halls for their safety.

Carlos Pearce, Student Senate president, announced that the parking on Pine Hill will now be completely for students.

Several slots in front of Barresi Hall that were previously student parking will now become faculty and staff parking.

Jaime Pena and Tiana Geraldino were nominated and elected to the finance committee.

Students discussed a proposed senate resolution to deal with racial equality in recent meetings [see related article page 1].

The Senate executive board voted not to draft a resolution, but instead to create a "mission statement for the Student Senate Constitution that includes senate's acceptance and appreciation of all types of diversity."

Also at the April 7 meeting, Calvert answered students' questions about the upcoming finance hearings.

He reminded all of the Senate organizations that they needed to apply for any rollover they may have.

POLICE BLOTTER

The following arrests and complaints were reported by the Alfred Police Department.

Arrests:

Disorderly conduct:
• Jacek M. Micheaux, 22, Orlando Fla. (Mar 27)

DWI:

• Felix A. Holmes, 23, Rochester (Mar 19)
• Christopher T. Masten, 21, Alfred (Mar 21)
• Jamie A. Pierce, 23, Salamanca, also AUO 3rd (Mar 22)

Open container:

• Mark J. Stievater, 29, Buffalo (Mar 20)

Complaints:

Disorderly Conduct:

• Mill St. (Mar 27)
• Mill St. (Mar 27)

Trespassing:

• West University St. (Mar 28)
• Fraternity Row (Mar 20)

Illegal parked vehicles:

• Church St. (Mar 22)
• W. University (Mar 22)
• Reynolds St. (Mar 22)
• Alfred (Mar 31)

Motor vehicle accident:

• Waterwells Rd. (Mar 22)
• Alfred (Mar 22)
• Alfred (Mar 21)
• N. Main St. (Mar 24)

Car/deer motor vehicle accident:

• Alfred (Mar 27)
• Alfred (Mar 28)
• Alfred (Mar 29)

Aggravated harassment:

• High St. (Mar 26)
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Criminal mischief:

• Alfred (Mar 21)
• Pine Hill (Mar 28)

Noise violation:

• W. University St. (Mar 27)
• W. University St. (Mar 27)

Other:

• False alarm, N. Main St. (Mar 19)
• Suspicious person, Main St. (Mar 20)
• Car fire, Terburg Rd. (Mar 20)
• Disturbance, Mill St. (Mar 21)
• Disturbance at a dorm, AU Campus (Mar 21)
• Wild animal in house, Sayles St. (Mar 22)
• Hit and run accident, Rte. 244 (Mar 23)
• Badly injured deer, State Rte. 21 (Mar 24)
• Erratic driver, Terrace St. (Mar 25)
• Harassment, (Mar 25)
• Cruelty to animals, (Mar 26)
• Disabled vehicle, Reynolds St. (Mar 27)
• Larceny, High St. (Mar 28)
• Person blocking traffic (Mar 31)
• Neighborhood problems, Pine Hill (Mar 31)
• Missing person, (Mar 31)
• Grass fire, Waterwells Rd. (Mar 31)
• Cows in roadway, County Rte. 12 (Mar 31)

A total of 14 uniform traffic tickets were issued between Mar 19 and Mar 31.

Business professor recognized

BY JASMINE LELLOCK
FEATURES EDITOR

Abderrahman Robana, professor of business, has recently been recognized for his achievements in the field of business administration.

Delta Mu Delta, a national honor society in business administration, named one of its annual scholarships after Robana.

The Trendenick Professor of Entrepreneurship at Alfred University, Robana served many years as a judge for Delta Mu Delta's Scholarships Awards Program.

Delta Mu Delta Scholarship Chairman R. L. Sosnowski explained to Robana that, "This award will serve as continuing recognition by your friends and peers of your long years of service as a scholarship judge."

As a member of the Alfred faculty for 28 years, Robana is serving an appointment as Visiting Scholar at Harvard University's Center for Middle Eastern Studies, in Cambridge, Mass.

Junior international business major Andrea Fontana, a student member of Delta Mu Delta, spoke well of Robana.

"I look forward to taking a class with him next semester," she said. □



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- John G. Knowler, Hornell, reduced to failure to obey traffic device (\$130)
- Melanie A. White, Franklinville, (\$90) also expired inspection (\$80)
- Douglas V. Cunningham, South Bend, Ind., reduced to failure to obey traffic device (\$60), also expired registration (\$80)

Failure to obey traffic device:

- Tracy A. Williams, Wellsville (\$130)
- Carlos R. Pearce, Oakdale (\$130)
- Joseph Rende, Port Chester (\$130)

Passed stop sign:

- Averin S. Donough, Port Royal, Pa. (\$130)
- John B. Putnam III, Liverpool, reduced to failure to obey traffic device (\$130)
- Daniel W. Sechrist, Hilton (\$100)
- C. M. Petrizzo, Glen Love (\$100)

Expired inspection:

- Meghan L. Eddy, Fairport (\$80)
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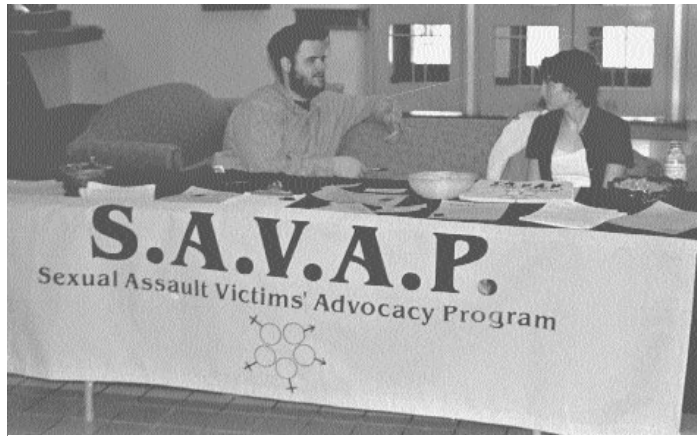
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- Jamie L. Wagner, Lyons, criminal trespass, reduced to disorderly conduct (\$100)
- Reinaldo Morales, assault in the third degree, reduced to disorderly conduct (\$100)
- Darren M. Ross, Salamanca, open container (\$25)
- Richard J. Boop, Phelps, speed in excess of 55 mph (\$90)
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Matthew Katz and Ali Berger sit in the campus center to distribute information about SAVAP. The group helps people who have been sexually assaulted.

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other people who need it," said Greg Hilgert, a senior psychology major who has been a SAVAP advocate for two years. "It's been an amazing experience," he added.

Bethany Carpenter, a junior elementary education major who has been an advocate for a year, said she joined because she wanted to do something which benefited others.

"I felt there was a need to have an advocacy for victims in this community," Katz said, explaining why he joined

SAVAP. He added that SAVAP provides "a level head in an incredibly insane situation."

Chester said the usage of SAVAP increases every year.

She said she is still concerned, however, that people are not always aware that what is happening to them is sexual assault.

That fact, and the increase in the use of date rape drugs, makes SAVAP a very crucial service, she said.

She also stressed that people can call SAVAP even if there is not a crisis.

"SAVAP is pretty unique," she added.

Most campuses this small do not have a group that does what

SAVAP does, she explained.

"There is definitely a need for it on all campuses," Hilgert said.

Chester said SAVAP has received many requests for educational programming.

That it is not currently part of the group's mission, she added.

"We don't have as many people as we need to run a good educational program," she explained.

Overall, students seem pleased with the services SAVAP provides.

On last semester's Student Opinion Survey, students rated services provided by SAVAP 3.4 on a scale of 5 points. □

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Brill to present annual lecture for "Glass Day"

BY HEATHER KOOL
STAFF WRITER

"Glass Day," which celebrates glass science at Alfred University's College of Ceramics, will be held on April 22.

The festivities focus on areas of glass science and the 100th anniversary of Alfred University's College of Ceramics.

There will also be a dedication of the new Hall of Glass Science and Engineering.

The annual Scholes Lecture, held in Holmes Auditorium, will kick the festival off.

The lecture is named in memory of the former dean of the College of Ceramics and founder of the glass science program,

Samuel R. Scholes Sr.

This year's lecturer is Robert Brill, a specialist in glass conservation, archaeological chemistry and scientific research.

Having received his doctorate in physical chemistry from



Robert Brill

Rutgers University, Brill was an administrator of scientific research at the Corning Glass Museum from 1960-1972, later becoming the director of the museum.

Prior to that, Brill was an associate professor of chemistry at Upsala College in East Orange, N.J.

Brill is currently a research scientist at the Corning Glass Museum.

Brill's speech, titled "Glass from along the Silk Road," addresses the Silk Road, which was a major trading route that connected China and other parts of Asia with the West. Brill will also look at the various glasses excavated from China and Central Asia.

Regarding the Asian Silk Road, Brill said, "One of the most intriguing areas of current glass research is the comparison of glasses made in Asia with those imported along the Silk Road from the West."

Following the lecture, the winner of the annual Scholes Award will be announced.

The Scholes Award is pre-

sented annually to the sophomore who, as a freshman, achieved the highest grade point average of the ceramic engineering students.

Formally named the Hall of Glass and Science Engineering, the new 17,000-square-foot addition to Binns-Merrill Hall will be dedicated following the award.

The new addition, which cost \$4.2 million, is funded by the State University of New York Construction Fund.

The addition houses graduate-level glass science laboratories and glass science faculty offices along with specialized facilities such as a fiber drawing tower.

Glass Day activities will continue in the campus center when Alastair N. Cormack, professor

of ceramic engineering, will deliver his inaugural lecture, "Ceramic Science through the Computer: An Atom's Eye View," in Nevins Theatre.

As an expert in the computer modeling field, Cormack will "focus on the role molecular dynamics has played in our understanding of the structure of silica-based glasses."

Cormack added that, though the information isn't clearly understood yet "a complete understanding of the behavior of ceramic material begins with a description of their atomic structure," which can be predicted and explained through modeling.

Finally, the day will conclude with a reception and dinner at Susan Howell Hall. □

New mechanical engineering professor shares humor

BY STEPHANIE WEBSTER
MANAGING EDITOR

A poster titled "Murphy's Laws on Technology" hangs on the wall in John Williams' office.

The amusing quotes such as "Any simple theory will be worded in the most complicated way," reflected the good sense of humor of the new assistant professor of mechanical engineering.

Williams received his Ph.D. in mechanical engineering from Clarkson University.

The environment at Alfred is more like that at the graduate school at Clarkson, Williams said.

He explained that the relatively small size of AU's engineering department allows for more interaction.

Williams said he decided to come to Alfred University because it was "a good job and a good match."

In his time here, he said he plans to gain funds for research and to continue to improve the undergraduate lab course.

He said he is currently waiting for a summer grant.

However, he joked, he wants to get through his lab course first.

He said that mechanical engineering is a very vast field. Engineering is "fundamental and needed," he



John Williams

added.

Graduating mechanical engineers should know that they have a lifetime of learning in front of them, Williams said. "You're not done here," he added.

Williams also advised students to be professional and to "do the right thing" when it comes to ethical problems.

He explained that at times an engineer may run into pressure to cut costs, which can lead to safety hazards. "It's a hard decision," he said.

In his free time, Williams said he likes to travel, cook, hike and go to concerts with his wife and his two-year-old daughter, Abby.

This summer, they are planning to go to a Jimmy Buffet concert, he said.

Williams said his favorite thing about AU so far is the community. "It's easy to get to know people," he said.

His said his least favorite thing about Alfred University is the lack of parking on campus. □

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Class which needs to be offered more _____

Class most repeated by one person _____

Class most slept through _____

Best professor (male) _____
(female) _____

Funniest professor (male) _____
(female) _____

Sexiest professor (male) _____
(female) _____

Easiest class _____

Hardest class _____

Administration

Best thing done _____
Worst thing done _____
Unsung hero _____
Most likely to go insane _____
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Residence halls

Best residence hall _____
 Loudest residence hall _____
 Best RA _____
 Messiest RA _____
 Coldest residence hall _____
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 Res. hall with most fire drills _____
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 Best program _____
 Best closets _____

Dining halls

Best entree _____
Worst entree _____
Do you go to Taco Bell Night? _____

Student Senate

Best thing done recently _____
 Worst thing _____
 Senate rep with the most to say _____
 Senate rep who says the most _____

Student Activities

Nevins Movies:

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 Movie we should get _____
 Movie we shouldn't get _____
 # of movies you watch per semester _____

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of times your name appeared in the Police Blotter _____

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 Most picked-on organization _____

Sports

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 Favorite non-varsity sport _____
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 Most boring game _____

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Best pizza _____
Best wings _____
Best coffee _____
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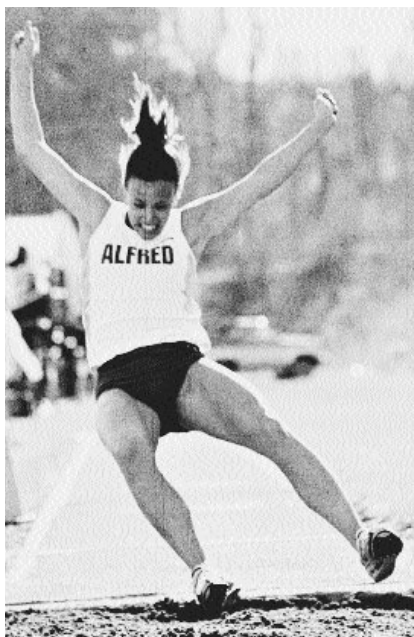


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Junior Nancy Callen lands in the pit after one of her attempts in the triple jump last Saturday at the Alfred Invitational track and field meet. The event was held at Alfred State College.

LAXers break AU records

BY ANDY BERMAN
SPORTS EDITOR

Anytime that you have the two highest scorers in a team's history playing at the same time, you must get excited.

The women's lacrosse team is excited.

Lindsay Calkins and Lauren D'Aurio are the AU women's all-time leading scorers in lacrosse.

Calkins scored her 100th goal this season against Oswego earlier this year. She is leading the team in points this year with 32.

D'Aurio scored her 100th goal a few games later at the 12-6 vic-

tory over Brockport. D'Aurio scored four goals in the game.

Going into Saturday's game, D'Aurio leads Calkins in goals scored 24-21. Both Calkins and D'Aurio are juniors, which makes next year's team even better.

Senior Leigh McKinley leads the team on defense. Denna Stachelek, the coach of the team, said McKinley is the backbone of the defense.

Mary Beth Bruder has played well in goal so far this season. She has 76 saves, with a save percentage of .576 and a 7.89 goals-against average.

There are also five strong new freshmen on the roster this season. Sheilah Higgins, who is third on the team in scoring with 26 points, has good stick ability and good field sense, said Stachelek. Lindsay deCispkes, the fourth leading scorer with eight goals and five assists, also shines on the field. DeCispkes is a strong athlete with a terrific shot.

The Saxons play a transition offense, utilizing their speed. They try to get the ball down the field as fast as they can, usually within three or four passes. A transition game makes for exciting, fast paced lacrosse. □

Softball team opens season even

BY ANDY BERMAN
SPORTS EDITOR

The women's softball team split a double-header with Fredonia State to open their season.

In game number one, the Saxons were shut out 8-0. In game two, however, the girls came back to defeat Fredonia 6-1.

In the first game, AU only got two hits off the Fredonia pitching crew. The team did a complete 180 in the second game to

even their record up at 1-1.

Lisa Anderson scattered four hits over the entire game. Anderson helped her own cause when she doubled and scored twice. First baseman Jessica Snyder had a pair of singles and drove in two runs.

The Saxons are very optimistic about the upcoming season, despite the fact that every game they play is a double-header. In fact, they will be playing six games in their next seven days.

Junior outfielder Megan Stuart will be leading the team this year. Stuart led the team with a .958 fielding percentage.

The team will also rest on the shoulders of two sophomore infielders, Jen Benson and Theresa Totedo.

Benson led the team last year with a .373 batting average. She also led with 19 hits and 11 runs scored.

Totedo is a solid shortstop and was second last year in total fielding attempts. □

Saxon Sports Roundup

Men's lacrosse (5-3)

AU 9, Hartwick 8
M. Pilliod 2 goals, 3 assists, Morrison, Brown 2 goals, 1 assist, Dunn 13 saves

Colby 12, AU 9
B. Pilliod 5 goals, 1 assist, Brown 2 goals

New York Tech 14, AU 8
Dawson 4 goals, Strickland 1 goal

Women's lacrosse

AU 12, Brockport 6
D'Aurio 4 goals, Calkins 4 goals, Bruder 9 saves

AU 19, Canisius 1
D'Aurio 8 goals, 1 assist, Calkins 1 goal, 6 assists

AU 8, Oswego 7
Bruder 16 saves, Calkins 3 goals, Higgins, D'Aurio 1 goal, 1 assist

AU 12, Geneseo 8
Calkins 4 goals, Higgins 2 goals, 2 assists, Bruder 15 saves

• Lindsay Calkins and Lauren D'Aurio became the first and second in AU women's lacrosse history to score 100 career goals

Softball

Game 1: Fredonia 8, AU 0

Game 2: AU 6, Fredonia 1
Anderson double, two runs, Snyder 2 RBI

Men's track and field

Ithaca Invitational: 5th of 13
Winkky 1st 5,000m (15:35.44), Young 1st shot put (13.72m), 3rd hammer (38.36m), Madejczyk 1st hammer (45.42m), Lickfield 2nd 110m hurdles (15.54)

University of Rochester: 3rd of 5
Winkky 1st 1,500m (4:08.50), Madejczyk 1st hammer (45.84m), 4th shot put (12.53m), Scheibner 2nd 800m (2:01.94)

Women's track and field

Ithaca Invitational: 5th of 12
Boadi 2nd in 800m (2:21.51), Brewer 1st 110m hurdles (16.48), 3rd 100m (13.32), Callen 2nd high jump (4.91m), Ares 3rd 400m (60.60), 4th 200m (27.70)

University of Rochester: 2nd of 5
Boadi 1st 800m (2:23.00), Menter 1st shot put (9.90m), Ares 1st 200m (27.35), 1st 400m (60.62), Brewer 2nd 100m hurdles (16.23), 2nd 200m (29.08), 3rd high jump (1.52m), Gaydos 1st 100m (13.81)

• Millicent Boadi set a new school record for the 800 meter run twice (2:23.00) and then (2:21.51).

• The 4x100 relax team of Katy Gaydos, Jen Brewer, Nancy Callen and Jen Ares set a new school record twice (52.19) and (51.88).

• Elizabeth Menter set a new school record in the hammer (28.86).

Men's tennis

AU 8, Penn State-Behrend 1
Thurber, Clay, Corrigan, Luisi, Hart won in singles, Jonmarie and Thurber, Clay and Hart, and Corrigan and Luisi won in doubles.

Elmira 5, AU 4
Clay and Luisi won in singles, Corrigan and Hart and Clay and Wintermantel won in doubles.

Equestrian

Regionals
Brown 1st open equitation on the flat, 2nd overall, 7th in open equitation over fences, Ferguson 1st walk-trot, O'Riordan 6th in novice equitation on the flat, 7th over fences

In other sports news

• Brian Quinlan was named to the Columbus Multimedia All-East Region 2nd team.
Quinlan was also named to the NABC East Region All-Star 2nd team.

• Lisa Valitutto was named to the Columbus Multimedia All-East Region Team.

• Todd Striker was named to the GTE/CoSIDA Fall/Winter At-Large District 1 All-Academic team. Striker has a 3.98 grade point average as a ceramic engineer.



PHOTO BY JEN BURKE

Senior midfielder James Landigran hustles against the Rochester Institute of Technology last Saturday. Unfortunately, the Saxons were defeated in an 18-4 rout. RIT is a Super Six rival. R.J. Dawson led the Saxons with two goals. Both the men's and women's lacrosse teams were in action on Saturday, both losing. The men play at Geneseo today at 4. The next home game for the men is April 21, when they play the perennial lacrosse power Nazareth College. The women's team is on the road until Hot Dog Day weekend. They play five consecutive games on the road until then.