

Impressed?

Paul Tulkis of Pomona and Heather Snyder of Hornell were catching up on the local news recently, reading the *Alfred Sun* while visiting in Tinkertown, although Paul doesn't appear to be all that impressed with the "pretty darned good newspaper serving Alfred since 1883."

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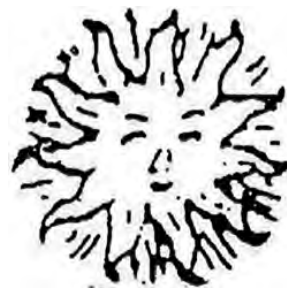


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Variety of topics covered in Alfred Village Forum

By DAVID L. SNYDER

Editor, Publisher & Janitor

ALFRED--About 25 Alfred village residents gathered for a "Village Forum," preceding the regular monthly meeting of the Alfred Village Board of Trustees at Alfred Village Hall Tuesday, Jan. 8.

They talked about everything under the sun...and most everything that's been "in the *(Alfred) Sun*."

Rose Apartments, Congregate Housing, completion of the New York Main Street Grant Program, participation in the Complete Streets Award Program, brick pavers gone awry, heavy truck traffic on South Main Street, upgrades to the Waste Water Treatment Plant, new water meters, the Village's attempt to generate revenue from Alfred State College and additional revenue from Alfred University, whether the Village should adopt a moratorium against fracking, and even the arrival of a new-to-Alfred ladder truck were topics of discussion at the 90-minute session.

Mayor Craig Clark opened the forum by applauding the work of the fire com-

panies, police department and the colleges in responding to the needs of Rose Apartments tenants at the time of the explosion. He also applauded the work of the Village's Water and Streets Departments in upgrading village infrastructure.

Deputy Mayor Virginia Rasmussen reported that the Planning Board has "finished another round of conversation about congregate housing, defining what it is, where it will be or won't be."

"In fact, we will be calling a public hearing to define congregate housing in the legally correct way," she said, explaining that the planning board has proposed changes to the Zoning Code and Housing Code adopting a "congregate housing" definition.

"We're making that change in definition throughout the Village Housing Code but very little more than that is being changed," she said.

Village resident JoEllen del Campo stated that "The Town of Alfred's moratorium against fracking does not apply to the Village of Alfred," and inquired

whether the Village of Alfred would also adopt a moratorium against fracking and develop its own road preservation law.

Village Planning Board Member Justin Grigg replied that he didn't believe the the Village Zoning Law allows for the types of infrastructure necessary for a gas well pad.

Rasmussen said that the Village passed a resolution supporting the Town's Moratorium against fracking.

delCampo asked if there were someone assigned to looking into the Zoning Law as it pertains to fracking.

"That's the work of the Planning and Zoning Board," said Mayor Clark.

Grigg assured her that the Planning and Zoning Board "will look into it."

Trustee Brad Bowden updated those present on the upgrades of the Waste Water Treatment Plant, along with Village officials' work to establish sampling procedures to determine levels of certain elements.

During the regular Village Board meeting that followed the Forum, the Village

Board...

...HEARD County Legislator Doug Burdick report on the county tax bill. "I feel pretty good that there's no tax increase. A lot of that credit goes to Legislator O'Grady but I'll take the rest of it." He presented a flyer with county tax rates over the past 10 years.

...VOTED to hold a public hearing at 7:10 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 12 on a proposed Property Tax Cap Override Law.

...VOTED to hold a public hearing at 7:15 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 12 on proposed changes to the Housing and Zoning Laws to adopt the definition of "congregate housing."

...VOTED to accept the resignation of Marc Agnello from the Village Planning Board and to appoint Matt Katz to replace him.

...VOTED to hire Dilyn Burch of Cuba as a full-time police officer.

...HEARD that the A.E. Crandall Hook & Ladder Fire Company would this week accept delivery of a new-to-Alfred ladder truck.

Pile driver pounds 160 bulkheads 56 feet into ground at AU



The pile driver at work on the addition to McLane Physical Education Center at Alfred University. Second photo; Bill Burger of Holdsworth Klimowski

By SHERRY VOLK

Alfred Sun Reporter

I'm glad I'm not a cat. I'm curious, most of the time.

Recently, the pounding of a pile driver, working at the north end of Alfred University's McLane Center, audible over a mile away, had me curious.

Bob (husband) commented that Colleen Harvey, who works at McLane, must have a pounding headache. When I chatted with her a few days ago, she laughed, saying, "We've gotten used to it." I tapped her supply of paper and writing implements and headed out the back door to the chain-link-fence-enclosed construction site.

I was able to get the attention of a worker and asked if I might ask a few questions. He directed me to the office trailer and said that Bill Burger would be able to answer my questions. Unfortunately for Bill, but fortunately for me, he hadn't been feeling well, so was working inside on that chilly and snowy day. He kindly gave me the information that follows.

The company building the 22,000-plus square foot building is Holdsworth Klimowski from Rochester. Bill said that his company is responsible for the entire project and, when completed, will turn it over the University, ready for use.

The pile driver, which has finished its job since I was there, pounded each of 160 bulkheads 56 feet into the ground and bedrock. These will stabilize the building and give it rock solid support.

While excavating, the workers found large quantities of tile and brick, apparently on-site disposal of unsaleable materials created at the tile plant located here years ago. In addition, workers uncovered the foundation for a building, called, according to Bill, Research Building. He said it was quite a large building, about 80 by 100 feet.

I don't remember this building. Then he pointed up to a spot near North Main Street and said that a foundation was found there, as well. I believe that it was for the house I remember from years ago, occupied by Catherine Nelson and Marion Fosdick (AU's Fosdick-Nelson Gallery is named for them).

Bill took me to a large table bearing a sheaf of blue prints and leafed through them, showing me the plans for an indoor track upstairs in the new building, and on the lower level, a long jump pit, basketball, volleyball, badminton, and other courts. There will be the requisite locker rooms, restrooms and mechanical rooms as well.

Bill was interested in my memories of Davis Gym, sports events there, and its wooden fourteen-and-two-thirds-laps-to-the-mile track, where many of us were fortunate to be able to run in bad weather. Bill's company's facility, when completed, will be a Twenty-First Century marvel in Alfred, and will enable generations of students to enjoy sports in a weather-proof environment.

ALFRED STATION--The Alfred Town Board, meeting at the Town Highway Building Thursday night, Jan. 10, agreed....



Bill Burger of Holdsworth Klimowski.

OBITUARIES

JOHN CLIFFORD ATWELL

Welder for 38 years

ANDOVER—John Clifford Atwell, 78, of Andover, passed away Monday (Jan. 7, 2013) at home, surrounded by family.

Mr. Atwell was born on June 19, 1934, in Genesee, PA., to Charles Wilmer and Margaret (Green) Atwell. He served in the U.S. Marines from 1950-54. On Aug. 1, 1952, in Andover, he married Dorris Virginia Burdick, who survives.

John worked as a welder for Air Preheater in Wellsville for 38 years until his retirement in 1995.

In addition to his wife of 60 years, John is survived by two daughters, Victoria Louise Atwell of Lakewood, CO, and Ruth Angela Edwards of Greenville, SC; one son, John Henry (Doreen) Atwell of Long Beach, MS; two sisters, Bernice Lounsberry of Greenwood, and Virginia Thompson of St. Petersburg, FL; seven grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was predeceased by a brother, Paul W. Atwell, and a sister, Ruth E. Atwell.

John was an avid hunter and fisherman. He loved camping and travelling with his family. He enjoyed the simple pleasures of life and devoted himself to the needs of his wife and family.

There will be no prior visitation. A private memorial service will be held by the family.

Arrangements were under the direction of Baker-Swan Funeral Home in Andover. Online condolences may be offered at www.baker-swan.com.

ETHEL MAE KELLEY

Had been bookkeeper at AU, Andover Central School

BROOKSVILLE, FL—Mrs. Ethel Mae Kelley, 89, formerly of Andover, passed away on Wednesday (Jan. 2, 2013) under the care of HPH Hospice Care Center in Brooksville, FL.

Mrs. Kelley was born in Hornell on Aug. 2, 1923, the daughter of Floyd and Eva (Manning) Crowner. She was a 1941 graduate of Andover Central School. On Dec. 3, 1947, she married Fred Charles Kelley, Sr., who predeceased her on March 14, 2009.

Ethel was a bookkeeper for the Andover Central School District for 18 years until her retire-

ment in 1986. Previously, she worked for Alfred University, also as a bookkeeper, for 12 years.

She will be deeply missed by daughters, Rebecca A. (Leon Robert) Fanton of Wellsville, and Nora L. Sample of Brooksville, FL, and son, Fred C. (Tracy) Kelley Jr. of Wellsville. She is also survived by a sister, Norma (Gene) Cedruhy of Wellsville, who she loved dearly. Additionally, she is survived by nine grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Ethel enjoyed painting and reading books. She was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Order of Eastern Star. She loved to stay in touch via the internet with her family and friends, separated by distance, but held close in her heart.

A memorial service will be held later this spring and will be announced by the family. Burial will follow in Hornell Rural Cemetery.

Memorial contributions in Ethel's name may be made to: HCH Sturgill Hospice Care Center 12242 Cortez Blvd. Brooksville, FL 34613, or to Hart Comfort House, 141 East State St., Wellsville, NY 14895.

Arrangements are under the direction of Baker-Swan Funeral Home in Andover. Online condolences may be offered at www.baker-swan.com.



JUDY K. (CLARK) PIERCE

A truly selfless woman

CANISTEO—Judy K. (Clark) Pierce, 68, of 34 Stephens St., Canisteo, entered into rest Monday, Jan. 7, 2013, after her lifelong devotion to her husband, children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Judy will be greatly missed by

all who knew her. A truly selfless woman, whose love and kindness for her family was her only priority, is finally at rest with her Lord in Heaven.

Born in Wellsville, Nov. 20, 1944, the daughter of Russell and Mable Young Clark, she had resided in Canisteo most of her life. She was a graduate of Canisteo Central School and had been employed in her early life at the *Evening Tribune*, as well as Radio WLEA and as a salesclerk at the former Ben Franklin Store in Canisteo. She later became a sales representative for Avon Products, serving Canisteo and the surrounding areas for several years.

She is survived by her husband, Lewis Pierce, to whom she was married on Feb. 16, 1968; two daughters, Julie Anne (Edgar) Driver of Georgia and Sheila K. Steiner of Hornell; one son, Russell (Jodie) Pierce of Canisteo; one brother, LaVern (Priscilla) Clark of Alfred Station; nine grandchildren, Kaitlyn Smith, Lewis Smith, Emily Irwin, Aiden Driver, Dalton Steiner, Kiehlen Steiner, Shantalle Pierce, Stephen Pierce, and Allison Pierce, four great-grandchildren, Colby Mixon, Jaxson Mixon, Serenity Irwin and Brantley Irwin; and several nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her parents; and one brother, Bert Clark.

The family received friends from 2-4 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 9 at the Brown & Powers Funeral Home, 6 Spruce St., Canisteo, where funeral services were held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 10 with Rev. Donald Maynard officiating. Burial was in Hillside Cemetery, Canisteo.

To send a remembrance to the family or to light a candle in Judy's memory, please visit www.brownpowersfuneralhomes.com. Gerald R. Brown, director is assisting the family.

Friends may make memorial contributions to the American Cancer Society, 1400 Winton Road North, Rochester, NY 14609; to the American Heart Association, P.O. Box 417005, Boston, MA 02241; or to the American Diabetes Association, 6390 Fly Road, East Syracuse, NY 13057.

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Ithaca area banker to speak Jan. 23 on gas leases, residential mortgages

ALMOND—The group Citizens Concerned About Fracking is sponsoring a third educational forum in a continuing series designed to inform area residents about issues surrounding unconventional gas drilling.

Greg May, Vice President of Residential Mortgages at Tompkins County Trust in Ithaca, will give a presentation on "Gas Leases and Residential Mortgages" at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 23 at the Almond Municipal Building located at 1 Marvin Lane in Almond. There will be time for questions and answers.

Mr. May has over 40 years of experience in the mortgage field and will address the impact of gas and oil leases on residential mortgage lending, which home and landowners should be aware of.

There have been numerous questions and concerns of how gas leases might affect property values and whether they follow mortgage rules. Conflicts between gas leases and mortgage rules could result in difficulties in obtaining a home loan, refinancing and with mortgage defaults.

The public is encouraged to attend.

Alfred As It Was

Remembering Alfred of Years Gone By

By DONALD POLAN

Working with the Watsons

I thought that I would tell you a little about me and the Watsons.

When I was 15, right after I quit delivering newspapers (the *Hornell Evening Tribune*), I began working for Dr. Lloyd Watson on Sundays that Spring and then six days a week - Sunday through Friday that summer and the following summer.

I was the "gofer" - did all the little things that needed to be done.

Dave Clarke and Ruth Rogers worked with the experiments on the bees with Dr. Watson each summer. I mowed the lawn, hoed the garden - he had a couple acres including about one acre of sweet corn. On Mondays I hung out Mrs. Watson's laundry in mid-morning and retrieved it when dry.

She was extremely allergic to bee stings and did not go outside to do any work during the daylight hours while the bees were active. She had a syringe, needle and adrenaline in the house at all times, should she get stung.

Dr. Watson, when stung, got no reaction (little red puncture marks) even if he received 30 or 40 stings in a day when he had to work changing hive units. If I got stung up to 20 times, nothing happened, but if I received more than that, all the sting sites would swell. Only rarely did I get that many.

My primary apiary job was to extract honey from the large honey comb frames from the hives, using a steam knife to cut through the caps of the individual cells, putting the frames in the hand turned centrifuge to do the extraction, drained the honey into 5-gallon tins for storage.

Various types of honey were kept separate. If there were two types of honey in a frame as sometimes happened, only one type was uncovered with the steam knife at a time and the second was uncapped later and centrifuged later after draining the centrifuge. The colors of the honey determined if there were more than one type of honey present in a frame.

When working in the garden one day, I disrupted a bumble bee nest on the ground and was stung by one of the bumble bees

on my left hand. Within one hour my hand was swollen and I put ice on it for quite a while and, by the time I went home that evening, my arm was swollen to the shoulder. I did nothing about it and, by the next morning, all the swelling was gone and I went back to work.

One Friday morning I was hanging some blankets on the line to air for Mrs. Watson. As the line was high, I stood on a step ladder to reach the line. While on the ladder, I was in the flight path of a bee returning to its hive. The bee struck me just below my left eye in that soft tissue.

A honey bee leaves its stinger in the skin with the formic acid sac attached. Removing the stinger usually means do NOT squeeze the sac - I had no choice as I had to get it out. I went in and told Mrs. Watson what had happened and kept on working for the rest of the day. Went home, ate supper, thought nothing about it and went to bed.

The next morning I had the darkest, biggest black eye anyone could have and my left eye was swollen shut. My parents, Gen and I went to church that Sabbath morning. The Watsons always sat in the pew just in front of the pew in which my parents sat. The Watsons arrived, she saw my face and became very upset. I assured her that I was fine, it did not hurt - just looked bad.

ALFRED Weather for the Week

January 1-14

Jan.	Hi	Lo	Precip.	Snow
1	36	16	0.01"	0.2"
2	28	15	0.05"	1.0"
3	30	17	0.02"	0.6"
4	27	17	0.03"	0.8"
5	37	25	0	
6	35	21	Trace	Trace
7	35	27	0.02"	0.4"
8	34	16	0	
9	42	13	0	
10	48	15	0	
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12	42	34	0.05"	
13	52	35	Trace	
14	60	37	0.03"	

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KATE, ELSPETH and MARK CUSHING (from left) will entertain guests at the Fourth Annual Robert Burns Dinner at the Andover Presbyterian Church at 6 p.m. Friday, Jan. 25.

Cushing Family to entertain at Andover's Fourth Annual Robert Burns Dinner Jan. 25

ANDOVER—The Cushing Family, Celtic musicians Mark, Kate and Elspeth, will entertain guests at the Fourth Annual Robert Burns Dinner at the Andover Presbyterian Church on Friday, Jan. 25.

Mark Cushing began his career as a bagpiper locally with the Allegany Highlanders bagpipe band in the 1970s. He is now a recognized expert teacher, bagpipe maker and competition judge. His wife Kate plays Celtic harp and accordion in addition to bagpipes. Their daughter Elspeth sings with the ensemble and plays penny whistle.

Lads and lassies in Andover will join in a celebration of the memory of 18th century Scottish Poet Robert Burns. In Scotland and among Scottish Diaspora all around the world, the tradition of

a "Burns Dinner" or supper has been repeated thousands of times for over two hundred years in every corner of the world.

While other nations celebrate kings, politicians and warriors as their greatest heroes, the Scots are the only people who annually make a holiday of the birthday of their national bard, Jan. 25.

Local Scots will follow tradition of beginning a "Burns Supper" with an appetizer of haggis and 'neeps (turnips), which will be ceremoniously processed into the dining room of the Andover Presbyterian Church by a kilted bagpiper.

The act of serving this sausage like delicacy of ground lamb parts, oatmeal and onions is accompanied by Burns classic poem, "Address to a Haggis" which praises the "Great chief-

tain of the pudding race."

The dinner that follows will consist of such Scottish favorites as Cock-a-Leekie soup, locally raised Highland beef, colcannon and dessert of berry fool and shortbread.

Burns dinners are an occasion for toasts, jokes, music and fellowship. And will also include some readings and commentary about the "immortal bard" by Dr. John Hunter, our local Burns scholar. The evening will begin with a social hour at 6 p.m. with the piping of the haggis and meal to be served at 7 p.m. Reservations for the Fourth Annual Andover Robert Burns Night may be made at Walker Metalsmiths on Main Street in Andover, or by calling 607-467-8567. The cost is \$20 per person.

Alfred Town Board gets organized

By DAVID L. SNYDER

Editor, Publisher & Janitor

ALFRED STATION--The Alfred Town Board, with two councilpersons absent, held its 2012 year-end meeting and 2013 organizational meeting beginning at 7:25 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 3 at the Town Highway Building.

Town Supervisor Tom Mansfield called the meeting to order and led the reciting of the Pledge to the Flag. Councilpersons Mary Stearns and Jerry Snyder were unable to attend.

At the brief year-end meeting, budget transfers were approved for 2012. The Town still is waiting to be reimbursed with FEMA

funds for reconstruction of Sibley Road where it meets State Route 21 and crosses the railroad tracks. The FEMA money is expected after Highway Superintendent Jamie Mansfield has a final meeting with a FEMA official this week.

During the organizational meeting, Councilman Donn Lang moved and Fion MacCrea seconded the motion to make the following appointments for 2013, with the motion carrying 3-0:

--Dog Control Officer, George and Julia Ormsby.

--Town Attorney, Michael Finn.

--Town Historian, Doug

Clarke.

--Codes Enforcement Officer/Zoning Inspector, Steve Kilmer.

--Planning Board, a five-year term expiring Dec. 31, 2017 remains vacant, with the resignation of William MacCrea, effective Dec. 31, 2012.

--Planning Board Chairman, the Planning Board will be asked to select its own chair.

The Town Board also voted 3-0 to:

...set 7 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month as its official monthly meeting time.

...name Community Bank of Alfred and Steuben Trust Company's Alfred and Hornell branches as official banks.

...NAME The Evening Tribune and The Alfred Sun as official newspapers.

Town Supervisor Tom Mansfield established the following board committees for 2013:

• Highway--Donn Lang and Tom Mansfield.

• Planning--Fion MacCrea and Mary Stearns.

• Financial--Mary Stearns and Tom Mansfield.

• Hydrofracking--Jerry Snyder.

• Union Negotiations--Tom Mansfield and Jerry Snyder.

The Town Board also voted 3-0 to adopt the Inter-Municipal Mutual Aid Agreement.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Scene About Alfred

A weekly photo feature
By SHERRY VOLK
Alfred Sun Columnist



I've sent a photo similar to this before. I still marvel at the comfort of our winter-warm homes when the weather outside is producing icicles. My phalaenopsis orchid is quite happy in my kitchen window, while winter winds howl outside.

SUNNY SIDE UP

By ELLEN SHULTZ
Alfred Sun Columnist



'National Pie Day' should be a week...

January 23rd is National Pie Day. Why pie doesn't get a whole month of homage, or at least a week, I don't know. It's certainly popular enough in all its forms.

Evidence of early pies was discovered in the drawings on the tomb walls of the Egyptian Neolithic period or New Stone Age. They appeared to be wraps of ground oats, wheat, rye or barley around a honey filling. Proof that they developed into sweet pastry wrappings can be found on the tomb walls of Pharaoh Ramesses II, who ruled from 1304-1237 BC. Many recipes for apple pie can be found in our old colonial cookbooks.

Here's a dandy of a recipe for apple pie with a surprising twist. It is from a book called *Home Cookin' Is a Family Affair*, published in Illinois.

Topsy Turvy Pecan Apple Pie

½ stick butter, softened
6 C. apples, sliced, mixed with
Pecan halves
½ c. sugar and sprinkles of
2/3 c. brown sugar, packed
apple pie seasonings (flour,
2 crust pastry
cinnamon, nutmeg)

Smooth butter around sides and bottom of pie pan. Stick pecans in butter, then press brown sugar evenly over pecans. Put on one layer of crust extending about an inch beyond edge of pan. Add apple mixture next, and then top crust. Lap extended crust over top crust and flute edges. Prick top with fork. Bake 10 minutes at 450 degrees, then reduce heat to 350 degrees and continue baking 30-45 minutes or until done. Flip upside down to serve.

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FROM THE DESK OF DAVID PULLEN

By DAVID PULLEN
Allegany County Legislator

ANOTHER BAD IDEA FROM NYS

Last week Governor Cuomo and Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver proposed a new law requiring early voting in New York State. Both touted this as an important reform to the voting process. Their plan would require 14 days of "early voting" before the annual November general election. It would also require 7 days of early voting before other elections, including primaries. Allegany County would be required to have 5 regional "early voting" sites. Voters from any of our 34 polling districts could vote at any of those 5 regional locations.

Here is a preliminary analysis of the financial impact this proposed law upon our County Board of Elections ("BOE"):

- Each regional polling site must be staffed by at least 4 election inspectors for 12 hours daily for the required 14 days.
- At a rate of \$10/hour each polling site would cost the County BOE at least \$480 per day, or \$6,720 per general election. For 5 regional voting sites the total cost would be at least \$33,600.
- Each polling site must be provided with "poll books" for each of the 34 regular polling places in Allegany County. Poll books cost the BOE about \$500 each. They contain the names and addresses of every registered voter for each voting district. They are essential in discovering and preventing voter fraud.

- The cost for 34 poll books at \$500 each will be \$17,000. For 5 regional polling sites that totals \$85,000.
- The BOE must print ballots and make them available at each of the 5 regional polling sites, for every one of the 34 regular polling places in the County. The ballots required for the State mandated electronic voting machines cost more than \$0.50 each.

- If the BOE provides each regional polling place with 200 ballots for each of the 34 polling places that would calculate to 6,800 ballots at a cost of \$3,400 per site. The cost for all 5 regional polling sites that would exceed \$17,000.
- The BOE staff consists of the 2 Election Commissioners (part-time) and 2 Deputy Election Commissioners. In addition, Election Inspectors have historically been hired to work on Election Day. If enacted, this new law will require the BOE to hire Inspectors for an additional 14 days for each general election. It will be necessary to find numerous new Inspectors and to train them to operate our new electronic machines. I have no idea what that will cost, but it won't be cheap.

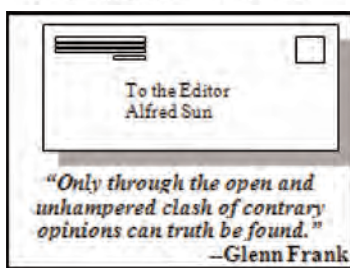
- It will be necessary for someone to go through the poll books to verify that no one has voted more than once. I have no idea how that will be done, or what the expense for that screening will be.

By my calculation the minimum expense to the taxpayers of Allegany County to implement the proposed early voting procedures for each general election will exceed \$135,000, or about 0.5% of our total tax levy. The additional costs for other elections and primaries would be in addition to this expense.

Is this really the best use of our scarce tax resources? I don't think so. This is a "one size fits all" solution from arrogant State politicians who don't know our circumstances or understand our needs. Each local community should be allowed to decide what it needs. If a community thinks this is important it should be free to implement it. If it has other more pressing needs (like for roads and bridges) it should be free to reject the early voting "solution" to a "non-problem." There are also other cheaper alternatives that should be considered. Some western states have completely eliminated traditional polling places. They now use absentee ballots for all voting. That could be done for a fraction of our current cost, and save all of the costs listed above. This is simply another state mandate. We don't need it, and cannot afford it.



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Taking Comptrol of Our Mother Tompgue

Who knew that comptroller was not said "comp"troller, but rather "con"troller instead? I just thought that the idiots saying "controller" must all have had rocks in their head.

I now must admit, though, that I, like a numbskull, pronounced the first syllable "ompt" Without stopping to check Elocution Department Procedures for hints – or a prompt.

Cuz "comptroller", you see, is derived from the ancient word "compt", which, y'know, 's pronounced "count", And strangely enough means "enumerate ciphers and tally a total amount."

That's right: "count."

The fancier spelling's a hypercorrection, as anyone smart ought to know; It's baffling, really, that well over half of the people I know are so slow.

I could say the "idiots" won out this time, using simple majority-rule, But instead I'll admit that I fell for this "con", and resolve to be less of a fool.

Yup, the way it turns out, then, is I'm "semi-literate", saying the "m" and the "p"; To whom I've offended, pronouncing it wrongly, I'm sorry...so please pardomp me.

—Anomp A. Mouse

County residents get scholarships to Alfred State

ALFRED—Five Allegany County residents have each been awarded "Excellence in Education Scholarships," worth approximately \$16,700 per year, to attend Alfred State. They include:

Chelsea Clark of Houghton; Clark is slated to graduate in 2013 from Cuba-Rushford Central School and intends to enroll in the veterinary technology program.

Nate Coble of Angelica; Coble is slated to graduate in 2013 from Genesee Valley Central School and intends to enroll in the sport management program.

Chris Cook of Almond; Cook is slated to graduate in 2013 from Alfred-Almond Central School and intends to enroll in the engineering science program.

Sheyenne Hooker of Angelica; Hooker is slated to graduate in 2013 from Genesee Valley Central School and intends to enroll in the accounting program.

Mason James of Cuba; James is slated to graduate in 2013 from Cuba-Rushford Central School and intends to enroll in the mechanical engineering technology program.

Also awarded scholarships to Alfred State were:

Tamara Schweigart of Wellsville, approximately \$4,500 per year for the "All-American Scholarship." Schweigart is slated to graduate in 2013 from Wellsville High School and intends to enroll in the undeclared major program.

Hannah Fanton of Wellsville and MacKenzie Wilson of Belmont, each awarded a \$1,000 per year "Educational Foundation Academic Distinction Scholarship." Fanton is slated to graduate in 2013 from Wellsville High School and intends to enroll in the culinary arts: baking, production and management program. Wilson is slated to graduate in 2013 from Wellsville High School and intends to enroll in the surveying engineering technology program.

Ian Flurschutz and Elizabeth Hart, both of Wellsville, were each awarded a \$500 per year Alumni Scholarship. Flurschutz is slated to graduate in 2013 from Wellsville High School and intends to enroll in the heavy equipment, truck & diesel technician program. Hart is slated to graduate in 2013 from Wellsville High School and intends to enroll in the interior design program.

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A-A Talent Showcase brightens dark winter days

By **SHERRY VOLK**

Alfred Sun Reporter

ALMOND—Alfred-Almond C.S. high school auditorium was the scene, Saturday evening, January 12, of the Alfred-Almond Showcase of Talent.

Stage-managed by Rein Mason and Janna Buckwalter, directed by Brooke Harris, and hosted by Steve Crandall and Bob Volk, the event brightened these deep, dark days of winter. Popular local band, Tuesday,

Tuesday opened the show with two delightful numbers, followed by storyteller Luan Ellis and vocalist Kaleigh Kenney. Beverly Snyder performed an original number, accompanying herself on the guitar, followed

by a rendition of The Who's on First (not the familiar Abbott and Costello one), by Steve and Bob, who also sang later in the program.

Bagpiper Alec MacCrea stirred us with his skirling, followed by Peter O'Connor, who sang to his own piano accompaniment. To the great delight of the audience Bev (Senior) and Harold Snyder danced, wowing us with their light-footed twirling and swirling.

Singer David Odle accompanied himself on guitar, followed

by the Alfred Volunteer Choir Company, directed and accompanied by Laurel Buckwalter. Finally, the Alfred Station Seventh Day Baptist Chime Choir, directed by Luan Ellis, charmed (and chimed) the audience with two lovely numbers.

The ticket for admission was a contribution to the Alfred Station and Almond Food Pantries. Four totes of food were collected. There were also generous cash donations for the same cause.



LEAH CROSBY (pictured above from left), Jonathan Mix and Zac Edwards comprise the popular local group "Tuesday, Tuesday," that performed Saturday night in Alfred Community Theatre's inaugural "Alfred-Almond Showcase of Talent." At right, Janna Buckwalter (from left) served as stage manager, Brooke Harris directed and Bob Volk served as co-host with Steve Crandall for the event that featured ten acts, interspersed with the co-hosts' tomfoolery, performances, and one joke that fell flat, nevertheless garnering a standing ovation from the director (and script writer). (Photos by Sherry Volk)



SALLY BARRIS

Sally Barris to perform at Creative Arts Center

WELLSVILLE—Sally Barris will perform at 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 25 at the Wellsville Creative Arts Center. Advanced tickets are \$14 or \$16 at the door. Members save an additional \$2. Tickets may be purchased online at www.WellsvilleCreativeArtsCenter.com or at the Art Center Coffee House. For more information visit the website or call (585) 593-3000.

Sally Barris is an A-list Nashville songwriter who has had songs covered by such top-level artists as Kathy Mattea, Martina McBride and Lee Ann Womack. Her song "Let The Wind Chase You," recorded by Trisha Yearwood and Keith Urban, received a Grammy nomination for vocal collaboration in 2009. While her writing credits mightily impress, fans and peers are most captivated by her bright spirit and expressive mountain soprano.

Dirty Linen says, "Barris knows how to write lyrics that are as forthright as a stream of clear water and how to support them with melodies that share that quality."

Reminiscent of Claire Lynch and Aoife O'Donovan, her current CD Restless Soul is a testament to Sally's love for Celtic music, with both Celtic and English folk music influences turning up in her songwriting. In the last 2 years, the Minnesota native has performed Mountain Stage, New Bedford Summer Fest and the Kerrville Folk Festival. She is also a member of the The Waymores, with Don Henry and Tom Kimmel.

For more information, visit: www.WellsvilleCreativeArtsCenter.com

Some Winter Gardening Tips

By **LYN CHIMERA**
CCE Master Gardener
And **COLLEEN CAVAGNA**
Community Educator

I'm sitting here writing this with the doors and windows open. It feels like spring, but I am sure we know better! This January thaw was perfect for getting some last minute chores done in the garden. I spent some time spreading the conifer branches I had been gathering from discarded trees.

There are a few other things you might want to check on now that the snow is not three feet deep:

- Check any deer or rabbit barriers you have up. We discovered a few places that needed some staple gun repair.

- If you haven't gotten any deer or rabbit fencing and you have problems with these critters, it's not too late to put something up.

- In my experience the heavy weight deer mesh is more resilient. It's more expensive, but our deer have learned to push through the lighter weight mesh, much to my dismay.

- This is the season for garden and plant catalogues. They are a wealth of information about the growing needs of plants. If you are thinking of adding any plants, trees or shrubs check them out in the catalogues and see if they meet the growing conditions you have.

- We have such wonderful nurseries in the area that most of the plants you see in catalogues are available locally, at reasonable prices and no shipping charge! If there is an unusual plant you'd like, check with your local nursery to see if they will be carrying

it.

- This is a great time to plot out on paper this year's flower and vegetable gardens. Be sure to look at previous years plans so you make you are you are rotating your crops. This reduces the severity of pests and disease problems.

- If you are going to order seeds, you should get your orders in soon so they arrive in plenty of time to start them early in your house.

Don't forget to get outside and

just enjoy the beauty of our stark winter landscape. While gardeners love green growing plants, winter has its wonders too. If you miss seeing green during this time of year, take a walk near a stream and you may find mints and touch-me-nots as well as ferns still growing on the edges of the water or banks. It can be quite a contrast from the white and gray landscape. The tenacity of our local plants can be truly breathtaking.

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BANDS/DJs/RECITALS

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

Black-Eyed Susan Acoustic Cafe 22 West Main St., Angelica. Open every day for lunch, dinner and live acoustic music on week-ends; now serving breakfast—call for details. **Acoustic Open Mic Night** 1st Thursday of month 7-10 pm. Café opens early for dinner, espresso, wine & beer, Scrabble & chess. **Music Schedule:** Friday, Jan. 25—HooP; Saturday, Jan. 26—Neptune's Car (Holly Hanson and Steve Hayes); Saturday, Feb. 2—JAVA (Vern Lindberg, Alex Shukoff, Jeff Chisasson); Saturday, Feb. 9—Allan Howe and Tom McClure (swing, jazz, pop, Great American Songbook); Friday, Feb. 22—Pat Kane (songwriter, Irish and American, traditional and modern); Saturday, Feb. 23—Kaeli Anne Moriah (vintage pop/jazz standards); Friday, March 1—Bethel Steele (songwriter, country, alternative folk). Music begins at 7:30 p.m. Café open 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. for meals, espresso, beer, wine, desserts. Black-Eyed Susan Acoustic Café, 22 W. Main St., Angelica. Call 585-466-3399 or visit black-eyed-susan.com

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

Maple City Bowl, 7580 Seneca Road, Hornell. DJ/Karaoke every Friday Night 9 pm-1 a.m.; Saturday night bands from 9 pm-1 a.m. For updates, check

www.maplecitbowl.net
Or call 607-324-1011.

Wellsville Creative Arts Center offers live music most Saturday evenings with performances beginning at 8 p.m., doors opening at 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 12—Stone Row; Friday, Jan. 25—Sally Barris; Saturday, Feb. 2—MIZ; Saturday, Feb. 9—Joe Crookston; Saturday, Feb. 16—Yarn; Saturday, Feb. 23—The Blind Owl Band; Friday, March 8—The Steel Wheels; Saturday, March 16—Burns & Kristy; Saturday, March 23—Farewell Drifters; Saturday, March 30—Driftwood; Saturday, April 27—Nora Jane Struthers & The Party Line; Friday, May 3—Big Leg Emma; Saturday, May 11—Lustre Kings. For tickets, visit: www.WellsvilleCreativeArts-Center.com or call 585-593-3000.

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

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

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

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

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

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

visit: www.WellsvilleCreativeArts-Center.com or call 585-593-3000.

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

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



Theater
& Dance

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

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

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

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

Alleluia School of Dance offers classes in Houghton and Wellsville. Classical ballet and liturgical dance. All ages and ability levels. For more information or to register for classes, contact Director Rebecca Moore at 585-587-2079.

Let's Dance Club offers occasional dances. Five dances are scheduled Sundays from 2-5 pm at Arkport American Legion:

Nov. 25, Jan. 27, Feb. 24 and March 24. For more information, contact presidents George and Carole Onoda at (607) 276-5475, vice-presidents John and Dee Cwynar at (607) 324-0373, secretaries Duffy and Barb Elsenheimer at (607) 295-7194, treasurers Charlie and Kathy Bill at (607) 295-7130, or band coordinators Doug and Melody Carrier at (607) 324-5821.

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

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

PERFORMANCES
Alfred Community Theatre presents "The Alfred-Almond Showcase of Talent" at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 12 at A.A.C.S. high school auditorium. Admission: a non-perishable donation of food (or donation) to benefit Alfred and Almond Food Pantries. Steve Crandall and Bob Volk co-host an evening showcasing area talent such as the Tuesday Tuesdays (second place in a national garage band competition), bagpipes, The Alfred Volunteer Choir Company, Peter O'Connor, Luan Ellis and more! Plan to attend. Bring the entire family. Bring your neighbors. Bring your non-perishable donations...but please, leave the cans of green beans and Ramen noodles home, lest they unit and disrupt a perfectly entertaining evening.

Art/
Galleries
INSTRUCTION/GROUPS

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Hagadorn House Museum Operated by Almond Historical Society. Genealogical research available Friday afternoons.

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

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

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

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

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NOTES from the BOX OF BOOKS

By ELIZA ORDWAY
Box of Books Library Director

The Box of Books will welcome back our work study students next week. Sunday hours resume Sunday, Jan. 27 from 12-4. There are many changes happening here at the Box of Books; the ePLACE grant has ended and Mandy is slowly weaning us of her services, Rima is learning to add the tasks of daily library life along with being the Technology Coordinator, our board is now under the leadership of John Hosford with Ellen Ehrig stepping down and we have four new board members. There are lots of new ideas swimming around here and new faces to get to know.

I personally offer huge thank you to Ellen Ehrig for all her fantastic leadership the past years and to John for stepping in to her big shoes. Thank you isn't a strong enough word for Mandy and all of her great services offered to myself and the public; she will be greatly missed by all. With all that said, ePLACE services will continue with limited hours and with Rima at the helm of training. I look forward to watching the community continue to learn about the latest and greatest technology. Rima is at the Library Monday 10-6, Wednesday 10-4 and Thursday 12-6. It is best to make an appointment with her since she is now pulling double duty at the desk.

COMING EVENTS:
Friday, Jan. 18 at 11 am; Mother Goose on the Loose Returns!
Saturday, Jan. 19 at 12 noon; As Seen on Pinterest: Adult Program, we will be making valentines and possibly a snack.
Monday, Jan. 21 at 1 pm; I Have a Dream Quilt: All ages. To remember Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. we'll make paper quilt squares to assemble into a large quilt of dreams to be displayed at the library.
Thursday, Jan. 24 at 4 pm; Bookworms continue Mythology; Maze making. Registration strongly encouraged.

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Mather Homestead Museum. 343 Main St., Wellsville. Open 2-5 pm Wed. & Sat. or by appt. (Free) Call 716-593-1636.

National Warplane Museum. Off I-86 in Big Flats. Call 607-739-8200 or stop by the museum for more information.

Rockwell Museum. 111 Cedar St., Corning. Largest American Western Art collection on view in the eastern United States, with paintings, sculpture, Native American artifacts, and firearms. Info 607-937-5386.

Terra Cotta Museum. Main St., Alfred. Open on special occasions or by appointment, call 587-8358.



Lectures/Readings

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

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

Baker's Bridge Historical Association. Meets 7:30 p.m. third Monday of each month, Sept.-April in the Meeting House, 5971 Hamilton Hill Road, Alfred Station. Nov. 19--History of the Genesee River with John Babbitt; Dec. 10--Dish-

to-pass Dinner at 6:30 p.m. at Alfred Station SDB Church with "History of the Alfred Sun" with David Snyder at 7:30 p.m.; Jan. 21--Sustainability Program at Alfred State College with Tom Kacalski; Feb. 18--Barns, Silos and Outhouses of Allegany County with Craig Braack; March 18--American Chestnut Trees with Steve Jakobi; April 15--Mary Jemison's Story with Kay Bennett & Bill Heaney; May--Field Trip. For more information, call President Laurie McFadden, 587-9493. To tour building and/or view exhibits, call Historian Susan Greene at 587-9488. Visit: www.bakersbridge.org

Bergren Forum. 12:10 p.m. Thursdays, Nevins Theater, Powell Campus Center, AU campus. Bring a brown bag lunch; coffee & tea available. Fall Semester 2012 Schedule: Nov. 1--Gary Ostrower "Election 2012"; Nov. 8--Luanne Crosby "The Arts and Literature of Senegal"; Nov. 15--James Rummel, DO "Do you D.O.? Osteopathic Medicine?"; Nov. 22--Thanksgiving; Nov. 29--Chris Churchill "Fascist Influences in the History of Ideas" and Dec. 6--Emrys Westacott "The Philosophy of Frugality."

Hornell Fortnightly Club. 7:30 pm second Thursday of each month during academic year, Hornell High School Library. Membership dues \$12/single, \$18/family. Mail to: Donald Doster, 191 Hornell St., Hornell, NY 14843.

Maple City Garden Club. Monthly potluck lunch second Wednesday at Sawyer St. Court, Hornell (unless otherwise noted) at 12 noon. Program follows: Jan. 9--"Shade Lovers, the Wild and the Tame" with Mary Lu Wells. Feb. 13--"Plant Offerings and Colors for 2013" with Valerie Holler of Bennett's Greenhouse. March 13--"The Use of Native Plants in Residential Landscapes" with Pauline Bourn, Regional Landscape Architect at DOT. April 10--"Saving Seeds" with Brigitte Reynolds of Quest Farm, and Sandy Dygert. May 8--Plant auction and planning the 2013-2014 program. June 12--Field Trip to Quest Farm to hear Tom McDowell's talk and display of his honey bees after a noon lunch at Mulheissen's. For info, call Zoë

Coombs at 587-8031.

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



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6:15 p.m.--M,V Wrestling vs. Arkport
V/M Skiing at Swain
Friday, Jan. 18
5:45 & 7:15 p.m.--Girls JV/V Basketball vs. Jasper-Troupsburg
Saturday, Jan. 19
V/M Skiing at Swain
V Wrestling at BOB Tourney, Williamson, 10 a.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 22
5:45 & 7:15 p.m.--Girls JV/V Basketball vs. Genesee Valley
Girls M Basketball at Arkport
5:30 p.m.--M,V Swimming at Cuba-Rushford
Wednesday, Jan. 23
5:30 p.m.--V/M Skiing at Swain
5:45 & 7:15 p.m.--Boys JV/V Bas-

ketball at Jasper-Troupsburg
5:45 p.m.--M Wrestling at Avoca
Thursday, Jan. 24
6:15 p.m.--V Wrestling at Campbell-Savona
Friday, Jan. 25
5:45 & 7:15 p.m.--Boys JV/V Basketball at Arkport
5:30 p.m.--M Swimming at Campbell-Savona

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Special Events

Alfred Community Theatre presents Alfred-Almond Showcase of Talent, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 12 at AACS high school auditorium. Admission: non-perishable food for Alfred and Almond Food Pantries.

Support Groups

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

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

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

info.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Homeschool Support Group - Allegany-Steuben County LEAH

(Loving Education at Home) meets at 7 p.m. the third Wednesday of the month at the Steere home in Almond. 276-6380.

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

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

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

Etcetera

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

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

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

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WHAT'S COOKIN'?

Allegany County Office for the Aging Meals on Wheels & Luncheon Center Menu Monday, January 21

Martin Luther King Day. No Meals on Wheels or Luncheon Centers.

Tuesday, January 22
Pineapple Tidbits, Beef Stew, Beets, Biscuit, Bread Pudding. Diabetic-Pudding.

Wednesday, January 23
Lemon Lime Salad, Chicken Breast Supreme w/Sauce, Brown Rice, Carrots, Potato Bread, Fresh Fruit.

Thursday, January 24
Mandarin Orange Gelatin, Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy, Mixed Vegetables, Wheat Bread, Apple Crisp, Diabetic-Apple.

Friday, January 25
Applesauce, Scalloped Potatoes & Ham, Tomato Zucchini, Rye Bread, Butterscotch Squares. Diabetic-Peaches. For reservations, call the site coordinator or 585-268-9390 or (toll free 1-866-268-9390) by 2 p.m. on previous day.

ALFRED NUTRITION SITE
Union University Church Center, 12 noon
Call Cindy Berry at 607-281-8794.

Monday--Martin Luther King Day, Site closed.
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Thursday--Lunch at noon.
BELMONT NUTRITION SITE
American Legion Hall, 11:30 a.m.
Call Lila Johnson at 585-268-5380.

Tuesday--Exercises at 10 a.m., lunch at 11:30 a.m. "Inauguration Day."
Thursday--Exercises at 10 a.m., lunch at 11:30 a.m. "Fantasy Festival." Trish Haggerty, Wellsville Manor Care Center.

BOLIVAR NUTRITION SITE
Fire Hall 12 noon
Call Rita Morris at 585-928-2278

Monday--Martin Luther King Day, Site closed.
Wednesday--Exercises at 10:30 a.m., lunch at noon. Blood Pressure Clinic.
Thursday--Lunch at noon. Kim Toot, Office For the Aging.

CANASERAGA NUTRITION SITE
Canaseraga Fire Hall, 12 noon
Call Barb Welch at 607-295-7301.

Tuesday--Exercises at 10:15 a.m., "Winter Tunes," Lunch at 12 noon. Exercises/ Cards at 1 p.m.
Thursday--Exercises at 10:15 a.m., lunch at 12 noon. "Bingo." Exercises at 1 p.m.



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FIFTY YEARS AGO, JANUARY 17, 1963

Now that the Alfred-Almond Central School District Board of Education has a 71 per cent mandate from the district voters to proceed with the school expansion program, the board has settled down to the task of approving building plans, bidding the job and worrying about meeting schedules...

Alfredians—Dr. and Mrs. R.O. Hitchcock accompanied Dr. and Mrs. Robert G. Eisenhardt to Cuba last Thursday evening to attend the dinner meeting of the Allegany County Medical Society... "Kim" Hitchcock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Hitchcock, was a guest of her grandparents, while her brother was a patient at Bethesda Hospital... Eddy Foster was in Syracuse Saturday to attend a meeting of the New York State Forest Owners Association... Ward F. Neeley, boilerman third class, USN, is serving aboard the attack carrier USS Kitty Hawk, which recently visited Hong Kong during its current tour of duty in the Western Pacific. The ship is expected to return to the continental United States early next spring... Mrs. Barbara Palmiter and children of Rochester were recent dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. LaVern Kenyon... Mr. and Mrs. Truman Parish, George Westfall and Miss Eleanor Westfall arrived at Lake Worth, Florida, Jan. 5, where they will remain for several months...

Alfred Station—Mr. and Mrs. Roger Greene and Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Greene and families of Wellsville were Sunday evening dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roswell Greene... Recent dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Pierce were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bond and family of Middlebury Center, Pa., and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Pierce... Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Stuart accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ormsby and sons to Bath, Saturday, to visit Mr. and Mrs. John Northrup... Susan and Stephanie Tucker were Saturday overnight guests of their grandmother, Mrs. Frank Palmer, at Scio... Saturday overnight guests of Kathryn Pierce were Alyce Lewis and Barbara Collett... Eleven young friends helped Ben Palmer III celebrate his birthday at his home last Friday...

The Alfred Station Blue Birds met for the third time at the home of their leader Mrs. Robert Shoup. She is assisted by Mrs. Roger Paulin. The members of the new group are: Amy Wheaton, Susan Drumm, Carol Norton, Kimberly Beckhorn, Darline Shoup, Nancy Giles, and Sandra Patton. We made supply bags made crowns and filled the feeder. Nancy Giles, Scribe.

The officers for 1963 of Kanakadea Chapter No. 626 Order of the Eastern Star were installed Wednesday night in Fraternities Hall by Right Worthy Robert Love. Installing officers were Worthy Gladys Woodruff and Worthy Lillian Cornelius acting as Marshall and assistant Marshall; Edna Whitney, chaplain; Mae Mott, musician, Maureen Soule, warden; and Right Worthy Nathan Tucker, sentinel. Officers installed are: Johanna Beckhorn, worthy matron; Keith Palmiter, worthy patron; Jacqueline Fraser, associate matron; Robert Glover, associate patron; Adele Jefferds, secretary; Alice Bel Aldrich, treasurer; Jean Palmiter, conductress; Vicky Ide, associate conductress; Mary Tucker, trustee 1 year; Phebe Evans, trustee 2 years. Janet Love, chaplain; Lucille Richmond, marshall; June Moland, assistant marshall; Shirley Green, historian; Mae Mott, musician; Marguerite Palmiter, warden; Ruth Glover, sentinel; Betty Shaw, color bearer. Gladys Woodruff, Adah; Edna Carter, Ruth; Marilyn Hoskins, Ester; Betty Allen, Martha... Refreshments were served after the business meeting by hostesses Ruth Glover and Evelyn Lobdell, in the dining room.

Tan-Kii-Ya-Wa Campfire News—We discussed our beads and we figured some of them out. We had a business meeting and elected officers. They are: President, Susan Tucker; vice-president, Lynne Skaggs; secretary, Penny Powers; treasurer, Suzanne Cappadonia; scribe, Laurie Klingensmith. —Secretary, Kim Rounds

Mrs. Bruce Cornwall died Tuesday morning at Jones Memorial Hospital, Wellsville, following a long illness. The body will be at the Davis Funeral Home, Friendship... Survivors include her husband; a son, Howard Jacox of Alfred; a daughter, Mrs. John Fleck (Eloise Jacox) of Elizabethtown, Pa.; six grandchildren and three great grandchildren. Mr. and Mrs. Cornwall were former Alfred residents for a number of years before moving to a new home near Wellsville.

A son was born Jan. 10, 1963 to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Craft, of Fleishmanns. Mrs. Craft is the former Joan Greene, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roswell

Greene.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO, JAN. 21, 1988

The Alfred-Almond and Andover Central School Boards are expected to meet sometime this month to "informally" discuss the possibility of a merger of the two school districts. The A-A board authorized Superintendent Gary Minns back in November to send a letter of inquiry to the Andover board on a possible merger study. While initial reaction by the Andover board was surprise, the board is willing to talk with members of the A-A board. Response in the communities has not been assessed. The A-A board, according to reports, initially suggested looking at a merger as an option should a renovation vote again be rejected by voters, in a referendum scheduled this spring. Should both boards agree to investigating a merger, the state would pay for a feasibility study to determine advantages and disadvantages to each district. One obvious hurdle would be the districts' BOCES contracts. A-A students attend BOCES in Hornell while Andover students attend BOCES in Olean and Belmont. Busing would also be increased because of the 10 miles between the schools...

The Alfred Town Board, after hearing testimony from seven town residents and holding a 50-minute executive session, Jan. 13 reappointed Doug Burdick highway superintendent for 1988 and 1989, by a 3-1-1 vote. Town Council members Ken Snyder, Barbara Bernstein and Supervisor Bob Boyd voted in favor of Burdick's reappointment, while Tom Massara opposed and Don Higgins abstained...

(Photo) Legionnaires Gift Libraries—Copies of the United States Constitution written in braille have been presented to three area libraries by American Legion Post No. 370. Here, Post Commander Karl Grantier presents the copies to library representatives as Duane Dennison, commander of the Allegany County American Legion organization, looks on. Recipients are Barry Lash, director of libraries at Alfred State College; Lana Meissner, university librarian and associate reference librarian at Alfred University; and Virginia Wightman, district media specialist at Alfred-Almond Central School.

Pearl Martin Whitikar, 97, of Almond RD 1, died Thursday, Jan. 14, 1988 at Jones Memorial Hospital in Wellsville. Born Oct. 20, 1890, in Cayuta, she was the daughter of Franklin and Mary Martin. She was married to Edward R. Whitikar, who died in 1956. A graduate of Ithaca High School, she attended Cornell University. She was a member of the Almond Union of Churches for over 60 years. She had been employed for several years as a custodian at Alfred-Almond Central School. Survivors include one daughter, Jean W. Moses, with whom she resided; two grandsons, four great-grandchildren; nieces and nephews...

A son, Daniel Patrick, was born Wednesday, Jan. 13, 1988 to Mr. and Mrs. William McMullen of Farmingdale, NJ at Freehold Area Hospital in Freehold, NJ. Maternal grandfather of the infant, who weighed 6 lb. 11 oz. at birth, is Harold Dickinson of Alfred.

Alfredians—During a single week when the students are in town, the Uni-Mart sells 1500 of the ever-popular Uni-Dogs... Mary Lou and Jerry Cartledge welcomed their family home for the holidays, namely Frank and Jenny; from Severn, Maryland, Ellen from State College, PA and Steven from Wyoming, NY... Robert Hitchcock (Alfred) of the Allegany County Board of Legislators will serve on the following committees: Public Works, Real Property Tax Rates Legislation and Workers Compensation and Insurance... Mr. and Mrs. Rod Noel of Norcross, GA were guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Snyder from Dec. 29-Jan. 2... Edward G. Coll Jr., president of Alfred University, was a guest on WLEA-AM radio 1480, Jan. 19... Robert Boyd has been sworn in as Town of Alfred's new Supervisor, Councilmen are Donald Higgins, Barbara Bernstein, Tom Massara and Kenneth Snyder. Janice Higgins is town clerk, registrar of vital statistics and tax collector; Keith Palmiter, town assessor... Nobody's ever insulted by a compliment.

Alfred-Almond's Chris Kull knows when to score his points. His lone field goal of the game couldn't have come at a more opportune moment as A-A scored a 74-71 triple overtime thriller over Jasper-Troupsburg at Hornell Saturday night. Trailing 64-61 with six seconds left in regulation, A-A rebounded a missed free throw, Kull dribbled up court and sunk a three-pointer at the buzzer. Kull's bomb climaxed a rally that saw A-A overcome a 17-point deficit. The Eagles were ahead 14-5 early in the second quarter but saw the Wildcats take

command, opening a 32-17 halftime lead and extending it to 53-38 going into the fourth quarter...

Alfred-Almond's up-and-coming wrestling team captured its own tournament Saturday, held at McLane Center. The Eagles scored 219 ½ points on the strength of five first place finishes. Winners were Heith Weitzel at 98, Lanny Herrick at 105, Jeff Dobson at 119, Ken Porter at 126, and Ian Henderson at 250. A-A also had second place finishes from Gary Ordway at 91, Dan Johnson at 167, E.J. Kenyon at 177 and John Emo at 215...

A-A's Joe Johnson and Bob Woughter were double winners as the Eagles defeated Olean Archbishop Walsh in a non-league swim meet at St. Bonaventure Jan. 15...

TEN YEARS AGO, JANUARY 23, 2003

Alfred University has received State Education Department approval to offer a fourth doctoral degree, this one a Ph.D. in materials science and engineering...

Allegany County Sheriff Randal J. Belmont has announced data for occupancy in the Allegany County Jail in Belmont for January 11-17, 2003. The Allegany County Jail housed between 34 and 41 males with an additional 13 to 17 males housed out to other counties. For the same time period, the Allegany County Jail housed 0 to 1 females with an additional 5 to 6 female inmates housed out to other counties. The total number of inmates that the sheriff is responsible for from Jan. 11-17 ranged from 56 to 62.

Air National Guard Airman Shane T. Grandusky has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas... He is the son of Edward and Denise Grandusky of S. Main St., Almond. Grandusky graduated in 1994 from Alfred-Almond Central School and received a bachelor's degree in 1999 from the State University of New York at Cortland.

Dulcia Brooks entered into life eternal on January 12, 2003. Born January 1, 1907 in Leeds, England to James and Dulcie Hullock, just prior to their immigration to Rochester, NY She was predeceased by her parents, her younger brother, Leonard, and by her husband of forty years, Gerald McKenzie Brooks. She is survived by her son, Galen Brooks, of Alfred, NY, and her daughter and son-in-law, Jean and Arthur (Fritz) Liebert of Webster. She is also survived by three grandchildren, Tricia and Amy Tyo, Crystal Statskey and Lindsey, Kathryn and Jonathan Liebert...

Ryan Yelle, son of Sandy and Ray Yelle of Alfred Station, was awarded the Eagle Scout rank at an Eagle Court of Honor ceremony in October 2002... As part of his requirement, Ryan completed 21 merit badges and a community service project. Ryan is a junior at Alfred-Almond Central School where he is an honor student and is active in soccer, basketball and track.

Kay Chapman of Alfred Staiton and the Craig Mix family of Almond spent Christmas week at the home of son Don Mix and family in Grottoes, VA. They were joined Christmas Day by the Mark Mix family of Fairfax, VA Kay then joined Nelson and Amanda Snyder on a trip to Hickory, NC where they visited Wes and Kim (Gesner) Wheeler. While dining at Olive Garden, they had a chance meeting of Brent Lejeune, son of Leo Lejeune of Hornell. And, on I-81 while enroute to Lancaster, PA Jan. 3, Kay was reading license plates only to see ALFRDSUN vanity plates on a van driven by nephew David Snyder, who was enroute home from Florida... Dale and Linda Butts hosted about 25 members of the Stan and Lydia Butts family Dec. 15 for their family Christmas gathering... The David Snyder family traveled to Florida after Christmas, seeing Peter and Donna Fackler on the road near Sunbury, PA and Don and Emily Ormsby near Harrisburg. In Avon Park, FL they were guests of Ed and Sue Palmer; they lunched with Bob and Ruth Austin in Clearwater, FL; spent two days at Universal Studios Orlando and enroute home, were guests of the Don Mix family in Grottoes, VA. They were joined in Bithlo, FL by Justin Benjamin, Alfred State student and family friend, who accompanied them on their return trip...

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For the Birds...

By BETSY BROOKS
Alfred Sun Columnist



As I write this, we are in Austin, about to head south to Bay City. We have had a week of cold, rainy weather here ... in fact, I just checked the weather in Rochester, and the temperature in Austin right now is only 4 dg warmer than Rochester! And when I think about it, weather has been a factor in the whole trip so far.

We left Alfred on the auspicious date of 12-12-12! We gassed up in Alfred for \$3.92 a gallon; by the time we got to Kentucky the price was down to \$2.98 a gallon which made us very happy campers!

We overnights at several Walmart Supercenters. I have a list right on my laptop of Walmart stores that do not allow overnight parking, so we know where we will be welcome. We spent the third night at Jennings Ferry Campground on the Black Warrior River near Eutaw, Alabama. This is a beautiful Corps of Engineer's campground, where seniors pay half price, which is something many state parks have stopped doing. The birding was excellent and we needed a break from driving, so we decided to stay an extra night.

Early in the morning of our second day there, one of the campground hosts told us that there were tornado watches for our area and that the one in the evening, between 8 and 11 p.m., could be serious. He said if the watch turned into a warning, he would come knock on our RV door so that we could go to the 'chase' which he said was located behind the laundry room in the main bathroom. I figured a 'chase' in a tornado had to mean a safe place, but would they allow Gatsby inside?

I didn't have a lot of time to ponder how we would manage that situation because shortly after the man left, Dick came down with the worst intestinal 'bug' I ever remember him having. When you pump gas three times a day at gas stations along the highway, you pick up every local 'bug' imaginable, without the advantage of hot running water for hand-washing. Dick would be about as welcome in the 'chase' as a rattlesnake in a sauna!

Somehow we got through the night without a tornado and by the next morning, Dick felt half-way human again. We arrived at Fontainebleau State Park just in time for the annual Christmas cookie party. Jessie (my friend from Minnesota) and one of the other hosts at the campground had made dozens of cookies for the gathering. It was good to see old friends again.

Fontainebleau was hit hard by Hurricane Isaac ... some areas along the north shore of Lake Pontchartrain were actually af-

ected more by Isaac than they were by Katrina. Madisonville, to the west of Mandeville, was especially hard hit and most of the state park there (Fairview/Riverside) is still closed for repairs. The flooding caused tons of debris to wash ashore in the marshes. Apparently the marshes were also full of displaced snakes, some of them Water Moccasins, and it was hard to get volunteers to do clean-up work in those conditions. Now I understand why the film crew of "Ender's Game" last winter hired someone just to patrol the grass and beach areas for snakes!

The birds at Fontainebleau were the best ever ... with more Red-headed Woodpeckers than I have ever seen in one place anywhere, probably attracted to the biggest live oak acorn crop I've ever seen, as well as the many nest holes in dying trees. There were Pine Warblers and Yellow-rumped Warblers everywhere along with Ruby-crowned Kinglets, and huge flocks of Chipping Sparrows.

The Mandeville Post Office had not changed one bit. I went in to mail a package on the Friday before Christmas. At first, there were only eight people ahead of me, with two clerks working. But by the time I was almost up to the head of the line, there were 21 other people in line, and only one clerk working.

There was dead silence ... no one complaining or talking. I turned to the woman behind me and quietly said ... 'you know, I write a column for my hometown newspaper and this pre-Christmas post office has already made a column last year and the year before, and it will probably make the next issue!'

The woman laughed and several other people had heard what I'd said, and that unleashed a torrent of comments and chuckles.

The woman in front of me said to the clerk, 'I don't want you to stop what you are doing, but why are you the only clerk on duty?'

At this point, I realized I'd made a mistake because now the clerk patiently answered the question in great detail, while completely halting her work for the customer at the desk.

They had six people scheduled to work, but one was having his lunch (it was 2:30 in the afternoon), one was working in the back, two were out sick, and one was taking care of certified mail.

But, perhaps the sole clerk had a "someone come rescue me because there's a reporter from the *Alfred Sun* out front" emergency button to push, because, just before it was my turn, a second clerk appeared like magic, wishing everyone a Merry Christmas!

We had tornado watches and warnings all Christmas day! A 'waterspout' touched down on

the Causeway between Mandeville and New Orleans. Our weather radio was on most of the day and in the early evening we had another tornado watch. I could watch the progress of the severe weather on my laptop (see photo).

When that watch turned into a warning, we saw several campers leave their RVs and head to the new bathroom. The old bathroom would probably be safer because it is brick and has survived dozens of hurricanes including Katrina and Isaac. We read the information about lying face-down in any nearby ditch, but the one nearest us was filled with water. So, foolishly or not, we stayed put in our RV.

In the morning, the campground was partly flooded and three large tents had blown off the sites they were supposed to be on. Just another day in tornado country! We celebrated our 57th wedding anniversary with a Mexican dinner at Pepe's in nearby Lacombe.

We left Mandeville on December 27, spent a night at Breau Bridge, LA and another at Brenham, TX and arrived in Austin having made only one wrong turn. At Laura's home, on the afternoon before New Year's Day, we did what apparently most of the people in Austin do. We headed to the downtown Whole Foods for lunch and shopped for our New Year's Day feast.

I don't know how many levels there are in the underground parking lot, but I think we checked just about every one before we found a parking spot. But the home-made clam chowder, brisket wraps, Texas potato salad and coleslaw were the best I've ever had. And then came dessert - luscious cheesecake and tiramisu. And that was just lunch!

We have had a week of very chilly weather here, but we had nice walks in some of the dog-friendly parks around Austin, lots of Scrabble games, and great fun being together with Ted, Laura and Joss. Now it is time to head south to Bay City.

Baker's Bridge to meet

ALFRED STATION--The January meeting of Baker's Bridge Association is scheduled to begin at 7:30 pm on Monday, January 21 at the Meeting House at 5971 Hamilton Hill Rd., Alfred Station.

Our speaker will be Thomas Kocalski who will share his views on the importance of local and sustainable vegetable production. Mr. Kocalski will also discuss some of the initiatives that Alfred State College is involved in presently and in the future in the area of sustainability.

If you are interested in this topic or in the history of the area, please join us. For more information on Baker's Bridge Historical Society, visit www.bakersbridge.org.

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DICK AND BETSY BROOKS flank daughter Laura in Austin, Texas.

Caneadea has Allegany County's lone ADA-compliant polling place

ALBANY--Attorney General Eric T. Schneiderman Monday, Jan. 14 announced an agreement with the Allegany County Board of Elections that will help ensure that polling sites meet state and federal accessibility requirements.

The county will undertake steps pursuant to New York State Election Law and Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, which require election officials to provide individuals with disabilities meaningful access to poll sites on Election Day. Pursuant to the agreement, the Board of Elections is required to designate an On-Site Accessibility Coordinator at each polling site across the county, train all poll workers on state and federal accessibility requirements, and work to eliminate architectural barriers that are inconsistent with federal accessibility guidelines.

"The right to vote is one of our most important civil rights and we must remove obstacles preventing voters with disabilities from being able to cast a ballot. Guaranteeing meaningful access to polling places requires that Boards of Elections make physical accessibility a priority," Attorney General Schneiderman said. "The Allegany County Board of Elections has agreed to make polling place accessibility a reality by working with our Office and local officials well before the next elections are held. We look forward to working with other Boards of Elections around the state to undertake similar proactive measures to ensure that all voters can participate in elections conducted in the year ahead."

This agreement is a part of Attorney General Schneiderman's ongoing efforts to ensure that individuals with disabilities have equal access to the ballot box.

Census data indicates that approximately 12% of persons over the age of 18 in Allegany County have disabilities, a figure higher than the statewide average. Barriers at polling sites present significant challenges for persons seeking to access the ballot box and may reduce the rate of voter turnout and participation.

The Attorney General's Office is continuing to work with Boards across the state to enforce the legal obligation to provide accessible polling places and protect fully the right to vote for individuals with disabilities. The Attorney General's office launched its initiative after receiving complaints, photographs and other materials evidencing physical barriers to accessibility at a number of polling sites. The office's review revealed that some sites lacked an accessible entrance; that ramps leading to entryways were sometimes too steep for use by wheelchair users; and some lacked side rails to aid users, particularly in wet or icy weather conditions.

After the Attorney General's Office contacted the Allegany County Board of Elections, the Board enlisted the aid of an expert to survey all polling places in the County for compliance with accessibility guidelines, conveyed results to relevant local officials and is continuing to communicate with localities about ways to ensure compliance with the New York State Election Law and the ADA. The Board has also agreed to identify Election Inspectors at each polling place who, on the day of any election, will be responsible for handling complaints or problems related to accessibility and to train all Election Inspectors on basic accessibility requirements.

This initiative is being handled by Assistant Attorney General Anjana Samant, under the supervision of Civil Rights Bureau Chief Kristen Clarke and Executive Deputy Attorney General for Social Justice Janet Sabel. The Civil Rights Bureau of the Attorney General's Office is committed to protecting the voting rights of all New Yorkers. If you believe that you have experienced voting discrimination, contact the Attorney General's Office at (212) 416-8250, civil.rights@ag.ny.gov or visit www.ag.ny.gov.

A copy of the agreement is posted: www.ag.ny.gov/sites/default/files/press-releases/2013/Allegany%20County%20MOA%20Final.pdf

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Dr. John R. Tyson will preach Jan. 19 at Alfred Station Seventh Day Baptist Church

ALFRED STATION—Your friends and neighbors at the Alfred Station Seventh Day Baptist Church, "A 3-C Church: Connect-Care-Community" invite you to join them for 11 a.m. Sabbath Worship Hour on Sabbath (Saturday) Jan. 19 for Baptist Heritage Sabbath.

The Hymns of John and Charles Wesley have greatly influenced Baptist Life. Dr. John R. Tyson, "a man who knows these hymns inside and out" has graciously consented to stand in the pulpit this Sabbath.

Dr. John R. Tyson was born in Pittsburgh, PA. He first became interested in the hymns of Charles Wesley, as child, when he sang them in the yellow-brick Center Avenue UMC, in Pitcairn,

PA.

While trying his hand at Business Administration as a major at



Grove City College, Tyson experienced a call to ministry and switched to majors in History and Religion. He attended seminary at Asbury Theological Seminary, receiving the M.Div. there. After brief pastorates in Florida and Pennsylvania, he pursued doctoral studies at Drew University, earning the M. Phil. and Ph.D. in Theological and Religious Studies.

Wanting to know more about his own theological heritage, he wrote his Ph.D. dissertation on

"Charles Wesley's Theology of the Cross."

Brother John Tyson has been teaching Church History and United Methodist Studies at Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School in Rochester for the past several years. Prior to that he taught Bible and Theology at Houghton College.

In addition to teaching and mentoring responsibilities, he has authored more than 75 articles and conference papers, as well as having edited or written six books. Among these publications are Charles Wesley on Sanctification (Zondervan, 1986), and Charles Wesley: A Reader (Oxford University Press, 1989). His most recent books are Assist me to Proclaim: The Life and Hymns of Charles Wesley (Eerdmans, 2007) and Faith, Doubt and Courage (Abingdon Press, 2009). Tyson is currently completing a popular introduction to Wesleyan theology, tentative entitled "Christianity According to the Wesleys." It will be published by Eerdmans in 2013.

Rev. Dr. John Tyson is serving as Pastor of Arcade United Methodist Church, in Arcade. John is married to Jill Kingdon Tyson. They are raising four children.

The Alfred Station Seventh Day Baptist church Meeting-house is the big white building located at 587 Route 244 Alfred Station. The church is located down from Robert Lawrence Trucking, Canacadea Country Store and Baker's Bridge Antiques; up from The Bicycle Man, Hi-Tech Ceramics, Way to Gro, and Alfred Knitting Studio and across from Hillbottom Pottery.

For further information you may call the church office at 607-587-9176.

Winter Soup Lunch to be held Jan. 27

ALFRED STATION--The annual Winter Soup Lunch at the Alfred Station Seventh Day Baptist Church will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 27. Come and bring your friends, your neighbors and your family.

What awaits you? All you can eat soup and a piece of pie. As the lunch begins there will be at least 12 varieties of soup from which to choose. Remember what you also get with the soup is rolls, a piece of pie, and of course something to drink, like coffee or tea.

Now the question, what does it cost? What do you think the lunch is worth? Yes, that's right, there is no set charge all we ask and gratefully accept is what you donate. Your donation will go to help you friends and neighbors at the Alfred Station Seventh Day Baptist Church serve our community.

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Alfred Area Church Directory

ALFRED-ALMOND AREA

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

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

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

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

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

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

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN--E. Greenwood St., Andover. Worship Service 10 am. Rev. Dean R. Bembower, Pastor.

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JOHN and CHARLES WESLEY's hymns have greatly influenced the life of Baptists everywhere. Dr. John R. Tyson, "a man who knows these hymns inside and out" will preach for "Baptist Heritage Sabbath" at the Alfred Station Seventh Day Baptist Church during the 11 a.m. worship hour Sabbath (Saturday), Jan. 19.

Everyone loves a parade!

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Dear Mom, Dad, Grandpa and Grandma:

Here's a chance for you to show off the pride and joy of your family. Alfred Sun will publish its annual ever-popular "Parade of Little People" on Thursday, March 28, 2013.

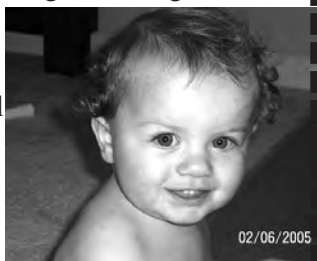
All-age youngsters are eligible. Bring in or send your youngsters' pictures to the ALFRED SUN by Saturday, March 23, 2013. No matter where you live, a picture of your Little Person will be accepted. The charges listed below will help cover the costs of processing your photo(s) and printing.

Wallet size pictures are preferable to large portrait size pictures. Color pictures, except Polaroid (which do not reproduce well) are acceptable although black and white is preferable. It is best if there is only one child per photo. However, all photos will be accepted. The charge for photos with more than one child reflects the additional space for identification.

Fill out the coupon below to insure that your youngster is included in the Parade of Little People in the March 28 issue. Print the child's name on an edge on the back of the picture. For multiple submissions, the form below can be duplicated.

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The Dugout

By DOUG LOROW

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HITS AND MISSES:

Starting off this week with soccer news as Abby Wambach is coming "home" to play in the new National Women's Soccer League! The Mercy (Rochester) and Florida Gator grad will play for the WNY Flash along with Olympic teammate, Carli Lloyd. The third-edition of a women's pro soccer league divided up all the players on Team USA (and Mexico) with everyone getting three USA players except the Flash. The WNY squad is based in Buffalo but plays their games at Sahlen Stadium in Rochester. The Flash have won three-straight league titles, in three different leagues, as play will begin in April for this go around. Wambach was the National Player of the Year in high school, an NCAA champion at Florida, has been on winning Olympic and World Cup squads and was recently named the FIFA World Player of the Year! Think she has been named the U.S. Player of the Year, five-times as well. Wambach teamed with Mia Hamm to win a title in the old WSA while playing for the Washington Freedom team. If anything, Rochester should be one of the top markets for attendance now with Wambach on the squad.

Watched parts of all four NFL playoff games this past weekend with great semi-final conference games galore. San Francisco and Atlanta will play in the NFC title game this Sunday while Baltimore and New England will meet in the second-consecutive AFC championship contest. As a "Monday Morning QB" am still wondering what Rahim Moore (#26) of the Broncos was thinking late in their game? How do you let a receiver behind you in that situation, late in the game? And why was Coach Fox so conservative late in regulation? Think Pete Carroll wishes he hadn't of called that timeout to "ice" the Atlanta kicker in their game? Here, take this mulligan. Tom Brady ... wow. Colin Kaepernick ... double wow! Sincerely hope it is a SF-NE collision in the Super Bowl.

The NFL announced the finalists for the Pro Football Hall of Fame in Canton, Ohio. The 12-players picked were: Michael Strahan, Jonathan Ogden, Larry Allen (not of Almond), Jerome Bettis, Cris Carter, Tim Brown, Andre Reed of the Bills, Charles Haley, Kevin Greene, Will Shields, Aeneas Williams and Warren Sapp. Ogden and Allen are probably "sure picks," especially Ogden. Would also go with Brown and Williams plus Coach Parsells. And again, why isn't Ray Guy on this list?

Rob Chudzinski is the new Cleveland Browns head coach in the NFL. Not to be confused with Vincent Wasilewski but they do call him "Chud." He was previously on the Browns staff on two separate occasions.

Brian Kelly will not be the new head coach of the Philadelphia Eagles but will stay at Notre Dame with the Fighting Irish. Kelly and ND are coming off a 42-14 defeat at the hands of Alabama in the BCS Championship game and have a stellar recruiting class headed to Indiana.

Chip Kelly will not be the new head coach with the Browns, Eagles or anyone else in the NFL for that matter. Kelly will remain in Oregon with the Ducks in the Pac-12.

New Buffalo Bills head coach Doug Marrone got his coaching career started with the Cortland Red Dragons in 1992 as their Tight Ends coach. Numerous stops later and he is at Ralph Wilson Stadium in Orchard Park.

Watched some of the Boston Celtics-New York Knicks NBA game a week ago Monday prior to the BCS football contests and just have to wonder why some are touting Carmelo Anthony as an MVP candidate. He can shoot, no doubt ... when hot. This game he wasn't ... clang-clang-clang ... and he just kept on shooting! Anthony ended up making all but 19 of his 25-shots in this loss. MVP? How about LeBron James, Kevin Durant or Kobe Bryant? Maybe Chris Paul. Certainly not Anthony.

It was another tough week for the AU Saxons on the hardcourts as the men's cagers topped Elmira but fell to Stevens and Hartwick in E8 play. Coach Wellman's troops have dropped seven-of-eight and are at (3-11) overall. Coach Murphy's women (4-10) are on an eight-game losing skid. After a mid-week non-conference tilt versus SUNY Canton, the women and men host Ithaca this Saturday at the McLane Center. Might be heading down with noted area photographer, Leo Nealon. Had tentative plans to interview Athletic Director, Paul Vecchio but he is off to some NCAA convention instead. What is up with that?

Coach Tom Spanbauer's Cortland men's cagers are at (10-3) after wins over Buffalo State and Fredonia this past weekend in SUNYAC action. The Red Dragons tangle with Geneseo and Brockport this weekend at home.

Coach Bob Montana's men's basketball program at Union College is zipping along with a (12-2) mark after splitting Liberty League games this past weekend. The Dutchmen fell to Skidmore but topped RPI.

Coach Rob Kornaker's (AU) men's hoop team at SJ Fisher is now (9-6) overall on the season after beating Hartwick but falling to Stevens in E8 play. Stevens is beating everyone!

Raegan Ryan and her Cedarville Yellow Jackets are now at (10-5) on the season with six of their next seven games at home.

AU swimmers sweep Pitt-Bradford, Utica

BRADFORD, PA--The Alfred University women's swimming and diving team swept Pitt-Bradford 63-31 and Franciscan University at a Pitt-Bradford-hosted tri-meet Saturday afternoon. The AU men competed only against Pitt-Bradford and defeated the host team 124-81.

AU (4-3, 1-1 Empire 8) got individual women's race victories from senior Shelby Remington (Pike/Letchworth), in the 1,000 freestyle (11:46.79); freshman Carly Watson (Hyde Park/FDR), in the 200 free (2:02.76) and 500 free (5:27.07); freshman Kelsey McRill (Solon, OH), in the 50 free (25.49); sophomore Chrissy Behr (Manahawkin, NJ/Southern Regional), in the 200 individual medley (2:22.57) and 100 fly (1:05.22); and freshman Emma Gromelski (Clarks Summit, PA/Abington Heights), in the 100 free (1:03.15).

All of the AU women's individual race wins came as first-place finishes in both dual meets. The 400 medley relay team of Behr, McRill, Watson and Gromelski took first against Franciscan with a time of 4:23.96, but finished second to Pitt-Bradford.

Men improve to 4-1

The Saxon men, in the win at Pitt-Bradford, received individual race wins from sophomore Zac Toth (Lockport/ Starpoint), in the 200 free (1:50.10) and 100 fly (55.03); sophomore David Coombes (Dansville), in the 50 free (22.61) and 100 backstroke (57.45); junior Peter Sowinski (Akron), in the 100 free (49.70); and freshman Dustin Whyte (Wrentham, MA/King Philip Regional), in the 500 free (5:07.93).

Junior Jake Giglio (Hornell), freshman Cian Richardson (Woodacre, CA/Sir Francis Drake), sophomore Dan Hamilton (Rochester/Eastridge) and sophomore Joe Rogers (Dublin, NH) won the 400 free relay (3:32.91).

The AU men's and women's teams are in action next on Saturday, Jan. 19, at 1 p.m. at home against Hartwick.

Saxons sweep Utica

AU travelled to Utica College to take on the Pioneers Friday afternoon and both Saxon teams came away victorious.

The AU men won 131-62 to improve 3-1 in dual meets (2-0 in Empire 8), while the AUwomen improved to 2-3 overall (1-1 Empire 8).

Earning individual wins for the AU men Whyte in the 1,000-yard freestyle (10:41.89); freshman Sheldon Vosburgh (Canajoharie), in the 200 free (1:54.47); senior Nate Chapman (Hornell), in the 50 free (23.34); Coombes in the 200-yard individual medley (2:09.26); senior Brett Irwin

(Springwater/Wayland-Cohocton), in the 100 butterfly (55.94) and 500 free (5:19.85); Sowinski in the 100 free (50.68); and Toth in the 100 backstroke (57.97) and 100 breaststroke (1:06.66).

Sowinski, frosh Jake Olson (Dansville), Whyte and sophomore David Luke (Ocala, FL/West Port) won the 200 medley relay (2:01.84); Luke, Rogers, Coombes and Sowinski won the 200 free relay (1:31.95).

AU women winners were:

Watson in 1,000 free (11:23.06); Behr in 200 free (2:11.13) and 100 back (1:03.54); senior Eryn Matich (Johnson City), in 200 IM (2:30.46); junior Cassie Brown (Canisteo-Greenwood), in 1-meter diving (143.55) and 3-meter diving (216.45); senior Katie Ganley (Syracuse/Westhill), in the 100 butterfly (1:07.81) and 100 breaststroke (1:18.84); McRill in the 100 free (58.21); and senior Tracy Miller (Auburn), in the 500 free (5:56.70).

The Dugout continued...

Ryan is averaging 8.8 points per outing and leads the team in assists at 71.

The Bona men's basketball team is dropping games right and left. They are now (7-8) on the year after falling to VCU, 72-65. Have not had a report from the "Traveling Sports Fan" of late on the Bonnies.

It was off to Geneseo on Friday past to take in the Plattsburgh-Geneseo Division III men's hoop contest. Met Alfred State College perennial Coach of the Year, Gary "Doc" Moore and his recently retired wife, Mary at Applebee's for dinner first along with a friend of theirs from Honeoye Falls, named Paul. "Sure" he has a last name but it escapes me at the moment. Good guy! Excellent dinner and then it was off to Shrader Gymnasium to see the Red Dragons-Knights in action. Coach Curle's squad dropped a tough, 66-64 decision to the home squad. This after trailing at one point in the first half, 34-16. Had a chance to chat with the former Alfred State College coach (briefly) prior to the game and some more afterwards. Chatted with Geneseo soccer player Katie Beale ... off to see the SU Orange play the next day, Coach Wiley ... off to Indianapolis this week for the national soccer convention. "Not sure" when he was scheduled to speak? As well as Jordan Jones of the men's cage squad ... a friend of Stephen Baker's and Frank Agostino ... a friend of Marty Estruch (Mt. Morris). Solid evening. Curle's troops rebounded to top Brockport the next day, 82-81. Two away games for Plattsburgh that were decided by a total of three points! Curle from the "coaching mecca" of Waterloo. The former Pioneer head honcho was the featured speaker this week at the Ground Round Grill & Bar in Plattsburgh at the Coaches Corner Event.

Was not a "great" Saturday afternoon and then Sunday morning of hoops though as the Duke Blue Devils were derailed at NC State. Missing starter Ryan Kelly (Raleigh, NC) to begin with, Curry gets hurt during the game, the Wolfpack are on fire, Kaz in attendance and text messages from "Lefty" and "Grump" to rub it in. Not sure why they needed to rub it in?

A batch of vanity plates spotted: 05CHICK ... Rishel (Phelps), QUEEN 10 ... Comfort (Webster), 3GRFFNES ... Canisius College, WN E POO, GB SHAW, B R 918 ... Reynolds and his SAT score?, SKYMOLAR ... Doorley at ASC, TCHRXC2, SUGAR 99 ... spotted by brother Steve in Florida and ANNSBOAT ... not my mom's car!

Watched some of the PBA on Sunday ... Parker Bohn III.

Kevin O'Neill gets canned as USC men's hoop coach. Met him twice. Didn't think much of him.

The Toronto Blue Jays have named Bobby Meacham (not of A-A) their manager at Dunedin in the Florida State league and Stubby Clapp as the hitting coach in that "A" league for rookies.

Cooperstown ... no Barry Bonds with 7-MVP plaques, no Roger Clemens with 7-Cy Young Awards and no Sammy Sosa (a clown). No one gets into the Baseball Hall of Fame this summer.

3L is busy in NYC as she started a new job on Monday past at a Fitness Center, is (potentially) headed to Maryland this weekend to see Milko (Terps!) and is gearing up to run a Half-Marathon on January 26th which would be her fourth. And, she just added the Utica Boilermaker to her summer calendar of runs. She is trying to talk former Webster Schroeder soccer teammate, Jess Herbst into running that event with her. Yours truly will be there as well ... to watch!

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SUNDAY

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