



Key Bank Changes

By Neil L. Gleit

Last week Key Bank fired the Manager of the Alfred Office, Charles Frazita. At this time Mr. Richard Mott, President of Key Bank Western, stepped in to take full responsibility for student complaints against the bank's new policies.

Mott voiced his apology at the beginning of a special meeting of the Student Senate on Key Bank, February 18th.

Many hands were raised for questions as the meeting began. Mott said he would "jot down the questions and answer them all at once." He made it clear that there are "some areas where good banking practice tells me I can't compromise." He then took the questions, fifteen to begin with, and answered them all at once. He later took more questions which he answered as they came, and as the crowded room grew hot and steamy, and Edie Ungar, our Vice President, called for

quiet.

The official new statement of policy, which Mott said "supercedes previous policies", is printed in full in this issue. The following is a list of some questions from the meeting and Mott's answers:

Q: Why do you have to make a deposit and then write a check?

A: The Alfred Office will now cash personal checks from other banks (even out of state). There is no prohibition on 2nd and 3rd party checks.

Q: Why can't you find out your balance without a special statement?

A: Balance verifications will be given free of charge.

Q: Could you tell me the ethics of no interest on less than \$50?

A: Small accounts are not profitable.

Q: Why are you responsible if somebody writes a check to you and it bounces?

A: We gave you the cash, this is done in other banks.

Q: What is your attitude toward the student community?

A: Let's not say student, non-student. Policies are the same for every member of the community.

Q: Why the 20 cent check charge?

A: To pay for the handling of the check. "I can't say charges are excessive, knowing the profit situation".

Q: What is the status of the management? Would you fault Mr. Frazita?

A: Yes, though I am taking responsibility for his actions. Mr. Frazita was on probation, hired around Thanksgiving.

Q: What percentage of your investment redeposits are in the Alfred area?

A: 60 percent.

Q: Why can't you close a checking account without paying a fee?

A: That's worth looking into.



Congratulations to Bill Byrne of the Alfred Saxon Varsity Basketball team, for breaking the three-year University point record.

Senate Candidates Voice Ideas

By Neil L. Gleit

The seven candidates for the Student Senate elections, which begin February 25th, presented their ideas and campaign platforms at a Fiat interview last week.

They were Ed LaScala, Dot Sember, Glen Niles, Ann Durgin, Jeff Weinstein, Mike McCormick, and Ed Rivera. This includes three president-vice president teams and one independent presidential candidate (Ed Rivera). LaScala/ Sember, Niles/ Durgin, and Weinstein McCormick are the teams (listed pres./ vice pres.). The teams will only serve as teams if they are both elected to the post they seek.

The three groups were interviewed as teams, and the comments they made speak for both members of the team. These are some of the statements the candidates made:

LaScala/ Sember

"We are very unapathetic, we hate apathy" said Ed LaScala, "in any organization we've been in we've gotten involvement". Experience, (LaScala is in the Students In Free Enterprise, Sember is in the Businesswomen's Organization), lead-

ership ability, and teamwork were cited by LaScala and Sember as their qualifications for the offices.

Also important to their platform is the fact that toward their goals if elected, progress has been made already. Sember said, "our major goal is to institute a student-run check cashing system." She said that she and LaScala had "laid the foundation" for this already.

This team feels they have each others support, and support from knowing people all around the University, "people we know as people, not just as names." The two were confident at the interview, and made it clear that there greatest asset was that they were a team. "We agree," said Sember, "when we don't agree we can talk things through." "We know how to lead," said LaScala, "we've done it before".

Niles/ Durgin

"We are the only ones that have been active" said Ann Durgin about her and Glen Niles' work on the Senate Finance Committee. This team talked mostly about their desire, if elected, to set up meetings, print a question-

naire to students, and generally "get in touch with the students".

The Niles/ Durgin team addressed the problem of freshman not being oriented to the workings of the Student Senate. They plan to set up study breaks in freshman dorms, and send out a newsletter to students on what is happening in the Senate. They also would like to see more organization within the Senate. They also promised to check the "possibility of a school check cashing service".

"Organizations don't know how Student Senate money is distributed" said Niles, emphasizing another facet of increased exchange between Senators and students. The team would also like to circulate a clear statement of the responsibilities of a dorm senator, in the hope of getting more responsible dorm senators.

Weinstein/ McCormick

"We are running because we feel we have enough understanding of different situations to make decisions based on common sense" said Jeff Weinstein. The team showed a spirit of indepen-

dance throughout the interview. "We have no ties to anybody, we are going into this with open minds." This team called their goals student involvement, and community relations. As McCormick put it, "we want students to feel they can walk down town and be treated with the same respect as anyone else."

Weinstein and McCormick said they see the Senate as a "sounding board between the students and the administration. Things we learned during the campaign we would pursue even if not elected." One of these things is the problems of off-campus housing, which they observe as "not a good competitive system." Problems such as overcrowding and "deposits not returned".

"We don't want to run a negative campaign" said McCormick who agreed with Weinstein that they "see eye to eye on some things, oppose each other on other things."

Ed Rivera

"I have a very good background in political science, I know what I am doing" said this presidential candidate, who is willing to work with

whatever vice president is elected. When asked why he is running, Rivera said "sheer curiosity, does the student body really know we (the Senate) exist?"

Rivera was a dorm senator from Brick last year and is senator for the Ford Street Apartments this year. "I haven't seen senators being active, I want to change that, and I want the students to be informed."

His goals are to work toward a "more active and progressive Student Senate," and to "form an internal campus banking system."

More important than who you vote for, is that you do vote. As Jeff Weinstein put it, "the more students who vote the more powerfull the Student Senate becomes."

Students Senate elections will be held Thursday, February 25th in the Campus Center from 11 to 3 and in Brick Dining Hall from 5:30 to 7; on Friday in the Campus Center from 11 to 6; and Monday March 1st in the Campus Center from 11 to 3 and from 7 to 9; also Monday in Ade Hall from 5:30 to 7.

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Q: Is there a new manager now?

A: No, Mrs. Gramm is the senior person in charge.

Mott expressed his willingness to work with students toward other changes in the future. He made it clear that it bothered him to change policy again, and said "whatever we come up with we're going to live with".

When asked how long, Mott said only the duration of the school year. "I have to check on this during the summer" he said.

Thanks Mark!

Dear Editor,

Well it has happened. Mark O'Meara is leaving Alfred after 12 years (since he was a freshman here). Since then, many, if not all of us, have come in contact with Mark somehow and to many of us he has left an impression we will always treasure. For those of you who can't quite place his name, he is the one who gets everyone cheering at home football games. You know, the clown suit. He is the one who used to own the Sub Shop. He's one of the originators of Hot Dog Day. He's also the one who got women's soccer started at A.U., worked on A.U. telethon, Lion's Club member, answers phone for A.U. in Greene Hall, etc., etc., etc. I

Editorial Comment: A Small Victory

By Neil L. Gleit

Two years ago Alfred had a silly demonstration against Iran. A huge banner flew from Druson reading "Nuke Iran", and students paraded the streets all afternoon screaming similar expressions.

Since then I have not seen a massive outcry by students here. Not until now. Sixty people jammed into the Student Senate, February 18, to hear and be heard by Key

Bank's President Richard Mott.

Students were justifiably angry about some of Key Bank's new policies. Pressure put on the bank by the power of the press and student complaints (and withdrawals!), has produced results that are favorable to the students. A small victory.

"We're getting somewhere, at least." That is the reaction students who were present had when the meeting was over. Mott had just explained

could go on but you may have placed him by now.

After selling his Sub Shop late last year, he was interested in pursuing a career in Public Relations, or fund raising, or Student Affairs and started applying for a job at different schools including Alfred University. There are some jobs in this area opening up at A. U. but it is felt that Mark is inexperienced in that area. Well I'm happy to say that Columbia University in New York City felt he was better qualified than 75 other applicants they had recently interviewed. He was offered a job as Asst. Director of Student Activities. He took it and will be leaving in mid-March. They must have some far sighted

administrators there.

I have only pleasant memories of Mark and I will miss him and his wife Lorretta, and think many of us will miss him also, especially that first home football game.

I'll never forget the recent night A.U. played St. Lawrence in basketball. Before the second half started, the A.U. coach turned around to Mark sitting in the stands and asked him to rouse the crowd for some defensive support. He did, and the crowd responded quickly after Mark's first shout of "DEFENSE!" By the way, we won the game.

A Friend

the new revised bank policies to the Senate, and the audience, but students are still angry at the bank, if a little less angry.

Mr. Mott was speaking to us in place of former Alfred office manager Charles Franza, who was fired one week before the meeting (and two days after the last issue of the Fiat came out). He outlined the policies on which the bank has backed down, and those on which the bank has refused to back down. Those policies, and a report of the meeting are in this issue.

Notice the last line of the new policy statement: "The above policies are subject to periodic review." Mr. Mott said he can only guarantee these changes to last for the rest of the school year. Our small victory may get smaller, in not too long a time.

What can we do now? Fight for an on-campus check cashing service, to get the bank off our backs, permanently. This will also benefit future Alfred students, which the bank's changes may not. It will also give students the advantage, which the bank does not.

Talk to the Student Senate candidates. Decide which of them you think are most likely to work toward on-campus check cashing. Vote for them. Perhaps this rare and productive arousal of the student community can be continued. Let's hope so.

Check cashing policy at the Alfred Office, which supercedes previous policies:

Tellers are authorized, subject to proper identification, to cash the following checks for both depositors and non-depositors: Checks drawn on Key Bank Western-up to the amount of funds in the account. Personal and business checks drawn on other banks-up to \$50.00. Official bank checks-up to \$200.00. Any other check the teller knows should be cashed in the normal course of business.

Any other checks, for both depositors and non-depositors must be approved by an authorized person. There is no prohibition against cashing 2nd and 3rd party checks, but we are more cautious in approving them. There will be no charge for cashing any checks drawn on banks in the United States.

All checks must be endorsed by the customer, who is responsible for the amount of the check and the returned-check fee, if the check bounces. A depositor is not required to deposit an entire check and then write a check for the amount of cash desired. Balance verification will be provided on request. Any customer, whether a depositor or not, is entitled to use the drive-up window. The above policies are subject to periodic review.

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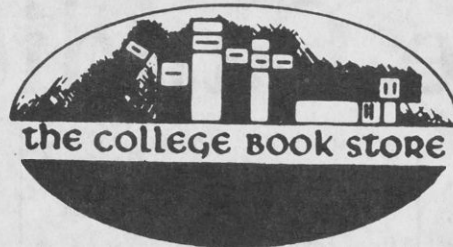
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The Senate Race Begins

The last Student Senate meeting was held on Feb. 7. The upcoming elections were discussed, and dates, and times were announced.

Senators are encouraged to help at the ballot boxes (call Jeff Alexander at 3427 if you

wish to help). All students are encouraged to meet the candidates on Tuesday Feb. 23 at 7:00 P.M. in the campus center.

Election dates are as follows:

Thursday Feb. 25-
Campus Center 11:00-3:00
Brick Dining Hall 5:30-7:00

Friday Feb. 26-
Campus Center
11:00-6:00

Monday March 1-
Campus Center
11:00-3:00, 7:00-9:00
Ade Dining Hall 5:30-7:00

The riding club's financial proposal of \$981.00 was passed by the Senate.

A special Senate meeting was also held on Thursday Feb. 18, to meet with President Mott of Key Bank West and to discuss financial proposals.

The next Senate meeting will be Tuesday Feb. 16, at 7:00 P.M. in Room A of the Campus Center. All interested students and Senators are encouraged to attend.

Bleacher Bums

The Alfred University Performing Arts Division will present, "Bleacher Bums," a student production on Feb. 26, 27 and 28 in the Performing Arts Annex at 8:00.

"Bleacher Bums" takes place in the right field bleachers at Wrigley Field, home of the Chicago Cubs, during a game against their arch rivals the St. Louis Cardinals.

"Bleacher Bums" is a delightful and hilarious salute to our national pastime. It deals with the need for self-respect and the need to have faith. It is as touching as it is funny.

The characters, two gamblers (Mike Rossi, Rich Dolan), a sun-bather (Janet Monroe), a blind play-by-play announcer (Andy Giana), a cheerleader (Andy Kantor), a middle-aged couple (Ray Gessner, Jean Osborn) and a post adolescent slob (Gordon Giddings). The play will be directed by senior Ron Hall.

So remember Feb. 26, 27 and 28 at 8:00. Seats are limited. Don't miss it.



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After a long hard winter, the people in Alfred and Allegany County look forward to spring, and with spring comes HOT DOG DAY.

This year, HOT DOG DAY, an annual charity event, will be held on the weekend of April 23. This year, as in the past, all proceeds will go to local charities.

Last year, over \$3,000 was donated to such organizations as the Alfred and Alfred Station Fire Departments, the Alfred Historical Society, the Allegany County A.S.P.C.A., and the Alfred-

Almond Little League.

In order for organizations to be considered for funding this year, the HOT DOG DAY COMMITTEE has decided upon the following prerequisites:

1) The organization must be a non-profit organization which benefits the entire community. 2) The organization must send a letter requesting funds. This letter must include what the money will go towards and a specified amount. 3) Any organization requesting funds must help with the Carnival itself.

No organization will receive funding if it does not have a booth or aid in the Carnival.

Anyone interested in aiding in HOT DOG DAY or receiving funds from the committee should direct their letters to:

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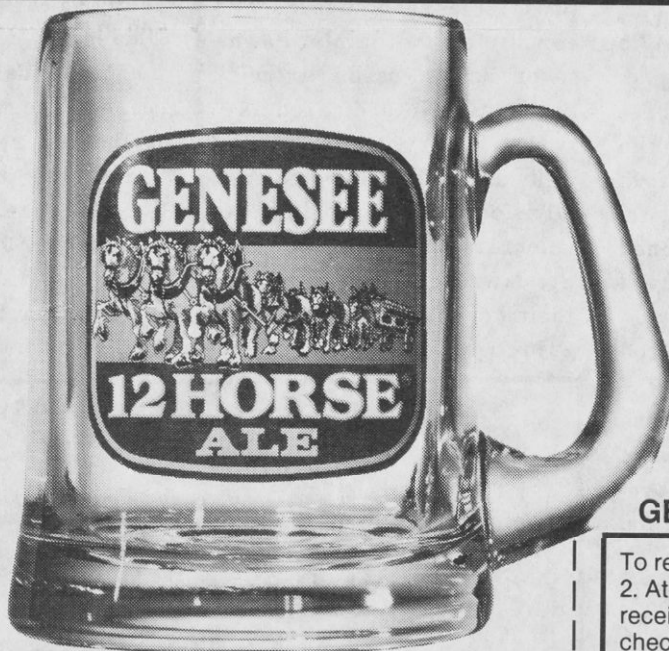
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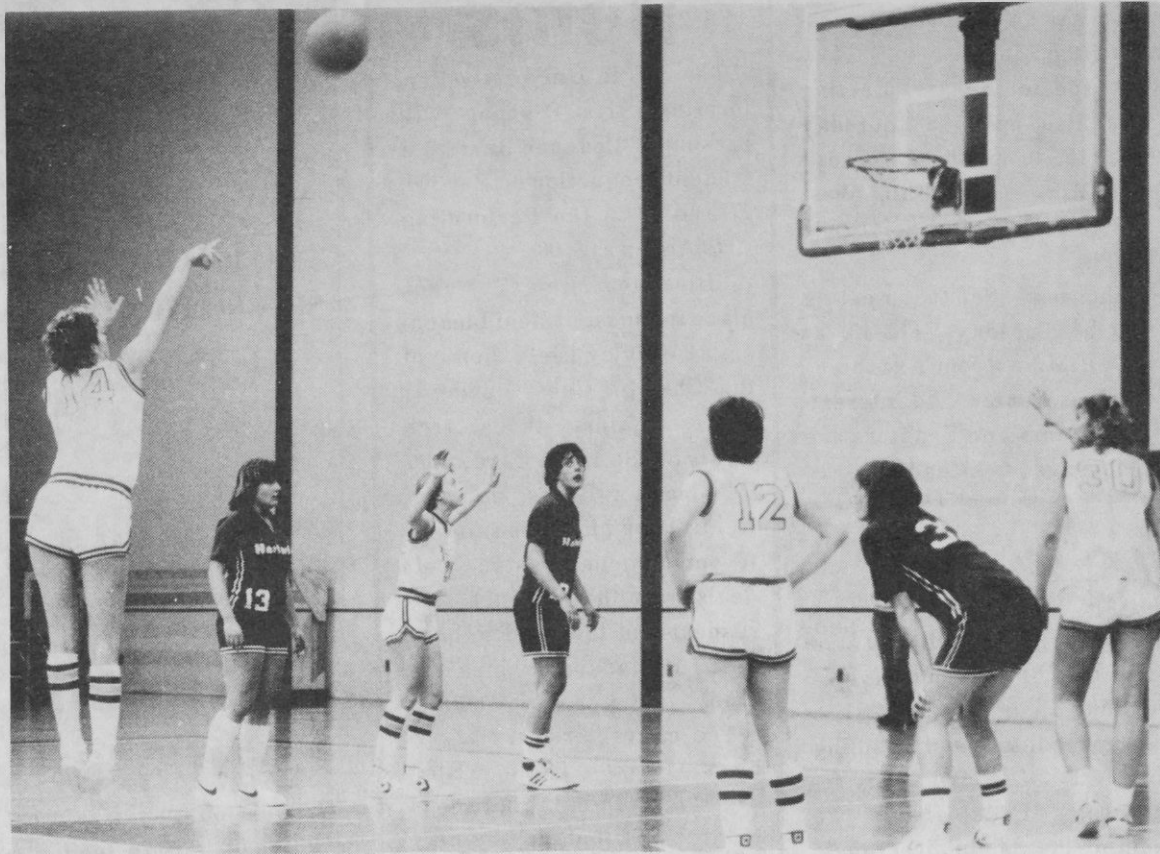
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Sports in Alfred



Leslie Kahl [14] goes for the free-throw as the Alfred Womans varsity basketball team battles Hartwick.

Varsity Basketball: "driving them home"

The Alfred University Men's Varsity Basketball team kept its unprecedented 22 game winning streak at home alive by defeating Fredonia State and St. Lawrence and increased their chances of receiving a bid for post season play.

The Saxons first victory in the week of Feb. 7th came when they defeated Fredonia 85-76. The win upped Coach Ron Frederes team's record to 14-6 while the Blue Devils fell to 6-10. A potent offense put Alfred out in front early as Bill Byrne (20 points), Dave Conklin (15) and Dave Glass (12) paced Saxon scorers. This along with an aggressive full court defense allowed Alfred to take a commanding 53-37 halftime lead.

The second half was a different story as Fredonia capitalized early on Alfred mistakes. The Blue Devils cut the lead down to four by the nine minute mark behind Bill Starzyk's 16 second-half points. The game continued to stay close until Alfred defensive specialists Fred Poole and Bob "Bones" Perrise produced a resurgent defense which forced three straight Fredonia turnovers. A tap in by junior Tom Whelan and a three point play by Jon Wilson iced Alfred's 21st win in a row at McLane.

In front of a vocal, streamer throwing crowd of over 16 hundred spectators the Saxon's defeated nationally ranked St. Lawrence 57-51 in their biggest win this season.

The Saxons started out slow falling behind by six points after the opening tap. At this time fears grew of repeat performance of the Jan. 13th shellacking the Saints gave Alfred in Canton. These subsided as Dave Conklin banked home Alfred's first two points to the delight of an anxious crowd that launched a flood of purple and gold streamers halting play. From this point on Alfred took control of the game. The collapsing Saxon defense shut down the Larrie's inside game while they also out-rebounded their taller oponents.

The Saints were able to keep Bill Byrne in check by keying on the leading scorer defensively. The scrapping Saxon's gained the lead by the six minute point, however behind a balanced scoring attack led by Dave Conklin (16 points). Freshman Rick "Eli" Whitney from Saratoga Springs, played outstanding basketball in his second start chipping in 11 points and 8 rebounds.

Alfred leading at the half 26-22 didn't falter in the second twenty minutes although the Saints began to apply more pressure. Sophomore Jon Wilson was able to consistently break the St. Lawrence full court press. Wilson's play and the contributions from Alfred's deep bench kept the Saxons fresh and out in front.

At the two minute mark the McLane gym began to rock as

a wild Friday night crowd began to sing "Good-bye" and chant "A", "U". The final two minutes seemed to last an eternity as the Saints, down seven points, used all their time-outs. No one cared as sweet victory, revenge as well as a possible NCAA Division 3 playoff bid, were celebrated as Alfred downed St. Lawrence and extended their home court victories to 22 in a row.



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Swimmers Qualify

The women's season has been a long and tough one. With just seven swimmers, it has been difficult to do well in a meet facing a team of fifteen or more swimmers. But the Lady Saxons have swam the best they can, and every member has steadily improved their seasonal best performance.

The women have two remaining meets before they travel to Binghamton for

their state meet.

Mo Farwell qualified for states in four events. Mary Homkey qualified in three events. Ann Morton, who was forced to quit swimming three weeks ago due to a shoulder injury, also qualified, but is unable to swim. The medley relay team of Mo Farwell, Diane Kibler, Mary Homkey, and Anna Hentschel also qualified for states.

Men Post Undefeated Mark

The men's swim team recently beat St. Lawrence University, which was the toughest dual meet of the season. The meet came down to the last relay, which the Saxon men just touched out St. Lawrence. The men are currently 12-0 with 2 remaining meets.

Tim Schaeberle, a freshman, qualified for Nationals

in the St. Lawrence meet. He joins Howie Siedman in qualifying for Division 3 Nationals.

The men have 2 meets remaining before their State Championship meet, Feb. 25-27. The men are expected to win the State meet thus making them N.Y. State Champions for Division 3.

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