



## State Okays Increase In Financial Aid

By Monique Pennings

The N.Y.S. Legislature has recently okayed an adjusted increase of \$300.00 for first-time recipients of Tuition Assistance Program (TAP). This is one of several new financial aid programs that will effect Alfred University students next fall.

Basic Educational Opportunity Grant (B.E.O.G.) has broadened its base to allow more students to be eligible for its funds. Its maximum has been increased from \$1400.00 to \$1600.00.

The Louis Calder Foundation has granted \$20,000.00 to

be allotted to students from the New York metropolitan area. Half of that amount will be available for the '78-'79 academic year.

Incoming transfer nursing students next fall will be eligible for a part of the \$20,000.00 from the Teagle Foundation.

The Allstate Foundation has contributed \$550.00 to be awarded to one or two nurses attending St. John Fisher in Rochester next fall.

All of these assistance programs will allot funds according to financial need.

## Two New Societies Formed

By Joan Rothstein

Iota Nu Beta, a business administration society, is making a comeback at Alfred University.

According to Dr. Ernest Enke, professor of accounting, the purpose of the society is to offer a series of programs of interest for business administration majors. "We want to create a more professional attitude in the business department," he said.

Some programs include tours of industrial plants in Wellsville, Rochester, and New York City, and having professional businessmen to lecture on "how their function in the business world relates to what we're teaching here," Enke said.

Also, resume writing sessions and lectures on interviewing techniques are being planned. "This program is for kids who are interested in education, not just earning a degree and getting out of here. You'll find out what a degree is worth in the business world—not much—whereas an education is invaluable," said Enke. "Iota Nu Beta offers an opportunity to increase student's educational advantages."

There are fifteen members presently enrolled in the society. "We hope to get it up to forty or fifty," said Enke.

The officers are: President Lawrence Freirich, a sophomore marketing major, Vice President Holly Manning, a junior business major, Secretary Tami Runz, a junior sociology major, and Treasurer Jeffrey Stanger, a sophomore accounting major.

Faculty advisors are: Dr. Enke, Dr. Lyndon Goodridge, associate professor of marketing, and Mr. John Howard, instructor in business and administration.

By Gil Bodane

The Alfred University College of Nursing has recently established a local honor society that is professional in nature, and working toward acceptance as a chapter of the national organization Sigma Theta Tau.

Sigma Theta Tau's name was chosen using the initials of the Greek words: Storga, Tharos, Tima—meaning love, courage, honor. From a beginning of six members and one chapter in 1922 it has grown to more than 25,000 members and 76 chapters. It is a member of the association of College Honor Societies.

This local society follows the national goals, standards and requirements. Membership is by invitation only. Membership assumes acceptance of the purposes of the society and responsibility to participate in achieving the goals consistent with the professional and scholastic character of Sigma Theta Tau.

Purposes of the organization have been stated as:

1. Recognition of superior achievement
2. Recognition of the development of leadership qualities
3. Fostering of high professional standards
4. Encouragement of creative work
5. Strengthening of commitment to the ideals and purposes of the profession.

The first induction, on September 17, 1977, honored 25 nurses, and was followed by a program featuring the Elmira Psychiatric Players.

Following the second induction on April 18, 1978 the chapter expects to increase membership to 50.

Sigma Theta Tau is open to alumni, upper level undergraduates and faculty.

is awaiting a decision from the U.S. attorney general. That is incorrect. In fact, it is the New York State attorney general that will be making a decision on the early closing issue.

## Students Attend Coalition Meeting

By Christine Monsrud

Three Alfred University students attended the Independent Student Coalition (ISC) meeting on March 11 and 12. Mark Brostoff, president of the Student Senate; Larry Freirich, Alfred representative to the ISC, and Mark Mattar, alternative representative, were the Alfred participants. The meeting was held in Albany and was the second state-wide assembly ISC meeting held.

According to the ISC Constitution, its goals are as follows:

1) "To enhance the cultural, civic, economic and social life of the people of New York State by working to obtain a higher education system that is of unsurpassed quality, and one that guarantees academic freedom, assures enrollment access to all who would profit therefrom, and provides genuine opportunity for the broadest range of individual student choice in the admissions selection process."

2) "To insure adequate levels of state aid for all independent institutions of higher education in New York State." 3) "To guarantee the participation of the students of the independent sector in all policy decisions relating to higher education." 4) "To serve as a source of information and to disseminate that information to the various schools and to facilitate the flow of information among the various schools."

The focus of the meeting was to show support of the Governor's recommendation to the 1978-79 Executive Budget.

The ISC favors three major issues: 1) Keeping the Governor's mechanism of providing increases in TAP for all students. 2) Lifting the limit from \$11,000 net taxable income for income eligibility requirements. 3) Increasing the eligibility for the maximum award from \$2000 net taxable income to \$3,500, rather than to \$2750 as the Governor has recommended.

The ISC also voted on four proposals concerning various issues all of which were passes. The proposals were: 1) The placement of at least one student trustee on the boards of trustees of independent sector colleges. This trustee would be granted all the rights and privileges accorded to voting members of the board of trustees of each individual college. 2) The implementation of a toll-free telephone line to the Higher Education Services Corporation, to be used by students inquiring about TAP awards. 3) A complete study of possible forms of fire safety undertaken by the legislature. 4) An increase in the maximum award in TAP for graduate students from the present \$600 to \$1800.

Mark Brostoff explained the ISC as "having developed into a professional lobbying group in our state capitol and all students at Alfred as well as students throughout the independent sector of New York benefit from the activities of the coalition."

## Former Nixon Speechwriter Gives Views on Carter

By Diana L. Tomb

William Safire, columnist for the *New York Times* and a former speech writer during the Nixon administration, said that for President Jimmy Carter, "This is the winter of his discontent," during an appearance here Tuesday night.

Safire said in a speech that was part of the Conservative Mind Series, that the president could not come out of the coal strike situation a winner. "I think he did the right thing by not intervening quickly," he said.

He also said that he felt the Panama Canal treaties would pass, calling it a "No-lose situation".

On foreign affairs, Safire claimed that Carter "vacillated on SALT, was pretty wrong-headed about the Middle East, is losing Africa, and can't decide who decides

foreign policy within his staff."

Safire said Carter blundered in the Middle East and that these "serious blunders were led by Mr. Brzezinski and Mr. Vance."

"What we are seeing is the diminution of the president," he said. "People in my business are getting ready to continue the chopping-down process."

Safire said that Nixon provided "an opening into China and pursued detente in a way that Ford and Carter haven't been able to do." He added that Nixon had credentials in foreign affairs that Carter lacked. "That's why we are worried about him with SALT."

The competence or incompetence of the presidency has been made into a cliché around Washington, he said.

## Marathon Results

By R.E. Nordheim

The 73-hour marathon WALF held the weekend of March 10 netted the station \$439 in cash donations and between \$1,000-1,100 in written pledges. The money is for new broadcasting equipment.

Brandon Scholz, a senior business administration major, was on the air from 7:08 p.m. Thursday, March 9 until 8:08 p.m. Sunday, March 12.

Gary Esterow, station manager of WALF, said of the marathon, "this year it ran much smoother—we were all better prepared because of last year's—Brandon knew when to expect to be tired, and so on."

The money from the marathon will go into a "transmitter fund" in the university treasurer's office. Esterow said "we're aiming for

## WNEW D.J. Gives Media Show

By Linda A. Carl

"This is the first generation in the history of this planet that has been exposed to so many media-induced vicarious experiences," said award-winning WNEW disc-jockey Pete Fornatale.

The Pete Fornatale Show is more than a lecture, it is a multi-media show on the topic of media. Pete Fornatale is more than a disc-jockey, he is a story teller and a living encyclopedia of facts about all forms of media, to which he is always adding. His style of speaking is informal enough to make

any member of the audience feel he is talking directly to them. In fact the only comment he had to make on the small audience (approx. 35 people) was, "At least I know that the people who are here really want to be here."

The show included several films, two of which were Beatles performances. The first was filmed on the Ed Sullivan show in February, 1964, and the second was a film of them performing "Revolution" in September, 1968. The difference between

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WNEW's Pete Fornatale

By David Van Scott

### CORRECTION

In the March 13 edition of the *Fiat Lux*, in the page two article entitled: "Board Awaits Early Closing Verdict", it was mentioned that the Alfred Village Board



# Letters

To the Editor:

The death and hospitalizations resulting from the Klan Alpine initiation on Friday, February 24th can be more clearly understood when one draws out the significance of initiation ceremonies. As a sociology professor who regularly guides his students through such analyses in class, I currently find myself in a quandary of mixed emotions, having also, in the early sixties, been a member of Klan Alpine.

In sociology we refer to "rites of passage," the culturally different rituals symbolizing movement from one status to another, in this case, from that of non-fraternity member to Klan Alpine pledge.

The initiation itself seems rather crude. What is ultimately proved by one's ability to drink and either "hold it well" or "blow one's lunch?" Pragmatically, nothing. Symbolically, in fact, it becomes quite meaningful given the society in which it occurs.

What is actually transpiring here is a masculinity rite. How does the American male best demonstrate the masculinity rite. How does the American male best demonstrate the masculinity he is constantly so pressured to exhibit? Deflowering virgins is one avenue. Excelling at sports another. Some find solace in becoming "good," "hard" drinkers. Being able to "hold your booze." What a man...or so we are led to believe by advertisements and the media. Like it or not, America is a drinking society. Drinking and overdrinking become the norms at fraternity initiation rituals. Such frivolity is an expected part of events imbued with anxiety.

Thus, at Klan Alpine Fraternity, a tapping night ritual, the roots of which date back some fifty years, ended in tragedy. The climax of anxiety-filled weeks, the reinforcement of brotherly solidarity, and a need for the expression of virility, combined to result in the death of one young freshman and the hospitalization of two others.

My feelings, naturally, are derived from a period, roughly fifteen years ago, when

during an era of restrictive fraternity "clauses," Alfred University's Klan Alpine stood as the idealistic bastion of non-sectarianism, where no one gave a damn if you were Catholic or Jewish, whether your parents were millionaires or if you had just arrived in this country. Unwavering loyalties for the House, its brothers and most importantly its ideals were generated through group activities, be they parties, cleanups, or a "tapping" initiation.

"Tapping" symbolized the beginning of a period of socialization created to instill those feelings of solidarity existent among brothers. While outsiders might easily view the over consumption of alcohol as behavior characteristic of adolescents attempting to reaffirm their manhood, there nevertheless exists the very real fact that the tradition serves to reinforce important, socially approved values. Intense feelings of loyalty cementing support for, among other beliefs, nonsectarianism, certainly represents a highly valued American ideal.

Somewhere between my years in Klan and the present, the ritual in which I had so often participated both as pledge and brother, evidently underwent a change. The ceremony known to me consisted of simply the awarding of pledge pins and the downing of innumerable mugs of beer. Hazing was non-existent.

I grew a lot in Klan Alpine, possibly more than during any other four year segment of my adult life, and so now there is pain that such tragic events as have occurred, could have taken place during such a meaningful moment of revelry.

Should the tradition be changed, when so many others before have participated without fatal repercussions? Is there available another, less dangerous, initiation ritual capable of satisfying the same needs?

Members of Klan Alpine, Alfred University and college communities across the nation will again ponder solutions and potential consequences to this dilemma.

Richard B. Sigal, '65  
Assistant Professor of  
Sociology - County College of

To the Editor:

The problem I see with Allenterm is that it is too academically oriented. In my five years of undergraduate and graduate studies here, I have taken three Allenterm, and unofficially worked on a fourth. In 1971-1972, Allenterm was loosely run. People could choose from many different things that they wanted to do rather than confine themselves to academia, classroom instruction and reports. I believe personally that Allenterm is better spent as a time when a student can do the things s/he wants to do, be it skiing, winter camping, analyzing clay, or building hang gliders. The important aspect is that a student start with some definable goal and work towards that goal in a responsible way.

I have seen Allenterm become more restrictive, and less appealing. My most meaningful Allenterm was an independent study that two of us did in 1974. The project was something that we really wanted to do sometime during our lives, but would never have the opportunity during the regular school year (or after leaving school). The project was rejected on the first evaluation because it was not academic enough. I am happy that after alterations, the project was accepted because it represented something that I will never forget.

If Allenterm is something for the students, I think it should be less restrictive, allow greater flexibility, and have less emphasis on being "academic". If Allenterm is for the school's benefit, then treat it as course work and assign credit hours to it, so it has a precise measure of value outside of Alfred University. After all, if the goal of Allenterm is not personal fulfillment, then it should provide a greater measure of extrinsic reward than it currently does.

Stephen Setari

To the Editor:

The purpose of this letter is to thank all of those people who contributed either with their money, time, or enthusiasm to the WALF marathon. All these factors combined helped make the weekend a huge success. Thanks to all the very generous pledges and fishbowl contributions that we received, approximately \$1,500 was made. It is a good start towards purchasing the new equipment that we so desperately need.

There are many people who deserve special mention. I hope that I can remember them all:

Paul Zaroogian (and the Saga staff) for supplying a steady stream of food and drinks throughout the entire marathon.



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Flash for his very generous contribution, the enthusiasm that he showed, and, of course for the subs, ice cream, soda, etc.

Holly, Mim, Babette, Steve Curran, Lee, Chris, Steve Meshkow, Diana, Dave, Steve Blumenthal and whoever else was there for most of the marathon helping to keep things running smooth.

Jane and Ellen for coming down and taking Brandon's blood pressure and pulse throughout the entire marathon.

Gary Muck and ConCEP for their time and effort.

Joe Bachman for looking outside the university to try and get us money.

Eric Doctrow and CBS records for supplying us with posters to give away during the marathon.

Dean O'Grady for supplying a great deal of his time in moving the equipment back and forth.

If there's anyone that I forgot to thank, please forgive me. WALF appreciates everyone's efforts toward the marathon and hope that you appreciate ours.

Finally, special thanks must go to Brandon Scholz, for doing the marathon. During his time at Alfred, Brandon has been the most dedicated worker that WALF has seen. The station would never be half as good as it is now if it weren't for his efforts. It has been an honor and a privilege working with him these past 2½ years.

Gary Esterow  
Station Manager, WALF

Dear Editor:

The results of the Bloodmobile visit on Tuesday, Feb. 21 were not as we hoped they would be, but, considering the incidence of illness on campus, they could have been worse! We collected 78 units at the Church Center. About 140 units were collected at Tech. on Monday.

Thanks for your cooperation.

Sincerely,  
Gaylord Rough

## WNEW D.J.

the two represented changes on many levels -- changes in audience, clothes, lyrics, and ideals, said Fornatale.

Fornatale said that he felt that such phenomena as Beatlemania are produced and encouraged by the media. "How can we say that our lives were influenced so greatly by individuals we have never met on a one-to-one basis?"

The average American will spend nine years of his/her life watching television, and "the total media consumption per person per week in American is 50 hours," said Fornatale.

On the subject of radio, Fornatale said, "Ever since I was a little kid I was fascinated with this faceless medium that has such an influence on people's lives. It gets in to the nooks and crannies that other media can not hope to get into."

Fornatale began his radio career as a communications major at Fordham University. He then taught media studies at Pratt Institute before starting at WNEW in 1969.

The main advantage of non-commercial, educational college radio is the freedom it allows, said Fornatale. During his live interview with WALF disc-jockey Brandon Scholz, as part of the WALF 73 hour marathon,

## Housing, Waste Topics of Meeting

By Kevin Sandt

The Town of Alfred and the Village of Alfred had a joint board meeting Tuesday, March 14th to discuss issues that affect both their constituencies, including solid waste disposal and housing for the elderly.

The first issue of the night was to determine if there is a need for housing for the elderly in this area. Jack Daughtery, owner/operator of a firm that has built many housing projects for the elderly in rural areas, was on hand to help the group determine if there is a market in our community. The projects that Mr. Daughtery's firm builds, under the supervision of the Farmer's Home Administration, provide low rent housing for the elderly and the handicapped.

Lee Ryan, former county legislator, led the discussion outlining the present problems with solid waste disposal in this area. He said that the present land fill site is running into problems in regards to meeting inspection standards. It is imperative that action be taken in the form of providing a new solid waste disposal program in the near future. Ryan said that projects have been constructed in Akron, Springfield, and Wellsville, N.Y.

## Marathon

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\$3,500; this would pay for a new transmitter, a stereo generator and other new equipment."

The station will be applying for "some sort of matching grant" in the near future. "We'll be doing many more things to raise money this semester," said Esterow.

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Fornatale explained commercial radio as being a business where you are out to sell airtime, not just having a good time.

Suicide brought home the amazing influence of radio to Fornatale. During a late, late night show a young woman telephoned in asking Fornatale to do something to dissuade her boyfriend from committing suicide. The only thing he could think of doing was talk about the importance of not giving up life. When he had finished talking he received several phone calls with the same basic message, "Hey, man, how'd you know?"

"The Wizard of Oz is a perfect analogy for radio," said Fornatale. Meeting a disc-jockey in person can be like Toto suddenly pulling back the curtain and revealing the Wizard for who he really is. Fornatale was able to directly support this observation by showing a film clip from the movie *American Graffiti* where the character played by Richard Dreyfuss discovers the true identity of the disc-jockey played by Wolfman Jack.

A disc-jockey can be just that mysterious voice over the radio, and we can all wonder who he is, what he looks like, etc. Perhaps they are all as nice and easy going as Pete Fornatale.

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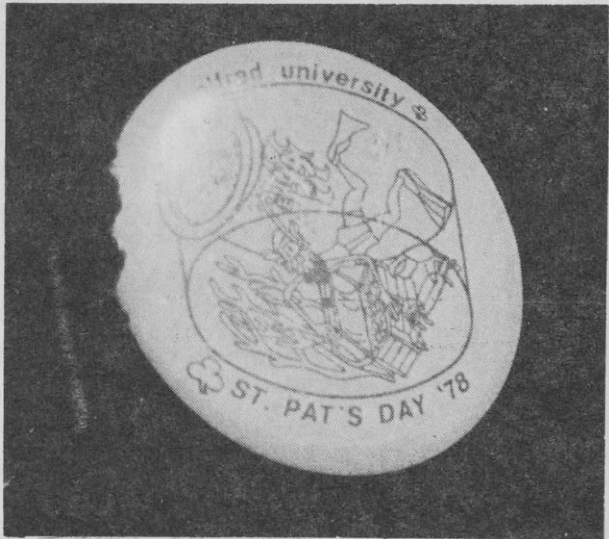
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# ST. PAT'S WEEKEND



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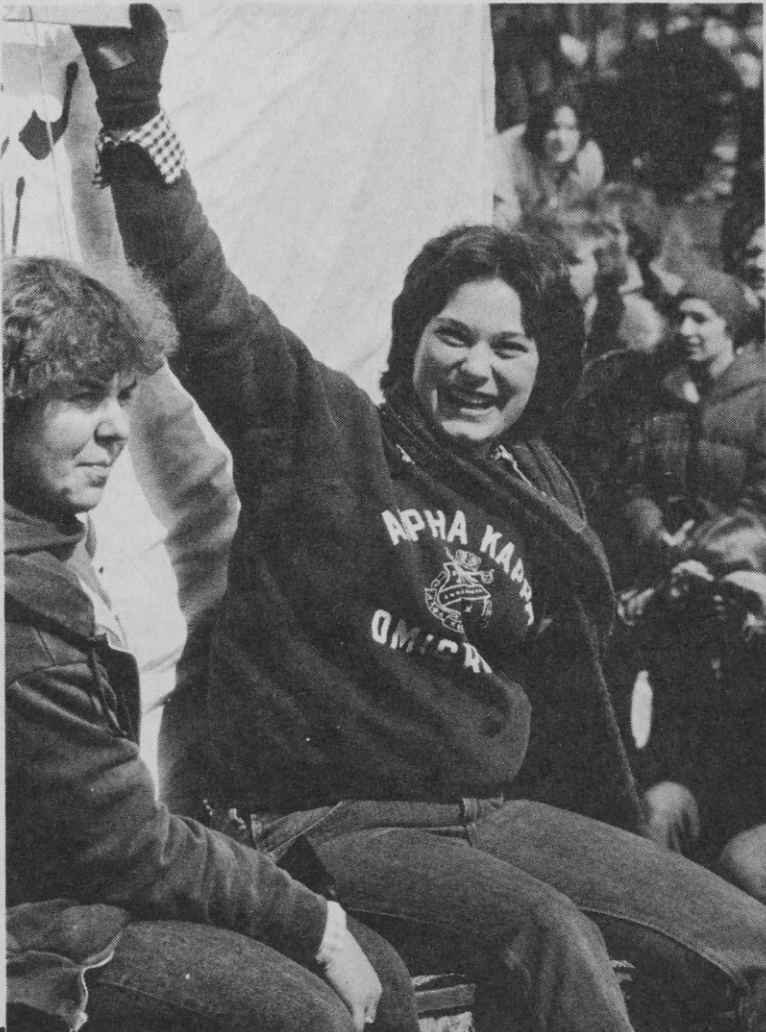
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## Daredevils Make for Great Show

By R.C. Hickman

Take two diversified rock-country/rock groups, a stage along with lighting effects and 2600 people, and you have one fantastic concert. This is exactly what the Ozark Mountain Daredevils and the Sandford and Townsend Band concert was, Fri., March 17, at McLane Center.

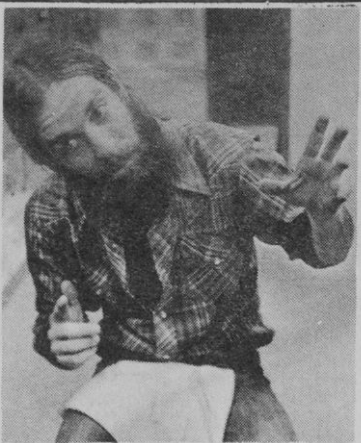
Taking the stage first was the Sandford and Townsend Band. They got the show off to a rousing start with songs ranging from jazz to rock to takeoffs on classical pieces.

The band put the audience into gear for what they were to experience right after intermission.

This experience was the Ozark Mountain Daredevils. They did music ranging from country to rock to bluegrass with the help of an electric harmonica, violin, slide guitar, drums, guitars, piano, and banjo.

Judging by the audience reaction, demanding two encores, the Ozark Mountain Daredevils really helped to get St. Pat's Weekend off to a "get down" start.

In an interview after the concert, Mike Granda, guitarist and vocalist, said that the Daredevils are all from



By Caroline Little

Mike Granda, Daredevil

Springfield MO. The band in its present state has been together about a year and a half. The Daredevils have been a group for six years and three months.

About their diversified music, Mike said, "We don't try to make all of our music the same. We aren't a formula band."

"Where we are from isn't like the rest of the U.S.; Springfield isn't as up on things as L.A., N.Y., and Chicago. So, we did music that they were used to," he said.

The concert here at A.U. was the first of a five-night tour. They enjoy touring because "we want to expose people to our music and get them into it as well as see new places and meet new people."

The group is making plans to do a live album to be released this summer as well as possibly getting another one ready for fall. So far they have put one album out per year since 1973 and would like to get that up to two per year.



# SPORTS

## Stickmen Head South

By Mark Curley

Many college students head south over spring break to escape the northern weather and party in the Florida sun.

This year there is at least one group of students who will head south, not to party, but to work out. That group is the Alfred University Lacrosse team.

The stickmen, whose first official game is April 6th, will travel south in order to play some preseason exhibitions and practice on good fields in good weather.

A time and a place to practice have been hard to come by for Coach Obergfell's squad. Prior to the end of the basketball season the only time the team could use the gym was 6 a.m. And now, even though the weather is getting nicer, the only place to practice outdoors, that is not covered with mud is the McLane Center parking lot.

Coach Obergfell thinks the Florida trip will give his team a chance to practice and compete on real fields which will be a welcome change from gym floors and parking lots.

The team will leave Alfred March 24th and play four games while in Florida.

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The Alfred University women's track team had a taste of high level competition at the Eastern Association of Intercollegiate Athletics for Women (EAIW) championships at Tufts University on March 11th.

The girls who have been running against the likes of U. of Rochester, Cortland and Oswego suddenly found themselves up against Penn State, Rutgers, Maryland and other big schools from all over the east coast.

Although none of the girls scored, they all performed well.

Coach Marie Babcock said, "We were a bit awed at first, but we made up our minds to do our best. All the girls tried hard and I think the team benefitted from the experience."

The 880 relay team of Sue Knott, Sue Boutillier, Amy Tuttle, and Mary Labate ran a 1:56. Tina Cantelmi, who qualified in a 3000 meter race, ran her first competitive 2 mile and finished in 11:42.

In the field events, Sue Boutillier jumped 5' 4" in the High Jump, and 16' 10 1/2" in the Long Jump. Karen Savage threw 36' 3 1/2" and Kathy Sansocie 35' 4" in the shot put.

### Intramural Update

Basketball playoffs are down to five teams in the double elimination tournament. They are: Raiders, Chucks and Buds, GDI, Alpha Omega, and Delta Sigma Phi's A team.

Senior Photos for the 1978 Kanakadea--photographs may be submitted at Campus Center desk or can be taken by our staff. Call 2151 for an appointment (keep trying).

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The Hillel Club in Alfred will celebrate Purim March 23 at 7 p.m. in the Campus Center. The Book of Esther will be read.

On Friday, April 21, at 7 p.m. in Howell Hall Dining Room the Passover Seder will be held. Students at the University, the Ag-Tech College, and townspeople are asked to send their dinner reservations to Prof. M. Bernstein, Box 76\$, Alfred, before April 12. Reservations are required because this is a catered meal and special foods must be prepared. While the Seder is a Jewish festival meal celebrating human freedom, it is open to anyone who wishes to attend.

On May 2, 3, and 4, Rabbi Jerome Malino, of the United Jewish Center, Danbury, Connecticut, will be on campus to talk to and with students and the community.

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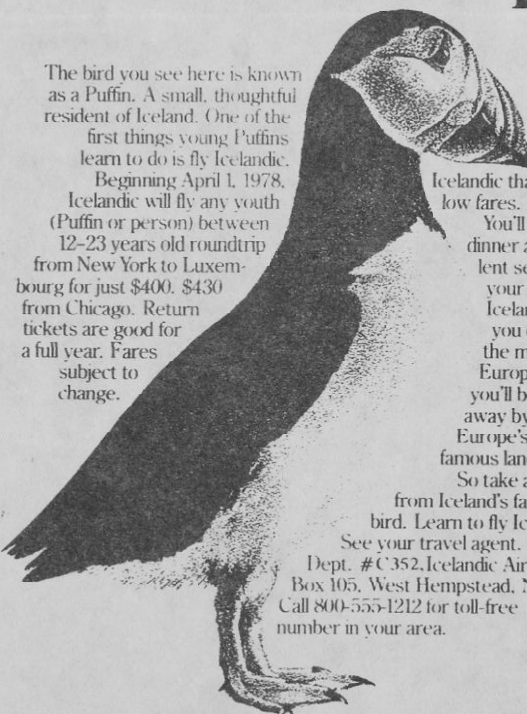


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