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## AU puts itself on map with continued studies

BY KRISTEN HOFFMAN  
NEWS EDITOR

Nadine Hoover, Bob Myers and Norm Pollard held a press conference last Wednesday in Nevins Theatre to discuss the results of their hazing survey to Alfred University's faculty, staff and students.

"We are trying to establish a more prominent identity for Alfred University," said AU President Charles Edmondson.

Vice President for University Relations Mike Hyde indicated that the idea for the hazing survey was prompted by the infamous hazing incident of 1998 and because

32 percent of college athletes reported that they were first hazed in high school.

Hoover, the principal investigator, designed the survey and executed the research that found 48 percent of college students are involved with hazing.

She discovered that people who use humiliation tactics at first often turn to a more dangerous form of hazing later on.

"One of the things I've learned is that they're not separate groups, they're totally intertwined," she said.

Director of the Counseling and Student Development Center Norm Pollard found that sadness, depression and a strong desire for revenge are the main negative

results of hazing.

Pollard revealed that one mother called him and said that she knew her son was going to be hazed, but that she couldn't stop him because he strongly desired to be a part of the team.

His teammates held him upside down by his ankles, put his head in the toilet and flushed while giving him kidney punches. He only has one kidney.

Bob Myers, professor of anthropology and public health, indicated that there is an enormous amount of pressure for students to join groups and that participating in something illegal is fun and exciting.

Hoover agreed that some people

believe hazing is fun. One man told her that he and other men used to get together and drink beer mixed with needles. The object of the "game" was to catch these needles before swallowing them. But some of the men accidentally swallowed needles and died.

Myers is concerned with the rate at which serious incidents like these are overlooked and wants teachers to become more aware of hazing.

"Even seemingly unarmful behaviors are really red flags that people should be alert to more harmful forms of intimidation and horseplay," he said.

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## Students question schedule holds

BY KRISTEN HOFFMAN  
NEWS EDITOR

When students arrived on campus this fall semester, many discovered that the Business and Finance Office and/or Financial Aid Office placed a hold on their schedules.

AU student Tyler Case went to both Financial Aid and the Business Office in order to obtain his schedule because Financial Aid did not receive his 1999 tax return, which his parents had received an extension for.

"There seems to be a lot of run around," Case said.

After going back and forth from Financial Aid to the Business Office, he was finally able to get his schedule by writing a check for \$327 dollars.

"Communication between us [the Business Office] and Financial Aid is critical in helping the student," said Business Office Controller Sharon Bain.

Bain explained that the people of the Business Office encourage students to get their financial aid package and loan application in as soon as possible to help prevent schedule holds.

One student, who wishes to  
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## Homecoming comes early

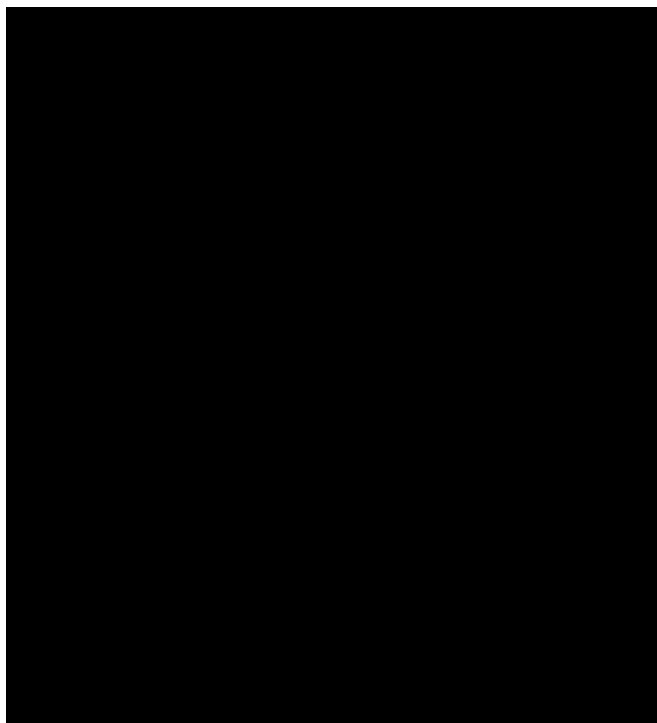


PHOTO BY CHUCK BRITT

Mark O'Meara leading cheers in the stands can mean only one thing: Homecoming. O'Meara, along with many alumni returned to Alfred for the weekend.

## Village fire codes examined

BY CHRISTA NYMAN  
STAFF WRITER

A fire at a student apartment in May led to an Alfred Village Board public hearing last Tuesday night about the safety of rental housing in the village.

The hearing concerned a proposed local law clarifying the code enforcement officer's authority to cite offenders of the state Fire Prevention Building Code. It also covered eight proposed amendments to the local housing code. After the hearing, the Village board approved both the law and the amendments.

Gary Ostrower, mayor of Alfred, opened the hearing by saying the Village of Alfred needs to "re-earn the trust of parents." These amendments are "a necessity," he said, for the safety of the tenants in Alfred.

One of the amendments of most concern to off-campus students dealt with smoke detectors. It states that landlords must be responsible for providing their tenants with detectors that are in good working order. It also puts the responsibility on the tenants to change the smoke detector's batteries. It must be a "shared responsibility," Mayor Ostrower said.

Georgianna Bartholomew, the mother of Andrew, an Alfred University student who suffered third degree burns this past May 11 from an apartment fire on 42 South Main Street, supported the changes.

"It is refreshing to see these new codes," she said. She noted that she had felt uncomfortable with her son's living conditions before the fire. She urged the Village Board and trustees to make safety their top priority. Bartholomew said that she hoped that no one would ever have to see what she saw.

Dean of Students and Vice President for Student Affairs at Alfred University Gerald Brody urged the village board not only

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## Bartholomew heads home, steps toward recovery

BY KRISTEN HOFFMAN  
NEWS EDITOR

Andrew Bartholomew, who was severely burned just before his graduation at the 42 South Main Street fire in early May 2000, was allowed to return home on Aug. 30, after four months in the hospital.

Andrew's mother, Georgianna Bartholomew, indicated that her son was a patient in the burn unit of Strong Memorial Hospital for six weeks and then was transferred to Syracuse University Hospital for the remainder of the time.

Andrew received hundreds of cards during his hospital stay

and his parents hung as many cards as possible on the walls of his room.

"I want to thank the people in Alfred for all the nice cards and get well wishes. It was really nice of all of them," said Georgianna.

Besides the cards, the flag and picture of Andrew's fraternity, Kappa Sigma, also hung on the wall.

"They were super about coming to visit [at the hospital]. They still call and visit Andrew at the house," said Georgianna.

Now that Andrew is home, he will be receiving physical therapy in order to regain the use of his limbs, particularly his left

arm and hand, which he currently cannot move at all. He also underwent surgery to remove his gall bladder on Sept. 11.

It is too early to tell whether or not Andrew will make a full recovery because it will take time for the nerves to grow back and the open spots to heal.

Dean of Students and Vice President for Student Affairs Gerald Brody indicated that Andrew was in danger for most of the summer because without a complete skin graft, there is a great risk of infection. Brody is enthusiastic that Andrew has now returned home.

"This is great news," he said.

"You couldn't ask for a nicer person, he [Brody] is so supportive," said Georgianna.

Andrew appreciates the support Alfred University has shown him.

"I'm grateful for all the cards I've received from Alfred. It's nice they haven't forgotten about me," he said.

"He [Andrew] laughs, smiles, cracks a few jokes, and is always happy to see people," Georgianna said.

Andrew is grateful for the support of his parents and is determined to get better.

Georgianna is hopeful that her son will make a good recovery within two years. ○



## Fiat Lux

# Network problem needs attention

Every year, people complain about the parking situation on campus. Students, without fail, say there is not enough space to accommodate everyone's automobiles.

This argument, however, may switch venues.

Instead of complaints being registered to Physical Plant, Information Technology Services may get to hear about creating space for students.

But, instead of parking spaces for cars, it's bandwidth, or space, for all the computers that we now have on campus.

The past three years has seen the University expand its computer infrastructure dramatically. Not the least of these expansions was the full wiring of the campus for direct Internet access.

However, as the first two weeks of school have shown, perhaps AU has not kept up with the increased number of students bringing computers to school and the software that takes full advantage of our wired world.

Sources close to the situation will say that while programs like Napster take up a chunk of available bandwidth to get on the Web, the real problem is that there simply is not enough space for the Internet needs of a university.

Last week, for the first time in three years, the phrase "dial-up connection" was tossed around by some frustrated with the unbelievable slowdown in retrieving information from the Internet.

Think about that — students hooked into what is supposed to be a high-speed network considering moving to a "pokey" dial-up connection to increase the speed at which they can do things on the Internet.

Students can help out by not leaving Napster, Scour Exchange or any of these types of file sharing programs on all the time.

However, that really won't solve the problem in the long run.

Our network, which was frighteningly slow most of last week, may not improve unless this University makes a concerted effort to allow for the type of bandwidth that is obviously needed here.

Whatever happened to last year's effort of distributing the bandwidth through prioritizing? Different uses were allowed a specific amount of bandwidth.

Like it or not, we have become more and more technology reliant. Students need to be able to check e-mail at any moment. People need to be able to get on the web when they see fit.

This is a complex problem that students and staff must work together to solve. However, we can't wait too long to do something. ○

## Keep students up to speed with happenings

The University, in the past, has been very good about informing students of what is going on campus. Numerous e-mails are sent daily to keep students up to date. Students even often find themselves fed up with the excessive e-mails.

However, the campus was left in the dark as to what happened last Tuesday, literally. The campus experienced a brownout, leaving academic buildings and residence halls without electricity for about 20 minutes.

It wasn't the fact that we were without electricity that bugs us; rather, it is the fact that no one cared to explain what was going on.

When Information Technology Services need to reset or play with the server in the middle of the night, when very few people are using the network, an e-mail is still sent out to warn students.

Several days after the brownout, students are still left with no answer from the administration or Physical Plant, via e-mail nor voice mail.

Accidents occur, and we understand that, but an explanation would definitely help. ○

### COLUMN

## Get over fear of feminism

BY SARAH GUARIGLIA  
A & E EDITOR



Women on college campuses across the country struggle for equality and respect.

Most of this happens in small ways, on a day-to-day basis, and needs to be noticed more by men and women alike.

From what I can tell, the AU campus climate towards women is getting better in some ways. More men appear to be taking an interest in women's issues and are showing up in greater numbers everywhere from women's studies classes to Women's Issues Coalition meetings.

Bear in mind, showing up in "greater" numbers usually means maybe five or six men. And, chances are, those five or six men are exactly the ones

who are open-minded towards women's issues to begin with.

However, this progress balances out on the negative side. It's the little things, like a car I noticed on campus recently with a sticker that read "No fat chicks," that make it hard to feel as though feminism is having any impact where it is most needed.

People have to be made aware that many sexist comments and actions, normally overlooked, in reality, have a negative effect on the women around them.

Attempts to raise this kind of awareness often make feminists come across as offensive or threatening. What I think that most people don't realize is that we're working against years of silencing ourselves and being silenced, and that it feels good to yell a little. Or a lot, depend-

ing on whether or not people are willing to listen.

The problem remains that many women don't want to be labeled as feminists, and they don't show active support of the movement for fear of being seen as militant or whiny. What I believe many of these women need to understand is that the most work is necessary on a more personal level.

If you hear people (male or female) making sexist remarks, call them on it and get them to realize what exactly they're saying — it can be as simple as that.

In a university with a strong tradition of equality in education, I think it is important for both men and women on this campus to consider whether they are helping to uphold that tradition or inadvertently undermining it. ○

### COLUMN

## MTV hits new low with VMAs

BY JAY WEISBERGER  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF



A few years ago, AU students fought hard, and won, just so they could have their MTV.

But, after Thursday night, I'm ready to start another crusade.

Get rid of it. I'd rather have ESPN2 up here.

Why? Did you watch the annual MTV Video Music Awards?

I felt like I was in "Survivor." We started off with a bunch of people in the room and, usually after some painful moment of the show, someone just couldn't take it anymore and left.

The consensus opinion was that, maybe, we're just getting too old.

This may be true, but the VMAs this year was the best example yet of why people with a satellite dish switched long ago to MTV2, or just plain switched channels.

What was the low point of the show?

Maybe the monologue? And, wait! Was Britney Spears auditioning for a role in *Striptease* 2?

Actually, I almost felt bad for her. Certainly, she's being told behind the scenes how she must look and what she must do. It's all about marketing an image.

But then, she could step away from all this, couldn't she?

I saw that Jennifer Lopez forgot to get dressed, *again*, for an awards show.

It was just disgusting how pretentious everything was.

We all know this show is meaningless. It's MTV's best means of promotion and, the same goes for the artists.

And shame on MTV for trying to take a stand on an issue.

I actually thought the show was taking a turn in the right direction when Napster creator Sean Fanning hit the stage in nothing other than a Metallica T-shirt.

"Actually, I'm sharing it with a friend," he said. "I'm thinking about getting my own."

Yep. It was too good to be true, because a little over an hour later, there's Lars Ulrich bashing Napster right back in a skit so inane that Saturday Night Live wouldn't take it if all its writers called in sick.

MTV obviously has no guts to take a stand on an issue that its viewers relate with.

The only stand taken the whole night was Moby's thoughtful placement of a Gore/Lieberman sticker on the podium. If you know Moby's political stance, and probably very few of the viewers Thursday night did, you knew the significance of that.

Actually, this could have been one of the more intriguing shows in recent years.

But no. They did not sit

Eminem next to Britney Spears or between Carson Daly and Fred Durst (so that they could argue about, well, you know, the song).

I think the moment of the night had to be when Macy Gray came to accept her award.

Gray, who advocates drug use at her shows, was clearly on some other plane, altered by who knows what.

Maybe she beat us all to the punch. People have always wondered if MTV helps lead people to drug use.

If they keep putting this kind of junk on, we're going to be forced to medicate just to get through the show.

Which I didn't, perhaps because I wasn't drunk.

The show wasn't about the music, though it never really ever was.

At the least, if you're going to come up with this show to bring in some big-time ad money, at least make it more entertaining. I like to feel I'm being catered to while I'm being persuaded to see the new Adam Sandler movie.

Through it all, I've decided once and for all that MTV is no longer targeted at people our age.

Let's ditch MTV for "The Deuce." ESPN2, heck, even MTV2 would serve the campus community better. ○



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## STUDENT SENATE UPDATE

## Senate starts off new year

BY JUDY TSANG  
MANAGING EDITOR

"Three-two-one, this is usually when I'll be smacking the gavel," warned Student Senate President Seth Mulligan last Wednesday at Student Senate's first, but unofficial meeting.

Attendance was not taken, giving the meeting that designation.

Taking a different turn from the usual attendance procedure, Senate Secretary Liz Reina asked that all senators stand up and introduce themselves, as their organization was called.

This asked for a bit of trouble, when several senators expressed their plans after the meeting: a trip to the bar.

An introduction to the Senate Executive Board was necessary to let incoming students know who was voicing their opinions. Going down the line was Treasurer Jaime Pena, Vice President Rachael Downey,

President Mulligan, Secretary Reina, Publicity Director Colin Kennard and Finance Chair Jalal Clemens.

President Mulligan expressed his plans on forming a council who will act as a liaison between Information Technology Services and Senate. This council will meet regularly with Director of ITS Lana Meissner to help answer questions as well as establish a communication between the two groups.

Then began the guest appearances.

Admissions Counselor Renee Orlick let it be known that she was in search of overnight hosts. Orlick asked the senators to volunteer their hospitality because "you are our leaders."

Next up was Dean of Students and Vice President for Student Affairs Gerald Brody. After a brief introduction came a warning: "I'd like to see everyone who said they'll be

going to the bar after this meeting." This was met with chuckles.

Along with Omicron Delta Kappa, Senate will be conducting another campus clean up day on Saturday, Sept. 16. Like before, Senate will provide gloves and garbage bags.

Vice President Downey then introduced the Senator Handbook. The Handbook consists of contact information, senator responsibilities, committees as well as the constitution.

It was made known that Senate will be meeting every Wednesday at 8 p.m. and with the 90-minute clause in effect, meetings cannot go past 9:30 p.m. Another important reminder was that all voting senators must serve on a committee.

Despite being an unofficial meeting, Senate closed off the night with the usual array of announcements. ○

## ...Codes

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to approve the amendments, but also make another amendment that would require yearly inspections of rental housing. The students, he said, "are in your hands. You have age, you have wisdom, and you need to protect them."

But in order for these amendments to be effective, many community members felt a full time code enforcement officer was needed.

Tim Diggins, the owner of a local restaurant and a landlord said the key is enforcement. He said that their current code enforcement officer, working part time, just does not have the time to ensure that all landlords are following the codes.

Several off-campus students also attended the meeting.

Meghan Bunnell of Waynesville, Ohio had been living in the house that burned May 11. She said her main concern, as a student, was that she didn't know where to go with concerns about housing.

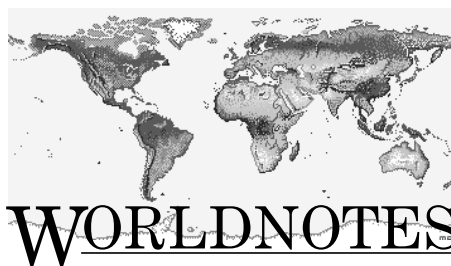
Other off-campus students had similar concerns. AU student, Lara Davis, said she came to the meeting to find out what efforts were being made to improve the quality of off-campus housing. Students are just not informed she said, and they "don't know their rights."

Henry Bauer, a landlord in Alfred, reminded the audience that the condition of off-campus housing is a two-sided issue. He said most of the fires that he has had in his buildings are due to alcohol consumption. He said that he has had porch fires and cigarettes burning in couches, and his fire detectors have awakened his tenants.

Ostrower said that everyone at the meeting has a stake in the health of the Alfred community. He said he was, "tired of excuses." He was tired of the landlords blaming the students, and the students blaming the landlords.

Edward G. Coll Jr., the recently retired president of Alfred University, said that he had lost track of how many similar meetings he had sat through in his almost 19 years of living in Alfred. In those years "nothing meaningful has been done," on this issue, he said.

The general consensus from the community was that they support the new law and amendments. But as Fire Chief Bill Dibrell noted, this is just the minimum of what the Village could be doing. ○



## LOCAL

For the thirteenth year in a row, Alfred University has ranked among the top 15 regional universities in the North by *U.S. News and World Report* in its 2001 guide, America's Best Colleges.

AU also snagged the number one spot for best value among regional universities in the North.

• Students enjoyed the unusually early Homecoming festivities last weekend throughout campus. Hollybrick Squares was held Friday evening outside Kruson hall, where contestants competed to win a bicycle.

Saturday offered a Tailgate 2000 carnival, the Homecoming Parade, an AU Saxons v. Ithaca football game and Alumnipalooza, featuring Parker TM, The Wait and Cuban Music Crisis.

## NATIONAL

Uncontrollable wildfires have hit all over the western part of the United States. Texas was struck with nearly three dozen large wildfires last week as firefighters continued to fight wildfires in the northern Rockies.

With weather in their favor, firefighters are using the sudden windy, cool and moist conditions to make gains on the largest and longest-lasting fires in Idaho and western Montana, according to the Idaho-based National Interagency Fire Center.

There were 50 wildfires last Friday spread out in 11 states, according to the fire center.

• Although millions of working poor still have trouble getting adequate food, the number of hungry families have dropped by 24 percent as the nation's economy boomed in late 1990s, the government said last Friday.

According to an annual Agricultural Department report, 3.95 million American families had at least one member going hungry in 1995. The number decreased down to slightly less three million in 1999.

## INTERNATIONAL

A plan to seize 150 white-owned farms in Zimbabwe as part of further plans to amass more than 3,000 properties for a black peasant resettlement scheme was announced last Friday by the Zimbabwean government.

At least 2,100 farms have already been identified by the government, and plans have been made to resettle peasants into at least 800 properties around October.

• By 2003, nearly one-third of Russia's military forces will be cut down.

The reduction of about 350,000 personnel was announced at a ceremony at the headquarters of the Kantemirovskaya tank division outside Moscow by Defense Minister Igor Sergeev last Friday.

This move reflects Russian leaders' growing realization that the nation can no longer afford such a large military.

## Community service projects start in residence halls

BY GABE FERSCH  
STAFF WRITER

This semester marks the beginning of Resident Life's volunteer community service project in residence halls.

"We hope to offer the students the opportunity to become involved in the greater Alfred community and begin a process of giving back to their community that we hope will last their lifetime," said Tomas Gonzalez, director of Residence Life.

Each month, every residence hall will participate in a community service project that they decide upon.

This month, Reimer Hall plans on helping out in a local soup kitchen and Barresi Hall is undertaking a recycling project.

Tefft is taking a more humorous view on the community service project. With residents of Tefft picking up cigarette butts on campus, they will call themselves the "Tefft Butt-Pickers." ○

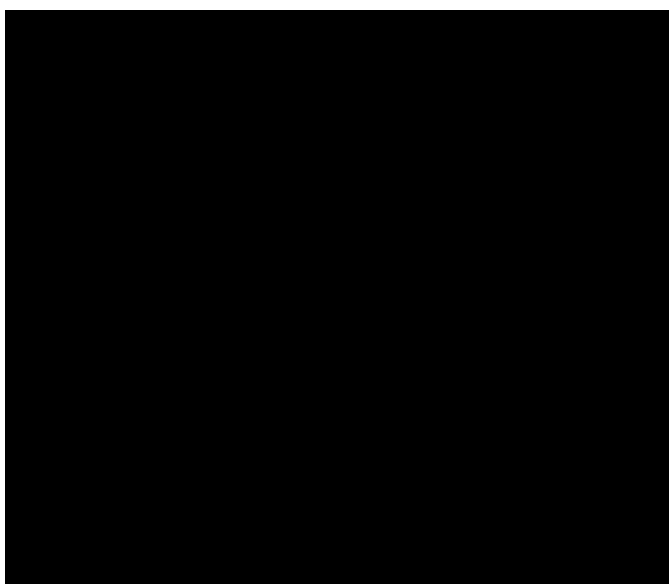


PHOTO CHUCK BRITT  
Christa Nyman and Jay Weisberger are awarded their crowns from last year's Homecoming "royalty" Katie Isaac and Dave Silbergleit.

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WHERE'S THE LOCK  
YOU NEED PICKED?

# Event exposes students to Alfred merchants

BY JASON PILARZ  
FEATURES EDITOR

The first week of classes at Alfred University provided an opportunity for students to interact with members of the community as "Destination Downtown" brought together students and businesses of the Alfred.

Director of Student Activities Dan Napolitano hailed the event as an opportunity to see "what downtown has to offer."

With 21 businesses participat-

ing, "Destination Downtown" proved to be an aggressive effort to encourage students to go downtown, said Napolitano.

This event was not merely geared toward freshmen new to the Alfred area. Napolitano noted that many students do not realize what there is downtown until their senior year, if at all. He hopes that if students were aware of all the various businesses, both students and the firms could benefit.

Jim Palmer, owner of

Crandall's jewelers, was happy to be participating in "Destination Downtown," noting that "anything to get folks downtown" was a good idea.

A member of the Alfred Business Association, Palmer lamented that currently he sees few students downtown, certainly "not as many as once did." He traced this lack of students downtown to the moving of the school bookstore on campus.

With almost everything students need now being provided

on campus, students have "no reason to come downtown," said Palmer. He noted with a smile that while many students would not necessarily be interested in what he sells, he would love to see the downtown businesses in general getting more customers.

Napolitano noted that "Destination Downtown" was actually an outgrowth of an idea for a Student Activities Board (SAB) barbeque. He stated that both he and SAB felt that a barbeque was not enough to entice students.

Thus, the efforts of the businesses were sought to complement the barbeque and to "use them as a draw," said Napolitano. The event worked to achieve two major goals: to promote the SAB barbeque and to advertise local businesses to the students.

A bingo board was developed to encourage students to visit as many businesses as possible, with prizes being given out in the end. The prizes themselves helped to promote Alfred businesses, as all were gift certificates or products from local firms. The grand prize was a \$100 Alfred Business Association gift certificate.

Events of the evening included the free barbeque at the village bandstand, as well as an SAB-sponsored band, The Gifted Children, a men's and women's three kilometer race beginning at the fire hall and a chicken wing eating contest, sponsored by the Alfred Sub Shop. The Alfred Business Association also handed out free popcorn to students.

In an effort to broaden the event, Hornell Area Transit provided a free shuttle to businesses in Alfred Station, including Tinker Town Hardware, the Bicycle Man and College Suppliers. ○

## ...Study

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Hoover discovered that "having an anti-hazing law at the high school level makes no difference. More than half of high school students don't know there is an anti-hazing law."

Hyde believed that once people realize why hazing occurs, a lot more can be done to stop it.

Director of Communications and University Relations Sue Goetschius indicated that Hoover, Pollard and Myers still receive requests for interviews. The Fox Network interviewed Pollard last Thursday and Hoover will be interviewed on Sept. 18.

"I'm surprised and overwhelmed by the good response to the study," said Myers.

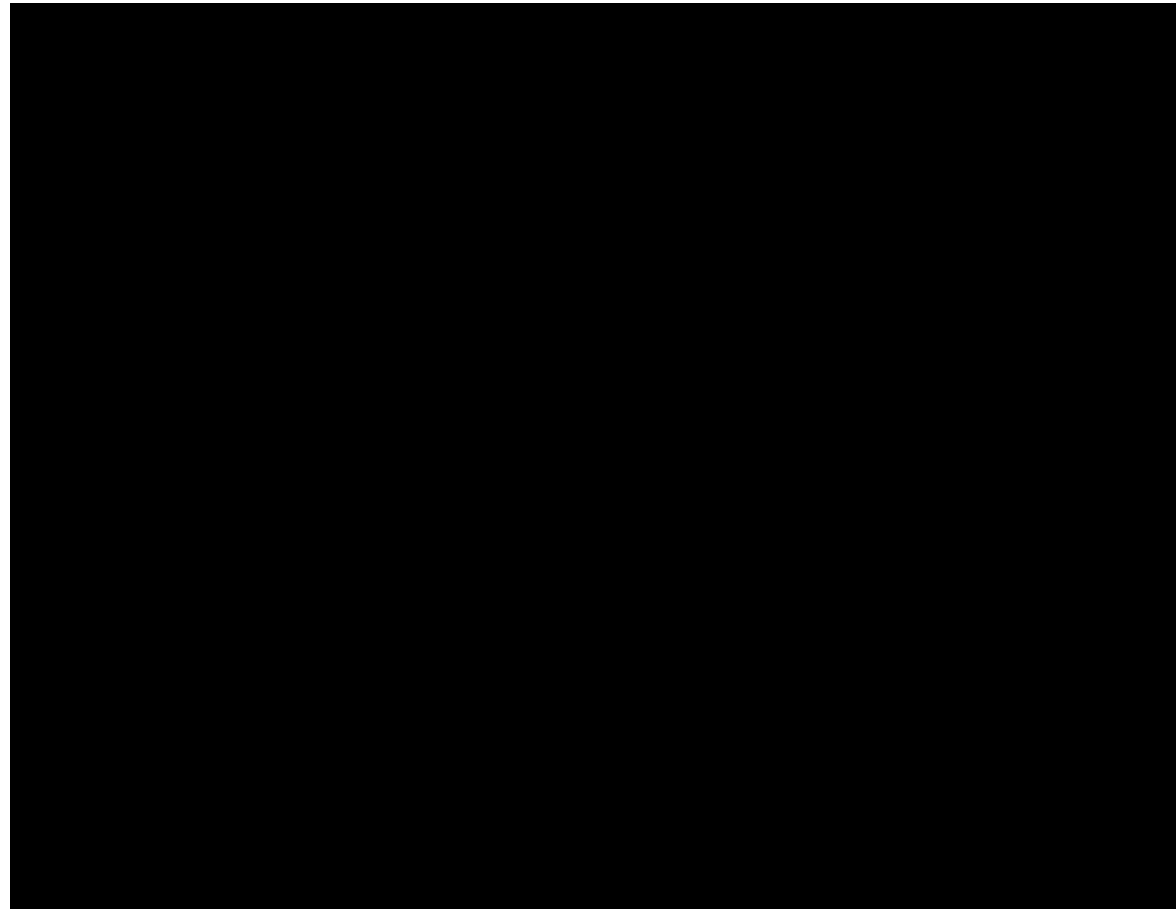
Because Alfred University initiated these hazing studies, Edmondson believes that "more than any other university in America, we have to show that we can walk the walk," said Edmondson.

Myers said with a smile that the next step for AU is to perform a hazing study at the elementary school level. ○



PHOTO BY AMY KLEIN

Kevin Berwald tries his hand at the Destination Downtown barbeque as Jamie Wolff looks on. It was the first time the event was held.



# AU expands into biomed

BY LEIGH MCCONNELL  
STAFF WRITER

Recent approval by the State Education Department of the biomedical materials engineering science (BMES) masters degree has many students and faculty interested in where it will take the School of Ceramic Engineering and Materials Science.

"We're delighted with the state approval to offer this new degree," stated Dr. Ronald Gordon, dean of the School of Ceramic Engineering and Materials Science. "This new degree program builds upon Alfred University's traditional strengths in ceramic engineering and materials science, and its growing strengths in the life sciences."

Gordon has named Alan Goldstein, current professor of biomaterials and Frierer Chair of Molecular Biology, as director of the BMES interdisciplinary program.

"I am pleased that Dr. Goldstein agreed to take on this challenging role for us," commented Gordon. "We see biomedical materials as an area where Alfred University can really achieve national prominence in the coming years, building upon our nationally ranked program in ceramic engineering and materials science and on the fine molecular life sciences program Dr. Goldstein established here at

Alfred."

Goldstein has taught graduate and undergraduate level courses in biochemistry, cell biology, advanced cell biology, genetic engineering, tissue culture and molecular genetics and diagnostics.

The biomedical materials engineering science program comes as a result of the hard work of Bill LaCourse, professor of glass science, and Alexis Clare, associate professor of glass science. The students of



Alfred who showed an interest in the biomedical materials field also played an important role, noted Goldstein.

"Alfred is moving into biomedical materials engineering because of the student interests," commented Goldstein.

Biomedical materials include substances used in the human body for medical or dental needs, such as heart pumps and bone splints. The most commonly used material in the body is mercury for fillings, even though it has been shown to be harmful to the body.

"The best material for a heart pump may not be accepted by the body," said Goldstein.

It is for this reason that biomedical materials engineering science is a field of growing interest. The biomedical mate-

rials engineers test new materials to make sure they are safe for use in the human body.

"Biomedical materials engineering science is an interesting field that has seen a lot of new developments in the past few years," commented Patrick Clapp, a graduate student of BMES.

Currently there is no plan for bachelors or doctoral degrees in biomedical materials engineering science, but if students show an interest in these degrees, work may be done to create them, noted Goldstein.

A concentration is, however, available for undergraduates who wish to study biomedical materials engineering. This involves taking extra classes that deal with biomedical materials and possibly focusing the senior thesis on the field, Goldstein stated.

Additionally, BMES has a close relationship to materials science, and a proposed doctoral program in materials science would include biomaterials, photonics, metallurgy, composites, polymers and others. The current doctoral program is limited to ceramics and glass, stated Gordon.

"While we are very strong in these areas," commented Gordon, "the new Ph.D. program will permit us to expand our research programs and attract graduate students from a wider range of disciplines." O

Financial Aid to fax it.

Currently, the Business Office holds weekly meetings to promote less staff turnover and more staff training.

"The more we [the Business Office] can promote within, the better it is [for the students]. It's neat to see how people have evolved. We have come a long way in a short period of time," Bain said.

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Bain felt that it is important for the Business Office to give students the individual attention they need.

"It's not something they're taking lightly. They're are complicated situations," she said.

"It's hard enough to make a loan go through, they [Business Office] don't need to make our lives miserable," said the anonymous student who has no financial help.

Bain explained that problems can occur in getting a loan to go through because banks can deny its passage and late loan applications can cause the process to be held up for four to six weeks.

Bain is open to any suggestions to promote better communication between students and the Business Office.

She indicated that students might be more at ease with their personal finances if a representative from both the Business and Financial Aid side went around to the residence halls answering student questions.

"That would move us in a direction that would help everybody. I hope we can come out of this with something we can all benefit from," said Bain. O

## REVIEW

# Pearl Jam rocks Jersey

BY JAY WEISBERGER  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

CAMDEN, N.J. — Need an excuse for that Toronto trip you've been planning?

Why not make it Oct. 5, when Pearl Jam will make an appearance in town?

Because if the band plays half as well as they did Sept. 3 just a stone's throw away from the skyscrapers of Philadelphia, it will be worth the ride.

For two and a half hours, the band rolled through material from all six of its albums, throwing the 25,000 fans at the Blockbuster-Sony Waterfront Entertainment Centre into a frenzy.

Despite having been on the road for a month, the band showed no signs of fatigue.

"We've only got four more shows on this leg and the throat is starting to show it," lead singer Eddie Vedder told the crowd. "So help out whenever you can."

Not that he needed to ask. The band's devoted fan base knows almost every lyric to every song. The crowd even helped out by telling the band what to play.

Upon the band's return to the stage for its first encore, scores of fans — through a very organized campaign, mind you — lifted signs asking the band to play "Breath." The song, released only on the soundtrack to the film *Singles*, rarely makes it into the setlist.

Vedder promptly grabbed one of the signs and, after a few moments, announced, "Fine. We'll give it a shot."

The band couldn't have played

the number better, much to the joy of those requesting.

There were more high points, as well.

Like guitarist Mike McCree, who proved himself to be a human highlight reel of the family. McCree almost stole the show with his work on songs like "Red Mosquito," "Evenflow," and "Porch."

However, it was the way he closed the show that most fans will remember.

Jamming at the end of b-side "Yellow Ledbetter," which closed the show in the second encore, McCree dropped in the familiar cuts of Ozzy Osbourne's "Crazy Train."

Even bandmates Stone Gossard and Vedder stood by and applauded.

It was just the final example of how tight this band is on stage. The whole night, songs sounded amazing.

New songs like "Grievance" and "Insignificance" — both songs reflecting on the riots last year in Seattle protesting the World Trade Organization — were performed with amazing intensity.

Old favorites like "Jeremy," "Last Exit" and "Dissident" were also a pleasure to hear. At no point did the set seem to drag.

A few years ago, after Pearl Jam's last tour, Rolling Stone said that there might be a band this good playing in a club somewhere, but that there wasn't another playing arenas.

If that is the title Pearl Jam was looking to defend on its latest jaunt, the band won by knocking out. O

## ...Schedules

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remain anonymous, wished that the Business Office would have warned her that her TAP grant wasn't in.

"What if my loan doesn't go through... will they [AU] kick me out? That's what scares me," Bain said.

Bain indicated that because the add/drop period ended at the end of last week, students can be removed from classes if the registrar finds that they still haven't cleared.

"It's not fair to the students who go through this painful process. It's important to get things taken care of," said Bain.

"They [AU] should be more understanding. Some of the students have to do things on their own. Taking out loans is new to students. It's not like I'm not making the effort to get the loan," said the anonymous student.

This student's parents were advised to send in their income tax returns as soon as possible, but when the bank said they didn't receive them, the student asked

Financial Aid to fax it.

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## ODK inducts two to hall



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Mark Brostoff shows off his certificate after his induction to the Omicron Delta Kappa Student Leader Hall of Fame. Brostoff is flanked by ODK President Christa Nyman, Jay Weisberger, who introduced Brostoff, and AU President Charles Edmondson. Also inducted was Marlin Miller who, because of a schedule conflict, was unable to attend the event.

## New faculty gets settled at AU

BY JASON PILARZ  
FEATURES EDITOR

As a new academic year began at Alfred University, the new faces were not restricted to those of students as four new mathematics faculty members were added to the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

It "looks like we got a very good group," stated Addison Frey, associate professor of mathematics and program chairperson of mathematics and computer science.

The need for four members of the mathematics faculty was brought about by the departure of four professors at the end of last year. Three of the professors retired, while one found another job, leaving the mathematics department with only two returning faculty members.

Darwyn Cook, one of the new professors, is happy to be here in Alfred. He commented that he has received "good impressions from students" who appear eager to learn. Another neophyte to Alfred, Eric Gaze, echoed the sentiments of Cook, saying so far "it's been great."

Cook comes to Alfred from Daniel Webster College in New Hampshire where he helped overhaul the freshman core mathematics curriculum. He had further praise for mathematics students at Alfred, whom he described as "really interested in sciences" and "well-read."

Coming to Alfred from Berea College in Kentucky, Gaze is looking forward to experiencing fall again, as he described Kentucky weather as going from summer directly into winter while skipping autumn.

He said his initial impressions of the University are that the classes and students are excellent and noted the "great sense of humor" of Frey and Robert Williams, professor of mathematics. Outside the classroom, he enjoys biking, running and cross-country skiing.

Frey noted that while a "national trend" toward retiring professors has required high turnover in a short period of time, the need for four new professors in one year was certainly unusual and unexpected.

He stated that the search process for four professors was not a great deal more difficult

than searching for just one, but commented that such a process is rather involved, even for one faculty opening. After placing advertisements of the openings in professional journals, the department received approximately 270 applications for the positions.

After compiling a short list of about 45 applicants, Frey conducted initial interviews at a national mathematics meeting in Washington, D.C. Describing these meetings as cursory at best, they provided a quick screening and an opportunity to set up more in-depth interviews on the Alfred campus.

Frey said that in Alfred, candidates met with students as well as faculty to find those who fit best into the Alfred community.

Three main criteria were used to screen applicants, according to Frey. The first was an interest in teaching, as opposed to research. The second was whether the candidates were up to date on the mathematics educational field, including the use of technology. Finally, Frey looked to see if applicants had a desire to come to the Alfred area.

He noted that a lifelong Californian would probably not be a good fit in the Alfred environment.

The third professor, Debra Waugh, comes from the University of Texas in Odessa, where she was an assistant professor since 1997, according to a University press release. She earned her doctoral degree from the University of Michigan. Aaron Ekstrom, before coming to Alfred, had taught at the University of Arizona since 1993, where he also received his doctoral degree.

Frey stated that along with the changing faculty, the focus of the mathematics department will change also. For next semester, the curriculum will be re-evaluated to take into account the new faculty's particular interests. The core courses will remain the same, but some upper-level courses may be added and others dropped, noted Frey.

The new faculty members are interested in "trying new things," said Frey, and the department will adapt to accommodate their interests and improve the quality of mathematics education being provided. □

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# Lack of space frustrates art students, faculty

BY JUDY TSANG  
MANAGING EDITOR

What normally would have been one, maybe two, senior work-spaces, a 12 feet by 18 feet area is cramped in by four senior spaces this year.

The lack of spaces and facilities available for students affects not only the seniors, but other students and even faculty

as well.

For example, a joint class of 70 plus students reduces the quality of education, Kevin Wixted, assistant professor of painting, pointed out.

With the increasing numbers of students entering AU's School of Art and Design, the available facilities are being strained.

"We're overtaking our resources," Wixted said. As fac-

ulty, professors should not have to look into finding more rooms for their students, but "we cannot teach properly due to the [large] size [of the classes]," Wixted expressed. "But the administration tells us to deal with it, that's the response."

At an all school meeting last week, Lindsay Sampson, junior and president of the Union, pointed out the administration's pressure to enroll more students. However, as the school becomes more popular, "its facilities become more scarce with increase of enrollment," Sampson said.

"Every year students return from break and they must deal with temporarily closed off spaces, studios not ready to be put to use and spaces that have been taken away all together," Sampson said.

Wixted has been told that the tightness with space will be alleviated once Binns-Merrill Hall's renovations are completed, but Wixted is not convinced.

The school has been using the music annex, but that is only on

a temporary basis, Wixted said. For the second year in a row, the school is renting city hall for its drawing classes, despite the "steep rent," Wixted noted.

Senior sculpture student Jessica Terdeman was faced with no choice but to move her work space to the annex down the road by the B.P. instead of somewhere on campus.

"[I feel like] we cannot do anything about it," Terdeman expressed. "We take what we can get."

As if losing classroom spaces wasn't enough, the School of Art and Design also lost storage space, leaving the hallways and classrooms of Harder Hall cluttered like an obstacle course, Wixted indicated.

"We've gained more students and furniture," Wixted said, trying to find humor in the situation.

However, humor is certainly hard to find when students and professors are forced into hallways to do critiques. Wixted disliked this alternative space, especially with the distraction of people walking by.

The lack of space is directly correlated with the increase enrollment of students in the school of Art and Design.

Classes have swelled since Wixted began teaching at AU about four years ago. The average class size was between 12 and 15; however, classes are now at least 20.

The number of senior spaces needed more than doubled, according to Wixted. Last year,

there were eight senior spaces, this year 18.

With the struggle for space, Wixted questioned how big should the art program be.

"If we accept so many students, how can we keep the same amount of resources and facilities?" Wixted asked. Wixted continued by asking for a choice to be made: either expand the resources or stop accepting so many students.

"I have found a lack of sensitivity towards the space issue [from the administration]," Wixted said.

Sensitivity apparently isn't what students of the Art and Design school are getting lately.

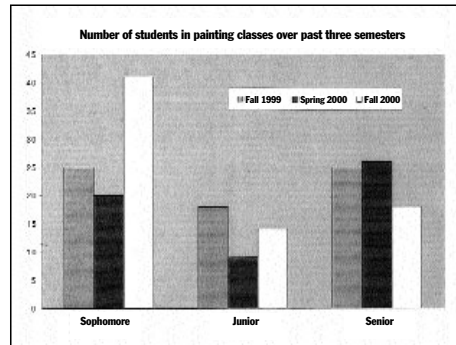
"We get screwed at both ends," senior Jeremy Kirchgraber exclaimed.

Kirchgraber further explained that New York State is reluctant to provide funding for the students because the school is a statutory school — which means it has affiliations with a private university. However, the University is hesitant to provide for the school because it is state funded.

Regardless of state funding, senior art and design student Robin Webster felt that the University should provide more support toward the Art and Design School.

"The Ceramics School gives a lot of fame and recognition to the University," Webster said. "The University should be grateful."

What it all boils down to is "we want our space back," Sampson said. ○



## Lakin: Resources tough to find

BY SARAH GUARIGLIA  
A & E EDITOR

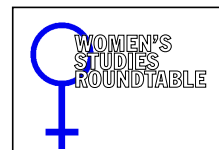
"Where are the women?" asked Pamela Lakin, librarian and research services coordinator, at this month's Women's Studies Roundtable on Sept. 8.

Lakin's presentation "Heroines at Herrick," given in Herrick Memorial Library, centered on the difficulties encountered in adequately creating and researching a collection of women's studies research material.

The original problem, according to Lakin, was a lack of books by or about women at all. The first women's studies program was established in 1969 in San Francisco, but it didn't become an official area of study at Alfred University until the 1980's.

AU women's studies faculty had to order books and other materials under their own divisional budget lines until a budget solely for women's studies was established in 1986. Soon after, "a sudden explosion of books" became available in everything from academic subjects to contemporary concerns as women's studies grew beyond a social science, Lakin pointed out.

Two percent of Herrick Library's budget is currently used on materials for the women's stud-



ies department, but this amount is augmented still by contributions from other divisions as well as gifts to the library.

Another problem Lakin addressed is that "research in women's studies is all over the place." Relevant books can be found under headings as diverse as philosophy, art, psychology, political science, language and literature. This is a result of the interdisciplinary nature of the subject — while women's studies bridges the gaps between many subjects, that makes it difficult to research in and of itself.

A lack of adequate indexes of women's studies material contributes to the problem. A few gender issue online directories exist, but the main Women's Studies Abstracts have been closed down. Researchers find themselves depending on social science indexes, which according to Lakin are often sexist and focus on stereotypes.

Lakin added that even when a

directory is found, vocabulary poses a different problem entirely. A lack of shared general terminology makes results erratic at best. A search for the subject heading "feminist" will turn up an entirely different set of results from a search for "women's studies," or even "woman," and so on.

Lakin also pointed out what she calls the "women as" syndrome — a search for women will sometimes turn up headings like "women as inventors" or "women as lawyers," almost implying that they were not inventors or lawyers but women posing as these people.

In Herrick Library, said Lakin, the faculty deal with a quarter of a million books and a shrinking budget. The library is gradually incorporating more electronic resources to give students access to more research material through computers or through inter-library loans.

Lakin said she tries to support what the faculty is teaching through the books collected by the library, as well as introduce new topics and issues she learns about through her own research. She encourages both students and faculty to make suggestions for materials they would like the library to have, saying all requests are considered and many of the reasonable ones honored. ○

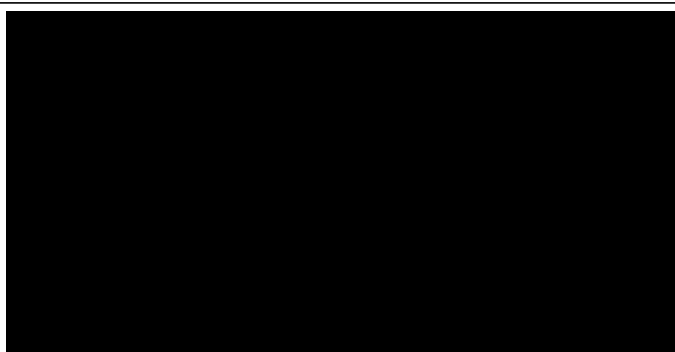


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King Alfred's Jesters march in the annual Homecoming parade Saturday. Attendance was hurt at the parade because of inclement weather.

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## Students ask for holiday

BY HEATHER SCHROEDER  
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**(U-WIRE) ITHACA** — The pavement in front of Ives Hall Monday read "Respect Labor," as members of the Cornell Organization for Labor Action passed out fliers and encouraged Cornellians to add their names to the chalk petition.

"Students were showing their support for having the day off for Labor Day and showing respect for anyone — faculty, staff and students — working today, specifically at the (School of Industrial and Labor Relations)," said Elizabeth Chimienti '02, president of COLA.

"I think it's hypocritical because they teach us to respect labor, yet the day that is designated to respect labor we don't respect," said ILR student Tanvee Mehra '03.

Along with photographs of the chalk petition, COLA has collected 400 signatures on a written petition to present to ILR Dean Edward J. Lawler later this week. The organization will ask if Lawler can grant ILR students and faculty a holiday for Labor Day and for his support in requesting that the Faculty Senate modify the University calendar, dismissing all classes on the national holiday, said COLA member David Unger '02.

"Right now we're just seeing how the Dean reacts to today's actions," Chimienti said. "We're confident that he'll be receptive to his students' requests, and that we'll be able to work out a plan together."

"We would certainly consider a change, and we would be interested in hearing what the students have in mind," Lawler said last week.

Henrik N. Dullea '61, vice president of Cornell University relations, explained that New York state dictates a certain number of class days; if Cornell takes Labor Day off, another day of classes must be added.

The University also remains in session during other national holidays, including Presidents' Day.

"We're an anomaly among universities that we don't have (Labor Day) off," said Student Assembly President Uzo Asonye '02.

The Student Assembly is in the process of helping to create the University calendar for 2003 through 2005, and has ultimate approval of the Faculty Senate's design. Should the Faculty Senate decide to change the calendar, there will still be classes on Labor Day for another three years, as the calendar is created several years in advance, Dullea explained.

"It's definitely a long-term project, but it's good to show that students really support the effort," COLA member Mike Moschella '02 said.

"We hope to make this change at least for future ILR students and Cornell students. We're patient," Chimienti said. □

## REVIEW

# Cuillin's celtic vibes hit Knight Club

BY LIBBY GOETSCHUS  
STAFF WRITER

"You guys are Celtic!" singer and guitarist Dave Carmichael exclaimed to a dancing and jumping crowd as the room erupted in cheers. Cuillin, a Celtic group from Canada, started off the SAB lineup of small act Saturday night bands with a night of energetic and upbeat music that got half the audience on its feet.

Cuillin's show (pronounced "cool-in") is a blend of Old Irish and Scottish tunes woven into rock and roll. The unique sound, combined with traditional Irish lyrics, created an unforgettable show that got the audience clapping and tapping their feet after just a few songs. In Cuillin's show, the very old was combined with the very new to create something unbelievably fresh.

The Old Irish favorite "Haul

Away Joe" featured silly, authentic vocals, fiddle and penny whistle. The tune was traditional with a little modern spice added by Stefan Morin on percussion and Seth Fraser and Carmichael on guitar. Matt MacIssac played the penny whistle while Mairi Rankin played the fiddle.

"Orange Crash" was another of Cuillin's unique pieces. This song is a very different rendition of Dave Matthew's "Crash," set to the tra-

ditional tunes "Mountain Lark," "Green Hills of Tyrol" and "Mouth of the Tobique."

MacIssac's bagpipe playing was one of the highlights of Cuillin's set. When MacIssac entered the stage with his traditional Scottish bagpipes, he received some of the loudest applause of the night. MacIssac also played the electric bagpipes. This instrument, which looks a bit like a parking meter, contributed a great deal to the show's flavor: "modern with a traditional twist," as Carmichael described it.

Cuillin's rendition of the Led Zeppelin song "Hangman" was a huge hit. It ended to heavy applause. Then the band finished up by playing the first song of the evening as an encore.

The band gave a great performance that really helped the audience get into the music. Right away, Carmichael told everybody to pull their chairs closer to the stage. The band danced, jumped, leaped and jiggled through the whole show without missing a beat.

Cuillin's enthusiasm was contagious. About a third of the audience got out of their seats to do their own versions of Celtic dances in the semi-circle in front of the band.

"This is probably the best school we've ever played at!" Carmichael told the audience. □

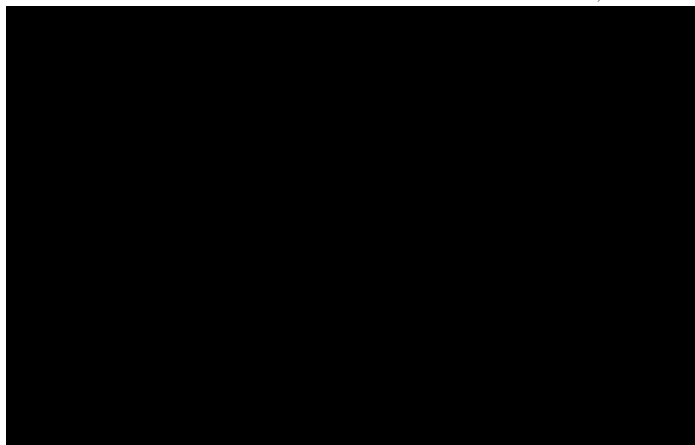


PHOTO BY PHOTO EDITOR CATHERINE KEVETT

Matt MacIssac plays his bagpipes to the delight of the Knight Club crowd two weeks ago. The band was the first of the SAB small act series.

## REVIEW

# Slam poets display their skills at show

BY ALVARO VALENTIN  
STAFF WRITER

Slam poetry is the combination of jazz and hip-hop flows put to the words of non-conventional poetry. Keep in mind that this is not what you'll read in an English II or an American Literature class. This poetry has no formal structure. It has no classification other than that of the poets themselves, and the format changes with every new slam poet that steps up to the microphone.

Walking into the Knight Club, the atmosphere was that of the smoke-filled rooms in beatnik coffee shops of the 1960s. The intense focus of everyone's attention was enough to make

professors jealous. In fear of missing even the smallest line or phrase, no one would turn away.

Taalam Acey, Robert "The Chameleon" Hylton and Flow Mentalz were the three men who captivated an audience of over 120 students.

The trio, which performs regularly at New York City's Nuyorican Poets Café in the East Village and The Poet's Corner (Bogies) in East Orange, N.J., went on for two hours Saturday, Sept. 2 despite being scheduled for one hour.

Halfway through the show, Acey stepped up to the microphone and asked if there was anything else going on that evening. When the crowd

responded with an enthusiastic "No!" the poets decided to keep their own party rolling.

The contents of their poems were not only of political and social observations but also the pure joy of the poets' realities.

Acey spoke of a young man's fear of discovery in a poem entitled, "The VD Clinic." He also spoke of the way he makes love to a woman and how he hopes to do so from now until the hour of their death.

Mentalz spoke about how fearful people are about their own bodies and the bodies of others in "Hell No, I Didn't Wash My Hands!" Hylton, who works as a teacher in New Jersey, spoke about how the kids in his class aren't disci-

plined enough and refuse to listen.

While speaking to the trio after the show, Mentalz claimed to still be a growing boy and proceeded to order a pizza. Not a slice, a pizza. Acey, who earned his BS in Accounting and an MBA in Finance, has four daughters and was the more experienced of the three poets. Hylton is a soccer coach.

Hopefully, AU will make the Slam Poets an annual event. We can only benefit from the experiences that these men have to share. It was favorable that the show was so early in the semester. If we're lucky enough to have them a third time, I suggest everyone attend. □

## ...Football

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for the score with 8:47 left in the half. Alfred increased its lead to 17-7 when Eason got open behind the Bomber secondary and caught Davern's 23-yard toss in the endzone.

In his first career start, Davern threw for 157 yards and two scores, but also had a pair of passes intercepted. Young ended his day with 187 yards passing and three scores.

The Saxons' fortunes changed midway through the third. Young connected on a 26-yard scoring pass to Johnson to bring Ithaca within a field goal, 17-14, with 7:02 left in the third. Young converted a fourth-and-one at the Alfred 40 to sustain

the drive. After an AU penalty on the ensuing kickoff, AU began its drive at its own 10-yard line and on its first play from scrimmage, turned the ball over on an Eason fumble. A play later, Young hit Johnson with a 12-yard TD to put the Bombers ahead to stay, 21-17, with 6:36 left in the third.

Ithaca closed out the scoring when senior running back Tommy Giorgio plowed into the endzone from a yard out with 3:03 left in the game. The score was set up by an Alfred fumble of an Ithaca punt at the Saxon 21-yard line.

Both teams' defenses dominated play. Ithaca logged 267 yards in offense, while the Saxons managed only 237. Neither team could generate much of a ground attack, each

rushing for only 80 yards. Turnovers were the difference: Ithaca had one on an interception by AU senior linebacker Tom Phelan; AU turned the ball over four times, including twice on interceptions by Bomber senior free safety Ron Amato.

Senior strong safety Brian Keefer and senior linebacker Brandon Falk led the Saxons defense with 10 tackles each, while junior defensive tackle Todd Strong and junior defensive end Brad Verbosky each contributed nine stops. Amato's 13 tackles led the Ithaca defense.

AU junior split end Nick Freeman led Alfred with three receptions for 45 yards. Sophomore wide receiver Mike Marks had seven catches for 69 yards for Ithaca. The top run-

ner for Alfred was Eason with 78 yards on 22 carries; Giorgio led Ithaca with 63 yards on 28 rushes.

With his second extra point of the game, Rambacher tied the all-time AU school mark for extra points by a kicker, with 75.

Alfred is in action next Saturday at 1 p.m. at St. Lawrence, while Ithaca hosts Mansfield in a 1 p.m. game, also on Saturday. □

## Fiat Lux

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# SUNY awards AU state sector

BY JUDY TSANG  
MANAGING EDITOR

The School of Ceramic Engineering and Materials Science will be able to launch a new Ph.D. degree program with a \$275,000 award from the State University of New York.

This comes from the total \$385,000 awarded to the University's state sector.

This award will help to start up the new doctorate degree program in materials science over the next two years, offering students an opportunity to further pursue their studies at the graduate level.

According to Ronald Gordon, Dean of Ceramic Engineering and Materials Science, this new program will emphasize research in biomaterials, which involves medical research, and photonic materials, such as fiber optics.

Traditionally, students who proceed into the medical field have been biology majors. This new program will let engineering students that they too can proceed into medicine.

"Alfred University is initially famous for its ceramics and glass program," Gordon said. "We're not in any way [veering away from the ceramics], we're just increasing and expanding into biomedical materials."

Students working in the biomedical materials field can become involved in orthopedics, medical research for corporations and laboratories, body implantation and patent law, Gordon listed.

Although the award is to be invested into the graduate pro-

gram, the undergraduate students will benefit as well.

"The undergraduate program becomes much richer," Gordon pointed out. The new faculty will conduct current researches in their fields giving the school current information, as well as attract funding to update the University's facilities.

Gordon asserted that there would be a strong participation between graduate and undergraduate students.

Most of the current faculty holds doctorate degrees in ceramic engineering and glass. Gordon hopes to "augment the faculty" by hiring two new faculty in the photonics and biomaterials field with the award money.

It will take two to three years for the Ph.D. program to fully develop.

"Everything has to move together," Gordon described the process, which involves starting the degree and recruiting faculty.

Currently the school has 260 undergraduate students and 60 graduate students. Gordon hopes the graduate program will grow up to about 100 students over the next five years.

Students are not the only factor Gordon hopes to attract. In fact, this program will, hopefully, attract research funding, generate extra enrollment and maintain it.

"This is our seed in investment," Gordon said of the program.

The school is already looking into the current juniors and seniors and offering them a pre-medicine option. ○

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The Saxons dropped the contest 4-0. So, after starting off with a big offensive game, the Saxon attack has slowed.

Before the trip, Corrado said she thinks the team needs to get its attack on the move more, but added she has confidence it will come together.

"We feel great," Corrado said. "[The Geneseo game] gave us confidence that we can play with teams like that."

"Maybe even pull out a win," she said.

Corrado noted the efforts of freshmen Kellie Speth and Cassandra Villone, both of whom have been starting.

"They're really stepping up," she said.

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led by junior forward Karl Gnann's hat trick, Desir's pair of goals and a string of single goals by Scott Wallace, Andy Gennarini and Kevin McGee.

With high confidence coming off the Cazenovia game, the Saxons are setting their sights on a tough schedule of conference teams.

Hassler is more than pleased with the team's playing skills and only hopes that the team can recover from injury and remain healthy. He explained

She added that the leadership of Racheal Santa Maria, Charity Lord and Sara Stephens will help keep the team moving in the right direction.

Codispoti said the team is doing just that. In fact, despite the loss to Geneseo, she said that the team showed much improvement over its first game.

"We kept an explosive team off the board," she said of the Geneseo game. "We shouldn't be displeased."

Codispoti said a bit of work needs to be done.

"We're young enough and new enough in some positions that we're inconsistent," she said.

She added that once the team plays together more, this could change. ○

that the team is well rounded with solid defense, a mid-field that is great at distributing the ball and an attack that is generating a lot of goals.

When asked how the team would approach the games against conference teams, Hassler was confident in his team and his response.

"We're going to make them worry about us," Hassler asserted.

The team was gearing up for last Saturday's game against rival Ithaca who won last year's game in overtime.

Ithaca, however, defeated the Saxons 6-1. ○

# Productions will cross borders

BY SARAH GUARIGLIA  
A & E EDITOR

"Crossing Borders — Expanding Horizons" has been selected as the theme for this year's Division of Performing Arts productions. The theme "provides a broadly defined artistic forum in which to comment on and react to the world around us," according to Division Chair Steve Crosby.

Having theatre, dance and music incorporated under the Performing Arts program, said Crosby, "allows the Division faculty to have a common focus, yet is expansive enough in scope so as not to limit us in the selection of plays, concert pieces and dance choices that will resonate and excite us artistically."

The semester is slated to begin with the National Shakespeare Company's *Twelfth Night* on Sept.

24. AU theatre graduate Tom Evans (class of '97) is among the cast for this production.

Oct. 4 through 9, the Division will stage two theatre productions in repertory, with rotating matinee and evening performances. One of the plays featured in this endeavor, which is the first of its kind for the Division, will be *Sylvia*, which features "a dog, as the lively tour guide and major source of tension."

The other, *John Brown's Body*, is described by the Division as "an epic poem exploring the clash of fundamental beliefs leading up to, and during the Civil War." Later in October, the Susquehanna String Band will return to campus for a concert on the 21, followed by a Square/Contra Dance the next day.

The Division will also be hosting the Avila/Weeks Dance

Company January 20 through the 27 while the company offers master classes, discussions and lectures. At the end of their stay, the troupe will give three performances of *Seat of Dreams*, which "travels through an imaginary landscape, both glimmering and dark, where reality and the absurd collide."

The year is scheduled to conclude with an AU Orchestra and University Chorus performance of Carl Orff's *Carmina Burana* on April 28.

Many other plays, dance performances and musical concerts are scheduled throughout the year. In keeping with the theme, Crosby and the Division faculty invite students to "cross real and imagined borders and expand your horizons with us as we delve into the many facets of the human condition." ○

## REVIEW

# Diverse Alumnipalooza enjoyable

BY CATHERINE KEVETT  
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There is no denying that Alfred University is known for producing talented alumni, academically and athletically. However, at Alumnipalooza, sponsored by Kanakadea Yearbook, Student Alumni Association, Student Activities Board and Student Senate's Homecoming Committee, the focus was on the musically talented alumni. There is an obvious difference between the electrical engineer who was a football player, and the English major who decided to excel in college soccer. This same kind of difference could be seen at Alumnipalooza through the choice of music each of the alumni produced.

Chrissy Nyman and Jay Weisberger, Homecoming 2000's queen and king, hosted the evening's bands. The first band contained two Alfred alumni, Peira and Devin C. Krug, both from the class of '97. Parker tm performed a mix of a lot of their own songs with a few covered songs everyone would know such as The Cure's "Love Song" and the dance hit popular in the early '90s "Groove is in the Heart."

It is difficult to try and pin

down a certain quality to this band's music; the heavy distortion noticeable in most of the songs created the harder rock sound, while the acoustic guitar and female vocals tended to soften the band's overall sound.

The fact that vocalist Brendan Pendergast injured his left ankle during the week and couldn't jump around on stage had no effect on the great impression The Wait left on the audience.

This band is definitely on their way to the top. Their song, "Static on the Line," can be heard on Alfred's "Faces in the Crowd" CD. The alumni in this band was Scott Livingston, who was announced at the concert as being a "self-proclaimed rock star."

Although I wouldn't single out just one member in The Wait as being an amazing "rock star," I would agree with that statement entirely. One very appreciable characteristic of this band's members was their incredible ability to blend with each other. When listening to them, it was difficult to pick out one single instrument as holding up the sound of a certain song.

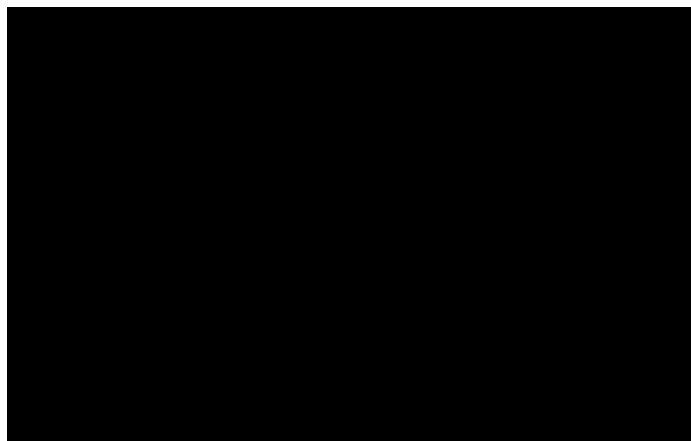
Their record, "Dear Soul," was on sale at the concert, and they are currently working on their new album, tentatively called

"Holding on Line One." From that selection of songs, they played "Maybe It's True," which undoubtedly is going to contribute to making the new record a success.

Cuban Music Crisis was the third alumni band to perform for the evening; when vocalist Darren Stohr came out on stage with a T-shirt against nazis and racism, it was clear this band was going to take on some more serious issues with their music.

With a lively, punk sound, band members Gary Olson, Phil Stewart, Erik Freeman and Stohr surprised many. Their song, "Cartoon Violence," can be heard on Alfred's "Faces in the Crowd" CD. The head-banging, mosh-inducing sounds caused a few students to jump up on the stage with the band for a few guitar riffs and dance around. The band gave the audience a taste of their sound with songs like "Drunk Bastard." The songs were surprisingly short but just as effective at getting the political themes to the audience.

There was only one thing that was disappointing to notice at such a diverse show: the lack of student support. Where are you, Alfred University students? Come out and support more of these great events! ○

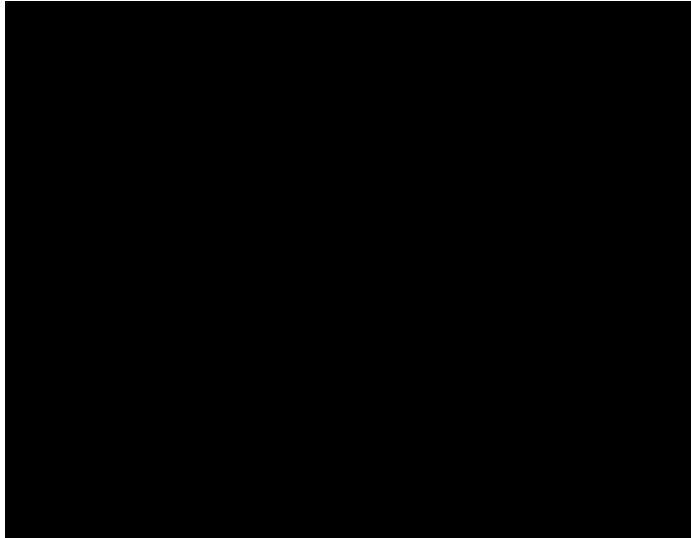


Saxon defender Scott Wallace tries to frustrate an opposing attacker in a recent game.

PHOTO BY JARED BRANFMAN



## Turnovers allow Bombers to down Saxons



Alfred quarterback Jon Davern tries to elude Ithaca defenders on a rush. Ithaca's defense stymied the AU ground game most of the day.

PHOTO BY CHUCK BRITT

### FOOTBALL

BY ANDY BERMAN  
STAFF WRITER

There are many constants in Alfred. There is the Mud Olympics on Hot Dog Day, King Alfred's statue will be toilet papered at least once a year, and on Homecoming, there is always a good football game.

With everything from alumnus Mark O'Meara's ('72) silent and hallelujah chants, and the Merrill Field Maniacs doing their which way chant, the only thing AU fans could have asked for more would have been a win.

But, turnovers were the key as Ithaca College scored 21 unanswered points in the second half to overcome a 10-point third-quarter deficit and defeat Alfred University 28-17 Saturday afternoon.

The Saxons (1-1) led 10-7 at halftime and electrified a Homecoming crowd of more than 4,000 when senior tailback

George Eason caught a 23-yard scoring pass from freshman quarterback Jon Davern to put AU up, 17-7, just five minutes into the third quarter.

But Ithaca (1-0), led by junior quarterback Brian Young originally from Almond and sophomore receiver Irik Johnson charged back with three straight touchdowns, two within a 26-second span in the third quarter, to walk away with a hard fought victory. The Bombers were aided by two second-half turnovers deep inside Alfred territory.

After a scoreless first period, Alfred opened the scoring when senior placekicker Ryan Rambacher booted a 22-yard field goal a minute into the second quarter. Ithaca took the lead five minutes later when Young connected with sophomore receiver Jeff Newton on a 25-yard TD pass.

The Saxons went back ahead, 10-7, when Davern tossed a screen pass to sophomore tight end Mark Pierce who sprinted 43 yards down the left sideline

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## Improvement is focus for Saxon squad

BY JAY WEISBERGER  
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After splitting their opening two games at home, the AU women's soccer team headed into weekend action with a trip to RIT.

And, despite dropping a tough decision to Geneseo 1-0 last Wednesday, there is a sentiment that the team (1-1, 0-0 Empire Eight) is improving by the day.

"We're not jelling yet," said head coach Pat Codispoti. "Every now and then you see a glimpse [of what we can do]."

"We're starting to get it together more," said junior defender Carolyn Corrado. "I think we played a hard game [with Geneseo]. We kept up with them and that's a good sign of what's to come."

Indeed, the squad did keep Geneseo in check most of the game, allowing only a late goal.

However, the team spent much of the game defending, continually stifled by good Geneseo defense in the middle.

Codispoti noted the offense

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looked out of sync.

"We were able to work the ball to the flanks," she said. "We needed to go wide [like that] more often. If no one's there, we're not quite playing together."

Codispoti said that sophomore Jaime Ward may be able to get the offense rolling.

"Jaime is really, really working," she said. "I'm hoping she can capitalize on that effort and sneak a couple of goals. It's the type of effort you like to see."

There are other positives the team was able to take to Rochester as well.

"We have stronger defense than we expected," Codispoti said. "It's going to be difficult for teams to score on us."

She takes the strong backfield as something to build on.

"We need to continue to hold the other team, build confidence and score," she said.

As for the trip to RIT, it may not have gone as Codispoti would have liked.

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PHOTO BY JARED BRIANFMAN

Saxon Louisa Neill works the ball during a recent game at Merrill Field.

### Saxons in action...

#### Saxon Football

The Saxons hit the road for the first time this weekend with a 1 p.m. game at St. Lawrence Saturday.

The Saxons (1-1) will will have their hands full upon their return to campus, however.

Carnegie Mellon, often a strong squad, visits AU Sept. 23. The game should be a good one and the Saxons go on a three-game road trip afterward.

#### Men's Soccer

The Saxons (2-2) will be on the road this week, facing Utica Saturday afternoon.

The Saxons will then have a week to rest for their next contest at 7 p.m. Sept. 23 vs. St. John Fisher.

#### Women's Soccer

On the road the rest of this week, the Saxons (1-2) will be home Tuesday night to play strong rival Ithaca. Game time is scheduled for 7 p.m. at Merrill Field.

The squad follows that game up with another night game at home with another tough team. They play Elmira at 7 p.m. Sept. 22.

#### Women's volleyball

The Saxons will open up at home with the AU Tournament this Saturday in the McLane Center.

Three days later, the team will face Nazareth at 7 p.m.

The team has only one home match in October before entering a lengthy tourney schedule.

Those who wish to see the team that made the NCAA tournament last year are advised to do so now.

#### Women's tennis

The team, hitting the season halfway mark, returns to AU a week tomorrow to face Fredonia at 3:30 p.m.

## Despite trouble staying healthy, team looks to win

BY BENJAMIN LEE  
SPORTS EDITOR

The men's soccer team opened the 2000 season with a winning record of 2-1.

The Saxons split their first two games at the Bryan Karl Soccer Festival in Alfred. They posted a 2-1 loss to Misericordia in overtime and a 3-1 victory over Wesley in the second game. When asked about the loss to Misericordia, Coach Ken Hassler explained that the game was a good start to the

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season against a tough team, but the Saxons' health was ultimately their downfall.

"The result was frustrating. We missed early chances even though we felt we were the better team," he said. "The other team was healthier with fewer injuries and because of that they were deeper. They were able to keep the game at a high pace."

Hassler's Saxons have won despite a slew of injuries plaguing

the team. The team is playing minus key players such as Shane Donohoe, Rick DeSalvo, Andy Kernahan and Kyle Beebe. While a core group of players are sidelined, there is also a list of players who are playing through nagging injuries. Guy-Robert Desir, A.J. Hicks, Adam Reynolds and Scott Wallace are all battling ailments so far this season.

"Our biggest weaknesses are health and fitness," said Hassler.

Pushing through the injuries,

the Saxons proceeded to post a win over Wesley to successfully close the Bryan Karl Festival.

Later that week, the momentum carried through as the team dominated Cazenovia in an 8-0 thrashing. According to Hassler, the team played strong soccer and was able to control the entire game by scoring early.

"The team played hard to execute things we worked on in practice," said Hassler.

The team's high scoring was

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