

The 58th Allegany County Picnic was held March 7 in Zephyrhills, FL with over 150 attending with 14 Alfred-Almond alumni. Reading the *Alfred Sun* are: (front from left) Jack & Mary Ann Emo, Eugenia Brown (oldest female there at 95) Peggy (Benson) Smith, Diane & Bob Davison, Don Coleman, and (back from left) Galen Stout, Jean (Carpenter) Brown, Jim & Marilyn (Zirkelbach) Habern, Gene Ormsby, Phyllis (Emerson) Dennis, Woody & Bev (Allen) Schmidt, Bob Brown, Betsey (Burdett) Stout, and James Dunn. Missing are Gladys (Pierce) Payne and Mig (Pierce) Amato.

A-A alumni at Allegany County Picnic in Florida



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Village considers curbing garbage pickup

ALFRED—In an effort to curb the increase in property taxes, the Alfred Village Board is considering eliminating curbside trash collection.

A public hearing on that proposal will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 1 at Alfred Village Hall. And this is no joke.

Village Board members are finalizing a budget for the next fiscal year which runs from June 1, 2014 to May 31, 2015.

"We face a challenge in budget balancing," said Mayor Grigg, "as we struggle to handle a variety of increased costs while maintaining the services most residents have come to expect."

The board has little control over annual increases in retirement contributions and medical and liability insurance associated with our employee departments. There is some leeway where equipment purchases and major maintenance projects are concerned.

For the coming fiscal year, the Village Board already eliminated purchase of a police car and two used pieces of streets equipment. Several needed paving plans were put on hold and important restorative work on water reservoirs and sewage treatment tanks will be phased in over several years.

Clerk-Treasurer Koegel annually presents the board with a

clear set of budgeting options and their consequences for the bottom-line. Rubbish and trash collection stood out as a major jolt to the expenses column and trustees are considering a change in policy.

The village has provided weekly pick-up of rubbish and recyclables along with monthly bulky-trash removal for decades. The village's three-year contract for that service is up for renewal in May 2014.

The anticipated cost of the contract will likely be tough to absorb. The landfill "tipping fee" per ton of solid waste (not recyclables) is a large contributor to that bill. In addition, it's widely recognized that the current arrangement neither distributes costs fairly nor encourages waste reduction. At many curb sites one sees a small can and a few recyclables on a Tuesday morning. At others the heap of rubbish boggles the mind.

Casella Waste Systems, the village's former disposal contractor, reported that the tonnage of weekly waste from the Village of Alfred is "record-setting" among communities it serves.

Under discussion is whether to introduce a Pay as You Throw (PAYT) system or to end all collection service. The Village Board needs the views of residents in making the decision.

PAYT requires users to purchase special plastic bags from any of several community merchants. Only rubbish in such bags would be picked up. Recyclables are free.

Such an arrangement will bring some revenue to village coffers, be more equitable and encourage less waste production. The revenue will be dependent on participation, number of bags sold, and the overhead for implementing the system. Those factors are unknown.

With the PAYT option in the current budget proposal, the tax rate would rise by 4.9% to \$17.85 per \$1000 (\$1785 for a \$100,000 property) of taxable assessed valuation from \$16.99 (\$1699/\$100,000 property) last year. Were the village to drop all pick-up service there will be no tax rate increase, whereas maintaining waste and recyclable services unchanged would bring a tax rate increase of 9.6% to \$18.63 per \$1000 (\$1863 of taxes for a \$100,000 taxable property).

Should rubbish and trash service be cancelled the village will provide information to residents on alternative disposal arrangements.

The Village Board has kept the tax rate steady for several years by reducing operating costs, judicious purchasing, trimming

costs of employee contracts, an unchanging three-year trash contract, drawing from our reserve funds and, in recent years, transferring surplus receipts from the water fund. But drawing on reserves is now less advisable and the water fund transfer is not as robust as last year.

Additionally, revenues are not growing: taxable property remains constant, there is little financial assistance from the campuses that receive significant public safety services from the village, the village's state aid allocation is lower than several

years ago, and 90% of the village's assessed valuation is tax-exempt.

There are efforts to improve this revenue picture in the future but for now, the squeeze is on.

The Alfred Village Board wants to hear villagers' thoughts on the budget and, in particular, on the future of rubbish and trash handling in the village. Residents are asked to attend the Tuesday, April 1 hearing at Alfred Village Hall at 7 p.m. Stop by the village office for a copy of the proposed budget, or see the village's website at www.alfredny.org.

Alfred State students thank alumni now serving overseas in military

ALFRED—As part of last month's National Court Reporting and Captioning Week, students in Alfred State's court reporting curriculum put a personal twist on the typical military care package, taking the time to prepare items exclusively for Alfred State alumni serving overseas.

"We were originally going to send our packages to the larger Operation Gratitude non-profit group; however, Sgt. 1st Class William Ernest, who works as a recruiter with the Army National Guard on campus and as a military science instructor for the ROTC, came up with this idea of sending our gifts straight to our own alumni," said group advisor and court reporting instructor Danielle Green, an Alfred State alumna who hails from Wellsville. "We knew the men and women serving overseas would really appreciate that personal touch."

"We have so many alumni who stay connected to the campus, so when Danielle brought the idea to us, it sounded like a great way to show our support and build our resumes," said Emily Sallome, a senior court reporting student from Batavia.

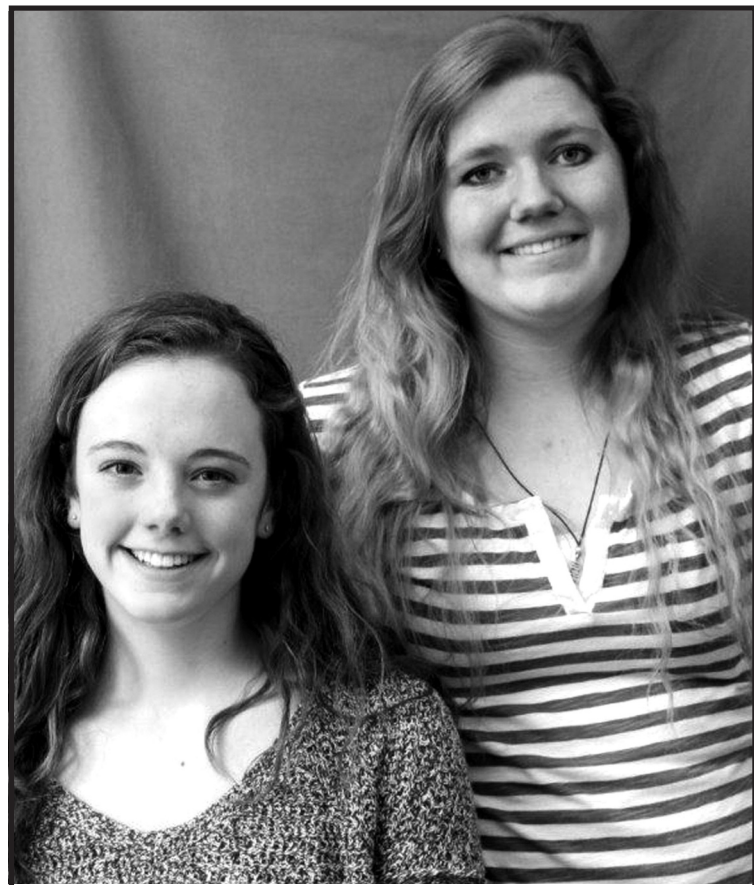
Danielle and seven of her students worked long hours on this this Operation Gratitude-inspired project, which included soliciting funds for non-perishable food items, toiletries, warm clothes, and

personalized thank-you cards. They were able to secure more than \$160 worth of donated items from the community, the Alfred State Campus Store, and the Civic Engagement Office in time for National Court Reporting and Captioning Week, which ran Feb. 16 to 22, 2014.

Students were even able to purchase parachute paracord material with the funds and make their own version of the popular survival paracord bracelets to include in the packages. "Our students worked very hard on this project and they did a great job with the bracelets. It's a complicated method. They tried to teach me how to do it, but I don't quite have the hang of it yet," Danielle said.

The students also gave out paracord bracelets and thank-you cards to former military and veterans on campus, including SUNY Distinguished Teaching Professor James Grillo, a Marine combat veteran of Vietnam, the chairman of the Veteran's Task Force at Alfred State, and an Alfred resident. Danielle says he was touched by the gift and wears his bracelet every day.

"It's important for our overseas military to know people are thinking of them and care about the work they are doing," Emily said. "These gifts are just a small 'thank you' for all they do for us."



MEGHAN DIO GUARDI and SARAH ELLIOT
Among Top 100 Western NY seniors

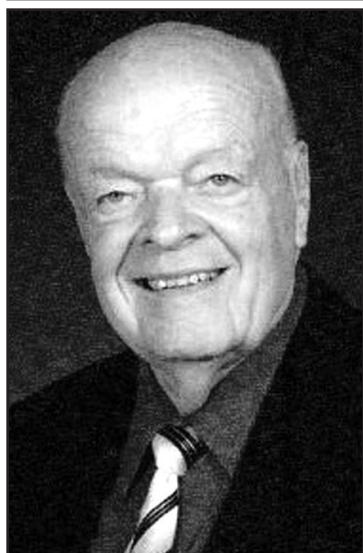
Two A-A seniors cited

ALMOND—Alfred-Almond Central School seniors Meghan DioGuardi and Sarah Elliot have been chosen for Special Mention honors on *Business First's* 2014 All-Western New York Academic Team. The eight-member selection committee has determined that they are two of the 100 most outstanding high-school seniors in all of Western New York this year.

The Academic Team is designed to spotlight students who pursue excellence both in and out of the classroom. The committee chose Meghan and Sarah because they were greatly impressed with their records of academic achievement, school leadership, and community involvement.

This selection makes them a member of a very exclusive group. This year's honorees include 25 students on the First Team, another 25 on the Second Team, and 50 Special Mentions. That's 100 in all, accounting for just 0.5 percent of Western New York's 20,000 high-school seniors.

OBITUARIES



PAUL D. GILES

Former AU vocal professor
CANANDAIGUA—Paul D. Giles, 88, former Alfred resident, passed away Tuesday, March 4, 2014 at M.M. Ewing Continuing Care Center in Canandaigua.

Born in Ithaca, NY, he served with the U.S. Army Air Corps during WWII.

Following his service Paul attended the New England Conservatory of Music, graduating with a Masters of Music. He performed as a founding member of the Boston Lyric Theatre and performed nationally from 1953-1962.

He taught at Alfred University for over 30 years including a year in Vienna, Austria, at the Akademie fur Musik and Darstellende Kunst. Paul retired as an Associate Professor of Music. He will be remembered for his high moral values which he tried to instill in his children and students.

He was a member of the Alfred Almond Bible Church and currently was a member of Lifespring Community Church in Canandaigua.

Paul took great pleasure in his endeavors as a "Gentleman Farmer" raising quarter horses and Hereford Cattle.

He leaves behind his wife, Betty R. Giles; daughter, Verity (Bob) Swayne; son, Stefan (Kathy) Giles; six grandchildren, Nathanael, Ashleigh, Felicity and Belinda Swayne, Brady and Holly Giles.

Services were held Saturday, March 8, at Lifespring Community Church, 5026 North Rd. Canandaigua. Interment will take place in Alfred.

In lieu of flowers, a donation in Paul's memory may be directed to: M.M. Ewing Continuing Care Center c/o Rosewood Avenue, 350 Parrish St. Canandaigua, NY 14424 or to a charity of the donor's choice. To share a memory or express condolences online please visit www.fullerfh.com



AGNES P. MULLEN

Homemaker, home care giver
HARTSVILLE—Agnes P. Mullen, 85, of Slate Creek Road, Hartsville, passed away Sunday (March 9, 2014) at St. James Mercy Hospital in Hornell shortly after being stricken at home.

Agnes was born Oct. 28, 1928, in Jasper, to Clyde and Mabel (Cook) Payne. On March 12, 1949, in Greenwood, she married Herman J. Mullen, who survives and resides in Hartsville.

In addition to her parents she was predeceased by three sisters, Lula Turner, Delia Mourhess and Mamie Bailey.

A lifelong resident of the Canisteo area, Agnes was a homemaker and devoted wife, mother and grandmother. She also provided 20 years of home care service in the surrounding area. She was a member and past president of the Hartsville Senior Citizens group, past president of the Bennetts Creek Cemetery Association and had attended the Hartsville Community Church.

In addition to her husband of 65 years, Herman Mullen, Agnes is survived by two daughters, June (Charles) Taylor of Andover, and Mona (Dr. Brian) Meagher of Andover; two sons: Kenneth Mullen of Ensenada, Mexico and Neal Mullen of

Weatherford, Texas; her four grandchildren, Summer (Brett) Halsey, Dr. Brook (Dr. Joseph) Baade, Patrick Meagher and Colin Meagher; and seven great-grandchildren: Jillian, Ashlyn, Evalyn, Seth and Vara Halsey, Maxwell and Samuel Baade; along with several nieces and nephews.

The family received friends from 6-9 p.m. Saturday, March 15 at the H. P Smith & Son, Inc. Funeral Home, 29 E. Main St. in Canisteo, where funeral and committal services were held at 2 p.m. Sunday, March 16. Burial will be at the convenience of the family in Bennetts Creek Cemetery, Greenwood.

Memorial contributions in lieu of flowers may be made to the Bennetts Creek Cemetery Association Fence Fund, c/o June Taylor, P.O. Box 503, Andover, NY 14806.

Online condolences and memories may be made through hpsmithandsonfuneralhome.com.



THEODORE E. "TED" BOND

Long-time Wellsville resident
WELLSVILLE—Theodore E. "Ted" Bond of 3798 Buck Farm Road, Wellsville, passed away peacefully on Wednesday (March 5, 2014), surrounded by his family at Highland Hospital in Rochester. He was born in Silver Springs, MD, the son of Leslie and Opal (Calhoun) Bond.

He is survived by his long-time partner, Terah Soule of Wellsville; three children, Danielle Tuohy, Timothy Bond and Christi Bond; five grandchildren, Kyle, Alyssa and Kiera Beth Tuohy and Layla and Benjamin Clark; and a sister, Sally Bond. He was predeceased by a brother, Timothy Bond.

A memorial service will be planned for a later date. The family suggests memorial donations be made to the David A. Howe Public Library. To leave online condolences, visit www.embserfuneralhome.com.

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AU's MFA in ceramic art ranked #1 in the nation

ALFRED—The Alfred University (AU) master of fine arts (MFA) degree program in ceramic art has once again been rated the premier curriculum of its kind in the nation according to U.S. News and World Report's 2015 edition of "Best Graduate Schools."

"This ranking reaffirms the quality of our students, alumni, and, most of all, the continuing excellence of our faculty in Ceramic Arts," said Dr. Charles M. Edmondson, AU president.

"This acknowledgement of the strength of our ceramic MFA program, indeed, the strength of all of our graduate programs within the School of Art and Design, demonstrates the energy and excellence of accomplishments of our students and faculty. It is a pleasure to see that our programs are appreciated on the national level," added Leslie Bellavance, dean, School of Art and Design, College of Ceramics.

The U.S. News fine arts rankings are based on the ratings of educators at peer schools. Art school deans and other top art school academics, two per school, were asked to nominate up to 10 programs noted for their excellence. Those schools receiving the most nominations are listed. AU's program sits atop those offered at Cranbrook Academy of Art (MI), Rhode Island School of Design, Ohio State University, California College of the Arts, and Ohio University.

All of AU's MFA programs combined are ranked 11th in the nation, making them the highest-ranked art programs among all art schools in New York State. The School of Art and Design offers MFA degrees in sculpture/dimensional studies and electronic integrated arts. The School has offered a master of fine arts degree in ceramic arts since 1943.

The School's undergraduate degrees include ceramic art; drawing, painting, and photography; expanded media (graphic design, print media, sonic arts, video, interactive arts); sculpture/dimensional studies (glass, sculpture).

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ALFRED POLICE

The Alfred Police Department made the following arrests recently:

--Anthony R. Acosta, 20, of New York, NY, was charged Wednesday, March 5 with 2nd degree criminal trespassing. Acosta was arrested following an investigation into an early morning altercation which occurred on March 2 inside an AU residence hall. Several individuals illegally entered a dormitory and an argument ensued with several of the residence hall occupants. What appeared to be a handgun was brandished and one of the residence hall occupants was struck and injured. The investigation is continuing. Acosta was issued an appearance ticket for Alfred Village Court.

In the event of an emergency, dial 911.

ALFRED

Weather for the Week

Feb. 25-March 3				
March	Hi	Lo	Precip.	Snow
4	19-15*	0		
5	27 -6	0		
6	22-13*	0.01"		Trace
7	33-13*	0		
8	48 16	0		
9	38 18	0		
10	35 15	0		
11	51 33	0		
12	58 33	0.14"		0
13	35 2	0.81"		7.1"
14	24 3	0		
15	52 22	0.09"		0
16	39 13	0.01"		Trace
17	26 5	0		

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Chinese home remedies to be discussed

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For example, did you know you can press a spot on your hand to stop a headache? On your arm to stop a chronic cough? What about using a ginger and cinnamon tea to fight off a cold?

Join village acupuncturists Kevin Ferst and Sarah Nelson on Sunday, March 23 from 3-4 p.m. at Union University Church's King James Room to learn some

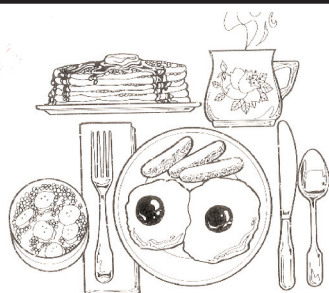
of these remedies. We will cover a number of potent acupressure areas you can try on yourself, show a variety of Chinese "kitchen remedies" using herbs you likely already have sitting in your cupboard. We will also show you some simple qi-gong exercises you can try to reenergize your life.

This is a completely free class. Please RSVP by phone 607-587-9401, email us at our website alfredacupuncture.com or on [facebook.com/alfredacupuncture](https://www.facebook.com/alfredacupuncture).

Our clinic has also recently reduced the fees for our first-time visits from \$110 to \$85. Now is an excellent time to try acupuncture for the first time.

SUNNY SIDE UP

By ELLEN SHULTZ
Alfred Sun Columnist



Andrea's favorite salad recipe

By MARCIA LICHTMAN
Guest Columnist

In the interest of fairness (parents of multiple children will recognize this concern) I am publishing a favorite salad recipe of my second-born daughter, Andrea. We became acquainted with this salad at the graduation party for our favorite babysitter, Angie Butts (now Osborn) and it has been a family staple ever since. Fair warning: this is a BIG recipe! There will be plenty to take to a dish to pass and some to keep at home, because in all likelihood the bowl will come back empty.

Rosa Marina Fruit Salad

1 # Rosa Marina macaroni (can substitute orzo, more commonly available)
2 cans chunk pineapple (20 oz. cans)
1 small can mandarin oranges (11 oz. can)
1 small jar maraschino cherries, diced (10 oz. jar)
10 oz whipped topping

Mix 3/4 cup sugar, 2 eggs, and 3 Tbsp. flour with juices of pineapple and oranges. Cook until thick (pudding consistency), and remove from heat. Cook macaroni and rinse in cold water, then mix with pudding mixture and leave overnight. The next day, add fruit and whipped topping, and mix well. I take great liberties with the proportions of fruit additives, depending on what I have on hand and who is expressing what favorite parts, and it is always good.

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Scene About Alfred

A weekly photo feature
By SHERRY VOLK
Alfred Sun Columnist



An emblem of the southwestern Texas desert is the agave plant, sometimes called a century plant, an erroneous designation because these gorgeous and enormous succulents live about thirty years. Having stored up nutrients in their juicy, spine-edged leaves for nearly three decades, they send up a monumental flower spike that looks very much like a giant asparagus spear. (First photo above.) The spike may reach more than twenty feet in height. It sends out blooms, followed by fruit, then the whole plant dies.

Last year, in Alpine, I saw my first flower stalk shooting up. I have not been fortunate enough to see the flowers. This year, Bob patiently stopped so that I could take a photo of the dried stalk and the dead plant we had photographed last year. (Second photo) Note that these remarkable plants also reproduce by cloning off the stem of the parent, so while one dies, several "offspring" may be developing to provide a welcome green spot in the desert.

The dried flower stalks are very sturdy, so persist in this sere environment, which has few decomposers, for many years as perches for birds, and icons of the desert.



Kelly's Forecast

By KELLY SNYDER
Alfred Sun Weather Forecaster

Hooray! Today (Thursday) marks the first day of SPRING!

Thursday March 20

PARTLY CLOUDY

(HIGH 39 - LOW 25)

Chance of precipitation..... 10%

Friday March 21

MOSTLY CLOUDY

(HIGH 42 - LOW 32)

Chance of precip..... 10%

Saturday March 22

RAIN/SNOW

(HIGH 35 - LOW 19)

Chance of precip..... 70%

Sunday March 23

PARTLY CLOUDY

(HIGH 25 - LOW 8)

Chance of precip..... 10%

For more up to date weather information add your Alfred Sun Weatherman Kelly Snyder on Facebook and as always if you don't like the weather in Alfred



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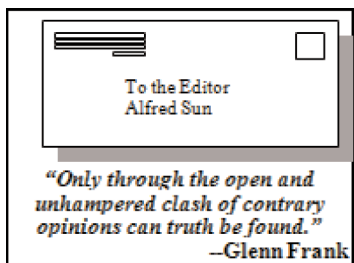
St. James Mercy Hospital welcomes Nancy Houy, FNP (Family Nurse Practitioner), NPP (Nurse Practitioner in Psychiatry) to the Alfred Family Practice. Ms. Houy joins Kimberly Hoover, RPA-C (Registered Physician Assistant-Certified) at the Alfred Clinic to offer full time service five days a week.

Ms. Houy joined SJMH in 1988 and most recently served as Nurse Practitioner for SJMH inpatient psychiatric units. For the last seven years she also has worked as clinical associate at MATCH (Mercycare Addiction Treatment Facility of Hornell at SJMH), and previously was a registered nurse for inpatient child, adolescent, and adult psychiatry at the Medical University of South Carolina (Charleston). Ms. Houy is a graduate of the Community General Hospital Nurse Practitioner Program (Syracuse) and has an Associate Degree in Nursing from Alfred State College.

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Reed wasting our time

To the Editor:

Friday March 14, 2014 I turned on the TV and saw Tom Reed addressing the Congress supporting another bill HR 4015- the 51st time to try to overthrow Obamacare and that others call the Affordable Care Act. Mr Reed described that this plan would require 138 billion dollars to pay the doctors for service for Medicare for Seniors. He then described that he had a plan to pay for that by postponing the Affordable Care Act by five years - essentially killing Obamacare.

The nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office estimates that this delay of 5 years would increase the number of uninsured Americans by 13 million (there are already 40 million uninsured) and increase premiums by 10 to 20 percent. Leading medical and seniors' advocacy organizations have spoken out against this legislation, including the American Medical Association, American Health Insurance Plans, AARP, and the National Committee to Preserve Social Security and Medicare.

All I could think of is the bake sales, music events, raffle tickets that I see posted in Allegany County on a regular basis to collect money for hard working adults who found out they have cancer and are too young for Medicare and the various part time jobs that many are taking do not offer health care. These people were counting on affordable healthcare and cannot wait for five years. Tom Reed himself has had two serious health crisis that required health insurance in the last two years .Pulmonary emboli

he said he would educate people when to rush to the ER for that to sav their life but he has not done that and later he had surgery to reduce weight to reduce his health risks. How would he like to wait for five years to get his insurance? He is representing 600,000 people in his district, not only seniors who have Medicare and he should not ignore younger adults counting on health care to please the seniors who he thinks will go to the polls and vote for him.

The bill passed 238 to 191 with the GOP voting for it but it cannot possible become a law: the Democratic Senate will not endorse it and the President will veto it. The Affordable Care Act is the law of the land and pronounced to be constitutional by the Supreme Court. So why waste time and taxpayer dollars to bring it up for the 51 time? To get the people who are mad about Obamacare to see Tom Reed battling these old windmills supposedly getting their vote...

-- no Obamacare for five years - back to being at the mercy of the big Insurance companies that can jack up rates, deny coverage, cancel your insurance, ask more money from women, refuse to give service for a preexisting conditions and deny coverage.

There were problems with Bush's Medicare Part D too in 2003. However, the Democrats cooperated with the Republicans to fix the problems even though they did not vote for that bill because it was not paid for. However, after it passed to be law, the Democrats cooperated with the Republicans to make it work. That is what we need to happen about the current Affordable Care Act or Obamacare. Cooperate and work together to make it work. Instead the Republicans shut down the government for the month of October 2013 and that cost 2 billion dollars and it was unsafe too- no coverage of problems in the environment, tainted meat etc

Tom Reed pretends in his district he is moderate but he votes

with the fringes that are just wasting time and won't work to get things done. That is why I am voting in Nov 2014 for Martha Robertson, chairwoman of Tompkins county and proven to get along with both parties to get results we need.

Congress is on recess for this next week and then when they come back-- there is another one of their little self-made emergency "cliff" and that is they must make some pay rise for the doctors providing Medicare. It is all worked out amongst both parties but they have wasted time on this other bill that Tom Reed was endorsing HR 4015 that is going nowhere but used up valuable time again.

Gudrun Scott RN
Andover, NY

Enjoys Calkins stories

To the Editor:

I thoroughly enjoyed the March 13 issue with the refreshing stories of one Calkins on the front page and another one on the back page. I love to read success stories of fellow AACS alumni and appreciate Doug Lorow's interview with Jeff Calkins.

Graduating ahead of the Calkins boys, I was somewhat aware of them, but I often read about Jeff's work at the Blue Cross Arena in Rochester in The Dugout. I lived in Rochester for several years long before Jeff did, but I appreciate the thorough update on his many years at the BCA.

The article was well written, and I want to encourage Doug to do more of these for the benefit of fellow AACS alumni. Doug mentions many alumni in his column like Our Man Frank, et al. Some of them I know, but it would be fun to have more interviews done with other alumni Doug knows to celebrate the success of those we have lost track of over the years.

The stories of Connor Calkins and Jeff Calkins in the Alfred Sun make it worth subscribing and

much more worth reading than most newspapers. Keep up the good work. Thanks.

Barb Welch
Arkport

AU Wellness Center

To the Editor:

I would like to thank Alfred University for their response to my letter about the new Health and Wellness Annex, however I feel that the comparisons provided aren't entirely apt and thus ring hollow for this particular situation. I do not intend to frequent this section of the *Sun* about the Annex, so this will be my last entry on the matter.

On the heels of Alfred University opening the taxpayer funded Annex, fences were erected around Davis gym and plans for its demolition have been announced. If AU is replacing one gymnasium with another, then the utility, maintenance and support cost increases should only be marginal on the aggregate. And if staffing is going to be provided via Work Study, then that is an even greater burden on taxpayers who will pay \$5.25/hour worked compared to the \$2 from AU.

As for usage fees, the Alfred State Fitness Center does require membership, however that equipment is financed through the collection of student fees rather than taxpayer allocations. Like most buildings on Alfred State, Orvis Student Activity Center was funded with taxpayer dollars and is open to the public when not scheduled for its primary use. Alfred State's policy of charging twenty dollars per person to use the publicly funded rock climbing wall for two hours in the new Student Leadership Center is equally errant for its excessiveness, but at least they don't charge for admission into the building.

Lastly, the Thruway was presented as an example of a public infrastructure which requires payment in order to use, but the Thruway Authority (est. 1950) did

not ask state taxpayers to build them a cross-state highway (enacted 1942) and upon realizing they could not afford to maintain it begin charging a toll.

In this case, Alfred University asked to use state funding earmarked for a ceramics museum – a use clearly in line with the NYS College of Ceramics – instead be used to build a new gymnasium which would disproportionately be utilized by non-SUNY students and serves no direct function for the College of Ceramics.

I am a proud Alfred University alum and, as a villager, I truly appreciate the myriad benefits that both schools provide in exchange for their lofty position as tax-free businesses. However, at the very least, it is poor optics by AU to adopt this current policy in reference to use of the McLane Annex. Had it not been for the overwhelming support I have received from community members, especially Alfred University employees, after I penned my first letter, I would have just dismissed myself as a lonely crank yammering on about a perceived slight, however I know that's not the case.

Priority of use for this taxpayer funded facility should be scheduled for its primary use – athletic team practice, intramural competition, and club activity – however a dedicated open gym time could also be scheduled for the public with the elevated track available whenever the building is open for no membership fee. When a value-added service is provided – such as towel service, personal instruction, or belaying on a rock-climbing wall – an appropriate fee to compensate for these variable costs is entirely understandable. This new facility is certainly a great benefit to Alfred University, but with this fee structure it is hardly “a game changer for the community” as was recently reported in this prestigious periodical.

Peter McClain
Alfred

Sun Spots

I Could Syruptitiously Fly South,
But Instead I Choose to Sticky Around

It's just about time for my annual weather report. When I gripe about snowstorms and cold winds and things of that sort— Things that haven't a place in a “springtime” poetical musing And to robins (and players of baseball) are only confusing.

But to castigate March weather vagaries flies in the face Of one of the reasons we're glad to be stuck in this place: The ups and the downs of the days and the nights make their mark On the sweet flow of fluid just under a certain tree's bark.

—A. Sappy Mouse

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FROM THE DESK OF DAVID PULLEN

By DAVID PULLEN
Allegany County Legislator

A BRIGHT FUTURE

It is easy to become overwhelmed by the daily problems and hassles involved in local government. However, it is appropriate and helpful to occasionally step back from the daily grind and look at the larger picture. That includes both looking at the past, and looking ahead to the future. That puts things into perspective. That is what I needed to do, and did, this past week.

The March 10th session of the County Legislature convened at 2:00 p.m. Retired Army Sergeant Major John Cole led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. John Cole served our country from 1953 to 1988, a period of 35 years. He attained the rank of Sergeant Major, which is the next to highest rank that an enlisted person can hold. It is almost the equivalent rank of a Major General or Lieutenant General for an officer. From my days as an enlisted person I recall that Sergeant Majors were highly esteemed and respected. They were the cream of the crop in the military. It was an honor to have retired Sergeant Major Cole attend our meeting and lead us in the Pledge.

During “Privilege of the Floor” we had several presentations. Jones Memorial Hospital CEO Evan Benedict gave a presentation on recent developments at that hospital. There are numerous initiatives and enhancements taking place. Jones Memorial Hospital is an outstanding medical facility that helps meet the health needs of Allegany County. Youth Bureau Director Linda Edwards and several young people involved in the Youth Leadership Forum reported on their recent trip to Albany. They learned a great deal about how government works, and what is involved in decision-making. Our County has some outstanding young people preparing to step into leadership roles in the coming years.

Four new members were appointed to the Allegany County Youth Board. These volunteers (and those already serving on this Board) make a valuable contribution to our youth and our community. Their work yields significant dividends over the

long haul. We are blessed to have such dedicated individuals serving in our community.

There were only two resolutions presented for Board consideration at this meeting. Resolution 59-14 changed the date of the first regular Board meeting from July 17, 2014, to July 14, 2014. In addition, this resolution changes the place of that meeting from the Board Chambers to the Allegany County Fairgrounds. Holding a regular Board meeting at the Fairgrounds is an excellent way to show residents and visitors what is going on in County government. I don't know of any other counties that do this, but I strongly support the extra effort involved in getting out among our citizens. Resolution 60-14 authorized the acceptance of an insurance payment from NYMIR in the amount of \$500, and appropriated that sum to the appropriate account.

The Board then approved the audited bills for the past several weeks. The total of those bills and expenses came to \$3,606,618.55. County Treasurer Terri Ross and our department heads do an outstanding job keeping County operations within our budget appropriations. That total included two more payments towards our annual Medicaid obligation covering the periods of 2/25/14 and 3/04/14. Each payment was for \$193,186. In just over two months in 2014 we have now paid \$2,125,046. By the end of the year this will increase to nearly \$11 million.

This past week I received an e-mail from Governor Cuomo's local representative asking whether I supported his Property Tax Freeze proposal. I sent a reply indicating that I strongly oppose that proposal. If Governor Cuomo is serious about reducing local property taxes he should use the State budget surplus to finance the State's own programs, like Medicaid. New York is the only state that requires local governments to pay a portion of the cost of Medicaid. If Allegany County didn't have to pay \$11 million annually towards Medicaid, we could reduce taxes by more than 33%. That's a proposal I could strongly support.

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Mystery meets comedy in Alfred State's production

ALFRED—Mystery meets comedy in Alfred State Drama Club's dinner theater production of the mystery-thriller parody, "Loco-Motion, Commotion, Dr. Gorilla and Me," written by Tim Kelly and presented by special arrangement with Samuel French, Inc. The performance



LOCO-MOTION, COMMOTION, DR. GORILLA AND ME--Alfred State students rehearse scene from the Drama Club's dinner theater production scheduled for April 3-5.

will run April 3-5 at Lake Lodge on 6107 Terbury Road in Alfred.

This clever farce opens when cousins Priscilla and Patsy, upon hearing of the death of their estranged uncle, venture to the Vermont countryside to see Priscilla's newly inherited "Old Dark House." It isn't until they arrive that they learn the house has just burned down under suspicious circumstances.

As a storm approaches, Priscilla and company seek refuge in another nearby house that turns out to be the home of the nefarious criminal known as Dr. Gorilla. As if that wasn't bad enough, they find themselves sharing it with seemingly impossible characters, including an axe murderer, a rifle-carrying West Virginian with a century-old grudge, and a two-headed monster. With secret passages, a dead body, and mad-cap chases, they encounter much more mayhem than anyone expected.

Thursday's opening performance will be held at 7:30 p.m.

Beginning at 6:45 p.m., bus service will be available from campus before and after the show for anyone needing transportation. Tickets for the Thursday performance are \$5 for general admission and \$2 for students.

Two dinner theater performances are set for Fri., April 4, and Sat., April 5, at 6:30 p.m. Dinner theater ticket prices are \$20 for general admission or two meal swipes for students. For more information or to order tickets for the Friday or Saturday dinner theater shows, call Mallory Norton in the Office of Student Engagement at 607-587-4079 or email NortonML@AlfredState.edu by March 24. Tickets for the Thursday night show can be reserved and will also be available at the door.

Come join the Drama Club, under the direction of Janna Buckwalter, as they uncover the truth of what really happened at "The Old Dark House."

Daisy Wu to play Guzheng in free concert tonight

ALFRED—Zhongbei (Daisy) Wu is a Guzheng (Chinese Zither) artist, and now a visiting associate professor of music in the Confucius Institute at Alfred University.

She will play Guzheng (the Chinese zither), a 2700-year old traditional Chinese instrument, in a free concert hosted by The Confucius Institute at Alfred University. "Songs of Spring---

An Evening of Chinese Melody" will be presented at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 20 at Nevins Theatre on the Alfred University campus. Guest musicians Dr. Luanne Crosby, Peter Worden, and Shijun Cheng will perform as well.

Daisy began playing Guzheng at age 9. She received her B.A in music from Hunan Normal University, and her M.A in musicol-



ogy from the Graduate School of the Chinese National Academy of Arts in Beijing.

Daisy is an award-winning Guzheng player. In 1995 she won the first prize of the "Musical Instruments Competition in Hunan Province".

She won a second prize of the "National University Students Musical Instrument Competition in China" in 1996, and won a third prize of the International Guzheng Competition in 1997. She is a National Guzheng Performance level examiner of China.

She has been a music teacher and associate professor of music at the Art Center of Hunan University of Commerce, and also the principal conductor and the director of the Hunan University of Commerce Chinese Orchestra. She has received two 'National Awards of Excellence in Teaching' in China.

In 2010, she came to the Confucius Institute at Alfred University; she began teaching two courses in the Division of Performing Arts of AU. Her recent performances include solo concerts at Alfred University, Binghamton University, Stony Brook University, University at Buffalo, St. Bonaventure University, Niagara University, and Alfred State College. And she also performed more than 50 Guzheng recitals and Chinese music presentation in public schools of New York State.

About Guzheng—Guzheng (Chinese Zither) is a traditional Chinese musical instrument. It has a long history, about 2700 years, and has always been popular in China.

In 1977, four years after exposing the affair (in 1973) and two years after their subsequent break up (in 1975), Emma meets Jerry to tell him that her marriage to Robert is over. She then lies to Jerry in telling him that, "last night," she had to reveal the truth to Robert and that he now knows of the affair. The truth, however, is that Robert has known about the affair for the past four years.

'Ballads and Blarney' gig to benefit Box of Books

ALFRED—The Alfred University (AU) Chamber Singers, along with the Alfred Box of Books, will host "Ballads and Blarney," a celebration of St. Patrick's Day full of food, drink, and song on Saturday, March 22 beginning at 7 p.m. in Susan Howell Hall on the AU campus which will benefit the village library.

Tickets to the event may be purchased in AU's Powell Campus Center during the week of March 17 or at the Box of Books Library, Main Street, Alfred - \$20 per person or \$140 for a table of eight.

The evening's food fare will include light appetizers, desserts (you may find Irish soda bread, Guinness brownies, shamrock cookies, key lime treats) and a cash bar - all in the Irish tradition.

The program offers an opportunity to experience the rich beauty of Irish music and will include choral selections, solos, duets, poetry readings, and short selections from Irish theater. Solo and choral music will be sung in both English and Gaelic, with favorites like "Danny Boy," "Siuil a run," and "The Kerry Dance." Participants will also hear an original ballad composed by Emma Brown-Shaklee, and AU students will lead the audience in singing old favorites including "When Irish Eyes are Smiling," and "Irish Lullaby."

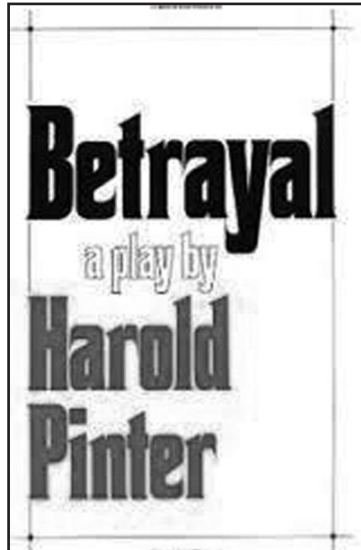
The AU Chamber Singers are directed by AU Professor of Voice and Chorus Dr. Luanne Crosby.

Eliza Ordway, Alfred Box of Books Library director, explained that funds raised by this event will be used to make the library's entryway more handicapped accessible. She envisions an automatic door so that everyone, including people with strollers or in wheelchairs, can enter the library easily. Uneven pavement outside the entryway will be corrected as well. A grant from the Foundation for Southern Tier Library Systems will cover a quarter of the costs, so Ordway says she is grateful to Crosby and the Chamber Singers for efforts on the library's behalf.

For more information on "Ballads and Blarney" contact Martha Lash at marbar428@gmail.com or Crosby at fclarke@alfred.edu

Three Alfred University seniors 'stage' Pinter's 'Betrayal' as capstone project

ALFRED—Three Alfred University (AU) senior theater majors have combined their time, energy, and talents to co-direct and perform Harold Pinter's "Betrayal" March 20-22 at 8 p.m. in the C.D. Smith Theater within Miller Theater. The performances are open to the public; admission is free.



Bellisant Corcoran-Mathe, Darren Palmer, and Jamal Welcome selected "Betrayal" for their senior capstone project. Considered one of Pinter's best dramatic works, the play features his characteristically economical dialogue, characters' hidden emotions and veiled motivations, and their self-absorbed competitive one upmanship, face-saving, dishonesty, and (self-) deceptions.

The play is told in reverse chronological order, starting at the end of the nine-scene play. Pinter's

particular use of reverse chronology in structuring the plot is considered to be innovative: the first scene takes place after the affair has ended, in 1977; the final scene ends when the affair begins, in 1968.

Inspired by Pinter's clandestine extramarital affair with BBC television presenter Joan Bakewell, which spanned seven years from 1962-69, "Betrayal" involves a married couple, Emma (Corcoran-Mathe, Kendall) and Robert (Palmer, Wingdale), and Robert's close friend Jerry (Welcome, Brooklyn), who is also married. For five years Jerry and Emma carry on their affair without Robert's knowledge, until Emma, without telling Jerry she has done so, admits her infidelity to Robert (in effect, betraying Jerry), although she continues their affair.

In 1977, four years after exposing the affair (in 1973) and two years after their subsequent break up (in 1975), Emma meets Jerry to tell him that her marriage to Robert is over. She then lies to Jerry in telling him that, "last night," she had to reveal the truth to Robert and that he now knows of the affair. The truth, however, is that Robert has known about the affair for the past four years.

Welcome came up with the idea to do this play as a senior project while he and Palmer were in an acting class together a few years ago. Corcoran-Mathe knew the play and was on board with their idea. The production will also count as Corcoran-Mathe's Honors Program thesis.

One Time, One Meeting

The Practice of Zen Meditation

By BEN HOWARD



WELL-MET IN BELFAST

"For Ben Howard, well met in Belfast, July, 2004."

So wrote a gentlemanly Irish poet, whose work I had long admired, in the flyleaf of his most recent book. At the time, he and I were having lunch in the upstairs dining room of the Crown Bar, a storied old pub in the heart of Belfast, Northern Ireland. I had come up on the train from Dublin to meet him.

Of the many inscriptions I have acquired over the years, few have proved as memorable as the one above, perhaps because the poet's chosen phrase, faintly archaic but resonantly apt, sorted well with the Crown's Victorian decor—its ornate tin ceilings, stained-glass windows, and dark-paneled "snugs." Regrettably, "well-met" is no longer current in North America, either as a description or a greeting. Once the equivalent of "Nice to have met you," that old-fashioned phrase succinctly evokes a singular event: two people meeting, in the fullness of human relationship, at a particular place and time.

"All real living is meeting," wrote the philosopher Martin Buber. And in his book *Taking Our Places*, an exploration of Zen practice as a path to maturity, the Zen priest Norman Fischer takes Buber's pronouncement as his abiding theme. Reflecting on Buber's words, Fischer recalls that when he thought hard about the "Zen enlightenment stories," he realized that they are "less about solitary visionary experience than the saving possibility of human relationship. . . . Enlightenment is the fruit not of isolation but of connection." When Buber said that all real living is meeting, he was making "the profound observation that when we truly meet one another . . . and open ourselves to each other with the courage to step toward one another, then and only then can we be said to be completely alive."

Fischer's point is well taken, but as he goes on to acknowledge, in the everyday world such meetings are infrequent. How often do any of us "truly meet one another"? And how can such encounters be engaged and supported?

To begin with, we might bear in mind the Japanese motto *ichigo ichie*, which is commonly translated as "one time, one meeting." Closely associated with Zen practice, *ichigo ichie* reminds us that every encounter, however familiar or habitual, is a once-in-a-lifetime experience. It is unprecedented and unrepeatable. To be sure, the "meeting" in question might seem as ordinary as having lunch with a friend or getting together after work for a drink. But because conditions are always changing, one's present experience is in reality unique. By reminding ourselves of that fact, we can cultivate an attitude of freshness toward each new encounter.

"Beginner's mind," as this attitude is known in Zen, is especially important as it pertains to the act of listening. Mary Rose O'Reilly, a writer, college professor, and Zen practitioner, notes that in academic culture, "most listening is critical listening. . . . We mentally grade and pigeon-hole each other." And in society at large, "people often listen with an agenda, to sell or petition or seduce." As a constructive alternative, O'Reilly advocates a "deep, openhearted, unjudging reception of the other." When she encounters such a reception, "[her] spirit begins to expand." And it is possible, she believes, to "listen someone into existence, encourage a stronger self to emerge or a new talent to flourish."

Norman Fischer shares O'Reilly's perspective, but he also believes that as listeners we have an obligation to respond. "We cannot only be passive listeners. In the end, listening's completion is negotiation." Toward that end, he recommends two techniques developed by the mediator Gary Friedman. The first is known as "looping" and consists of listening carefully and then repeating, as accurately as one can, what the other person has just said. In this way the "loop of communication" is completed. The second technique, known as "dipping," consists of pausing during a conversation to become aware of our thoughts and feelings. In this way, we take our present state of mind into account—and weigh our words accordingly. Together these two techniques, which Fischer has employed in social contexts as diverse as an employees' retreat at Yale University and a peace conference in Belfast, have sometimes yielded startling revelations. Participants in the Belfast conference, Fischer reports, were shocked to discover that they hadn't even been hearing one another, much less promoting peace.

Not every meeting can be so rewarding. Some must be purely professional, if proper boundaries are to be maintained. But as Fischer and O'Reilly remind us, and as their experiences confirm, it is possible to approach almost any meeting with full attention, an open heart, and an attitude of deep respect. More often than we might suppose, it is possible to be well-met.

Ben Howard leads the *Falling Leaf Sangha* (www.fallingsangha.blogspot.com), a Zen practice group in Alfred.

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Waymores to perform in Wellsville

WELLSVILLE—

The Waymores will perform at 8 p.m. Saturday, March 29 at the Wellsville Creative Arts Center. Advanced tickets are \$14, \$16 at door. Members save an additional \$2. Tickets may be purchased online at www.WellsvilleCreativeArtsCenter.com or at the Arts Center Coffee House. For more information visit the website or call (585) 593-3000.

Tom Kimmel, Sally Barris and Don Henry have written songs for the stars and garnered praise for their solo works, yet what's most exciting about the Waymores is the magic they make onstage. A three-pack of Nashville's finest singer-songwriters, not in the round, but all together.

Grammy Award winner Don Henry's songs have been recorded by Ray Charles, Patti Page, Conway Twitty, Kathy Mattea and dozens of other great artists. . . but they shine brightest when sung by the artist who wrote them. Long appreciated as

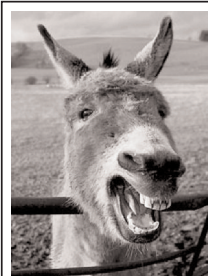


one of Nashville's finest singer-songwriters, Don is revered by fans, critics and peers alike for being one of the most inspiring, entertaining and funny(!) artists

you are ever likely to see and hear.

Whether in her own hands or those of hit artists like Martina McBride or Lee Ann Womack, Sally Barris' music makes an indelible impression. And while her writing credits might impress—her songs have been covered by Trisha Yearwood & Keith Urban, John Michael Montgomery, Kathy Mattea and many others—fans and peers are most captivated by her bright spirit and high mountain soprano.

Tom Kimmel's business card facetiously reads *Overnight Success*, but the truth is far from it. After graduating college he worked as a short order cook, bus boy, taxi driver, chef, shipping clerk, lab technician, janitor, waiter, bartender and window washer on his way to establishing himself as an award winning songwriter (Johnny Cash, Linda Ronstadt, Joe Cocker, Randy Travis and a host of others) and critically acclaimed performing artist (seven albums).



Mueller Mullings

By MATT MUELLER
Alfred Sun Columnist

THE BOTTOM OF THE BOX

The other day I tossed a recently received mail order catalog into the carton where I customarily stack them. As it fell onto the floor along with some others at the top of the pile, I realized that the box was overloaded. This led me to stop whatever else I was doing and start shuffling through the most out-dated catalogs lower down. I intended to immediately put them all in my paper recycling bag. I empty it once a week at Alfred's Allegany County Solid Waste Facility/Transfer Station. As I began to gather the catalogs up in slippery handfuls, some interesting covers appeared. Why on earth did I have a catalog from this company? Or, that one? What was in them? Inevitably, I began putting the odd one aside to mull over later, and then discard.

One catalog, bearing a 1990 copyright, I had received from an "Authorized Liquidator." It is chock full of goods I did not then, and do not now, need. Two on the back cover are typical. The first is a "Set of Goose Feather Pillows in 3 Sizes...They feature 25% more fill than regular pillows for more buoyancy, more life --- more value, too." Originally \$120 per set, now \$39.

The second item is a pictured Compact Radar Detector. Among other things it "Features red LED visual alert and separate audio alerts for X and K bands." Originally priced at \$99.95 and now \$29. The description is vivid but means nothing to me. Plus, "The Product May Vary from Photo." By spending just ten dollars more I might have been able to bury my head in three "Crushed Goose Feather Pillows" to deal with radar. But it hurts to imagine further crushing an already crushed goose.

Another offering made me feel yet more pain. It is an "Ultrasonic Pest Chaser," once \$74.85, now \$39. Its "three plug-in units [providing] powerful 140 decibel ultrasonic waves drive out pests." It "is the environmentally safe, non-toxic way to rid your home of rats, mice and other pests... They will NOT affect humans or household pets."

Try telling that to my current pet: a dainty female gerbil named Draga. I just did, but she slept through my monologue. She knows that I have her welfare in mind night and day, and that I would never waste even thirty-nine CENTS on such a thing.

That catalog left me wondering if the liquidator may have overestimated the demand for the merchandise listed as much as the original manufacturers did. Back in 1990, or now in 2014, I have not craved an "Aluminum Attache Case." Nor do I need an "11K Word Spanish Translator," or an

"Unsinkable Foam Pool Float," or a "Carbonation Machine," or a "300 Watt Triple-Stem Halogen Floor Lamp." The latter originally cost \$199, but the liquidator only charged \$68.

Obviously in 1990 I was wise to merely store this catalog instead of recklessly ordering wares from it to save money through the discounts. Quite likely one or another of them would have worn out by now. Just how much would it cost to replace the Halogen Floor Lamp today?

Turning to my outdated desktop computer, I investigated some current lamp-selling websites to find out. The most similar one pictured had the same 72" height but only one stem. Available with free shipping, it formerly cost \$213.99 and now may be bought for \$158. The company's products come with a "120% Lowest Price Guarantee."

One paper catalog dated "Summer '88" was in my stack. I'll probably keep it for another twenty-five plus years for sentimental reasons. This one was addressed to my then living mother, who reached age 87 that summer. As stated on its cover, with this in hand she could "Shop by Mail from Fuller Brush."

My only contacts with its salesmanship were made in my childhood by a Fuller Brush Man. He would be standing outside a screen door at our house. My mother and I would be standing inside listening to his spiel. Sometimes it resulted in a purchase.

After scanning the pictures of miscellany in this old Fuller Brush catalog, I was dumbfounded to see that so few of them were brushes. I checked Wikipedia on the Internet to see what had happened to the company by now. The information there was even more startling.

Now I understand why Mother Nature is making it possible for those of us with insatiable curiosity to live longer on average than earlier generations. She knows that we need much more time to catch up on the changes which happen when we are not looking.

Manufactured products used to be invented and then further developed slowly. In the 1940's cordial neighbors invited me over to experience the results of their "latest" acquisition. It was recessed living room ceiling fluorescent lighting. Today a hurried, shouted "Hello" between human friends suffices. We must hasten to a keyboard or touch screen to behold our past, present, and future possibilities and probabilities.

Martha "Matt" Mueller is a retired librarian who occasionally writes a column for The Alfred Sun, for which she at one time covered the Alfred Village beat.

The Circle of Life: Comparing Babies to Seeds

By CAROL SITARSKI
Master Gardener, Cornell University Cooperative Extension

Sometimes my mind wanders to the strangest thoughts, usually while I am driving. Where I live, it takes me an hour to get anywhere. After driving for a time, maybe out of boredom, my mind starts to wander. Yes I know, that is wrong but I can't help it. On one of my mind vacations, I was thinking about the seeds I was going to start indoors and then I had this marvelous revelation that seeds are like babies.

The way our world works is full of wonderful mysteries of life. How did all these things begin? How did all the creatures and plants learn to interact with each other? How did plants de-

velop? No matter what you believe in how our planet evolved you have to admit it boggles your mind when you really start to think about how life on our planet intertwines with everything.

How can a baby be compared to a seed you say? Well let me give you some examples.

First a tiny fertilized egg that has all the genetic information inside it (as too how tall it will grow, hair/eye color, etc.) attaches to a woman's womb and starts to grow in a warm, soft, inviting environment. The egg grows an umbilical cord so the growing baby can receive oxygen and nourishment from the mother. A tiny fertilized seed falls to the ground where it too



(Photo By Colleen Cavagna)

by sending out pheromones. If the seed is grown by a gardener then they feed, care, and protect the plant.

Just as a baby grows into an adult so does the plant. The baby blossoms into an adult, goes out into the world, and reproduces. A plant reaches maturity, sending out blossoms, produces fruit and then reproduces.

Sadly, as the grown baby grows old a time comes when they leave and so does the grown plant. "There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven: a time to be born and time to die".

Now you know why I think babies and seeds are alike, what do you think? And so the circle of life goes on...

News Briefs

Seed-starting for Beginners

HORNELL—Master Gardener Alan Mason will offer a simple hands-on introduction to starting flowers and vegetables from seeds from 10 a.m. to 12 noon Saturday, March 22 in the Pullman Art Studio at the Hornell YMCA. Attendees will learn to save money on garden projects, put recyclables to a new use, and improve landscaping skills.

Attendees will plant seeds in a container during the workshop to germinate at home. Seeds, soil medium, and materials provided. The cost is \$10 for Y Members and \$15 for other program participants; the workshop fee includes take-home demonstration of seed-starting materials. Mr. Mason, a Master Gardener, is donating his time and expertise. For more information or to enroll, contact the YMCA at 607-324-5520.

AARP Driver Safety Course

HORNELL—AARP and St. James Mercy Hospital are teaming up to offer the Driver Safety Course. Anyone with an active driving license may attend. The two-day course will be held from 1-4 p.m. Tuesday, March 25 and Thursday, March 27 at DeSales Hall, Hornell.

Participants who complete the 6-hour classroom refresher course may receive a 10% discount on their auto insurance for three years and points may be taken off their license. The cost is \$20.00 for AARP members and \$25.00 for non-members.

For more information, or to register, call the St. James Mercy Hospital Community Services Office at (607) 324-8147.

has all the genetic information inside; as to what kind of plant it will be, how tall it will grow, what color it will be. It too is nourished by its mother, mother earth, being kept warm by the sun, fed nourishment from the rain, soil and oxygen from the air. It too attaches itself to the soil but with roots as it grows.

As the baby grows in the womb it starts to grow tiny nubs that become arms and legs. As a seed sprouts its roots become the legs and leaves become the arms.

After nine months, a baby is born into the world. After sometimes months of germination, a plant is born into the world. Wow isn't that amazing! But wait there is more similarities.

As the baby grows, the parents give care by feeding, rocking and protecting it from harm. As a plant grows in the wild the rain and soil give nourishment, the wind rocks the plant and other plants nearby can also help protect attack from bugs and illness

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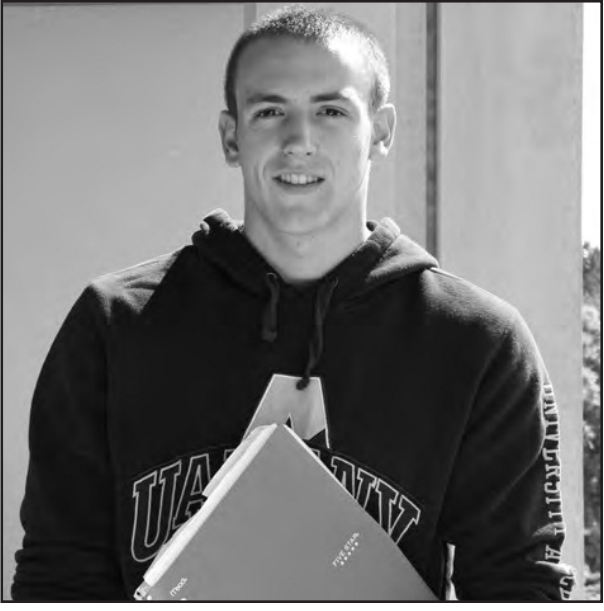
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Cultural Arts Calendar



Music

BANDS/DJs/RECITALS
The AU Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of Lisa Lantz, will perform the exquisite Mozart Piano Concerto #23 with guest pianist, Frank Mitchell Bush, at 7 p.m. Friday, April 25 in Miller Theater on the Alfred University campus.

Alfred Village Band offers summer concerts of popular music and marches at the Alfred Village Bandstand. Concerts are scheduled at 7:15 p.m. each Wednesday in July. For more information, call Nancy Luger at 607-587-9449 or email: lugerna@yahoo.com.

Black-Eyed Susan Acoustic Cafe 22 West Main St., Angelica. Open every day for lunch; dinner and live acoustic music on week-ends; now serving breakfast—call for details. **Acoustic Open Mic Night** 1st Thursday of month 7-10 pm. Café opens early for dinner, espresso, wine & beer, Scrabble & chess. **Music Schedule:** Feb. 7—Michael Lorum; Feb. 14—Pat Kane; Feb. 15—Nick Young; Music begins at 7:30 p.m. Café open 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. for meals, espresso, beer, wine, desserts. **Black-Eyed Susan** will be CLOSED for renovations & rest from Jan. 1-Jan. 31, 2014. **Black-Eyed Susan Acoustic Café**, 22 W. Main St., Angelica. Call 585-466-3399 or visit black-eyed-susan.com

Eastman Jazz Ensemble will perform in concert at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 15 in Holmes Auditorium, Harder Hall, AU campus. Admission is free.

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

call 545-8603.

Maple City Bowl, 7580 Seneca Road, Hornell. DJ/Karaoke every Friday Night 9 pm-1 a.m.; Saturday night bands from 9 pm-1 a.m. For updates, check www.maplecitybowl.net Or call 607-324-1011.

Wellsville Creative Arts Center offers live music most Saturday evenings with performances beginning at 8 p.m., doors opening at 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 25—Rockwood Ferry; Saturday, Feb. 8—The Prickers; Friday, Feb. 21—Commander Cody; Saturday, March 29—The Waymores. For tickets, visit: www.WellsvilleCreativeArtsCenter.com or call 585-593-3000.

"Winter's Tale," a vocal recital featuring soprano Rebecca Weaver Hamm accompanied by pianist Patricia Wiggers, will be performed at 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 9 in Susan Howell Hall on the Alfred University campus. Free and open to the public.

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

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

Maple City (Barbershopers) Chorus Meetings 7:30 p.m. Mondays at United Methodist Church of Hornell, 7528 North Main St. Ext., Hornell. New members welcome. Call 276-6835 for info.

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

COFFEEHOUSES
 Coffeehouse live entertainment periodically at Terra Cotta Coffeehouse, 34 N. Main St., Alfred. 9 pm Thursday, Feb. 13—Seasick

Mama. Open Mic Night Wednesdays when colleges are in session.

Wellsville Creative Arts Center offers Coffee Houses nightly Monday-Thursday 7:30-10:30 p.m. with Movies on Mondays, Acoustic Campfire on Tuesdays, Open Mic Night every Wednesday 7 to 9:30 p.m. For more info, visit: www.WellsvilleCreativeArtsCenter.com or call 585-593-3000.

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

Wingate Memorial Carillon Recital Series at Davis Memorial Carillon, AU campus. Free concerts on the lawn 7-8 p.m. Tuesday evenings in July. 2013



Theater & Dance

COMEDY
Comedian Sheng Wang will perform at 10 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 25 at the Knight Club, Powell Campus Center, AU campus.

Comedian Jenny Zegrino will perform at 10 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 22 at the Night Club, Powell Campus Center, AU campus.

DANCE

Alleluia School of Dance offers classes in Houghton and Wellsville. Classical ballet and liturgical dance. All ages and ability levels. For more information or to register for classes, contact Director Rebecca Moore at 585-567-2079.

AU Dance Concert will be staged at 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 20; 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 21 and Saturday, Feb. 22 in Miller Performing Arts Center, AU campus.

The Dance Concert features original choreography and performances by AU faculty, students, and the Marlin and Ginber Miller Guest Artist. Tickets are required.

Let's Dance Club offers occasional dances. For more information, contact president Carole Onoda at (607) 276-5475, vice-presidents John and Dee Cwynar at (607) 324-0373, secretaries Duffy and Barb Elsenheimer at (607) 295-7194, treasurers Charlie and Kathy Bill at (607) 295-7130, or band coordinators Doug and Melody Carrier at (607) 324-5821.

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

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

PERFORMANCES
 "Soul" On Stage. 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 7 in Holmes Auditorium, Harder Hall, AU campus. Five one-act scenes touch on topics in an entertaining, education and engrossing format including "Black on White," "Hear Me Roar," "Blind Old Justice," "Hair," and "On the DL." Sponsored by UMOJA. Free admission.

Art/Galleries

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

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Artist Knot. 36 Main Street, Andover. Current Exhibit: "Karen Lang: Autumn Fireworks". Admission is always free. Gallery Hours: Wed. 12-4, Fri. 12-5 pm, & Sat. 12-4 or anytime by appointment. (607) 478-5100.

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

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

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

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

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

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Fosdick-Nelson Gallery at Alfred University. Fosdick-Nelson Gallery is located in Harder Hall, AU campus. Open 11-4 Mondays-Fridays. Info 871-2412.

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

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

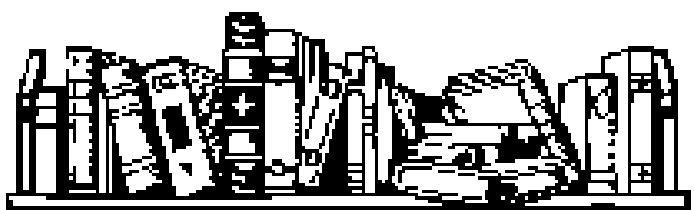
Call Homestead Museum. Hartsville, celebrating 19th and early 20th century life in rural western NY, is open from noon to 4 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays from May to October, in Hartsville. The museum is located 2 miles south of Hartsville on the corner of Purdy Creek Road (County Rt. 28) and Post Road.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

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

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

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

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



NOTES from the BOX OF BOOKS

We have exciting news here at the Box of Books: Eliza will be heading to Seattle in September to present at the Association for Rural and Small Libraries Conference. This is a great opportunity for her to network with other small libraries from all over the US and the world. She has also been awarded a ½ off scholarship to a blogging workshop hosted in Erie, PA. This workshop is available online, and will hopefully help us expand our reach through social networking.

Starting in April Bookworms with Liz will be back on the schedule! We are very excited to have Liz back on staff and her programming skills back at the BoB!

The Alfred University Chamber Singers will present Ballads and Blarney at 7 p.m. Saturday, March 22 in Howell Hall. There will be appetizers and desserts provided, along with a cash bar of Irish Beers and Wine. Tickets are \$20 each and are limited in numbers due to space. We are running a special where you can reserve a table of 8 seats for \$140. Tickets are available for purchase at the Box of Books Library.

Programming here at the Library!

Story Time every Friday at 11:00 for birth to 5 years old.

Monday, March 24 - Magic Show! at 6 pm - In a salute to escape artist/magician Harry Houdini, Wellsville's WJQZ radio Morning Man Bob Mangels will perform magic and talk about Houdini. Bob has performed magic for a number of years and was a friend of noted author Walter B. Gibson who was a personal friend of Houdini and wrote many books on magic. Those who attend will be able to participate in the magic and also ask questions about Houdini.

Tuesday, April 1 - Flowers and Showers at 4:30 pm - The Education Fieldwork Class will take participants through the joys of spring! Please register for this event.

Thursday, April 10 from 4-6 pm Internet Safety Class will be offered for those interested in protecting themselves online. Contact Rima with any questions.

Tuesday, April 15 at 4:30 the Box of Books presents its 5th Annual Easter Egg Hunt! All ages are welcome! This event will start at 4:30 and only lasts a few minutes... the kids are great at finding those eggs.



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Including the change in gas prices in New York during the past week, prices yesterday were 16.4 cents per gallon lower than the same day one year ago and are 10.2 cents per gallon higher than a month ago. The national average has increased 15.5 cents per gallon during the last month and stands 15.1 cents per gallon lower than this day one year ago.



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Lectures/Readings

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

Allegany County Bird Club. Meetings held at the First Congregational Church, 289 N. Main Street, Wellsville, unless otherwise stated, at 7 p.m. on the first Friday of each month; speakers begin at 7:15 p.m.

Baker's Bridge Historical Association. Meets 7:30 p.m. third Monday of each month, Sept.-April in the Meeting House, 5971 Hamilton Hill Road, Alfred Station. Programs are as follows: Jan. 20—Laurie McFadden/Thelma Palmiter, "Early Alfred Station in Photos"; Feb. 17—Brendan Heaney, "Visit With Moses VanCampen"; March 17—Craig Braack, "War of 1812"; April 21—Bob & Sherry Volk, "Tinkertown Hardware History." For more information, call President Laurie McFadden, 587-9493. To tour building and/or view exhibits, call Historian Susan Greene at 587-9488. Visit: www.bakersbridge.org

Bergren Forum. 12:10 p.m. Thursdays, Nevins Theater, Powell Campus Center, AU campus. Jan. 30—Erin Redmond and students Samantha Randall, Allyson Sick and Daniella Stebe, "Argentina: The Politics of Popular Culture"; Feb. 6—Gary Ostrower, "Alfred's Nazi"; Feb. 13—Rosemarie Oakman, Coral Lambert, and Bob Maiden, "The Alzheimer's Glass and Iron Project"; Feb. 20—Casey Duncan, "Guiding Eyes at Alfred

University: Guide Dogs on Campus"; Feb. 27—Brian Sullivan, "Not Dead Yet: Reflections on the Future of Libraries"; March 6—Nicholas Waddy, "After Mandela: Reflections on Recent Travels in South Africa"; March 13—Spring Break; March 20—Scott Brackenridge, "The Zhuangzi We Know: How The Most Popular Work in Chinese Literature and Philosophy Came To Be The Way It Is"; March 27—Aesa Bjork, "Gaging the Void"; April 3—Dylan Sammut, "The Hour Is Getting Late: Musicians Unraveling an Apocalypse"; April 10—Antonio Causarano, "How to Introduce Diversity Through Children's Literature"; April 17—Roger Loucks, "Uncertainty Not Curiosity Killed the Cat! How Quantum Mechanics Actually Works"; April 24—Sarah Blood, "Light Matter"; May 1—Gregory Pac, "Electricity Prices and County Economic Growth." Bring a brown bag lunch; coffee & tea available.

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

Maple City Garden Club. Monthly potluck lunch second Wednesday at Sawyer St. Court, Hornell (unless otherwise noted) at 12 noon. Program follows: Jan. 8—"Blues in your Garden" with Mary Lu Wells. Feb. 12—"Plant Offerings and Colors for 2014" with Valerie Holler of Bennett's Greenhouse. March 12—TBA with Craig Braack. April 9—"Master Gardener Program" with Sara Dygert. May 14—Field Trip to Quest Farm to hear Tom McDowell's "Honey Extraction" after a noon lunch at Mulheissen's. June 11—Plant auction and program planning for 2014-2015. For info, call Zoë Coombs at 587-8031.

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



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Fun-n-Games

STAR GAZING
John Stull Observatory open to the public free of charge, clear Friday nights from 9-11 p.m. Sept.-Oct.-Nov. and Feb.-March, April. Open clear Thursday nights from 10 p.m.-12 midnight during May, June and July. For info, call the Observatory phone at Alfred University, 871-2270.

BRIDGE
Helen Bailey Bridge Club. Games at 2 p.m. Wednesdays and at 7 p.m. Thursdays at the Hornell United Presbyterian Church, Main Street, Hornell. For further information, contact Pat LaCourse at 587-8570.

AU SAXONS Athletic Events
AU Men's & Women's Basketball Friday, Feb. 7—Stevens (M 6 pm, W 8 pm)
Saturday, Feb. 8—Hartwick (M 2 pm, W 4 pm)
Friday, Feb. 14—Utica (M 6 pm, W 8 pm)
Saturday, Feb. 15—St. John Fisher (M 2 pm, W 4 pm)

Saturday, Feb. 22—Ithaca (M 2 pm, W 4 pm)
All games played at McClane Center, N. Main Street, Alfred.

Str8 Eight Card Game Tournament at 8 pm on the 8s at the Terra Cotta Coffeehouse, Main St., Alfred. Tournaments set for 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 8; 8 pm Saturday, March 8; 8 pm Tuesday, April 8; 8 pm Thursday, May 8...you get the idea. To learn more about the card game invented in Alfred, NY, visit: www.str8-eight.com



Special Events

Allegany County SPCA 2nd Annual "Pins for Paws," aka "Bowl-a-PAW-looza" will be held at the Bowl-M-Over Lanes in Wellsville Saturday, Feb. 22. Email: pinsforpaws@yahoo.com if you would like to bowl and help in this fund-raiser for the Allegany County SPCA. Or for more information, visit www.SP-CAallegany.org, email: SPCAallegany@gmail.com or call 585-593-2200.

Support Groups

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

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

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

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

diac Rehab Unit at 324-8735.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Homeschool Support Group — Allegany-Steuben County LEAH (Loving Education at Home) meets at 7 p.m. the third Wednesday of the month at the Steere home in Almond. 276-6380.

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

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

OLD SALTS BREAKFAST CLUB, a gathering of veterans, meets every 2nd Tuesday of the month at 8 a.m. at JC's Cafe at the corner of Canisteo and Crosby Streets, Hornell. ALI Navy vets and Marines are invited, plus any others who can tell stories about their services, from World War II until the present time. We have vets from all over the area. For more info, call "Old Navy" Bob Tripp at 607-295-7753.

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

Etcetera

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

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

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

Clinics—Blood Pressure Screening. No appointments needed. All ages welcome. Offered 11 a.m.-12 noon occasional Thursdays at Office for the Aging Nutrition Luncheon, Union University Church Center, Alfred.

WHAT'S COOKIN'?

Allegany County Office for the Aging Meals on Wheels & Luncheon Center Menu
Monday, March 24

Four Bean Salad, Meatloaf w/Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Stewed Tomatoes, Wheat Bread, Ginger Bread w/Lemon Sauce, Diabetic- Pineapple

Tuesday, March 25
Applesauce, Baked Ham, Mashed Sweet Potatoes, California Blend, Roll, Brownie, Diabetic- Fruit Cocktail.

Wednesday, March 26
Tossed Salad w/Ranch Dressing, Goulash, Spinach, Garlic Bread, Frosted Pumpkin Bars, Diabetic- Applesauce.

Thursday, March 27
Fruit Cup, Sweet & Sour Pork over Brown Rice, Green Beans, Rye Bread, Rice Crispy Treat, Diabetic- Pears.

Friday, March 28
Spinach Mandarin, Orange Salad w/Dressing, Herb Baked Fish, Oven Browned Potatoes, Mixed Vegetables, Wheat Bread, Butterscotch Pudding, Diabetic—Pudding.

For reservations, call the site coordinator or 585-268-9390 or (toll free 1-866-268-9390) by 2 p.m. on previous day.

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

Monday—Exercises w/Mary Lou Maxon 10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m., lunch 12 noon.
Wednesday—Exercises w/Mary Lou Maxon 10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m., lunch 12 noon.

Thursday—Lunch at 12 noon.
BELMONT NUTRITION SITE
American Legion Hall, 11:30 a.m.
Call Lila Johnson at 585-268-5380.

Tuesday—Exercises at 9:30 a.m., lunch at 11:30 a.m. "National Doctor's Day"
Thursday—Exercises at 9:30 a.m., lunch at 11:30 a.m. "How Would You Handle This?"

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

Monday—Exercises at 10:30 a.m., Lunch at 12 noon.

Wednesday—Exercises at 10:30 a.m., lunch at noon. Blood Pressure Clinic. Cheryl Czworka, "Can the foods you eat affect your brain?"

Thursday—Lunch at 12 noon.
CANASERAGA NUTRITION SITE
Canaseraga Fire Hall, 12 noon
Call Barb Welch at 607-295-7301.
Tuesday—Exercises at 10:15 a.m., Lunch at 12 noon. Exercises/ Cards at 1 p.m. "Bingo."
Thursday—Exercises at 10:15 a.m., Lunch at 12 noon. Exercises at 1 p.m. "March Birthdays." Cheryl Czworka, "Can the foods you eat affect your brain?"

CUBA NUTRITION SITE
AA Arnold Community Center, 12 noon
Call Linda Nelson at 585-968-2397
Monday—Exercises at 10:30 a.m., Cards, Dominoes, Puzzles, Euchre. Lunch noon. "John Wayne Trivia"
Tuesday—Euchre, Cards, Dominoes, Puzzles at 10:30 a.m., lunch at 12 noon. "National Pecan Month."
Wednesday—Euchre, Cards, Dominoes, Puzzles at 10:30 a.m., lunch at noon. "Current Topics."
Thursday—Exercises at 10:30 a.m. Cards, Dominoes, Puzzles, Euchre. Lunch at 12 noon. "Reba McEntire's Bio."

FILLMORE NUTRITION SITE
Fillmore Fire Hall, 12 noon
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Thursday—Stretch 9 a.m., Bingo 10:30 a.m., Lunch 12 noon, Bridge 1 p.m. Exercise 1:30 p.m.
Friday—Walking 9:30 a.m., Bingo 10:30 a.m., Lunch 12 noon, Pinochle 12:30 p.m., Exercises 1:30 p.m.

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Group seeks materials for community garden shed



The Alfred Community Garden and students from Alfred State’s Emerging Pioneer Leadership Program are asking the community to donate building materials for their garden toolshed project.

ALFRED—The Alfred Community Garden is currently requesting materials to build a storage shed for its garden tools, and members of the college’s Emerging Pioneer Leadership Program (EPLP) are leading the hunt for donations.

The garden, now in its fourth planting year, is located on State Route 21 in Alfred on land belonging to Alfred State and is open to members of the campus community, members of the local community, and not-for-profits who wish to learn about and grow produce. Part of its mission is focused on combating local food insecurity through a community-based gardening and nutritional literacy campaign in conjunction with Alfred State and Literacy West NY, Inc.

The EPLP is calling this initiative the Community Garden Gold Project, and they’re currently asking for any donations.

“The garden is a great asset to the community, and they really need storage space, so Allana Havernick and I decided that we’d try to find building materi-

als that could be useful,” said EPLP member Danielle Thone, a native of Wappingers Falls and student in the interior design program.

Allana Havernick, also an EPLP member, hails from Arcade and is currently studying environmental technology.

“Since the garden does not have the money to buy a shed from scratch, Danielle and I thought we would ask the community for spare building materials that might no longer be needed. We have friends lined up who are willing to pick up materials and build the shed out of the repurposed items,” Allana said.

Both girls have reached the

gold level in the EPLP program—the second level of a four-tier group advocating student leadership and civic engagement. EPLP members also attend workshops, experience mentor relationships, and participate in meaningful community service as part of the program.

The students are asking members of the community to support their project by donating materials—anything from old or torn down shacks to chicken coops to extra wood or materials already slated for the recycle pile.

Contact Danielle Thone at Thonedl@alfredstate.edu or Sandra Dennison at DennissSJ@alfredstate.edu for more information.

Alzheimer’s art project topic of public lecture

ALFRED--Senior art major Rosemarie Oakman, along with Alfred University professors Coral Lambert and Robert Maiden, will present The Alzheimer’s Glass and Iron Project, a community service presentation sponsored by the Alfred Lion’s Club. The lecture will take place on Thursday, March 27th at 7:45 pm at the Union University Church Center in Alfred. The event is open to the public free of charge.

The Alzheimer’s Glass and Iron Project is a cross-generational, multi-step project using the classic arts of metal casting and glassblowing to raise awareness of Alzheimer’s, a disease which inhibits thinking, memory, and behavior of over five million Americans.

Through the Project, AU students volunteer with local Alzheimer’s and dementia patients, who create watercolor and iron-oxide artworks. Members of the Alfred University Foundry Guild then render molds based off of these works, which are used to produce metal and glass sculptures inspired by the memories and interests of Alzheimer’s patients. These sculptures are to be auctioned off this spring; proceeds will directly benefit the Alzheimer’s Association. Chapters of the Project have also been established in Salem, NY and Birmingham, AL.

The Alzheimer’s Glass and Iron Project was founded by Oakman who fused her love of metal-working with a passion for helping the elderly. She first interacted with Alzheimer’s and dementia patients through volunteering at local nursing homes with the AU Golden Years Club, of which she is founder and president. Oakman says she hopes to eventually earn a master’s degree in art therapy and to continue to be involved in the Alzheimer’s Glass and Iron Project.

Lambert, adviser of the Foundry Guild, is associate professor of sculpture. Maiden, adviser to the Golden Years Club, is professor of psychology and gerontology. Students Request Building Materials for Alfred Community Garden

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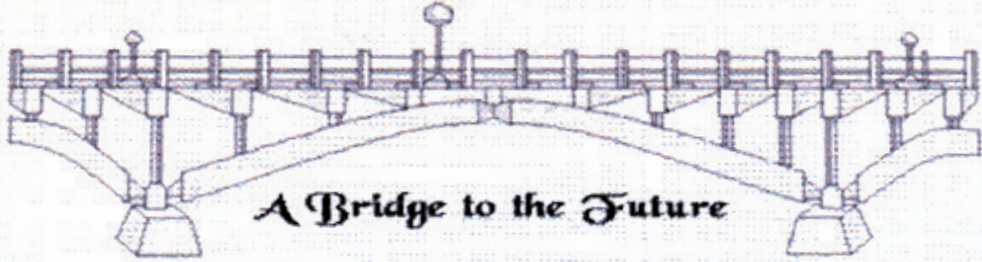
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AU alum's movie 'speeds' into theaters this weekend

George Gatins, an Alfred University ceramic engineering major from the Class of 1987, is bringing his childhood love for automobiles to the big screen this weekend with the opening of "Need for Speed" in theaters nationwide.

George, who wrote the screenplay, and younger brother John, a producer who also has a fondness for cars, grew up in Poughquag, NY in downstate Dutchess County. In the March 14, 2014 edition of The Poughkeepsie (NY) Journal, John W. Barry writes about how the brothers have taken their fascination with cars and transferred it to the big screen.

"As a teenager growing up in Poughquag, George Gatins

owned an orange 1972 BMW 2002.

"I drove it like a maniac," Gatins said. "I remember being, once or twice, in a four-wheel skid..."

"The high school parking lot was full of Chevelles and Mustangs and Pontiac GTOs," John Gatins said. "We grew up in Poughquag. To get to Arlington was 15 miles for us. There was a lot of driving."

"The Gatins, both graduates of Arlington High School, now live in Los Angeles and work in the film industry. And today you can see how they took their love of automobiles — "We weren't mechanics," George Gatins said, "but we loved cars" — and transferred it to the silver screen when

the motion picture "Need For Speed" opens nationwide.

"The story idea was conceived by the brothers. The screenplay was written by George Gatins and John Gatins is a producer. The film stars Aaron Paul of tele-

vision's "Breaking Bad" fame and is linked to a video game of the same name.

The trailer for "Need to Speed" revolves around a guy, a girl, fast cars, police chases and car wrecks.

To read the full article, go to: http://www.poughkeepsiejournal.com/article/20140314/NEWS/303140027/-Speed-writers-Brothers-from-Dutchess-turn-love-cars-into-Hollywood-film?gcheck=1&nclick_check=1

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NOTICE OF LLC FORMATION
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That the Board of Trustees of the Village of Alfred has scheduled a public hearing to be held on Tuesday, April 1, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Village Hall at 7 West University St., Alfred, NY, regarding the 2014-15 Budget. Copies of the tentative budget may be obtained from the Village Clerk's office.
NOTICE IS FURTHER HEREBY GIVEN: That the proposed salaries of the Board of Trustees are as follows:
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FIFTY YEARS AGO, MARCH 19, 1964

The 1964 Alcen has been dedicated to Mrs. Helene Phelan, English and Citizenship Education teacher at Alfred-Almond Central School for the past six years. Mrs. Phelan was presented the first copy of the Alcen at an assembly Monday afternoon by Janice Stearns, editor-in-chief. Miss Stearns read the dedication, which began: "To dedicate: to consecrate, to give. Once there was someone who gave us so much. We'd like to give her just one perfect thing. The lady whom we want to thank today gave us knowledge and gave us of herself: she read to us, we wrote, we saw, we learned, and knew the fragile strength called poetry."...Also given special recognition at the Monday afternoon assembly were Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Harwood of Hornell RD 2, and Lindon White, AACS janitor, for their help with the 1963 summer project, the fair booth at Angelica....Other members of the staff were Cynthia Rogers, art editor; Bette Rossman, photography editor; Erica Brown, literary editor; Leslie Kellogg, sports editor; Susan Thomas and Donna Rossman, advertising editors; Jean Carpenter, business editor. Advisors were Mrs. Ruth Seamon, Mrs. Jean Schlick, Mrs. June Van Hall, Linn Phelan and Robert Bakeman.

It has been some three years and five months since the Alfred Tech barn burned that Sunday morning, October 2, 1960. Using repaired and temporary facilities since then, the Agricultural and Technical Institute has long awaited the time when they would be able to break ground for a new dairy center. That time has come. At about 1:30 this afternoon, Alfred Tech officials, agriculture faculty, the contractor and the architect will take that traditional first shovelful of earth to mark the beginning of the project. The Decker Construction Company, after first finishing second in the bid openings, has been awarded the \$325,869 contract for the one-story stanchion-type barn for 50 head of cattle. The structure is to be built of concrete with a metal "skin" or outer covering...

Alfredians--William McAlee, Alfred University freshman football coach, will be the speaker at the annual sports dinner at Northern Potter Joint High School at Ulysses, Pa. tonight...Mrs. Vincent Trotta underwent an appendectomy at St. James Hospital, Friday...Mr. and Mrs. James Lawless and Mrs. Ruth White of Utica, were weekend guests of Dr. and Mrs. Winfield Randolph...Robert Love, presently at Cornell University, was home for the weekend...Mr. and Mrs. Philip Baber of Ausable Chasm were Saturday afternoon guests of the David Clarke family. Mrs. Baber is Mrs. Clarke's older sister. The Babers were en route to Michigan on a vacation trip...

Mrs. Margaret Merrill Wingate, 70, died Saturday, March 7, 1964 at St. James Hospital, Hornell. Mrs. Wingate was the wife of Dr. Ray Winthrop Wingate, Alfred University carillonneur, and was the daughter of the late John Jake Merrill, former state tax commissioner of New York State and the late Mrs. Leona Burdick Merrill. Mrs. Wingate attended school in Albany and Alfred and was graduated from Alfred University in 1915. She taught art for several years in the Alfred public school...For a number of years, Mrs. Wingate operated a photographic studio here and she was assistant treasurer of Alfred Atlas Gravel and Sand Corporation...

Alfred Station--Mr. and Mrs. Charles Burdick returned home last Saturday from Florida after spending two weeks visiting Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Burdick...Mr. and Mrs. Burr Woodruff and family of Medina are spending this week with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Austin...Mrs. Marguerite Palmiter and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Pierce and daughters were Sunday evening supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Willard of Penn Yan...Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Willard have returned home after spending two weeks in Florida, visiting friends and relatives. While there they attended a picnic at which a number of Allegany (County) people were present...Mr. and Mrs. Frank Beaton have moved from Andover to Alfred Station and are living in the Wheaton apartment. Mr. Beaton is a teacher at State Tech at Alfred...Mrs. Lee Darling and daughter, Aven from West Virginia and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Pierce of East Valley were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Jacox...Joanne Jefferds is spending the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Jefferds. She is a student at Olean Business Institute...

Almond--Mrs. Carl V. Bentley of Buffalo spent Friday through Monday with her sister, Mrs. Richard Braack and family. She helped celebrate the birthday of her father, George W. Fuhr, who with Mrs. Fuhr, are

spending the winter with the Braacks...Mrs. Elizabeth Greene accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Milton Emerson to Rochester Sunday to visit her granddaughter, Mrs. James Pickering and family...Mr. and Mrs. Larry Ryan and Michael have moved from their trailer home on the Karr Valley Road, to Buffalo, where Larry has taken a position with Buffalo Forge...

A son, Richard Charles, was born to Mr. and Mrs. William A. Earl, Wednesday, March 11, 1964.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO, MARCH 16, 1989

After being tossed about like a "hot potato" Tuesday night, the request for another exemption to the Village of Alfred's 16-ton South Main Street weight limit was settled by the "luck o' the Irish." The potato farmers, that is. The Village Board voted 4-1 to grant Kent Farms of Andover an exemption to the 16-ton limit effective immediately until June 1, 1989. Tom Kent last week had requested an exemption to the weight limit because he was landlocked by posted bridges and streets in Andover. The temporary exemption will allow Kent to ship his potatoes--amounting to two trucks with round trips daily--from now until June 1. He said dependent upon the weather, he could complete the trucking by mid-April. According to Gary Mahany of Arkport, he will haul seed potatoes from Kent Farms for about two weeks, averaging five trips a day...Residents attending the meeting got in on the "hot potato" by offering their varied opinions. Ollene Smith of North Main Street said she was against truck traffic, too, "but I think we need to take care of our local farmers--and they go by my house, too."

It won't be a Patton's Busy Bee truck picking up garbage in the Village of Alfred next month. The Alfred Village Board Tuesday night awarded a two-year contract for garbage pick-up to WW DIsposal of Harrison Valley, PA. WW had the low bid of \$26,880 for the two-year pact among four bidders...The new pact includes specifications for recycling which, according to Mayor Carolyn Blankenship, will be mandatory in 1990...

(Photo) New Name, New Sign--Adieu Travel of Alfred is in the process of becoming the Alfred Travel Center, Inc., an agency independent of Adieu Travel which has its home office in Dansville. During the next three months, Alfred Travel Center will install a new automation system including ticketing and boarding machines. Part-owner Linda Castroville said they will offer "same-day service" for tickets and boarding passes. Other new features include a video viewing room and a honeymoon registry, which begins in April. Linda served as a part-time outside agent for Adieu Travel of Dansville beginning in 1984, opened an Alfred branch of Adieu in Fall 1986 and now is forming an independent full-service travel agency here in Alfred.

News Briefs--Carla C. Freeman, assistant librarian at the Scholes Library of Ceramics at AU, has been elected president of the Visual Resources Association (VRA)...Glen Feltham, a 1984 graduate of Alfred-Almond Central School, was graduated magna cum laude recently from the University of Dayton, OH, with a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering. He was president of Delta Sigma Phi fraternity and a starter on the intercollegiate Division I soccer team at Dayton. The son of Tom and Anne Feltham of Hornell is now employed by Harrison Radiator division of General Motors Corp. in Dayton and resides in Miamisburg, OH...Dr. Benjamin W. Howard, professor of English at Alfred University, presented a poetry reading and guitar recital at SUNY at Brockport. Readings were from his newest collection, "Lenten Anniversaries" while the recital included Italian Renaissance lute pieces and music by John Dowland...

Andover-the-Hill--Mrs. Edna Monroe Pelton gave a dinner in honor of her son, Terry, for his 50th birthday at her home March 5. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. William Monroe, Nathan and Meredith, Mrs. Roselyn Cornell and son Doug and Paula Ordiway, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Cornell, Jimmy and Sarah, Mr. and Mrs. Terry Monroe with sons Jeff and Kevin and Miss Terri Johnson...Mr. and Mrs. Louis Gardiner of Wellsville are parents of twins born at Jones Memorial Hospital on March 11, 1989. A baby girl Kylee weighing 6 lb. 1 oz. and a baby boy Dyllon weighing 5 lb. 9 oz. arrived early in the morning. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. "Smiley" D'Ariano of Andover...

Mamie E. Ware, 91, of 4 Ford Street, Alfred, died Friday, March 10, 1989 at the home of her daughter, Barbara Ware. Born March 30, 1897 in Dublin, Ireland, daughter of Hamilton and Martha McKnight Rutherford, she was married in 1922 in Winnipeg, Canada, to William Ware, who died in 1975. A resident of Brisbane, Australia for most of her life, she moved to Alfred 7 1/2

years ago to reside with her daughter...

(Photo) If you want to buy gas in Alfred, you'll have to pump it yourself. Alfred's only full-service gas station, is now closed. Owner Mike Snyder said his supplier had raised prices substantially to the point where he was paying more for gas than his competition was seilling it for. Snyder is now looking into future possible developments of the commercial location.

Students in Mr. Statt's fifth grade class at Alfred-Almond Central School recently held a Science Fair. All projects were interesting and well done. Projects entered varied from super conductors to electric pencils. Awards were given for the first five places. Megan Stuart and Kara Costello took first place with their Vortex Ring project. Second place went to Jonathan Keene for his working model of an unusual type of irrigation system. Third place was won by Bobbi Bebout and Samantha Higgins for their Pantograph. Michael Muhleisen and Shaminda Amarakoon took fourth place with their Super Conductor model. Fifth place was won by Chad Davidson and Charlie Drew for their Electric Pencil.

Alfred 9-year-old Kelly Frederes continued his bid for a national Elks Hoop Shoot championship March 11 with a victory in the Eastern Regionals at Wilkes, Barre, PA. Kelly is the first Hornell Elks Club-sponsored free throw shooter to advance to thei Nationals in their 25 years of participating...

TEN YEARS AGO, MARCH 18, 2004

Andover metalsmith Stephen Walker is the author of a new book on Celtic design. Last summer British illustrator Courtney Davis asked Walker to write the text for his 35th book, which has been published in the U.K. and is due to be releaed in the U.S. in April. The book, titled, 101 Celtic Knotwork Designs, is part of a series by Courtney Davis that is being published by the firm David and Charles, a subsidiary of *Readers Digest*...

There were 43 new attendees at the 48th annual Allegany County, NY Picnic held March 5 at the Polo Park East Recreation Hall between Lakeland and Orlando. Total attendance was 132. The event is called a picnic but it is held indoors and everyone brings a dish to pass. It's a reunion that brings Floridians together to visit and share Allegany County memories... "You never know who might surprise you at the reunion," said President Tad Brzytwa. "I came face to face with a friend I hadn't seen for nearly 50 years and she's asking me, 'Who am I?' After looking at her for a minute and reading her name tag, the memory came back..."

Chuck's Onion Soup...Its Italian! No, this is not a recipe from my husband. We just returned from a trip to Georgia and Florida and, as usual, I came back with a ten pound sack of Vidalia onions instead of a sack of Florida oranges. I also found a cookbook entitled World Famous Vidalia Sweet Onion Cookbook and Onions Nationwide. It is published by Morris Farms in Uvalda, Georgia. I was interested in this recipe because it is a twist on the usual onion soup and offers a slightly different taste while still letting the wonderful onion flavor come through...

(Photo) Timbrook's ice rink draws a crowd. A hockey game breaks out on Alfred's "backyard" rink. AU Football Coach Dave Murray looks on.

(By Tim Timbrook) It has always puzzled me why Alfred does not have an ice skating rink. We certainly meet the criteria for having one. We have long, cold winters with only enough daylight to minimally survive. There is many a Canadian town that could look just like Alfred in the winter. The one difference, of course, is that they all have ice rinks...On Dec. 2 our rink was ready for water. It took 3 days to fill our 32 by 56 foot arena with several thousand gallons. On Dec. 6, we had our first official skate. For the next several weeks, our backyard ice rink became a social mecca. Hockey games broke out at a moment's notice. We skated until our legs turned into jello and then we skated some more...If the number of visitors to our rink is any indication, then I will offer up again the idea of an ice rink to our local leaders. Build it and they will come.

An \$850,000 renovation on the Robinson/Champlin Residence Hall on the Alfred State College campus is nearing completion, and the building is expected to re-open for residency for fall semester 2004. Robinson/Champlin Hall, a corridor-style residence faculty built in the mid 1950s, has undergone an extensive renovation, notes Neil Benedict, director, Campus Life. "When the building re-opens in August, it will be the first time in about 15 years that we have housed Alfred State College students there," he notes. "A few years ago, Alfred University rented the space from us, but we've been out of there a long time." Essentially, notes Benedict, the building has been gutted...

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Sermon on Story of Nicodemus

By LINDA STAIGER

Sometimes what we think is most familiar is also the most unknown. Take the case of a Midwest family. They passed along a time-honored recipe for traditional Easter ham. Along with the herbs, etc they were instructed cut off the last 3-4 inches of the ham. This was followed for generations until a great-grand-daughter asked 'why'. Turns out it was simply because her GG's roasting pan was too short for the ham! Talk about falling into a rut... I guess it's all about knowing when to keep up a practice and when to ask 'why'. But it's hard to think 'outside the box' for most of us at times.

When Bernice Burdett passed away, Pastor thought about the changes that she had seen in her life. Born in 1904, she didn't even have electrical service yet. They traveled by horse and buggy. Things hadn't changed much from the time Almond was

settled in the late 1700's to the time she was born even though the railroad had fueled a lot of growth. The first 20 years of the 1900's brought electricity, autos, aircraft and various industries to support them.

Then came space exploration, computers, and revolutionary changes in communications starting with telephones. Soon, everybody had one. Then they became cordless, mobile—and most of us have at least 2-3. Then think about voice calls, answering machines, voice mail, email, texting, and so on... It seems like everything changed in the 20th century. Even the way we practice our faith has changed with sound systems, video projection, and lots more. But have we kept pace with the changes out there? Aye, there's the rub...the big question.

The story of Nicodemus is about the church changing. He was hearing things from Jesus that didn't make sense. Judaism

had gotten out of step with God's plan and purpose for His people, Jesus was trying to bring them back. He saw Jesus do things which didn't make sense. Instead of blindly following what he had been taught, he asked "Why?"

So, just who was this guy, anyway? First, he was probably wealthy—he is the one who brought the burial spices which were very expensive. Second, he was a Pharisee. They were the strictest of the sects in Judaism. It was a chaburah, a brotherhood which, when you entered, you took an oath to spend your life observing every detail of the scribal law. He was among the holiest and most righteous of the Jewish sects. Third, he was a member of the Jewish ruling council—the supreme court of the Jews. One duty was to examine everything about one who was thought to be a false prophet. He was a man who loved the truth, that's what drove him to Jesus in the first place. He questioned and carefully listened to answers. He wondered about what Jesus told him, but never fully believed it.

But then there is the experience of a seminary professor who travelled to Israel. In Eilat, he found a large population of diverse Christians. Russians, Chinese, Rumanians and Americans all who have come to faith in Jesus after coming to Eilat. Many had left home because of persecution. One woman had recently left Russia to join her fiancé. She had left everything behind: family, home, tradition, language, security and a job. Turned upside down, for sure. Her fiancé took her to a Bible study because he wanted her to hear to good news. She came to faith herself.

Compare this to Nicodemus who was entrenched in his career, and the status quo. I had trouble understanding what Jesus was telling him. In the end, it was just too hard for him to change. The young Russian woman had lost all and was experiencing personal and cultural dislocation. Maybe that's why she was open to hearing the message of Jesus.

So, here we are—back at the 'Rub', the 'Big Question'. There is a link between spiritual receptivity and the degree to which we're settled into our patterns, habits. A life of comfort can make us less likely to receive a transforming word from God. Troubles in life should make us realize that we need HELP—we CANNOT do this ALONE. We need God...a new birth.

St. Augustine once taught that "the problem with humanity is not that we sin, but that we are in a state of sin that needs a comprehensive solution." Religion is not just personal knowledge or ethical behavior, or certain traditions of a list of commandments. This is horizontal. True religion is vertical—nothing to do with the human spirit, but all about knowing God's Spirit. How we experience God and how we allow that to shape the rest of our experiences.

The Big Answer to the 'Rub': have a vertical relationship with God. Be born of the Spirit with complete faith in Jesus. But also, be open to change. Your passion is in following Jesus—in whatever direction that takes. Amen.

THE GLORY OF AMERICA

Thursday, March 20

On this day in 1852, *Uncle Tom's Cabin* was published. A phenomenal best-seller, it did much to awaken the antislavery impulse in the North—so much, in fact, that President Lincoln greeted its author, Harriet Beecher Stowe: "so you're the little lady who started the big war." The book closes:

"A day of grace is yet held out to us. Both North and South have been guilty before God; and the Christian church has a heavy account to answer. Not by combining together, to protect injustice and cruelty, and making a common capital of sin, is this Union to be saved, but by repentance, justice and mercy."

STOWE, UNCLE TOM'S CABIN, 458.

Alfred Area Church Directory

ALFRED-ALMOND AREA

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

ALFRED-ALMOND BIBLE CHURCH—Rt. 21, Almond. Pastor John Prince. Sunday School 9:30 am, Sunday Worship 10:30 am. Sunday Evening 6 pm. Midweek Home Groups 7:30 pm. Phone 607-276-6700. www.aabible.org.

ALFRED ASSEMBLY OF CHRISTIANS—Remembrance of the Lord in the Breaking of Bread, Sundays at 9:30 a.m., Family Bible Hour at 11; Gothic Chapel, corner of Ford & Sayles, Alfred. Bible Study 8 p.m. Fridays in Almond. Call 276-6380 or e-mail lookup@frontier.net for more information.

ALFRED RELIGIOUS SOCIETY OF FRIENDS (QUAKERS)—6 W. University St., Alfred, (a sign will be present in front of the building during meetings). Worship 10:30 a.m. Classes for children during worship. Child-care available. For more information, phone 607-587-9454, visit our website: www.alfredfriends.org or write: info@AlfredFriends.com

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ABUNDANT LIFE MINISTRIES—Rt. 21, Almond. Pastor Everett Hasper. Sunday 10 am & Wednesday at 7:30 pm. 276-6201. www.almccommunity.org

ALFRED UNITED METHODIST CHURCH—1389 Moland Road, Alfred. A Christ-centered community where people find acceptance and fulfillment, care about others, and seek to live according to God's plan. Sunday Worship 9:00 am Fellowship 10:00 am Church School 10:30 am., nursery care available both hours. Website www.gbgn-umc.org/alfred-umc. 587-8168. Pastor: Rev. Timothy M. Middleton Sr.

ALMOND UNION OF CHURCHES—11 Main St., Almond. Rev. G. Stephen Dygert, Pastor. A joyful, welcoming and compassionate multi-denominational church seeking God's truths for today's world. Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Morning Worship 10:30 a.m. Prayer Group Wednesday 9 am at 39 Main St., Almond. Call 276-6151 for more information.

HARTSVILLE COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH—Purdy Creek Road, Hornell. Pastor Charles Williams. Sun. School 9:30 am, Worship 10:30 am.

HILLEL AT ALFRED—Friday night services 6:30 pm at Melvin Bernstein Hillel House, 18 S. Main St., when AU is in session. Add'l services & programs throughout the year. For more info, contact Larry Greil (871-2215 work or 587-8694 home) or Barbara Greil (587-4313 work).

INSTITUTE OF DIVINE METAPHYSICAL RESEARCH—Sundays 12 noon at Almond Grange, Almond. Choir starts 11:40 am. Meetings Tuesdays and Thursdays 7:30 to 9:30 pm at Almond Grange Hall.

LIGHTHOUSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP—Randolph Road, Alfred. Pastor Roger Gardner. Worship 10 am Sundays. Sunday Prayer/Home Groups 6 pm. Bible Study 7 pm Tuesdays; Bible Study 7 pm Wednesdays. 607-587-9257.

SS. BRENDAN AND JUDE PARISH—Father Sean DiMaria, Pastor. St. Brendan Church, 11 S. Main St., Almond. Weekend Mass: Saturday, 5:00 p.m. Weekday Masses Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9:00 a.m.; St. Jude Chapel, Lower College Dr., Alfred (on the Alfred State College campus). Weekend Masses Sunday 11 a.m. & 6:30 p.m. (6:30 p.m. when colleges in session) Office phone: 607-587-9411, Rectory phone: 607-276-5304.

UNION UNIVERSITY CHURCH—Alfred, 10:30 a.m. Sunday at 5 Church Street. A multi-denominational community church welcoming all faiths. Infants nursery, K-6 classes during service, youth programs. Church Center at corner of Main and Church Streets, Rev. Laurie DeMott. 587-9288.

ANDOVER AREA

CHRISTIAN & MISSIONARY ALLIANCE—5 Rochambeau Ave. andoveralliance.com Rev. Philip Barner, Sunday School 9:00 AM, Worship Service 10:00 AM – Worship Team Coffee Fellowship time before and after Worship Service. Wednesday – Bible Study / Prayer Meeting 7:00 PM.

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

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

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

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

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN—E. Greenwood St., Andover. Worship Service at 10:15 AM, Coffee hour following service. Pastor Christian R. Mattison.

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Alfred United Methodist Church Bulletin

Exciting changes at Alfred church

By ADAM GAYHART

Something exciting has been going on at Alfred United Methodist Church. The people of the church have been trying a new more experience driven form of worship. In other words it's about truly feeling something during the service. With that idea in mind the services now employ ideas that appeal to the senses as well as the mind.

Two good examples of that are the services for Sunday, March 2, 2014 and for Sunday, March 9, 2014. March 2 was Transfiguration Sunday. Transfiguration, in case you are unfamiliar with the term, refers to the section of the gospels that tells the story of the day Jesus took three of his disciples, Peter, James, and John, up on a mountain-top. While there, Jesus clothing became glowing white and Elijah the prophet and Moses both appeared and spoke to him. Just then a cloud appeared over them and a voice said, "This is my Son, in whom I am well pleased. Listen to Him." After that Jesus looked the same and they were alone again. Jesus told the disciples not to reveal what happened until after he rose again. The event is described in more than one place in the Bible. Those passages are Matthew 17:1-9 and Luke 9:28-36.

In honor of the Transfiguration, a program was put together, in which three members of the church wore special hearts that flashed a red light. As these people hugged, the light of the Lord was passed on symbolically by activating each heart in turn. The simple program illustrated how God's love is given from person to person, but also was a way to show each person experiencing the "transforming power of God's love." Each person was transfigured, in other words.

While, on March 9, a sort of Ash Wednesday on Sunday service was presented. Ash Wednesday actually took place on Wednesday, March 5, but the church didn't do a special service that day, instead waiting until the regular service time to honor the day. The service usually involves putting the ashes created from burning the palm fronds from the Palm Sunday service the year before on people's foreheads, in the shape of a cross. This is a sort of recommittal or renewed devotion to God. The special day and service are also significant because they mark the beginning of Lent, which is the time of preparation for Easter.

During Lent, Christians of every denomination prepare themselves for Easter, by doing things such as reading and studying the Bible, praying, fasting, and often giving something up as a form of sacrifice. For example, they give up sweets or stop watching TV for the entire 40-day period. The Alfred United Methodist Church, however, added a new twist to the Ash Wednesday service. In their version, pieces of paper with something the people wanted to get rid of written on it, were burned. The thing they wanted to get rid of was a sin or something that weighed on them that they needed to give up to God. The ashes from the paper were then added to the palm ashes and put on people's foreheads to complete the service.

These two services showed God's love and forgiveness and let them experience two important days of the Christian calendar in an emotional and physical way rather than just in a mental way. They didn't just hear the words, they felt an emotion, and they had an experience. The church will be making this type of experience a priority in their services from now on. Whether it be a skit, a piece of music, or an interesting visual, Alfred United Methodist Church is experiencing worship a little differently these days.

The Alfred United Methodist Church has services every Sunday Morning at 9 am. Please feel free to call Pastor Timothy Middleton, Sr. at (607) 587-8168 for more information.

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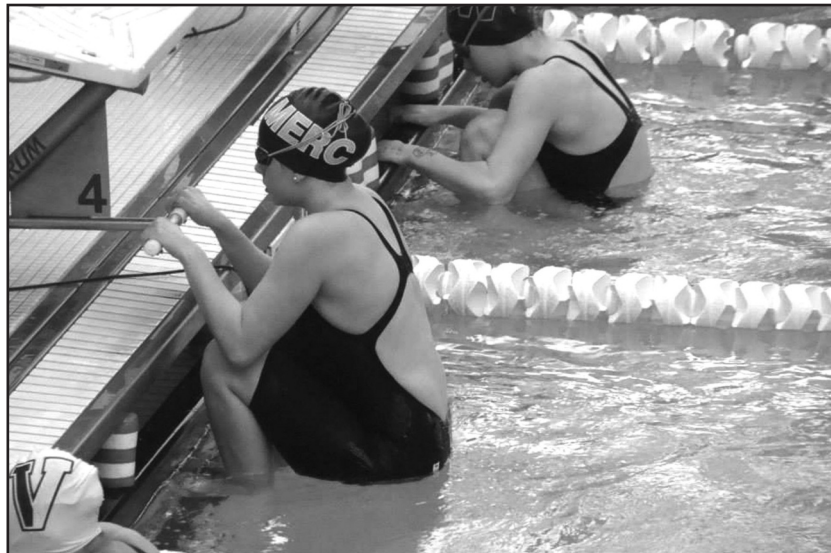


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PATRICK GREANEY (pictured above) helped garner points for Franklin & Marshall College at the Centennial Conference Championships. At right, sister Alyssa prepares for start of backstroke at Niagara District Meet.



Greaney sibs swim bests in recent meets

Over the February 21-23 weekend the Greaney siblings put together some phenomenal swims at their respective meets.

Patrick (Alfred-Almond Class of 2012) helped garner points for his Franklin & Marshall (F&M) Division III swim team at the Centennial Conference Championship that took place in Lancaster Pennsylvania during that time frame. During Patrick's 400 Individual Medley race he shaved seven seconds off his previous personal lifetime best and finished in a time of 4:12.70. This score put him as the fourth fastest man ever to swim the event at F&M and was good enough to snap up a fifth place overall in the contest.

In addition Patrick was a member of the silver medal 800 freestyle relay (6:57.97) and swam the breaststroke leg of the sixth place 200 Medley relay team (1:38.50). Individually he placed ninth in the 200 breaststroke (2:13.76) and twelfth in the 200 IM (1:59.30) to contribute to his college team's overall fifth place finish in the Conference.

Meanwhile sister Alyssa (current 8th grader at A-A) competed at the Niagara District Championship Qualifier meet in Hilton. She was the overall fastest 13-year-old finisher in both the 200 (2:25.94) and 100 backstroke (1:06.40) as well as the 200 Individual Medley (2:26.99). Alyssa wrapped up silver second place scores in the 500 freestyle (5:58.99) and 200 freestyle (2:11.08). To round out a great weekend of personal best times she hit the touch pad in fifth place in the 50 yard (28.68) and 100 yard freestyle (1:02.32) events.

Alyssa will be competing next with her Mercury Swimming USA team at the Niagara District Championship March 13- 17 at the Webster Aquatic Center in Rochester.

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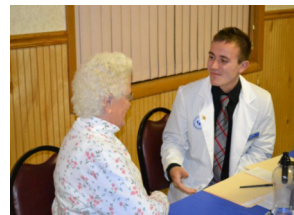
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Saxons off to a 9-3 start in Spring Break Arizona trip

The Alfred University softball team (9-3, 0-0 Empire 8) opened the 2014 season with a 12-game spring break trip in Arizona, this past week.

On the first day, AU split two games Monday afternoon. The Saxons rebounded from a 6-4 loss to Baldwin Wallace with a 10-8 victory over Wisconsin Lutheran.

Alfred won a pair of games Tuesday afternoon on the second day of its Spring Break trip to Tuscon, AZ. The Saxons edged Dordt College 5-4 before whipping Dickinson College, 12-1 in five innings.

AU won two games Wednesday on the third day of the Saxons' Spring Break trip. AU avenged its lone defeat of the season by edging Baldwin Wallace, 4-3 in eight innings, then beating Presentation College, 5-1.

Alfred split a pair of games Thursday on the fourth day of the six-day trip to Arizona. AU beat Dickinson College, 5-2, then lost 3-2 to Mount Marty

College.

AU split two games Friday on the fifth day of the Saxons' Spring Break trip to Tuscon, AZ. AU defeated Wisconsin Lutheran, 9-1 in five innings, then lost, 13-12, to Concordia University.

Alison Wickwire threw a no-hitter Saturday as AU downed Crown College, 12-0 in five innings, to wrap up its 12-Game Spring Break trip to Arizona with a pair of wins.

Earlier in the day, the Saxons shut out Augsburg College, 18-0, with Jakobsen tossing a one-hit, five-inning shutout. With the two-game sweep Saturday, AU returns from Arizona with a 9-3 record.

This Week: at Hilbert College (3/23, 4 p.m., 3 p.m.)

Mustangs top Saxons, 11-5

Men's Lacrosse (2-2, 0-0 Empire 8): The men's lacrosse team was dealt an 11-5 loss by visiting Morrisville State, Saturday afternoon at Yunevich Stadium. This non-conference loss moves the Saxons to 2-2 on the season.

Despite AU holding a 41-33 shot advantage, the Mustangs outscored the Saxons each quarter and never trailed throughout the match.

Senior attacker Brett Carroll (Buffalo/Bishop Timon-St. Jude) netted a hat-trick (three goals) and picked up two ground balls to pace Alfred. Junior attacker Nicolas Wood (Canandaigua) and freshman midfielder Matt Zandri (Baldwinsville) both netted the other two Saxon goals.

Sophomore Nolan Jessop (Churchville-Chili) caused a team-high three turnovers and scooped up a team-best five ground balls.

Junior goalie Cody O'Connor (Whitney Point) played 54 minutes, making five saves, until junior Tyler Beyor (Carthage) finished out the remaining minutes.

Last Week: L, 20-7, vs. Morrisville State (3/15)

This Week: at Keuka College (3/22, 4 p.m.)

AU women's lacrosse team

drops season opener to Montclair State

Women's Lacrosse (0-1, 0-0 Empire 8): The women's lacrosse team dropped its 2014 season opener, 18-3, to unbeaten Montclair (NJ), in a game played in Myrtle Beach, SC, Tuesday afternoon.

Alfred, which trailed 10-1 at the half, got two goals from junior attack Kaitlyn Button (Cazenovia) and one from freshman attack Megan Wendt (Grand Island). Junior Taylor Tarajos (Rochester/Greece Olympia) went the distance in goal for the Saxons.

Last Week: L, 18-3, at Montclair State University (3/11)

This Week: at Keuka College (3/19, 4 p.m.); vs. Wells College (3/22, 12 p.m.)

Men's tennis competes in Tampa

Men's Tennis (5-3, 0-0 Empire 8): The men's tennis team participated in a four-match Spring Break trip in Tampa, FL this past week.

AU won two of three matches played over the first two days (Monday and Tuesday) of the trip. The Saxons split two matches Monday, falling 9-0 to Southeastern University before rebounding to claim an 8-1 victory over Curry College. AU defeated the University of Northwestern, 6-3 on Tuesday.

Against Curry, AU got singles wins from sophomore Connor Doud (Ballston Spa), 6-0, 6-2 in first singles; senior Peter Benoit (Gasport/Barker), 6-1, 6-2 in second singles; senior Stefan Nonnenmann (New Providence, NJ), 6-1, 6-0 in third singles; freshman Evan Haskins (East Amherst/Williamsville South), 6-0, 6-1 in fourth singles; and sophomore Kyle Merrifield (Amherst/Sweet Home), 6-2, 6-2 in sixth singles.

AU swept the doubles matches from Curry. Doud and Benoit won first doubles, 8-1; Nonnenman and senior Eric Teller (Granville) took second doubles, 8-3; and Haskins and Merrifield won third doubles, 8-3.

Against Northwestern, Nonnenmann took third singles, 6-1, 6-0; Teller won fifth singles, 6-3, 6-2; and Merrifield won sixth singles, 6-1, 6-1.

The Saxons swept doubles play, with Doud and Benoit taking first doubles, 8-4; Nonnenmann and Teller winning second doubles, 8-5; and Haskins and Merrifield winning third doubles, 8-6.

Alfred lost to Wheaton College, 8-1, Wednesday afternoon in the finale of the Saxons' four-match Spring Break trip to Florida.

Nonnenmann earned the lone point for AU, winning his third singles match, 7-5, 6-4

Last Week: L, 9-0, vs. Southeastern University (3/10); W, 8-1, vs. Curry College (3/10); W, 6-3, vs. University of Northwestern (MN) (3/11); L, 8-1, vs. Wheaton College (3/12)

This Week: vs. Penn St.-Behrend, in Olean, NY (3/23, 11 a.m.); vs. Pitt-Bradford, in Olean, NY (3/23, 4 p.m.)

Luke swims this week at NCAA championships

Men's Swimming and Diving (3-4, 2-2 Empire 8): The men's swimming and diving team was idle this past week in preparation for the NCAA Division III championships. Junior David Luke (Ocala, FL/West Port) will compete in the 50-yard freestyle at the NCAA championships, set for March 19-22 in Indianapolis, IN.

This Week: at NCAA championships (3/19-3/22, 10 a.m./5:30 p.m.)

Wickwire, Nonnenmann Named Athletes of the Week

Stefan Nonnenmann: The senior from New Providence, NJ, won three of his four third singles matches as the men's tennis team won two of four matches played on its Spring Break trip to Tampa, FL.

Alison Wickwire: The junior pitcher from Towanda, PA, went 5-0 on the softball team's Spring Break trip to Tuscon, AZ, last week, punctuating the week with a no-hitter in a win over Crown College.

Alfred State College Sports Roundup

Baseball team loses in Florida

Baseball: 0-11

The Pioneers started their trip to the RussMatt Tournament in Florida and have fallen in their first five contests. The Pioneers

fell 12-5 and 3-1 to Beloit, 4-2 and 13-2 to Framingham State, and lost a heartbreaking 9-8 decision to Keene State.

Jordan Wheaton (Wayland

Cohocton) and Matthew Nawrot (Clarence) led the team thus far on the spring trip with a .375 average. Wheaton has connected on four doubles while Nawrot has 4 RBI. Ryan Hierlwimmer (Livonia) is hitting .333 including five hits in the DH vs. Framingham.

On the mound, Brady Sass (Caledonia Mumford) tossed six solid innings allowing just one earned run while walking two and striking out five.

Lacrosse: 0-4

The Pioneers contest at Elmira was cancelled due to the snow storm that hit the area. The team returns to action this week when they play three games in four days at Misericordia, LaRoche, and Capital.

Softball: 1-5

The Lady Pioneers have won one of their first six contests at the Gene Cusic Classic in Ft. Myers, FL. The Lady Pioneers defeated St. Joseph's 5-4 but fell 8-0 to U of New England, 5-0 to Wisconsin-Superior, 15-0 to Wooster, 3-2 to Rutgers-Newark, and 8-3 to Wisconsin-Platteville.

Stormi Kruger (Medina) leads the team with a .385 batting average while Claire Hartman (Alden) is hitting .333. Annie Corrao (Grand Island) leads the team with three RBI. Ashlynn Nickerson (Friendship) has tossed 18.2 innings and has a 2.25 ERA.

Wrestling: 12th at the NCWA Nationals

The wrestling team wrapped up their season with a 12th place finish at the NCWA National Championships in Allen, TX. Three Pioneers earned All-American honors during the three-day tournament.

Bryan Mongiello (Washingtonville) led the blue & gold with a 6th place finish in the 133 lb. weight class. He advanced to the quarterfinals in the winners bracket and finished the tournament with a 5-3 record.

141 lb'er Tyler Aldinger (Alexander) and 157 lb'er Codie Nichols (Unatego) each finished in 8th. Aldinger was 5-3 in the tournament while Nichols 3-3.

The Pioneers had 11 representatives at the National Tournament and scored 55 points. They were one of 80 teams that competed in the event.

Ninety years young

By Regina Burke

My aunt's next birthday is a special date! Ninety years young is hard to equate.

At grandma's house, she was born in the Station, The first product of Art's multiplication.

Sixty seven years ago she paired up with Lyle, They raised little chicks in the barn for a while.

A boy and a girl grew up on their farm. The house was restored with hard work and her charm.

Bright orange pumpkins became their next passion. Lawn decorations were the yearly fashion.

Antiques and pewter were happily collected, Genealogy and history were thoroughly dissected.

For many years she cleaned and she cooked. Now there are sleds in every cranny and nook.

March 25 starts Thelma's milestone year. Happy Birthday wishes to my aunt who is dear!



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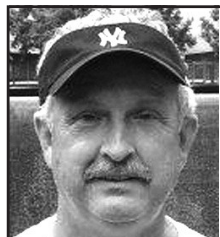
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The Dugout

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The "madness" began early in the NCAA men's basketball tournament as the Midwest Region has Wichita State, Michigan, Duke and defending champion Louisville as their top four seeds! That could be a "Final Four" overall. The Cardinals won the title last year. Coach Beilein's Michigan squad lost in the finals to UL, Wichita State is undefeated and coming off a Final Four appearance and Duke is ... Duke! What kind of grouping is that? Wichita State could play Kentucky in round two! Crazy. The four number one seeds are: Florida-Virginia-Arizona-Wichita State.

South Region ... the Florida Gators are #1 here and the hottest team in all of basketball at (32-2). The Gators could be playing Albany in their opener. The Kansas Jayhawks, with frosh hotshot Andrew Wiggins, weren't far off from a #1 and settled for a two-seed in this region. A Florida-Kansas regional finale? Would be a great game. Pittsburgh looms for Florida early, Syracuse gets Ohio State in round two if they survive and the upstart UCLA Bruins will clobber S.F. Austin in round two (sorry, Scum). Florida over UCLA, Kansas tops Ohio State and the Gators emerge ... in OT.

East Region ... the top four are Virginia from the rugged ACC, Villanova, Iowa State and Michigan State. Those four will advance to the regional collision with the possible exception of North Carolina knocking off Iowa State. Best opener could be UConn and St. Joe's from the A10. 'Nova and Virginia are strong but Coach Izzo always seems to get the Spartans deep into the NCAA's. Michigan State over Virginia and Villanova in this region to advance. State only a four-seed but playing very well right now that they are healthy.

West Region ... the Arizona Wildcats got the top spot despite losing the Pac-12 conference tourney to UCLA. Wisconsin, Creighton and San Diego State are the next three. Not exactly the Midwest Region. Yikes. Arizona and Gonzaga might meet in the second game. That would be a fundamentally sound good one. Arizona should advance, Wisconsin might make some noise and Doug McDermott is at Creighton.

Midwest Region ... just nuts! Round two could have: Michigan-Texas, Wichita State-UK and Louisville-NC State. Obviously would love to see Duke move on from here but don't see that happening out of this region. Louisville beat them in the regional final last year and just might do that again this outing. Going to go with the Louisville Cardinals over the Duke Blue Devils after UL tops UK and Duke nips Michigan.

Final Four ... Michigan State to upset Florida and Louisville rolls on over Arizona. Back-to-back for the 'Cats.

HITS AND MISSES:

Was a good run in the Division III NCAA men's basketball tournament for Morrisville, the alma mater of The Janitor, as they beat Brockport-Hobart-Richard Stockton before falling to defending champion, Amherst. Coach Tom Curle's squad at Plattsburgh won two games in the tourney before also dropping a game at Amherst. Two years running now for the Cardinals. Curle's team was second in the SUNYAC's in the regular season and league tourney to Brockport. Geneseo lost their tourney opener to Dickinson at the College of Wooster in Ohio.

St. Bona did not make the NIT men's hoop tourney.

No trip to Olean for the "Traveling Sports Fan" for the NIT's but off to Buffalo to see Syracuse?

A-A grads Ryan and Todd McEvoy took in the ACC tourney at Greensboro, NC.

Have no idea the brackets for the women's NCAA tourney but go with UConn over Notre Dame. Stanford and Louisville also in the last grouping.

The Rochester RazorSharks recently won a Premier League hoops game over Erie, 170-87. Ouch.

The Alfred Saxons dropped their ECAC contest to Juniata.

John Tuttle recently ran a 15K in Buffalo. No results available from agent, Robert H. Torrey.

3L ran a Half-Marathon in NYC over weekend past and recorded a time of 1:49:44. 5335 out of 20,790 and 421/4072 in her age group.

Joe Q. French and his UMBC softball squad are (17-6) as "Qua" recorded career win #800 ... overall in coaching.

Tim Mead and his Walsh Cavs baseball team are (8-10) after a slow 1-6 start.

Skip Sherman and his Genesee CC baseball team is at (2-6) after a spring slate south.

Jeff "Eyes" Calkins ... many thanks for interview last week!

Some added info on the report of Stephanie (Lobdell) Landsman and her running in Texas. The A-A grad ran the Houston Marathon in January, the Jail Break Half-Marathon in February and the "FRESH by Brookshires" 15K in March. She was the third in her age group in the H-M and 43/130 for females. She was first in her division in the 15K! With all her training and running she hopes to be able to run in the Marine Corps Marathon in DC this fall.

In Florida this week on The Sumo Tour adventure. Came down on same flight with Simbo and Savo, Obie and Waffle already in

The Dugout continued...

state earlier, Our Man and Scum live in FL now and Syracuse Dave joined the mix. Canale ... China, Brownie ... Nashville, Hilly ... Chicago, Smitty ... with McDrip on fishing trip. Golfed Sunday at Dunedin, former site of the PGA Headquarters. Monday ... rained out at Wentworth so we went bowling. Bowling! Obie dominated in game one, yours truly nipped him in game two. Tuesday

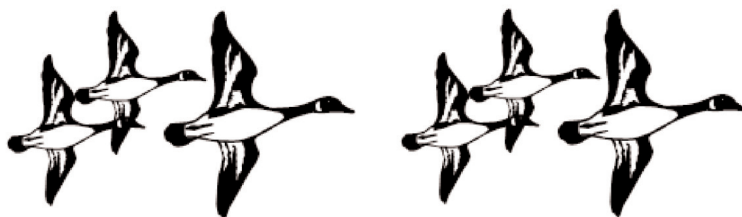
at course called Eagles, Wednesday back at Wentworth, Thursday at Quail Hollow and Friday at Rocky Point. All golf this week.

LETS GO DUKE !!!



For the Birds...

By BETSY BROOKS
Alfred Sun Columnist



Joss waiting for his beach ride.

When I wrote my last column we were about to head for a weekend on the beach with Laura and Ted at Port Aransas. Smiley was looking forward to some quality beach walks with Laura and Ted's dog Joss.

We set up our campers on the dune side of the packed sand (which serves as the legal road) on the beach as usual and the next morning we all piled into a rented 6-seater motorized beach buggy to check out a few yard sales, purchase our beach tags, do some birding along the edge of the water, and buy fudge from the best fudge store in Texas. The store is the only candy store I know with a resident (caged) rattlesnake on the premises.

When we arrived back at our RV and their camper, we had been visited by the police who left hand-printed 'ticket warnings' letting us know we were parked illegally. The law has changed and now, if you camp on the beach, you have to be on the water side of the beach road.

Since the high tide on one morning last winter had been lapping at the wheels of our campers on the dune side of the beach road, we were not terribly confident about obeying the rules and setting up camp on the water side of the beach road. But, not wanting to risk a fine, we did. And we were lucky ... the tide never got close enough to be a worry.

On Sunday, we took the beach buggy all the way to the Port Aransas Birding Center where the smell from the sewerage treatment facility/birding center was as odoriferous as I have ever smelled. But the birding was the best I ever remember. The boardwalk got us within 3 feet from both an American Bittern and a Green Heron which were both stalking (and catching) their prey. If you want to see the

action Ted recorded on youtube check it out at <http://youtu.be/SiTRynLKzsU>

Other highlights of the visit to the birding center, besides the many species of waterfowl, were a Sora (from about 6 feet), Marsh Wren, Cinnamon Teal, Black-crowned Night Herons, Avocets, and Black-necked Stilts. A nest in the reeds held five adorable nutria babies, probably also known to exist by the two very large alligators dozing on the far side of the pond! The nutria are invasive, and destroying some of the habitat along the edge of the pond. Bon appetite, gators!

After our weekend on the beach, we headed to Goose Island State Park on the coast just north of Rockport. This Texas State Park always has more bird-

ers in residence than any other state park in the country! They have a very well-designed feeding/watering area set up for the birds on Warbler Way, an aptly named road in the campground. I was pleased to see my first Buff-bellied Hummingbird there and my only American Oystercatchers of the trip from the park's fishing pier at Copano Bay.

After two days at Goose Island, we headed north along the coast, camped one last night at the beach at Matagorda, and began the long, slow trip back to Alfred, with the first stop along the way the quirky little Texas Rice Festival Campground at Winnie, TX. Stay tuned to hear how squirrels nearly ruined Smiley's trip home!

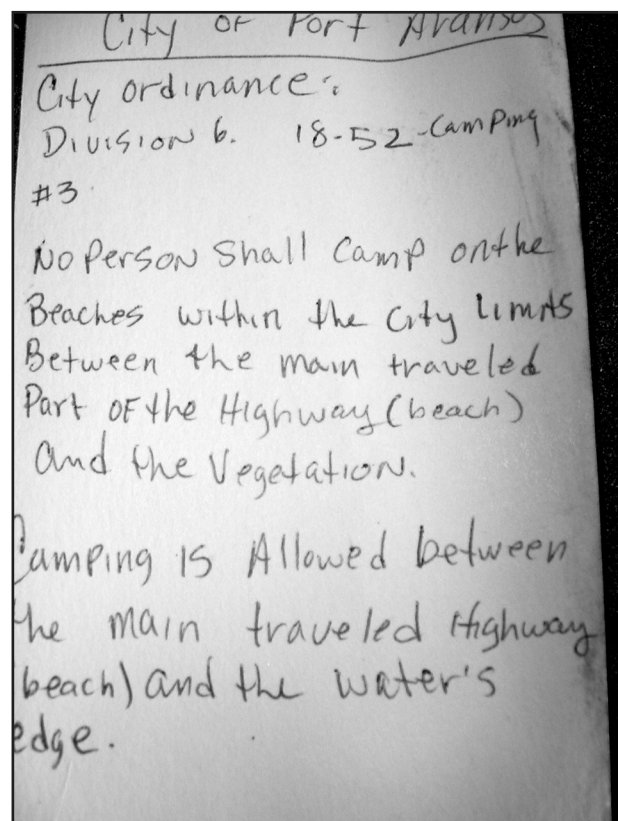


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