

Sun in Dead Sea...

John and Sue Babbitt recently took the *Alfred Sun* when they visited the Dead Sea. The Dead Sea is a salt lake bordered by Jordan to the east and Israel and the West Bank to the west. It lies in the Jordan Rift Valley, and its main tributary is the Jordan River. The deepest point in the Sea is over 2000 feet below sea level.



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Student Ambassadors in Italy

Alfred State students in Sorrento meet with USA Consul

ALFRED—The 19 Alfred State College (ASC) studying at Sant' Anna Institute in Sorrento, Italy had the opportunity to meet with Consul Karen Schinnerer, Press and Culture Secretary, at the USA Consulate in Naples recently.

Eighteen architecture students and one business student are part of the 100 international students that are spending the spring semester at the Sant' Anna Institute. ASC professor William Dean, the chair of the architecture program, is also taking part in the study abroad program.

Consul Schinnerer said, "This kind of experience changed my life, when I was a university student: it opened the world to me. Probably at some point, it led me to the career that I chose. I think it is incredible that you have made this choice, it's important and I hope that your experience is just as impactful on your life as it was on mine."

She continued, "Like myself, each of you is an ambassador! You're an American in a foreign country representing your culture, your experiences and you're able to share them, not only with your fellow Americans, with the Italians you meet every day in your life and

through your travels and other experiences. Like myself, you are building relationships and expanding the relationships between Americans and Italians. At the end of the day that is what diplomacy is about!"

Alec Harrigan, an ASC student on the trip sees the chance to study abroad as an once-in-a-lifetime experience.

"I have stepped out of my comfort zone through immersion in a foreign culture," Alec said, "While listening to US Consul Karen Schinnerer and Sorrento Mayor Massimo Coppola speak, I was drawn to the similarities between the US and Italy and the importance of maintaining a close friendship. I was happily surprised to hear how much of an impact I can make as an American student in Italy and as an informal ambassador for both Alfred State College and the US. I am looking forward to embracing this role further and developing connections internationally."

The President of Sant'Anna Institute Cristiana Panico said, "The past two years have been challenging, but we are pleased with the large number of students we have received and

those that we are expecting for future terms. Thanks to the Consul of Naples and the Mayor of

Sorrento for being here. Their attendance today confirms their support to Sant'Anna and its ef-

forts to create an international University."



Alfred State students with Consol Karen Schinnerer

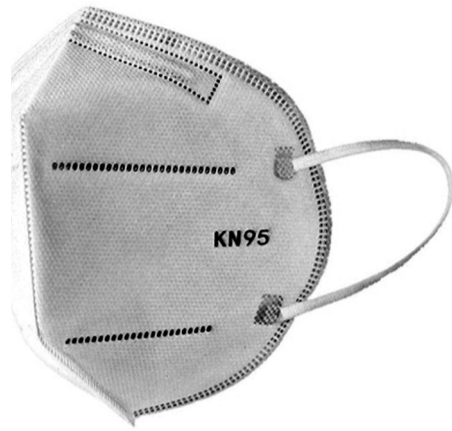
COVID-19 UPDATE

Governor Hochul ends mask mandate for schools

ALBANY – New York State Governor Kathy Hochul Sunday, Feb. 27 announced plans to end the state mask requirement in schools starting on Wednesday, March 2. The Governor made this decision based on the analysis of several key COVID-19 data trends and after consulting with health and education experts, as well as parents, teachers and school administrators.

The announcement also follows recent changes in metrics used by the CDC to determine risk and transmission levels in communities. Other mitigation measures should remain in place.

"With more New Yorkers getting vaccinated, and the steady decline over the past several weeks in cases and hospitalizations from Omicron, we are now entering a new phase of the pandemic. Because New Yorkers have stepped up, we can confidently remove the statewide mask requirement in our schools," Governor Hochul said. "This is a huge step forward for our kids and communities



and I am grateful to the students, educators and parents for their dedication to keeping us all safe—we've reached this milestone because of your hard work."

New York has made significant progress in the fight against COVID-19. Among large states, New York has the highest rate of adults fully vaccinated for

COVID-19, the highest rate of teenagers fully vaccinated for COVID-19, and the second-highest rate of children ages 5-11 fully vaccinated. New York State has experienced a 98 percent decline in COVID-19 cases since the Omicron peak, and a continuous downward trend in cases for 51 consecutive days.

The number of children testing positive for COVID is declining to levels not seen since before students returned from summer break; yesterday 229 cases were reported compared to a 7-day average of 832 cases at the beginning of the school year. Pediatric hospitalizations have declined by roughly 80 percent since the Omicron peak.

Ahead of Midwinter break, 4.8 million tests were sent to schools for children to take home. An additional 4.8 million tests will be sent this week for students to take home upon their return to school. In total, 20.8 million tests have been distributed to schools. Over the past six weeks, the State established 261 #VaxForKids sites,

bringing the vaccine directly to New York families to help parents and guardians get their eligible children vaccinated and boosted.

State Health Commissioner Dr. Mary T. Bassett said, "Thanks to the hard work of New Yorkers, today we are able to lift the statewide mask requirement for schools. As Governor Hochul said, we will remain vigilant as New York moves forward, and our team at the Department of Health will continue to monitor the data and advance early warning monitoring systems like wastewater surveillance. We continue to urge all New Yorkers to get vaccinated and get boosted, and we will work with our partners in education statewide to ensure our schools, teachers, and students have the support they need to keep our classrooms healthy and safe."

State Education Commissioner Dr. Betty A. Rosa said, "I thank the Governor for her leadership. Working together we look forward to keeping our schools safe for students and educators."

OBITUARIES

Josephine A. ‘Josie’ Brown, 81, Hornell, advocate for those with special needs

JOSEPHINE A. "JOSIE" BROWN
Passion for special needs folks
HORNELL—Josephine A. “Josie” Brown, 81, of Hornell, passed comfortably and at peace on Friday, Feb. 18, 2022.

Josie was born Jan. 16, 1941 in Hornell to the late Angelo and Josephine (Marino) Cartella. She grew up in Hornell and attended St. Ann's School and later was graduated from Hornell High School (Class of 1960).

She was married to the late Robert J. "Bob" Brown on August 18, 1961 and together they built a life and a family.

Josie is survived by her brothers, Carl (Mary) Cartella of Hornell and Francis "Butch" (Beth) Cartella of Almond, her seven children, Robert (Ellen) Brown of Nashville, TN, Stephen Brown of Alfred Station, Lisa (Michael) Hamilton of Alfred Station, Angela Gillette of Hornell, Cynthia (Lawrence) Ebert of Hornell, Scott (Catherine) Brown of Hornell and Jodi Brown of Houghton. She is also survived by her grandchildren, Michael, Megan, Sarah Jane, Nathan, Monika, Rachael, Ryan, Amanda, Ashley, Stephen and Thomas; her great granddaughter Charleigh Rose; along with several in-laws, nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband Robert J. Brown Jan. 26, 1981; her siblings Francis "Frankie" Cartella, Peter Cartella, Mary (infant) Cartella, Mary Andrezzi, Angeline Eason,

Rose "Tina" Conine, and Julio "Bozo" Cartella.

Josie lived her life always doing and caring for others. She dedicated a large portion of her life supporting students with special needs. She did this as a Teacher's Aide at Steuben-Allegany BOCES and as a Coach and Area 15 Coordinator for Special Olympics. Josie once said that when she started working for BOCES her family grew larger because she always treated her coworkers and her students like family. She was a positive role model, a supportive mentor and a loving influence on many over the years.

Being involved in Special Olympics, one of Josie's favorite things was being able to take student athletes each year to attend the annual Knights of Columbus Sports Night Banquet. Josie was honored in 2001 as the Coach of the Year and again in 2013 with a special dedication. As one of the biggest Bills fans around a huge highlight for Josie was when in 2017 she finally met her hero, Bruce Smith. Go Bills!

She also made connections and provided opportunities to the youth of Hornell through her second job as manager of the Hornell Knights of Columbus kitchen. At the K of C she cooked, planned the parties and events and provided several teenagers with their first job serving meals, washing dishes and setting up for and staffing



the parties and events.

She was a member of Our Lady of the Valley Parish and a communicant of St. Ann's Church. She was also a member of the Hornell Ladies of Columbus, the AZB Sorority and the Carducci Lodge-Sons of Italy. Josie enjoyed local politics and many years was a member of the Democratic Women's Committee.

In her spare time she enjoyed crafts, making flowers for wedding bouquets, gambling, playing "pay me" with her friends at Carducci Lodge and spending time with her friends and family.

Josie was a kind soul who had a passion for volunteering and doing for others. In addition to Special Olympics she also volunteered at the St. James and Elderwood Gift Shops, she organized the Hornell High School Post Prom Party for several years, she volunteered for the Steuben County Rural Ministry helping Sister Susan Cain at the food pantry. She'd have fun with her family each year on Christmas Eve doing random acts of kindness and she has put on numerous "Spaghetti Dinners By Josie" for various fundraisers throughout the years.

Josie was a member of several clubs and service organizations but being a member of Alpha Zeta Beta "AZB" Sorority made a huge impact on her life. Through AZB she formed lifelong friendships. From serving their community, national conventions, turtle ceremonies, and regular get-togethers she enjoyed every adventure with her fun-loving and slightly wild sisters of AZB. This group of women did

a lot for others and always had the best times filled with laughter and fun while doing it.

Although she touched so many lives and had done so many great things, her biggest role was that of a loving Mother, Grandmother and Meme. She showed her love to her family in so many ways: through football talk, car rides and listening to the oldies, trips to the mall and the ice cream shop, casino visits, games of skipbo, family get-togethers, playing team trivia, searching for Smurf collectible figures, adventures with "Belsnickle the Elf" and most importantly home cooked meals made with love.

Josie showered her family with love through shared moments together of fun and laughter. Josie's love for her family and for others is her greatest legacy. In turn, she was very loved and will be greatly missed and celebrated by her family

each time we get a winner on a scratch off, each time the Bills score a touchdown, each time we order a large Diet Coke from McDonald's each time we cook a meal with love and each time we think of a fun memory and realize how blessed we are to have been loved by Josie.

Calling hours were held from 4-6 p.m. Friday, Feb. 25 at Dagon Funeral Home, 38 Church Street, Hornell. A mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 26 at St. Ann's Church with burial in Hartsville Hill Pope Cemetery, Hartsville.

Josie's family requests that in lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in her name be made to the Hornell Alumni Association, PO Box 135, Hornell, NY 14843. Memorial forms are available at the Dagon Funeral Home. To leave an online condolence, visit www.dagonfuneral-home.com

Dan Greene, 89, Wellsville, A-A alum, ran D&J Body Shop

DANIEL MAURICE "DAN" GREENE

Korean War vet, ran body shop

WELLSVILLE—Daniel Maurice “Dan” Greene, 89, of Lee Place, Wellsville, passed away Saturday, Feb. 26, 2022 at Jones Memorial Hospital in Wellsville. He was born Jan. 11, 1933 in Hornell, son of the late Roswell and Irena (Woodworth) Greene.

Dan was raised in Alfred Station, graduated from Alfred-Almond Central School and attended Alfred State College, until Uncle Sam had a change of plans for him. He served honorably in the United States Army during the Korean War.

He returned to the area and established D & J Body Shop in Wellsville in 1957. From that day forward, Dan spent his life helping whoever walked through the door. Whether it was a customer or an employee, his arms were always open. If you were fortunate enough to meet him, you were blessed with his kindness. Dan's wings were wide enough for all that needed his help or guidance. He was also a 28-year member of the Wellsville Lions Club.

He is survived by his wife Paula, daughters Amy, Linda, Lisa, and Jodi, sons Scott and Brad Watson, and several nieces, nephews, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Dan cherished and adored his entire family from his first child to his youngest great-grandchild and everyone in between. He was predeceased in addition to his parents by a son, Daniel Maurice Greene, Jr.

As per Dan's wishes, a celebration of his life is being planned and will be announced at a later date. Memorial donations may be made to the Hart Comfort House. To leave condolences, visit: www.embserfuneralhome.com.



Daniel E. Rowley, 65, Canaseraga, railroad worker

DANIEL E. ROWLEY

Worked at Swain, railroad

CANASERAGA—Daniel Everett Rowley, 65, of Canaseraga, passed away unexpectedly Sunday, Feb. 20, 2022.

Born Nov. 29, 1957 to Martha J. and James D. Rowley, Daniel was known affectionately to family and friends simply as "Moon." With the exception of a few years spent in Albion, Moon resided his entire life in the Canaseraga area.

In his younger years Moon worked for the Swain Ski Slope. He was employed by the Conrail railroad system for approximately 12 years, followed by a short career with the Canadian Pacific railroad.

Moon loved spending time with family and friends and was always available to lend a hand if there was a project to do - construction, pouring concrete, cutting wood, or helping you move. Moon was the man. He was a gentle soul with a huge heart who shared whatever he had, even the last coin in his pocket if he thought you needed it.

Moon was an avid reader and until his eyesight began to wane he could easily read several books a week, sci-fi and Native American lore among his favorites. An outdoorsman through and through, Moon

loved every aspect of being at one with the land. Through the years he enjoyed camping, hunting, fishing his honey holes, and Loon Lake or Keeney Swamp with his mother, friends and siblings, and cruising the countryside on his bicycle.

He especially loved the years he spent chasing the bunnies with his beagle, Ladybug. Once he lost his own pets, Moon loved dog sitting. While friends were off seeking adventure, he kept the home fires burning and the dogs well cared for.

Moon was predeceased by his mother Martha J. Glover, stepfather Gerald Glover, paternal grandparents - Helen and Kendall Rowley, Maternal grandparents Marvel and Everett Birchard, sister Leslie James, brother Jason Birchard, and nephew Squire Lee Berry.

Moon is survived by his father; brothers Andrew (Martha Halbert) Rowley and Wilson Rowley all of Canaseraga; sisters Kathie (Wally) Berry of Canaseraga, Cindy (Larry Streber) of Rochester; brother-in-law Jamie James (Janet Rodger) of Wayland; sister-in-

law Tracey Manning-Birchard of Kentucky; step siblings Duane Glover of Cohocton, Donald (Cathy) Glover of Cuba, and Patricia (Elden) Shumway of Olean; several nieces, nephews and great nieces and nephews.

There were no calling hours. The family will hold a celebration of life at a later date.

Those wishing to make a donation and remembrance of Moon can do so to the Essential Club Free Library 11 Pratt St. Canaseraga, NY. 14822 or SPCA Serving Allegany County, PO Box 181, Belmont, NY 14813 or Hornell Humane Society 7649 Industrial Park Rd, Hornell, NY 14843.

The Mann's Funeral Home of Canaseraga is honored to be assisting the Rowley family with arrangements. In Moon's Words - "Until I see you Again, God Bless."



Puzzles on Page 10

SCRAMBLERS

solution

1. Crater 2. Rescind
3. Refer; 4. Notice

Today's Word
FRIENDS

CryptoQuote

answer

Avoiding danger is no safer in the long run than outright exposure. The fearful are caught as often as the bold.
— Helen Keller

— King Crossword —

Answers

Solution time: 23 mins.

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— Weekly SUDOKU —

Answer

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4	9	7	3	1	5	6	8	2
6	2	1	7	9	8	5	4	3
7	5	6	4	3	2	8	9	1
9	1	3	5	8	6	4	2	7
2	4	8	1	7	9	3	6	5



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COMMUNITY NEWS

Anonymous challenger will donate \$1 for every \$2 donated to Community Chest

ALFRED—The 2022 Alfred-Alfred Station Community Chest campaign, which had stalled for a few weeks, with the announcement last week of a challenge grant (donor will add \$1 for every \$2 donation, up to \$500) has moved the total closer to the \$35,220 goal.

The challenge brought in \$496 last week and with another \$248 added to that, the new total is \$32,918.

Area residents may send in donations to AAS Community

Chest, Post Office Box 603, Alfred, NY 14802.

The Alfred-Alfred Station Community Chest Board is made up of the following volunteers: Andy Eklund (vice-president), Cam Duke, Catherine Chambers, Kert Decker, Linell Soule (secretary), Peter McClain (treasurer), and Laurel Buckwalter (president). Feel free to contact one of them if you have questions or did not receive a campaign flyer.

All charities funded give serv-

ices to the Alfred and Alfred Station community.

Top three charities funded are: A. E. Crandall Hook and Ladder Fire Company's ambulance service, Office for the Aging's Personal Emergency Response System, and the Alfred Station Fire Company.

Other charities that are recipients of funding through the Community Chest are the Alfred-Almond Community Sports Association, Allegany County Mental Health Association, Allegany County SPCA, Hart Comfort House, Association for the Blind and Visually Handicapped, Literacy West, Cub Scout Pack 1026, Boy Scout Troop 19, ARC Special Olympics, Baker's Bridge Historical Society, and the Allegany-Cattaraugus-Chautauqua Fund for Women.

Academic All-Stars continue

By MARY C. HARRIS

Special to the Alfred Sun

STEUBEN COUNTY—Lively action took place Monday night in the Academic All Stars competitions throughout Steuben County.

LARGE SCHOOL DIVISION
Corning Gold 41 - Corning Black 12

Bath Haverling 64 - Hornell 36
MEDIUM LARGE SCHOOL DIVISION

Canisteo-Greenwood 56 - Campbell-Savona 32
Naples 32 - Addison 26

MEDIUM SMALL SCHOOL DIVISION

Alfred-Almond Gold 52 - Arkport-Canaseraga 31

Alfred-Almond Blue 55 - Hammondsport 51

SMALL SCHOOL DIVISION
Avoca 54 - Prattsburgh 20

You may catch a match next week, beginning at 6:15 p.m. Monday, March 7, in Hornell, Addison, Arkport, or Bradford. Call ahead to be sure of their Covid restrictions.

A-A school board meeting postponed to March 16

ALMOND—The Board of Education of the Alfred-Almond Central School District will be changing its Board of Education regular monthly meeting from Wednesday, March 9, to Wednesday, March 16.

The meeting will be held in the high school auditorium beginning at 6 p.m. Wednesday, March 16.

ALFRED Weather for the Week

Feb. 22-Feb. 28

Feb.	Hi	Lo	Precip.	Snow
22	56	35	0	0
23	54	34	0.27"	0
24	35	11	Trace	Trace
25	30	12	0.48"	0.8"
26	34	9	0.03"	0.6"
27	25	11	0	0
28	34	11	0.02"	Trace

By FION MacCREA
Alfred Weather Recorder



Kelly's Forecast

By KELLY SNYDER
The Alfred Sun
Weather Forecaster

"Blow ye winds, like the trumpet blows, but without that noise."
—Jack Handey

Thursday, March 3

AM CLOUDS / PM SUN
(HIGH 23—LOW 9)

Chance of precipitation....24%

Friday, March 4

MOSTLY CLOUDY
(HIGH 32—LOW 23)

Chance of precipitation.....5%

Saturday, March 5

RAIN / SNOW SHOWERS
(HIGH 40—LOW 36)

Chance of precipitation....53%

Sunday, March 6

SHOWERS
(HIGH 53—LOW 40)

Chance of precipitation....37%

Monday, March 7

SHOWERS
(HIGH 49 - LOW 35)

Chance of precipitation....52%

Tuesday, March 8

SNOW SHOWERS
(HIGH 38 - LOW 26)

Chance of precipitation....37%

Wednesday, March 9

AM CLOUDS / PM SUN
(HIGH 38 - LOW 26)

Chance of precipitation...23%

For more up to date weather information add your Alfred Sun Weatherman Kelly Snyder on Facebook where he conducts occasional Facebook Live Reports. As always, if you don't like the weather in Alfred just wait five minutes!

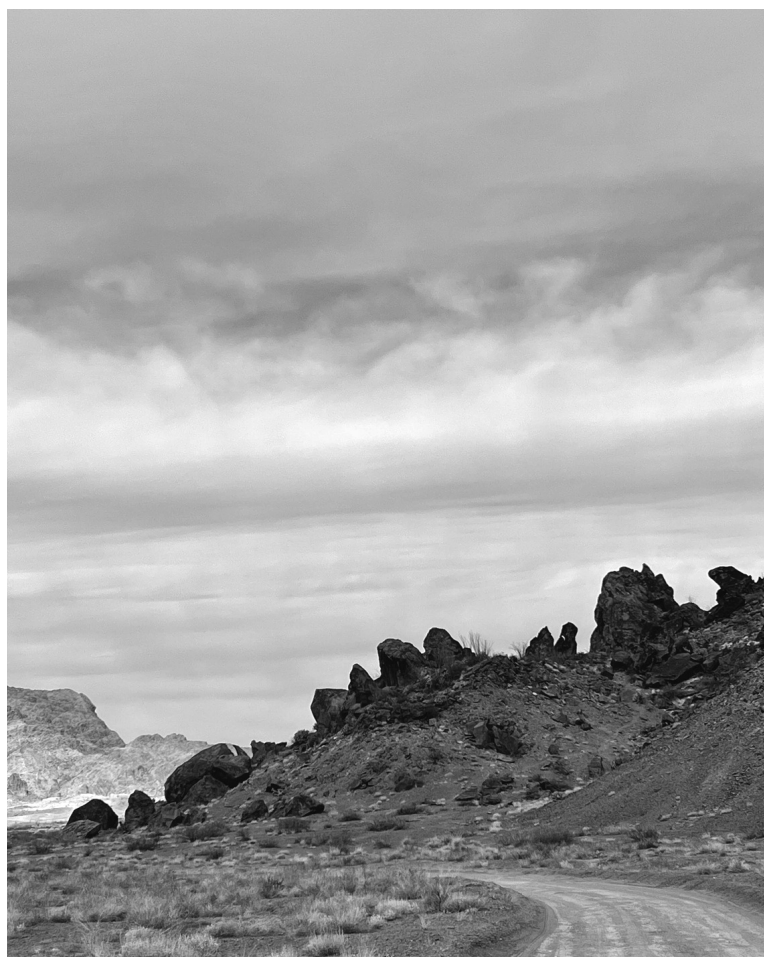
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Scene About Alfred

A weekly photo feature

By SHERRY VOLK

Alfred Sun Columnist



A daily walk in the desert enlivens the imagination. For years, this sea monster has loomed above a curve in the road, and one day, by a trick of light, it was silhouetted against Bee Mountain, illuminated in the background, making this photo possible. Previously, in the usual brilliant sunshine here in the southwest, the reds of the mountain and the rocks in the foreground were indistinguishable from each other and Sun readers would not have been able to see the critter's details. To the right, pointing up-slope, is its scaly head with curled-up snout. The rounded, plated back tapers into a lumpy tail near the road.

SUNNY SIDE UP

By ELLEN SHULTZ
Alfred Sun Columnist

A family favorite from Patty's kitchen

[Editor's Note: Like most of the recipes she shared with our readers over the past couple of decades, Sunny Side Up columns by the late Ellen Shultz are worth repeating.]

By PATTY HARVEY CURRAN

Guest Columnist

I've been collecting recipes since I started 4-H when I was about 10 years old. I have thousands--most of which I haven't tried--but I'd like to share some that my family has liked. An easy, delicious dessert is Cherry Carnival--a recipe put out by Cornell University years ago for 4-H.

Cherry Carnival

- | | |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| 1 3/4 c. sifted flour | 3/4 c. milk |
| 2 t. baking powder | 1 t. vanilla |
| 1/2 t. salt | 2 c. pitted, sour cherries--canned, frozen or fresh |
| 1/4 c. shortening | 1/2 c. nuts, chopped |
| 3/4 c. sugar | |
| 1 egg | |

Sift together dry ingredients. Add the next five ingredients and blend with mixer on medium speed. Fold in the well-drained cherries and nuts. Bake in a 9" square pan 30 to 35 min. at 350° F. for a metal pan or 325° F. for a glass pan. Serve warm with Clear Red Sauce.

Clear Red Sauce:

- | | |
|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1/2 c. sugar | 1 c. juice from cherries |
| 2 T. corn starch | 1/4 t. almond flavoring |
| 1 c. water few drops red coloring, if desired | |

Mix sugar and cornstarch in sauce pan. Gradually stir in the water and cherry juice; heat until thickened. Add flavoring and coloring. 8-10 servings at about 300 calories each.

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Village Board candidate statements

Laurette Guild

Fellow Alfred Village Residents,
Greetings, my name is Laurette Guild and I moved into the Village in 2013 at 25 High Street where I reside with my husband.

I am a mother of two daughters, both graduates of Alfred-Almond Central School and my eldest, Alfred University. I share the love of Alfred and would be honored to serve the community as an Alfred Village Trustee.

I have worked serving the public for many years. In 1989, I started working for St. James Mercy Hospital and since 2013 I have been with AIM Independent Living Center. I am currently the Navigator Program Coordinator supervising certified navigators in Allegany, Steuben, Chemung, and Schuyler counties. As a health care navigator, I have the honor of assisting individuals, families, and businesses, including students and dedicated staff at both Alfred State and Alfred University. I also network with community organizations, county agencies and programs.

I am open minded and a good listener that values the exchange of ideas. I have integrity with excellent problem solving, critical thinking, team building, and collaborative skills. I bring these skills asking for your vote in the upcoming general election on March 15, 2022.

Thank you for your interest and consideration!

Respectfully yours,
Laurette Guild

Meredith P. Field

Greetings Neighbors,

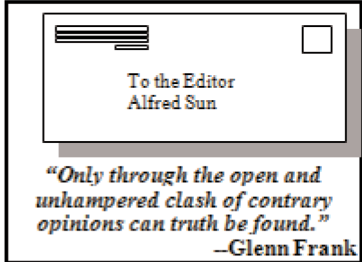
I am writing to introduce myself as a candidate for the Village Trustee position currently held by Andrea Gill. Cross-endorsed by the Republican and Democratic parties, I am a country girl who was raised just south of here in Northcentral PA.

Americanisms



"We are monkeys with money and guns."
— Tom Waits

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Throughout my childhood, my father, a Republican, and my mother, a Democrat, modeled the importance of civic engagement through their involvement with the church, participation in township and county government, and lobbying about rural issues at the state capitol - all of which I participated in. Their examples are the primary reason I am running for Village Trustee.

I was fortunate to move to the area about two years ago in preparation to teach at Alfred University. I began attending Village meetings early on, and Trustee Gill's work with the Village Hall and the parks caught my interest immediately.

I believe I can serve you well as a Village Trustee because I have more than two decades of experience community-building, organizing, fundraising, and problem-solving. I have worked with organizations of all sizes and scales, but local community work is my favorite.

My son, Harrison, loves being a 4th grader at AACS. He is looking forward to playing baseball this year, and he is hoping to assist me in my role as a Village Trustee if you should put your trust in me.

Thank you for considering me as your next Village Trustee!

Respectfully,
Meredith P. Field

[Editor's Note: The Village of Alfred General Election will be held Tuesday, March 15 with the polls at Village Hall open from 12 noon to 9 p.m.]

THE FIRST AMENDMENT
Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances.

The Alfred Sun welcomes letters to the editor. Send your "brief and amazing" letter to the Alfred Sun editor to: alfred-sun.news@gmail.com

topTen

VEHICLES SOLD IN AMERICA IN 2020

1. Ford F-Series

2. Chevrolet Silverado

3. Dodge Ram pickup

4. Toyota RAV4

5. Honda CR-V

6. Toyota Camry

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A Disaster of Our Own Making: How We're About to Lose a Lot More Than the Friendship of Ukraine

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Let's begin with the obvious: Ukraine is toast. There is little or no chance that the country will be able to endure, given Russian military superiority. Thus, the Western "strategy", such as it was, to tempt Ukraine progressively closer to NATO and the EU, all while shielding Ukraine against potential Russian aggression with (mostly idle) threats of "severe economic sanctions", has failed, and spectacularly so!

The key question now is: what penalty will Russia pay for its impertinence, as the West sees it? And how long will it pay? Will sanctions be mild or severe? Will they last weeks, months, years, decades?

The U.S. and the West hesitated initially to place sanctions on Vladimir Putin personally. Moreover, Russia's access to the SWIFT banking system has not been curtailed. To me, though, the really important question is whether there will be any significant disruption to Russian oil and gas sales to the West. If there isn't - and early signs indicate that Russian sales of oil and natural gas will continue unabated - then Russia is likely to weather this storm just fine.

This (lily-livered) approach will minimize economic pain in the West, of course, by keeping energy costs down, but it will simultaneously send a clear message to Russia (and China) that the West's bark is worse than its bite. Simply put, we may pity those poor struggling Ukrainians, but we won't sacrifice our own material comforts to ease their plight. Not a chance.

It all makes you wonder what precisely we'd be willing to do if Putin marched into Warsaw or Riga (the capitals of NATO members Poland and Latvia, respectively)... The answer could well be: not much of anything! A sobering thought.

The fate of Ukraine, however, or even Poland or the Baltic states, is not, and never has been, of paramount importance to the U.S. and its key Western European allies. In the midst of the carnage in Ukraine, we should at least try to see the forest for the trees. Small, weak, impoverished nations are but playthings in the hands of the great powers. What's far more important than events in Kiev, therefore, is the long-term arc of relations between the U.S., Russia, and China - the world's three biggest powers, by far.

What we appear to be witnessing on that score is the rejuvenation of Cold War tensions between Russia and NATO, on the one hand, and increasing signs of an alliance between Russia and China, on the other - and both of these developments are highly troubling and hugely consequential.

Russia's intense jealousy of Western dominance has been evident at least since Vladimir Putin took the helm of state. China, though, seems recently to be no less aggrieved by U.S. and Western hegemony, as its peevish communiques about U.S. policy and even domestic affairs prove.

It's important to recognize, though, that Russia's estrangement from the West, and its marriage of convenience to Red China, are the result of a long series of high-handed and harebrained moves on

Sun Spots



Out Of This Wordle

Some say the woke *New York Times* has despoiled
The old Wordle game that they loved;
They must alter their game plans, o'er which they have toiled,
Cuz some words in the trash have been shoved.

To many of them, it's "goodbye and good riddance"
(To repeat them here wouldn't be marvelous).
I lament, though, the loss of the words for cute kittens,
For female dogs, and post-larvalous.

The Times had been better off picking from terms
On the "Most Unsafe Trigger Words!" list
That remind us of maggots and pustules and germs—
Words for those things would never be missed.

Like that stuff that comes out when you're sick to your tummy,
Or (worse yet) when blowing your nose-o.
Cuz anyone using them must be a dummy
Or (worse yet) a slime-smearing bozo.

And how 'bout that word for a 'strump...'—I mean, 'maid'?
Or the one for that stuff makes ya go B.M.?
And for 'servant'? (Well, one that's by force, and unpaid....)
Or for crowds? Just cuz some have a phobi'o'em.

And if only they'd surveyed each Wordle enthusiast
And allowed their opinion be voiced
As to what word is nauseousest, grossest, and gooziest,
The winner—hands down—would be..."moist".

—Anot A. Moist

the part of a succession of U.S. and European leaders. Even after the fall of the Soviet Union, we treated Russia like a pariah and like a threat. During the Trump presidency, the Left went as far as to make Russophobia a fashionable trend, and it became de rigueur among the woke.

Russia, over many years, got the message: it would never be respected by the West or welcomed into NATO, the EU, or the global establishment. Simultaneously, Russia got clear signals from both the Trump and Biden administrations that, while the U.S. applauded Ukraine's shift towards the West, we would under no circumstances actively commit ourselves to the country's defense. The Western shield over Ukraine, in other words, was 80% rhetorical, 15% economic, and maybe 5% military - consisting of desultory shipments of armaments and supplies that would never come close to altering the balance of forces in the region.

The predictable consequence? Russia has seen these Western protestations and "guarantees" for what they are: a farce. It has thus invaded Ukraine, and, in the long run, it will reorient its economy and its military away from the West and towards a pact of some kind with communist China.

And China may, as some have suggested, learn a thing or two from this crisis about the rewards for military aggression, especially strategic and reputational, and about the pusillanimity of the West, that will make the world going forward a far more dangerous place. After all, if the West's response to a Russian invasion of "sovereign" Ukraine is this timid, how much more feeble would be our collective opposition to a Chinese invasion of Taiwan, which virtually the entire world recognizes as the rightful territory of the PRC?

All in all, it is hard to escape the conclusion that the events of the last days and weeks are highly injurious to U.S. national security and to the strategic posture of the West -- and that is doubly unfortunate, because almost everything that has happened in and around Ukraine, and between the swooning lovers Russia and China, is the result of U.S. and Western blunders.

There is, in the end, a strong argument to be made that, despite Russia's proprietorial attitude to its "near abroad", the West and Russia ought not to be enemies at all. On the contrary, we are natural allies, based on our cultural and historic ties, against China, which promises to be the single greatest threat to the current, Western-dominated global order. Instead of circling our wagons and preparing to meet this unprecedented challenge, the West is reprising the essentially tribal rivalries and bloodletting that beset us, and our Russian cousins, during two world wars, and throughout the Cold War. A more congenial environment for the rise of communist China as a nascent superpower would be difficult to imagine!

A tantalizing opportunity has thus been lost - or, more accurately, squandered. Now, we and the Russians face a grim, uncertain future.

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WNY SCHOLASTIC ART AWARDS

Alfred University hosts WNY scholastic artists

ALFRED—Alfred University Saturday, Feb. 26 hosted an awards ceremony honoring high school-age artists in western New York whose artwork won honors in the recent Western New York Scholastic Art Awards competition.

Alfred University's School of Art and Design served as judge for the competition, which received 412 entries from 230 individual students representing the 13 counties of western New York: Seneca, Yates, Ontario, Monroe, Orleans, Genesee, Wyoming, Allegany, Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Erie, Livingston, and Niagara.

"We are so proud to be selecting our own region's artists to go forward to the national level of competition," said Dan Napolitano, Associate Dean of the Arts at Alfred University.

Three students won the most prestigious Gold Key award in the Senior Portfolio category and will compete nationally against hundreds of other artists for a \$10,000 Portfolio Gold Key

scholarship, which is awarded annually to 10 high school seniors. From Western New York, the Gold Key Portfolio winners were Brianna Bernas of South High School in Williamsville; Jenny Li of Pittsford Mendon High School in Pittsford; and Ana Nowicki of Clarence Senior High School in Clarence.

The presentation ceremony at Alfred University is open to the public and will begin at 11 am, with studio tours being offered at noon. Due to COVID restrictions, a gallery exhibit of work will not be displayed this year and art will displayed digitally on stage. Schools and media requesting images of students or artwork should contact Maria Bentley, Associate Director of Admissions at bentley@alfred.edu. Other inquiries should be directed to Napolitano at napolitano@alfred.edu

Within the Senior Portfolio category, Silver Key awards were given Carly Glashauser (Hamburg High School), Mina Stevens (Pittsford Mendon High

School), and Francesca Woolson (Fredonia Senior High School). Additional Silver Key awards were awarded to 53 students for individual work submissions.

Gold Key recipients for individual work include:

Elaina Combs (Nichols School), Elexis Dixon (York Central Middle High School), Helga Mae Enoc (PS 192 Buffalo Visual Perf Art), Alyssa Ferrer (Pittsford Mendon High School), Jacqueline Henry (Allendale Columbia School), Ashley Jopp (Webster Thomas High School), Hailey Kliszak (Lake Shore Senior High School), Ashlyn Kreiss (Pittsford Sutherland High School), Jonathan Ragan (Allendale Columbia School), Hannah Rich (Nichols School), Olivia Schneider (Webster Thomas High School), Nicholas Semsel (Starpont High School), Emma Shearer (Genesee Central School), Tianyue Shi (Pittsford Mendon High School), Mina Stevens (Pittsford Mendon High School), Danielle Strauf (Pittsford Mendon High

School), Emily Sullivan (Genesee Central School), Michael Teresi (McQuaid Jesuit High School), Ambrose Weidmann (McQuaid Jesuit High School), Leah Wirley (Webster Thomas High School), and Lingyi Zhao (Allendale Columbia School).

While all individual Gold Key awards move on for national jurying, the regional jurors chose five of these Gold Key winners to nominate for the standout American Visions award. These five individual pieces were created by seniors Elexis Dixon (York Central Middle High School), Ashlyn Kreiss (Pittsford Sutherland High School), Ana Nowicki (Clarence Senior High School), Nicholas Semsel (Starpont High School), and 10th grader Ambrose Weidmann (McQuaid Jesuit High School). One of these five artworks is guaranteed to be chosen for a National Gold Key, as each region is allotted one such key in this category.

ALFRED STATE COLLEGE

Architecture students win modular housing challenge

ALFRED—Alfred State College (ASC) Architecture students Abigail Jones (Pittsford), Jack Christie (Genesee), and Mason Miller (Fairport) earned first prize honors in a modular student housing challenge sponsored by Razak Associates.

Students in Design Studio I worked individually to design a modular student-housing complex for 100 students with a maximum of 30,000 square feet on the Alfred State campus. This was students' first exposure to modular housing and working within tight design constraints.

Students had to consider a multitude of options for the project: site design, amenities such as dorms, bathrooms, laundry and kitchens, residential services, in addition to designing a building that was attractive and accessible to all users. Students used their experience living in on-campus housing, translated that experience, and identified needs into a workable building plan. The winning students submitted work that conformed to the basics of modularity and requirements of student housing but incorporated elements of their own style and precedent studies.

To prepare for the challenge, students visited a modular construction site at Signature Building Systems of Pennsylvania in Moosic, PA to understand the intricacies of modular housing.

Architecture professors, Alan Vlakanic, Matthew DiRado, and Bryan Toepfer were pleased with the results of this hands-on, project-based challenge. "The students' understanding of the difficulties



Award winners along with architecture students and Razak Associates President Mohamed Razak.

and unique solution to the problem provided an insight into student needs while conforming to the requirements that the college and the State University of New York necessitates. The utilization of circulation, codes and modularity coupled with unique materiality and programmatic choices from all of the entrants is advanced for this level and impressed the jury."

Razak Associates President Mohamed Razak was proud to support the competition and excited to see the continued growth of the program. "We would like to congratulate Abby, Jack and Mason on their first-place designs for a modular student residence hall. We look forward to

seeing what these students and future Alfred State graduates brings to the field of architecture."

Matthew Agle (Collins), Richard Miller (Bradford), and Connor Eng (Islip) earned runner up status in the competition. Both the first prizes and runners-up were awarded cash prizes.

About Razak Associates:

Established in 1995 by Mohamed M. Razak, Razak Associates is a specialized architectural and engineering firm designed to respond effectively to the particular needs of health care, institutional, and academic organizations.

Our clients include rural hospitals, medical centers, and nationally reputed

teaching hospitals along with government clients like the Dormitory Authority (DASNY), the Office of General Services (OGS), and the State University Construction Fund (SUCF).

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We are a custom modular home manufacturer located in Northeastern PA. Signature Building Systems of Pennsylvania is a custom modular manufacturer with 25+ years of experience producing single-family and multi-family housing along the East Coast. Our approach was perfected by our dedicated team over time, producing high-quality modular homes with fully customizable results.

ALFRED UNIVERSITY

Exhibition features works of visiting black glass artists

ALFRED—An exhibition of original work created in February by visiting artists in the Alfred University School of Art and Design's Black Glass Artist Series opened Friday, Feb. 25, in the IDEA Lab in Harder Hall.

The Black Glass Artist Series featured three glass artists of color, who each visiting the Alfred University campus for one-week residencies. The event was held during February as an observance of Black History Month, with artists presenting artist talks and giving demonstrations of their practice in the Alfred University School of Art and Design's Hot Glass Shop.

The Black Glass Artist Show, the exhibition featuring work created by the visiting artists, is in the IDEA Lab, located on the second floor of Harder Hall. It will remain on view through March 15, 2022.

Artists visiting Alfred University as part of the Black Glass Artist Series, and whose work will be included in the exhibition, are:

- N’Kosi Barber, an illustrator and sculptural glass artist from Chicago’s South Side. Barber is an instructor and peer educator with Project Fire, a program that teaches wounded victims of gunfire the skills of the hot glass shop. He draws inspiration from his Project Fire students and mentors, noting that learning patience and trust have a great deal to do with his perseverance in the art form. (Week of Jan. 31-Feb. 4)
- SaraBeth Post, an interdisciplinary artist primarily utilizing glass in sculpture, utilitarian wares, and jewelry. Post’s studies of pattern and color pave a path to explore human development juxtaposed to spirituality. Her production line is produced under the name Ultra Lit, a pen name coined as a reflection on her navigation in the world as a mixed race light-skinned woman. (Week of Feb. 7-11)
- Cedric Mitchell, a Los-Angeles based glass artist inspired by an eccentric mix of graffiti art, pop culture,

mid-century modern and Memphis design. Originally from Oklahoma, Mitchell was an emerging local hip-hop artist in Tulsa when he began creating glass art. Today he creates work that ranges from functional to decorative art, and is a teacher at the Los Angeles Glass Center. (Week of Feb. 21-25)

The series is the brainchild of third-year B.F.A. student Adeye Jean-Baptist from Scarsdale. Last year, Jean-Baptiste proposed to host a series of visiting glass artists who hail from the afro diaspora. She led efforts to gain funding to support the series, including organizing an auction.

The series is also supported by the School of Art and Design and its Sculpture Dimensional Studies Division, Student Senate, the Institute for Cultural Unity, and Olympic Color, a glassblowing supply company in Seattle, WA.

Cultural Arts Calendar



Music

BANDS/DJs/RECITALS
Hornell Area Wind Ensemble Rehearsals Tuesday evenings at Hornell High School. New members welcome. For further information, call Nancy Luger at 587-9449 or call 545-8603.

MostArts Festival: Watch for future announcements about the MostArts Festival. visit: www.MostArts.alfred.edu for more information.

Off the Wagon show schedule will be announced as the band opens up. Follow the band at: www.facebook.com/pg/OfftheWagonAcoustic

Wellsville Creative Arts Center offers live music some evenings with performances beginning at 8 p.m., doors opening at 6 p.m. For an update on the status of live performances, visit the website at: www.WellsvilleCreativeArtsCenter.com or call 585-593-3000.

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

Genesee Valley Chorus. The Genesee Valley Chorus meets every Tuesday at 7 P.M. at the Grace United Church, North Main Street, Wellsville (formerly Congregational Church). The chorus is directed by Norma Bartlett. For further information, call 585-593-3173.

Maple City (Barbershoppers) Chorus Meetings 7:00 p.m. Mondays at United Methodist Church of Hornell, 7528 North

Main St Ext., near Webbs Crossing Road, Hornell. New members welcome. Call 607-698-4690 for info.

COFFEEHOUSES
Wellsville Creative Arts Center offers Coffee Houses TBA. Open Mic Night every Wednesday 7 to 10 p.m. For more info, visit: www.WellsvilleCreativeArtsCenter.com or call 585-593-3000.

CONCERTS/RECITALS
Hornell Area Wind Ensemble will perform a concert at 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 13 at the Hornell High School Auditorium. Snow date is Tuesday, Feb. 15 at 7 p.m.

"Música Diversa," a concert celebrating diversity in classical music and Music in Our Schools Month, by the Orchestra of the Southern Finger Lakes, will be held at 4 p.m. Sunday, March 6 at The Clemens Center. The concert will feature works by African-American composers William Grant Still and Florence Price; Chinese-American, Bright Sheng and Mexican composer Arturo Márquez. In addition, the tied finalist for the Hertzog Piano Competition, Christopher Tiller will perform Rachmaninoff's Piano Concerto No. 2 with the Orchestra and the Junior Strings and Youth Orchestra will also play side-by-side.

Off the Wagon is back! For more information on Off the Wagon check out: www.facebook.com/OfftheWagonAcoustic

Davis Memorial Carillon Recitals, AU campus. There is currently no weekly recital.

Wingate Memorial Carillon Recital Series at Davis Memorial Carillon, AU campus. 2021 recital series canceled. The Wingate Memorial Carillon Recital Series honors Dr. Ray Winthrop Wingate, a professor of music at Alfred University for 56 years.



Theater & Dance

DANCE
International Folk Dancing Tuesday evenings from 8:30-10:30 p.m. We learn and do a variety of International Dances, many from the Balkans, Israel, Armenia, etc. Everyone is welcome, no partner or experience necessary! Watch for updates on the status of the group. Miller Performing Arts Center, AU campus.

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

PERFORMANCES
Alfred-Almond Central School will present its Spring Musical, "You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown" at 7 p.m. Friday, March 11, 7 p.m. Saturday, March 12 and 2 p.m. Sunday, March 13 in the high school auditorium. More details, with ticket sale information, will be posted on the school website.



Art/Galleries

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



Allegany Arts Association, regular board meetings open to public, 10 a.m. 2nd Tuesday monthly, at the David A. Howe Library, Wellsville.

Angelica Ink Letterpress Located at 20 Allegany Avenue, Angelica, NY. 585.466.7040

Angelica Sweet Shop 44 W. Main in Angelica's Park Circle National Historic District. Open daily 8 am-5 pm For more info: 585-466-7070 or www.angelicasweetshop.com.

Cohen Center for the Arts. 55 N. Main Street, Alfred. Gallery open Tues, Wed, Fri 11-4 pm; Thursday 11-7; Sat and Sun 1-3

Wellsville Art Association. For informationcall Karen Dickerson, 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), quil-

ters, knitters, crocheters, embroiderers, weavers, dyers, basket makers, hookers (rug hookers, that is) and everyone with a creative mind and an interest in fibers. For more information, call Debbie MacCrea at 607-587-9270, or T.C. Gary at 585-593-4799.

MUSEUMS/EXHIBITS
The Andover House, exhibiting Alfred connected Ceramic Art and 2 dimensional art. Historical and contemporary. Open 11am to 4pm on Saturdays. At 21 North Main Street, Andover. For visits by appointment call 585 593 3947 or 607 478 5014. E-mail: Johnfdolan@yahoo.com.

Fountain Arts Center, 42 Schuyler Street, Belmont. For info or group arrangements, call 585-268-5951 or visit our website at: www.thefountainartscenter.org

The Corning Museum of Glass presents the most comprehensive glass collection in the world in "35 Centuries of Glassmaking." For info, call 607-937-5371.

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 Friday afternoons.

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. For more information, call the library at 607-587-4313.

Hornell Erie Depot Museum, 111 Loder St., Hornell is open

Wed. & Thurs. from 6-8 pm, Fri. from 4-8 pm and Sat from 12:30-3 pm.

Inamori Kyocera Museum of Fine Ceramics. The newly constructed museum focuses on fine ceramics used in technical and bio-medical applications. Located on the top floor of Binns-Merrill Hall, AU campus, Alfred. Open 10-4 Wed.-Fri. Free admission.



Alfred Ceramic Art Museum. Located on Northeast corner of Main and Pine Streets, AU campus, Alfred. Hours: Tues. thru Friday 10-5, Thurs. 10-7, Sat. and Sun. 10-4. \$7 Adults, \$5 Seniors, \$3 Local Residents. Free for Museum members, 17 and under, AU and A State faculty staff and students. For information call 607-871-2421; or visit the museum website: ceramicsmuseum.alfred.edu

Alfred Art Walk. A collaborative monthly opening by galleries in the Village of Alfred and at Alfred University and Alfred State. For a complete and up to date listing of venues, please visit alfredartwalk.org. To add your event to Alfred Art Walk email: submit.alfredartwalk@gmail.com

The Pioneer Oil Museum in Bolivar will induct Henry Lindquist, Jim Beckwith, Don Miller, and Arthur Yahn, Sr. into the New York State Oil Producers' Association. Museum will open following Memorial Day Weekend. For updates, visit: www.pioneeroil-museum.com

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

Terra Cotta Museum, Main St., Alfred. Open on special occasions or by appointment.

Alfred Farmers Market seeks manager for 2022

By MARY GARDNER-RUCH

ALFRED—The Alfred Farmers Market Board of Directors is looking towards the 2022 season with enthusiasm and a continued passion for bringing fresh local food and products to the Alfred community and surrounding area.

The market will be held Sundays beginning from June 12 through Oct. 30 in front of the bandstand on the corner of Main Street and Saxon Drive in Alfred.

"We are currently searching for a new manager," said Amanda Khodorkovskaya, board president, "Someone who is interested in food security, getting to know local farmers and artisans, and wants to earn some extra cash, would be perfect."

The job description can be found on the farmers market's website, alfredfarmersmarket.com. With the support of the current manager, volunteers, and the board, the new manager will be trained and supported throughout the market season.

Amanda said that the market is also looking for new vendors. The market welcomes growers, artisans, and food producers within a 30-mile radius. Those farther out will be considered on a case-by-case basis. All agricultural, artisan, and food products offered for sale must be grown or produced by the vendor. There is no reselling allowed.

The vendor application is also available on the website. Rules and Regulations for those selling baked goods or food items can be found at nyfarmersmarket.com.

The Alfred Farmers Market welcomes back Living Acres Farm, Living Cultures Farm, Canacadea Berries, Mascho Homestead Farm, EIEIO Farm, Whisper Hill Farm, Homestead on the Hill Farm, and New Starts Farm. We also welcome back our artisans and crafters, including Grateful Tie Dye, Designs by ScaryAnn, Radiate Love Resin Crafts, and more.

If you are interested in the manager position or in becoming a vendor, send inquiries to marketmanagerinalfrerd@gmail.com or call 607-270-0266.



NOTES from the BOX OF BOOKS

Mask wearing now voluntary

By MELANIE MILLER

Box of Books Library Director

On February 16, 2022, the Southern Tier Library System issued revised recommendations to its member libraries on mask requirements. Effective February 16, STLS recommended that libraries follow the path of New York state's determination on mask wearing for public schools or CDC guidance on wearing masks within indoor spaces, which ever decision comes first.

On Sunday, February 27, Governor Hochul announced that based on decreasing cases of COVID-19 and guidance from the CDC, she was lifting the mask requirements for public schools beginning Wednesday March 2.

In following with STLS's recommendations, mask wearing in the library is voluntary beginning Wednesday March 2.

We thank you for your support and understanding over the last two years as we've navigated the pandemic, and tried to provide the best and safest possible service for all members of the community.



Nutrition in a Nutshell

By MARIA BOYUK

Nutritional Therapy Practitioner and Alfred Sun Columnist

Be a Label Detective: Meat, Poultry and Eggs

I was recently discussing with a client which foods are best bought organic and how to maximize the nutrients and the budget. This can be confusing with ALL the different labels.

When it comes to your meat, poultry and eggs; "organic," "free range," "grass-fed," "hormone free," etc. are buzzwords that can make a product stand out, but don't always tell the whole story. Today we are going to ask the question: What do these labels really mean, and how do you as the consumer know the animal was raised humanely and the product is healthy?

The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) is the department of government responsible for these labels. In short, their role is in the production of meat, poultry and eggs. On the other hand, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulates all processed foods created and sold in the U.S.—and produces a nutrition facts label for all of those foods. So, what does the USDA tell us through these various labels?

1. Natural

"Natural" is a term that sounds appealing, but holds little weight in definition. It is broadly used and highly unregulated by the USDA. It describes a food that has been minimally processed and is free from synthetic dyes, preservatives, colorings, and flavorings. However, it can still include processed and highly toxic foods such as high fructose corn syrup. These animals can still be treated with antibiotics, growth hormones, and fed GMO* corn or soy. [1]

2. Free-Range Eggs

Free-range eggs are produced by hens housed in a building or area that allows for unlimited access to food, water, and the outdoors during their laying cycle. It does not specify the environment of the hen before her laying cycle or that she even went outside during her lifetime.

Oftentimes the door is small and unnoticed by the animals, and their food is inside! Most hens will choose to stay inside and eat the grain rather than the grass and grubs outside. The term does not specify the outdoor conditions--pastures are permitted to be fenced in and covered in netting.

3. Cage-Free Eggs

Cage-free is not too different from free-range. This USDA label requires eggs to be produced by hens housed in a building, room, or enclosed area that allows for unlimited access to food and water. They have the freedom to roam within the area during the laying cycle. The housing can be small

and crowded and the animals are not allowed out onto pasture.

4. Vegetarian Fed

This is a very trendy label to stick on a packet of chicken. However, to the informed consumer, this marketing ploy won't suck you in. Chickens are not meant to be vegetarian! They are designed to be omnivores. These chickens are fed fattening corn and soy...and, if it is not organic, it is definitely GMO corn and soy.

As our food industry grows, our government puts more and more regulations on the producer—but there are always loopholes. It is our job to ask good questions and do our research when we source food for ourselves and our families. When in doubt, invest in local sources of food; know your farmers and the values they uphold to proudly deliver the best product to their community.

Next time we will continue this discussion as we look at the labels "organic," "grass-fed," "grass-finished," and "pasture raised".

*A genetically modified organism (GMO) is any organism whose genetic material has been altered using genetic engineering techniques. They are primarily used because they produce a higher yield of the crop, but they are a hazard to our health. Studies are still being conducted to determine the full impact of GMOs on our health, but primarily they can mess with our genes and gene expression. The Institute of Science and Society is quoted as saying, "It is clear that genetic modification is inherently hazardous, as it invariably results in unpredictable and uncontrollable changes in the genome and the epigenome (pattern of gene expression) that impact on safety." [3]

[1]https://www.fsis.usda.gov/wps/portal/fsis/topics/food-safety-education/get-answers/food-safety-fact-sheets/food-labeling/meat-and-poultry-labeling-terms/meat-and-poultry-labeling-terms/!ut/p/a1/jZDNCslwEISfxQcI2doqepSCtFvBNRSyI6ya1kCbICyqvRaREHxp7unZb5hh6GcMsoVHmWGVmqFeX3z7hqmq0HX6PkRJ3x1CGGC-mycj3oTfr3IDVDyB2G_q_zAD--aMGD9rVxJ9kJdo90SqVFOWCUTQmZOoDgWVjtjMBX2TFLcWmL2QtiHkONG5FJIBUCa9eOIppQ2-r8IIgVVWH-OCc9swdmdEEMUJN478KHPO_C9sLKys8t4EIAMW1dofMrM/#14

[2]<https://www.ams.usda.gov/sites/default/files/media/USDA%20Grademarked%20Product%20Label%20Submission%20Checklist.pdf>

[3] <http://www.i-sis.org.uk/MON810gmMaizeImmuneSystem.ph>

If you have questions or comments for Functional Nutritional Therapy Practitioner, Maria Boyuk, contact her at thrivinghealthNY.com.



Lectures/Readings

AU Environmental Studies Speakers Series. Talks are 12:20 to 1:10 Fridays during the fall semester. Lectures in person at Roon Lecture Hall, Science Center, AU campus, or if you have zoom installed on your computer, you can use the following meeting ID: 950 0185 0295 and passcode: 097490. The same zoom address will be used for every talk.

Allegany County Bird Club. Meetings held at the Grace United 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. The club will NOT meet during the months of January and February 2021.

Baker's Bridge Historical Association. Meets 7:30 pm, third Monday of each month, Sept.-April in the Meeting House, 5971 Hamilton Hill Road, Alfred Station. All programs free, open to the public. Feb. 21-TBA; March 21-"Agnes," the WSKG documentary on the 1972 Flood; April 18-Personal Reminiscences with Agnes; May Field Trip-date TBA, Almond Dam and dish-to-share picnic after. Website: www.bakersbridge.org. For more information, contact President Jim Ninos, 607-587-9018, jninos@gmail.com. For a tour of the building contact Collections Manager, Alexandra Hoffman, (607-382-9404, ahoffman4@gmail.com).

Bergren Forum. Forums will be held at 12:10 pm Thursdays and lasting for approximately 50 minutes. Feb. 10-Jessica Domino,

"Shake and Bake: How Natural Hazards Help Us Understand Earth"; Feb. 17-Mark Lewis, Andrew Kless and students, "Alfred Students in Germany (Travel in Covid Times)"; Feb. 24-Mina Sedaghat Jou and Anton Puvirajah, "Empowering undeserved and underrepresented students through computational thinking and modeling"; March 3-Rey Jeong, "Beyond 'Screaming Yellow': Actions of Resistance and Resilience in Art"; March 10-Spring Break. March 17-Otto Muller, "Some Interesting Points About the Size, Shape and Rotation of the Earth"; March 24-Tim Ferdinands, Topic TBA; March 31-Eliza Beckwith: "The Show Must (try to) Go On; Theatre in the Time of Covid"; April 7-Mojca Kuplen, "The Aesthetics of Disgust"; April 14-Phi Beta Kappa Wit and Wisdom Competition Winner; April 21-Amanda and Sasha Khodorovskaya, Topic TBA; April 28-David Marsh, "The Chemistry of Baking." The lectures/ talks/discussions will also be recorded and made available on the Bergren Forum Youtube channel. A Zoom invitation to each forum may be obtained during the week of that forum by emailing Marilyn Saxton at saxtonmj@alfred.edu.

Nunda Historical Society. Questions: see www.nundahistory.org or call 585-476-2354 or 585-465-0971.



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The David A. Howe Library presents a special matinee screening

for Senior Citizens the fourth Tuesday of each month starting at 2:00 pm. All programs in the Nancy Howe Auditorium are suspended until further notice due to the coronavirus. Watch for further information.

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.

BEEKEEPING
Belvidere Beekeeping Club
A group is forming that will share information about beekeeping in our area. We will provide guest speakers and information about getting started beekeeping. We will share information, tips and frustrations, have suggested readings and hand outs along with yard walks. Our mission is to attract and encourage beekeepers to pass on their knowledge to others. The club meets at Angelica Ink Letterpress, 20 Allegany Avenue, Angelica, during cold months and at Belvidere Cornerstone, 5781 County Road 20, Belmont, summer months. Contact TheBelvidereCornerstone@gmail.com with questions.
BOWLING
Maple City Bowl, 7580 Seneca Road, Hornell. Check out our new Arcade Section. Visit www.maplecitybowl.net Or call 607-324-1011.

BRIDGE
Helen Bailey Bridge Club. Games start at 12:30 pm Wednesdays and 6:30 pm Thursdays in Hornell. Rides available. For more information email johnson@alfred.edu

Str8 Eight Tournament at the Terra Cotta Coffeehouse, Main St., Alfred. Tournaments held quarterly in February, May, August (the big one!) and November on the 8th

day of each month at the Terra Cotta Coffeehouse starting at 8 p.m. (unless otherwise noted). You get the idea. To learn more about the card game invented in Alfred, NY, visit: www.str8-eight.com



Alfred University Chess Club: Are you interested in playing or learning more about chess? If so, consider joining the AU Chess Club! Weekly meetings from 5-6:30 p.m. Mondays in Olin Room 309. Open to all, regardless of experience. For more information, email: laf2@alfred.edu

Special Events

Allegany Artisans OPEN STUDIO TOUR
The Allegany Artisans Studio Tour is an annual cooperative event that includes artisans of diverse styles, tastes and traditions working with clay, wood, metal, fiber, jewelry, paint, glass, paper & more! Visit artisans' studios where their creative ideas come to life. For a map, check out our our Web site. www.alleganyartisans.com

Allegany County Fair at the County Fairgrounds, Angelica, will celebrate its 177th year in 2022! For more details, visit: www.alleganycountyfair.org/

Journey to Transformation: Friday night community prayer for host, community and Allegany County churches, and beyond, are being held 7-8 p.m. Biweekly Sunday night praise and worship and prayer time, with live music, 6-8 p.m. to pray for prime county-wide concerns. Ongoing area prayer gatherings during the week available from 6:30-7:30 a.m. weekday mornings at Knights Creek Evangelical Methodist Church, 2987 County Road 9, Scio; 8-9 a.m. Wednesdays at Belfast Free Methodist Church; and 10:30-11:30 a.m. Saturdays at Powerhouse

Youth Center, 23 West Main Street, Fillmore. Further info: Pastor Dan Kenyon, Wellsville Bible Church, at wbc@ne.twcbc.com or (585) 593-6471, or most area pastors.

Support Groups

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

Al-Anon. 7pm Thursdays and Sundays at the United Presbyterian Church, 150 Main Street, Hornell. Use the side entrance

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.

Andover Celebrate Recovery, a Christian 12 Step Program meets weekly, Tuesdays at Andover Alliance Church, 5 Rochambeau Avenue, Andover, NY at 7:00 P.M. Our higher power is Jesus Christ. ANYONE haunted by a hurt, desiring to break a bad habit, or with a troublesome hang-up is welcome. God loves you as you are. However, He wants to help you change the things He knows are keeping you from the abundant life He designed for you. Alliance Church phone: 607 478 8843; email: andoveralliance@hotmail.com Website: andoveralliance.com

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

Caregivers Support Group. For info, call the Allegany Office for the

Aging, 716-268-9390 or toll-free 1-866-268-9390.

Celebrate Recovery "The Path Way to Victory" Christian 12-Steps support for all types of hurts, hang-ups, habits and struggles of life, including common addictions. 7PM Saturdays at Knights Creek Evangelical Methodist Church, 2987 Knights Creek Road (Co. Road 9), Scio. www.facebook.com/KnightsCreekChurch, or Stephanie Burnell (585) 610-5384 for information.

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.

Journey to Transformation: Ongoing area prayer gatherings during the week available from 6:30 to 7:30 a.m. Weekday mornings at Knights Creek Evangelical Methodist Church, 2987 County Road 9, Scio.

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.

PARKINSON SUPPORT GROUP Meets 2nd Saturday of each month at 10:00 am to 11:00 am at the Hornell YMCA. For more info, call Lisa at 607-382-6497.

Etcetera
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.

Deadline

Alfred Nutrition Site needs manager

ALFRED—The Alfred Nutrition Site needs a site manager in order to reopen. The site is open three days a week Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. If anyone is interested in the position, they can call Crystal Malota, Nutrition site Coordinator: at the Office for the Aging at 585-268-9390 with any questions they might have or they can go online at the Allegany Co. website under Human Resources and print the civil service application, fill it out and return it to the Office for the Aging.



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WHAT'S COOKIN'?

Allegany County Office for the Aging Meals on Wheels Menu

- Monday, March 7**

Pea & Carrot Salad
Swedish Meatballs
Buttered Noodles
Lima Beans
Quick Bran Bread
Navel Orange

Tuesday, March 8

Three Bean Salad
Chicken & Biscuits
Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy
Spiced Pears
Pineapple

Wednesday, March 9

Tossed Caesar Salad
Italian Casserole
Green Beans
WG Garlic Roll
Cinnamon Applesauce

Thursday, March 10

Apple Slices
Meatloaf w/Gravy
Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy
Corn
WG Bread
Strawberry Shortcake w/Whipped Topping

Friday, March 11

Peachy Cottage Cheese Salad
Tuna Noodle Casserole
Diced Carrots
Peas
WG Bread
Fruit Cocktail

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



Locally Made

The DIY Farmer's Wife Approach

By KRISTINA SNYDER
Alfred Sun Columnist

Do It Yourself Sour Cream

With dairy shortages becoming abundant I thought it appropriate to teach you some of our favorite simple creamery recipes at home! This week I'll start with my favorite staple...

DIY SOUR CREAM

What You Need:

•Heavy cream—This can be raw or pasteurized, but not ultra-pasteurized. Choose the best quality you can, preferably raw cream from a grass-fed animal.

•Culture of choice – If using raw cream, you don't have to add a mother culture (though you may choose to do so!) because the beneficial organisms in the cream will proliferate over time themselves, producing a cultured cream or sour cream. You definitely need to add a starter culture if using pasteurized cream because it contains no beneficial organisms to proliferate and/or protect against spoiling. Choose a mesophilic cheese culture, or plain yogurt, dairy kefir, buttermilk, store-bought sour cream with active cultures, or dairy kefir grains.

Directions:

- If using raw milk and you haven't already, skim the cream from the top.
- Pour into a mason jar.
- Culture the cream, either by letting raw cream culture spontaneously at room temperature, or by adding a starter culture of your choice to a quart of raw or pasteurized cream.
- Stir the culture in well.
- Cover the jar with a cloth napkin or paper towel, and secure with a rubber band.
- Let the cream culture, or ripen, at room temperature for about 24 to 48 hours.
- Check every 12 hours to see if it's set up or not. Peel back the top layer of cream to see if it is thick all the way through the jar. There also may be bubbles throughout the cream, showing that a fermentation has taken place.
- When it's set up to a thick cream throughout the entire jar, it's done. Cover with a regular lid and put in the refrigerator to chill it thoroughly.

If you have a household tip to share or questions for The Farmer's Wife, e-mail: Kristinamariesnyder@gmail.com or write her at: The Farmer's Wife, 1724 Randolph Road, Alfred Station, NY 14803.

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Sat. 12:00, 4:00, 8:00
Sun. 12:00, 3:45, 7:45
Wed. 1:00, 7:00
Thurs. 12:00, 3:45, 7:30

March 4-March 10
Dog (PG-13)
Fri. 12:15, 3:00, 5:45, 8:30
Sat. 12:15, 3:00, 5:45, 8:30
Sun. 12:45, 4:15, 7:15
Wed. 1:15, 7:15
Thurs. 1:15, 4:15, 7:15

March 4-March 10
Uncharted (PG-13)
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Sat. 12:30, 3:15, 6:00, 8:45
Sun. 1:00, 4:00, 7:00
Wed. 1:30, 7:30
Thurs. 1:30, 4:30, 7:30

ALLEGANY COUNTY NEWS

Swain Resort to host annual Spring Carnival March 5

SWAIN—Swain Resort is ready for the annual Spring Carnival to be held Saturday, March 5. This popular event draws in crowds from around the state to

participate in fun activities, ski and ride, enjoy live music and hang out on the deck.

While this event is not the official last weekend of skiing—

there are still plenty of days of skiing left at Swain—it's a ceremonial celebration of the season and always a wonderful time for both employees and guests.

The line up for this years events include the following:

- Frozen T-shirt contest (Be the first to untie the knot in your frozen tee and win a prize!)
- Scavenger hunt (Follow the clues and be entered to win a grand prize)
- Live Music w/Public Water

Supply and Shaky Stage

- Vendors
- Slopestyle competition - Register the morning of Spring Carnival - all ages welcome!

• Beer Tastings

• Snow painting for the kids

• ...and of course, the Dummy Downhill - build and register your dummy to participate or just watch the fun!

This year's event is sponsored in part by Snowflake Ski Shop, The Ski Company, Giro and

Armstrong. For more information, please visit www.swain.com or call 607.545.6511.

About Swain Resort

Swain Resort is the oldest continuously running independent ski resort in New York State. Swain is the #1 family-friendly skiing destination is Western NY, uniquely located on 120 wooded acres. With 35 trails, 5 lifts and 2 terrain parks, there's something for everyone to enjoy.



Slopestyle competition will be featured at Swain's Spring Carnival Saturday at the Allegany County ski resort.



Dummy Downhill - build and register your dummy to participate or just watch the fun!

Leadership Allegany reboot planned with April opening

BELMONT—Leadership Allegany is recruiting for their 11th season to begin at the end of April 2022. Area residents should consider participating or becoming a sponsor.

Leadership Allegany is a program that provides a dynamic learning environment where adult professionals who live, work or have vested interest in Allegany County grow their leadership abilities, create connections, and impact their communities. We just had finished our 10th cohort and had over 130 alumni of the program when the pandemic hit.

Key elements of this program include curriculum sessions that focus on the Social Change Model of Leadership development, industry day field experiences, and a regional single day conference that convenes professionals from across the region to share effective leadership strategies.

Two group projects related to civic engagement and industry day planning are integral elements of the program as well as the development of a personal leadership development plan. Finally, an opening day retreat and graduation bookend this 10-month leadership experience.

The program begins the last Thursday of April and meets every month 8:30 a.m.-12 noon on the first and third Thursday of each month. Graduation takes place in late January. The program costs \$600 if application is received and approved prior to April 1. It is \$750 afterwards. Employers often cover the cost for their employees, but there are scholarships available if that is not an option for some participants.

Additional information and the link to apply can be found on the website at <https://www.leadershipallegany.org/>. You can also reach out to co-chairs, Phyllis Gaerte of Houghton College (phyllis.gaerte@houghton.edu) or Jonathan Hilsher of Alfred State College (HilsheJC@alfredstate.edu), for additional insight on the program.

HELP WANTED

Alfred-Almond Central School, a highly successful, progressive district, seeks NYS certified and qualified individual for the following anticipated immediate opening.

(1) Foreign Language Teacher- certification in Spanish
Long-term substitute will be considered

All candidates are encouraged to apply by March 4, 2022 or until filled.

All applications must be completed electronically by accessing the district web site at www.aacapps.com and using the Employment Information link.



IN LIKE A LION?

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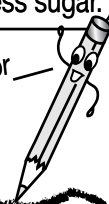
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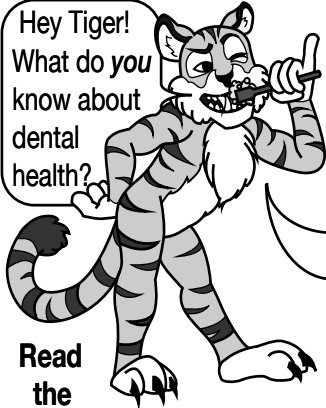
...are less sticky and have less sugar.



Kids: color stuff in!



Hey Tiger!
What do you
know about
dental
health?



Read the clues to fill in the puzzle:

Brushing Up On Teeth!

I'm "brushing" up on teeth with all of my new puzzles. My biggest tip for you is to visit your favorite dentist's office twice a year to have your teeth cleaned and checked! Meanwhile, you can "sink your teeth" into my dental puzzles below.

1. "eating away" of teeth by acids, causing a cavity
2. tool used to remove tooth decay to prepare for a filling
3. flat grinding tooth in the back of the mouth
4. waxed, silky string used to clean between teeth
5. way for dentist to take a picture inside teeth; behind gums
6. the part of the tooth seen inside the mouth
7. sharp front teeth – four on top, four on bottom, used for tearing
8. gel or paste used with toothbrush to clean teeth
9. material used to repair a tooth that has decay
10. mineral treatment that repairs tooth enamel
11. sticky buildup on teeth, harbors bacteria and helps it grow
12. clean teeth twice a day using this
13. little hole in a tooth (due to bacteria)
14. rows of hard, bony, white structures in mouth; grind, bite
15. tool for correcting crooked teeth
16. doctor who specializes in the care of human teeth
17. thin outer covering that protects teeth
18. person who cleans and checks teeth

Flossing takes a few minutes to do, but it keeps your gums healthy.



toothpaste

enamel

toothbrush

x-ray

floss

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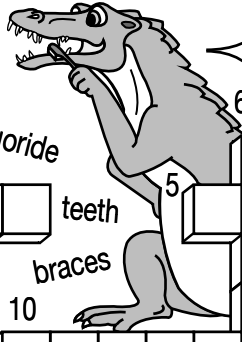
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fluoride

teeth

braces

plaque



So many teeth, so little time, but I'll get it done!

Choosing Snacks and Treats

We all need a snack to keep our energy up between meals. Here are a few ideas for healthy treats. Snacks that are less sticky and have less sugar are better for your teeth.

Fill in the blanks below with vowels to spell out good treats:

My teeth are in "ship-sharp" shape!

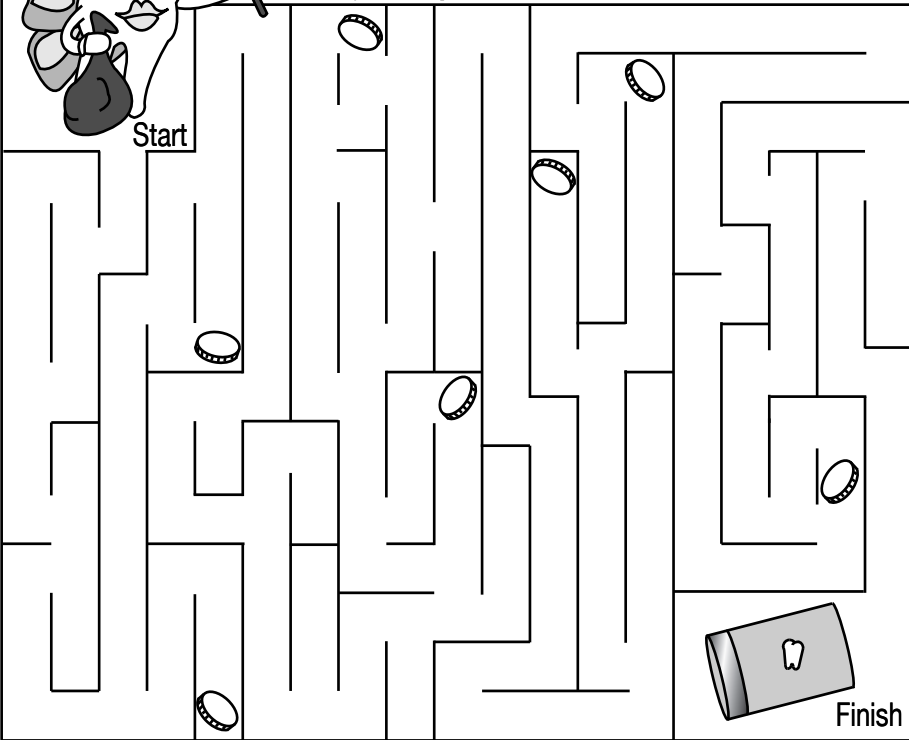
1. fresh fr ___ ts apples, grapes
2. p ___ pc ___ rn or rice cakes
3. v ___ g ___ t ___ bl ___ sticks – carrots, celery
4. n ___ ts and s ___ ds
5. m ___ lk instead of soda
6. ch ___ s ___ cubes



The Tooth Fairy needs to pick up coins to put under the pillow when she picks up the tooth. Can you help her?



Start



Finish

Grin and 'Bear' It!

Bears have great teeth! You can, too, if you brush after meals and floss daily.

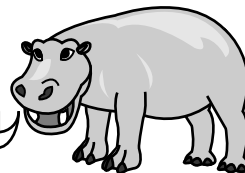


I'm called a sperm whale. I'm a toothed whale. Most animals have teeth to catch or chew food. Some use their teeth as a tool or for fighting – or even for grooming.

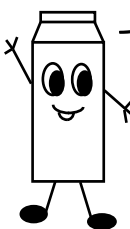
Match up the description of the teeth to the animal that has them:

1. has very long teeth on top and bottom; they are sharp and strong, can cut down trees
 2. do not have teeth, but the size and shape of their bills are suited to what they eat and where they get it
 3. has no upper front teeth; there is a thick pad there instead; it grabs leaves with its tongue and cuts them off with its front lower teeth and swallows them
 4. has strong, broad, flat teeth like chisels to chew grass
 5. uses two special teeth called fangs to poison prey or enemies
- A. birds
B. giraffe
C. beaver
D. rattlesnake
E. horse

Look at my pearly whites!



Tooth-Building Foods!



Circle these foods that have calcium:

Milk has calcium that builds strong bones and teeth, but other foods have it, too!

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|----------------|----------|
| sesame seeds | cheese |
| collard greens | sardines |
| pudding | almonds |
| cottage cheese | kale |
| ice cream | tofu |
| molasses | milk |
| oranges | salmon |
| oatmeal | beans |
| corn tortillas | broccoli |
| sweet potatoes | yogurt |



FUN IN THE SUN
Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps

WOW, IT IS REALLY COLD THIS MORNING.

THIS IS INTOLERABLE. I CAN'T STOP SHIVERING!

HMM, I GUESS THAT WOULD MAKE YOU A "MILKSHAKE."

HILARIOUS... I GUESS THAT MAKES YOU A "COLD CUT."

R.F.D. by Mike Marland

SHOULD PROBL'Y GO UP THERE AND SHOVEL THAT DARN SNOW OFF THE ROOF.

SHOULD PROBL'Y GO SEE IF I CAN TALK MY BROTHER INTO DOIN' IT FOR \$25.

The Spats by Jeff Pickering

I JUST SOLD OUR VACUUM CLEANER.

WHY?

IT WAS ONLY GATHERING DUST.

Out on a Limb by Gary Kopervas

ANOTHER BIRTHDAY... ANOTHER YEAR OLDER... I'M STARTING TO FEEL PRETTY ANCIENT.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, DAD!! WE GOT YOU A COOL NEW WATCH!!!

IT'S A FOSSIL.

SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Hole
ARRECT

Annul
CINDERS

Assign
FREER

Regard
ETONIC

"I'm losing weight, but I'm so cranky
I'm also losing _____."

TODAY'S WORD

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Weekly SUDOKU by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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King Crossword

ACROSS

1 Offend
5 Vegas lead-in
8 Biting remark
12 Jacob's twin
13 Antlered animal
14 Latin love
15 Printout
17 Earring site
18 Roscoe
19 More slothful
21 Filled fully
24 — colada
25 Cupid's alias
26 Street vendor's vehicle
30 Sawbuck
31 Attorney's load
32 Bee follower
33 Barber's offerings
35 Panache
36 Aachen article
37 Utter impulsively
38 Architectural style
41 Hero sandwich
42 Actress Perlman
43 Ski lodge cupful
48 "A Room of — Own"
49 Prior night
50 Not so hot?

DOWN

1 "I'm not impressed"
2 "This — recording"
3 Distant
4 Fakes, as figures
5 Author Uris
6 Jungfrau, for one
7 Urban silhouettes
8 French novelist
9 Mine, to Marcel
10 Judicial garb
11 Rabbit's title
16 Cow's chaw
20 &&&&
21 Actor Rogen
22 Location
23 Singer Braxton
24 Stickum
26 Hindquarters
27 Rights advocacy org.
28 Bring up
29 Bivouac shelter
31 Roman
34 Go over again
35 Macaroni shapes
37 Tampa Bay NFLer
38 Pirate's drink
39 "It can't be!"
40 Golf props
41 Dance move
44 Eggs
45 Cornfield noise
46 Mouths (Lat.)
47 Music booster

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CryptoQuote

AXYDLBAAXR is LONGFELLOW

One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each week the code letters are different.

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QFIKT YW GSK HVWM TAW GSFV
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ALLEGANY COUNTY NEWS

Cornell Cooperative Extension 'Trailer' workshop March 16

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Whether transporting a horse down the road or across the country, one should know and do a number of things to make the trip safe and rewarding.

Register now for this online training with CDL instructor, Roy Gay of Royal Enterprises. Trouble free travel starts with good planning. This workshop will cover proper selection and maintenance of vehicles; routine safety checks and skilled horse-traveling techniques to minimize the risks and keep precious cargo-horse and human alike-happy, healthy and comfortable on the next adventure.

In addition, regulations for

CDL or an ELD (Electronic Logging Device) will be discussed; and understanding whether a truck is the right one for the job and the gross combination weight rating meets the criteria. Registrants will receive a Zoom link and handout materials.

Cost is \$35.00 per farm, registration is capped at 35, with registrations due by March 15. For more information, please contact Lynn Bliven at 585-268-7644 ext.18 or email lao3@cornell.edu. To register online: https://reg.cce.cornell.edu/Trailer_Horses_202

The Trailer for Show and Pleasure is one of many programs offered by Cornell Cooperative Extension Allegany County. The association is part of the national cooperative ex-

tension system, an educational partnership between County, State, and Federal governments. As New York's land grant uni-

versity Cornell administers the system in this state. For more information, call 525-268-7644 or visit www.cce.cornell.edu/allegany.

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County, IDA applying for CDBG funds for local needs

BELMONT—Allegany County is partnering with the Allegany County Industrial Development Agency to apply for another round of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds through the CARES Act and needs input from our local business community.

Have you been negatively affected by the COVID-19 pandemic? What would you do with money to prevent further losses (expand outdoor spaces, purchase touchless equipment, cover payroll expenses, etc.)? Tell us about it!

If you are a small business owner, please take a few moments to fill out this survey – the data received will be used in a grant application to assess the local need, and to show how the money could be utilized to assist our businesses. Hurry! The survey is only open until March 18, 2022. The survey can be accessed online at: <https://forms.gle/oDAWxQK49qmYNjSQ7>

We appreciate your assistance in gathering the information we need to complete the grant application. Details of the program will be made available if the grant is awarded to Allegany County and the IDA. Please reach out to Craig Clark with questions at clarkcr@alleganyco.com or by phone at 585-268-7445. #

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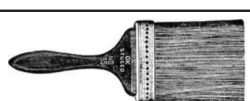
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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)
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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)
STOCKHOLM VH2, LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 2/17/22. Office in Allegany Co. SSNY design. Agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 78 Beaver St #135 Brooklyn, NY 11206. Purpose: Any lawful activity. 9-6b

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AMENDED NOTICE OF HEARING

Shelly Ann Pendergrass, mother and natural guardian of Spencer Michael Gray, a minor child, Plaintiff vs. Nicholas John Shay, Nathan Michael Mullen, a minor, Trevor Mullen, Rebecca H. Mullen, Brandi Mullen, Scott Mullen and John Doe, representing unknown biological children of the deceased, Scott W. Mullen, Defendants.

To: The Defendants, Nicholas John Shay, Nathan Michael Mullen, a minor, Trevor Mullen, Rebecca H. Mullen, Brandi Mullen, Scott Mullen and John Doe, representing unknown biological children of the deceased, Scott W. Mullen. YOU WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a hearing has been scheduled in the above matter for **March 11, 2022 at 10:30 AM**. The hearing will be held in the Lexington County Probate Court at 203 E. Main Street, Room 134, Lexington, SC 29072 in the Probate courtroom. The object and prayer of which is to determine whether Scott W. Mullen, deceased, is the biological father of Spencer Michael Gray, a minor child born to Plaintiff on 02-04-2015. Allen, Gantt & Best s/Jame M. Best, III Post Office Box 9507 Columbia, SC 29290-0507 (803) 776-8380 Office; (803) 776-2988 Fax agblawoffice@yahoo.com Columbia, South Carolina February 14, 2022 8-2b

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Allegany County Department of Public Works will receive sealed bids until 10:00 a.m., March 17, 2022. At that time bids will be opened in room 221, County Office Building, Belmont, New York on the following items:

1. Asphalt Concrete – FOB
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The Allegany County Department of Public Works reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to accept the bid it determines to be in the best interest of Allegany County.

Upon mutual agreement of the parties, Allegany County reserves the right to renew the contract (s) awarded as a result of this bid for an additional one (1) year prior by resolution of the Public Works Committee of the Allegany County Board of Legislators in accordance with the specifications and NYS GML 103 and 104b.

Justin D. Henry,
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Allegany County
Department of Public Works
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The Alfred Sun 75, 55, 35, 25, and 10 Years Ago

Compiled By DAVID L. SNYDER

Alfred Sun Editor and Publisher

75 Years Ago, March 6, 1947

43 new students have registered for the second semester at the University according to Registrar C.M. Potter. Nine students are in the School of American Craftsmen, 10 registered in the College of Ceramics, 23 in liberal arts and 1 in the School of Theology. Total enrollment for the College of Ceramics and Liberal Arts and Ag-Tech Institute is around 1400—an all-time high.

Pastor Everett T. Harris preached at the Hebron, PA church Sabbath Day. In his absence, the church services were conducted and reports of the 24th N.Y.S. Christian Youth Conference were given by boys who attended: Willard Sutton, Stanley Harris, Warren Truman, Leland Langworthy and Theodore Gardiner.

Bill Short, a progressive young farmer of Transit Bridge has developed an ingenious device using war surplus material that promises to revolutionize the unpleasant, back-breaking chore of spreading lime. The implement can attain 40 MPH with a full load...

Mr. and Mrs. Judson Stearns were host to the young adult group, Alfred Station Fellowship, on Thursday evening. Twenty-four people were in attendance.

The Alfred Grange will hold the next meeting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Perkins on March 11...

From Tampa, FL, Alfred University students have won their own battle against inflation, while most of the 1500 students were home on vacation, two of the public eateries in town doubled the price of coffee, raising it to 10 cents a cup. After two weeks of passive resistance the students prevailed and coffee at 5 cents a cup is once again standard price...

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Armstrong, Mrs. Luella Straight, Mr. and Mrs. Dighton G. Burdick and Alan, Eleanor, and Roberta Armstrong were guests Saturday of Rev. and Mrs. Glenn Bucher of Hornell.

Mrs. D.S. Burdick had the misfortune to fall last Friday and fraxtured her shoulder.

Mrs. W. Varick Nevins is a patient at the Brooklyn Ear, Eye, Nose and Throat Hospital in Brooklyn, where she underwent a successful ear operation last Wednesday.

55 Years Ago, March 2, 1967

Ten boys received their Bobcat awards at the monthly meeting of Almond's Pack 26, Tuesday at the Almond Union of Churches. They were: Michael Barney, Michael Brizzee, David Gillette, Andrew Haskins, Douglas Haskins, Stephen Lindeman, Douglas Mullen, Curtis Thurber, Daniel Smith, and Thomas Stuart. Cubmaster Karl Grantier made the presentation...

Max L. Cook, 53, of Alfred Station, was found dead on the shoulder of the Alfred-Alfred Station road near the Squirrel's Nest Motel, Tuesday morning, Feb. 28. Dr. Robert G. Eisenhardt, Allegany County coroner issued a certificate of death by natural causes. Survivors include one son, Ronald Cook of Andover; his mother, Mrs. Josie Cook of Alfred Station; one brother, Gifford Cook, also of Alfred Station...

Alfredians—Mr. and Mrs. John W. Jacox are expected to arrive home from Houston, Texas, today... Peter Randolph of the U. of R. plans to spend that weekend at his home here... Dr. Paul Saunders spent last week giving liquid nitrogen demonstrations at Jamestown High School, Jamestown Option Club, Chautauqua, Mayville and Frewsburg High Schools. While away, Dr. and Mrs. Saunders were overnight guests of Dr. and Mrs. Malcolm Crump at Springville... Robert Love was in Poughkeepsie on business for the State College... Rev. and Mrs. Glenn E. Bucher of Wellsville were callers of Mrs. R.A. Armstrong, Monday...

The Alfred-Almond swimming team ended its season on a mixed note of success and failure. They split their last two dual meets, beating Naples 50-45 and then falling victim to Hornell by a score of 58-37... Especially notable efforts were contributed by Bill Schwartz in the 100 yard backstroke, Terry Fraser in the 100 freestyle and Duncan Gray, who won the individual medley and the 100 butterfly...

Campfire Girls—Last week we had a Valentines Party. JoAnne Phillipson, Sheila Canale and Vaune Trautlein brought cookies and Lisa Smith and Laurie Higgins brought the drink. Games were also played. The two people who prepared them were Sandy Snyder and

Lisa Sheppard. The Valentine box was furnished by Carolyn Williams and Amy Tuttle. All the girls exchanged Valentines. This week we arranged beads on our Camp Fire vest, and decided where our symbols should go. Scribe Lisa Sheppard.

Mrs. Jean Collin, who is known to thousands of Alfred University alumni, ranging from classmates in the World War I years to recent graduates, has retired from full-time service as Assistant Director of the Alumni Program. Mrs. Collin remains active, however, on a part-time basis in the business which she insists "grows on you."

35 Years Ago, February 26, 1987

Governor Mario M. Cuomo recently proposed legislation that will increase the opportunity for students to vote in their college communities. "The most important civic privilege we have in our democratic system is the chance to vote," Cuomo said...

(Photo) Alfred-Almond Cub Scout Pack 26 Scouting Coordinator Max Muhleisen presents a plaque to Almond Lions Club President Chuck Fox in recognition of the Lions' sponsorship of the Cub Scout pack. The award was presented at the annual Blue and Gold Banquet at the Almond Municipal Building recently.

(Photo) SIGNING THE LEASE—Alfred University Vice-President for Business and Finance Peter Fackler and Alfred Town Supervisor Don Higgins sign a 20-year lease of the Box of Books for use as the town's library, at an annual cost of \$1. Town Councilwoman Barbara Bernstein, Library Board Co-President Kathy Kerns and Librarian Martha Jordan look on.

Alfredians—Amanda Oglesbee, art instructor at Wellsville High School and her father, William Parry, Professor of sculpture at Alfred University, are exhibiting their works at the David A. Howe Library in Wellsville March 2-13... Dawn Burdick of Alfred Station has been named to the dean's list of the State University of New York at Cortland for the fall of 1986 semester. She is a mathematics major... Frank E. Lobaugh, Sr. (AU '20) died Tuesday, Feb. 24, 1987 at the Rochester Friendly Home in Rochester, NY. He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth Randolph Davis Lobaugh, a son, Frank Jr. (AU '50), a daughter Nancy Double (AU '53), two grandchildren, also AU graduates; one great grandchild and a sister. Internment will be in Alfred Rural Cemetery. (Mrs. Lobaugh is the daughter of past AU President Boothe C. Davis (1898-1933))... David and Frances Clarke were guests of their son, Douglas in Myrtle Beach, SC. Feb. 18-25. They spent time touring Brookgreen Sculpture garden and walking on the beach. Doug hosted a shrimp and oyster feast for friends and his parents. They visited Mary Jane and Richard Phillips where they saw "Doc" Parish. "Doc" wished to be remembered to his many Alfred friends... A man knows he has hit middle age when he asks for slippers for his birthday...

25 Years Ago, February 27, 1997

High winds Saturday morning, clocked in some places up to 80 miles per hour, toppled the steeple of the Almond Union of Churches on Main Street in Almond. Fortunately, a cable left the steeple dangling, preventing it from tumbling to the ground. It was secured by a rope, then was removed Tuesday.

The recent purchase of the former Butler-Larkin Building—just off Brooklyn Avenue—by the Educational Foundation of Alfred, Inc. will enhance Alfred State College's electrical/electronics offerings at its Vocational Technology Campus. The Educational Foundation, which owns all 20-plus buildings on the Vocational Technology Campus, currently leases these holdings to the State University of New York for use as part of the Alfred State facilities. The Butler-Larkin purchase offers "14,000 square feet of opportunity," said Douglas J. Barber, president of the Educational Foundation. "The purchase is consistent with the Educational Foundation's commitment to support Alfred State College through property acquisition and property management, he added. The property was purchased from T.C. Baker, Ltd., Wellsville...

(Photo) Alfred State College administrators look over plans for renovating the Butler-Larkin Building, which was recently purchased by the Educational Foundation of Alfred, Inc. for use by the college's Vocational Technology Campus. Looking over the blueprints drawn up by architect Donald Rietz of Wellsville are Douglas

J. Barber, president of the Educational Foundation; Craig Clark, dean of Vocational Technology; and Alfred State President Dr. William D. Rezak.

(Photo) Warda Mauro of Santa Ana, California has recently met three Alfred University related people as a result of her "I Love Alfred, NY" bumper stickers on her two cars.


Katherine C. Crandall of Reynolds Street, Alfred, has been named to the Dean's List for the fall semester at Nazareth College in Rochester. The daughter of Steve and Pat Crandall of Alfred, she is a 1996 graduate of Alfred-Almond Central School...

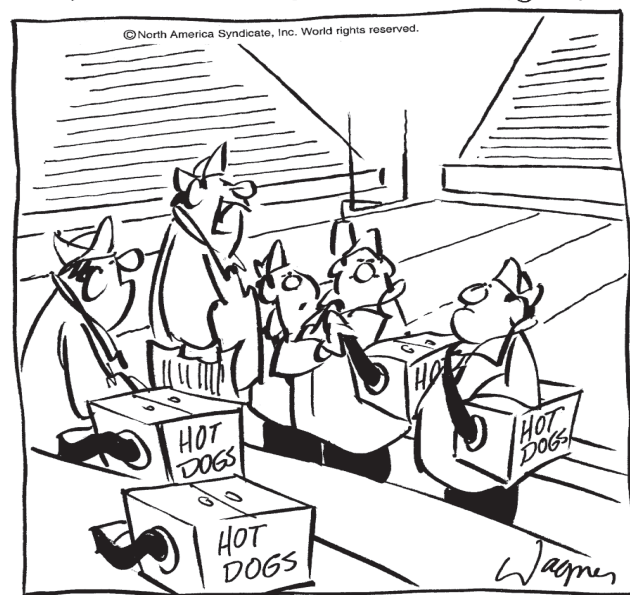
10 Years Ago, March 1, 2012

A 2002 Alfred University grad plays several roles in The Society of the Educational Arts' hit production of "DC-7, The Roberto Clemente Story," now in a limited Off Broadway engagement. The show that started Feb. 14 and runs through April 8, following a sold-out run last Fall in Lower Manhattan, features AU grad Omar Perez. Many at Alfred University will remember Perez and his sidekick Shaminda Amarakoon who starred in their own production, "The Journey." Perez was a last minute replacement in DC-7. *The Alfred Sun* caught up with him recently during a Facebook moment. **SUN:** So tell us about your role in The Roberto Clemente Story. **OP:** It's actually roles. I play a few different roles. My track in this play has a little bit of everything. I am hired as a dancer singer and actor. **SUN:** Hey, you can do it all... just like you did at AU! **OP:** I play Howie Haak who scouted Roberto when he was in Montreal, a reporter who interviews Roberto, a cop who has a run in with him, a singer in a sort of fantasy moment, and a neighbor during his early days in Puerto Rico. It's exhausting to say the least, but very fun. I'm just lucky I don't have to also make classes now!...

Francis Leadley "Frank" Trice, 74, passed away Tuesday (Feb. 21, 2012) at Highland Hospital in Rochester following a brief illness. Dr. Trice was born on Dec. 17, 1937 in St. Petersburg, Fla. to Leadley Daggs and Frances Nedda (Wood) Trice. He was a 1955 graduate of St. Petersburg High School. He earned a Bachelor of Arts at Florida State University, the Master of Arts from the University of Rochester and his PhD from Syracuse University. On Aug. 19, 1978, he married Mary Ann Wright, who survives. Frank devoted his career to higher education. In 1968 he joined the faculty of Alfred University, where he taught Spanish. In the mid 1970's he was promoted to Associate Professor, and then became Chairman of the Department of Modern Languages. In 1983, he was awarded full professor status, and held that position until his retirement in 1999.

An Opening Reception for Fred Beckhorn's new exhibition, "Natural Forms," at the Artist Knot Gallery in Andover will be held at 6 p.m. Friday, March 2. This catered event will feature live music and provide an opportunity to meet the artist. Beckhorn's work explores the natural design and graceful curves of twisted branches and roots, as well as the amazing grain and color of impeccably finished interior wood...

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Alfred Area Church Directory

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We all face challenges...

Dr. GLENN MOLLETTE

Everyone will face insurmountable challenges in life. The price of longevity is heartache, opposition, failures, grief and life events that come out of nowhere. Life is filled with the death of loved ones, financial ups and downs, daily health challenges and world events that impact us whether we like them or not.

Russia has invaded Ukraine. Most of us don't like Russia anyway but we have to sit here and watch what they are doing to someone else while it negatively affects our energy, financial stability, our military, and our everyday lives. We don't like it; we don't want it but we will be impacted by the evil decisions of Russia's leadership. Can you imagine how the people of Ukraine feel?

We despise what Covid-19 has done to all us. Mask wearing, vaccinations and the fear of gathering have tormented us. The loss of family and friends who went into Intensive Care Units and never came home haunts us. Can we begin to imagine how they felt as they struggled to breathe on respirators their last few days of life?

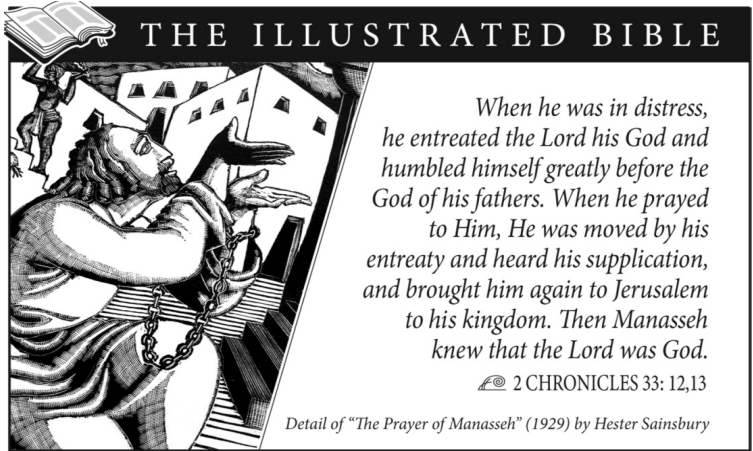
We have all faced news that a loved one was killed on the bat-

tlefield, or someone died suddenly of a heart attack, or received news of terminal cancer.

Typically, we ask why? We ask God, "Why has this happened?" or "Why me, God?" Often there is rarely a good answer. We can analyze and say, "This could have been prevented. Or, this is how he or she should have lived their lives." Sports fans making suggestions from their recliners while watching reruns always see how the play could have been run better. Life is always in motion. We make decisions. We react to situations differently. We don't always do the right thing and emotions often overturn commonsense.

The reality is that we all face and walk through fires. Most of the time we're hopeful that everything will work out alright. Often, things do. Unfortunately, everything doesn't always work out alright. If we manage to survive, that's when we have to help others who are crushed in spirit, who can't see the light of day for the darkness in their lives.

Ukraine needs their allies or they will never be the same. It can't be all the United States. We can't save everyone and have proved it over and again



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from Afghanistan to Iraq to Vietnam.

There are always those around you who need your emotional and spiritual support. If nothing else, friendship and a word of kindness and support are always meaningful.

Most of the time, we feel as if we face our greatest challenges alone. A lonely place of desperation is a dark place to be.

Don't ever go there. Look to God. When money, friends, education, hospitals, doctors and the church can't fix what you are facing, God can see you through. He never leaves us or forsakes us. His hand is strong and nothing can pull us out of his mighty hand.

BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Malachi in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. How many times was Naaman dipped into the Jordan River when healed of leprosy? 1, 2, 4, 7
3. In the new creation, the wolf shall feed with the ... ? Children, Fishes, Lamb, Ox
4. Which prophet referred to hell the most often? Amos, Jonah, Habakkuk, Isaiah
5. What did Noah begin to be after the flood? Husbandman, Shepherd, Carpenter, Teacher
6. 1 Peter 5 compares Satan to what animal? Serpent, Roaring lion, Beheaded calf, Horse

ANSWERS: 1) Old; 2) 7; 3) Lamb; 4) Isaiah; 5) Husbandman; 6) Roaring lion

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Everyone loves a parade!

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Dear Mom, Dad, Grandpa and Grandma:

Here's a chance for you to show off the pride and joy of your family. The Alfred Sun will publish its annual ever-popular "Easter

Parade of Little People" on Thursday, April 14, 2022.

All-age youngsters are eligible. Bring in or send or e-mail pictures to the ALFRED SUN by Saturday, April 9. No matter where you live, a picture of your Little Person will be accepted. The charges listed below will help cover costs of processing your photo(s) and printing.

Wallet size pictures are preferable to large portrait size pictures. Both color and black and white photos are acceptable. It is best if there is only one child per photo. However, all photos will be accepted.

Digital Photos may also be e-mailed to: alfredsun.news@gmail.com with "Parade" in the Subject Line.

Fill out the coupon below to insure that your youngster is included in the Parade of Little People in the April 18 issue. Print the child's name on an edge on the back of the picture. For multiple submissions, the form below can be duplicated.

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Easter Parade of Little People

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COLLEGE NEWS

Report reveals Alfred State students see high return on investment

ALFRED—Alfred State College (ASC) students are seeing a high return on investment (ROI) according to a recent report by Georgetown University’s Center on Education and the Workforce. In Western New York, Alfred

State is No. 1 for money earned in the first ten years of a career versus how much was invested for the education. This is among all 32 private or public colleges and universities in the region. “Many students and parents

are taking a closer look these days at how wise of an investment it is when going to college,” said Vice President of Enrollment Management Betsy Penrose. “This study evaluates return on investment (ROI) in several ways and when looking at how quickly Alfred State graduates earn their money back, then clearly becoming an Alfred State Pioneer is a wise choice. According to the research, our students invested well in a high-quality education with a significant long-term financial payoff.”

Titled “A First Try at ROI: Ranking 4,500 Colleges,” the report uses data from the expanded College Scorecard to rank 4,500 colleges and universities. The College Scorecard is an online tool created by the US government to help students make informed decisions about their education options after high school. Read the whole report.

For the Net Present Value (NPV) in ten years, the report shows Alfred State earned the top spot among all public and private Western New York colleges and universities with un-

dergraduate enrollment greater than 500 students. The net present value is how much a sum of money in the future is valued today. This metric subtracts education costs while adding future earnings from your career over the period of time.

Alfred State has a Net Present Value in ten years of \$206,000. Compared to all SUNY schools outside of the New York City area where salaries are higher, Alfred State is No. 1 on this ROI within ten years. While national attention focuses on the problem of student debt that eats up too much of a graduate’s salary, the numbers show ASC has an af-

fordable solution that really pays off.

The Georgetown University report shows a Net Present Value over 40 years of \$1,111,000 for Alfred State graduates. These alumni have ASC to thank for their career skills through hands-on learning and the personal attention by faculty.

“This report coupled with our continued high rankings in the annual US News & World Report Best Colleges list and our 98% employment and continuing education rate demonstrate that an Alfred State education is not only affordable but of high quality.”



Instruction in Alfred State College Micro-Nano Lab.



MATTERS of Finance

By **MATHEW S. HILL, CFP®**
Financial Advisor
Filling A Retirement Savings Gap

Are you on track to achieve your retirement savings goals? It’s important to establish a target savings amount and regularly make retirement plan contributions. It’s also vital to regularly check your progress so you know if you are on the right track. Should you determine that you are falling behind on your savings goals, it’s time to try to rectify the situation.

Any or all of the following solutions can help you overcome a retirement savings gap:

#1 – Boost your savings

The first option to make up for a retirement shortfall is to boost your savings. For example, if you set aside \$200 more per month in your retirement accounts, that could add up to more than \$63,000 in 15 years (assuming a 7% average annual return before fees and taxes). Find that money by reducing current living costs, particularly discretionary expenses. You may want to refinance your mortgage to reduce house payments or transfer balances on high interest credit cards to lower your monthly payouts. Be sure to take full advantage of an employer’s matching contribution to a workplace retirement plan if you have access to one.

#2 – Upgrade your investments

For most people, time is on their side when investing retirement assets. This provides flexibility to invest your money in a way that can generate a competitive return because you have time to overcome short-term market fluctuations. If your savings isn’t generating the return you expected, you may want to reassess your holdings and seek out a combination of investments that have the potential to earn a higher return within your tolerance for risk.

#3 – Move your retirement date

You can choose to take more time to meet your retirement savings goal. That might mean working longer than you initially expected and continuing to set money aside to close the savings gap. If you planned to retire in your 60s or earlier, you should have some room to maneuver. Assuming you are in good health, adding a year or two of work may be feasible.

#4 – Adjust your retirement expectations

If you are too close to retirement to make a significant dent in your retirement savings gap, you may need to adjust lifestyle expectations when you are done working. Take a closer look at your retirement income needs and determine where you can cut back on discretionary expenses in the years to come.

Look for help

Even if retirement is a long way off, you want to stay on top of your progress and make sure you are taking all of the steps you can to make your goals a reality. Talk to a financial advisor to help you assess where you stand and what you can do to avoid or erase a savings gap.

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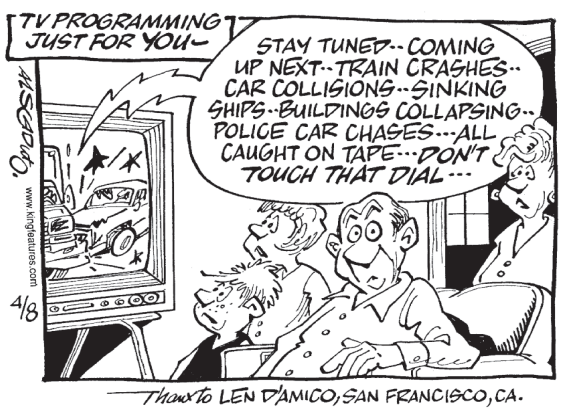
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Pandemic Escapes

In the heart of Africa—Bush people and fish eagles, desert and delta

By ALAN LITTELL
Alfred Sun Contributing Writer
 Photos: Caroline Littell

We fly southwest from the Chobe River and a pinpoint on the map called Kasane. We fly a few thousand feet above a plateau of scrub and sand. This is Botswana, a landlocked country bigger than Spain: remote, unspoiled, southern Africa's largest great game frontier. It is Africa as it used to be, a largely uninhabited wilderness offering scant protection from the searing wind and sun.

The vast Kalahari Desert makes up most of its area. The rains, when they come, if they come, fall between November and March, nourishing a mantle of vegetation. For the rest of the year the region is dry and barren; so dry that natives use a single word, *pula*, to mean both money and rain. Predators like lion and leopard abound, but they obtain much of their moisture from their prey.

Now as we fly across the Kalahari's northern reaches, the air temperature is 95. Pockets of heat buffet the plane, a single-engine Cessna.

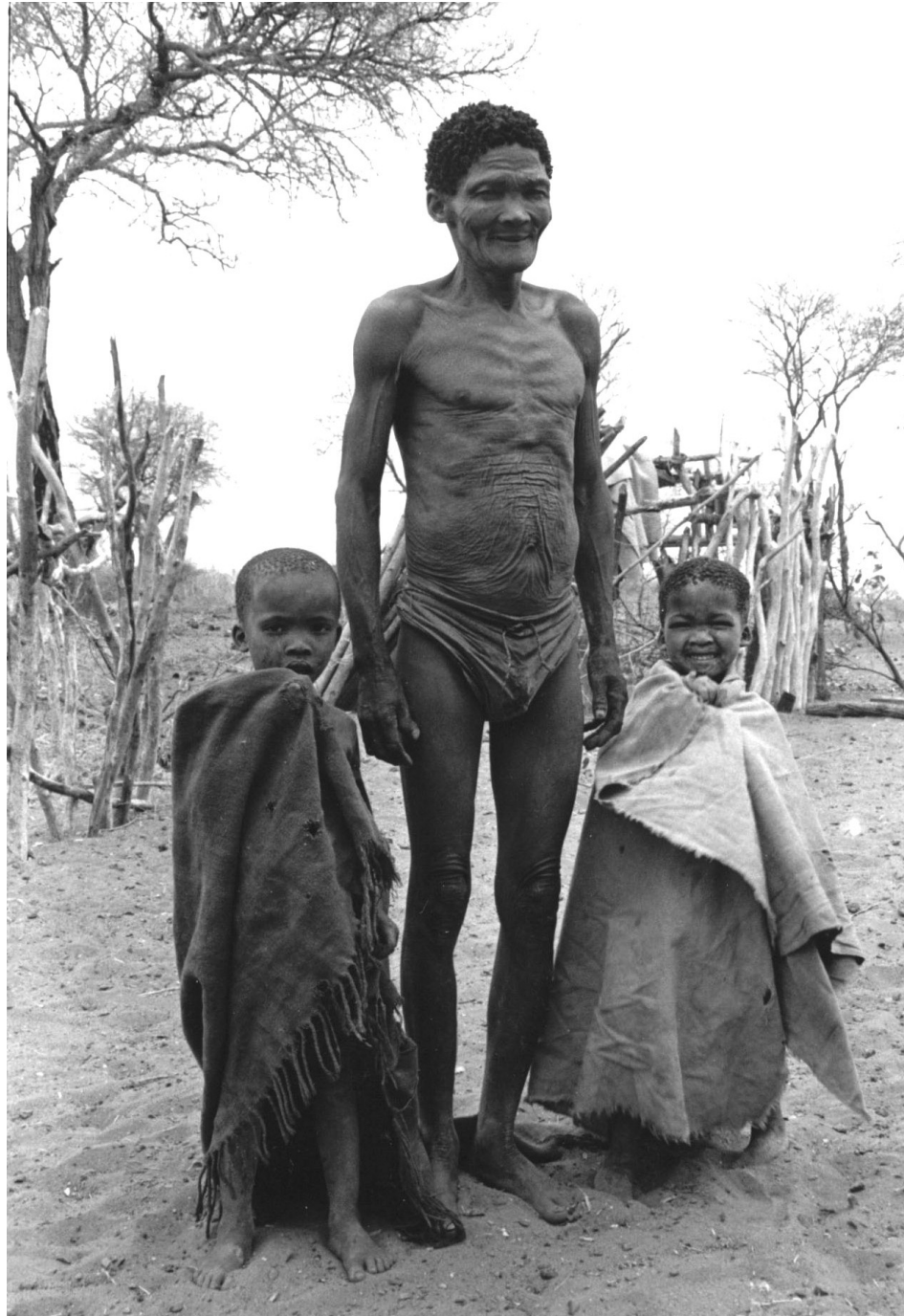
Our young South African bush-pilot taps his magnetic compass, once, twice; he has no other navigational aid. Beneath us appear the tracks of animal migration routes. They meander from one half-dry water hole to another, shallow depressions that seem to stare unblinking like the dead gray eyes of beached fish.

Suddenly the pilot points ahead. "The Okavango Delta," he says. "We'll land in a couple of minutes." The sky is milky with dust. But through it we can make out an extraordinary sight: the rich green grasses of a spreading plain.

We fly into a gently rolling landscape of sage-green marshes dotted with whitish mineral pans that look like sand traps in the rough of a golf course. Soon our plane swoops low over the reed-and-thatch huts of our destination, a camp called Xaxaba, and jounces onto a dirt airstrip, kicking up plumes of grit.

The Okavango River rises far to the west. It flows a thousand miles from the Angolan highlands into northern Botswana, where it fans out across a 6,000-square-mile basin before evaporating without a trace in the Kalahari sands.

The delta is a lost Eden, an oasis of lagoons and islands and rushing rivulets. Xaxaba camp—the x's should be clicked with the tongue and palate, but *Kakaba* is as close as we can get to it—lies along the



Nomadic Bushman and children.

banks of a wide lagoon. It is a nature lover's paradise.

Shaded by palms and giant ebonies, the compound has accommodations for 20 people in 10 cabins of split papyrus. Each has a private bath, mosquito netting, unglazed windows laced with wire-mesh.

The only way into or out of the camp is by light aircraft, and then in daytime. At night Xaxaba's sole contact with the outside world is by radio.

We awake at first light to a frenzy of sound: the bark of baboons, the agitated chatter of vervet monkeys. We hear the flutelike notes of a black-collared barbet and the curious metallic ping of a black-smith's plover.

Travel here is by dugout canoes called *makorros*. We are away as the sun rises, floating through a miracle of shade and water, glittering channels edged with papyrus and lily pads. Herons wade in the shallows. White-hooded fish eagles whistle and soar from their nests.

Fish, our boatman, poles easily. The air is cool and damp. Sunlight flashes from the water. It is an enchanting time. The round-bottomed boat murmurs as it glides through the reeds. We land on an island and trek single file into a dappled savanna.

Richard Randall, Xaxaba's Cairo-born, Zimbabwe-bred field naturalist, heads the column. In whispered English, French and the Zulu-based lingua franca of southern Africa, he alerts our party, including the *makorro* polers, to a nearby gaggle of yellow-billed storks.

The island teems with game and bird

life. A pink blur of carmine bee-eaters whirls overhead. A reedduck scampers off on our right. In a sunny glade of twisted fig trees we flush six or seven giraffe. They lope away with their curious hobby-horse gait.

Tawney Burchell's zebra glance in our direction. Losing interest, the beasts continue to graze. As we return to Xaxaba, that most delicately beautiful of water flowers, the lily, opens its white-and-lavender petals to the sun.

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The same pilot who has flown us in from Kasane is again at the controls, this time of a Britten-Norman Islander, a twin-engine 10-seater. He wears shorts and a khaki shirt and peers incessantly at his compass as we fly northwest at tree-top height. Soon the Okavango's water courses and wooded islets give way to the bleached grasslands of the Kalahari. Elephants scatter, unsettled by our engine noise.

After 45 minutes of flight a ridge of jagged hills—the Tsodillos—rises in solitary splendor from the plain. We round the western escarpment, bank sharply right, and touch down on a log-rolled strip.

We have come to visit a rare surviving outpost of Bushmen, the people also known as the San. They are small coffee-colored nomads: wizened-looking with flat lips and sunken cheeks. The men wear loincloths, the women and children skimpy shifts of tattered blankets. They live in beehive huts. The ground is strewn with clay cooking pots and the embers of dying fires.

The business of the San is survival. They gather roots, hunt reedduck with tiny poison-tipped arrows. At our approach they surround us and click excitedly. Some of the men carry gut-strung bows. Slung over their shoulders are quivers made from hollowed acacia roots capped with buck hide. Their arrows are hammered nail heads lashed with gut to thin bamboo shoots that have been notched but not fletched.

The men delight in showing off their prowess. With uncanny skill they twang arrow after arrow into a wooden chip 15 paces away.

On a cliff face looming behind the encampment the ancestors of the San long ago painted the unmistakable outlines of giraffe and eland, hyena and lion. The paintings are rust red. They display that haunting and classical simplicity of form found in the prehistoric cave drawings of Lascaux, in distant France.

The cliff shadows lengthen. Our pilot chivvies us into the aircraft for the flight back to Xaxaba. Minutes after we land the sun sets in a bed of reeds. The water blazes yellow, orange, crimson. A wooden observation deck has been built out over the lagoon. It doubles as a bar. Paul Rawson, Xaxaba's moon-faced owner-manager, calls to an English visitor gazing contentedly at the glowing sky and water.

"Gin and tonic for the whole man?"

"Yes, indeed," the Englishman says.

"Try that for specific gravity," Rawson says, handing the Englishman his drink.

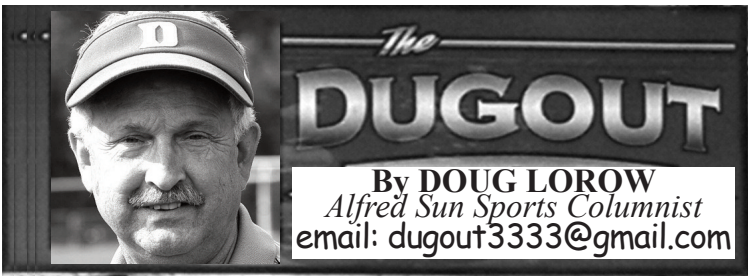
"Jolly good," the Englishman says.



Bushmen of the Kalahari delight in displaying their skill with gut-strung hunting bows.



Travel in the Okavango Delta is by dugout canoes called makorros.



HITS AND MISSES:

It was conference playoff time in the NCAA Division III basketball ranks last week and the Alfred Saxons men's program completed their campaign at (17-10) with a win over The Sage Colleges before falling to top-seeded Utica in a tight game, 75-70. Nazareth topped cross-town rival, SJ Fisher in the other semi-final at Utica and then stunned the host Pioneers, 54-53 to claim the automatic NCAA tourney berth from the E8. The games were at the Clark Athletic Center and with the loss, Utica is out of the NCAA's. Nazareth and Utica with identical (23-4) records. Twelve at-large teams were selected on Monday for the tourney, only one squad with a better record than Utica, that being UMass-Dartmouth at (24-4). "Neighboring" RPI is in with their (21-5) slate and a regular season Liberty League title. Case Western Reserve (18-6), with Griffin Kornaker on the roster, makes the tourney. He is the son of former Fisher coach, Rob Kornaker (AU).

Elsewhere in the NCAA D3 college hoops ranks, top-seeded and nationally ranked Oswego swept thru the SUNYAC tournament as they thumped New Paltz, 94-60 and Oneonta in the championship game, 81-60. Oswego was ranked #17 in the last d3.com poll I saw. A-A's Dave Kingman took in the title game at Oswego's Max Ziel Gymnasium. Vassar grabbed the Liberty League title over Skidmore as RPI actually fell in the semi-finals, at home and still got an NCAA bid. Skidmore drilled them in the semi-finals, 70-53. "Guessing" the NCAA committee felt RPI played a tougher schedule than Utica? Also, Medaille won the AMCC tourney and they'll play Marietta in the first round. Rochester is in the NCAA's as well, they play Eastern first and if Medaille and UR win, they'll meet in round two. Oswego plays Hood, Naz drew Westfield State and RPI tangles with Nichols. Due to Covid, there has not been a Division III tourney the past two seasons. HC Kevin Broderick of Naz in the tourney and the team he coached prior was Oswego. They could meet down-the-road, but after numerous victories. Medaille out of Buffalo off to the E8 next year.

In Empire Eight post season awards, Dan Cook of SJ Fisher was named the Player of the Year for the second consecutive season. "No relation" to Cutter from A-A. Darius Hopkins of Utica was named the Defensive Player of the Year and second-team, all-conference. Have golfed with his Dad a few times in Florida, replacing Brownie in our group, now and then at Sherman Hills in Brooksville. Utica's staff was the Coach of the Year recipient. Alfred's Brewster Marshall a second-team pick. Elliot Bowen their E8 Sportsmanship winner.

The Bonnies barely nipped a weak St. Joe's team in the A10 basketball ranks on Saturday past as they prevailed, 54-52 to cling to their fourth-place spot in the league. Davidson, VCU and Dayton are ahead of Bona and the Olean team was at VCU on Tuesday. St.Louis and Richmond are T5 behind the Bonnies and six A10 teams are likely to have 20+ win campaigns. Thinking the Bonnies will need to make the conference finals to advance to the NCAA's as they will likely only take two teams from the league. The "Traveling Sports Fan" was allegedly headed to Philly to take in the game on Saturday past, with Mike Bassage, but no reports forthcoming as of Monday as to whether the one-time area foul shooting whiz made it? Maybe from there off to Virginia for the next game? One never knows with the former A-A cager and one-time NC State hoop fan. Bona will host Richmond on Friday in a game that might mean a fourth-place "double bye" in the A10 tourney. Factoring in a loss in the VCU contest.

A crazy Saturday past in the AP top ten men's basketball poll as seven teams lost! #1 Gonzaga fell to St. Mary's, Colorado knocked off #2 Arizona, Tennessee beat #3 Auburn and their band of knuckleheads, Michigan State stunned #4 Purdue, Baylor rallied over #5 Kansas, #6 Kentucky fell at Arkansas and TCU toppled #9 Texas Tech. #7 Duke demolished Syracuse, #8 Villanova was idle and Baylor was ranked #10.

Just a couple of very classy moves by the Virginia and Syracuse men's basketball programs, with their head coaches as well, as they honored Coach K from Duke in his final visit to each of those ACC sites. Basically the opposite of what took place at North Carolina with their antics. Still can't believe what transpired as the two are long-time foes, Coach K spoke highly of the late Dean Smith, he attended his memorial service, he's friends with former coach Roy Williams and the Tar Heel fans are chanting vulgarities as the Duke coach comes out onto the floor? Bush league at its finest from the NC fans.

Watched the first-half of the UCLA-Oregon men's basketball game over the weekend, with the ugly floor at Oregon and Bill Wal-

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ton is the "analyst" on the game. Walton will ramble on about anything ... during the game and this week it was about the nearby lakes in Oregon, the mountains where he used to ride his bike, the "conference of champions," and whatever else was on his mind that evening. Half the time you wonder if he is even watching the game he's there to fill the television audience in on?

The UConn women's basketball squad is finally getting healthy and they just might be able to make another "Final Four" run after a season with injuries galore, Covid issues and the early loss of All-American, Paige Bueckers. Bueckers is back in a limited role and the last two games they have beaten St. John's, 93-38 and Providence, 88-31 in league play. The Big East tourney is this weekend. With South Carolina, Stanford, NC State, Louisville, Baylor, LSU and Iowa State with Caitlin Clark all having big years, UConn will have a tougher road than normal this season. Clark the Player of the Year?

In Section Five boys basketball action, they are down to the semi-finals and finals this week in all the classes. In "D2" Jasper-Troupsburg was in the semi's against Elba, who beat Andover/Whitesville along the way. J-T upset #3 Belfast to advance. In "D1" play, #1 Avoca/Prattsburgh faced Marion in one semi-final game and Fillmore was still alive versus Wheatland-Chili. Campbell-Savona was up against #1 Lyons in "C2" play, Canisteo-Greenwood took on undefeated and #1 Rochester Academy in "C1" action, as Dansville and Wellsville battled in the "B2" semi-finals. Hornell lost in the "B1" bracket to Pal-Mac.

The Villages boys basketball team (21-8) lost in the Florida Class 4A, Region 2, semi-finals to Satellite Beach (26-2), 71-70 ... much to the chagrin of Derck Frechette, formerly of the fabled Torrey Painting Striders. How crazy is this? The Villages traveled to SB, over two hours away! Just a little different than Section Five action we are used to.

Switching to the girls in Section Five basketball action, the following teams were still alive in their respective semi-finals: Prattsburgh/Avoca, Andover/Whitesville, J-T, Fillmore, Arkport/Canaseraga, Genesee Valley/Belfast, Wellsville and Hornell. And, again, why on earth did A-A decide to "compete" in the sectionals with their nifty (0-14) record? Lyndonville beat them ... 79-16! Another school, in another classification and believe it was Dundee, elected not to play with a very

similar record. A-A lost games this year by the following scores: 78-19, 65-16, 52-15, 67-12, 61-12, 89-25, 63-10, 64-10 and 95-16. Unless I'm totally missing something here, time to play in the sectionals?

Eight teams from the SUN-YAC's, including Geneseo plus five E8 members and four Liberty League squads will be in Florida over the next two weeks, various dates, for spring softball games. Some of those in Leesburg and many in Clermont. Right now, planning on taking in the Alfred-Mount Union game March 6 and Geneseo-Hamilton March 13 or Geneseo-Utica March 17. The two Geneseo games and most of the AU games are in Clermont, the Florida home of retired Alfred football coach/AD, Jim Moretti. Saw Alfred play two springs back, with Big D, in Leesburg just prior to the Covid cancellations.

Not 100% sure how far he made it in the NYS wrestling championships at Albany last week, but A-A's Ben Lloyd lost to Sander Miller in the 145-weight class, (fall 2:46). Miller also beat Beau Zeh from Canisteo-Greenwood and finished fifth overall in his weight class, from Edgemont, which seemed to have a number of wrestlers competing. Either way, getting that far is quite the accomplishment, so "congrats" to Lloyd!

Following up on a paragraph from last week's column, with "Rodney" Craighead mentioned in it. He was actually my boss in DC with Guest Services at the East Potomac Tennis Center ... as I barely survived, literally. Anyhow, a classic quote from him at brother Scott's pre-reception outing in Tysons Corner, Virginia. We were gathered by a snack area, beer keg, wine and brother Steve goes, "hey Rodney" with a greeting. Craighead looked at the former OBI basketball teammate of Dean U. Long and goes ... "that's Tim to you!" Rodney was definitely a beauty.

The Buffalo Bills may be back at SJ Fisher this summer for their training camp. Nothing official yet but apparently negotiations are underway.

And \$50 million for QB and resident MVP headcase, Aaron Rodgers? The NFL star allegedly wants that kind of deal and if true, how will whatever team be able to put pieces around him to have a solid shot at the Super Bowl?

#74 Ali Marpet of the Tampa Bay Bucs and Hobart College has retired at the ripe 'ole age of 28 after a solid career on the Bucs offensive line. A second round draft pick out of the D3 school. Pretty amazing!

Phil Mickelson...open mouth and insert that size 12 shoe! The longtime PGA star, after blasting the PGA and supporting the "lovely" Saudi Arabia situation,

has now lost sponsorships with KPMG, Workday, Amstel Light and Callaway golf. Perhaps a Ryder Cup captaincy in the future now out the window?

Golf this past weekend at Sherman Hills a little better as we had a foursome of Jake Taft, Waffle...making his 2022 Florida debut, Gabby Goodwin from Maine and myself. Mr. Timmer taking in the St. Pete's Grand Prix pre-races. Taft with an awesome back nine at 87, yours truly getting there at 97, Waffle pars the SH "Bear Trap" and rallies for a 100, Goodwin off two solid weeks in Mt. Dora league play, falters with a 106. Same foursome this coming week plus Obie and Scummer. Maybe Richard Hopkins is healthy enough to join us? Our Man Frank ... won't be in attendance for the mini Sumo Tour South.

Stopped over and saw Andy and Sylvia Laramée (Vermont) last week at their Tavares home in Florida. Longtime friends of my parents from the Molokai Park days.

And it was big-time, Small World time for me and The Janitor of this paper this past weekend as I followed a car into the local Publix grocery store parking lot. Car had Florida plates with a a plate holder: Alumni ... Alfred University. Parked near them and found out different mutual people we knew, Butts being the most recognizable. Then I mentioned the Alfred Sun, Dave Snyder and the guy (Paul DeRitter) goes, "I photographed their wedding!" He went to Houghton College, his wife the AU grad. They lived over in Hinsdale before retiring to Eustis here in Florida. (Janitor's note: It was actually a ten-year wedding vow renewal in 1990...think of Paul weekly, when dropping off papers in Hinsdale...great photographer!)

Almost finally this week, spotted a classic sticker in the back of a pickup truck window last week (photo enclosed) and it immediately brought up memories of my illustrious classmate, Smitty. He is indeed the Captain of the "Unique Five," no worse than co-captain with Hair and supported by solid backup from Stubb.



Off to the Allegany County picnic on Friday, taking Flossie Roeske (Wellsville/Stannards) over, golfing Saturday, softball Sunday and hopefully lunch with Mary and "Doc" Moore plus Janis King and Big D on Monday.



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