

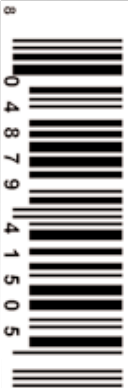
Alfred Sun
in the
Dead Sea?

Billy Bob Banker of Birdsall reads the Alfred Sun while floating on the water of the Dead Sea in Jordan. While that may be fictitious (see the date of this paper), there's a true story of floating in the Dead Sea in a two-part waterlogged Pandemic Escapes on Page 15.



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Cancel Culture Crisis

AU Student Senate President ousted for 3rd grade gab

ALFRED—Alfred University Student Senate President Marilyn Marble last week was removed from office after details of her third grade misbehavior were brought to light by an es-

tranged one-time classmate. "Everything she said was true," Marble told the *Sun*, explaining that she was such an extrovert that it was difficult for her to restrain her talking in

class. The incident involved her third grade back-of-the-room antics of having side conversations with her friends while her teacher, Ms. Agatha Trunchbull,

was lecturing. "She told me to be quiet," Marble said, "But I didn't care much for Ms. Trunchbull and, after awhile, I just kept on talking."

"She made me sit in the corner until the end of the day," Marble explained. She had hoped the incident would never again see the light of day.

Grumblings of Senators, however, about Marble's domination of Senate meetings when she allegedly seldom allowed anyone else to speak, led to some of the Senators to investigate the president's past.

The investigation led to an estranged friend of Marble's, Laurie Loudmouth, who is now attending college in Nebraska. Loudmouth spilled the beans

about the disciplinary action taken against Marble while there were at the Ecole Hosanna School in South Kivu, DRC (Congo) where they sat next to each other in third grade.

While no disciplinary action will be taken against Marble, Senators voted no confidence and unanimously passed a resolution demanding her resignation.

"I never should have allowed those people to bring up that resolution," Marble said, "I never should have relinquished the floor. I think I'd still be in office had I not relented and allowed anyone else to speak. I'm just so sorry that it has come to this. While I know I should probably get help, I think people should be more understanding..." Marble rambled.

AU Student Senate Finance Chair allegedly pocketed lemonade loot

ALFRED—Alfred University Student Senate Finance Chair (Treasurer) Lester Ledbottom last week was removed from office and replaced by Phil D. Coffers, after it was learned that Ledbottom at age 10 had pocketed the loot of his family's lemonade stand.

Ledbottom, rattled by the disclosure of his personal financial matters, said that while it was true that he had taken the lemonade earnings and deposited them into his college savings, he "had every intention of repaying his siblings their fair

share once he had graduated, landed a good government job, paid off his student loans and had a healthy pension established."

Student Senators, learning of Ledbottom's early penchant for financial mismanagement, voted no confidence and unanimously passed a resolution requesting his resignation.

"Can a leopard change his spots?" Coffers asked his fellow Senators in discussing Ledbottom's past and advocating for his removal from his fiscal position.

Poetic license revoked following wurst effort

From staff reports

ALFRED—The anonymous contributor of Sun Spots for the past quarter century, miffed that his latest work did not appear in the March 25 issue of this newspaper, in seeking poetic justice, filed an appeal with the publisher on Friday, March 26,

Alfred Sun Editor, Publisher & Janitor David L. Snyder, claiming he was personally offended by the contributor's xenophobic attack on his ancestry, has since overturned his decision to censor the piece, which appears below.

"Quite frankly, in my humble opinion, it was the wurst Sun Spot ever," Snyder said, "but I probably took it a little too personally and allowed my German pride to taint my decision."

So, to allow the Brats to have their day in the *Sun*, here's the poem that last week sparked the temporary revocation of the author's poetic license...let the readers decide whether the publisher's censorship was justified.

Sun Spots



It Was The Wurst Thing He Could Have Done
Or,
Long Live The Brats

Nine years ago, a burglar in the German town of Schwelm Broke in and schtole a bunch of schtuff from someone's private realm. Police there had been over Schwelm in their investigation, But at last ID'ed the perp of the ill-purposed perpetration In a very much fortuitous, unique, and clever way: He took a bite of sausage, and left bits of DNA— A brat's DeNAI markings on a brat!—above and underneath; So you might say that they solved it by the skin (off) of his teeth. But the time when they could prosecute's expired—by a lot. But that sausage that he bit...is it expired yet? Prob'ly not!

—O. Bratymous



Norwood suing American Electric Power

Former Buffalo Bills placekicker Scott Norwood is suing American Electric Power for damages to his car following a seven-car pile-up on I-77 in Canton, Ohio near the Pro Football Hall of Fame last week. Norwood claims he was distracted by the 80-foot-high power line-bearing goal posts, causing him to swerve wide right into the path of another vehicle, thus causing the crash. Norwood insists that the goal-post towers, installed by American Electric Power on either side of I-77 in 2016, are a distraction to drivers and should be replaced.

OBITUARIES

MostArts' Bliss Michelson, Peggy Wiltrout

ALFRED—The MostArts Festival sadly announces the passing of two founding members.

Bass player, Bliss Michelson died in New Jersey on Sunday, March 14, 2021 from complications of COVID-19. He was 71 years old. His wife, oboist Peggy Wiltrout, died Feb. 26, 2021 in New York City, also of COVID-19. She was 74 years old.

Both Bliss and Peggy were familiar faces at the MostArts Festivals "Sound Bites" chamber music series and evening concert series. To the delight of audiences, they regularly performed rare and peculiar oboe /bass duos by obscure composers.

Bliss was radio announcer and interviewer for The Philadelphia Orchestra in Concert broadcasts for many years with WRTI. He brought his vast knowledge of music and composers to the festival by delivering program notes "On Stage with Bliss" to



the Evening Concert series. They loved the Alfred Community and downtown businesses and looked forward to their annual pilgrimage out of NYC to

participate in the festival each year. These beloved musicians will be greatly missed when the MostArts Festival returns in 2022.

'Bob' Flaitz Sr., 86, Hall of Famer, police chief



ROBERT L. "BOB" FLAITZ
Hornell H.S. Hall of Famer

HORNELL—Robert L. "Bob" Flaitz Sr., 86, formerly of 106 Thacher St., Hornell passed away peacefully Friday morning, March 19, 2021 with his daughter by his side at Elderwood at Hornell Nursing Facility where he resided following a long illness.

Born in Hornell on Feb. 1, 1935, he was the son of Leon and Lena (Saxton) Flaitz.

Growing up in Hornell, Bob was a graduate of Hornell High School (class of 1953) where he excelled in football and basketball. He was one of the first inductees into the Hornell High School Sports Hall of Fame. He also was a lifeguard at the Hornell City Pool.

Upon high school graduation, Bob enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps where he served as a Drill Sergeant. He was stationed in Parris Island, SC 1953-1956. Upon returning home Bob attended Brockport State College, Alfred State College, Corning Community College and Broome Tech.

A lifelong Hornell resident, in his 20 years as a police officer for the Hornell Police Department, he monitored parking meters, delivered babies, saved lives and received citations for Valor in the Line of Duty. In 1966 he was awarded "Police-man of the Year." He retired as a sergeant at HPD.

In addition to his police service, Bob sold insurance for Prudential Insurance Company; worked at Foster Wheeler of

Dansville; and later served as North Hornell Chief of Police for 17 years. Following his "retirement," Bob was a collections officer at Steuben Trust Company, owned and operated a street painting business and officially retired as the head of security at Morrison-Knudsen in Hornell.

In addition to his many jobs, Bob was for several years a 1st Ward Alderman for the City of Hornell and later was awarded the "Key to the City" after being named "Republican of the Year."

He was a member of Christ Episcopal Church where he served as a Vestryman. He was a past member of the Hornell Elks Lodge, Hornell American Legion and Hornell Police Club.

Bob was a sports fanatic who loved coaching the youth of Hornell, active in Little League Baseball, JV Football and Vince Lombardi Football. He coached Midget League Football (the Cowboys) for many years earning many championships. He coached the Christ Episcopal team at the YMCA's Sunday School Basketball League and was part of the coaching staff for the Hornell Red Raiders football team in the early 1980's, and was a certified basketball referee.

Bob was an avid Yankees and New York Giants fan and enjoyed playing golf. He and his wife, Donna, spent many years traveling around attending their grandchildren's many sporting events. He was a very proud grandfather and enjoyed representing the various high schools, Colleges and Pant Saggin Dezin attire. He will be remembered for his great storytelling at family gatherings and his famous reaction to all things funny "rubbing his hands together with excitement."

Bob was preceded in death by his brothers, Samuel Flaitz, Richard Flaitz, George Flaitz, and Donald Flaitz; along with his sisters, Geraldine "Dean" McLane and Kathryn House.

On Dec. 21, 1954, Bob married the love of his life and high school sweetheart, Donna Piccirillo who survives. Also sur-

living are two sons, Robert (Lori) Flaitz of Hornell and Joseph (Meghan) Flaitz of Hornell; one daughter, Nikki (William) Harkenrider of Canisteo; six grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; one step-great-granddaughter; a brother, Jacob Flaitz of Arkport; and a sister-in-law, Delores Flaitz of Hornell; many nieces and nephews.

The family of Robert L. Flaitz Sr. will receive friends from 12 noon to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 3 at the Dagon Funeral Home, 38 Church Street, Hornell. A private Memorial Service will be held at the convenience of the family with Deacon Robert McCormick officiating. Final interment will be in St. Mary's Cemetery.

The Memorial Service for Robert L. Flaitz will be streamed via YouTube and can be viewed on the Dagon Funeral Home Facebook page at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, April 3 by visiting www.facebook.com/dagonfuneralhome. The video will remain available for viewing on our Facebook page for 30 days.

Robert's family requests that memorial contributions be made to the Alzheimer's Association, Rochester & Finger Lakes Region Chapter, 435 East Henrietta Rd., Rochester, NY 14620 or the Hornell Humane Society, 7649 Industrial Park Road, Hornell, NY 14843. Memorial forms will be available at the Dagon Funeral Home.

To leave an online condolence or print a memorial form, visit www.dagonfuneralhome.com

In recognition of Bob's service to his country, the American Flag at the Dagon Funeral Home will be flown at half-staff.

Remembering Jim Rausch

By STEVE CRANDALL
Special to the Alfred Sun

I don't remember when I first met Jim, but it was probably singing that first brought us together. We were both in a gospel quartet called Four His Glory. [Your illustrious *Alfred Sun* editor/janitor, Dave Snyder, was also in it, as was Bob Volk and Lee Ryan, although not all at the same time.] We were from different churches but came together to sing and share the gospel. Those ten years in the 1970s and 1980s were a lot of fun; I don't think I ever laughed so much at any other time in my life. We had to take one song out of our repertoire because we'd broken up on one line and ever after we could never get through it with a straight face.

We had another song that was specifically for baby dedications. It had a long interlude at the beginning. Jim would go on extemporaneously about the foibles of fatherhood until we were supposed to sing. What he said was always true, usually funny, but sometimes it was hard to sing at the right time because we were too amused. Jim and I stood next to each other in the lineup, which worked out perfectly when we had to share music because he had no vision in his right eye and I had none in my left. And our good eyes were closest to the music. It was meant to be.

One of our accompanists, while willing to play for us, needed to bring her one-year-old son to the rehearsals. We were all happy with the arrangement and took turns holding him while we rehearsed.

After the quartet folded, Jim and I sang together in the Alfred University Chorus. While we both were basses, Jim was a BASS. Jim had an amazing voice; it had great low range and tremendous volume. Every once in a while when he had trouble with a part he would lean over and say "Just sing in my ear and I'll make it louder."

Jim was a highly skilled carpenter/contractor who built his own home and would take on summer building projects. Owning a 65+ year old house, I needed all the help I could get. Jim taught me a lot as he built us new partitions, installed new windows, framed in doors, created new doors, reinstalled used woodwork and explained the intricacies of electrical wiring, framing a deck and more.

Our children didn't quite get the pronunciation of his name, so to them he was always Mr. Ouch. Although to be fair he did need an occasional band aid.

Because he was committed to reusing materials, virtually every bill that he gave me came on recycled computer punch cards. He was willing to take our old chain

link fence when we were done with it. He made it into a work project for his boys on a hot day, as they may recall. The fence really didn't want to come out.

He had pretty high standards for his students (Jim taught biology at Alfred University.) My wife took a course with Jim, was required of all AU nursing students. She assures me that it was "rigorous." And on top of the academic rigor, the students were required to kill their own rats before they dissected them, although the squeamish could usually find someone less squeamish to dispatch the rat.

Jim and I served together on the Parking Board of Appeals. He was chair when I joined, a role I inherited from him. Jim was cut and dried when approaching an appeal and I tended to look for a reason to give the person a break in truly extenuating circumstances. After the discussion, Jim put it to a vote and accepted the group's decision. But there were times, occasionally, when someone came up with such a good story that we let them off solely because of the high entertainment value.

One evening, our quartet was singing in a church in West Union (it's in Steuben County, and not very heavily populated.) We got totally lost on the way there, it was getting dark and we were in danger of being late. Eventually, we gave up and stopped for directions. The person started to tell us how to get there, but seeing we looked so confused and overwhelmed that he decided it would be easier to just drive to the church and have us follow. [Yes, we were always happy to go almost anywhere for a chance to sing together.] It was that memorable night that, after we sang, an older gentleman came up to talk afterward. I say older, he was probably about the age I am now, which doesn't seem as old now as it did then. He told us how much he enjoyed our singing, and fondly remembered a time long ago when he sang in a gospel quartet. "I sure do miss it," he said.

I sure do miss singing with you Jim. Thanks for all the good memories.

Puzzles on Page 10
— **King Crossword** —
Answers

Solution time: 23 mins.

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CryptoQuote
answer

Somewhere, something incredible is waiting to be known.
— Carl Sagan

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VILLAGE OF ALFRED

Village Police Reform Plan ratified

By LY KESSE
Alfred Sun Reporter

ALFRED—Amid some contention, the Alfred Village Board Tuesday, March 23 unanimously ratified the police reform report compiled by the Alfred Committee on Equity and Safety (ACES) in response to the Governor's Executive Order (EO) #203 for the NYS Police Reform and Reinvention Collaborative.

The report will be submitted to New York State on April 1.

The contention emanated from an audience member and the Village Mayor, Becky Prophet.

ACES represented by Village Trustee Caitlin Brown presented the committee's findings to the Board. The committee conducted a survey in the Village during November and December 2020. The survey garnered 504 responses, which were analyzed by Drs. Nancy Furlong and Brian Saltsman. Not every question was answered by every respondent. People picked and chose questions to answer.

"Since there is no tie to break, I want to register my abstention [if I had a vote]," said Prophet. "When all the onus for change is on the Police Department, that lets both colleges off the hook." She thought that wasn't quite fair.

The community member with issues was Nadine Hoover, who is simply a resident here and is tired of all the engagement with the colleges, especially as she has no direct contact with either school.

"Clearly the institutional priorities are bigger than me," she said. She was encouraged to write an email to a Board member to address her issues.

"I think Nadine pinpointed

[something important]," said Trustee James Ninos. "People like Nadine have concerns, and they are ignored."

Brown presented the report and the findings of the survey, emphasizing that this was not the end point. "We see this as a conversation to be continued."

The 37-question survey reports on the attitudes of Villagers to specifically Alfred Police Department (APD). The survey was initiated by Governor Andrew Cuomo's executive order, which mandated eight changes to local policing. APD, according to Brown, is in compliance with all eight.

The Collaborative Plan, which grew out of the survey expanded beyond the EO and five additional sections: Equality and Social Justice, Transparency and Accountability, Community Relations, Operational Policy & Procedures, and finally, Training.

"The respondents don't align with the demographics [of the Village]," said ACES committee member Dr. Brian Saltsman. "We need to do concerted outreach to those [under represented] groups."

"Not a one and done situation," he added, emphasizing that the conversation would continue.

ACES intends to develop focus groups to get input from under-represented groups, according to Brown.

The committee defined the major players in the Village as Residents, Landlords, Business Owners, Alfred University employees or students, Alfred State College employees or students, Village employees, or regular Visitors. Survey responses were analyzed according to Village

role, and Gender, Race, and Ethnicity. And then by age and income.

All 504 responses were analyzed on the basis of these parameters. Effectively, there were 499 analyzable surveys. Not everyone answered all the questions, and three or four surveys were opened and assigned numbers but not completed.

Ultimately, the committee looked at those with negative experiences and attitudes toward APD, for these were the responses that would drive change and understanding, according to Saltsman.

"In general, there was overwhelming trust and belief in the police [by the respondents]," Saltsman said. Those recording negative responses to the police involved only 15-20% of respondents. Of those, most had no direct contact with the police.

"Students were the ones most likely to report negative views of the police," he said. Of them, those with direct contact and reporting negative interactions accounted for 7.5% of the respondents. Essentially, a minority.

But when analyzing the surveys, Saltsman and Dr. Nancy Furlong, who helped with the analysis, focused on the negative responses.

"We focused on the negative [responses], which drive the change," he said. "There is not much to reflect on [for those who feel no change is needed]."

One of the suggested changes is the need for an ombuds group.

Scene About Alfred

A weekly photo feature
By SHERRY VOLK
Alfred Sun Columnist



A much-visited site in Terlingua Ghost Town in Texas is the beautiful Spanish-style cemetery. On a recent visit at sunset, Bob Volk pointed out the beautiful cross silhouetted against the desert sky. Happy Resurrection Day on Sunday, April 4, 2021, as we look back on a remarkable year in our history.

Alfred State hosts event in recognition of World Down Syndrome Awareness Day

ALFRED—Alfred State College recently held a World Down Syndrome Awareness Day event to join with others around the globe in advocating for the rights, inclusion, and well-being of people with Down syndrome.

The event was held in person on March 19 in the Student Leadership Center and virtually through Microsoft Teams. Participants were asked to wear blue and yellow – the colors representing Down syndrome.

Invisible disabilities advocate Christina Irene served as the guest speaker for the event and discussed the importance of equal treatment of those with Down syndrome. Following Irene's remarks, Alfred State hosted a Kahoot trivia game to quiz those in attendance, with the winner receiving a \$100 Amazon gift card.

Event organizer Hannah Snayczuk, a human services management student from Machias, was encouraged by how well the event was received and hopes for an even greater turn out next year.

ALFRED
Weather for the Week
March 23-March 29

March Hi	Lo	Precip.	Snow
23	68	38	0 0
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25	60	45	0.08" 0
26	74	51	0.03" 0
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By FION MacCREA
Alfred Weather Recorder

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Kelly's Forecast
By KELLY SNYDER
The Alfred Sun Weather Forecaster

"The first of April is the day we remember what we are the other 364 days of the year."
—Mark Twain

Thursday, April 1
SNOW SHOWERS
(HIGH 30– LOW 17)
Chance of precipitation....46%

Friday, April 2
MOSTLY SUNNY
(HIGH 36–LOW 24)
Chance of precipitation.....3%

Saturday, April 3
PARTLY CLOUDY
(HIGH 50– LOW 39)
Chance of precipitation....8%

Sunday, April 4
PARTLY CLOUDY
(HIGH 56 – LOW 37)
Chance of precipitation....13%

Monday, April 5
PARTLY CLOUDY
(HIGH 59 - LOW 39)
Chance of precipitation....12%

Tuesday, April 6
MOSTLY SUNNY
(HIGH 59 - LOW 40)
Chance of precipitation....21%

Wednesday, April 7
PARTLY CLOUDY
(HIGH 60- LOW 45)
Chance of precipitation...17%

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!

SUNNY SIDE UP
By ELLEN SHULTZ
Alfred Sun Columnist

Apple Sauce Bran Muffins

[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.]

I was searching through my recipe box recently looking for a bran muffin recipe that I used to make all the time when my kids were little. I would bake them in the miniature muffin pans. The kids called them "little nuggets." I did find that recipe but also pulled this one out. It has a date of 1991 on it and I'm sure I haven't made the muffins since then.

These keep well, in fact, they seem to get better the next day.

Apple Sauce Bran Muffins

1/2 c. 100& bran cereal	1/2 c. firmly packed brown sugar
1 1/2 c. applesauce	1 1/2 c. flour
1 egg	1 T. baking powder
1/4 c. margarine, melted	1 tsp. cinnamon
1/2 c. seedless raisins	

Mix bran, applesauce, egg, margarine and brown sugar; let stand 5 min. In large bowl, blend flour, baking powder and cinnamon; stir in bran mixture just until blended (batter will be lumpy). Stir in raisins. Spoon batter into greased muffin pan cups. Baked at 400° F. for 15 to 18 min. Makes one dozen,

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Snyde Remarks

By DAVID L. SNYDER
Editor, Publisher and Janitor

When April 1 falls on a Thursday...

I hope that readers have come to the realization that the front page of this issue is fake news... when April 1 falls on a Thursday, the *Alfred Sun's* official day of publication, I like to have a little fun.

Perhaps I get that from my dad, Frank "The Prankster" who I'm told once tried to tip over a portable latrine...with one of his friends in it!

It certainly isn't my intent to offend anyone with the front page but in Covid pandemic times, can we perhaps lighten up and laugh at ourselves a bit?

Years ago, our front page story featured plans of a four-lane highway being constructed connecting I-86 Exit 32 (West Almond) with our one-and-only highly-esteemed traffic light.

More recently, an elaborate plan for development of a major

theme park atop Jericho Hill met mixed reactions. Some were frightened by the thought of it while others were disappointed it was a hoax. ***

I was encouraged this past week to hear a story of a life redeemed. A young man shared a testimony of how he grew up running with the guys in the neighborhood, always getting into mischief. Meanwhile, his mother, a Christian, prayed for her wayward son.

In fact, the mother led her son in a prayer of repentance, asking Jesus to come in and forgive him of his sins. He repeated the prayer, but did it only to please her. He didn't really mean it.

Fast forward to his freshman year at Alfred State College. Out with the boys in a drunken stupor, he ended up in the Allegany

County Jail. While sitting in his cell, ashamed, he remembered that prayer that his mother had led him to repeat. He said it again. But this time he was sincere. He began to weep.

"If I'd had a cell mate, I might not have cried," he confessed, but that decision for Christ has changed his life.

It's the power of redemption, as opposed to the hopelessness of condemnation.

Just like that young man, I am grateful that we serve a loving God who saw our condition, sent His only Son to pay the penalty for our sins--even death on the cross--that we can be redeemed.

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of Life in Christ Jesus has set us free from the law of sin and death.

By His resurrection, He has made the way for us.

The Lord is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed!

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.

Americanisms



"It is far more impressive when others discover your good qualities without your help."

—Judith Martin

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CONVIVIAL CONTRARIAN

By SEAN HYLAND
Alfred Sun Columnist

I first noticed it during the second term Obama presidency: the signs cropping up proclaiming "America vs. Obama." I thought that was a rather unhinged and over the top sentiment which boded ill, but little did I realize at the time that this was only the relatively innocuous beginnings to a political national mood looking akin to the feud between the Hatfields and McCoys.

During the Trump/Hillary 2016 campaign there were, of course, the "Crooked Hillary," "Killary," or "Hellary" insults. No fan of Hillary Clinton's politics myself, I still found all this personal animus distasteful and crude. I actually breathed a bit of a sigh of relief when Trump won, thinking, "At least I won't have to listen to 4 years of kvetching about 'Killary'."

That relief proved to be short-lived as the left quickly proved it could be just as hysterical and childish in its personal animosity toward the hated "Drumpf".

Now that Trump is out of office, the wheel of hate turns yet again, and Biden is the current Goldstein up for his two minutes hate from the opposing party. I've noticed signs and flags starting to pop up: "(middle finger) Democrats!" or the extra clever and pithy "F--- Biden," stated without my coy redactions, naturally. All very droll indeed.

This really gets my dander up. I get it, some folks really don't like Biden. I really don't have much use for him, either. However, I really don't want to have to explain the meaning of those flags to my little kids when passing by on the road, much less attempt to explain why anyone would be rude and vulgar enough to display such a thing in

public. I would like to think that it's not an unreasonable expectation to drive around on public roads without myself and my kids being assaulted by obscenity trumpeting political slogans.

If you have something like this on display, please take it down. If you know someone who does, perhaps consider asking them to do so. Signs like this muck up our perfectly lovely corner of the world with an unworthy shade of political ugliness. Perhaps as an alternative, consider an "I Have Principled Policy Differences with Biden" flag. Oh wait, I just checked the internet, and shockingly, that is apparently not a thing which exists.

I'm about as pro-free speech as one can get and believe that the 1st Amendment is the cornerstone of our society's freedoms. However, a little neighborly courtesy goes a long way in keeping its exercise from descending into pure obnoxiousness. I realize that this might be too much to ask, since we have increasingly become a society with little patience for decorum, politeness, or honor. There are enough tweets on Twitter. It would be nice to imagine that memified, bomb throwing social media discourse could be kept out of real life. However, if folks must aggravate each other with their vacuous political barbs, please keep it online where at least I don't have to explain such foolishness to my children.

<https://www.dailykos.com/stories/2017/10/10/1705786/-Lets-Settle-On-A-Demeaning-Nickname-for-Our-POS-President>

Email Sean at: ConvivialContrarian@yahoo.com

Sun Spots



The Lockdown Supper*

Jesus had said we'd be met by a man with a water jar; that's what we saw.

At the house where he led us, a man with a mask, though, said, "Stop in the name of the law!

You know that you're not to come closer than this—just four cubits, the Pharisees say!

So tell me your business, and best make it quick, then skedaddle and be on your way."

We told him, "The Teacher asks, 'Where is the guest room, prepared for our Passover meal?'"

But he snapped back at us, "You are so out of touch! Now we only serve take-out—get real!"

Later on, at Gethsemane, after he'd prayed, and a noisy crowd came on the stump,

He said, "Judas, my friend, are you really betraying God's Son with a fake elbow bump?

And Peter! Stop flailing your sword, they'll stay back! Oh, just look now—you've cut off his ear!

There's no need to fight—cuz the courts are all closed so my trial won't be held till next year."

Now many will say that's ridiculous—Holy Week didn't go that way, at all.

But it's what would've happened that first Maundy Thursday had COVID-19 come to call.

—O. Maundymous

*Originally written for 2020, but still seems appropriate enough for 2021 ~O:>



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From the mayor

Reminders of the annual NYS Burn Ban; Proposong "Happy Immunity Day" recognitions for two weeks post final inoculation, and a bit more information on parking

By BECKY B. PROPHET

Alfred Village Mayor

A sure sign of spring in Alfred and Western NY is the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) of New York State issuing an annual burn ban. The burn ban runs from March 16 2021 to May 14, 2021. During the ban, residential brush burning is prohibited. The ban reduces wildfire risks and protects lives and property.

With spring approaching, DEC is reminding residents that conditions for wildfires are heightened in springtime, with dry growth from last year making a ready fuel source. Even though the Village of Alfred received a thin blanket of snow and may get more later in the week, the rising temperatures could suddenly lead to danger of wild fires, exacerbated by the high and gusty winds that accompany seasonal change.

Join the "Happy Immunity Day" celebration list. With more and more of us getting vaccinated against the corona virus—THANK YOU Alfred Pharmacy, Tony Graziano, and staff—we should celebrate the miracle of the vaccine and the steps we have taken or are taking to protect ourselves and others!

If you are two weeks past your final vaccination, email me at alfredmayorprophet@gmail.com, with your name, your date of immunity, and any comment you wish to make. I will publish a congratulations to you on the Village website and, with

Caitlin Brown's help, on social media. It is a true celebration for all with the headline "Happy Immunity Day!!!!"

The Village Board and Alfred Police Department is continuing to answer questions and work through some concerns about our new parking system. Many have asked about using prepaid debit cards and how to call in a parking payment. There is a number on the little green signs and that telephone number is 877-727-5730 (877 PARK 730). The last 3 digits are specific to Alfred and will be different in other communities served by Park Mobile. With this calling in, you should be able to use pre-paid cards as well as your own credit card.

Also, do remember, that you do not need to enter any information either through the app or the phone number, other than your license plate number, the zone you are parking in and your credit card or pre-paid card number. Never has a bank account number been requested or required. A reminder, on April 2, enforcement begins.

Moving into spring 2021 there will be many "a year ago, today . . ." reminders of what we have learned, what we have been spared, and, most of all what the pandemic has cost each of us and our society. As we work our way out of this great international public health crisis, let us remember and thank the millions who fought the virus on the front lines, the sad losses to the disease, and those who led scientific research and their phenomenal success in creating the vaccine. Now that distribution paths are clearer and more efficient, let us also celebrate the readily available vaccine AND, of course each of our "Happy Immunity Day" achievements.

Cultural Arts Calendar



Music

BANDS/DJs/RECITALS
Alfred University Symphony Orchestra featuring Ken Luk performing Vivaldi's Concerto in D for Lute & Strings, Pianist Lucy Mauro performing J.C. Bach's Concerto in G, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, April 19 in Miller Theater, AU campus. Free admission.

Alfred University Recital featuring Tenor JR Fralick, Soprano Luanne Crosby and pianist Kurt Galvan at 3 pm Sunday, April 5 in Susan Howell Hall.

Alfred University Concert Band Spring Concert, 7:30 p.m. Friday, May 1 in Miller Theater, AU campus. Free admission.

Alfred University Jazz Band Concert, 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 24, Miller Theater. Free admission.

Alfred University Choral Concert. AU Choirs joined by Rochester Oratorio Society in presenting Ernest Bloch's "Sacred Service," 7 p.m. Sunday, April 26, Miller Theater.

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: Plan to enjoy Summer Music & Art July 12-18, 2020 featuring the 2020 Piano Competition ages 13-18, workshops, pop-up restaurant, music under the stars, Art Walk. visit: www.MostArts.alfred.edu for more information.

Off the Wagon show schedule is as follows: Saturday, March 14

at Hornell AMVETS as part of St. Pat's, 12 noon-4 pm; Saturday, April 18 at Hornell Moose, 9 pm-1 am; Saturday, May 2 at Hornell AMVETS 8-midnight; Saturday, June 6 at Off Duty Club in Belmont, 9 pm-1 am; Friday, June 12 at Palmer Opera House in Cuba, 7 pm. 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. Friday, Feb. 28-Honeysuckle; Friday, March 13-Joe Robinson. For tickets, visit: www.Wellsville-CreativeArtsCenter.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.

Sanctuary Choir. Rehearsals 1st & 3rd Sabbath of Month - 12:30pm; Instrumentalists 4th Sabbath of Month - 9:00am. The Seventh Day Baptist Church - Alfred Station. New musicians welcome. Call 607-587-9176.

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

Wingate Memorial Carillon Recital Series at Davis Memorial Carillon, AU campus. Free concerts on Tuesdays during the month of July. 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! Miller Performing Arts Center, AU campus.

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

Alfred Community Theatre (ACT). For more info, call Dave Snyder at 587-8110.

PERFORMANCES
Alfred University Spring Production, "Annie Jump and the Library of Heaven" by Reina Hardy, directed by Eliza Beckwith, CD Smith III Theater, 7:30 p.m. Wed.-Thurs.-Fri.-Sat. April 15-18.

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), quilters, 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

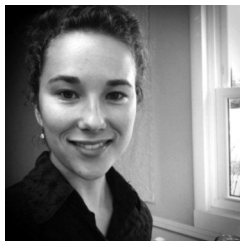
Alfred Art Walk, A collaborative monthly opening by galleries in the Village of Alfred and at Alfred University and Alfred State. For a complete and up to date listing of venues, please visit alfredartwalk.org. To add your event to Alfred Art Walk email: submit.alfredartwalk@gmail.com

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.

World War II Museum, 201 Main Street, Eldred, Pennsylvania. For more information, visit: <http://eldredpawwiiuseum.com/>



Nutrition in a Nutshell

By MARIA BOYUK
 Nutritional Therapy Practitioner
 and Alfred Sun Columnist

Thriving Recipe: Roasted Goat Shoulder

There is nothing more simple to prepare and mouth watering to serve than a slow cooked roast --and goat meat makes it even more of a treat! Red meat from a grass-fed animal hosts an impressive nutrient profile compared to grain-fed meat. It is full of b vitamins, antioxidants, plus omega-3 fats and CLA fatty acids which have been proven to lower inflammation and fight cancer. [1][2] I love to get a variety of red meat in my diet--typically beef, goat, and venison as each provides a variation of these nutrients.

I love to source my goat from Meghan Snyder at Sunny Cove Organic Farm right here in Alfred.

I crafted this delicious recipe for a Sunday lunch with family. It was served with a lush green salad and hearty coconut bread w/ grass-fed butter.

Ingredients:

5 lb goat shoulder
 2 Tbsp. extra virgin olive oil
 2 Tbsp. lemon juice
 2 Tbsp. apple cider vinegar w/mother (ACV)
 2 tsp. coriander ground
 2 tsp. granulated garlic
 2 tsp. Himalayan salt
 2 tsp. black pepper

1 tsp. cayenne pepper
 1 large chopped onion
 2 cups water

Directions:

Place meat in large dish that will fit in your refrigerator.

Cover each side of the meat w/ lemon juice, ACV, coriander, granulated garlic, Himalayan salt, black pepper, and cayenne pepper. Marinate in the fridge for 12-24 hours.

After the meat is thoroughly marinated, transfer it along with the marinade juice to a large roasting pan. Cover top of the

meat with chopped onion. Add 2 cups of water to the roasting pan.

Bake at 250° F. for 5-6 hours, until the meat falls off the bone. [1]<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/11525591>

[2]<https://www.webmd.com/healthy-aging/omega-3-fatty-acids-factsheet#1>

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



"Christ's Thorn" plant

The *Ziziphus spina-christi* is an evergreen tree found in the valleys and lowlands of countries bordering the Mediterranean Sea along its southern coasts. Wood from this plant appears to have been in use during the times of the pharaohs, as well as parts of the plant used for medicine, and its fruits were used to make a type of bread which is still made in these lands today. Traditions say that these trees are sacred, and no harm from the spirit world will befall any who sleep beneath them.

— Brenda Weaver

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Mid-March and it looks like spring has arrived! Maybe. When I get all enthused at the first hint, I remember the March of 1991 or 1992 when the four feet of snow fell everywhere - no wind - no drifts - just a flat four feet!

But the redwings are back and a flock of 40 whistling swans in perfect V formation was headed north all glistening white in the morning sun. And the snowdrops are up and showing white buds. Time for a little horticulture how-to on those early spring bulbs. As always, gardeners live in the moment and in a look ahead, planning mode. If you want those lovely harbingers of early Spring you must plant in the fall! Except for snowdrops.

Have you ever wondered why you do not see these bulbs in September at the garden centers along with the crocus and daffodils? Snowdrop bulbs do not keep - they have a very short shelf life. You need to plant them in the green, meaning shortly after bloom while leaves are still green! So find a friendly gardener who is willing to share. About 25 years ago, Lin Phelan was one with a plethora of these small lovelies.

So what do you need to know to have those charmers? They evolved in the forests of southern Europe and prosper in dappled shade and humusy soil. They are ephemerals, sending up their green leaves in March to bloom often in the snow. The leaves linger on through April and then die. The bulb, 3 to 4 inches underground waits 10 months to once again cheer you up come March.



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Lectures/Readings

AU Environmental Studies Speakers Series. Talks are 12:20 to 1:10 Fridays during the fall semester.

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. Remaining meetings canceled due to COVID-19. All programs free, open to the public. 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. Alfred University's Bergren Forum, now entering its 51st year, is presented via Zoom and will continue on a bi-weekly schedule every Thursday for the spring semester. Forums will take place at the usual time on Thursdays, beginning at 12:10 pm and

lasting for approximately 50 minutes. 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. The schedule: Feb. 4-Cecilia Beach, "A Yogini in Rwanda." Feb. 18-Alex Sich, "Chernobyl Unknown Unknowns: What Neither the Soviets nor the IAEA Wanted Anyone to Know." March 4-Jean Ellefson, "In Quest of Inclusive Course Engagement." March 18-Levi Bridges, "La Vida Es Un Carnaval: Travels with America's New Low-Wage Workforce." April 1-John D'Angelo, "Ethical Science." April 15-Phi Beta Kappa Wit and Wisdom winner. April 29-Niki Tulk, "How Improvisation Can Save the World."

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



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Fun-n-Games

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

BEEKEEPING

Belvidere Beekeeping Club
A group is forming a group 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 will meet at Angelica Ink Letterpress, 20 Allegany Avenue, Angelica, during cold months and at Belvidere Cornerstone, 5781 County Road 20, Belmont, summer months on the following 2020 Saturdays from 1-3 pm: July 18, August 29, September 26, October 24, November 21. Contact The-BelvidereCornerstone@gmail.com with questions. Meetings are subject to cancellation due to the coronavirus pandemic. Watch for further information.

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 are 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



Special Events

Alfred-Almond Central School Alumni Association Annual Reunion Weekend July 24, 2021. "Double the Fun" Celebration honoring alumni graduating in the years ending in 0, 1, 5 and 6. For updates, check out the AAAA website at: www.aacsalumni.org

Allegany Artisans OPEN STUDIO TOUR October 16-17-18, 2020. Visit artisans' studios where their creative ideas come to life. For a map, check out our Web site. www.alleganyartisans.com

Bareknuckle Boxing Hall of Fame Induction Weekend July 2021. For tickets info, visit: <https://www.bareknuckleboxing-halloffame.com/induction>

Allegany County Fair July 20-25 at the County Fairgrounds, Angelica, has been cancelled for 2020. Watch for details for the bigger and better County Fair in July 2021.

Journey to Transformation: Friday night community prayer for host, community and Allegany County churches, and beyond, are being held from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.: Biweekly Sunday night praise and worship and prayer time, with live music, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. to pray for

prime county-wide concerns. 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; 8 to 9 a.m. Wednesdays at the Belfast Free Methodist Church; and from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Saturdays at the 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.

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/Celebrate Victory Christian 12-Steps support for all types of hurts, hangups, 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 Casey Jones at

bps461@msn.com or (484) 435-0503 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.

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.

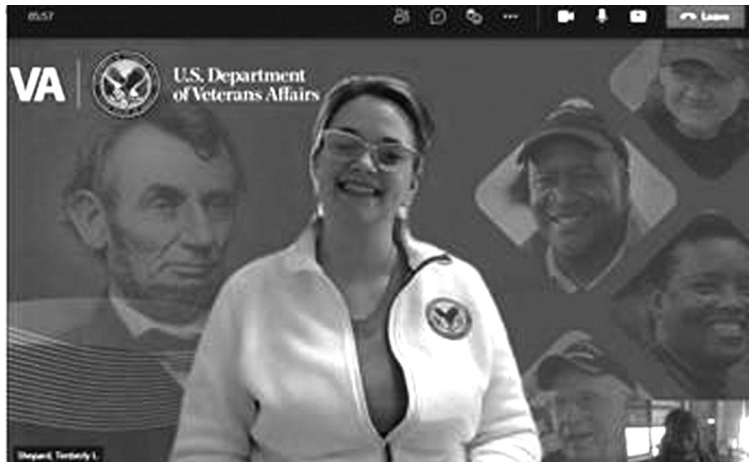
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Allegany County SPCA. Volunteers or those wishing to contribute are asked to call 585-593-2200. Send contributions to PO Box 381, Wellsville, NY 14895.

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

Deadline

To include your event in this calendar, send information to: Calendar, ALFRED SUN, PO Box 811, Alfred, NY 14802 or e-mail: alfredsun.news@gmail.com no later than 5 p.m. Friday. Event listings should be sent two weeks prior to ensure sufficient notice.



Some 91 employers registered for the Alfred State Spring 2021 Virtual Career Fair. Pictured is one employer who participated, Timberly Shephard, who is an Alfred State adjunct professor of Nursing and an employee at the Bath Veterans Affairs Office.

Virtual career fair still growing

ALFRED—With each passing semester, Alfred State College's (ASC) virtual career fair continues to grow as more employers and students sign up for the online event to video chat, network, and make those all-important connections.

This semester was no exception, as the Alfred State Spring 2021 Virtual Career Fair drew more employers and students than ever before. Altogether, 91 employers registered for the event, and a total of 399 students joined queues to interact with employers.

The career fair took place on JobLink, the online platform that ASC has used to host its career fairs virtually since March 2020. Through this tool, employers log in and initiate the ability to live chat. Students then log in, view the available employers, and initiate a chat.

Elaine Morsman, director of Alfred State's Career Development Center (CDC), said, "We were very pleased with the increase in number and variety of employers at this event. It is always wonderful to connect students with opportunities like working for the FBI, Anheuser-Busch, and Kodak, just to name a few!"

Altogether, 293 one-on-one video chats took place, though some employers used alternate ways to connect with students, Morsman said, so the number of actual connections that occurred is even higher. Additionally, 193 students uploaded their resumes to ASC's Spring 2021 Resume Book.

"Access to the Resume Book is an added benefit for virtual career fair employers," Morsman said. "They are able to review resumes ahead of time and all through the semester. This allows them to reach out to students at times other than the virtual career fair."

Another added benefit of the online event, Morsman said, was that the Career Development Center has seen a significant increase in applications to jobs posted by both virtual career fair employers and other employers in the CDC database.

"We have been seeing a big surge in this activity within the past week," Morsman said.

For more information on Alfred State's Career Development Center and the various resources it offers, visit www.AlfredState.edu/Career-Development-Office.

WHAT'S COOKIN'?

Allegany County Office for the Aging Meals on Wheels Menu
Monday, April 5

Clementine
Sloppy Joe On Whole Grain Bun
Broccoli Cheese Soup
Roasted Zucchini
Chocolate Chip Cookie

Tuesday, April 6

Tropical Fruit
Chicken & Broccoli w/WG Penne
Brussel Sprouts
Whole Grain Garlic Knots
Brownie

Wednesday, April 7

Mandarin Oranges
Scalloped Potatoes & Ham
Peas & Carrots
Banana Bread
Tapioca Pudding

Thursday, April 8

Applesauce
Gelatin Salad
Sweet & Sour Pork
Brown Rice
Stir Fry Vegetables
Sautéed Cabbage
Pumpkin Bars

Friday, April 9

Carrot Raisin Salad
Swiss Steak
Mashed Potatoes w/Brown Gravy
French Style Green Beans
Whole Grain Roll
Rice Crispy Treat

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

DIY Marinated Pork Chops

It's finally grilling season and we have been enjoying cooking most of our meals outside. 🍷 Marinating meat ahead of time results in more flavor and less time in the kitchen later! Try this recipe, my favorite marinade for pork chops. Bonus you can find everything you need at the Sunny Cove Farm Store open Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday #shoplocal

Marinated Pastured Pork Chops

2-4 thick cut Pastured Pork Chops 1/4 cup organic soy sauce
3 T. organic Worcestershire sauce 2 T. olive or coconut oil
1 T. cider vinegar 1 T. mustard
2 T. maple syrup 1 clove garlic or 1 t. garlic powder
salt and pepper

1. Combine marinade ingredients in a large shallow pan or food storage bag.

2. Add chops and marinate at least an hour or up to 6 hours. If using a shallow pan, be sure to flip the chops partway through to coat all sides. If using a bag, squish everything around to get all sides of the chops coated.

3. Grill chops over medium high heat for approximately 5 to 7 minutes per side until internal temp reaches 145 degrees. Don't overcook or chops could dry out!

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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Thurs. 5:00, 7:15

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Wed. 4:00, 7:00
Thurs. 2:30, 7:30

Saturday, April 3
The Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers (PG-13)
Sat. 8:00

ALLEGANY COUNTY NEWS

State Comptroller addresses WNY Inter-County group

BELMONT—Members of Western New York's Inter-County Association met virtually last week to discuss the latest in state and federal policies affecting county government. Hosted by Steuben County,

the delegates were joined by State Comptroller Thomas P. DiNapoli. In addition to overseeing the State's near \$200 billion pension fund, the Comptroller admin-

istrates the NYS and local retirement system, the State's approximate \$16.7 billion payroll, and closely monitors the fiscal affairs of local governments.

Comptroller DiNapoli discussed the state's fiscal health across a broad range of subjects, including the condition of the pension fund, current and projected unemployment numbers, and sales and income tax revenues. He noted the recent influx of Federal aid due to the American Rescue Plan, but offered caution:

"We're flush with money at the moment, largely because of the Federal help, but I still think we're going to be in for a period of having to make smart choices...on spending, on revenue, and on borrowing. That's true for the State, and I think it's true for you at the local government as well."

DiNapoli applauded the Association's ongoing efforts on behalf of their constituents.

"I want to thank (Association President) Brooke Harris and the team at the Inter-County Association for all of your work. You all have a lot to do in your respective counties, and the fact that you come together and provide leadership in a unified voice, and support each other through this Association is important," DiNapoli said.

Harris (Allegany County) stated his appreciation for the Comptroller's attendance. "The Inter-County Association would like to thank Comptroller DiNapoli and his staff for joining our meeting today. Now more than ever, it's important for local government officials to maintain strong lines of communication with our State officials. We're comforted knowing that the Comptroller is so willing to listen to the concerns of local leaders, and that we have a shared mission of being careful stewards of government resources."

The group was also provided a presentation on the effects of COVID on the Southern Tier's tourism industry.

Tom Costello, President and CEO of the Steuben County Conference and Visitors Bureau, shared a detailed look at the losses suffered by local hospitality industry, including restaurants, hotels, and the retail businesses. His office expressed optimism that the Southern Tier's tourism recovery will outpace many other regions, largely due to increased interest in outdoor recreation and "close-to-home" travel.

The next meeting of the Inter-County Association of WNY will be held virtually on April 16, 2021, and will be hosted by Livingston County.

SHERIFFS INSTITUTE FUND DRIVE

Fund drive to benefit Sheriffs' camp

ALBANY—The New York State Sheriffs' Institute will begin its annual Honorary Membership drive in Allegany County within the next ten days according to County Sheriff Rick Whitney.

The New York State Sheriffs' Institute was established in 1979. It is a not-for-profit corporation, tax exempt organization, and contributions to the Institute are tax deductible.

The flagship program of the Sheriffs' Institute is the Sheriffs' Summer Camp for economically challenged children. The Sheriffs' Camp, in its 45th year, is located on Keuka Lake and 840 children from across New York State attend each summer. The Sheriffs' Institute pays the entire cost of the camp stay and transportation. Most children attending

wouldn't otherwise have an opportunity for vacation travel or a summer camp experience.

The Sheriffs' Camp program combines summer recreation with activities designed to teach an understanding of, and respect for, our laws and the men and women who enforce them. The strong camper to counselor ratio allows for individual attention with an emphasis on the development of self-esteem.

"In these difficult economic times we cannot forget our youth who will not have the opportunity for a summer camp experience or a summer vacation," Sheriff Whitney said. "By becoming an honorary member you are supporting the Sheriffs' Summer Camp for economically disadvantaged children."

In addition, the Sheriffs' Institute operates a scholarship program that provides one scholarship to each of New York State's Community College's Criminal Justice Programs. This program is designed to help attract the best and the brightest to the criminal justice vocation.

For more information about the Sheriffs' Summer Camp and other Sheriffs' Institute Programs, visit our website, www.sheriffsinstitute.org or simply google "Sheriffs' Institute kids" and it will be your first option.

Any persons interested in supporting the efforts of the New York State Sheriffs' Institute by becoming an Honorary Member should contact the Sheriff if they do not receive an invitation in the mail, or visit our web site at: www.sheriffsinstitute.org to download an application.

All donations made to the New York State Sheriffs' Institute are tax deductible. In addition, Sheriffs' Institute is registered with the New York State Attorney General's Charities Bureau.



Sheriffs' Summer Camp is an active place. The camper to counselor ratio is 4 to 1. The Sheriffs' Camp is intended to give boys and girls who come from an economically challenged environment an opportunity for a summer camp experience. In many cases it is the only summer "vacation" they get.

Updated county COVID stats

Allegany County COVID Stats as of 3 pm Monday, March 29:

Confirmed Cases: 3,067 (1 new)

Recovered Cases: 2,987

COVID-19 Related Deaths by place of facility: 55

COVID-19 Related Deaths by residence by county: 82

1st Dose Vaccines: 5,210 (administered by Allegany Co. DOH)

2nd Dose Vaccines: 1,347 (administered by Allegany Co. DOH)

Total Quarantined/Isolated to Date: 11,085

Released from Quarantine/Isolation: 10,936

Currently Quarantined/Isolated: 149

If your life or someone else is in imminent danger, call 911. If you are in crisis and need immediate help, contact:

COVID-19 Emotional Support Hotline: 844-863-9314

Allegany County Crisis Hotline: 888-448-3367

Allegany County Community Services: 585-593-1991 (Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.)

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 800-273-TALK (8255)

NYS Text Line: Text "GOT5" to 741741

Veterans' Crisis Lifeline: 822-273-8255 (Press 1)

For additional COVID-19 questions and information:

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Email: healthinfo@alleganyco.com; Website: www.alleganyco.com

Free drive-thru rabies vaccine clinic

BELMONT—The Allegany County Department of Health and the Genesee Valley Central School will sponsor a: Drive-Thru FREE RABIES Pet Vaccination Clinnic at the Genesee Valley School-bus garage, 1 Jaguar Drive, Belmont, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon Saturday, April 17. The clinic is for New York State residents ONLY.

Pre-registration is required.

Register online at <https://tinyurl.com/Rabies0417>

You must register before Thursday, April 15, 2021

If you are having problems registering online, please call 585-268-9263 or call 585-268-9266

DRIVE-THRU Clinic, one-way traffic only!

You must wear a mask!

You must remain in your vehicle! When it is your turn, one person wearing a mask must get your animal(s) out of your vehicle for their vaccination(s).

Only dogs, ferrets, and cats three months (12 weeks) and older will be immunized

ALL Dogs MUST be on a leash. All Cats & Ferrets MUST be on a leash or in a pet carrier

Bring your pet's previous rabies vaccination certificate to receive a three-year certificate. If you do not have the previous certificate, or your pet has not had a previous rabies vaccination, only a one-year certificate will be given. Ferrets will only receive a one-year certificate/shot regardless. Donations are appreciated and gratefully accepted. Please be prepared to clean up after your pets.



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And for information on the Allegany County Area Foundation's SPCA Endowment Fund, you can contact the Foundation at (585) 296-5616 or by e-mail at director@acafny.org.

Please note that April is Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Month.



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...for our cousins to hunt when they visit!



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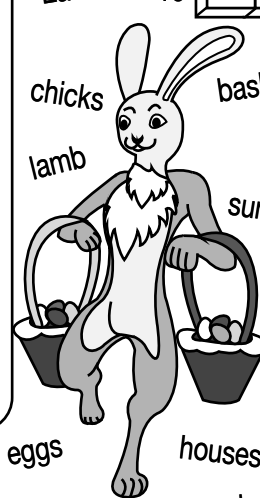
Yay! Easter is almost here! There's so much to do that my cousin Harry the Hare is here to help me get ready.

What do you know about the Easter holiday? Easter is an important Christian holiday. Christians believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God. Easter is the celebration of his "new life after death." It is a time of great joy.

Families spend a lot of time getting ready: cleaning, decorating, planning meals, and getting their best clothes ready for church.

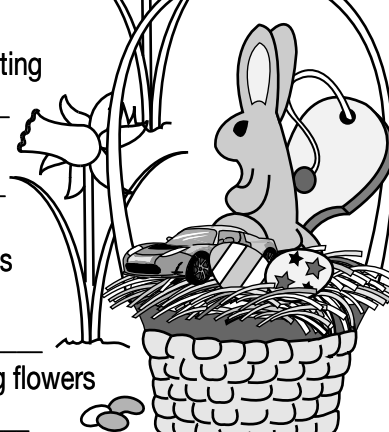
My crossword puzzle is about Easter and what families are doing. **Can you read the clues to fill it in?**

Happy Easter!



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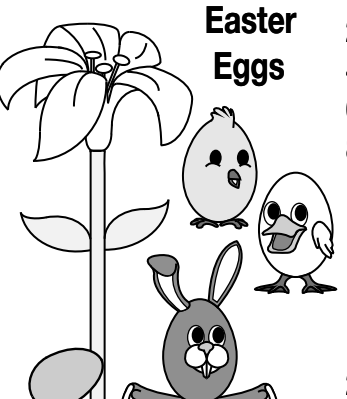
Easter buns chicks baskets lamb sunrise bells friends clothes church beginnings houses chocolate



Easter Time:

- the 40 days before Easter; for some people a time for prayer and fasting; many people "give up something," like desserts
- many Easter services are held at this beginning of a new day
- ring with joy
- burn with bright light
- Easter Bunny brings these, with treats in them...
- with this kind of rabbit often in the middle
- beautiful, white flower that stands for "new life after death"
- soft, yellow baby animals also used as a symbol of new life
- gentle animal sometimes used as a symbol of Jesus
- dawning of a new day; can be a time for this

3 Cute Easter Eggs

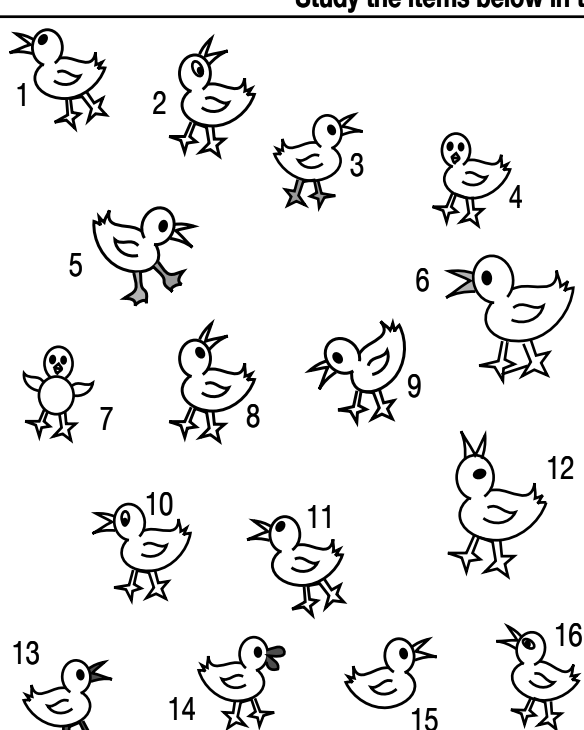


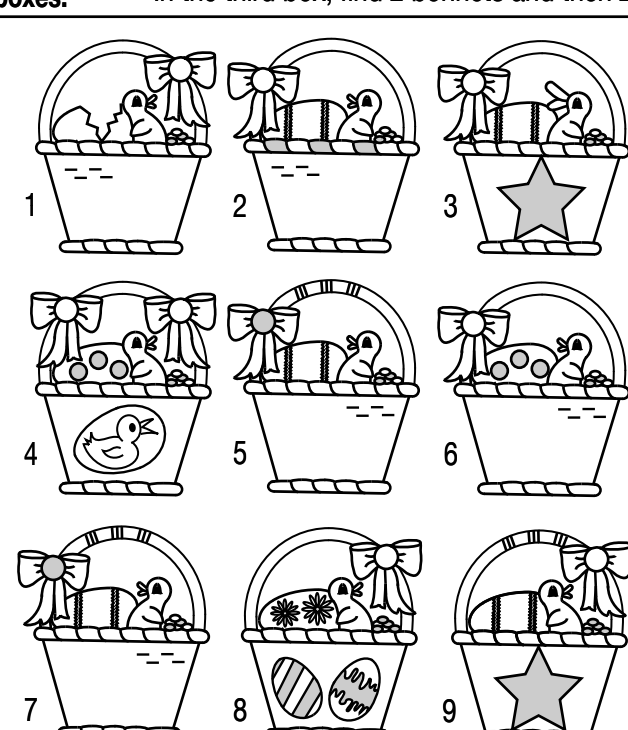
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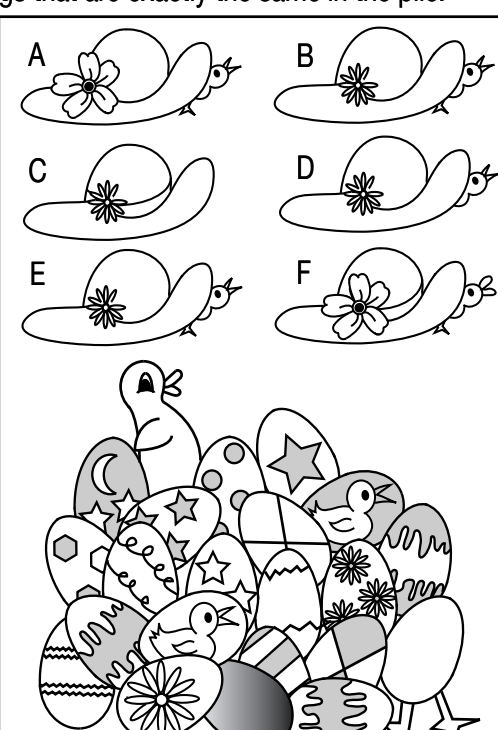
- cleaning _____ and decorating
- dying and decorating _____
- baking hot cross _____
- dressing in their best _____
- going to _____ services
- visiting _____ and relatives
- hunting for _____ eggs
- enjoying delicious ham _____
- sending _____ and buying flowers
- marching in an Easter _____

"DoubleTake" of Easter Fun

Study the items below in the boxes.








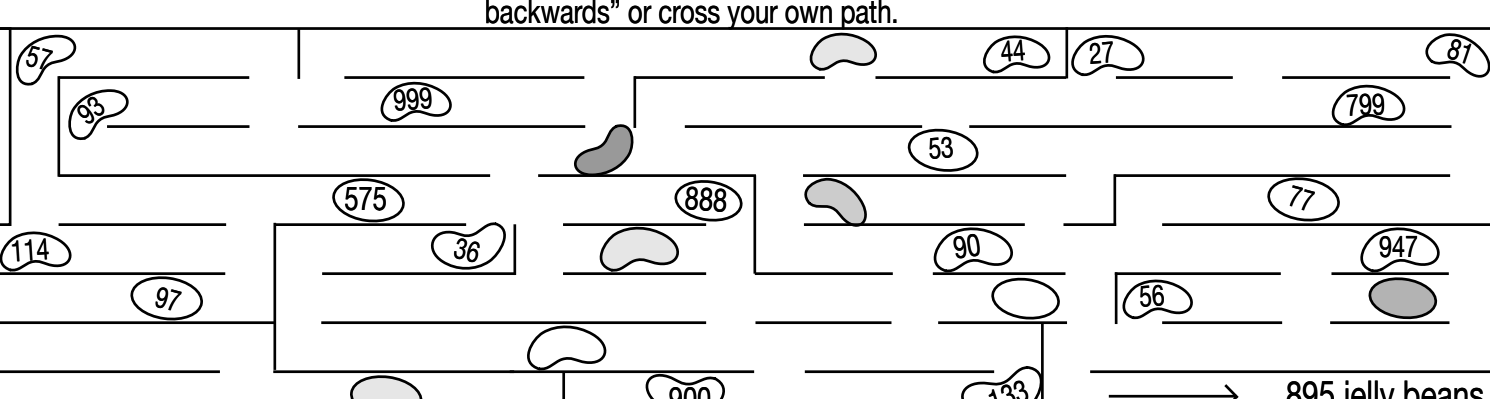
- In the first box, find 2 chicks that are exactly alike and positioned the same way.
- In the second box, find 2 baskets that are the same.
- In the third box, find 2 bonnets and then 2 eggs that are exactly the same in the pile.

Jelly Bean Fun Count

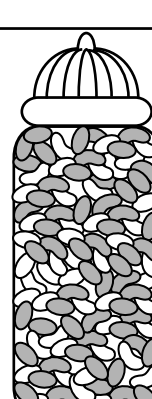
Can you make your way through the maze to "pick up" the 12 jelly beans that add up to the number in the jar? You can use a calculator to help. You can pass through jelly beans, but you cannot "go backwards" or cross your own path.

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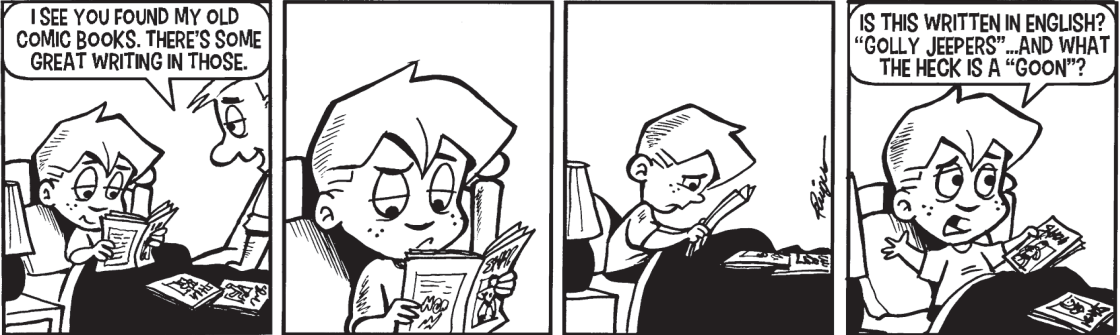
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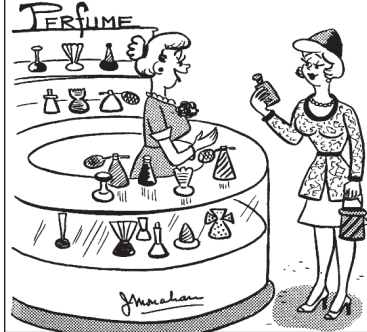


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21. Public Notices

Alfred-Almond Central School Annual School District Meeting

NOTICE, is hereby given to the residents of the Alfred-Almond Central School District that the Annual Budget Presentation will be held via ZOOM which the public may log on to a t <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCNKu9vHzDM03FJL5xxGiQKA> on May 4, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. for the transaction of such business as is authorized by the Education Law.

The vote will take place on Tuesday, May 18, 2021 from 1:00-8:00 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

Qualified voters may vote on the 2021-22 school budget, on a candidate for the Board of Education, on a proposition to purchase one (1) 66-passenger school bus, and on a library proposition.

Copies of the proposed budget, resolutions, and a copy of the latest tax exemption impact report, may be obtained during the 14 days immediately preceding the Annual Meeting on the District's website at www.aacsapps.org, and also at the public libraries within the district.

Petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education must be filed with the District Clerk at the school no later than 4:00 p.m. on Monday, April 19, 2021.

The following seat on the Board of Education is to be filled. One (1) Term of Five Years, Vicky Westacott. A petition must be directed to the District Clerk and must be signed by at least 25 qualified voters of the District; must state the residence of each signer, the name and residence of the candidate and must describe the particular vacancy for which the candidate is nominated including at least the length of term of office and the name of the last incumbent. Petitions may be obtained at the District Clerk's Office.

The Board of Registration shall meet on May 4, 2021 at the school between the hours of 1:00-5:00 p.m. to prepare the register. Any person shall be entitled to have his name entered during that time provided he is known or proven to the satisfaction of such Board to be then and thereafter entitled to vote.

Such register will be open for inspection by any voter of the District at the school from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on each of the five days prior to and the day set for the election.

Absentee Ballots are available from the District Office. Requests for Absentee Ballots must be made seven (7) days prior to the vote, if by mail, and one (1) day prior to the vote, if in person.

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that at said annual election to be held on May 18, 2021, the following proposition will be submitted:

BUS PROPOSITION Shall the following resolution be adopted: **RESOLVED**, that the Board

of Education of the Alfred-Almond Central School District is hereby authorized to purchase and finance student transport vehicles, including necessary furnishings, fixtures and equipment and all other costs incidental thereto, and expend a total sum not to exceed \$129,000, which is estimated to be the total maximum cost thereof, and said amount, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be raised by the levy of a tax upon the taxable property of said School District and collected in annual installments as provided by Section 416 of the Education Law; and, in anticipation of such tax, obligations of said School District, in the principal amount not to exceed \$129,000, shall be issued.

If necessary, due to space constraints on the voting machines, said proposition may be presented in substantially the following abbreviated form:

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NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that in-person voting will be conducted in a manner consistent with NYS Department of Health guidelines intended to protect voters and school district personnel and may include the requirements that voters wear masks and maintain proper social distancing.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that qualified voters may obtain applications for absentee ballots from the office of the Clerk of the School District. Completed applications for absentee ballots must be received by the District Clerk of the School District no later than 5:00 P.M. prevailing time, on May 17, 2021, and must be received no later than 5:00 P.M., prevailing time, on May 11, 2021 if the absentee ballot is to be mailed to the voter. Completed applications received after 5:00 P.M. on May 11, 2021, will require the voter to personally appear at the Office of the Clerk of the School District to receive an absentee ballot. A listing of all persons to whom an absentee ballot is issued will be available for inspection by any qualified voter during regular business hours in the Office of the Clerk of the School District through May 17, 2021. Qualified voters who do not want to vote in person because of concerns surrounding COVID-19 and public gatherings may also request an absentee ballot on those grounds as provided by law and Executive Order(s) then in effect. Guidance regarding absentee voting due to concerns related to COVID-19 will be published on the School District's website when available and questions may also be directed to the District Clerk at (607) 276-6501

or jdemetreu@aacsapps.com.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that military voters who are qualified voters of the School District may apply for a military ballot by requesting an application from the District Clerk at (607) 276-6501 or jdemetreu@aacsapps.com. For a military voter to be issued a military ballot, the District Clerk must have received a valid ballot application no later than 5:00 pm on April 22, 2021. In a request for a military ballot application or ballot, the military voter may indicate their preference for receiving the application or ballot by mail, facsimile transmission or electronic mail.

Section 4. The Clerk of the School District is hereby authorized and directed in the name and on behalf of the District to do all acts and things necessary, following the advice and counsel of the District's Attorney and the District's Bond Counsel, to comply with all applicable laws, regulations and executive orders relating to the Annual Meeting to be held on May 18, 2021, and to do all other acts as may be necessary, or in the opinion of the District's Attorney and the District's Bond Counsel, desirable or proper to effectuate the purposes of the foregoing Resolution and to cause compliance by the District with all applicable laws, regulations and executive orders relating to the notice of, and procedural steps to be taken in connection with such Annual Meeting.

Section 5. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

JOANNE DEMETREU
District Clerk 13-4b

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Town Board of the Town of Alfred will hold a Public Hearing Thursday, April 8, 2021 at 7:00 pm, for the purpose of hearing public comment renewing the Franchise Agreement with Charter Communications, Inc This will be held via Zoom and the link can be found on the Town of Alfred website townofalfred.com. The regular monthly meeting of the Town board will follow the Public Hearing. March 29, 2021

Janice L. Burdick
Town Clerk
Town of Alfred 13-1b

VILLAGE BOARD ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

TO BE HELD ONLINE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Alfred Annual Organizational Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 6, 2021 at 8:00 a.m.

Register in advance for this meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/7444444444>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Dated: March 24, 2021
Carolyn Hasper
Village Clerk 13-1b

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held before the Allegany County Board of Legislators in the County Legislative Chambers, Room 221, County Office Building, Belmont, New York, on April 12, 2021, commencing at 2:00 p.m. in connection with a proposed local law, entitled, **"A LOCAL LAW TO ESTABLISH A SUSTAINABLE ENERGY LOAN PROGRAM (OPEN C-PACE) IN THE COUNTY OF ALLEGANY."**

This local law establishes a program that will allow the Energy Improvement Corporation (EIC), a local development corporation, acting on behalf of Allegany County pursuant to the municipal agreement to be entered into between Allegany County and EIC, to make funds available to Qualified Property Owners that will be repaid through charges on the real properties benefited by such funds, thereby fulfilling the purposes of this local law and accomplishing an important public purpose. This local law provides a method of implementing the public policies expressed by, and exercising the authority provided by, Article 5-L of the General Municipal Law.

A copy of Local Law Intro. No. 1-21 Print No.1 is available for viewing at www.alleganyco.com. Dated at Belmont, New York, the 22nd day of March 2021.

Brenda Rigby Riehle, Clerk
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Board of Legislators 13-1b

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The Alfred Sun 75, 55, 35, 25, and 10 Years Ago

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75 Years Ago, April 4, 1946

Affa B. Jewett died in St. Petersburg, FL March 27, 1946. She was born to Ruth and Jerry K. Reading Jan. 15, 1866. In early life she was married to Daniel Smith who died in 1910. Later she married Louis Allen, deceased, and in 1936 to Arthur P. Jewett of New Hartford who survives. Most of her life was spent in Alfred and Belmont. For several years she served as postmistress of Alfred Station Post Office...

Word has been received Monday forenoon of the death that morning of Mary Titsworth Clawson, wife of Dr. Cortez R. Clawson, former resident of Alfred. Dr. Clawson had been librarian for Alfred University...

Pieters Bakery will be closed on Sunday, April 7 and again on Wednesday and Thursday, April 10-11 due to painting.

Milton Claire was elected Fire Chief of Alfred Station Firemen at the annual meeting...held Tuesday in the Community House and Al Rogers and Harry Austin were re-elected to posts of president and secretary-treasurer.

Ronald Palmiter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Palmiter of Alfred Station, who recently returned from overseas and has since received his discharge, was recently united in marriage to Miss Margaret Raish, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Grimm of Hornell...

Mr. and Mrs. W.T. Worrell of Almond were Sunday callers on Mrs. Eva Worrell and Mrs. Fannie Saunders and Mrs. Will Johnson were callers Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Shaw of Owego spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Woodruff were Wednesday night supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Woodruff.

55 Years Ago, March 31, 1966

Kenneth Clicquenois, Alfred-Almond Central School Supervising Principal and chairman of the Student Rotarian Committee of the Hornell Rotary Club welcomes Roger Van Horn and Dan North. The two AACS seniors were guests of the club during the three week period.

Area churches have made plans for a common Easter service to be held at Lake Lodge grounds at 6 a.m. Easter morning...

Ms. Vera Burdick, wife of Dr. Richard Burdick, who is a professor at Carroll College, died Monday, March 28, 1966 in Waukesha, Wisconsin. In addition to her husband, Mrs. Burdick is survived by a son, William, and her mother, Mrs. Ethel Smith in Skaneateles... Dr. Burdick may be remembered as the son of William and Clarsey Langworthy Burdick...

Mr. and Mrs. Berwyn Reid are parents of a son, born March 28, 1966 at the Bethesda Hospital in Hornell.

The 1966 Alcen annual yearbook of Alfred-Almond Central School has been dedicated to Mrs. Elizabeth Stillman, librarian at A.A.C.S. for 12 years... A native of Cuba, Mrs. Stillman was graduated from Alfred University and did her library work at the State College at Geneseo. She previously taught at Friendship Central School three years before coming to A-A. She and her husband, A. Prentice Stillman, reside on the Alfred-Almond road.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Rase were called to Columbus, Ohio Monday morning by the death of Dan's father, Henry A. Rase.

Mrs. N.F. Tucker entered Wayne County Community Hospital March 21 for major surgery.

Mrs. Lloyd R. Watson had the pleasure of entertaining both Huber and family for the weekend and Dr. Sherman Watson and family of North Wales, PA during the week.

35 Years Ago, April 10, 1986

Hot Dog Day, a student-run benefit, is set for the weekend of April 18-19 and is expected to raise \$6,000 for local charities...Tens of thousands of hot dogs will be on tap.

Dr. Robert Snyder, professor of ceramics at the N.Y.S. College of Ceramics, has been elected as head of technical operations and a member of the Board of Trustees at the International Centre for Diffraction Data Headquarters in Swarthmore, PA...

Hannah Shaw Burdick of 17 Sayles Street, Alfred,

died Friday, April 4, 1986 at the Wellsville Nursing Home following a long illness. She was born June 4, 1895 in what is now Sigma Chi Nu sorority. Her father, the Rev. George B. Shaw, was attending the Seventh Day Baptist Seminary...Returning in 1951 to Alfred with her husband and family, she lived until November at 17 Sayles Street, a house built by her carpenter father-in-law. Preceded in death by her husband and her son, Kenneth, who practiced medicine here in the late 1940s, she is survived by daughters Carol Burdick of Alfred and Mrs. William (Judy) Downey; and a sister, Catherine Jacox of Columbus, TX.

Mr. and Mrs. James Palmer and Amy visited their son and brother at Cleveland Institute of Art for the Easter weekend in celebration of Mr. Palmer's birthday. While there, they toured the Garden Club grounds. They were taped by the local TV station (unknown to them)...

Over Easter weekend Harriet Saunders accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Philip Saunders of Scottsville on a trip to Atlanta, GA where they visited their daughter, Edie.

Mrs. Pearl Moses of Hornell was a recent visitor at the home of her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Allen of Alfred Station.

25 Years Ago, April 4, 1996

Dr. Robert G. Eisenhardt, 80, of 1511 Waterwells Road, died Wednesday, March 27, 1996 at his home in Alfred Station, following an extended illness. Born June 14, 1915, in Hornell, he was the son of L. Frederick and Minnie Wallm Eisenhardt. He was married Jan. 8, 1949, in Arkport, to the former Annette Hull, who survives. He was predeceased by two brothers, Raymond Eisenhardt and Donald Eisenhardt. He was a graduate of Hornell High School, Hamilton College in Clinton, and the University of Rochester Medical School. Dr. Eisenhardt had a medical practice in Canisteo for two years prior to moving to Alfred in 1951. He conducted a private practice in Alfred for 35 years and also was physician for Alfred University for 30 years, retiring in 1980....Survivors, in addition to his wife, include two sons, James "Jamie" (Peggy) Eisenhardt of Alfred and Peter Eisenhardt of Olean; two grandsons, Matthew Eisenhardt and Kurtis Eisenhardt; and one nephew.

(Photo) First Donation: Alfred Station Fire Company Treasurer Steve Conderman receives a check from Rev. Albert N. Rogers of Alfred Station, who served as president of the Alfred Station Fire Company some fifty years ago. Rev. Rogers was the first to make a donation toward the fire company's current \$200,000 Capital Improvement Fund Drive. The campaign has reached the \$75,000 mark with cash or in-kind donations...

(Photo) A-A Sixth Grade students participating in the All-County Music Festival at Hornell High School earlier this month included Hannah Burdick, Ryan Collison, Casey Maracek, Julia Rees, Peter Ostrower and Spencer Gregory. The band played a wide selection including a medley of Disney hits.

George S. Whitney, 86 years of age and a resident of Cortland Care Center, died on March 29, 1996. He was born July 18, 1909 in Griegsville, the son of Fred and Celia Slack Whitney. George was graduated from Clarkson College and received advanced degrees from R.I.T. He was a New York State intercollegiate wrestling champion and was inducted into the R.I.T. Sports Hall of Fame in 1982. He was principal of Antwerp High School where he also coached baseball, football and basketball...He was chairman and one of the original founders of the Industrial Division of the State University of New York at Alfred...George and his wife Edna retired and relocated in Cortland in 1973...

Longtime Alfred resident Mary (Mae) Gertrude Louprette McMahon, 91, died Thursday, March 28, 1996 at Washington County Hospital in Hagerstown, Maryland...Mae was born Oct. 5, 1904, in Cohoes, the daughter of Francis Alfred and Mary Agnes Lynch Louprette. There she met John F. McMahon, and they were married Feb. 1, 1928...In 1936, they moved to Alfred...In 1948 John McMahon became dean of the NYS College of Ceramics at Alfred University. He died April 11, 1987...

Notes from Palmiter Hill (Rev. Albert Rogers) One of our Rose Geraniums has a blossom and three buds. They are the first blossoms we have had in 1996...A lonely crane stopped over for a night's rest on our neighbor's pond. His long legs accent his presence...Warner

evenings remind me of the pleasure driving in the early evening with my grandmother when I was a boy. She owned a driving horse who was gentle, and she would let me choose whether we would drive north one half mile up the valley to the watering trough there or south about the same distance to another roadside spring. These are memories I treasure from years long gone by...Ron Putnam of Greenwood captures game with his camera as reported in the Hornell Tribune. We salute you, Ron!...Our son Brian and his wife recently took a vacation trip to southern Mexico and report the buildings and scenery are beautiful. By contrast the northern part of the country is less attractive...Keith, our second son who lives near us, has been gathering sap from maple trees along Palmiter Road. One day recently we went up and watched the boiling in a shed near their garage. It smells delicious! The work of gathering is beyond my strength and vitality, but we enjoy the samples he shares with us...My college classmate with whom I correspond writes that he is singing in their church choir. We sang together in the Milton College Glee Club years ago and it's good to recall those days.

10 Years Ago, March 24, 2011

Nelson and Amanda Snyder of Alfred Station read their hometown newspaper while enjoying "Paradise" on Oahu when everyone back home was having very cold and snowy weather the last week of January and 1st week of Feb 2011. Lately, the Alfred winter weather has nevertheless been catching up with the Snyders. Ahh, to be back in Oahu!

Former Arboles and Durango, CO resident Patrick Daniel Finn collapsed and died while playing his drums Tuesday, March 15, 2011, in Alfred. He was 26. The cause of death is still undetermined. Known as "Dan the Man," he was born to Denny and Melody Finn on Aug. 16, 1984, at his parents' home in Pine Cove, CA. He moved with his family to Arboles, CO in 1988, where he was home-schooled. In 2002, he enrolled at the Durango Adult Education Center, where he earned his GED diploma. Mr. Finn was living in Alfred with his girlfriend, Kathleen Rabe, as she attends Alfred University. He moved to Alfred in August 2010. He recently began working as the executive chef at The Little Gem Restaurant and Wellsville Creative Arts Center in Wellsville...

Lou and Marcia Lichtman were in Syracuse for the weekend, hosted by daughter Andrea and celebrating daughter Karen's birthday. Packed into the weekend was skiing at Song Mountain, a production of "The Miracle Worker" at The Syracuse Stage and dinner at Lemon Grass Restaurant.

Andover Lions are preparing for the 39th annual Maple Festival...April 2 & 3.... Under the leadership of Sugar Shack chairman Ed Derowitsch, the Lions have been harvesting maple sap in the Village of Andover from about 100 taps...(Photo) Andover Lions Club President Dick Lang serves maple syrup samples at the sugar shack.



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With a sign, he took his new hatchet, and looking around for something on which to test its edge, he settled on a sapling in his father's apple orchard. When his father discovered the deed and sternly questioned his son, young George replied: "Father, I cannot tell a lie -- although I cannot say the same for those who will tell of this day in years to come."

AFD, 1999.

Alfred Area Church Directory

ALFRED-ALMOND AREA

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

ALFRED-ALMOND BIBLE CHURCH--Rt. 21, Almond. Pastor Ken Shutt. Pastor Justin Langley. Sunday Song Service 10 am, Sunday Worship 11 am. EPIC (for teens) 5:30 pm EPIC Kids-online (K - 6th grade) Evening Service 6 pm Sundays. Tuesday - Vintage (Young Adults/College Students) 7:00 pm. Wednesday - 6:30 pm - Bible Study. Phone 607-276-6700. www.aabible.org.

ALFRED ASSEMBLY OF CHRISTIANS--Remembrance of the Lord in the Breaking of Bread, Sundays at 10:30 a.m.; Gothic Chapel, corner of Ford & Sayles, Alfred. Bible Study 8 p.m. Fridays in Almond. Call 607-382-4140 or e-mail lookup@frontiernet.net for more information.

ALFRED SEVENTH DAY BAPTIST CHURCH--5 Church St., Alfred. Adult Sabbath (Saturday) School, 10 a.m. in the SDB Parish House; Sabbath Worship Service at 11 a.m. Church Office: 607-587-9430. Pastor Christian R. Mattison.

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

ALFRED UNITED METHODIST CHURCH--1389 Moland Road, Alfred. Sunday services at 9 a.m. Nursery care available. Join us for Small Group one Saturday a month at 7:00 pm. Pastor: Rev. Stephen Crowell. Pastor's Number: 716-982-6469. Church Office Number: 607-587-8355. Service day and time: Sunday at 9:00 a.m.

ALMOND COMMUNITY CHURCH--11 Main St., Almond. Join us Sunday Mornings: Bible Hour 9:30 am, Worship Service & Kids' Club 10:30 am. Wednesday Morning Women's Prayer Group at 9:30 am. Food Pantry open Tuesday, Thursday & Friday from 9 am to Noon. For more information, call (607) 276-6151 or email us at almondcommunitychurch@gmail.com or by mail at PO Box E, Almond, NY 14804. We're your Community Church, please join us! Pastor Scott Dumond.

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

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

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

LIGHTHOUSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP--Randolph Road, Alfred. Pastor Roger Gardner. Worship 10:30 am Sundays. Kingdom Life School of the Bible 9-10:30 a.m. Saturdays at Seidlin Hall Room 114, AU campus. Student Prayer Meeting 7 p.m. Mondays in Scholes Library Rm. 218. Small Group Gatherings throughout the week. 607-382-4217.

SS. BRENDAN AND JUDE PARISH--Father James W. Hartwell, Pastor. St. Brendan Church, 11 S. Main St., Almond. Weekend Mass: Saturday, 5:00 p.m. Weekday Masses Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9:00 a.m.; St. Jude Chapel, Lower College Dr., Alfred (on the Alfred State College campus). Weekday Mass Thursdays 7:00 p.m. Weekend Masses Sunday 11 a.m. & 5 p.m. Office phone: 607-587-9411, Rectory phone: 607-276-5304.

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

ANDOVER AREA

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

BLESSED SACRAMENT CHURCH--26 Elm St., Andover. Father James W. Hartwell, Pastor. Weekend Mass Sunday 9:00 a.m. Office phone: 607-478-8885; Rectory phone 607-276-5304.

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

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH--14 Elm Street. Pastor Calvin Densmore. Sunday School 9:45 am, Morning Worship 11 am. Wed. night Bible Study 6 p.m. AWANA 6-7:30 p.m. Food Pantry available at Church. Clothing Closet Mon. 10-1 and 4-7 pm, Fri. 10-1.

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

ZION'S HILL MINISTRIES--23 Barney St., Andover. Services: Sunday 10:30 am. Wednesday Night Bible Study 6:45 p.m. Pastors Mary and David Nevol. Phone 716 498 0119.

NATIONAL MARROW DONOR PROGRAM

Be the Match donor 'feels pretty awesome'

ANDOVER--When Katie Adams (AU '17 '18) first heard of the Be the Match Registry, she immediately became interested.

Be the Match registries collect DNA data from individuals for possible stem cell and bone marrow donations used in treating diseases such as leukemia. When Katie was 15, her father passed away from acute myelogenous leukemia. As an undergraduate at Alfred University, she decided to register her own DNA, in 2015, in the hopes it would be compatible with an individual suffering from a similar disease.

About five years later, in November 2020, she got the word: Someone -- the identities of patients are kept confidential -- was a match for her DNA.

A series of examinations followed, complicated at one point by her coming down with the COVID 19 virus. Then on Feb. 22, she and her mother drove to the Wilmot Cancer Center, in Rochester, where a six-hour procedure withdrew blood through a small incision in her neck, extracted stem cells, then returned the blood to her circulatory system.



Katie Adams (AU '17 '18) of Andover donated stem cells.

tem. The procedure involved recycling her blood five times. By the end of the day, she had donated 7.81 million stem cells. "I felt pretty awesome."

She's back now at her regular job at Southern Tier Express, in Andover, where she works as a dispatcher. She also works part-time as an evening reference librarian at Alfred University's Scholes and Herrick libraries. She has been working in the University's library system since her undergraduate days. Mean-



while, she is enjoying her work at Southern Tier Express, where her father also worked as a driver. "There's something new every day."

The Be the Match Registry is a program operated by the National Marrow Donor Program, which was founded in 1986. It is one of the world's largest hematopoietic cell registries and has supported more than 100,000 stem cell and bone marrow transplants worldwide.

CHURCH NEWS

Easter Week services begin tonight

ALMOND--The Alfred Almond Bible Church has released their schedule of Easter Week events, inviting the public to attend any and all services.

The traditional Maundy Thursday Communion Service will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday evening, April 1 in the AABC auditorium. The Thursday before Easter, Christians remember it as the day of the Last Supper, when Jesus washed the feet of his disciples. The night of Maundy Thursday is the night on which Jesus was betrayed by Judas in the Garden of Gethsemane. Social distancing will be observed, and masks will be worn during singing on Thursday night.

Because the Alfred Almond Bible Church's large gymnasium is now open and conducive to

social distance singing, the regular singing service on Easter morning will be held at 10 a.m.

At 10:45 the congregation will move to the auditorium to observe communion together. At 11 a.m. we will celebrate Christ's Resurrection with Pastor Justin Langley's message entitled "The Kingdom of The Son of Man and The Saints" from Daniel 7. Adult supervised Junior Church and Toddle Time programs will be available for young children.

There will be no evening services or EPIC Teens that evening.

The Alfred Almond Bible Church is located just south of the Alfred-Almond Central School at 6751 State Route 21.

'The Long Road' Sabbath sermon title

ALFRED STATION--Some call this Sabbath, "Resurrection Sabbath"; others refer to this as Easter Sabbath. Matthew 28:1 records "Late on the Sabbath as the first of the week was drawing on came Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to the grave.

These women according to the Gospel account find the tomb empty. This Sabbath the Worship Hour conveys the message "Christ the Lord is risen. He is Risen indeed." Together those in the 11 a.m. Worship Hour, Sabbath April 3 at the Alfred Station Seventh-day Baptist Church, "Baptists with a Difference" will sing the great Hymns of Easter.

Pastor Ken's Sermon, "The Long Road" concerns Luke's account of Jesus and the two disciples traveling to the village of Emmaus. The question to be considered is it possible that Jesus is with us and we just don't know it?

The doors of the church-meetinghouse open at 10:30 a.m. While sitting in the sanctuary worship through Contemporary Music. At 11 a.m. the Sabbath Worship Experience begins with the ringing of the Church meetinghouse Bell.

When you come to 'Face to Face' Worship please wear a face mask, be ready to answer three questions about you and

the virus, experience social distancing in the sanctuary and be dismissed at the close of the Worship Experience row by row.

At 10:55 a.m. we welcome the "Cloud Congregation" through live participatory Streaming at: Streaming.org- www.alfredstationsdb.org

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Would like to join us for Easter Sabbath (Saturday) April 3, at the "Face to Face" 11:00 am Worship Experience? The Church Meetinghouse is located at 585 Route 244 Alfred Station. If you desire further information please call the church office at 607-587-9176.

Hope you will join us on Easter Sabbath, April 3 in "Face to Face" or "Cloud Congregation" Worship. One more thing, whether participating in the Worship Experience through the "Cloud Congregation" or "Face to Face". Please bring your bible either hard copy or digital.

BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Psalms in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. What type of musical accompaniment is given as instructions for recitation of Psalms 4? *Flutes, Stringed instruments, Shofars, Mandrakes*
3. From Matthew 6, what did Jesus say not to use when we pray? *Loud curses, Impure thoughts, Vain repetitions, Wandering shifts*
4. 1 Chronicles starts with how many chapters of genealogy? *3, 5, 7, 9*
5. From Esther 1, King Ahasuerus lived in what city? *Ur, Shushan, Antioch, Tarsus*
6. Who was the first son of Moses and Zipporah? *Haggai, Gershom, Mark, Zebudah*

ANSWERS: 1) Old; 2) Stringed instruments; 3) Vain repetitions; 4) 9; 5) Shushan; 6) Gershom

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ALFRED UNIVERSITY SPORTS ROUND-UP

Saxons win, 17-10, thanks to late TD, goal line stand

ALFRED—Alfred University sophomore quarterback Connor Englert spun his way into the end zone for a 1-yard TD with five minutes remaining and the defense stopped Utica inches short of the goal line on the final play of the game Monday afternoon as the Saxon football team overcame three turnovers to defeat Utica, 17-10. AU outgained their guests, 418 yards to 281.

The Saxons had dropped a 30-17 game at Utica last week. Utica and Alfred were the lone Empire 8 Conference teams to participate in a spring football season after Covid-19 had sidelined the traditional fall 2020 slate. Both finished 1-1.

"I'm unbelievably proud of the resiliency and effort put forth by our kids tonight," said head coach Bob Rankl. "They kept grinding for four quarters and it was great to see our defense come up with a big goal-line stand when we needed it the

most. I really want to thank our seniors for their commitment to AU Football over the final four years. I hope they cherish this final game forever."

"I also want to take a moment to once again thank the administration at Alfred University and Utica College for their commitment to playing football this spring," Rankl added. "Both teams got better and provided our kids a great student-athlete experience."

Individually, Englert completed 7-of-11 passes for 140 yards but did most of his damage on the ground with 65 yards rushing and the game-winning score. Frosh QB Blake Van Woert (Corning) stepped under center for the first time and was effective, completing 6-of-14 passes for 80 yards and a touchdown. He drove the Saxons 62 yards on six plays in 42 seconds, capped by a 22-yard pass to junior wide receiver Zach Leinen-

bach (Penfield) with ten seconds remaining in the first half, giving the Saxons a 10-7 halftime lead.

No matter who was under center, senior wide receiver Kean-dre Sanders (Syracuse/Bishop Ludden) seemed to be their favorite target. Sanders caught four balls for 85 yards to lead the receiving corps. Senior RB Kevin Bragaglia added three receptions for 72 yards, including the 48-yard catch and run to set up the winning score. Bragaglia also tallied 89 yards on the ground.

Before the contest, the Saxons honored seniors Young, Gauthier, defensive back Alex Bast (Medford/Patchogue-Medford), defensive back Andrew Duke (Yonkers/Riverside), defensive back and co-captain Ryan Elliott (Northport), offensive lineman Ryan McDonald (Grand Island), defensive lineman Caleb Marshall (Owego), defensive line-man Nathan Fayerweather

(Horseheads), and offensive lineman and co-captain Ethan Stewart (Williamsville South).

Wilcox shines on the mound
Graduate Jessica Wilcox (Forestville/Pine Valley) was named Empire 8 Softball Pitcher of the Week Monday, making it her seventh career naming of that award and eighth overall.

Wilcox earned E8 Pitcher of the Week after the Spring Break Games last season before COVID-19 shut down athletic activities as well as the rest of the country. Prior to the 2020 season, Wilcox was named the Pitcher of the Week three times in 2019 and two more times in 2018. Wilcox even earned an Empire 8 Women's Basketball Rookie of the Week Honors in the 2016-17 season.

Wilcox, despite being off the softball field for over a year has not lost her touch inside the pitcher's circle. In three games, Wilcox sat batters 34 times, averaging over 11 strikeouts a game. Wilcox tied the all-time AU record for pitching wins at 39 after Sunday's defeat of Buffalo State.

She also tied her own single-

game strikeouts record with 14 against No. 22 SUNY Geneseo. It was the third time she has earned 14 strikeouts in a single game as she did that against St. John Fisher College in 2019 and Sage Colleges in 2018. Wilcox did not walk a single batter in those three games as she only gave up 12 hits, two earned runs, four doubles and hit batters twice. Wilcox had three assists and one putout with no errors



last week as well.

Wilcox was joined Monday by women's lacrosse's Alyssa Piechota (Webster Thomas) as the Women's Lacrosse Goalie of the Week and men's lacrosse's Scott Kimiecik (Randolph, NJ) as the Men's Lacrosse Goalie of the Week. Wilcox was also joined by men's lacrosse's Shane Weber (Hull, MA) as one of the two Saxons of the Week on Monday.



MATTERS of Finance

By MATHEW S. HILL, CFP®
Financial Advisor

4 Financial Steps to Take Today When Dealing with Alzheimer's

If a person close to you has been diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease, it may be time to address some serious financial questions. Due to the debilitating nature of Alzheimer's and related forms of dementia on your loved one's ability to make sound financial decisions, the sooner you can get financial matters in order the better. Here are four important steps to take:

#1—Look for signs of unusual financial activity

Discrepancies involving money can often be among the early signs of cognitive challenges for an individual. Red flags may include difficulty paying a proper amount for an item, leaving bills unpaid or making out-of-the-ordinary purchases. If you observe signs of a loss in judgment related to financial matters, additional action may be required.

#2—Identify and designate a power of attorney

Many people are reluctant to hand control over of their personal finances. It's important to have an honest discussion with your loved one and help them appreciate the importance of having somebody in a position to look out for their interests. Most important is to identify somebody who can be considered a trusted surrogate to help manage day-to-day money matters when that becomes necessary. An individual should be designated as financial power-of-attorney, authorized to sign checks, pay bills and help keep an eye on the affected person's finances. The person designated with power-of-attorney can ease into the role, only assuming full control when it becomes absolutely necessary as the person receiving the diagnosis loses capacity to make rational decisions.

#3—Make sure proper documentation is in place

An individual needs to be considered competent to complete or update legal paperwork such as wills, trusts and other estate planning documents. This should include an advanced health care directive that will indicate the levels of care that should be followed if health deteriorates. Also check ben-

eficiary designations on any retirement and financial accounts as well as life insurance policies. With all relevant documentation, be sure the information and named beneficiaries are up-to-date and that proper processes are followed. Check with an estate planning attorney for help.

#4—Assess costs of care and how it will be covered

A top priority is to determine a strategy for how your loved one will be cared for, particularly if their cognitive abilities should deteriorate over time. Will specialized care be required, either in the home or in a nursing or assisted living facility? If so, are there resources or long-term care insurance policies in place to help deal with those costs? This will greatly affect any decisions on a care strategy. Talk to an elder law attorney about trusts that can be established to provide for care for the disabled individual while still protecting the family's assets.

Be proactive in your approach

Waiting too long to address financial considerations after an Alzheimer's diagnosis can compound an already stressful and emotional time. Take steps to get on top of the situation as soon as you are aware that it could be a problem. Even establishing a plan for addressing these issues before a form of dementia is firmly diagnosed makes sense. Consult with your financial advisor for guidance on how to manage these challenging times.

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Pandemic Escapes

Afloat but unsinkable in a biblical inland sea

By CHARLES BALL
Special to The Alfred Sun

I never really believed you could simply float in the Dead Sea—pretty much like a cork—without any effort whatsoever on your part. I was wrong.

In fact, floating was not the problem; it was unfloating, if I can call it that.

My small adventure occurred on a recent trip to Israel. Not much of a swimmer, I had pretty much decided to forego the chance to take a dip in the inland sea between Israel and Jordan. It is known for its high salt-water content—about 34 percent salinity or nearly 10 times as salty as the ocean—that gives amazing buoyancy to the human body.

Once my tour group arrived, however, I couldn't resist the allure of a warm, sunny day, a throng of happy swimmers, young and old (my category) and an abiding curiosity about the powers of these waters.

After a quick change in a locker room and rather long walk down to the rocky beach (it's not a place, I discovered, for bare feet), I resisted the temptation to cover my body with supposedly healing mud, as many were doing, and hobbled into the warm water about up to my waist before easing onto my back.

Because I fully expected to sink unless I worked a bit to stay afloat, I even gave a quick kick or two (a no-no, I learned, because no one wants to get the highly-salted water in their eyes) and quickly realized that I was indeed floating without any sense of a pull of gravity. I had once experienced weightlessness as a passenger in a jet fighter pulling out of a dive, and this wasn't all that different.

Amazed and delighted, I stretched out my body in full repose and began drifting—seaward it seemed. With no desire to float all the way to Jordan or to be lost



Not exactly walking on water but in the biblical waterway shared by Israel and Jordan it's the next best thing. (Photo provided)

at sea (at least I wouldn't drown), I used my arms as paddles to work my way toward shore. I had resisted the impulse to turn over and swim because of our guide's warning to keep our faces out of the water.

As I floated back among standing bathers, I put my foot down to stand up. At least that's what I tried to do. But the buoyancy kept my foot from hitting bottom and, after several tries, I decided I needed some help.

I was between a large woman and a smallish man and I asked, hoping they understood English, if they would mind flipping me upright. It also took a few hand gestures, but they quickly got the idea, reached under my arms and got me upright.

It was not that unusual an occurrence, I was later told. And in fact one woman in our group did turn over to try to gain leverage and ended up swallowing enough water that an ambulance had to

be called for medics to check on her. It seems the salinity is so concentrated it can affect vital organs.

As for myself, a shower in the locker room washed off the remnants of the Dead Sea, but not the special feeling of floating like a cork—just as promised.

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Holy Water: An Afternoon in Tralee

By BEN HOWARD
Alfred Sun Contributing Writer

Most of the impressions we garner in the course of a day fade quickly from our memories. Lady Memory is very selective. But certain impressions, no matter how mundane, stay with us for decades. Such was the case with one of the most ordinary of physical objects, which I encountered in southwest Ireland in a not-so-ordinary setting.

It was the summer of 1998, and I had come to the town of Tralee (pron. *truh-LEE*; pop. 23,691) in Co. Kerry to lecture and teach at the Kerry International Summer School. Although I devoted much of the week to honing my public lecture and teaching my class in Modern Irish Poetry, I also found time to explore the town of Tralee (Ir. *Tra-lee*), whose name means "strand (beach) of the (River) Lee." Well supplied with shops, restaurants, old-fashioned hotels, and hospitable pubs, Tralee has the feel of an insular but welcoming country town, nestled into the Vale of Tralee at the northern end of the Dingle Peninsula.

If Tralee is known to the wider world, it is largely because of a song. "The Rose of Tralee," a 19th-century ballad well suited to the swelling tones of John McCormick and other Irish tenors, extols the beauty and virtue of Mary, a local girl known to her community as the Rose of Tralee. *She was lovely and fair as the rose of the summer, / Yet 'twas not her beauty alone that won me; / Oh no, 'twas the truth in her eyes ever shining / That made me love Mary, the Rose of Tralee.* According to the most recent research, these lyrics were written by the Tralee poet William Pembroke Mulchinock (1820-1864) in praise of one Mary O'Connor, a poor girl in service to his family. Set to a melody by William Glover, the song eventually became widely popular in Ireland and abroad.

In keeping with the fame of Mulchinock's ballad, the town of Tralee has hosted, since 1959, an international



beauty contest, drawing contestants from countries far and wide. In the early days of the competition, a local resident told me, the contestants were required to be certified virgins, but that cumbersome requirement was soon set aside. As my informant wryly explained, that particular stricture had "vastly reduced the pool of eligible applicants." Likewise, a provision excluding unmarried mothers was eventually laid to rest. Now any unmarried woman between the ages of 18-30 who can claim Irish heritage can vie to become the next Rose of Tralee.

A memorial honoring Mary O'Connor, the original Rose, and her smitten poet-admirer stands at the center of Tralee's Town Park and Rose Garden, one of the largest urban parks in Ireland. Spanning thirty-five acres, this green oasis includes more than 1,000 mature trees, five kilometers of pathways, and a Rose Garden with over 6,000 well-tended roses. Strolling through its precincts one summer afternoon, I had no need to stop to smell the roses. On the contrary, their scent, as well as their extraordinary volume and variety, threatened to overload my senses, even as their collective presence soothed my itinerant mind.

Near the center of the park, I did stop to inspect a bronze memorial plaque mounted on a rough stone slab. Created



by Laura O'Sullivan, this modest monument honors Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy (1890-1995), wife of Ambassador Joseph P. Kennedy, Sr., and mother of JFK. Beneath the lady's rather fierce profile, cast in low relief, an inscription reads: *I find it interesting to reflect on what has made my life, even with its [sic] moments of pain, an essentially happy one. I have come to the conclusion that the most important element in human life is faith.*

Perhaps Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy's words were echoing in my mind as I walked out of the park and into a courtyard behind St. John's Church, an imposing Gothic edifice and the town's spiritual center. There, on the plain back wall of the church, I saw a common outdoor faucet, of the sort to which garden hoses



are normally attached. But above it, etched in white on dark gray stone, a small sign read: *Holy Water.*

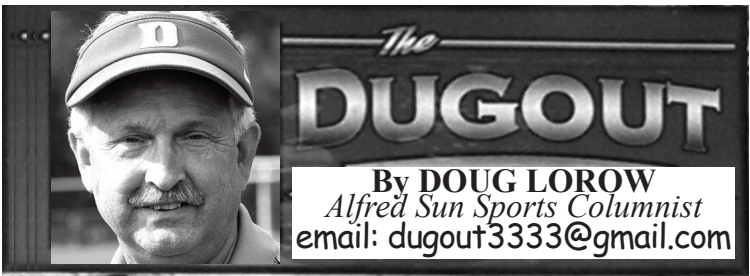
This improbable anomaly stopped me in my tracks. It also prompted many questions. Where did this holy water come from? From the town's water mains? A sacred well? Was it regularly blessed by the parish priest? And why on earth was it on tap?

Beyond those practical and ontological questions, there was the more personal question of what if anything I, a foreigner and a non-Catholic, should do. Turn on the faucet and have a taste? Cleanse my hands and face and, presumably, my mortal soul? Bow and be on my way?

As often happens when faced with such quandaries, I did nothing. But several months later, as recalled the experience, I composed a poem, aptly titled "Holy Water." After detailing the situation in which the narrator finds himself, the poem concludes with these lines:

*All it would have taken was a turn,
A counter-clockwise motion of the hand.
What was it stopped me? Say it was a sense
Of something tangible behind my shoulder,
By which I mean no priest or risen ghost,
Much less a stern protector of the State,
But something I'd brought with me to Tralee,
A figment of a once and future longing.
Would that it might sustain me or be gone.
Would that I might pass and leave no trace.*

William Wordsworth famously described the content of poetry as "emotion recollected in tranquility." More recently, W.H. Auden defined the art as "the clear expression of mixed feelings." Both of these pronouncements have a bearing on my poem, though exactly what emotion I was recalling, I couldn't say. Nor would I claim that much of anything was clarified. But what the poem does do is exemplify a truth that Zen teachings often underscore: that what philosophers call the transcendent and what Zen calls the absolute dimension of our experience resides nowhere else but in our daily encounters with the world's most ordinary things. In this respect, all water is holy water.



No "April Fools" joke today ... the New York Yankees will win the 2021 World Series (if) they stay healthy, particularly with their shaky starting staff and (if) they get a real MLB catcher to replace "K" Sanchez behind the plate! Always a lot of "ifs" involved, of late, with the Yanks as they constantly have players injured and for long stretches of time. Can Giancarlo Stanton stay injury-free as their primary DH? See no reason he should venture into the outfield lineup. Can Luis Severino come back from Tommy John surgery, mid-season, to bolster a lineup that'll probably need his help? Can Corey Kluber, a former Cy Young Award winner, rebound to form on the hill? After ace Geritt Cole the Yanks look good on paper and are shaky in the health department. The talent is there, the time is now, but who knows with their recent health history and can they carry a catcher who strikes out as much as Gary Sanchez does? He should be in "AAA" Scranton WB, not with the Yanks!

In the American League will take the Chicago White Sox to grab the Central Division and the LA Angels of Anaheim to finally get Mike Trout to the playoffs in the West. Wild Card participants will be the Toronto Blue Jays and the Oakland A's. Would usually pencil in the Tampa Bay Rays here but they have lost a lot from last season. Their top two starters to begin with and they don't hit overall that well. Great manager in Kevin Cash and the Rays usually find a way to be right there, but not this season. Back to the Angels for a moment. They have the players but they always seem to come up short. Will this be the year for Trout (who should be a Yankee!) to shine in the playoffs?

The National league might boast four of the top five or six teams in the entire major leagues with the defending champion LA Dodgers leading the way. Not only do they have virtually their entire cast back but they also inked free agent pitcher, the NL Cy Young Award winner, Trevor Bauer to an absurd deal. Former ace David Price might be in the bullpen and Walker Buehler could very well be the next big LA pitching star. That's how loaded they are.

Right behind them in their own division loom the San Diego Padres as they traded away some of their deep farm system players to acquire pitchers Blake Snell (Rays), Yu Darvish (Cubs) and Joe Musgrove (Pirates). And that doesn't even count Mike Clevinger (Indians) who is on the IL and might not pitch till late in the year, if at all. This team is ready to roll, now!

The West with the Dodgers and Padres should be a battle all year and the East with the Washington Nats and Atlanta Braves should be quite the race as well. Those four teams are all solid and will be joined in the playoffs by the St. Louis Cardinals from the Central. That is a homage to Pat Atwell as I don't think that division will do much at all. Yanks and Dodgers in the World Series? Any fans there to watch? This is all based on the playoff format, pre-2020.

HITS AND MISSES:

Yes, it is still "March Madness" time but with the new schedule out this year, there were games yet to be played Monday and Tuesday past in the regionals, for the men and the women. The men playing out of Indianapolis and the women in San Antonio. a men's final grouping could very well be: Gonzaga, Michigan, Baylor and Houston. That would be a solid four teams but just don't see anyone stopping the undefeated 'Zags. Have watched different games, here and there, the Zags are the best. Now, can Michigan give them a run? Of course! Their big man in the middle is a nightmare to defend. Gonzaga over Baylor for the title, in this weeks edition. Syracuse had a good run but they couldn't get by the tough defense of Houston and fell, 62-46. How about the run by the Pac-12 schools and with a former blue blood of years gone by, the UCLA Bruins! Anyhow, Zags undefeated.

The women were busy this past Monday and Tuesday as well highlighted by a UConn - Baylor collision that could very well be "Final Four" caliber. Two good teams and the winner of that contest probably gets a break on their side of the bracket as #1 seeded NC State fell over the weekend in their region. The UConn - Baylor winner gets the winner of Indiana and Arizona. On the other side of the bracket it could be Stanford and South Carolina meeting in the semi-finals although Louisville and Texas will have something to say about that. Took UConn over Stanford at the start and will stick with that call but Paige Bueckers and cast will have their hands full with Baylor, the 2019 champs. Might be the best game in the tourney of the upper echelon teams.

Just a quick note on the UConn - Iowa women's game with frosh hotshots and friends, Buecker and Caitlin Clark. The game is in good hands with those two!

The Alfred Saxons men's basketball squad is at (5-2) in the



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Alfred State Pioneers Big Blue Report

Baseball: 3-8, 2-0 AMCC

The baseball team split four games this past week. They fell 4-3 to Houghton and 7-6 to Ithaca but opened up AMCC play by sweeping Penn State Altoona 6-4 and 3-1.

Men's Cross Country: 2nd at AMCC

Gavin Bathgate (East Rochester) won the individual title as the men's cross country team finished 2nd at the AMCC Championships. The race was the first for the team since November 2019 and was held just outside of Pittsburgh, PA.

Bathgate won by just over seven seconds. He crossed the 5k course in 18:29.06 to claim the title. Last school year (November 2019), Bathgate finished 10th overall in the AMCC Championship.

Women's Cross Country: 2nd at AMCC

The women's cross country competed for the first time since November 2019 and finished 2nd at the AMCC Invitational hosted by La Roche (Pittsburgh, PA). Katie Watkins (Addison) was the top Pioneer finisher. She crossed the finish line of

the 5k course in 26:04.02 for a 4th place finish. Penn State Behrend edged the Pioneers for team honors in both men's and women's, 23 to 32. **Men's Basketball: 1-3 in exhibition games** The Pioneers wrapped up their exhibition season with a pair of games. They fell 75-64 to Medaille and 93-66 to SUNY Canton.

Softball: 2-4, 0-2 AMCC

The softball team fell 5-1 and 12-0 to Pitt Bradford in a non-conference DH and opened AMCC play at Altoona, falling 5-4 and 14-6.

Men's Swimming & Diving: 1-1

The men's swimming team competed in their home pool for the first time and earned a 145-38 victory over Roberts Wesleyan. The blue & gold won 9 of the 12 events competed, led by Westin Perry (Canisteo-Greenwood) taking the 100 back in 55.40 and the 50 free in 23.96. He was also 2nd in the 100 free (51.24). Stuart Yates (Naples) won the 100 breast in 1:01.73 and the 50 breast in 28.42 while Jack Friedah (York, PA) won the 50 back.

DUGOUT CONTINUED...

spring season after a loss to league-leader, SJ Fisher and then with wins over Elmira and Houghton. That 5-2 mark could be (5-5) soon as their next three games are against: Nazareth, Fisher, Nazareth. Fisher is 9-0 in the E8 and 'Naz is right behind at 7-1. Utica is third in the league with AU fourth. The rest of the conference is terrible to sad with an "opt out" by Hartwick, who would normally be right there. Elmira or Houghton will make the E8 playoffs and they are currently tied for sixth with a nifty (1-7) mark. They probably beat each other or both beat an extremely weak Keuka College program for their wins. The tourney will be in Rochester for the semi-finals with Fisher and 'Naz getting opening round byes. AU will most likely host The Sage Colleges, if the playoffs are still to be run that way.

Ex-AU head men's b-ball coach, Dale Wellman and his Nebraska Wesleyan hoop squad had a weird spring as they went 2-2 in regular season play, had their last six games cancelled and then split games in the American Rivers Conference tourney to end their campaign.

Sad news with the passing of LA Lakers great and Hall of Famer, Elgin Baylor last week. He was "Dr. J" to a degree before Julius Erving came along from the ABA. Great moves, nice touch and teamed with Jerry West on the strong LA teams that continually lost to Bill Russell and the Celtics in the NBA Finals. Knee injuries caught up to him by the time the Lakers acquired Wilt Chamberlain and added Gail Goodrich to their strong lineup.

The Toronto/Tampa Bay Raptors won't be adding on to the recent sports success in the Florida city as they are a dismal 11th in the East Division of the NBA. Out of the playoffs.

Memphis won the ultra weak NIT men's basketball championship as they beat Mississippi State in the finals. The Tigers drubbed my pre-tourney pick of Colorado State in the semi-finals as Mississippi State handled Louisiana Tech in the other contest. Much to the chagrin of Karl Malone and Terry Bradshaw. LA Tech did win the consolation game though as they nipped CO State, 76-74. Colorado State knocked off the UB Bulls in the first round, 75-73.

Shaka Smart is off to Marquette to coach the men's basketball team after abruptly leaving Texas, right after a bad loss to Abilene Christian in the NCAA tourney. Many reports are hailing this move. Why? What did Smart do at Texas that was so great? John Beilein off to Texas?

And in a baffling move to me, the Indiana Hoosiers have named Mike Woodson as their next head coach in men's basketball, despite never having coached in college. This is Indiana! An NBA head coach and assistant for many years, a former Hoosier, but he's 63-years old and has never recruited. Sure he knows basketball but recruiting players for college and coaching in the NBA is a little different.

The AU Saxons men's lax team is (3-0) in this abbreviated spring slate after drilling The Sage Colleges, 17-3. Upcoming games are scheduled against Nazareth, Sage and SJ Fisher.

Coach Jeff Long and his Ithaca Bombers men's lacrosse team are at (2-1) after topping Nazareth last week, by a 17-7 tally but then falling at #17 SJ Fisher, 17-9. Ithaca was at top-ranked RIT on Wednesday and hosts #12 Union College on Saturday.

The Dukes at James Madison University are (4-0) in FCS football action after thumping William & Mary last weekend, 38-10. JMU holds down the top spot in the latest FCS rankings with North Dakota State, Weber

State, South Dakota State and Sam Houston next. North Dakota is sixth. The Dukes are at #15 Richmond this week, right behind the Racers of Murray State and Nick Obuhanych fame. The "Cage Man" is gearing up for a title trip to Texas next month.

And the "Clever Individual of the Week" award goes to CB Marshon Lattimore of the New Orleans Saints as he was in a car that was pulled over by the police, he has a loaded hand gun on him and...it's stolen! "Gosh, how'd that get there?"

The San Francisco 49ers sent a boatload of draft picks to the Miami Dolphins to secure the overall #3 pick in the upcoming NFL draft. Obviously Trevor Lawrence is going #1 to the Jacksonville Jags but are any of the other QB's available that good to trade away so many picks to move up? The NJ Jets could take Zach Wilson at #2. Is Justin Fields of Ohio State that franchise QB for the 'Niners? Just don't see it.

How terrible are the Buffalo Sabres in the NHL? The Washington Capitals lead the East Division with a (22-7-4) record and 48-points. The sad sack Sabres were at (6-23-4) this past weekend with 16 points. Ownership, the GM and coaching are all to blame and would start at the top with the Pegulas. The Sabres have stunk for years.

Due to the "lovely" mail service(?) here in Florida, didn't get my copy of the *Alfred Sun* with birthday wishes extended to Joe Fasano until after the fact. So ... Happy Birthday, Joe!

"The Traveling Sports Fan" also recently celebrated a birthday and kept his predictions going quite well as he took Houston to beat Syracuse in the "dozen" point range. The Orange fell, 62-46, so not too far off.

No fans at the Tokyo Summer Olympics this year. Heck, hoping there is a Summer Olympics!

Joost Luiten ... Savo's buddy, finished T7 in the Kenya Savannah Classic golf tourney over the weekend on the European Tour. Winner was at (-21), Luiten came in at -17.

It was a different golf course this past Saturday for Jake Taft, Mr. Timmer and myself as we ventured over to the demanding Rolling Oaks Course at the World Woods GC, also in Brooksville. Whew. Seemed like every par 4 and 5 was uphill, into the wind and with a dogleg left. Beautiful layout though! Scummer had the latest "shot of his life" on the downhill, 3 par, #13 hole as he knocked it to within three feet. A very weak birdie putt ensued for an eventual par. Taft - 97, yours truly - 102, Timmer - 105. Projections for Drip were off the board and Our Man Frank ... not in attendance. In attendance though were turkeys galore on one hole. Next stop, the Brooksville CC this Saturday.



Taft, Brillo, Timmer wait in the wings?

NCIS: Hawaii this fall...Tony and Ziva return?

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