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President Coll makes a point during apartheid open forum, as anti apartheid organizers Greg Root, Jim Aikens and Mike Emch listen.

Apartheid Protest Continues

Stephen Altobelli

On March 24, a forum was held discussing the possibility of University divestiture from South Africa. During the debate students supporting divestiture reported that companies, even Sullivan Signatories, were training only two per cent of the black working population for management or supervisory level jobs.

Blacks make up roughly 80 per cent of South Africa's population. In defense of American corporations with interests in South Africa, President Coll pointed out that this figure was a compilation of all foreign industry in the country. Coll claimed that the percentage of blacks trained for supervisory level positions by American corporations might well be higher than two per cent overall, thus illustrating American corporations concern for the betterment of the blacks in South Africa. I think President Coll is over-looking two basic points.

First of all, it must never be forgotten that the only reason American corporations are in South Africa is to exploit the resources of that country, both mineral and human. Such diverse resources as gold, uranium and cheap

labor sources are found in abundance. Approximately three million of the black South African population are unemployed. This excess of available labor means wages can be kept at a subsistence levels. To believe that American corporations will sacrifice profits to raise human living conditions is wishful thinking, if not naive.

Secondly, President Coll claimed that American corporations do a much better job of training blacks for management level positions. How much better--five per cent? Ten per cent? A ten per cent training rate of blacks is five times higher than the average, and yet is still blatantly discriminatory. In fact, anything less than an eighty per cent training rate, reflecting the black population, is discriminatory. Obviously no American corporation can boast a figure even close to that. American corporations are there to make money, not train black South Africans.

President Coll and the trustees should keep such facts in mind when discussing the merits of maintaining a hand in American corporations investing in South Africa.

Professional Wrestling Comes To Alfred

Riding a wave of current popularity and dubbed as the sport of the 80's, Professional Wrestling makes it's Alfred debut at 7:30 pm Saturday, April 19th in McLane Center. The matches are being sponsored by LAMBDA CHI ALPHA with assistance from the Student Activities Board (S.A.B.).

Topping an outstanding wrestling card will be the infamous Dr. David Shultz who caused national outrage last year when he struck reporter John Stossel on ABC's program 20/20. Dr. D. is recognized as one of wrestling's most dangerous men. In the past he has provided WWF Heavyweight Champion Hulk Hogan with some of his toughest title defenses to date. Former AWA champ Nick Bockwinkel has also come close to losing his world championship belt to the Doctor. Shultz will be pitted against former WWF great Johnny Rodz for the Northeast Heavyweight Championship.

Also tentatively scheduled to grapple are the always entertaining midgits Little Mr. T and Little Rocky in a match that should put Rocky I, II, III, IV to shame. Private Terry Danniels formerly of Sgt. Slaughters Cobra Core will don the tights alongside his brother

Mike in tag team action. Also on the card is Pretty Boy Larry Sharp, Charlie Fulton, Kahula, Jim Powers, Two Women and a possibly huge last man over the top rope Battle Royal.

Lambda decided to put on professional wrestling to raise funds for local and national charities and also to provide entertainment for Alfred's colleges and surrounding communities. In the past Lambda has put on an Air Band Contest to benefit the American Cancer Society and held a Christmas party for Adopt-a-Youth of Hornell. This year, in addition to wrestling, the fraternity plans to run to Mansfield State College to benefit the March of Dimes and another adopt a youth is in the works.

When Lambda approached Director of Student Activities Mark Stein he was most helpful, S.A.B. contributed a significant sum towards the event. In addition the McLane Center has been donated by the university free of charge. Tickets are available at the Campus Center, The Music Loft, in Alfred and Hornell, and the Ticket Rack in Alfred Station. Prices are \$7.50 ringside and \$6.50 general admission.

Alumni Hall Opens



Kenning Arlitsch

Alfred University Admissions Office moves into Alumni Hall after a two month delay. The rededication ceremony of Alumni Hall will be held May 9, 1986.

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HOT DOG DAY HIGHLIGHTS

Sean M. Dolan

This year's Hot Dog Day Carnival will be the largest Alfred has seen in years. Thirty-five to forty booths will line both sides of Main Street from Key Bank to the Fire Hall.

"Response from charity organizations has been overwhelming," said Elena Psaras, a co-chairperson of the event. Proceeds from the Carnival will be shared amount area charities such as the Red Cross, American Field Society, OZ Hotline, area scouting groups, and many others.

Thursday, April 18, will see the start of it all when a Kickoff Party sponsored by CWA and WALF is held at the Saxon Inn. T-shirts, buttons, and wrestling tickets will be given away.

Friday night there will be an Ice Cream Bash from 6:30p.m. to midnight at the Fire Hall. Admission will be \$1 with a HDD button and \$1.50 without. The evening will include bingo starting at 7:30 and practice sessions for those entered in the Mud Volleyball competition. Once here, community members and students can enjoy all the ice cream they can eat.

At 10:00a.m. Saturday, sporting events will include a 2 mile fun run, a 5 mile competition run, and the Mud Volleyball tournament at Tucker Field. Entry fee for the Volleyball competition is \$25 per team.

Multi-colored balloons will be launched

from Main Street at noon to begin the Carnival. Local organizations will march down Main St. in the HDD Parade. Tricycle races will follow the parade, and interested contestants should register for the hot dog eating contest in front of Carnegie Hall.

Booths will be open for games such as balloon shaving, water dunking, and pie throws. Refreshments will include hot dogs, pretzels, and cotton candy.

Two stages, the main stage by West University Avenue and stage two, by Key Bank, will host musical artists throughout the day. Performers on the main stage will include Southern Tier, AU Chorale, St. Bonaventure Band, and a Barber Shop Quartet. On stage 2 will be Toe Jam, AU Chorus and Jazz Ensemble, Relentless, and Lynn D'Amico's Group.

At 12:30, a BBQ lunch will be served in front of the Fire Hall and the hot dog eating contest will begin at 2:30 in front of Carnegie Hall. Receptions for visiting parents will be held in residence halls beginning at 4:30.

The Main Street end of the Carnival will shut down at 5:00p.m. but, Hot Dog Day resumes at 7:30 in McLane Center with a Pro Wrestling card that Joe Raguso, Hot Dog Day chairman, says should impress all wrestling fans.

The day ends with a display of fireworks launched from Jericho Hill.

Editorial:

Beth Goodridge and Andy Burns

For the first time in three years, the Student Senate budget is being increased, and it isn't being increased enough.

For the past three years, the Student Senate has worked with an operating budget of \$79,600. For the 1986-1987 school year, the Student Senate has asked for an additional \$15,000. The problem is, they will be lucky if they get \$5400 according to Don King, Vice President of Student Affairs.

The theme this year has been "In Celebration of Excellence." Millions of dollars have been spent on restoring Alumni Hall for office space, rebuilding the Chemistry department, adding a Communications curriculum, and the addition of new Engineering programs. All of these help to continue Alfred University's Celebration of Excellence.

The next step to continuing that excellence is to increase the Student Senate budget. Most students realize that academics is the primary reason for their being at Alfred University, but they also realize that education is not confined to the classroom.

In order to increase the Student Senate budget, it will be necessary to increase the Student Affairs budget which umbrellas not only Student senate, but residence halls, all inter-collegiate athletics, financial aid, career planning and counseling, health center facilities, Performing Arts and Speaker Series, intramurals and recreation. All of these areas touch directly on Student Life at Alfred University, the quality of which is not keeping up with the academics.

The Student Senbate feels that the increase in the drinking age has curtailed the social activities of the students, thus the demands for more original student organizations and activities has arisin.

The Student Senate must finance this extra load, therefore they must have the extra funds to do so. King has been supportive of the Student Senate while realizing the new demands placed on it.

Presently, the Student Senate funds twelve standing committees which provide activities, services and events for an entire student body for an entire school year. (Standing groups are allocated money on an annual basis.)

Already, as of March 28, six standing committees had submitted their budgets for the 1986-1987 academic year. Of those six groups, five asked for increases totaling \$19,282.23. Don't forget that the Student Senate still must be approached by six more standing groups as well as as returning groups, (groups that ask for money on a per smester basis.) That \$5400 increase won't go far enough.

While the University is striving for academic excellence, student organizations have suffered and will continue to suffer. The University is not meeting the needs of the growing studnet organizations.

Not only is it the University's responsibility to promote academic excellence, but social responsibility as well. The opportunities for hands on experience, contacts, social advantages, personal affiliation with university administration, accomplishment, freshmen recruiting, and overall campus unity rest in the hands of the campus organizations.

Since the increase in the drinking age, students have started redirecting their energy to more positive activities. If the Student Senate budget is increased, the University would be able to capitalize on this new student energy.

King says the increase the Student Senate is asking for is legitimate, unfortunately, the Student Affairs budget, as it is now, can't make up for the increase. It's time for the University to improve student life as a whole, so that student organizations on this campus has celebrated excellence for 150 years.

Dear Editor,

I was appalled with your article entitled "Young Finishes 4th in Nationals." First of all, 800 meters is a half-mile race; a time of 15:54 is ridiculous, a lame duck could travel this distance in such a time. This man, Russel Young, is the fourth fastest half-miler in division III in the United States, he certainly deserves more credit than this. This article was so small one needed a microscope to

located it; his performance makes him an All-American in this event and this honor should not be mitigated by inaccurate journalism. By the way, his true times were 1:55 for the semi-finals and 1:56 for the finals on the following day. Russel, we of Alfred University, and especially the track team salute you!

Sincerely,
Will Morotti

AU Responses to Financial Aid Decrease

Dear Editor,

Recently the Student Financial Aid Office made a decision to use a lower cost allowance for students living off-campus when projecting living costs for financial aid recipients. To clarify the reasons for this change, I wanted to use this forum for explanation. With the possibility of reduced federal funding of aid, dollars will get tighter. Competition among students for those dollars will be keen. As the University can not cover all the losses of assistance from the federal government, adjustments need to be made to assure that what limited funds are available will be targeted to those students most in need.

When a survey of off-campus students was completed by this office in February, the average cost of room and board for off-campus was approximately \$2500. This is \$500 less than the cost of a student living on-campus in a standard two-student room or suite with a seven-day meal plan. Students living off-campus were receiving \$500 more aid than needed to meet their true expenses. By not differentiating between on and off-campus expenses, students whose financial needs were not met were being shortchanged. Differentiating the costs will allow the Student Financial Aid Office to better meet the true costs of Alfred's students. Contrary to the letter in your last opinion column, the change should discriminate in favor of the neediest students on-campus.

The Student Financial Aid Office has an obligation to use the University's financial aid funds in a manner that best meets the needs of our students while assisting the university in meeting its goals and missions. By not differentiating living costs in the past

years, we were probably too lenient. Many institutions do differentiate between on and off-campus costs; generally with a much greater difference than \$500.

A great deal of concern has been expressed on how the the \$500 difference will effect next year's aid packages for students who receive aid. First, the \$500 differential does not automatically correlate to a \$500 loss in institutional grant aid. Each individual application is considered on their its own needs and merits. What has been the experience so far packaging aid for next year is that most student's institutional grants are not increased in the same proportion as on-campus students. Generally this has resulted in a stable grant offer or one with a modest increase. Generally a student's grants grant increases in direct proportion to the increase in tuition, room and board, should an individual feel that the allowance for off-campus expenses is low, they may wish to appeal, in writing and with documentation, of what their actual expenses will be. The allowance for off-campus room and board is \$2,730 for next year--\$500 less than the on-campus charges of \$3,230 for a standard two person room or suite and the seven day meal plan.

The concern in all this is that the allowance used for aid determinations are fair and true--not inflated and causing detriment to other needy students.

Any student having concern over the off-campus allowances should make an appointment to review the situation with Sue Kazin or me.

Sincerely, David L. Gruen
Student Financial Aid

Dear Editor:

"Two people see the same accident in different ways." This is how a friend responded when it seemed clear that two people reported different recollections of a particular event. As one who shared with Garrett Droppers the front left corner of the Parent's Lounge during most of the Bergren Forums over the past five years, my recollections are different from those of the author of the FIAT article on Professor Dropper's passing.

Garrett valued the opportunity to hear his colleagues and guests speak on varied topics and was generally as settled as most of us when the program began.

He enjoyed tomatoes and peaches as much as crunchy apples and celery and certainly never kept me, his closest neighbor on most occasions, from hearing the speaker. Finally, he always stayed to applaud the speaker,

before quietly leaving by the side door to return to his office.

Garrett Droppers was a member of the faculty when I graduated from Alfred University in 1964. It was a pleasure and a privilege to have him as a colleague upon my return to join the faculty in 1980. He will be missed, but not forgotten.
Harvey Paige
Chemistry Department

From the Editor:

By creating a vignette of Garrett Droppers we attempted to pay tribute to this well-respected man.

Judging by response, we failed. It is true that this could be read as uncomplimentary, however, this was not the intention.

We hope that no one remains offended by this error in judgement.

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WALF News Presents...

The Nicaraguan Tapes

On Sun April 6 & Sun April 13 Walf News will present an important series of interviews recorded live in Managua Nicaragua on Jan 17, 1986.

This series will give listeners a rare oppertunity to hear the Nicaraguan story from the inside.

From **Martin Vega**, Office of N. American Affairs-Ministry of Exterior... outlines U.S. interventionism in Nicaragua and reveals important information regarding direct U.S. troop involvement in Central America.

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"The Nicaraguan Tapes"

will be aired during the

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Sol Gordon Appears at AU

Jackie Caligiuri

"People ask me," said Sol Gordon, "How can you tell if you are really in love? You hear 'love is blind.' But love is only blind for 24 hours," said Gordon. "Then you have to open your eyes. You hear about 'love at first sight.' I advise people to take another look."

Gordon appeared at AU on March 25, through combined efforts of the Career and Counseling Center, and the Performing Arts and Speaker Series, among others. He was the keynote speaker kicking off 'Human Sexuality Week' at Alfred University.

"There's mature and immature love," Gordon explained. Immature love is full of false promises like "don't worry, honey, I'll stop fooling around with other women when we get married," Gordon said. "A bad situation is ALWAYS made worse by marriage," he said.

Gordon told the story of a female college student that came to him explaining her problems with the two men in her life. One, she said, treated her well, they were the best of friends, but he did not 'turn her on.' The other treated her like garbage, cheated on her, and on many occasions, beat her. "She's marrying him," Gordon said flatly. "I have a message for you: If somebody hits you it means they don't like you."

In an immature relationship you are tired--exhausted and mean, Gordon said. In a mature one you have energy. "You can even be nice to a younger brother or sister if you are in a mature relationship," Gordon said.

Mature relationships involve a constant give and take, Gordon explained. A man can understand, that means, that a woman has a headache a not pressure her into having sex, Gordon said.

Gordon went on to talk about homosexuality.

"It's not okay to be anti-gay," said Gordon. "It's not. People don't choose to be homosexual. Did you ever hear anyone saying 'I want to be a homosexual?'" Sexuality is determined at four to five years of age, Gordon told his audience.

"People say 'If a homosexual ever approaches me, I'll kill him.' Why can't you say-- 'I've got a headache?'"

Gordon moved to the topic of rape. "Contrary to what you are going to learn in the next few days," said Gordon, referring to Human Sexuality Week, "rape is not an act of violence, but sex. It is always violent, but it is motivated by sex."

Gordon explained that 90 per cent of all rapes are acquaintance rapes, and gave the audience a scenario: A man and a woman meet at a singles bar. They hit it off, and exchange names. This guy represents macho America. He moves from one sexual experience to another. He doesn't love women, he hates them. He is sexually addicted, not interested in relationships. He's had 100 weeks of sex, and one week he meets this woman, and they go off to her place. She suddenly thinks 'Hey. I don't want to do this.' She notices that he smells bad, and tells him she has a headache. He feels that she has questioned his masculinity by saying 'no.' "Was his motivation violence," asked Gordon. If she had not changed her mind they would have had sex; there would have been no rape, Gordon explained.

"What would happen," Gordon asked his audience, "if we teach men that they can take 'no' for an answer?"

Students Against Multiple Sclerosis

Students Against Multiple Sclerosis is launching a national recruitment campaign for top leaders on 250 campuses, one which will be the site of a MTV concert.

The National MS Society will select a top student to chair the campaign and lead other students in conducting MS education and awareness and fundraising events. The position allows students to lead a major campus-wide event, gain practical business experience and further management skills. Internship credit for this position can be obtained. Students who have demonstrated leadership skills and are interested in the position should call Students Against MS in New York at 1-800-I-BUST-MS, and ask for George Sansoucy.

Students Against Multiple Sclerosis is a national student movement to increase public awareness of multiple sclerosis and to establish long-term fund raising support for the National MS Society. Health conscious college students are uniting to "bust MS," a disabling neurological disease that most often

strikes young adults between 18 and 34. Each week, more than 200 new cases are diagnosed, for which there is no known cure.

The campus that raises the most money for Students Against Multiple Sclerosis will be the site of a 1987 concert to be broadcast over MTV, the cable music video channel which presently reaches more than 2.7 million households.

Students Against Multiple Sclerosis was conceived by Clifford H. Goldsmith with the idea that young people would want to help themselves to fight a disease which affects their age group. Goldsmith is the retired president of Philip Morris inc. and the chairman of the National MS Society's Board of Directors.

The National Multiple Sclerosis Society, founded in 1945 and chartered in 1946, is the only national voluntary health agency supporting programs in national and international research to find the cause, prevention more effective treatment and cure of multiple sclerosis.

Money Matters

Sue Kazin, Assistant Director of Student Financial Aid

We've moved. Hopefully, you'll find us even more accessible in our new office in Alumni Hall. We'll miss the "drop-ins" from Bartlett and Cannon, but expect to see more of you from Brick, Kruson, Openhym, and the Suites.

Something deserves your immediate attention. Gramm-Rudman-Hollings and years of overspending are resulting in major cuts in the federal PELL Grant program. Some of the impact of these cuts can be lessened, however, if our New York State legislators hear from YOU and include TAP grant increases in the 1986-87 budget. There is a move afoot to leave these increases out of the new budget and negotiate new TAP legislation later in the year. This would seriously damage the chances of increases in TAP. Please -- contact your parents and tell them of this chance to contact their New York State Senators and Assemblymen and make a difference! Ask your State representatives to negotiate TAP changes within the 1986-87 budget.

Hopefully, many of you have a line on summer employment. If you do not, stop by our Student Employment Office (located within Financial Aid). Although it is late for

career-related internships, we may have some ideas that will help you in your search. There is no income requirement for use of the office's services.

One of our alums has notified our office of a number of job opportunities in construction in Watertown, N. Y., and the possibility for jobs in many other areas of New York. Mechanical aptitude is important for these jobs, which include laborers, helpers, and journeymen electricians, plumbers, and heating mechanics. Prior experience in these areas is a definite plus. Come to the Student Employment Office if this possibility interests you.

Many of you business and computer science majors have become savvy about working for temporary employment agencies for the summer; in fact, you've told me about your positive (and negative) experiences working for such agencies. Some of you, especially if you live in urban areas, may find this an excellent way to gain career-related experience.

Don't forget to check out the letter from my boss Mr. David Green, about campus cost differentials; hopefully, it will allay many of your concerns. We know finances is the number one cause of stress for many college students, and we're really not anxious to contribute to that stress. We sincerely do want to be as helpful as we can.

Open Season...

Greg Root

Welcome back to Open Season. That's the name of this opinion column and this week the name takes on a particular relevance.

Over the past few weeks some Alfred students have begun a demonstration. It's a protest against the Alfred University administration. I'd like to use this space to describe to you, the student body, what this demonstration is all about.

We are not declaring open season on our administration. There is an issue, Apartheid, that needs to be addressed by the school, and the people demonstrating are trying to get the administration to take action to show that it opposes racism in South Africa. So the first thing to understand is that we are not simply attacking the administration. As a matter of fact, both the students and the administrators have been cooperative and compromising.

Don King, Dean of Student Affairs has said that a student delegation could meet with the student affairs committee of the Board of Trustees when they meet here in early May. The students, who originally wanted to keep the Shanties in front of the Campus Center up until the school divested, have now agreed to take them down this weekend.

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Your fellow students are involved in a selfless effort to act on their beliefs. I read some bathroom graffiti in the Brick recently that, in essence, said "Why does everybody always bitch and complain here, if you think you know the answers to the world's problems, why don't you do something about them?" Well, I never said that I had all the answers, but the group that is demonstrating is informed, and we ARE doing something.

The story in South Africa is this: The population is only 15% white, but those few million run the government and they control the police. The 24 million blacks cannot vote; they cannot live in white neighborhoods; the whites spend more on schooling for white kids; and (using understatement here), needless to say, white people get better jobs than black people.

You may know the song "Biko", by Peter Gabriel. Well, "Biko" was written for Steven Biko, a student activist who was tortured to death by South African police in 1977. Another name you might know is Winnie Mandela. She is a black leader and is barred by decree from her own township. She is also the wife of Nelson Mandela. He is the leader of the African National Congress, an outlawed organization that is working for a transfer of political power to the black people in South Africa. He is a political prisoner.

Think about this: He has been in a South African government jail since 1962. So As You Sit In The Dining Hall With The Fiat Off To The Side Of Your Tray That Is Filled With As Much Food As You Can Eat, THINK ABOUT THIS: Nelson Mandela has been in prison years longer than most of us at Alfred University have been alive.

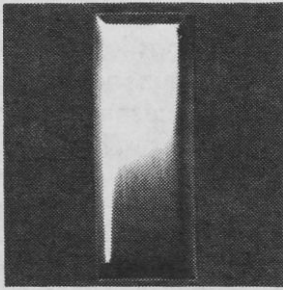
I feel that Alfred should add its voice to those of other universities who say that our government and our American corporations who operate in South Africa should pressure the South African government to share power with the black people.

I ask anyone who thinks they might have a concern for the oppressed people in South Africa to contact me. We have a large group of undergraduate and graduate students who are involved, but we need more. This is because the administrators are helpful to us, but they definitely do not show the dedication and enthusiasm necessary to convince the Board of Trustees to act. The students of Alfred must get together and show President Coll that social injustice in Africa is something we are willing to work to change. Just Think About It.

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General Studies: The Other Side

Jackie Caligiuri

In the March 21 issue of the Fiat Lux I wrote an article titled 'General Studies Becomes Senior Catch All,' which, some feel, implicated a general studies major as a dumping ground for students with no where else to go. This was not my intention. General studies is an in depth major involving serious commitment to a well rounded education.

The general studies major itself consists of the liberal arts general education requirements, as well as an additional 40 credit hours from the Areas of Knowledge: literature, philosophy or religion, the arts, historical studies, social sciences and natural sciences. A general studies major must have a minimum of four credits from each of these areas. This is not limited to 100 and 200 level courses. In addition, a general studies major must complete 24 credit hours with a C average or better at the 300 or 400 level.

Thomas Peterson, one general studies advisor and associate-professor of religion from the Division of Human Studies, said "General Studies is a fine major that has served some students very well, especially those who decide very early that they want a broad education."

Although students like Teri Fitch and Beth Goodridge became general studies majors because of their lack of options at a late date, this does not detract from the major. "In Fitch and Goodridge's case, when we looked at their records to see what they had done, general studies was 'do-able.' It would not be that way in every case," said Larry Greil, acting dean of liberal arts.

Goodridge was following the core curriculum for a major in communications. Last semester she was informed that the major had not passed state requirements yet, and therefore could not be considered a viable major.

Speaking about policy regarding majors under consideration by the state, Larry Greil, acting dean of liberal arts, said, "In general, our policy has been that we do not encourage students to 'count their chickens before they hatch.'" Students usually do one or two courses in the direction of an unpassed major, Greil said. "In Goodridge's case, since she was a transfer student, she was only doing major requirements, so it hit her a lot harder."

Goodridge's transcript will say, however, that she completed a communications major

as the University first submitted it to Albany for state approval, Greil said.

The article 'General Studies' also stated that Goodridge was removed from Track II and put into a communications major. However, Goodridge had never completed writing a program that would have made her a Track II major, said Tom Peterson, coordinator of Track II. "Beth never got far in the stage of bringing me any program. A student is not a Track II major until these forms are brought in and formalized," Peterson said.

Teri Fitch, now a general studies major, was an elementary education major. Fitch said she felt trapped into choosing between senior teaching, (which is the only way to become certified), passing her math competency, and her other scholastic studies.

There is no guarantee that elementary education majors will be placed in the senior teaching positions they need in order to become certified, Greil said.

"In Fitch's case her placement wasn't working out," Greil said. "They were having difficulty finding a new placement for her."

Those certified in elementary education can teach grades K-8. A basic mathematical foundation is considered essential in teaching students in these grades.

Those graduating from Alfred University

must pass the math competency. A grade of eighty or above satisfies the competency. Students with grades from 60 to 79 must take MAT114 or MAT119. Students with grades lower than a sixty are advised to take Math Lab.

Joyce Rausch, who runs the math lab, explained how the system works: "The math lab is optional," said Rausch, and students receive no credit for it. "It covers elementary algebra." Some students, Rausch explained, if they study hard, can get an eighty and be done with it; most people can get a sixty and go into MAT114 or MAT119. "The bottom line, Rausch explained, "is that they have to give it every effort."

What about students that wait until their senior year to get such requirements out of the way? "It's a terrible gamble," Rausch said, "because if they don't meet the requirements they won't graduate." Many students do not like math, and are afraid to take it, Rausch explained. "If they waited and we have a semester to do it, we may not get it done." Students would have less concerns late in their college careers if they fulfilled their general education requirements earlier, said Greil. "People ought to realize," he said, "there is a reason why we tell you to do this stuff in the first two years."

Students Show Concern For Declining Financial Aid

Students from independent and public colleges held a press conference in the Legislative Office Building expressing their concern for the State Legislature's sluggishness in making student financial aid a top priority.

This was an unprecedented union on New York's University Student Senate of the City University (USS), the Student Association of the State University (SASU) and the independent Student Coalition (ISC).

Nearly 22,000 fewer students received TAP in 1984 than in 1981. Recent data from the Higher Education Services Corporation show that an additional decline of more than

31,000 students is anticipated from 1984 to 1986, which is equivalent to thirty-three million dollars in student financial aid. This means that in five years, fifty-three thousand fewer qualified students will receive awards from this state's greatest and most far reaching higher education access program.

Hardest hit by the decline of TAP recipients are students from low income families. Another group that has been disproportionately affected by underutilized financial aid is part-time students.

As upsetting as this is in a state that prides itself on education of its citizens, what is

more distressing is that students and families from the lowest income levels make up a disproportionate amount of the lost aid. Almost all of these students came from families earning less than twenty thousand dollars per year, and these statistics cannot be explained away by enrollment declines. Clearly, low income students and their families are sending a signal to the rest of New York State that says 'Needy people don't have true access to our universities and colleges.' More and more low income students and their families feel disenfranchised from our higher education system of public and independent univer-

New York policymakers may be used to seeing colleges engage in a public-private feud over the past years, but now there's a need for joint recognition of the problems that all students face today at both the State and Federal levels. With the loss spread equally among CUNY, SUNY, and independent colleges and universities, the continuing drop in students that receive TAP is one such important problem.

Linda Chapple, a SASU spokeswoman said "An accessible higher education must be our nation's and therefore our state's top priority."

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86-87 Candidates Are...

Andy Burns, President / Amy Neubecker, Vice President



Andy Burns



Amy Neubecker

Gary Brown

Junior Political Science major Andy Burns is running for his second term for President of the Student Senate at Alfred University along with sophomore Psychology major Secretary of the Student Senate, and potential vice president, Amy Neubecker.

Burns, a current WALF disc-jockey and newscaster is also the current Student Senate President and Student Senate Representative for Zeta Beta Tau fraternity. Neubecker is a member of the Alfred University Women's Tennis Team and a guide students at orientation. She is also a Student Activities Office employee.

To mention a few of the accomplishments by both Burns and Neubecker, they allocated \$79,000 to student groups and founded the Save the Children Program which sponsored fourteen children worldwide. Burns and Neubecker also published the Student Activities Guide and Student Senate Questionnaire. This questionnaire collected student opinions and informed the Senate what students desire.

The two, along with the Senate, hired lawyer and business Professor Bob Hutter to give free advice for students, and extended computer lab hours in Myers Hall so that students can have more time to finish required material. As far as the Vax is concerned they have created type "Senate" when students log on and see the latest Senate

minutes.

According to Neubecker, "We are running together as the A-Team' so we can keep our team effort and enthusiasm."

Burns and Neubecker intend to get more unity among the student body and create the Off-Campus Grievance Committee that will work with Student Affairs concerning housing conditions. The intent is to give students more of a base with their landlords. Current and future off-campus students will be appreciative of the committee and Bob Hutter is available for advice.

The Senate is at an upswing and both Burns and Neubecker want it to pull its weight as a representative of the student body.

"Andy and I worked together a lot this year," Neubecker stated. "The experience as secretary exposed me to the internal workings of Alfred University. I feel I could use this knowledge that I've gained and be more productive for the students."

There will be a clarification of guidelines for Senate fund allocation and the constitution is to be rewritten so there will be no conflict in communication.

"I've been President for a year," Burns said. "I've fulfilled all my campaign promises. I want to do more."

Burns and Neubecker strongly believe their experience and team effort will carry through the entire '86-'87 year.

Geoffery Byrne Vice President



Geoffrey Byrne

Gary Brown

Geoffrey Byrne, a sophomore Graphic Design major, is running for Student Senate Vice President. Byrne has been active in the Student Senate as a Senator for Phillips Hall and the Publicity Committee. He is a member of the Residence Hall Council. Byrne is also on the Publicity and Advertising committees for Hot Dog Day.

Byrne was able to make decisions on issues brought up by students. He voiced opinions on the topics discussed. Byrne publicized events and happenings through the Publicity Committee.

Byrne would like to make people more aware of the Student Senate and to try to make the meetings known to the student body. He wants students to get involved so that they are aware that if they want something done or need help organizing or funding an organization, that the Senate is there to help.

Byrne said, "As an active member of the Student Senate, I feel that I am aware of the many issues on campus. If elected vice president, I will be able to deal with such issues on a higher level and help reach decisions that are beneficial to students and the University."

Dear Editor,

The Executive Board of the Student Senate would like to remind students to vote this Tuesday and Wednesday April 8 and 9 for President and Vice President of Student Senate.

This is a campus wide election and it is your responsibility as a student to take part in these important decisions.

The President of the Senate represents the entire student body at University functions, presides over all Student Senate meetings

and acts as a liaison between the students and the administration.

The Vice President acts as an advisor to the President and oversees all the Senate committees as well as being a member of the Financial Committee.

Please vote and utilize your voice in student government!

The schedule for voting is as follows:
April 8 and 9 Ade-Dinner, Brick-Lunch,
Campus Center 1-4pm.

Sincerely,
Amy Neubecker

Laurie O'Sullivan Vice President



Laurie O'Sullivan

Kenning Arlitsch

A major in Marketing and Management, junior, Laurie O'Sullivan is running for Student Senate Vice President. She is a Tour Guide as well as a Resident Assistant in Tefft Hall. O'Sullivan has been on the Fiat Lux staff for two years. Last year as a reporter and this year as the Business Manager. She is also President and part founder of Alfred Universities chapter of B. A. A. C. H. U. S. (Boost Alcohol Awareness Concerning the Health of University Students)

O'Sullivan is a member of the Residence Hall Council and attends Senate meetings. She would like to give the Student Senate a better on-campus image. O'Sullivan wants to hold more Open Forums in the Campus Center as well as having them in Ade Dining Hall.

O'Sullivan thinks that the Senate should

find out the needs and opinions of the students as they arise. To do this, she would like to establish a Senate column in the Fiat which would cover the Senate on a regular basis and include letters to the Senate.

O'Sullivan wants to have a master calendar of events which would include organization functions and athletic events. She thinks students should have a larger voice on issues that effect them such as the decrease in Pell grants to Alfred students, the new Drinking Age, and Apartheid.

O'Sullivan would like to see a larger allocation of funds to the Student Senate. A percent increase that would equal the increase in tuition. O'Sullivan said, "Student Senate members aren't really involved, and the Student senate needs a new viewpoint from someone who has been involved."

Remember to Vote April 8 or 9!

Hot Dog Day '86 Weekend Schedule

Friday, April 18

- 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. **Conference time** - Parents can arrange faculty conferences (by appointment only) through your student.
- 2:00-5:00 p.m. **Welcome table** - Campus maps, car decals, information **Campus Center Lobby**
- 3:00 p.m. **Honors Convocation** - The occasion which honors student achievement and faculty excellence. The University Chorale will perform. Reception following Convocation. **McLane Center**
- 3:00 p.m. **A.U. Invitational Track Meet (Men)** -Alfred University, Alfred State College, Canisius, St. John Fisher, Hobart, Mansfield State. **Alfred Tech Track**
- Dinner**
- 6:30 p.m.-Midnight **Ice Cream Social** All the Ice cream and Sundae combinations you can eat (at a nominal price!) **Alfred Fire Hall, Main Street**
- 7:15 p.m. **Induction Ceremony** Sigma Theta Tau -Nursing Honor Society **Howell Hall**
- 8:00 p.m. **A Main Stage Theater Production.** **Holmes Theater, Harder Hall**

Saturday, April 19

- 9:30 a.m. **Fun Run**
Competition Run Starting line at Carnegie Hall, Main Street
- 10:00-11:00 a.m. **Parents Association Meeting** - Open to all Parents, Vice-President for Student Affairs, Don King, will be present. **Howell Hall**
- 10:00 a.m.-12:00 **Welcome table** - Campus maps, car decals, information. **Campus Center Lobby**
- 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. **Mud Volleyball**

- 11:00 a.m. **Balloon Launch in front of Carnegie Hall**
- 11:15 a.m. **Parade Main Street, Alfred**
- 11:45 a.m. **Tricycle Races Main Street, Alfred**
- 12:00-5:00 p.m. **15th Annual Hot Dog Day Festival** -Hot dogs & cokes - \$.25 each! Games of Chance, Booths, Balloons, Clowns. **Main Street, Alfred**
- 1:00-5:00 p.m. **Lion's Club Chicken Barbeque Alfred Fire Hall Lawn, Main Street**
- 1:00 p.m. **Sophomore Nursing Recognition Ceremony, Holmes Auditorium, Harder Hall**
- 2:00-4:30 p.m. **Welcome table** - campus maps, parent decals, information **Campus Center Lobby**
- 2:00 p.m. **Lacrosse** - Alfred University vs. Hartwick College **Merrill Field**
- 3:00 p.m. **Pie Eating Contest**
- 4:30-5:30 p.m. **Open House for Parents of residents of:**
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- 8:00 p.m. **A Main Stage Theater Production.** **Holmes Theater, Harder Hall**

Sunday, April 20

- Church Services**
- 10:30 a.m. **Union University Church** (Multi-Denominational) **Church Street**
- 11:00 a.m. **Methodist Moland Road**
- 3:00 p.m. **St. Jude's (Roman Catholic) Tech Campus**
- A Main Stage Theater Production.** **Holmes Theater, Harder Hall**

Businesses in the Village of Alfred will be open Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.

Yesterday's Hot Dog Day

Joe Keddie

A dream that became reality for an ambitious sophomore at Alfred University 14 years ago to an annual carnival in the village of Alfred, which is expected to raise 6000 dollars for charity this year.

Hot Dog Day, the annual student-run charity benefit, is set this year for the weekend of April 18 and 19. (See separate story.) There will be 10,000 hot dogs on tap double the 2500 planned for the first event- and 50 students on ten committees are planning and producing what student, Mark O'Meara, and a friend dreamed up in 1972.

O'Meara was working at WALF, the university radio station, on a winter evening when a friend dropped by for a visit. Mark was an active member of Lambda Chi Alpha; his friend was a brother of Delta Sigma Phi. The two friends discussed their mutual desire to raise the public image of their fraternities.

O'Meara recalls he put extra long songs on the turntable that evening to allow more time for conversation. The two students fed each other's enthusiasm, "The more we talked, the bigger it got. Ideas snowballed. We couldn't believe it."

They were creating Alfred's first Hot Dog Day. The major event planned for the day was a carnival with game and food booths. A main attraction of the carnival- and the reason for the name of the special day was the sale of a hot dog and a Coke for 25 cents. Mark and his friend were sole organizers of the event.

The two young men hoped to involve the villagers of Alfred and students from Alfred University and the neighboring SUNY Alfred campus. They hoped to provide entertainment for a large group of people and earn money for charity.

Planning such a large event for the first time was not an easy task. They met with the

Alfred Town Council to gain permission to close off Main Street for the afternoon of the carnival, met with administrators and student groups of two college campuses, and addressed local charity organizations. O'Meara describes their approach to these planning sessions as a "one two punch. First, my friend would charm them with his finesse and eloquent speech. Then I would make them all laugh." It worked. The first Hot Dog Day carnival had 30 booths which were manned by members of local charities, student groups, fraternities and sororities.

It was not always so easy, O'Meara admits. He approached organizations, such as the Alfred Fire Department and the Community Chest, to see if they would donate manpower in exchange for a share in the profits from the carnival. "Everyone thought the carnival was a 'cute' idea," Mark recalls, "but no one took us too seriously." Commitment and enthusiasm paid off, however, since the first Hot Dog Day gained 3500 dollars for charity.

"The following year, after it was such a success, we has no trouble in getting help," Mark chuckles.

Planning the first carnival had moments of stress. One of the biggest problems was in the shipment of the hot dogs. The two organizers had ordered 2500 hot dogs, but twice that many were shipped by mistake. They scrambled around downtown Alfred and found restaurants willing to purchase any leftovers. This was an unnecessary precaution. They sold all 5000 hot dogs in two hours.

The two fraternity brothers had hoped to do something for the village of Alfred. Their success is evident today on Main Street with Kenyon Park a playground for village children built by students of Alfred Tech and a gazebo near the center of town. The Alfred Fire Department has an ambulance and other firefighting equipment purchased with Hot Dog Day funds. The entire community enjoys an annual event which hundreds attend each year.

Because he was living in New York City, O'Meara has not been able to attend the past four Hot Dog Days. This year will be different. He was recently appointed Director of Annual Giving at Alfred University. He and his wife and family reside in the Alfred area and on the weekend of April 18 Mark will be able to see how Hot Dog Day has evolved over the past few years.

Joe Raguso, the chairman of this year's Hot Dog Day committee shares Mark's commitment and charisma. "Hot Dog Day is a great outing for families and a time when the community can enjoy itself while helping worthy causes," Joe says. He predicts that this year's Hot Dog Day will be the best in the last five years.

Students of Alfred University have worked since January to plan and prepare for a weekend, that will attract a substantial crowd from neighboring communities. Mark O'Meara's idea on a winter night in his sophomore year has blossomed into an extravaganza beyond his dreams.



Kenning Arlitsch

A.U. Rugby players battle it out against Ithaca during the March 22 games.

Rugby Arrives At AU

Carter King and Chris DeCervo

The birth of the AU rugby club has brought rugby to Alfred, and with it has come a growing following and interest in the sport. The club played its first home match against Ithaca College in front of a surprising amount of fans. There was, however, confusion about exactly how the game works. Here is a brief outline on the game that will hopefully clear up any questions on the game.

Basically, rugby can be compared to American football. However, there are several differences. A rugby club is made up of 15 players; eight forwards and seven backs. The field is 110 yards long and 75 yards wide. Only one referee is on the field and he is assisted by two touch judges, one on each side of the field. There is no forward passing. Ground can only be gained by running forward or kicking forward. Also, no blocking of any kind is allowed.

Unlike football, in rugby a tackle does not end a play. Also, the game is played with a continuous clock. In college play, a rugby match will run 30 minutes nonstop a half. There are no specified offensive and defensive squads and the starting 15 play the whole game. Substitutions are only allowed for serious injuries. Even though there aren't any specific offensive and defensive squads, the 15 players are divided up into the scrum and the backs.

The scrum is broken down into the "hogs" of the team. The scrum is where eight men put their heads down in a tightly packed shoving mass against the opposing scrum with the ball as the offside marker. The ball is rolled in between the two scrums and a pushing and shoving match to control the ball is started. Without the use of hands, the ball is controlled within the scrum by the feet only. Once it is controlled, it is picked up by the back behind the scrum and tossed to the first back behind him to start a run. A smaller more undefined scrum is called a ruck or a maul. It is an unorganized shoving match that still maintains the rule of no hands but plenty of feet.

When the ball is kicked or carried out of bounds, it is brought back in by what is called a line out. This consists of a line of hogs with the backs spread out behind them facing the opponent in the same set up. One yard separates the side and the players. The team not responsible for the out of bounds has the advantage of throwing it in between the two lines. From here, play stems out towards the backs. The ball must be thrown in straight or it is a penalty against the throwing team and the opposition has the choice of another lineout or a scrum.

With the ball in the hands of the backs, a more finesse and fleetfooted game begins. Running forward but passing backwards, the backs try to gain ground moving upfield.

Play continues back and forth until a penalty is called. Penalties include offside, blocking, intentionally throwing the ball forward, or illegally playing the ball with the hands in the scrum. After a penalty, the ball may be put back into play by a dropkick, a placekick, punt, or a mere tap with the foot and a quick pass to a teammate.

Offsides is probably the most difficult law to understand. Basically, no player may participate in play unless he has the ball or is behind it. When the ball is kicked forward by a man's teammate from behind, that man is offside until he either retreats behind the kicker or is passed by the kicker.

Scoring is somewhat similar to football. Similar to a touchdown, the rugby "try" is worth 4 points. Any player with possession of the ball can score a try by carrying it over the line [goalline] and literally touching the ball down to the ground. A conversion is worth 2 points and is similar to football's extra point kick. Other types of scoring is the dropkick and the penalty kick which are each worth 3 points.

Although this is a very brief summary of the game of rugby, we hope it will add to your enjoyment of the game and at AU's next match.

AU Rugby Club Downs Ithaca 6-3

Chris DeCervo

The newly founded Alfred University rugby club won its third match, defeating the Ithaca State club 6-3 on the Jericho Hill athletic fields. It was the first match of the spring season for the Rugby A club. AU's B club lost to Ithaca 16-0.

Ithaca came to Alfred as the state champions in Division III rugby during the fall semester. The Alfred club was undefeated last semester with victories over the University of Rochester and Saint Bonaventure. It was the first time ever Alfred had sported a rugby club for inter-scholastic play. The team was founded by the efforts of AU student Ty Fobare and Alfred attorney William Pulos.

Alfred scored first against Ithaca, making the score 4-0. Jack Lester converted the extra point to make the score 6-0. It was all the scoring they needed. Ithaca could only manage 3 points on a converted penalty kick.

Coach Fobare was both surprised and impressed with his teams quick 3-0 start in competition.

"As it turned out, our 'backs' were faster than there's. Our scrum showed great strength

when our back's were against the wall. Jack [Lester] had a great game. Also, first time A club players Tom Moore and John Wilcox did a good job for us."

Rugby club president Carter King echoed some of Fobare's thoughts.

"We played with good intensity. What we lacked in experience we made up for with sheer hustle and determination."

Both Fobare and King were impressed with the support the University and the students had given them for their first home match.

"We would like to thank Bill Pulos and Dave Nahan for their continued guidance. We would also like to thank Gene Castroville for setting us up with a field and continued practice times. And especially, we want to thank all the fans who watched the matches. We hope that we can count on your continued support."

The team will now travel to Bucknell University for a weekend tournament in April. Look for further articles on rules and game play.

Equestrian Riding High

Bronya Redden

The AU Equestrian Team placed 5th in a tie with Cornell and RPI at the St. Lawrence Intercollegiate horse show on March 15th. Nineteen schools competed in the event. DuPrey brought home the blue ribbon in Beginner Walk Trot Division.

Other placings were: Carmen Bridge, 2nd novice horsemanship; Anne Woods, 2nd advanced walk-trot-canter; Pat Houseknecht, 3rd novice horsemanship and 5th novice fences; Pam Imboden, 3rd advanced walk-trot; Marguerite Sherwin, 3rd advanced walk-trot; Steve Kirk, 4th open fences; Janet Argersinger, 6th novice horsemanship; Kim DiPietro, 6th beginner walk-trot-canter and Bronya Redden, 6th novice horsemanship and 6th novice fences.

AU placed 5th in a field of 20 schools at the Syracuse Intercollegiate horse show at Orchard Hill Farm on March 23rd. Blue

ribbon winners were Janet Argersinger in novice fences, Lory DuPrey in advanced walk-trot, and Marguerite Sherwin in advanced walk-trot.

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At the St. Lawrence Meet, AU took 6th place in the region. Final points for the year have yet to be added up but it looks as though AU is in good standing. Four of AU's Equestrian Team riders will compete at regionals at St. Lawrence on April 19th. Pat Houseknecht, Steve Kirk, Marguerite Sherwin, and Anne Woods will try for a 1st place that would earn them a trip to Virginia for Nationals.

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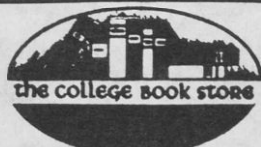
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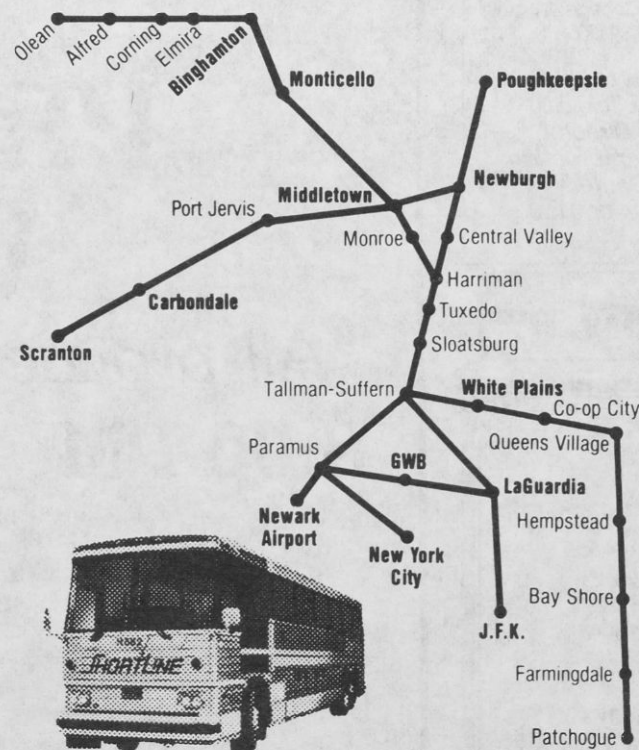
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Greg Meyers - Solo/Flight

Bronya Redden

Greg Meyers presented a spring concert, Solo/Flight, at Harder Hall on March 28th and 29th. The concert consisted of 4 solos and two group pieces.

Participating in the group pieces were: Karen Ninos, Melinda Patti, Catherine Riscili, Paula Salter, Jerome Sarason, and Alison Sawyer. Greg Meyers presented the solos and choreographed the entire concert. Both group pieces followed a repeating phrase.

In the first group piece, one person began the phrase and others joined in at different times. In the second group phrase, all of the dancers began at the same time. Meyers presented a variety of artistic expression in his solos.

The first solo in the concert was called Thesaurus. It was a performance art piece that had movements and costumes to fit words. The three things that the movements,

costumes, and words seemed to portray were insanity, kindness, and sensuality.

The second solo was titled "Through Rose-Colored Glasses that Sometimes Don't Fit." The stage was set with glass windows and a chair on the other side of the windows. The object seemed to be to get to the chair. Meyers presented effective and original images.

The third solo was a structured improvisation. It was adapted from choreography of a former colleague of Meyers.

The last solo, the piece that concluded the concert, was an exceptional piece. It was an autobiographical sketch in movement. It began with Meyers hanging, by gravity boots, from a scaffold. (Meyer's often relaxes by hanging in gravity boots in his office.) There was also a tumbling run in the dance which showed the Gymnastic side of Meyers.

Overall, the concert was enjoyable and performances were good.

New Business Program

Matt Hermesen

The new Health Planning and Management program at Alfred University has been established by adding eight courses to the Health Care administration program and changing the name. The new program has 16 students so far and requires a summer internship between the junior and senior years.

The Health Planning and Management program applied for membership into the, Association of University Programs in Health Administration. John Delaney, will be in Washington D.C. on April 3, 1986 to attend the A.U.P.H.A.'s annual meeting and to explain the program to the members who will be voting on Alfred's acceptance.

The A.U.P.H.A. is an organization representing both Baccalaureate and Masters degree programs. It consists of 32 schools, of

which only four have Health Planning and Management programs. The University of New Hampshire, the University of Connecticut, Rutgers University, and Ithica College are just a few of the members.

Delaney said, "Health Care Administration is the most rapidly growing management profession; not only, in-patient facilities but Health Maintenance, Ambulatory Care Centers, Pre-Payment Systems, Health Planning, Marketing Health Services, Regulatory Agencies, Management Service and Consultant firms and a number of other health related organizations as well."

According to Delaney, Occupational Outlook Quarterly says "There will be an increase of 58% between 1982 and 1995, which turns out to be 175,000 more jobs."

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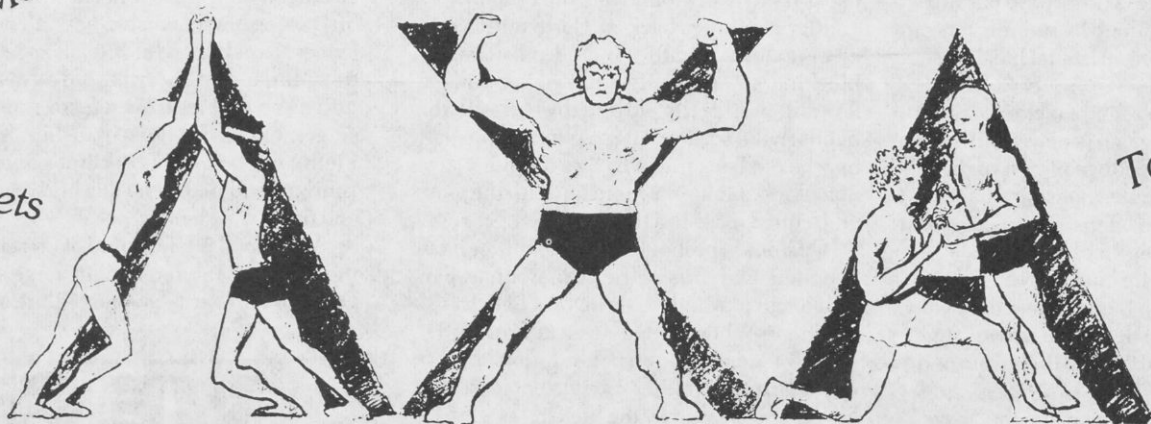
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