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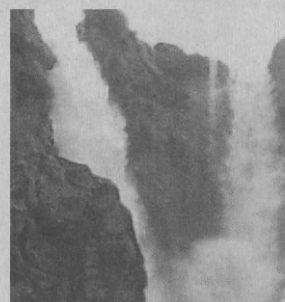
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New Food Service appears to be good pick for AU

JERNEE JOHNSON
NEWS EDITOR

AU's new food service proves to be doing fresh, new things for the University.

"Change is always good," said Penelope Perdomo, a junior liberal arts double major. AU contracted AVI FoodSystems, Inc in June 2005. AU's contract with ARAMARK, the old food service ended June 30. According to Carol Wood, associate dean of students, instead of continuing the contract with ARAMARK, AU wanted to start a new bidding process. AU made sure to include students in the process.

Student involvement included proposing menu ideas and helping in the decision of a new food service. According to Wood, students decided what menu items to keep and which to toss. "We wanted to take a fresh look at dining," said Wood.

Wood formed the Student Dining Planning Committee, consisting of students, administrators and faculty members. The committee was in charge of choosing a new food service for AU. The committee all agreed that Ade Dining Hall was under-used. It was last renovated about 10 years ago, according to John Dietrich, director of Powell Dining. After discussion, the committee proposed the renovation of Ade Dining Hall into the bidding process, according to Dietrich and Wood.

After viewing recommendations from other colleges, visiting other campuses and discussing pricing, AU accepted AVI's bid.

"We were interested in high quality food and the renovation of Ade," said Wood. "AVI gave us the whole package."

Although some menu items that ARAMARK offered are missed, it is evident that AVI is a great change for AU. "Most students seem to be pleased with the new service. There is some getting used to, but overall the students will enjoy the change," says Dietrich.

"There are a few things I do not like [juice makers are not the same], but I think the change is good," said Perdomo.

With AVI's bid accepted, the renovation of Ade Dining Hall began. Ade is to feature a grill 48 inches in diameter, about the size of a round dining table in Powell. The station is to be called Mongolian Grill. Here students can pick fresh vegetables and ingredients to be cooked into their meal. The meal is prepared right in front of the student or students can opt for the rotating dish, a menu item that has already been prepared. The Taco Bell has been replaced with The Grill. Taco Bell pulled its contract last semester. It is not clear as to why, but the general consensus is that the contract was pulled because no profit was being made.

"We were probably about the only school

that included Taco Bell in the meal plans," said Dietrich. "Normally this would not be available in an all you can eat dining arrangement [as was Taco Bell]."

To help offset the closing of Ade, lunch is also served in the Knight Club and bag lunches can be obtained in Ade Hall. "Students have responded well to chaos created by the closing of Ade," says Dietrich.

One of the new designs of Powell is the Inspirations station. It has replaced the Great Chefs station. Here students have the luxury of watching the Food Network while waiting for their meals to be prepared. AVI came up with this idea as a way of easing the impatience of waiting in long lines, says Dietrich and Wood.

"I like the Food Network idea because you can watch T.V. while you wait," says Perdomo.

AVI also stresses, "cooking from scratch," according to Dietrich. Powell Dining is set to start cooking classes for students during slow times on weekdays and on weekends. The classes will be held at the Inspirations station and would teach basic cooking, according to Dietrich.

AVI has also implemented a new change for Ade Express. It is now open from 8:30 p.m. to 2 a.m. and will undergo a new design over winter break. Students may participate in a contest for the new design of Ade Express. Voting slips can be found in

Powell Dining Hall and Ade Express. The approximate deadline is mid-semester break in October.

"I am excited about the student voting process for the new design of Ade Express," said Wood.

Ade Express is open for business. The facility has expanded to include a convenient store. Here students can buy laundry detergent, soap and microwaveable products when they cannot get to a store, according to Dietrich.

Ade Express also implemented a program called the meal equivalency program. Students can swipe the first \$4 on their meal card instead of using their dining dollars. However, according to Dietrich, it is limited to one swipe per night and cannot be used for pre-packaged or bottled items.

Some other changes students can expect to see on campus are new vending machines and new ID cards. This all came with AVI's contract. There are a few glitches still to be fixed, says Dietrich, but in time everything should be rolling smoothly. If students have any suggestions or concerns they can fill out a comment card in Powell and Ade Dining Halls, Lil' Alf Cafe or Ade Express. Students can also e-mail Dietrich at dietrichj@alfred.edu with comments.

"I want to hear feedback and make the [appropriate] changes to solve concerns," said Dietrich. ○

AU and community join in Katrina relief efforts

GERALDINE GENZARDI
MANAGING EDITOR

Alfred and the surrounding area take action in the wake of Hurricane Katrina by providing donations and other needed services.

Winds of Hurricane Katrina hit up to 160 mph when they hit the Gulf Coast on August 29, 2005 recording one of the worst natural disasters the United States has ever seen.

Katrina developed out of a tropical wave 170 miles off the coast of Nassau Island, Bahamas. As Katrina moved west its intensity increased going from a Category 1 hurricane to a Category 5 by the time it reached the Gulf Coast. The hurricane first touched land in Florida on the Miami-Dade/Broward County Line and then touched down again in Buras, Louisiana with the eye of the storm passing over the eastern edge of New Orleans as a Category 4. The hurricane touched down for the last time at the border of Mississippi and Louisiana and left extraordinary damage in its path.

Prior to Katrina touching down in New Orleans, the Mayor, Ray Nagin ordered a mandatory evacuation of the city. Many people remained in the city because they could not afford transportation, gas or did not have a vehicle. Others were forced to stay behind because of disabilities or age.

Taking these circumstances into account, the Superdome was made into a shelter for those who could not leave. Thousands of people remained there without food, water

and medicine until the National Guard troops were sent in to help. Many people described dangerous and unlivable conditions while trapped at the Superdome. Women were being raped and men were being robbed; relief couldn't come fast enough.

Dr. Pamela Schultz, associate professor of Communication Studies, remarked on the disastrous situation. "None of us can wrap our minds around the devastation. It seems surreal to be doing what we're doing here while knowing what's going on down there."

To worsen the situation, three levees broke due to Katrina causing even more flooding in New Orleans, a city that is 80% below sea level. Pumps are now draining the city and the levees are being fixed, however, it seems doubtful that New Orleans will be habitable any time soon.

Annie Chih, a junior Biology major commented "I think it's such a tragedy for people who have to deal with unexpected natural disasters like Katrina."

In response to this catastrophe Alfred has made it clear it is willing to do all it can to help. Since many colleges and universities are closing for an unknown period of time, Alfred is opening its doors to any displaced students interested in returning to classes immediately.

In a press release earlier this week, Wendy Beckemeyer, vice president for Enrollment Management at AU stated, "Alfred will waive its application and late registration fees for students, work to place these students in classes that will transfer to their home colleges and possibly provide some scholarship aid to students in need."

Many Allegany County community members are determined to get involved with relief effort as well according to a recent American Red Cross press release. The Allegany County Chapter of the American Red Cross has received a tremendous amount of phone calls and emails from local residents. Jody Bailey, Allegany County Chapter Executive Director said, "I continue to be amazed by the caring community we live in. Our office has received hundreds of phone calls and emails from people throughout the county wanting to help those affected by the hurricane in any way they can."

A good way for students to get involved in the relief effort is to donate to the American Red Cross. This can be done on an individual basis or by fundraising among clubs and organizations on campus. According to Dr. Norman Pollard, Director of the Counseling and Student Development Center, participating in the upcoming blood drive is also a way to contribute. The American Red Cross is a legitimate organization to make a donation to and will provide much needed aid to the victims of Katrina.

Perhaps Alfred's deepest connection with this disaster is the Alumni that have been affected by Katrina. It is uncertain just how many there are, but in the coming weeks this community will surely be finding ways to help those they can. ○

Dr. Gail Walker remembered by AU and Alfred community

JERNEE JOHNSON
NEWS EDITOR

Over one hundred students, faculty, members of the Alfred community, family and friends gathered for a very emotional memorial service of the late Dr. Gail Walker, AU professor of psychology.

"Doc" Walker, as students liked to call her, died on Tuesday, June 7, 2005, after nearly a four year struggle with ovarian cancer. When first diagnosed with cancer, Dr. Walker met with Rev. Laurie DeMott of the Union University Church in Alfred to discuss arrangements for her memorial service. In accordance with Dr. Walker's wishes, DeMott conducted Dr. Walker's memorial service on Friday, Sept 9 at the Union University Church at 4 p.m.

The service celebrated Dr. Walker's life through readings, hymns and prayers chosen by Dr. Walker. Students, friends and faculty shared their memories of "Doc" Walker. The service started with a scripture reading that most pertained to the death of Dr. Walker, followed by DeMott's eulogy to Dr. Walker. A grief-stricken audience was then asked to stand and join in singing hymn #77.

A clearly emotional congregation then joined in the reciting of the Lord's Prayer. During the portion of the service called the time of remembrance, a few of Dr. Walker's students and colleagues shared fond memories of their encounters with "Doc" Walker. Yumi Arioka, AU art student, who took Intro to Psychology with Dr. Walker, read a letter that she wrote to Walker after she heard about her death.

"I'm really nervous about this," said a grief-stricken Arioka. Arioka shared her experiences with Dr. Walker and said that her classes were very different, but fun.

Another student who took Dr. Walker's Intro to Psychology shared his first encounter with "Doc" Walker. "After the first class, I said, psychology is going to be interesting this year," he said laughing.

Dr. Walker's colleagues said that she "really" loved teaching. Dr. Louis Lichtman, AU professor of psychology, said that "Doc" walker saw herself as a performer and the classroom was her stage. Students signed up for her courses even when they had no clue what they were about, said Lichtman.

Dr. Walker taught at AU for over 20 years. In her time at AU she won 12 excellence-in-teaching awards. No faculty member has ever received this recognition, said Lichtman. Dr. Walker was committed to getting to know her students on a personal level and talking with them. She felt it was much more interesting and fun for the students, said colleagues.

"She is irreplaceable," said Lichtman, with a sniffle.

The service continued with musical selections by the AU chamber singers in which they sung and signed a beautiful rendition of "What a Wonderful World." A few years ago, Dr. Walker taught the university chorus how to sign the song "What a Wonderful World. Dr. Luanne Crosby, associate professor of voice and chorus, said that she was inclined to perform the song one last time for Dr. Walker.

Dr. Walker was honored by the A.E. Crandall Hook and Ladder Co. of Alfred, where she served as a volunteer firefighter. They honored her with the traditional ringing of the bells. A tradition which signifies, "the calling of one home after their work has been done."

AU Professor Susan Mayberry livened up the congregation when she fulfilled Dr. Walker's request to give her last recommendation. Mayberry shared her memories her and Dr. Walker's friendship. Mayberry told about a time when Dr. Walker drove to Foster Lake to pick up Mayberry's son and his friends after he decided to celebrate his coming of age by jumping into the 30 degree water of



PHOTO BY JENNIFER TOMASZEWSKI

Students, faculty, friends and well-wishers exit Professor of psychology, Dr. Gail Walker's memorial service on September 9.

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Support is instrumental in the growth of student organizations

Involvement in student-organized activities is more important than many students give it credit for. Many see involvement as a burden or something unworthy of peer participation, but this is not the case.

Student groups who organize these events seldom sponsor and organize events for themselves; they do it for their peers and the community. Many student groups count on other students because the success of these events would be impossible without them. Support from peers and the community is what keeps these organizations continuously bringing entertainment, events and activities to campus.

Students need to be involved in one way or another. This is in order to eliminate the ever-so-popular, "There is nothing to do in Alfred" phrase, said at least once by every Alfred University student during their college career.

There is plenty to do in Alfred. Students just have to find what they like and what makes them comfortable. Every organization on campus has a welcoming atmosphere. Students must choose what is appealing to them.

However, many students become entangled with the notion that certain people do not like them. But, that should not hinder one from getting involved in an organization and participating in their activities. Personal issues should be worked out and students need to co-exist in such a small campus atmosphere.

Student groups heavily plan and spend money in order to get students to participate. And, it is disheartening when the planned events have small turn-outs and funds are lost rather than gained. It would seem as if the mass e-mail invitations and the collage of flyers that adorn Powell Campus Center, residence halls and other University edifices were done all in vain. Groups attain their motivation from their peers. Without the fuel from other students, one day, students may be able to legitimately say that the AU campus absolutely offers nothing extra-curricular.

But, with such a diverse campus, in such an isolated location, that may be very difficult to say. AU has so much to offer on such a small campus. For an over 2,100- person school, the range of student groups, interests, events and activities are much broader than many would expect.

Lessons of community and diversity are the common theme that most student groups share when spear-heading events. This is especially evident in groups of ALANA (African-, Latino-, Asian- and Native-American).

AU's student groups offer a variety of social events and entertainment throughout the academic year and are not limited to ALANA only. Poder Latino hosts its annual Raices performance; Umoja has its annual The Jumpoff basketball tournament, freestyle contest, Slam poets, AIDS Charity basketball game and Kwanzaa dinner; Pacific Rim has its Alfred to Asia performances; the Caribbean Student Association has its annual talent and fashion show and global awareness roundtables; Spectrum organizes Glam Slam events yearly; and SAFE (Students Acting for Equality) with their Disability Awareness Day.

Students often become entangled with the constant dealings of everyday college student life. Yes, it is very difficult for students to fit numerous activities and events into their busy schedules, but peer and faculty support is what can make or break any campus organization.

Aside from students, involvement should extend to faculty. If students see faculty support, especially from those who are not directly involved with the organization, that could be one of the key factors to push students to be more supportive.

When students see they have support from more areas than one that gives them more of a reason to stay dedicated and support their peers.

But, it can be a bit disheartening to see beloved and supportive faculty go. However, that should not be counted as a loss, but as a step toward a brighter future.

These groups, and many of those not mentioned, strive to entertain and raise the awareness of students at AU. If students do not utilize them and there is no support, these clubs will dissipate.

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Opinion

Summer In The City

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When most people think of DC they think of cut-throat politicians, pushy lobbyists and unforgiving summer humidity.

My experience wasn't too far off from these assumptions. In fact, I had the privilege of encountering those politicians and the humidity.

As I prepared for my first time living in a city, I imagined all the streets I would get lost on and the near muggings I would experience (obviously an outlook of an oblivious country bumpkin).

The program I was enrolled in gave me the opportunity to see President Bush speak, watch tapings at CNN, visit various foreign embassies, sit on the floor of the House of Representatives, explore the National Archives II, have lunch at the National Press Club and attend a Press Briefing at the White House.

Even though these experiences were exciting, new and unique, the best part of my summer was learning about my fellow students in my program. I lived in an apartment on Georgetown University's campus with three other girls very different from myself.

Living in a politically charged environment with students actually interested in politics made for thought-provoking conversation and debate. The

fact that we didn't have a television distracting from the discourse allowed us to really get to know each other and explore our views on a daily basis. Discussions ranging from abortion to John Roberts to Communism helped me reevaluate and reaffirm my beliefs in a way I never thought possible.

One of my roommates was from the Czech Republic and she introduced me to her fellow international students; meeting my international peers was the most rewarding experience of my summer. They challenged me, informed me and questioned me. I learned more about my own culture from these students than I could ever learn from anyone born in the United States. After spending a summer with my new friends I realized how important it is to maintain and cultivate international relations at every level.

Last week Vicky Westacott, director of the writing center, sent out an email about getting involved with international students on campus by participating in the Campus Friends program. I encourage all students here at Alfred to take part in this program. You'll learn a great deal about your environment, both the United States and the world. Why not challenge yourself to different points of view, make a friend and create lasting contacts around the globe? It's well worth it. ☺

Appreciation of Michelangelo

CRYSTAL CRAFT
STAFF WRITER

Have you ever been forced to do something you didn't want to do? When I was in middle school I was forced to take an art class. I cringed at the thought of this because in the past my teachers had criticized my drawings. Let's face it, I was no Picasso. The thought of having to take an art class here at Alfred to fulfill a general education requirement made my stomach churn.

I was flipping through the course catalog last semester and came across a cross-linked fine arts, history and English class. Before I knew it, I was enrolled in this class as an elective. I wasn't persuaded to take this class because of the fine arts credit. Part of the requirement was to go to Italy for two weeks in the summer.

The last day of our stay in Rome was fast approaching. We took a fast train to Florence, and at

that instant my life changed. We were about to leave the museum in Florence and then there it was—Michelangelo's "David." His bulging veins and definition of his abdomen left me speechless. I am sure I looked ridiculous as my jaw dropped to my knees. The only other time I had this awe effect was when I saw Bernini's sculptures earlier that week. For two weeks I was submerged into a country whose culture is saturated by art and I absolutely loved it—surprisingly.

It's truly amazing how education changes one's life if you let it. All the pictures I've ever seen of the "The David" were ok. It wasn't until I saw it in person that I gained a greater appreciation for art and artists like Michelangelo.

Because of the positive experience I had in Italy, I can't wait to take my one and only art class to graduate, even though I am still no Picasso. I only wish I had this experience before my junior year of college. Who knows, I may have changed my major! ☺



Finding life's meaning

To travel on an airplane, you need a plane ticket. In order to legally drive a vehicle, you need a driver's license. To go to Europe, you need a passport, and to get a piece of gum from a gum machine, you need a quarter.

But, what do you need to get through life?

In many ways you need meaning. The problem with that is finding it. Sometimes I wish I could look up the meaning of my life in the library or just have someone answer the many questions I face with life, in general.

It is just not that easy because no one will ever be able to tell us the meaning of our lives. Thinking about it is scary, too. We make all these decisions and have no idea where they will lead us. And the fact is no matter how much we want to know where our decisions will take us, we have no way of really finding out until they have been made.

It was the first day of Strategic Marketing Management 499 that I realized a lot of people are motivated in some way to find the meaning of their lives. When handed seven pages of stapled paper with material printed on each side, I slipped the sheets into my little pink bag. Later that night I began to read the copies from Victor E. Frankl's book *Man's Search For Meaning*. Taken by surprise, I was more than shocked by what I had begun to read. Frankl wrote about his own psychotherapy, logotherapy. Logos is the Greek word denoting "meaning."

"Logotherapy focuses rather on the future, that is to say, on the meanings to be fulfilled by the patient in his future," was according to Frankl. The way Frankl helps his patients become aware of their meaning is by assisting them in overcoming their

neurosis (any mental or emotional problem with depression, anxiety, insecurity or irrational fear).

So, basically when we feel lost, sad, even depressed, it does not necessarily mean we need to be put on anti-depressants. It is okay to have trouble finding purpose, that trouble is what makes us strive to make goals, big and small. "A man's concern, even his despair, over the worthwhileness of life is an existential distress but by no means a mental disease," said Frankl.

A part of living is dealing with loss, confusion, bad hair days and breakups, staying up until 4 a.m. to finish an English paper, and sometimes just wanting to hide from the world. But just because we feel like we are suffering, sometimes, does not mean we are mental.

Believe it or not "suffering may well be a human achievement." Because if you are suffering, it most likely means you want mental, emotional or physical change to occur in your life. Therefore, suffering can produce a motive to change, which gives you meaning.

The answer to the meaning of your life is not in this article. However, it is inside of you. What do you long for? This is a challenge. It is a challenge I face all the time. The challenge is deciding what meaning you want to fulfill, a challenge of answering the non stop questions you will ask yourself when someone you think you could never live without dies, when you get married, graduate from college, start your first real job in the profession you spent four years getting a degree in. The challenge will never fade, but what you do when it is time for you to suffer, feel the worst emotional pain ever, strive, and struggle is what will give you meaning, purpose. ☺

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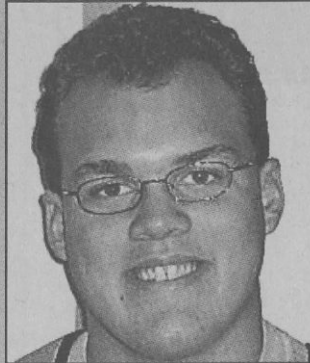
QUOTES AND PHOTOS BY
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HOW WAS YOUR SUMMER?



"I had a good summer; I worked and learned a lot. I celebrated my 21st birthday and had a lot of fun with friends."

Aris Rodriguez
Accounting



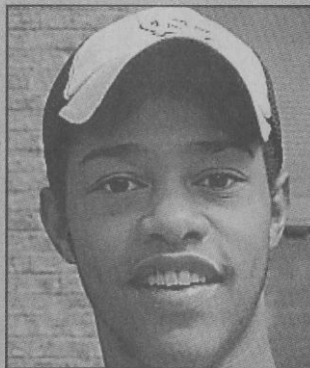
"My summer was amazing! I went to 30 concerts".

Alan Johnson
Undecided



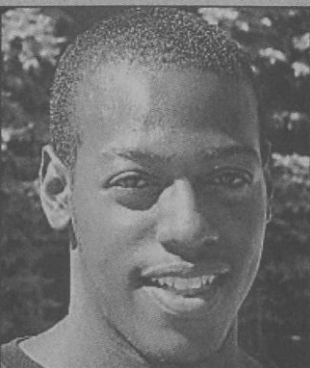
"My summer was a lot of fun. I hung out with friends from home and also visited some friends from school. I worked at Ruby Tuesday's and went to the beach for two weeks."

Heather Frazita
Elementary Education



"I went to Oxbow to visit my friend, Allyssa, with star soccer player, Bobby Linaberry, along with other great friends. I played lacrosse and overall had a great summer."

James Powell
Business Administration



"I got into a car accident with a semi truck and totaled my car. I played tennis and ran track. I hung out with my friends and I was lazy this summer, I didn't have a job."

Haki Nkrumah
Criminal Justice



"I was very busy this summer, I had three jobs! I hung out with my boyfriend, Fabian, before he went back to home to California. We lived in Ithaca over the summer and had a great time."

Amanda Carmen
Art and Design

National News

Baton Rouge swells with evacuees

BATON ROUGE, Louisiana (CNN) -- Hurricane Katrina emptied one city of its people and filled another.

Baton Rouge, Louisiana's capital, 80 miles north of New Orleans, is suddenly the largest city in the state, leaving local officials seeking solutions to the growth.

The Baton Rouge Metropolitan Airport was the second busiest airport in the nation Friday, according to The Advocate, a city newspaper.

Before the storm, the metropolitan area had a population of about 400,000. In Katrina's aftermath, Baton Rouge has grown by 50 percent, taking in nearly 200,000 people from New Orleans and surrounding areas, said David Guillory, special assistant to the director of the Baton Rouge Department of Public Works. Of that number, 8,000 to 10,000 displaced residents are living in shelters.

The estimates come from gauging variables, such as traffic counts, the amount of property sold and the number of hotel rooms occupied, he said.

"Baton Rouge is now the largest city in Louisiana, and I don't think it will change for another five to 10 years," Guillory said.

State and local officials held a three-day summit this week to discuss "how we go from being a medium-size city to a large-size city in a week's time," he added. The most visible impact of the evacuees' arrival is the traffic. City officials say traffic counts show there are 35 to 45 percent more cars on the roads, and traffic already had been congested.

No audience, no stage, no homes

(AP) -- The bassoon player is holed up in Texas. The violins are scattered across Ohio, Georgia, Massachusetts, Illinois and Tennessee. The French horn player, who also plays the garden hose, is stuck in Nashville.

Katrina has blown the 68-member Louisiana Philharmonic Orchestra -- the only full-time symphony in America owned and operated by its musicians -- into exile. And no one knows if the beloved ensemble will survive.

The orchestra's audience, the city of New Orleans, is gone. Its venue, the ornate Orpheum Theater in the business district, has taken on water. Many of its musicians have lost their homes.

"There's no reason to have an orchestra if there's no one to play for," said Howard Pink, who escaped with his instruments, all 30 or 40 of them, including his French horns, his ram's horns and a 15-foot alphon, all of which he uses on his second job as the star of a traveling road show called "Howard Pink and Musical Garden Hoses."

Pink's house in Gretna, Louisiana, is ruined. "The water damage is insane," he said. He is staying with friends, 450 miles from home, and he can no longer bear to look at the images of his destroyed city.

"It's too horrific," he said.

Suit would protect woodpecker habitat

LITTLE ROCK, Arkansas (AP) -- Environmentalists who fear a plan to divert water to eastern Arkansas farms will harm the habitat of the recently rediscovered ivory-billed woodpecker filed a federal lawsuit Thursday.

The project would pump 100 billion gallons of water per year from the White River. The Arkansas Wildlife Federation and the National Wildlife Federation said diverting so much water will harm the swampy woods that are the ivory-billed woodpecker's habitat.

The groups on Thursday sued the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to halt work on the irrigation project.

"The ivory-billed woodpecker has a rare chance at recovery, but no one is listening," said David Carruth, president of the Arkansas Wildlife Federation. "Within weeks of sighting the bird and with ridiculously little scientific research, the construction on the project began." □

Alfred motorists are feeling the pinch

MICHELLE CLARK
FEATURES CO-EDITOR

While Alfred was not directly hit by Hurricane Katrina, it has however experienced some of the aftermath.

The gas prices have reached an all time record high. About two weeks ago, the price for regular unleaded gas was approximately \$2.44 per gallon. Now at almost any gas station, you are looking to pay anything between \$3.45 and \$3.50 per gallon.

According to Glenn Burnham, an employee at Arrow



PHOTO BY MICHELLE CLARK
The staggering gas prices not only hit home in Alfred, but nation-wide as well.

Mart in downtown Alfred, the prices are not going to drop. When asked if they are expected to increase, he stated that although the price has remained the same for the past two days, he anticipates an increase.

Where the boost in the gas prices did bring in additional sales to the convenience store, customer satisfaction has decreased. "There are just a lot of angry people," said Burnham.

Customers are angry not only because of the increase in the price, but also at the fact that it is now required to prepay before you pump. This is supposed to prevent people from driving off with a full tank without paying. However there have been a couple drive-offs in the past couple weeks. "All we can do is get the license [plate] number and call the cops. Then it is in their hands to track them down," said Burnham.

So what happens now with the high prices, yet still a need for transportation to and from work/school? "I walk to work now," Burnham said. He filled his tank up last week when it was at \$2.83 a gallon and parked it. "I don't have the money to spend on driving to work."

There has been a significant change in the way people have been traveling these past few weeks. Nancy Williams, Recruiting Director at Alfred University, has resorted to carpooling. "I have for the past three weeks now," she said.

Williams is not alone. Many members of the faculty at Alfred University have also turned to carpooling. Mark McFadden, Assistant Director of Career Counseling Services, and his wife, Laurie McFadden, Head of Special Collections at Herrick Library, used to travel to work in two separate vehicles, even though they live within five miles of campus. "I used to try and get to work early to start my day. Now, Laurie and I try to come in at the same time," said McFadden.

McFadden has also resorted to other means of travel. Just last week, he walked home from work a couple times. While this is a usual occurrence during the summer, he likes to drive to work during the academic school year.

As Burnham had stated earlier, there is no near hope

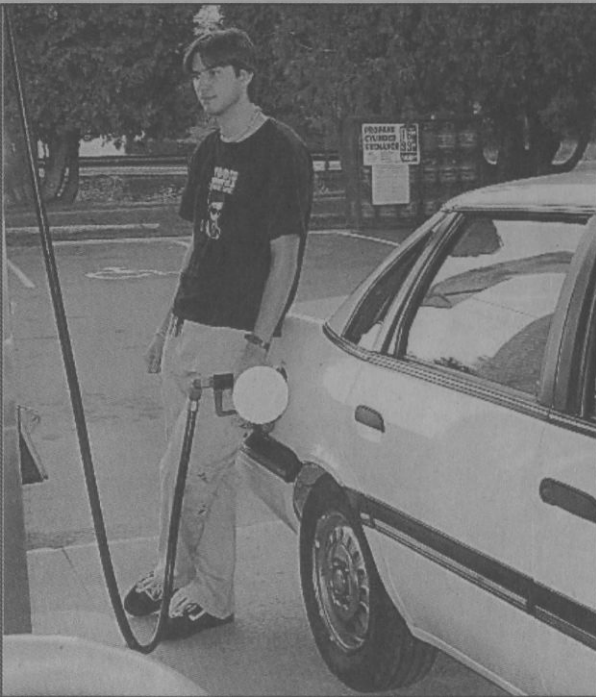


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The increasing prices of gas are putting holes in the pockets of students. It leaves many degree-seekers looking for alternatives.

for the prices to decrease. The best advice is to minimize driving as much as possible and consider carpooling. Alfred University has made it possible to post messages for needed rides on their website. You can view this or post your own message at <http://our.alfred.edu/index.cfm/fuseaction/portal.webboards.cfm>.

On behalf of Alfred University as well as the staff at the Fiat Lux, we would like to send out our condolences to those affected by Katrina. □

Second-year student severely injured on AU campus

Skateboarding accident leaves young man hospitalized with serious head wounds

JESSICA HENDERSON
STAFF WRITER

Plans were being made to eat falafel, venture through an art opening and hang out at the Terra Cotta. These were the plans Sam Lawrence, sophomore in the School of Art & Design and good friend Will Daloz, junior ceramic engineering major had for the evening before Lawrence's skateboard accident.

It was the evening of Friday, Sept. 2 when Lawrence and Daloz waited to see an art opening and decided to skate, while waiting. They were skating on the hill between Harder Hall and Davis gym when Lawrence's skateboard hit gravel, causing him to get off balance. Daloz said that Lawrence was able to make it to the bottom, for he is a good skater, it was just

when he turned the board at the bottom of the hill, that the wheels scrapped gravel. Daloz left to go down the same hill several seconds after Lawrence, they were going a safe speed and away from vehicles, it was an accident Daloz did not expect.

Running to a nearby blue security telephone in deep panic, Daloz called for help. AU Rescue Squad called an ambulance and Lawrence was provided with immediate care.

Earlier on that day Lawrence and Daloz shared a good laugh as they passed a flyer advertising a performance by Abigail Payne at the Terra Cotta. Laughs were made as Lawrence told Daloz she was cute and wanted to go to the Terra Cotta to see her perform and strike up a conversation with her.

Daloz went to the coffee house in his

place that night, not sure what to do with himself, still taking in everything that had happened that day. He went up to Payne at the end of the show and told her about Lawrence and what he had said earlier that day about her. Payne gave Daloz an autograph and CD, which was passed onto Lawrence.

Since then, Lawrence's family and nurses at Strong Memorial Hospital in Rochester have played that CD for him. Also, the swelling in his brain has reduced.

Besides Lawrence's love for music and skateboarding, he enjoys learning new things. Although he is an art major, he is interested in so many other subjects, and you would know this by his rooming with an Engineer major, commented Joe Lewis, Dean of Art & Design. Lewis assured Lawrence's family that a spot

will be waiting for him when he returns.

Since the accident Daloz has started wearing a helmet while skateboarding. On the day of the accident Daloz and Lawrence actually talked about wearing helmets, it was just the matter of how difficult it is to carry it around and deal with the discomfort.

"As I sat there squeezing his hand, hoping it would squeeze back, I've thought of how I would give anything for this not to have happened, how earlier in the day I was talking about how helmets were a good idea but I don't wear one for they are too cumbersome, annoying and uncomfortable. Well, no amount of comfort is worth this, no amount of money or fashion or unflattering hair can bring back a friend," said Daloz. □

AU alumna awarded Fulbright Grant for study in Indonesia

ABBY TRIPP
STAFF WRITER

Despite its status as a small, rural school, AU has a strong history of grooming scholars for the U.S. Department of State's Fulbright Program for international study. Since 1997, eight recent AU alumni have received full funding to spend a year overseas researching a topic of their choosing.

In May, a ninth AU graduate joined this prestigious group when alumna Fenna Mandolang was awarded a Fulbright Grant to research contemporary Indonesian art.

Mandolang, who graduated in 2004 with a major in fine arts and a minor in women's studies, will use her grant to visit to Indonesia and develop a detailed database of information about contemporary art and artists.

"I want to build a network of contacts and start collecting the information that I will need to curate Indonesian art in the future," she said.

Mandolang already has strong ties to Indonesia. Her father is from Indonesia, and she has visited the country several times. As a freshman, she spent time there through AU's international internship award. She spent her time interviewing artists and studying their work. She went on to base her senior show on these interviews.

"I did my senior show about Indonesia," she explained.

Mandolang's show exhibited

her prodigious skills as a curator. She merged artistic and anthropological images of Indonesia with quotations and writings about the country and the work.

As she worked on the show, Mandolang said, she confirmed that studying and curating Indonesian art was "more than just a fleeting interest." Rather, she said, it evolved into a plan for graduate study and, ultimately, a career.

Because of the lack of literature in her field, Mandolang knew that she would have to develop her own references.

"There is not that much written about contemporary Indonesian artists," she explained. She said she knew that the only way to gain knowledge would be to return to Indonesia and immerse herself in the art community.

The Fulbright Program was her opportunity to immerse herself in her field without worrying about money. Award recipients receive coverage for tuition, fees, room, board, expenses and travel.

According to Paul Strong, Director of the University Honors Program and Fulbright Program Advisor for AU, the Fulbright application process generally begins during spring of a student's junior year. At this time, students clarify their research goals and select a country to apply to. Competition for the awards is stiff, he says.

"These are students from Harvard and Stanford and

Berkeley and Yale who we're competing with," Strong explained.

Early in the student's senior year, the application package is submitted to a committee made up of AU faculty members. The faculty members rate the package, which contains the nine page Fulbright application, two essays, three letters of recommendation and the results of any necessary language proficiency exams. Each student then undergoes a half-hour interview with the committee.

In October, the faculty committee submits AU's application packets to the Institute for International Education in New York City. There, applications are divided up by country and given to their respective committees.

"Each country has a committee of three people who know that country," said Strong.

This round of competition is filled with negotiations. Each committee member brings his or her own list of selections to the table; it is the committee's responsibility to hammer out a mutually agreeable list of nominees and alternates.

"There's a lot of compromising," said Strong, who has been a guest at the selection meetings.

In January, students are notified of their status as Fulbright finalists. Then they must wait as their packages are reviewed by a committee in the country they have applied to.

"They do not always honor [the choices of the Fulbright

Commission]." Strong said. Nonetheless, he added, finalists have a very good chance of receiving an award.

While Mandolang said that Strong sparked her interest in the Fulbright program during her junior year at AU, she opted to delay her application by a year. During her senior year, she refined her research interests and career goals, and in a year off after graduation, she completed the Fulbright application process while simultaneously applying to graduate programs in the United States.

While Mandolang said that she was initially ambivalent toward the labor-intensive application process, she ultimately found the work helpful.

"I did it right before I did my graduate school applications," she said. The experience that she gained articulating her research interests was very helpful when she moved on to grad school applications, she explained.

Mandolang said that her favorite part of the package was the personal statement. The essay requires applicants to discuss their perspectives and life experiences in isolation from their research interests.

"It was interesting to think of my life in relation to where I've ended up academically."

Since learning of her selection as a Fulbright winner in May, Mandolang has been in a holding pattern while she waits for her Indonesian research visa to come through. The visa application requires a more detailed

research proposal, multiple letters of recommendation and a résumé. There is no telling what the timetable will be for this final step in her journey toward Indonesia.

In the meantime, Mandolang says her focus will be on preparing for her research. While there is little literature on Indonesian art, she wants to familiarize herself with what is available.

"I am going to try to read what there is in English before I go," she said.

Mandolang is also using the time to brush up on her Indonesian and prepare a template for artist interviews.

Mandolang has also used time spent away from her studies to reflect on how Alfred shaped her interests and prepared her for the Fulbright experience.

"In the small school environment, I have gained a lot of self-confidence," she said. "The support I gained from the faculty is probably as important as anything I learned in the classroom."

Strong's comments about Mandolang reflected the truth of this statement.

"Fenna got some of the strongest letters of recommendation I've seen," he noted. "She's one of the nicest people who has ever come through this university, and everybody's really proud of her and happy for her." □

World News

Mubarak declared winner of Egypt election

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) -- President Hosni Mubarak was officially declared the victor of Egypt's first contested presidential elections on Friday -- but the vote was marred by a lower than expected turnout of 23 percent.

The low participation reflected widespread skepticism among Egyptians over the government's claims that the election opens the door to greater democratic reform -- and apathy over a vote that Mubarak was certain to win.

Before Wednesday's election, officials in Mubarak's ruling party said they hoped at least 30 percent of the 32 million registered voters would cast ballots.

The 77-year-old Mubarak, who has ruled Egypt for 24 years, had won a new six-year term with 88.571 percent of the vote, the head of the elections commission, Mahmoud Marie, told reporters, announcing the final results.

Second place went to Ayman Nour of the opposition Al-Ghad party, with 7.3 percent of the vote. The other main opposition candidate, Noaman Gomaa of the Wafd Party, received 2.8 percent.

The election was the first ever in which Mubarak faced a competitor after years of being re-elected in "yes-no" referendums in which he was the sole candidate.

Karachi blasts target food outlets

(CNN) -- Two nearly simultaneous explosions went off early Friday at a McDonald's and a KFC fast-food restaurant in Pakistan's commercial capital of Karachi, authorities said.

There were no immediate reports of deaths, but police said two people were wounded. The explosions happened around 12:50 a.m. (3:50 p.m. ET Thursday) in Karachi's Defense district.

The first bomb went off inside the KFC restaurant, followed about eight minutes later by a blast outside the McDonald's on the city's beach front.

Witness Mohammed Akhtar, quoted by The Associated Press, said the explosion shattered windows and several people, including a girl, were cut by flying glass. Three cars outside were damaged. According to AP, city police chief Tariq Jamil said the bomb went off on the mezzanine floor of the restaurant and blasted a hole through a concrete wall.

The McDonald's explosion caused panic but no injuries, police said. There were about 80 people inside the restaurant at the time.

Quake rattles Papua New Guinea

(CNN) -- A major earthquake has rocked Papua New Guinea, registering a magnitude 7.3, according to the U.S. Geological Survey.

There were no immediate reports of injuries or damage from Friday evening's quake, which struck the New Ireland region of Papua New Guinea.

The quake struck at 5:27 p.m. (3:27 a.m. EDT) and was located 25 miles (40 kilometers) east-southeast of Taron or 540 miles northeast of the capital, Port Moresby.

The epicenter was 60 miles (96 km) underground.

The Japan Meteorological Agency said on its Web site there was no danger of a tsunami from the earthquake.

Baghdad airport closed to civilian traffic

BAGHDAD, Iraq (CNN) -- Iraqi forces will assume responsibility for security at Baghdad International Airport, a government official said, following its closure to civilian traffic Friday.

The shutdown was prompted by a payment dispute with a British company, Global Strategies Group, which had been providing security services.

Security will be transferred to an Iraqi force, a Ministry of Transportation adviser said.

The closure was the second in three months because of the government's financial issues. It does not affect military flight operations.

Global Strategies Group said it has gone unpaid for the past seven months, according to a company news release. ☐

Recollection of life abroad in Argentina

MICHELLE CLARK
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Well, it is back to Alfred University for me. And the truth is, I almost feel like a freshmen again.

Last spring I decided it was in my best interest to break away from AU and drop myself into a completely new collegiate program. I chose Universidad de Belgrano in Buenos Aires, Argentina. This proved to be a life changing experience for this naïve country girl.

I have never lived in a big city, nor have I lived in society in which the dominant language was not English. I knew Argentina's language was Spanish and that this would cause communication difficulties. I was not mentally or physically prepared for was just how difficult my stay was going to be.

At a snail's pace, I learned the language. As my host mother had said to me (in French) "...the language is a stepping ladder, one in which you crawl up at first and run up at the end." She couldn't have said it any better. Everyday I learned new phrases and new words. I even learned slang for words taught the day before. The more educated I became the less I wanted to return back to my humble bubble I left in the United States.

Study Abroad Assistant Director, Pam Lakin made an interesting point to students about experiences abroad. She said that students experience many different stages of emotions. Among the first few stages falls the honeymoon stage. Here, you are on cloud nine, feeling as though not a flipping thing can go ruin this experience. This stage fulfills one's cultural appetite until about halfway through the experience.

The honeymoon stage is abruptly replaced, by the disintegration, reintegration, and autonomy stages.

Your final stage, one in which I claim full copyrights for, is 'the get me out of here, I want to go home right now' stage. You miss your native country. You crave for a normal, daily routine, and the

dire need for the comfort food you completely ran out of while being away (Simply Jiff Peanut Butter, York Peppermint Patties and a lightly toasted grilled cheese were among the few of mine).

Sadly enough, as soon as I stepped foot onto US soil, I wanted to go back to Argentina. Sure, I was elated to be back. I missed my friends, my family, and my queen sized bed. But, I did not miss the responsibility. Don't get me wrong, I had some responsibilities while away, but they did not come close to those impatiently awaiting my return.

I immediately had millions of things to take care of, ranging from car repairs, backed up bills, school preparations, the weekly returning of recyclables, etc. It was back to reality for me.

Normalcy finally took mold, yet just as it did, it was time to uproot and reshape my routine once again.

It was back to AU, a place that I had oddly achieved a void of. It's like that saying goes, "you don't realize you've lost something until it is gone." Or maybe that isn't how it goes. What I mean to say is that I missed Alfred. I missed the people. I missed Hot Dog Day, basketball games and just plain 'bumming' around. I spent a good chunk of time missing those that I held close to me.

So how do I feel like a freshman again? Well, I had to kind of start all over again. I was a freshman in Argentina, making new friends and establishing fresh relationships with strangers. I had to do the same sort of thing here. I had to go around and look for some people whom I felt comfortable with. I had that anxiety feeling in my stomach the first time I walked into a classroom with lots of people, both familiar and foreign. I was overwhelmed with shyness, which is hard for some to believe. And my surroundings were less then familiar. I had to restart my experience here at Alfred. I can say though, that I had, am having, and will have the best time of my life this year at good old Alfred! ☐



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Taller than Niagra Falls and spreading over two miles along the Iguazu River, you will find the lovely cascades of Iguazu Falls. Iguazu, Argentina.



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Harberton Estancia is this the the oldest estancia (farm) in Tierra del Fuego - Originally owned by Thomas Bridges, Anglican missionary - Ushuaia, Argentina

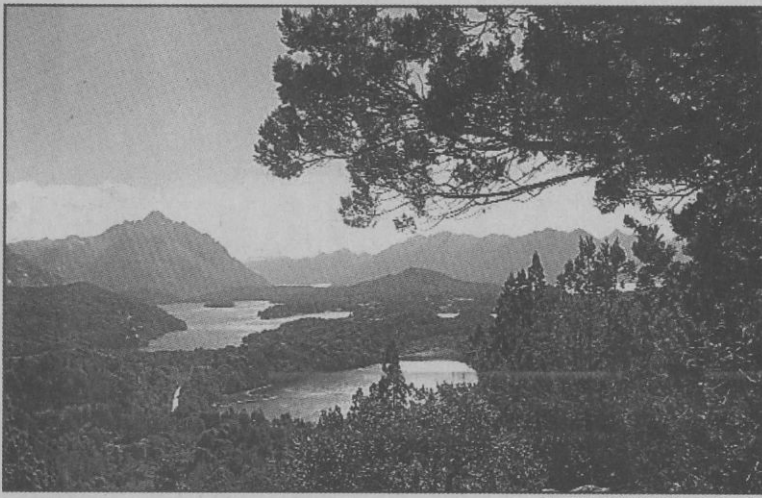


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One of the most beautiful and serene locations in all of Argentina.

The Deadbeat Sweatheart Tour rocks Alfred with four feature acts

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STAFF WRITER

When I took my roommate up on her offer to help with The Juliana Theory concert, I didn't fully grasp how much time I would be spending with the visiting bands.

Through the Student Activities Board I joined the hospitality branch for the night's events. My responsibilities included advertising the show in the village, cleaning up the Knight Club and preparing the band's dressing rooms and riders.

Once the bands arrived, members of hospitality were assigned to each group. Along with two of my roommates, I was responsible for the quartet, Lovedrug. After introductions were made, we oriented them with Powell and made sure that all of their needs were taken care of. Once they felt sufficiently set up, this relaxed group used their free time to explore Alfred, taking us with them. All members were impressed with Alfred's natural setting, but guitarist David Owen was the most appreciative. We explored

with Dave as he used the opportunity to take many pictures in the creek, as well as in the trees near Powell. He assured us that his documentation of this trip would be posted in his on-line tour journal.

My favorite part of the day was dinner with Lovedrug at Café Za. It gave us an opportunity to hear about their experiences on the road and share our experiences at Alfred in return. After dinner we parted ways, as it was almost time for the show to begin.

The concert lineup started with The Goodwill, followed by Days Away. Although unfamiliar with these bands, I was pleasantly surprised when I saw a few of my classmates singing along.

Then came Lovedrug, who was the surprise hit of the evening. I no longer recognized the four low-key guys I had spent the day with. Once on stage, they transformed into energy infused rockers. My biggest shock came from lead singer Michael Shepard. The seemingly most mild-mannered of the bunch, Michael commanded attention and made the show his own. In addition

to his unique voice, he displayed his talents on the piano and guitar.

Lovedrug provided a great introduction for the headliner, The Juliana Theory. Although slightly familiar with this band's indie genre, before the concert I could not tell you the names of their songs. However, I was pleased to see how many avid fans they had, as well as the mutual appreciation between the students and the band. The Juliana Theory rallied from one song to the next. They had, by far, the most momentum and clearest sound.

Whether or not you are a regular listener of indie rock, Lovedrug and The Juliana Theory provided for an up-close and personal experience. I believe it was enjoyed by the majority of concert goers, because it was evident how much the bands appreciated the opportunity to share their music with us. ☐

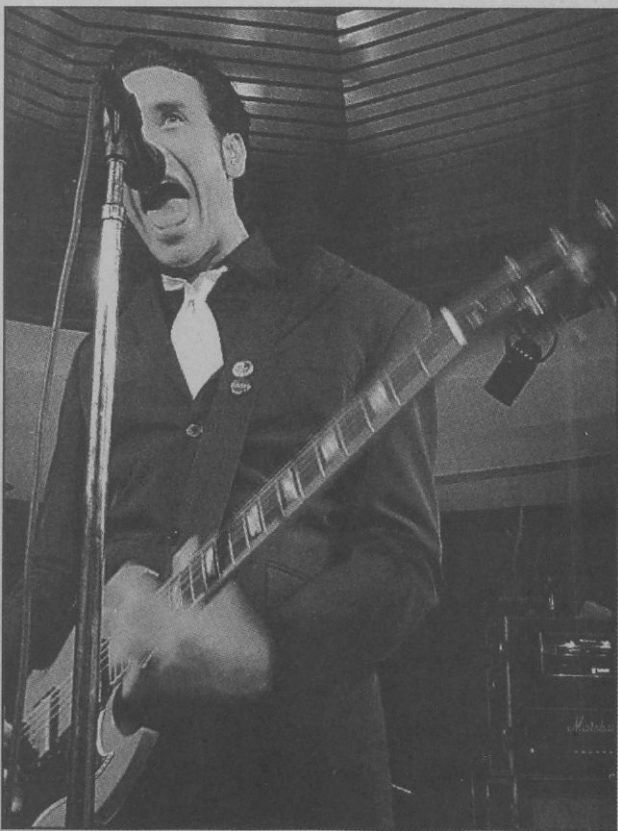


PHOTO BY JENNIFER TOMASZEWSKI

Guitarist David Owen rocks the Knight Club at Powell Campus Center on Saturday, September 3.

Purchase a diploma or degree for under 30 bucks

CHRIS DUNSHEE
STAFF WRITER

For any Saxon student, the toughest part of the school year has just begun. Spring is not coming anytime soon, the last traces of summer are fading out and all that is ahead of you are projects, tests, and three feet of snow. Let's face it, that 15-page report on 20th century German diplomacy does not sound too exciting when you could daydream about Cancun instead. But (*sigh*) that paper is not going to write itself. You have got to work on it so you can get your degree, right?

Thanks to the Internet, such thinking is a thing of the past. Now, there are several easy ways you can receive a college degree without actually attending classes. How much

does this cost? Well, depending on where you look, you can get a diploma for about as much as you paid for books this semester. Here are some examples of what I'm talking about:

On eBay, I discovered an auction for completely customized college degrees for the low, low price of \$29.95 (plus shipping). It gets better: this auction is apparently a '2 for 1' auction, so all of you home-schooled students can now buy the public high school diploma every kid on your block has!

Tired of getting up early to go to class? Tired of going to class at all? Well, then Sonata University (www.sonatauniversity.org) is the place for you. You can receive any liberal arts degree from the university (complete with a faked academic transcript) for as low as \$29.99

(plus shipping).

Even by doing a simple Google search you could find dozens of other services who could provide a degree within five business days for less than you'd spend on a trip to Wal-Mart. Obviously, these degrees are as legitimate as a three-legged donkey, but who's going to know, anyway? Look at the quality of that paper, the gold ink -- no one is going to question the authenticity!

At least, you should hope no one does. Most places that offer these custom-made degrees assert they are 'degree replacement services' (as if their hundreds of customers have all merely spilled Cheez Wiz on their Ph.D.s). Sonata University claims that their degree is legitimized because they can verify its legitimacy: "Our institution offers students an online place to call their alma

mater. We have a support staff able to provide verification and support for your degree..." Of course, no employer would see this degree as equivalent to, say, an Alfred University degree, but as long as no one asks about it you should be all right.

(Of course, the chances that your credentials will go unnoticed are getting slimmer and slimmer by the day. After a 2002 governmental survey found over 1,000 government employees claimed fake degrees on their résumés, employers are now doing all they can to take a bite out of this \$500 million industry.)

The moral of the story? If it is too good to be true, it probably is, especially if you discover it on the Internet. Now get back to work: your German paper is waiting. ☐

Artist Spotlight: The Border Portraits of Chan Chao

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Chan Chao, an artist born in Burma, is currently showing his work in the Fosdick-Nelson Gallery in Harder Hall in his exhibit titled Border Portraits.

I attended the gallery opening expecting to be met with images from Burma and Cyprus that would prickle my curiosity for the rest of the world. And, that is exactly what the portraits did. The people in Chao's portraits are located worlds away, but look like people who could be on this campus. They seem to stare out of the glass and beckon the viewer to jump into the frame with them. They have friendly faces and are smiling

and self-assured. The soldiers are not bloody, but brilliant in color; the men and women are confident and smiling in their native or American clothing; the women are wearing lipstick and the men are working and living in their homeland.

There is nothing depressing about these portraits. They are a celebration of culture. The portraits awaken a sense of commonality among Americans and the world of Burma and Cyprus. These portraits are a far cry from the war images that we have been consumed by these past few months. Some of the images are harder to look at than others, but the greater part is easy viewing.

There was an excellent turnout at the gallery on opening night, and I'm sure I was not the only person impressed with the deep colors and rich textures of Chao's photographs. When you look at his portraits, it is obvious that he has an innate sense of light, composition and color. It is also clear that he develops relationships with the subjects in his portraits. Mutual trust between artist and subject is a large part of what makes his photos so special.

Chao was born in Burma in 1966 and his familiarity with the country and the people is shown through his intimate portraits. He is a very accomplished photographer who lives and works in Washington DC.

He first became known for his series Burma: Something Went Wrong. You can go to www.photographychannel.tv/video/burma2.html and see a video interview done by The Photography Channel in which they interview the artist and show many

of his popular photographs.

Chao has exhibited his work in Syracuse University, Washington DC, Boston, Los Angeles and Philadelphia. He also has public collections at eight galleries including the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, the Whitney Museum of Modern Art and the Corcoran Gallery of Art.

I encourage everyone on campus to stop by Harder Hall and check out his work before it is gone October 7. We should call ourselves fortunate that Alfred University brings artists like Chan Chao to campus. So go and see Border Portraits before it's too late. You won't regret it. ◊

AU offering short-term study abroad session in Europe

POLLYANN KUCA
STAFF WRITER

Alfred University will offer a short-term study abroad session throughout Europe for the Spring Semester of 2006.

The European Business Program will allow students to study in Europe for ten days while earning university credits. "It's going to be great, we have worked on it all summer," says Petra Visscher, director of study abroad.

The program will take a maximum of thirty stu-

dents. "It is open to all students, not only business students," says Visscher. It will give students a taste of what long-term study abroad could be like and "they'll see it's really not that scary," she explained.

Not only will this allow students to go abroad for a short time, but will allow them to earn credits for courses. This is made possible while studying with Alfred University faculty.

Students will choose to enroll in BUSI 460, Comparative Business Cultures or MIS 190, Management Information Systems, for the 2006 spring semester. Students who complete the ten-

day course will be required to attend only a few class sessions upon returning to Alfred. It is a more intense and condensed version of the courses, not like the classes students are used to taking for a full semester.

The students will study various industries in Belgium, Germany and France. They will get to see these industries for themselves as well. The program will include visits to the European Parliament, the council of Europe, European Central Bank, the U.S. mission in Brussels, the EU commission, General Motors, Daimler Chrysler, Pfizer, various German and French internet and

software companies, French wineries and breweries as well as a guided tour of the Louvre. Faculty attending include Professors Frank Duserick and Wilfred Huang. Accommodations will vary throughout the trip and include at least a one-night stay at a castle.

For more information on this program, an informational session will be held Monday, September 12 at 4:30 in Olin 302. To obtain information on the university's other intercultural experiences abroad, visit the Study Abroad office located in Herrick Library. ◊

Biology Club sponsors first blood drive Sept. 13

AU OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS

The Alfred University Biology Club will sponsor its Red Cross first blood drive of the academic year Sept. 13 in the Kenyon-Allen rooms at the Powell Campus Center.

The goal, said Dr. Brad Bowden, professor of biology, is 100 pints of blood. The blood is needed badly, Bowden said, because the Rochester Region has fallen behind in its collection of blood for the year. "The Rochester Red Cross depends heavily on the generosity of the Alfred University community and area residents.

"This year our Opening Convocation featured a talk by Dr. Gordon Atlas, professor of psychology, about community participation and social responsibility," Bowden noted. "The talk concerned people recognizing situations requiring responses, and people making a decision to intervene. It

brought up the important question of whether people would become involved or would remain 'bystanders' just looking on. The Red Cross Blood Drive is such a situation that needs a community response."

Bowden said he is seeking 145 donors to fill the appointments, which are scheduled every 15 minutes between 10 am and 3:30 pm. Donors should allow at least an hour for the process. Those wishing to donate are asked to e-mail Bowden at fbowden@alfred.edu, offering three possible appointment times. ◊

Huang named Raymond Professor in Family Business

AU OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS

A veteran Alfred University professor has been appointed to a two-year term as the Raymond Chair in Family Business by Dr. David G. Martin, dean of the College of Business.

Professor Wilfred Huang, a faculty member since 1983, teaches business statistics, computer programming, database management, operations management, inter-networking, quality information systems, systems analysis and design, and operations research. In addition to his teaching duties, Huang was responsible for the design, implementation, and success of the current SAP (Satisfactory Academic Progress) program. He has served on many College and University committees.

"I am confident that Professor Huang's tenure as the Raymond Chair will be productive, contribut-

ing to both his professional development and the strategic interests of the College," said Martin. For the next three years, Huang will focus research interests and activities on e-business, data analysis, and ERP (Enterprise Research Planning).

A former University Trustee, the late George Raymond and his wife, Robin, established the Raymond Chair to direct an academic focus on family business and entrepreneurship. Huang earned a Ph.D. in industrial engineering and a master of science degree, both from SUNY Buffalo, and a bachelor of science degree from Purdue University. He is a Certified Quality Engineer, a Cisco Certified Academy Instructor, and a Cisco Certified Network Associate. Prior to joining Alfred University, Huang held professional positions with Xerox. ◊

...Walker

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Foster Lake.

"A little 30 degree water is good for a 14-year-old boy, Gail said," said Mayberry as the congregation erupted in laughter.

The service concluded with an Omaha Tribe prayer, in which the congregation joined DeMott in an emotional final farewell to Dr. Walker. Sniffles could be heard through the church as the congregation recited the prayer. Although Dr. Walker is no longer with us, her presence could be felt within the Church through the selections of

music, prayers and hymns she chose.

Students and faculty who shared memories of Dr. Walker all summed her up the same way, "she was the most energized and animated professor ever seen."

According to Shawn Isaacs, AU student, "Heaven just got a lot more interesting." ◊

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Bleach is a very good animated show and has been airing in Japan for less than a year now.

Anime is the name given to most animation from Japan. So far there has not been any word as to when it will be dubbed and begin to air in the United States, however the last show I reviewed a few issues ago will air this Saturday at 9 p.m. on Cartoon Network.

Bleach is set in modern day Japan where spirits freely move about the city. Spirits that choose not to ascend to "Soul Society," a place where good souls ascend after death, remain on earth and roam around. Fortunately they are harmless and pose no danger to people. Normal humans cannot see spirits, but those that can have very strong spiritual energy. This brings us to the main character of the series, Kurosaki Ichigo. He is a 15- year-old high school freshman with bleached orange hair, hence the title of the show.



Being that his spiritual energy is strong, he can see souls and even touch them.

Good spirits are referred to as "pluses," however they are not the only type of spirits that exist. Evil spirits also exist in this world, in which they are called hollows. Their name comes from the large hole in their chests, where their hearts used to be. These creatures don a large white skeleton-like mask and range from small to massive.

After a spirit becomes a hollow they seek out those who were closest to them while they were alive and consume them. Ever wonder why it seems when one family member dies so does another? When the hollows have done that they just seek out humans or spirits with high spiritual energy to alleviate the pain of the hole in their chests.

What makes Bleach so interesting is the introduction of Death Gods. They look like normal spirits, however they wear all black and carry a samurai sword to defeat hollows. They are not actually gods but very strong spirits who have trained and gained abilities necessary to protect humans and pluses from hollows.

The show shines once Ichigo gains Death God powers. Being that his spirit is so strong, it causes his average samurai sword to be extremely large and powerful. It seems that spirit energy and sword size have a matching ratio.

The animation is very good and the battles are fierce. Even though seeing Ichigo go up against hollows is quite alluring, the show becomes twice as engaging once he goes up against other Death Gods. When this happens I would say this show might be for



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more mature audiences because the fights tend to get very bloody. At first I wondered how could spirits bleed, but if you overlook that interesting piece of information it makes everything flow a lot better.

The series airs in Japan weekly and has gone 48 episodes strong so far. Explaining the storyline of this show is rather difficult, however after watching the

first episode, the story will become clearer if it is not already. There are places all over the internet if you want to download these episodes. My preferred place to download Bleach is at Bleachportal.net. Most importantly these episodes are FREE and LEGAL! ○

Crash: A breath of fresh air, definitely worth the rental

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After a summer of remakes, weak plots and talking cars, Crash was a breath of fresh air. Missing it the first time around was an oversight on my part. Fortunately, I caught the late night showing in Nevins Theater on Sept 2. Seeing this film revitalized my faith in the otherwise stagnant movie industry of late.

In the tradition of Magnolia, director/co-writer Paul Haggis portrays the converging lives of several Los Angeles urbanites. Apart from Haggis' admirable writing, the film also features an all-star cast

including: Sandra Bullock, Don Cheadle, Brendan Fraser, Matt Dillon, Ryan Phillippe, and Ludacris.

Crash takes a not-so-subtle jab at societal assumptions and bias. The characters throughout this racially charged film are confronted with individual stereotypes and prejudices both from the outside and within. Some are forced to overcome adversity, while others fall prey to bigoted actions. Several emotionally wrought scenes are painful to watch, but at the same time the movie is so riveting it is hard to look away. Overwhelming tensions within the plot mount leading to a glaringly ironic climax.

This film asks the audience to confront personal prejudices and ignorance they may not have known were there. It keeps even the

most politically correct among us questioning our motives and values. Crash artfully drives the point home without coming off as smug or preachy.

Overall I give Crash three and a half stars - not simply because for the first time in months I finished a movie without desperately wanting the last two hours of my life back; but because I was truly impressed. It is not often these days that we are blessed with a film that both entertains and keeps us questioning our ideals.

If you missed Crash this time around, do not pass up another opportunity to see it. It is currently available on DVD at Main Street Video. ○



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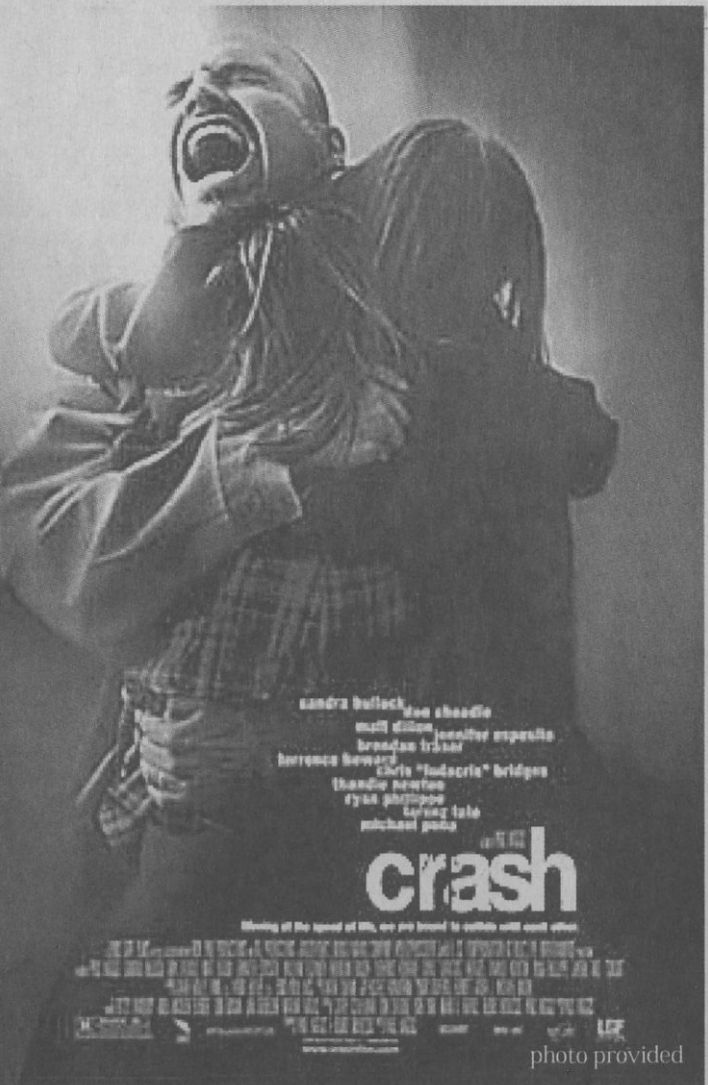


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Daily Horoscopes September 13

Courtesy of astrology.com

Aries March 21 - April 19

Anything is possible, especially with a fiery type like yourself at the helm of this particular enterprise. Make sure you clear your head of any extraneous material (self-doubt, other people's unasked for opinions, self-consciousness, etc.) and you'll be fine.

Taurus April 20 - May 20

Plans made right now are set in stone, so make sure that you're signing up for things that you're absolutely committed to. Reliable types like yourself don't take even casual social obligations lightly, you know.

Gemini May 21 - June 21

You're an upfront type □ you say what's on your mind (and usually you have tons on your mind) and you love to share. That's what makes this person with the secret agenda doubly confusing. Hang tight and keep watch for now.

Cancer June 22 - July 22

Someone's got a more lighthearted □ and in your opinion, lackadaisical □ way of doing things around the hearth and home. Your home is your castle, and they should respect that □ but make sure they know your rules before you say anything.

Leo July 23 - August 22

You've been off in your own little world and your friends have been more than understanding. While they've given you tons of space, they've also missed your warmth and understanding. Rejoin your social circle with a vengeance.

Virgo August 23 - September 22

Pay extra attention to how you're using your

energy. If it's well spent, you could get more done than you dreamed possible. If not, you could fritter away the entire day. Focus on details and sticking to the plan.

Capricorn December 22- January 19

Heaps of praise fall upon you □ even more than you expected. Don't relax just yet, though. This encouragement makes you hungry to achieve more.

Libra September 23 - October 22

Friends might assume you've taken off for parts unknown if you don't let them know what you're up to. While solitude feels just right for you in this moment, let your loved ones know where you are so they won't worry.

Scorpio October 23 - November 21

Self-motivation is the name of the game, especially around career matters, so spend your time carving out an independent path, and you'll be happier in the end. Any sense of limbo you had will definitely dissipate.

Sagittarius November 22- December 21

Is that really your opinion, or is it what the majority of people around you agree with? Examine your true beliefs and your motives for going along with the status quo if they're in disagreement.

Aquarius January 20 - February 18

Make a peace offering to someone who's been on edge around the office, and forgive them for underestimating you. After all, you're about to pull off the coup of the year, so you can afford to be magnanimous.

Pisces February 19 - March 20

Temper the outrageous with the realistic, and tell the powers that be what you need from your job. You might be surprised □ and delighted □ at their response. They've been observing all your hard work.

WEIRD NEWS

Courtesy of theonion.com

Google Announces Plan To Destroy All Information It Can't Index

MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA-Executives at Google, the rapidly growing online-search company that promises to "organize the world's information," announced Monday the latest step in their expansion effort: a far-reaching plan to destroy all the information it is unable to index. "Our users want the world to be as simple, clean, and accessible as the Google home page itself," said Google CEO Eric Schmidt at a press conference held in their corporate offices. "Soon, it will be."

The new project, dubbed Google Purge, will join such popular services as Google Images, Google News, and Google Maps, which catalogs the entire surface of the Earth using high-resolution satellites.

As a part of Purge's first phase, executives will destroy all copyrighted materials that cannot be searched by Google.

"A year ago, Google offered to scan every book on the planet for its Google Print project. Now, they are promising to burn the rest," John Battelle wrote in his widely read "Searchblog." "Thanks to Google Purge, you'll never have to worry that your search has missed some obscure book, because that book will no longer exist. And the same goes for movies, art, and music."

"Book burning is just the beginning," said Google co-founder Larry Page. "This fall, we'll unveil Google Sound, which will record and index all the noise on Earth. Is your baby sleeping soundly? Does your high-school sweetheart still talk about you? Google will have the answers."

Dave Matthews Not That Into Himself Anymore

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA-Dave Matthews, the 38-year-old singer and guitarist for the multi-platinum group The Dave Matthews Band, announced Tuesday that he is no longer into himself.

"I used to be a hardcore Dave Matthews fan," said Matthews on the porch of his Virginia home. "I had all my records and posters. I was so blown away by everything I did-especially my live performances. I remember me and my buddies used to drive for hours just to go to one of our shows." Matthews, who formed the Dave Matthews Band in 1991, is perhaps best known for the hit songs "Crash Into Me" and "The Space Between."

"Me and my band are still okay, but I feel like I've grown out of us," Matthews said. "Back when I was in the college charts, we were about all I listened to, but I guess I'm at the point in my life where my music just doesn't speak to me."

City Councilman Unearths Magical Zoning Amulet

ROCHESTER, NY-After years spent poring over mysterious and arcane plat sheets and deciphering long-forgotten building codes, city councilmember Mike LaMere unearthed the mysterious City Zoning Amulet Friday.

"Behold!" LaMere said, holding aloft the solid-gold amulet, which is emblazoned with the Ever-Evaluating Eye of Surr-Vey, Lord Of Demarcation, He Who Measures And Assesses. "With this sigil, the power of zoning comes. Through me, the power of zoning flows! All will behold my power, and I shall bow to no man when designating matter-of-right developments for major retail and office spaces to a maximum lot occupancy of 75 percent for residential use!"

LaMere held the glowing amulet aloft and transmuted a neighborhood of low-income apartments into a semi-wooded, single-family, residential district with an adjoining riverside park.

Though the amulet had long been dismissed as urban legend, a mythical ideal of zoning perfection handed down from city planner to city planner, LaMere became convinced that not only was it real, but that it had been used to lay out the cities of Ur, Atlantis, and Inver Grove Heights, MN.

Evangelical Scientists Refute Gravity With New 'Intelligent Falling Theory

KANSAS CITY, KS-As the debate over the teaching of evolution in public schools continues, a new controversy over the science curriculum arose Monday in this embattled Midwestern state. Scientists from the Evangelical Center For Faith-Based Reasoning are now asserting that the long-held "theory of gravity" is flawed, and they have responded to it with a new theory of Intelligent Falling.

"Things fall not because they are acted upon by some gravitational force, but because a higher intelligence, 'God' if you will, is pushing them down," said Gabriel Burdett, who holds degrees in education, applied Scripture, and physics from Oral Roberts University.

Burdett added: "Gravity-which is taught to our children as a law-is founded on great gaps in understanding. The laws predict the mutual force between all bodies of mass, but they cannot explain that force. Isaac Newton himself said, 'I suspect that my theories may all depend upon a force for which philosophers have searched all of nature in vain.' Of course, he is alluding to a higher power."

Founded in 1987, the ECFR is the world's leading institution of evangelical physics, a branch of physics based on literal interpretation of the Bible.

Cheney Dropped By White House HMO

WASHINGTON, DC-Citing Dick Cheney's pre-existing health conditions and his refusal to meet regularly with his primary care physician, the White House's health-insurance provider terminated the vice president's coverage Monday.

AmeriHealth, the parent company of the HMO serving the executive branch, issued a "termination of benefits" notice to Cheney Aug. 3. The form letter, addressed to "Member #782B-11107-3905C (Cheney, Richard Bruce)," informed the vice president that his health coverage would cease, "effective immediately."

Speaking to reporters Monday, Cheney expressed dismay over being dropped from the HMO. "I am a victim of a bureaucracy," Cheney said. "This action on the part of AmeriHealth is exceedingly unfair."

In the form letter, AmeriHealth customer-service manager Bob Kielas apologized for any inconvenience caused by the adjustment, and encouraged the vice president to contact an AmeriHealth customer-service representative to make arrangements for his final payments.

Cheney said he was on hold for "almost half an hour" during a phone call he made to AmeriHealth shortly after receiving the notice. "This is a contemptible way to treat a customer," he said. "It's complete bullshit, to speak frankly."

Cheney said he was "reasonably certain" that his premiums were still being automatically deducted biweekly from his pay.

"I'm supposed to be covered," the vice president said. "This is a nightmare."

Principal Hates Underachievers, Overachievers

ST. CLOUD, MN-According to 58-year-old Charles Van Hise, principal of Harriet Bishop High School and a 26-year veteran of the St. Cloud School District, too much of his staff's time is devoted to "problem students" who require special disciplinary or scholastic attention.

"It's the oldest story in the world," Van Hise said. "The squeaky wheels get the grease. I have them in here every day. Today it's to complain about 'intellectually lazy' teachers; tomorrow, I'll bet you anything it's the elimination of the arts program. And I swear to you, if I have to break up one more rumble in the hallway, I'm going to snap."

Van Hise lifted his blinds to reveal a small group of students eating lunch in the courtyard.

"Excuse me one moment," said Van Hise, leaning out his window to address the gathering of students. "That music is not allowed on campus! Extinguish your incense, please."

Returning to his seat, Van Hise said, "Those honors-program students think they own the school." Harriet Bishop High, which once had one of Minnesota's highest rates of physical violence among students, recently turned its record around, reducing in-school violence by 22 percent through programs initiated by Van Hise, who has a reputation as a staunch disciplinarian.

Van Hise credits the success of his program to those teachers who have volunteered to patrol the hallways during their off-periods, keeping an eye out for "class-cutters and music-heads."

U.S. Intelligence: Nukehavistan May Have Nuclear Weapons

WASHINGTON, DC-A report released Monday by the Defense Intelligence Agency suggests that there is reason to believe that the former Soviet republic of Nukehavistan may be manufacturing nuclear weapons.

"New intelligence indicates that the likelihood of Nukehavistan possessing nuclear weapons is moderate to strong," said DIA Director Vice Adm. Lowell Jacoby in a press conference Monday.

The report cited several factors that aroused the DIA's suspicion, including the recent ratification of the Nukehavistan Nuclear Pro-Proliferation Treaty, the hawk clutching several nuclear weapons in the Nukehavistani government seal, and the July release of the commemorative "Great Nuclear Weapons Of Nukehavistan" stamp series.

While U.S. reconnaissance satellites have yielded no conclusive evidence of Nukehavistani nuclear capability or activity, suspicions remain.

"High-resolution surveillance images obtained via satellite were marred by a green, glowing hue," Jacoby said. "While we cannot conclude that Nukehavistan has nuclear capabilities at this time, it is very possible that our satellites need better cameras."

For now, DIA representatives are investigating this little-known nation, which in 1990 became the first republic to break from the Soviet Union and amass nuclear-manufacturing materials.○

Hutter reappointed Tredennick Professor of Entrepreneurship

Robert Hutter, Alfred University professor of law, has been re-appointed the Tredennick Professor of Entrepreneurship for a three-year term, announced Dr. David Martin, dean of the College of Business.

The Tredennick Professorship commemorates the late Dr. William Tredennick's contributions to Alfred University and the business world. As a leader in the refractories field, Tredennick, an AU life trustee until his death, typified the entrepreneurial spirit. The Tredennick Professorship was established to develop a new generation of young men and women with this spirit.

"I am confident that Professor Hutter will carry on the entrepreneurial legacy established by William

Tredennick," said Martin. "Indeed, I fully anticipate that Professor Hutter will continue to be one of our faculty leaders as we 'grow' our programs in entrepreneurship education and research."

"As the current Tredennick chair, Professor Hutter has leveraged the professorship in terms of faculty development and in terms of furthering the College of Business's strategic interests," continued Martin.

"Specifically, over the last six years he has become a certified financial planner, has instituted a financial election in estate and financial planning, assumed responsibility for our required course for accounting majors in taxation, and was involved in the development of the Student Managed

Investment Fund course and lab."

An AU faculty member since 1994, Hutter teaches courses in real estate laws, business ethics, estate planning, business policy, and personal financial planning. He is an active member of the American Business Law Association. In addition to his teaching duties, Hutter has been the adviser to the Student Managed Investment Fund and an instructor in the Entrepreneurial Leadership Institute for high school students.

Hutter earned his juris doctor degree at the University of Maryland, his MBA from St. Bonaventure University, and his Bachelor of Science degree in engineering from Virginia Polytechnic Institute. ○

Clark appointed editor of publications

Deborah E. Clark, Wellsville, has been appointed editor of alumni publications at Alfred University, returning to AU after a 16-year tenure at Alfred State College as director of public relations and associate director of media relations.

"I am delighted to have someone with Debbie Clark's experience and talent take on this position," said Sue Goetschius, director of Communications. "Keeping our alumni informed about what is happening at the University and giving them a means of connecting with one another through our publications are essential for enhancing the University's strong alumni base."

As editor, Clark will work at keeping Alfred University's more than 22,000 alumni informed and updated on activities, projects, and events at their alma mater. The University com-

municates with its alumni weekly through an e-news electronic newsletter, and via a four-color magazine four times a year.

Clark is responsible for gathering materials and writing articles for the alumni publications in consultation with other members of the University Relations staff, including the vice president, alumni director, president of the Alumni Council, and communications director. The editor also assists in writing press releases involving AU alumni.

Clark's previous role at Alfred University was as assistant director of public relations from 1985-89. Before beginning her communications career, she was a reporter for the Olean Times Herald covering Allegany County government and organizations as well as the village and town of Alfred.

She has also worked as a reporter

and editor for The Finger Lakes Times, Geneva, NY, and an editor at the Reporter-Dispatch, White Plains, NY.

Clark holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in journalism from St. Bonaventure University and completed several graduate courses at Syracuse University.

Her community involvement includes serving as chair of the Allegany County Development Advisory Board; chair of the Seven Lakes Girl Scout Council Nominating Committee and member of the council board; and member and secretary of the Immaculate Conception School Board, Wellsville.

Clark, daughter of Richard T. Nettle of East Syracuse and the late Elizabeth Nettle, resides in Wellsville with her husband, Larry, and their son, Bryan.○

Acton named J. Henry Smith Professor

Dr. Daniel Acton, Alfred University professor of accountancy and director of the accounting program, has been appointed the J. Henry Smith Research Professor by Dean of the School of Business Dr. David G. Martin. The professorship is for a two-year term.

The J. Henry Smith Endowed Professorship honors the AU life trustee whose business career and personal interests transcended the traditional parameters usually associated with corporate leadership. It was the first fully funded endowed professorship at the University.

"I am confident that Professor Acton's tenure as the J. Henry Smith Professor will be productive, contributing to both his professional development and the strategic interests of the College," said Martin.

Acton has been a faculty member at Alfred University since 1986. He

teaches financial accounting, managerial accounting, intermediate accounting II, and cost accounting. In addition to his classroom duties, he was responsible for the design, implementation, and success of the current MBA program in the College of Business as well as for the continued excellence of our undergraduate accounting program, said Dean Martin.

He noted that Acton's research interests and activities during the next two years will be in two areas, forecasting startup company financial statements and ethics education in accounting.

The first is an outgrowth of presentations he has made in the College's business policy course. The objective of this line of research is to develop a model suitable for use by startup companies to forecast their first-year financial statements. The nature of the

research involves numerous iterations using standard industry ratios from Compustat.

The second area of research is an extension of work Acton has done on the extent and nature of ethics education in accounting curricula. Initial work that involved colleges within New York State was presented at a regional conference and published in an accounting journal. Acton intends to expand this to a national survey of college accounting programs.

Acton earned a Ph.D. in accounting from Kent State University, Kent, Ohio; an MBA from Miami University; and a BA from Muskingum College, New Concord, Ohio. He is a Certified Public Accountant. Prior to joining Alfred University, he held professional positions with Ronder Legg Sperry and Co. PC and Struthers-Wells Corp. ○

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The women compete against Hilbert today at 4 p.m. on Merrill Field. Show your support.

Men’s Soccer

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Sports

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New coach, new season, women’s soccer looks promising

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Many Alfred Women's athletic teams have been blessed with new faces in the coaching department. These teams include tennis, basketball, softball, equestrian and soccer.

The Women's soccer team is delighted to welcome Jennifer Enke as the new head coach, as well as Anne Holmok as assistant coach. Enke is not a new face to Women's soccer at Alfred University. In 1993 and 1994 she was the assistant coach, during which time she was in graduate school. In 1995 she graduated with a master's degree in education. She also helped with the team in the 1999 season.

Enke has her own history with the sport, starting as a goalkeeper at Canisius College. She also started up a Division 2, NCAA Women's team at South West in

Minnesota, followed by coaching a Division 1 team at Youngstown in Ohio.

With new coaches and a handful of new girls, the team is optimistic about the 2005 season. "Preseason was all about a work hard mindset," says coach Enke "I'm bringing a new way to play soccer to the team. It's a totally new idea and the girls are doing great."

The team was a little low in numbers this year with eighteen during preseason for the eleven on eleven game. After some advertising, the team is up twenty-two players, and the group has a high aim. "We want to have a winning season," explains Enke "We want to make it to the Empire Eights, and we have a good chance." Making the Empire Eights entails winning against tough teams in our conference such as Nazareth, Ithaca, RIT and St. John Fisher. These teams are under way with the season; Nazareth with one win and one loss, and Ithaca with a tie and a loss.

Coach Enke is focusing on a zone defense, which is a change from the man-to-man defense that has been used in the past. When discussing this adjustment Enke explained "The team is smart when it comes to playing, and this change is going to make each game more of a team experience." The majority of the girls are upperclassmen who have been playing together now for two or three years. "The team has a really great chemistry, and I think we are looking better this year," juniors Chelsea Hall and Kristin Klien offered. Senior Captain Morgan Pierce added, "I am really excited about the possibilities the team has with the new coach."

Enke was open to discuss the new and experienced players, especially senior captain Adrienne Egglinger, "A captain on and off the field; she is very vocal which is great." New to the team, sophomore Nicole Thompson "is giving a spark to the team,"

says Enke. The defense is very strong with second year players Yicha Winters and Brittany Higgins, combined with the junior transfer Alyssa Monfuletho. "Alyssa is a very dependable defense player."

Over all, the students making up the team express their excitement toward the possibilities that come with the new coaching strategies and are positive about the season. "We hope to see a lot of people in the stands during our home games. The team really gets pumped when the energy from the fans is behind us," says Morgan Pierce.

Some upcoming home games on Merrill field: September 13 against Hilbert at 4 p.m., September 22 against Keuka at 7 p.m.. There are two upcoming home conference games, one against Utica on September 24 at 6 p.m., another September 28 at 7p.m. against St. John Fisher. ○

Sports Highlights

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AU volleyball team falls at Fredonia

FREDONIA, NY - The Alfred University volleyball team lost in three sets to host Fredonia Tuesday evening by scores of 30-17, 30-17 and 30-15.

Alfred (1-4, 0-0 Empire 8) got seven kills and three digs from senior Catherine Rieck (Walworth, NY/Gananda). Senior Beth Sanger (Greece, NY/Greece Athena) had four kills and four blocks, while sophomore Stephanie Troiano (Clifton Park, NY/Shenendehowa) and junior Lauren LeComte (Wolcott, CT/Wolcott) had three kills and two blocks, respectively.

Alfred University women's soccer team falls to Daemen College 1-0

ALFRED, NY- The Alfred University women's soccer team lost its first home game to Daemen College Wednesday night at Merrill Field.

After a scoreless half, both teams came out with more intensity in the second half. Despite the Lady Saxons efforts, with under a minute of play in the game, Daemen's Kim Walker scored off of a corner kick to give the Wildcats the win.

Rebecca Pociask (Henniker, NH/ John Stark Regional) of Alfred had a game high of eight saves while Joanna Daugenti had four saves for Daemen.

Alfred University volleyball team competes at Haverford Invitational

HAVERFORD, PA - The Alfred University volleyball team competed at the Haverford College Invitational Tournament over the weekend, dropping three of four matches.

On Saturday, AU (1-3, 0-0 Empire 8) dropped matches to Neumann and Arcadia. The Lady Saxons topped Sweet Briar on Sunday before falling to the host team Haverford.

Against Neumann, AU lost 25-30, 20-30 and 23-30. Senior Catherine Rieck (Walworth, NY/Gananda) had five kills while senior Beth Sanger (Greece, NY/Greece Arcadia) had four kills, nine digs and three blocks. Senior Deen Genzardi (Oneonta, NY/Unatego) had 17 assists and four digs.

AU fell to Arcadia, 30-26, 18-30, 17-30 and 27-30. Junior Sarah Berry (Mora, MN/Mora) had seven kills and a block. Rieck had seven kills and six digs; Sanger had five kills and eight digs, and Genzardi had 24 assists. Sophomore Stephanie Troiano (Clifton Park, NY/Shenendehowa) had four kills and eight digs.

AU got its first win of the season with a 30-12, 30-14, 28-30 and 30-16 victory over Sweet Briar. Sanger paced Alfred with 14 kills, eight service aces, 10 digs and six blocks. Rieck had seven digs; Genzardi four kills and 25 assists, and Berry four kills and six

blocks. Troiano added six kills, six aces and 10 digs. Alfred lost to Haverford 13-30, 13-30 and 18-30. Rieck and Berry each had four kills while Genzardi chipped in with 10 assists.

Alfred University men's soccer team loses season opener at Cortland

CORTLAND, NY - The Alfred University men's soccer team lost its 2005 season opener, 2-0, at SUNY Cortland Saturday afternoon.

After a scoreless first half, the host team got on the board on a goal by Reilly Buckley, assisted by Cody Healey, six minutes into the second frame. Mitch Mead netted an unassisted goal seven minutes later to round out the scoring.

Junior Jim Roberts (Syracuse, NY/Westhill) made four saves in goal for Alfred (0-1, 0-0- Empire 8). Sean Trask made six saves in net for Cortland, which improved to 1-1 on the season.

Alfred University women's soccer team drops two at Susquehanna Tournament

SELINGSGROVE, PA- The Alfred University women's soccer team dropped two games at the Susquehanna Women's Labor Day Soccer Classic on Friday and Saturday.

The Lady Saxons were defeated by the home team, Susquehanna University, 4-0 at their 2005 opening game on Friday night.

Junior A.J. Chianese gave Susquehanna the lead fifteen minutes into the first half with an assist from Erin Coffey. Chianese scored another goal in the second half leading Susquehanna with four points. Rebecca Pociask (Henniker, NH/ John Stark Regional) of Alfred had a game high of 17 saves while Kim Wild had 3 saves in goal for Susquehanna. AU women's soccer was defeated by Lycoming College Saturday afternoon 3-2.

Alfred was down 1-0 in the start of the game but with 22 minutes remaining in the first half Sarah Guest (Cohocton/Wayland-Cohocton) scored a goal for Alfred.

The Lady Saxons came into the second half strong. Chelsea Hall (Elmira/Elmira Free Academy) scored early in the second half with an assist by Mara Limoncelli (Elmira/Elmira Free Academy) to give the Saxons a 2-1 lead. Lycoming scored two goals shortly after to come away with the win.

Pociask netted a game high of six saves for Alfred, while Jessica Bennett stopped two goals for Lycoming. Hall and Guest were named All- Tournament for the Alfred University Saxons. ○

Experienced, deep AU men's soccer team has high expectations for 2005

AU OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS

ALFRED, NY - With depth and experience across the board, the Alfred University men's soccer team has high expectations for a successful season in 2005.

Head coach Scott Miller is optimistic as he enters his second season at the Saxons' helm. "I'm excited about this team," said Miller, who guided AU to a 10-6-2 season in 2004. "We'll be better than most people think."

The Saxons' depth of talent is most evident up front, where three all-conference selections return at forward: juniors Bobby Linaberry (Manlius, NY/Fayetteville-Manlius) and Jarrett Sanatar (Great Neck, NY/Great Neck North) and sophomore Adam Long (Bath, NY/Haverling). Linaberry (23 points on nine goals and a team-high five assists) and Sanatar (24 points on a team-leading 12 goals) were First Team all-conference while Long (six goals, three assists) was named to the Second Team.

"We're going to have a lot of success going forward," Miller said of the scoring punch the Saxons will pack. "We have a

lot of firepower up top. They're all eager to score goals."

Adding depth to the Saxons' offensive attack will be senior Austin Lozier (Vestal, NY/Vestal), who rejoins the team after taking last season off, junior David Suddaby (Baldwinsville, NY/C.W. Baker) and freshman Adam Nudd (Bath, NY/Haverling).

Despite the graduation of Brian Donahoe and Keith Phelan (both Empire 8 all-stars in 2004), the Saxons will be strong at the midfield. Starting in the middle will be junior Zach Hunkele (Elmira, NY/Elmira Free Academy), who was fifth on the team in scoring in 2004 with nine points (3G, 3A).

Hunkele is a skilled defender with a nose for the goal who will be counted on to set up AU's offensive attack. Sophomores Brian Adams (Horseheads, NY/Horseheads) and Rian Morgan (Byron, NY/Byron-Bergen) will likely be top choices at the outside midfield positions, with junior Brian Piccardo (Aspinwall, PA/Fox Chapel) and freshman Calvin Kordela (Elmira, NY/Elmira Free Academy). John McElveen (Poughkeepsie, NY/Poughkeepsie) and

Neal McDowell (Alfred, NY/Alfred-Almond) providing options.

The defense lost a great deal from last season, as Stephen Robin (three-year starter) and Randy Clukey (all-conference in 2004) graduated. Senior Adam Morgan (Byron, NY/Byron-Bergen) suffered a knee injury during the offseason and is uncertain of his time of return to the squad.

Still, there are some skilled defenders who return, including senior captain Alex Karp (Clinton, CT/The Morgan School) and junior Zach Wise (Eliot, ME/Marshwood). Both were starters last year.

"Alex is not only a solid defender, he's a team leader who we'll rely on to teach our younger players," Miller said. "Zach is a rock who will win every 50-50 ball that comes his way."

Veterans Kian Merchant-Borna (Farmington, ME/Gould Academy) and Matt Jakielski (Mayton, PA/Lancaster Catholic) are juniors who will compete for playing time on defense. Newcomers looking to make an impact and who have shown great promise include sophomore John Hawes (Dartmouth, CT/Dartmouth)

and freshmen Gavin Beem (Noblesville, IN/Noblesville) and Neal Sojda (Bozeman, MT/Bozeman).

Two juniors - captain Brian Middleton (Baldwinsville, NY/C.W. Baker) and Jim Roberts (Syracuse, NY/Westhill) - will compete for playing time in goal. Both have played considerably over the first two years of their careers, with Middleton getting most of the starts. He was a Second Team Empire 8 all-star in 2004, when he posted a .714 save percentage and 1.23 goals against average. Roberts won two of three starts while turning in a 0.80 goals against average and .769 save percentage.

"One of the most difficult decisions game-in and game out will be determining who will be in goal. Each is capable of starting. Whoever has played the best in a given week will be in net," Miller said of his talented pair of goalies. "It's a good problem to have."

Freshman Patrick Grimmer (Bath, NY/Haverling) rounds out the goalkeeping corps.

Miller is confident his defense will play well. To take pressure off the back line, hee said it's important that the offense and

midfield produce quality, sustained attacks in the opponents' end of the field.

"The most important thing is for us to understand that from the top back, we need to work hard defensively in order to be successful," he said. "The better we defend as a group, the better we'll be."

The team's goal is to compete in and win the Empire 8 Conference championship tournament, the winner of which earns an automatic berth to the NCAA Division III championships. AU won the conference tournament in 2003 and competed in the NCAAs. Many of the players on this year's team played then and are eager for a return to the national tournament.

"We're deeper and more well-rounded and I think we can be a better team than last year," Miller commented. "If we live up to our potential, we have a chance to reach our goals." ○

Saxon Fall Sports Schedule

WOMEN'S SOCCER

9/13	Hillbert	4:00	Merrill Field
9/18	Ithaca	1:00	Merrill Field
9/22	Keuka	7:00	Merrill Field
9/24	Utica	6:00	Merrill Field
9/28	St. John Fisher	7:00	Merrill Field
10/5	Nazareth	7:00	Merrill Field

MEN'S SOCCER

9/14	Oswego	4:00	Merrill Field
9/17	Utica	6:00	Merrill Field
10/1	RIT	1:00	Merrill Field
10/5	Geneseo	4:00	Merrill Field
10/11	Brockport	7:00	Merrill Field

WOMEN'S TENNIS

10/1	Nazareth	1:00	Tennis Courts
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FOOTBALL

9/17	St. Lawrence	1:00	Merrill Field
9/24	Springfield	1:00	Merrill Field
10/8	Hartwich	1:00	Merrill Field

VOLLEYBALL

9/22	Keuka	7:00	McLane Gym
10/12	St. John Fisher	7:00	McLane Gym

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