SUNY taps Gordon for homeland defense team

BY PATRICIA STRICKLAND
STAFF WRITER

Alfred University, as part of a State University of New York initiative, joins the effort to defend against terrorism, stated Ronald Gordon, dean of the School of Ceramic Engineering and Materials Science. “New York state, through SUNY, should play a major role in addressing terrorism, particularly since the major disaster took place in the state,” said Gordon, who was recently appointed to the SUNY Homeland Defense Task Force.

The task force, organized by SUNY Chancellor Robert L. King, met for the first time on Oct. 22 and is made up of numerous representatives from SUNY campuses.

The group split into two teams and will address biological and environmental threats, infrastructure threats and cyberterrorism.

“Ron Gordon will coordinate the AU response to the SUNY Homeland Defense Task Force call for an identification of capabilities across the SUNY system,” said David Scurance, provost of SUNY.

The SUNY Homeland Defense Task Force consists of many health and science professionals within the SUNY system.

At the meeting, each team was charged with “developing a taxonomy of potential terrorist threats; addressing elements of homeland security including prevention, detection and mitigation; identifying research strengths [in SUNY] that can be brought to bear on these issues and facilitating a consortium/group approach in response to the first three tasks,” stated Gordon.

The group on infrastructure threats and cyberterrorism discussed many types of threats to infrastructure, including “water supply systems, building construction, transportation issues, power generation and security of the power grid and issues in telecommunications and cyberterrorism,” said Gordon.

They also identified many opportunities for science and engineering to address these threats, as well as threats in other team’s topics.

Each member of the teams is to identify unique equipment, research facilities, expertise and other strengths and capabilities within their university and develop a plan of action for mobilizing their resources to best address these threats.

“Heinemann’s job was to arrange for the absence of the second half of the semester. As chair of the Division, Furlong’s job was to arrange for the painting of 284 others. Both has also provided senior citizen with over 2000 extra Meals on Wheels and has expanded in home care significantly.

Dean Ronald Gordon, here at the Kanakadea Hall dedication ceremony, is appointed to the SUNY Homeland Defense Task Force.

Inside

See how AU international students are dealing with new U.S. war

Heinemann elected to legislature

BY BRANDON THURNER
STAFF WRITER

Tones of crisis cause citizens to commend their national leaders while local leaders are sometimes left in the dark.

However, Robert Heineman, professor of political science at Alfred University, is proud to have served the public at the local level for more than 35 years.

This past Tuesday, Heineman was elected to his third consecutive term as Allegany County Legislator. Heineman’s team, which also includes incumbent Brent Reynolds and newcomer Jim Palmer, beat out Democratic challenger Carla Coch for the three available legislative slots.

According to Heineman, the purpose of a county legislator is to “oversee the services and functions of all of Allegany County.”

County legislators are responsible for the building and maintenance of roads and bridges, social services, health care initiatives and overseeing the sheriff’s department. Also involved in the duties is the task of putting together a sensible budget and levying property and sales taxes.

Over the past four years, Heineman and Reynolds, as part of the legislature, have been able to “continue the finest roads and bridges in the region” with the rehabilitation of 52 bridges and

Doc Walker’s presence on AU campus is missed by many

BY JUDY TSANG
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Shock and disbelief rang through not only the psychology department, but throughout Alfred University when students learned that Professor of Psychology Gail Walker was taking a leave of absence for medical reasons.

“It’s fair to say that [Walker] teaches about 200 students a semester,” said Nancy Furlong, chair of the Division of Psychology.

Mark that against AU’s student population of roughly 2,000 undergraduates, and that is 10 percent of the student body affected by the absence of Walker.

“Doc Walker is such a vital part of the psyche department here,” Jennifer Burke, senior psychology student, remarked. “I’ve never taken one class with her and I love her classes … She has this ability to be firm and change her classes and grad school plans [are concerned].”

“This is such a great teacher who understands her students and is always willing to help them whenever needed,” said Melissa Zino, senior psychology student. “Doc Walker was the one who helped me decide that psychology was the right major for me.”

Even students who have not had the opportunity to learn from Walker until this semester realize her talent.

Jessica Harloff, a recently declared psychology major, took her first class with Walker this fall.

“I signed up for Intro to Psychology just so I could have [Walker] as my teacher,” Harloff admitted. “I had heard so many wonderful things about her, and I was anxious to experience them for myself.”

Harloff continued, “I remember the first day of class … She really impacted me in just two short hours that first day.”

Furlong first learned over mid-term break in October that Walker needed to run some tests and may need surgery, so a leave of absence for the second half of the semester was arranged.

As chair of the Division, Furlong’s job was to arrange for students and community members. The Scotts have been hosting diversity and other workshops at other colleges, including their hometown’s University of Rochester.

The concept of diversity is global, and everyone is a part of diversity in them. According to Mrs. Scott, differences are challenges that people face when they encounter diversity.

“It’s hard to carry the burden of being different,” said Mrs. Scott. Volunteers tried to answer Mrs. Scott’s question about the reason why the burdens were there, and many had very similar answers.

According to the audience, it was because they wanted to increase their knowledge of diversity, gain skills on how to cope with diversity and understand the different aspects that make up a diverse society.

“When I first looked at the roster, I noticed that the majority of the
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Remember true Thanksgiving spirit this year

It’s about that time of year again. It’s the time where we all sit down with our families, stuff ourselves full of turkey, mashed potatoes, cranberry sauce and wine.

But you didn’t think that, did you? Well, we mustn’t forget the whole meaning of Thanksgiving. Really, how many of us do remember why we celebrate Thanksgiving?

And just what is the reason behind Thanksgiving again? Remember the things for which you have to be thankful.

This concept comes handy during this time of year anyway, especially this year. After Sept. 11, it has been difficult to reorganize, prioritize and relieve stress. It has felt like project after project, problem after problem have piled on one another with no break in between.

It is so easy to become overwhelmed, to let problems consume you. This time of the semester, when it all comes down to the wire, it can be hellish. Stress can produce sadness, anger and other mood changes.

You might be happy in the morning enjoying a rare sunny day in Alfred; in the afternoon, you might chew out your roommate for keeping the music up so loud on the floor. When you pause to take a breath, you realize how silly the thing is that you’re yelling about. A sock?!

Sometimes it’s difficult to work out of this horrible funk. That’s where Thanksgiving comes in. Around this time, parents will ask you to make a list of things we want for the holidays. So, since you’re already in the mood to make lists of the things you want, try doing something a little different.

Make a list of things you have. No, we don’t mean your stereo, that big flat-screen television or — although, you’re on the right track. We’ll even give you a little head start by telling you the first thing that should be on everyone’s list: You are alive. This first thing is obviously the most important item on your list; otherwise, you wouldn’t have any wonderful things to be thankful for.

Now start listing.

Since we’re all in college, we should be thankful we have the chance for education. An education costs money, so we can be thankful for the ability to pay for college — even if it is through student loans. Ours are at the top of the tuition list. In a 2002 vote on Nov. 6, the voters overwhelmingly voted for contraction.

Perhaps, you might try writing down the list like you would for college. The first item would be the “Mississippi” on Nov 6, the vote on expansion. Fortunately, Selig and the crew of the owners of the teams have said “Phil,” no acceptable cities to be seen.

So, at the head of our beloved pastime are a bunch of Scrooges looking for something. Selig has got his hands on us, and he wants to put the cash like a homeowner in the sauce. The whole time just to make the money he’s enjoyed MLB’s fan base. So, apparently the administration forgot what happens in 1994.

Contraction will destroy baseball communities and jobs just as the billions of dollars worth of jobs of the league ball is great. Everyone is playing just to play. I think I may invest in the Trenton Thunder tickets next season. Hopefully, the players union will be powerful enough to stop Selig’s money-making machine.

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Voting overlooked by many this year

It happened. It came and went, and I didn’t even stop to think about it. And chances are, a great percentage of the AL student body didn’t either.

What am I being so cryptic about? Election Day, Tuesday, Nov. 6.

One week ago, we as American citizens had the greatest opportunity to really show the world what being patriotic and American really means. Really, how many of us on campus went out and got an absentee ballot?

I’m just as guilty as you are. I’ve always been a huge advocate of voting, opinions, taking a stand and making myself known and heard. And the great American way is, to vote, unless, of course, you don’t care enough to partake in the approval process.

With that in mind, many bills and regulations that could be detrimental to us as college students can easily pass. This minority group is easily overlooked because very rarely do they speak up and statistics show that very few people from this group do vote. Knowing that Chinese Americans do not normally protest, city leaders probably figured that there wouldn’t be much shake and shiver from Chinatown residents.

Those who sit in silence will be the easier to take advantage of.

As college students, we need to make our voices heard. Today is the easiest way to do this. Voting is the easiest way to do this. Voting is the easiest way to do this.

The Fiat Lux welcomes feedback from its readers. Letter to the editor is a great way to let us know your opinions. Letters must be accompanied by name, address and phone number.

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Dear Editor:

I was told the campus learned they knew nothing that College Republicans “gain applications of these areas of sources, nanotechnology, fiber in “sensors of all types, biotechnologies for AU to contribute exist point.”

I do not believe the Alfred student government or the college administration would approve of such unconscionably misleading behavior by a campus club. If this is the “insight” these young people gained from Republican professionals in Albany, their ethical health would have been better served by their staying away.

Very truly yours,
Edward McCamy
Alfred Resident

BY ALISON SAVETT
News Editor

Publicity Director for the past term, Steve Prett has decided to resign from his position.

President Elizabeth Reina called for nominations for Pretz’s position, and voting will take place at Senate on Nov. 14. At the start of the meeting, Reina expressed her gratitude to those who attended the Diversity Training Workshop.

“I want to thank everybody who contributed the Ruth Scott event on Saturday,” stated Reina.

Also, there will be waffles from now on at the continental breakfast at the dining halls.

The security committee reported that they have had to boot more cars due to outstanding parking tickets.

Some students didn’t know that the penalty for three or more outstanding tickets on campus is a booted tire.

As well, the emergency phones sometimes don’t work. In order to make a phone call, one has to press all of the buttons on the keypad at the same time, therefore resetting the emergency phone.

“This can’t be done when the blue light won’t stop flashing,” said a student.

Lastly, a student brought up that Alfred keeps the flags up all night, not about a light them.

SUNY helps nation as problem-solver

BY PATRICIA STRICKLAND
Writer

The College of Ceramics at Alfred, established in 1900, is one of the five statutory colleges of the State University of New York system. It is a state-supported unit of SUNY and is operated by AU on behalf of the SUNY Board of Trustees.

SUNY was established as a corporate entity in the State Education Department, under the Board of Regents, in 1948.

It is the largest comprehensive and technological system in the United States, maintaining 14 research sites, five universities, ten colleges, and five technical colleges, two five statutory colleges and two health centers.

“State University of New York’s 64 campuses are geographically dispersed and bring educational opportunity within commuting distance of virtually all New York citizens,” stated a SUNY news release.

Currently, SUNY enrolls 55 percent of all high school graduates in New York state. Its total enrollment is roughly 370,000. Offering some 180 programs of study, SUNY infrastructure is valued at nearly $11 billion and boasts 1.9 million graduates.

SUNY is one of New York state’s most valuable resources. Its researchers led the way for nuclear magnetic resonance imaging, isolated the bacteria that causes Lyme disease and developed the first implantable heart pacemaker. They continue valuable studies in many areas ranging from fighting from sickle-cell anemia to robotics, stated Congressman Thomas M. Reynolds, N.Y., in a May 2003 congressional resolution.

“State University of New York’s research contributions are helping to solve some of today’s most urgent problems,” said Reynolds.

SUNY, in keeping with its tradition of employing its resources to address today’s concerns, recently established the State University of New York Homeland Defense Task Force.

SUNY Chancellor Robert L. King initiated the task force in response to Sept. 11 terrorist attacks and recent escalating terrorist threats.

“I am convinced that the State University should make every effort to deploy its intellectual and human resources to address the important questions and challenges facing our nation in the wake of recent terrorist activity,” said King in a memorandum calling for the first task force meeting.

Dean of the School of Ceramic Engineering and Materials Science, Alfred Gordon, is appointed to the task force.

The findings in this study show that this response is on a more basic, primal level, setting off certain circuits in a man’s brain.

A man seeing a beautiful female would experience a similar feeling to a hungry person eating or a drug addict getting a fix.

Some fine print in the Kyoto Protocol has now been agreed upon, leading to the support of many nations.

The past already has the support of the European Union, but needed Russia and Japan on board in order to implement it.

The United States pulled out of the agreement in March, saying it would hurt the U.S. economy.

The long-term aim of the treaty is to slow the artificial warming of the earth, which scientists say is caused by high carbon dioxide and other emissions.

President George W. Bush gave his first speech before the United Nations September 24, calling for worldwide opposition to terrorism.

Bush noted that every nation has a stake in fighting terrorism, saying that more terrorist attacks are being planned and that the U.S. is not the only target.

While in New York City for the speech, Bush met with U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan, General Pervez Musharraf of Pakistan and other world leaders.

He did, however, refuse to meet with Palestinian Authority President, Yasir Arafat because of Arafat’s support of the Hezbollah group.

NYS Defense

BY ALISON SAVETT
Writer

The Oct. 30 Fox Lux reports that College Republicans “gain insights at conference in Albany. At the table with the Alfred bookers, I was solicited for a donation to “the victims of Sept. 11.” To my surprise, the solicitation I learned they knew nothing whatsoever about how the Sept. 11 victims would get the money.

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**Moody explores sentimental persuasive power**

BY CATHERINE KEVET
COPY MANAGER

Senior business major Kristin Napolitano and senior graphic design major, Dr. Joyslyn Moody explored the sentimental power of six 19th-century black women's autobiographies in her Women's Studies Enrichable talk on Nov. 2 in the Knight Club.

“Each of these women was a very powerful woman in the way that she represented herself on the page and she cleaned and made the earth beautiful,” Napolitano said.

Moody, who teaches women's studies courses at the University of Washington, also presently holds the Jane Watson Irwin Chair of Women's Studies at Hamilton College.

Recently, Moody published a study of six 19th-century black women's autobiographies called *Sentimental Confessions: Spiritual Narratives of...* 

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**Election Day**

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money upfront, enabling legisla- tors to avoid a year- 

As far as the spring semester is concerned, plans are being made to cover the courses Walker was scheduled to teach, as Walker is expected to be on an sabbatical in the spring. Approval from Provost David Streban must be obtained.

The adjustment to another adviser has been respectful, said Burke. Burke advises that the students be assigned to another someone to do, it's been done."

Walker's courses to be covered.

"Fortunately for us, [Chester] Furlong decided on providing stu- dents the opportunity to finish the class for four credits by having students read on their own and take the exams as scheduled with Furlong administering them."

"I have made tutors available for this class (Human Sexuality)," Furlong continued. "I also have a student in the Human Sexuality class, described as very smooth. In fact, as an advisor of Walker, Zinn felt that the necessary change for advisees to be assigned to another adviser has been well orchestrat- ed."

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Zweygardt brings international status to AU

BY ALISON SAVETT  
News Editor

Being recognized abroad is a great feeling for Glenn Zweygardt, professor of sculpture, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. “It’s a spermicide, period,” said Cardinale. “The latex condom is a spermicide, period.”

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Strengthen power through Linked Arms

BY ZACHARY LIND
STAFF WRITER

Twelve years ago, local citizens took to the streets and roads numerous times, risking jail time to protest New York state’s plan to store nuclear waste in Allegany County.

“It was a remarkable story,” said Professor of Religious Studies Thomas Peterson, “because they said ‘No.’”

At the end of 1988, citizens first found out about the possibility of New York state putting a low-level nuclear waste storage facility in Allegany County. After that, there ensued a long struggle where the county successfully came together to stop the state’s plans.

Peterson recalled these events in vivid detail in his book, Linked Arms: A Rural Community Resists Nuclear Waste, which was recently published by SUNY Press.

Six months after Allegany County won the battle with New York state to keep the nuclear waste storage facility out, Peterson thought of writing a book recounting the event.

Writing the book offered several challenges: Peterson said he did not want the book to be about his experiences, but instead about the actions the community took as a whole.

“I treated myself like I treated everyone else in the book,” Peterson said.

An additional problem that Peterson faced in writing the book was how to write a book of creative nonfiction. Rather than just telling the story from one person’s perspective, he wrote about different stories and anecdotes from many people’s perspectives.

“I had to figure out which characters would allow me to develop an important issue,” said Peterson.

Professor of History Stuart Campbell, featured in Peterson’s book, believes that Peterson’s book is very good, however, he does have one quip.

“I am not sure if I would describe myself as a person with a sharply geared,” he said.

Though many AU students, staff and faculty members were involved, Peterson stressed that it was the whole county that got involved not just the University. This is evident in the fact that only four people in the entire county outwardly supported the proposed nuclear waste dump: an AU professor, two graduate students, and a man who had worked for waste management. Everyone else either stayed quiet or protested it.

The biggest problem that the people had with the plan to put a nuclear waste dump in Allegany County was that the waste was classified as being low-level. Low-level waste sounds harmless, and for the most part it was; however, some of the low-level waste was very dangerous.

“Why the protesters found out upon investigation was that the waste would include nuclear waste from power plants,” said Peterson. “Pretty much anything except the spent fuel rods from a nuclear power plant could be classified as low-level waste.

“Ultimately, the people felt the classification was wrong,” said Peterson.

The main reason they won their fight, Peterson believed, was because the state didn’t know whom they were dealing with. They tried to push the dump plan past the people, and when it was questioned, they never answered or even acknowledged the questions, he said.

“I think it was the arrogance of [the state] that’s their downfall,” he said.

Peterson’s assertion: “Once it was over, I simply crushed it.”

Campbell agreed with Peterson’s assertion: “Once it was over, I simply crushed it.”

“I was exhausted,” said Campbell.

The book will be available at Kinflips Natural Foods and AU’s Barnes and Noble bookstores within a few weeks.

US war affects AU int’l students

BY MELINDA BAKER
STAFF WRITER

& ALISSA FISHER
STAFF WRITER

Alfed international students seemed to have a range of views concerning the United States’ “war on terrorism.”

“There has been a set of voices that are ever present on the AU campus, however, those voices have not had a chance yet to speak out about U.S. actions in Afghanistan. These voices belong to the AU international community and its political leaders,” said David Kowalewski, Russian student.

“Crises have been bubbling up for several years. Previous administration failed to address the key issues, which are oil and support to Israel. It seemed once we were asked what we had to give,” said David Kowalewski, professor of political science.

Some international students seem to believe that the United States is taking unfair actions toward Afghanistan.

“Speaking as a Briton whose country is also firing at Afghanistan, I think that the United States doesn’t achieve much by bombing Afghanistan simply because bombing Afghanistan won’t eliminate the terrorists,” pointed out Jan Edmonds, a student from Telford, England.

“Terrorists don’t reside in buildings that can easily be bombed. The Afghanistan people are the ones who are going to suffer for the action of a radical few,” he said.

Agreeing with Edmonds, Spanish student Miguel Gonzalez reiterated the difficult position that the U.S. has taken.

“If people continue bombing each other, the war will never end. The U.S. wants to make an example; that’s wrong,” Gonzalez said.

Japanese student Akane Takagi also expressed his fear that the war will never end and said “violence brings violence.”

Some of the international students also expressed their ideas of what the United States should do instead of attacking Afghanistan and what should have been done to prevent the attack.

Former AU student May Erre, from Venezuelar, felt that the United States should have had better cultural exchanges to begin with, and that something to improve cultural exchanges would help prevent terrorist attacks in the future.

Another student from Britain suggested that the United States should get less involved with world affairs that do not directly affect them.

Another issue that was brought up by international students was that of ulterior motives, as previously mentioned by Kowalewski.

German student Tobi Friedel was unsure of his opinion about the United States bombing Afghanistan, but he had heard from a German newspaper that the United States might be looking for an excuse to attack Afghanistan because of an ulterior motive for the oil in that region.

Of the U.S. attacks, Friedel said, “America had to respond in some way but I’m not sure of why it happened.”

Finally, several international people wanted to point out that war on terrorism has been going on in other countries for a long time. Russia, for example, has been having wars with Afghanistan for many years.

Russian student Daria Ovodonko said that the Russian people are almost used to living with war. She pointed out that although Russia is also currently using bombs in its operation, she feels it is wrong because too many innocent people will be hurt.

Eventually, most of the international students interviewed wanted to express their sympathies with the Americans and other important people who have been hurt.

Ovodonko wanted to point out that it’s not the Islamic people who are the enemy, and it is important not to judge or attack others simply because of misconceptions regarding their religion.

Kowalewski feels that we “have to factor in the peace movement too. It has already started in Europe; the longer it exists, the stronger it gets; the opposition grows and no one could be looking at terrorism.”
AU art works with Wellsville’s artSite

By Ashley Brenon
A & E Editor

Wellsville’s artSite hosted two shows, Parts of the Whole exhibiting the works of AU Art faculty and New Works in Glass featuring the latest work from AU’s graduate students. All pieces were created by using the components found in old bicycles. The show opened Nov. 1 and remained open through Nov. 15 at 114 Main Street in Wellsville.

Even before entering the exhibit, people passing by could view art on the street through two large plate glass windows on either side of the front door. On the left looking at the front of the building, several vases marbled with height colors stood on display boxes at varying heights. The artist and title card for the vases was not in view.

A miniature shack made of plywood about the size of a large cardboard box filled the window to the right of the entrance. The wall of the shack was covered in water colors making it seem as though a cat was walking by the water inside.

The garden sculpture illuminated from within by huddled inside. On the student in glass Thor Bueno seemed to pay special attention to the location of the show. "I really like the piece. "Wellsville Squatters." Upon entering one of the rooms, there were several people looking at each piece. Others snacked on cheese and melon, or chatted with some of the artists. Soft music played in the background.

Profound of Printmaking and Chair of Two Dimensional Studies Joseph Schoen’s pieces, “Moths of Allegheny County,” seemed to draw visitors in. Fifty almost photographic images of prints of moths hung in two rows on the left wall. Each was magnified to emphasize the fascinating color and intricate detail.

One moth in particular had cow-like white and black spots on top of its wings and orange bottom halves with blue circular spots. The collection may lead several Allegheny residents to trade in their negative attitudes of moths and begin thinking of them as beautiful creatures.

An installation piece, “Untitled,” by Mary Lum, profes sor of painting, occupied the back left corner. One hundred subway tickets to and from downtown Wellsville were placed around a table to light blue wall at eye level. A few plastic bread bag closures were tossed on the walls.

The dark brown line on each of the tickets formed one solid line when the tickets were placed side by side. Faded blue ink numbers on the tickets and the faded line of the word the bread bag closures gave the piece a slightly mathematical quality, while smaller pieces forming one larger one created a feeling of measurement.

Dean of the School of Art and Design Richard Thompson’s paintings seemed to use the same images throughout. Several pieces contained fish, flowers, fish, vases, pine and bird trees. A few showed houses in both night and the silhouette of trees.

For the most part, bright primary colors illuminated dark backgrounds. Although there seemed to be a complicated system of symbols I could not decipher, there were interesting to look at and reminded me of illustrations one might find in a child’s book.

Upstairs, several pieces by graduate students were science experiments. Jessica Windmark’s “Black” and David Natico’s “Untitled” looked like molecules magnified several hundred times.

Christian Bernard Singer’s Golden Phallus, Variation 41 seemed to be the representation of an anatomy project gone wrong. Two transparent glass sculptures flanked one dark red one. Each showed a set of male genitalia. Although it had seemed to be sucked into the body.

Amada Dumas departed from the science theme and into fashion. Three pieces appeared to be made entirely of bedspreads and chards of glass. That any woman wearing beautifully twisted gowns could cut herself severely adds a sting ing feminist connotation.

Although the show may have raised more questions than it answered, visitors left the gallery satisfied.
Second Hand challenges gravity through dance

BY JUDY TSANG
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Start off with three SUNY Binghamton students with various dance and acrobatic skills and backgrounds, throw in some crazy props, let them gather on stage for an evening of 11 dance pieces reminiscent of Second Hand gave a performance.

BY MELINDA BAKER
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The following two pieces, “Merry Go Round” and “Sercinsky Tango,” provided a more upbeat choreography feeding off the tangos-like beats as the dancers donned themselves in white tuxedo jackets. “Flammulina Tango,” like most of Second Hand dances, began in complete blackout. The three dancers performed an extensive and elaborate choreography centered around the flicker of flashlight. The light shifted from the darkness into an eerie dim red in which Second Hand moved rigidly. Second Hand revisited the darkness again for further flashlight dancing until the three dancers stacked themselves up like a totem pole.

Between dance pieces, Second Hand found three volunteers to gather on stage for an experiment. The mission was to have six people on stage, and only one person’s two feet to hold them all up. O’Brien and Gordon anchored the foundation as Horowitz leaped up from the stage and placed two younger girls in front of the male volunteers. Horowitz then affixed himself to the sculpture and there it was: six people in the air, two feet underneath.

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The three men of The Second Hand showed the Cedar Arts Center audience in Corning exactly how they achieved their international dance stadium choreography that reveals melding motions, soaring poses and a plethora of props, all while easily pulling laughs and gasps of amazement from the audience.

At their Nov. 1 engagement at 171 Cedars many AU students were spotted in the audience. Performers Greg O’Brien, No Hair, Andy Horowitz, Long Hair, and Paul Gordon, the other guy of Hair; Andy Horowitz, Long Hair; were spotted in the audience. As the seats filled up, it was evident the show would bring a good turnout.

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Boredom leads to adventures, mayhem in Bartlett

BY KYLE TOROK
CAMPUS OBSERVER

I don’t leave my room much. A lack of invitations to hang out with people, coupled with a severe laziness, has relegated me to the role of Cranky Old Hermit. This isn’t necessarily a bad thing. Some day, I hope children will walk past my building in fear. “See that window? That’s where Old Man Torok lives. I heard he eats kids’ brains!”

I’ll throw open my window and scream, “I’m going to eat your brains!” and then laugh and whoever is running nearby crying. I’ve got years to go before I’m that stupid hermit to eat brains, though, so I’ve had to find adventure elsewhere. Bartlett is where I’ve found it.

It’s hard not to find adventure here. The building resonates with the hotel from The Shining, and every time I trudge down to the bathroom, I half expect some psychotic kid to fly by on a big wheel, muttering about ram.

Every day is an adventure in linguistics. Many foreign students are housed in Bartlett, and I can only guess what they’re saying to me most of the time. I’m kind of slow, and I don’t help that I can’t distinguish between their English and native language. Not knowing how to respond, I just answer everything they say with a hearty smile, boisterous laughter and a loud, enthusiastic “I’m going to eat your brain!”

My greatest adventure in Bartlett came last week. I was listening around on Bartlett’s fourth floor, and I noticed a door at the top of the stairs. It was certainly locked, I thought, but having nothing better to do decided to go check it out. I tried it. I felt like I had stumbled into Narnia, only better. It was an entrance to dorm and refuse!

My newest adventure had arrived, and I dragged fellow Fun Page writer Cory Bishop along. I would have gone solo, but Cory had a flashlight, and I was afraid of violent squatters other than CHUDs. Cory knows how.

Cory’s knowledge comes from a wealth of experience. Bartlett’s attic is a huge, creepy place, rich with mystery and suspense. It felt like we were in the Goonies. As we joked through the debris, I kept my eyes open for a treasure map, skeleton key or some other clue leading to pirate treasure — I have student loans to pay off.

The closest we found was an old suitcase, and the only treasure there was old underwear. I’m looking into whether I can pay off my loans with those, because if I can, hot dog! I’m rich!

People store, abandon, their belongings in the attic, and there was some pretty nice stuff. Golf clubs, suitcases, doors. There were couches, rugs, files about grads gone to work on the crackers. “These crackers were stamped 1962, making them older than most people on this campus.”

I assume these crackers were intended for the event of nuclear war, so of course the logical place to put them is in the attic, rather than a fallout shelter. That way, when you eat your way out of the ruble, you can say “Well, look on the bright side. I found food!” and not feel so bad about the end of the world.

Several of the tins had been savagely ripped open, and their contents devoured. Possibly, some food was still in them. Couldn’t do this! Whatever had been living up there must have gone to work on the crackers after finishing off the rat popu-

I started thinking about nuclear mutants, cracker-loving CHUDs, rat horde and just how much karate Cory knew. This worried me, because he’s normally really quiet. I

We left the attic and its contents behind, and returned to the safety and company of our unintelligible friends. Now that I’m scared of Bartlett’s attic, I’m going to avoid it at all costs, no matter what treasure’s up there.

I’m going back for the crackers, though. They’ll keep at for at least 30 more years, and they’ll go great with brains.

Fiat Lux: We’re always having fun!!!
Dear David: I got some very bad news this week, and I need your advice. My best friend, "Brez," called me and told me he had been diagnosed with cancer. It is very terminal, and he'll be fine, but the treatment will be long and very trying.

Brian is the absolute best friend anybody can have, in good times or bad. He can literally light up a room with his positive energy. Everyone he meets is in such a happy mood after meeting him. A few years ago, we worked together at a summer camp. His group had a reputation for being a very difficult bunch of boys, but somehow Brian managed to bring them all together. They all had an incredibly fun and educational summer because Brian dedicated himself to making that happen for them.

Brian is easily the most selfless person I know. This past summer, he worked with a non-profit organization whose goal is to establish a taunting place in the Moksha School. Brian worked with a group in Moksha for Arab and Israeli children.

The idea is that the kids can play together and begin to understand each other as people, rather than growing up to be bitter over politics. The company couldn't pay him very much, but doing the right thing is much more important to Brian than money.

Brian has incredibly strong ideals. I really have no idea what anyone else is going to do to help those less fortunate. Now that he is sick, I know he'll overcome this challenge with the dignity and courage that he has brought to every situation.

Brian and I have been friends as long as I can remember, and it hurts me that I can't be with him now. He needs me most, and I want him to know how important he is, and that I'll do anything and everything I can to help even if living through this struggle. How can I tell him how much he means to me?

A Devoted Friend

Dear Devoted Friend: It sounds like you're already told. You ought to climb this column and send it to him.

Readers: Well, it's almost Thanksgiving. Now is a time for us to count our blessings and give thanks. I fear that too many of us have forgotten what this holiday really means: It's not just three days off from school. So, in the spirit of the season, I'd like to take this opportunity to remind everyone why we celebrate Thanksgiving, what it's all about: To give thanks. The very first Thanksgiving, three Wise Men traveled to a manger in Bethlehem, bearing gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh for the newborn Jesus Christ.

And, just kidding. That was actually the first Hanukkah. The first Thanksgiving took place in 1621 in Plymouth Colony. The newly immigrated pilgrims invited the Native Americans to a wedding dinner, the Wampanoag Tribe, to celebrate their first bountiful harvest in the New World. Over the course of the preceding months, the Wampanoag had been very kind to the pilgrims, and he decided to celebrate this with an extra special dinner. They taught the pilgrims to fish for fish in their cornfields to help the community. They also encouraged the newcomers to fish for their black and big black buckles. They ran around on the very first Thanksgiving was founded. Have a safe and happy break.

David Fogelman’s “What Would David Do?” column is in regular feature in the Flat Lux. Questions and comments can be sent to dfogelman@wlu.edu or at Powell Box 70.
Incubus surpasses expectations with Morning View

BY CATHARINE KEVETT

COPYMANAGER

Incubus has come a long way since their first album,Animator. However, their fifth album, Morning View, still has the same mellow, melodic sounds as the rest — just with some new developments.

Released on Oct. 23, Morning View is a fresh approach for being an Incubus lover's favorite. Morning View starts with "Nice to Know You," an energetic first song for the album. With lyrics like "perspective price your once weighty eyes / it gives you wings," the song is full of Mike Einziger's great guitar riffs. Incubus has been giving fans a taste of Morning View during their tour by playing "Circles," the second song on the album. "Circles" begins with a TOOL-like guitar sound and slides into that comfortable Incubus background.

"Wish You Were Here" was destined to be the first "hit" of the album from the very beginning. Brandon Boyd also sang this song during the Incubus tour, carrying the audience along with his smooth voice. Before Morning View was released, Incubus set up a portion of their website to introduce and promote their new songs. It was called "11 AM," the name of the fifth song on the album. "Blood on the Ground" acoustic sounds a bit like songs on the Make Yourself album. Boyd continues the tradition of making lyrics like "I bite my tongue every time you come to close the door. / In my mouth I boil in and make blood on the ground." Fun to sing along to. "Mexico" gives Einziger and Boyd a chance to do some acoustic work, with an occasional string instrument in the background during the chorus. As catchy as "Stellar," and as catchy as "Echo" is a highlight of the new album. Initially reminding me of the child movie Big Bird in China, "Aquous Transmission" is a rich, resonant song, complete with a small orchestra in the background. Morning View is the kind of album that you could listen to straight through, not skip any songs and truly enjoy the end that you enjoyed the entire album.
Squad looks to continue winning ways

BY BENJAMIN LEE
Staff Writer

The 2001-02 Alfred University swim team is looking for another successful season. “We’ve got great training under our belts and we are ready for the season,” said head coach TJ Davis. But the men and women’s teams have powerful returning rosters and swim very well during their first meet of the season against Nazareth. The men posted a 123-77 victory over Nazareth, while the women fell 139-82.

“For early November, we are ahead of where we have been in previous years at this time, and that has given us confidence in the water, said Davis. The women have an incredible field of talent in the water. However, they lack the numbers that teams like Nazareth have. The women’s team is extremely talented and should be very competitive if they can win their events,” said Davis.

Returning junior swimmers Anne Martin, Melissa McAllister, Caroline DeMay joined with freshman Morgan Burrows could be a possible NCAA qualifying team in the 200 freestyle relay. The team’s captains and only seniors Kristin Cary and Greta Jeitler also represent the Saxons. Jeitler is the Saxons’ only female diver and is currently injured.

“We didn’t win against Nazareth, but they have always been the best. We put forth our best effort, and we are happy with the outcome,” said Davis.

Swimming

“Filling McKinnon’s place on this team will be incredibly difficult, if not impossible,” said Davis. “For early November, we are ahead of where we have been in previous years at this time, and that has given us confidence in the water.”

Weekend results

Saturday there was good spacing and good pack control throughout the first period in which they gave up six goals. They did however show much improvement the rest of the game, being outscored only 5-2. The team did play very well defensively. The team applied constant defensive pressure and used checking as one of their biggest strengths.

They hope to improve offensively in the coming weeks. They get few shots on goal and the team played well.

Junior and team captain Patrick Kerwin in the water competing for the Saxons. The men’s team got off to a strong start, defeating Nazareth by a 123-77 score.

Six returning seniors give team a solid starting point

BY ALISON SAVETT
News Editor

With six seniors on Alfred University’s men’s basketball team, Coach Jay Murphy expects unusually strong leadership and team, Coach Jay Murphy expects a nucleus that can turn up the unusually strong leadership and positive races under our belts and positive attitudes. Our goal is to improve upon last year personally as well as a team.”

The men’s team has the next weekend off, but will be followed by a meet in Geneseo. “We have more numbers than ever, and the women’s numbers are down. However, their talent is still there,” said Kerwin. “We all walked away from the last meet with positive races under our belts and positive attitudes. Our goal is to improve upon last year personally as well as a team.”

The AU Hockey Club opened its season with a tough 11-2 loss to a very good Fredonia club last Thursday in Olean. The team got off to a slow start giving up four goals in the first four minutes, but after that the team played well.

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The team looked much improved over last year’s group that got shut out by Fredonia, 17-0.

Top player Aaron Utberg injured his shoulder early in the game, causing the team to rearrange the lines. They were playing alongside other players they weren’t used to.

This led to sloppy passing and poor pack control throughout the first period in which they gave up six goals. They did however show much improvement the rest of the game, being outscored only 5-2.

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They hope to improve offensively in the coming weeks. They get few shots on goal and the passing game left much to be desired. Despite these offensive set...