Panel explains Sept. 11 causes, effects

BY JASON PILARZ
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Campus strives to recover

BY MARGARET BONTI
STAFF WRITER

Students on the Alfred University campus are experience some anxiety since the Sept. 11 events, and that’s OK, said Counseling and Student Development Center Counselor Cathie Chester.

“It’s normal to be upset and be out of control for a while,” said Chester. “But when anxiety starts to take over your life, then you need to seek some help.”

It is taking some time for students here in Alfred to understand what is going on in their country. Going to war is a new adjustment. But students are handling the stress well even though it has been hard to get away from.

“You hear about it from your teachers all of the time, said senior psychology student Jennifer Burke. “We get ride examples from current events... It makes you remember what has happened. It’s not good or bad.”

Understandably, the terrorist attacks and the anthrax scares are cause for alarm. However, they are not cause enough to disrupt student’s lives to the point where they cannot function. Many people fear that students are falling into depression or are experiencing too much anxiety. Brian Quinn, a psychology graduate student at John Jay College in New York City, said, “It is OK for us to be a little uneasy, but we need to know when we are crossing the line.”

According to Chester, the signs of experiencing too much fear include having thoughts, meaning that you just can’t stop thinking about the current events, a feeling of doom and physiological fear, where you just don’t want to go out.

Alfred University graduate school counseling student Amy Nelson said, “Students need to know their breaking point. It’s OK to be uneasy but just because these horrible events happened doesn’t mean that life stands still. If you see the warning signs in yourself or someone else, it is time to take action.”

Often times it is a triggering event like the terrorist attacks that can bring up previous problems, Chester said. If this occurs, there are things students should know. First of all, students should not be ashamed or embarrassed of their feelings. Experiencing some anxiety is normal.

First, students should talk about their problems out with someone they trust, said Chester. They should ask someone close to them if they have noticed a change in their behavior.

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Conover gives insider’s view of Sing Sing

BY JUDY TSANG
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

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True intentions of vaccine looked at

In the United States, the focus in medicine is often on developing vaccines to protect against specific diseases. Nearly twenty years after the discovery of HIV, the progress toward an HIV vaccine for the public has been immense. For professions at risk for contracting the virus through no fault of their own, this vaccine will be a lifesaver.

But as far as the general public is concerned, doesn't this vaccine go against some of the principles we have learned growing up? In junior high and high school, two mainstreams of sexual education are usually stressed.

The first, abstinence, has a 100 percent effective rate against pregnancy and disease. This program's advocates have been criticized, however, for not thinking about their audience realistically. Sure, some teenagers will abstain from sex. Others, though, will not. By not giving these sexually active teens any knowledge of how to protect themselves from pregnancy and STDs, there are bound to be problems.

The other school of sexual education stresses awareness of birth control methods to sexually transmitted diseases and how to be safe in a sexual relationship overall. In this program, teens learn that if they are going to have sex, condoms are the only safe way to go to protect themselves against pregnancy and STDs. Even then, they learn that condoms can break, and some STDs can be contracted even when a condom is used.

In either program, HIV is always the most serious topic of discussion. According to the International Association of Physicians in AIDS Care (IAPAC), about 8,000 to 10,000 people will be infected daily with HIV over the next five years. It is for this reason that an HIV vaccine has been researched so heavily.

Let's imagine for a moment that the HIV vaccine is now ready to be used. This means that at-risk healthcare workers won't have to put their lives in danger as much just by doing their job.

What would it mean for everyone else though? Some young people might get the vaccine as being a green light to have unprotected sex. And just because they are protected from HIV, it doesn't mean they can't pass on a virus or contract other STDs.

Herspop, for example, is another sexually transmitted virus for which there is no cure. Like HIV, much research is being done on developing vaccines for the virus, especially since one of five herpap can be contracted just by kissing a family member on the mouth.

STD vaccines, like the influenza vaccine, do not protect against every known strain. Flu shots are offered every year around the fall and usually offer immunity against only one known strain. Flu shots are offered every year around the fall and usually offer immunity against only one known strain.

Even so, the people who get them are happy that the vaccinations may not cover all strains of influenza. They are told to do their own research into the medicine by getting enough sleep, eating balanced meals and exercising regularly.

So, while an HIV vaccine may be a godsend to healthcare workers and help reduce infections worldwide, individuals still need to take personal responsibility. Safe sexual practices are necessary to protect yourself.

If an HIV vaccine is successfully put on the market, it may not work 100 percent of the time. What we learned in high school health class about STDs and pregnancy prevention should still apply.

The Pentagon charged that this was done because such a convoy would be a direct U.S. target, and any attack could be blamed upon the Americans.

The Taliban countered that the U.S. was merely trying to scare the world into Afghanitn and seeing the damage done by the U.S. And last week, the Pentagon released information that the Talibian may try to poison food supplies and place land mines and again blame it on the Americans.

The Talibian has denied both of these Pentagon claims, and the U.S. has offered no evidence as to the veracity of either of them.

In both of these situations, the media is being used, both sides in the conflict, as a tool against the enemy.

Are these genuine news items being released, or merely propaganda? The problem is that we will never know.

In situations like these, the news media needs to present accurate faets and allow us to be merely a vehicle for governments to use in a war of rhetoric.

As consumers of news, we need to realize that all that passes over the airwaves may not necessarily be the complete truth, and take at least a bit of skepticism into our analysis of the nightly news.

Now, rest assured that the Braves — minions of Satan — are finished, I turned my attention to the Mariners and Yankees. Over mid-season break, I was in a bar at home in New Jersey with some friends when watching Jeter flip into the stands to make an amazing field ball catch. I tried to keep my cover as the bar exploded, I couldn't cheer. I'm a Mets fan. Cheering for the Yankees would be against all my family values.

My father is an old Giants fan and converted Mets fan. The only thing worse than cheering for the Yanks would be to claim that the owners of the Dodgers and the Giants made a good decision by moving to California! A statement like that would most likely cause the entire New York and New Jersey population to put a bounty on my head.

So, I choked my beer down and artificially smiled and reassured my bar neighbor that I was just as excited as he, even though I didn't show it.

"Not your Mets, are you kid?" screamed my bar neighbor over the noise. "You betrayed us this year. We'll never see our beloved Mets again!"

"Uh — actually — something like that," I replied preparing for the immediate eulogizing of the bar and my inevitable demise at the hands of George Steinbrenner and all his drug-washed followers. I was sick of pretending. Let the blue and orange colors show through and hope for the best.

"The Mets suck," he yelled with a huge grin, apparently trying to make no felt better.

"They don..." I was cut off before I could go to the defensive. "Disputing your facts, I might be cheering for the Mets if they made it though. New York needs — something to cheer about!"

"Oh, intellectually added. I showed him the Mets don't suck!" It wasn't until then that I realized something: Mets and Yankees fans banded together in the hatred of the Braves. Now, they became fans of New York, not the Yanks or the Mets, just New York. He was right.

As much as I hate to admit it, Jeter is one of the best leaders and All-Stars in baseball. Over the post-season he has been able to raise New York out of a depressed slump and give them something to cheer about. I mean, I still don't like the guy, but he is exactly what New Yorkers need right now.

So, that is why this Mets fan is rooting for the Yankees. I am rooting for New York, and all of the people in it. Maybe I was going to vote for the Republicans. They're not that bad at all anymore.

"Yeah Jeter? You the man..." he barked into a wide-screen television.

Then again...
Bush becomes a strong leader in times of crisis

BY BRANDON TURNER

Amidst a series of vote recounts and the loss of the popular vote, the United States inaugurated its 43rd president. This new leader shared no common mandate with the people he represented.

On Sept. 11, George W. Bush began a transformation into the true president of the United States. The horrendous events of this day prompted understandable concerns that W's suit might be too big for the man it dressed. However, to the relief of the nation and the world, Bush has far-exceeded even normal expectations of a president overseeing a global crisis.

I praised Bush's early reactions as just the beginning of his new role as a leader of self-assurance and control.

The president presented a calm, yet stern, demeanor in his first public appearance. By stating that “freedom itself” had been attacked, Bush succeeded

publicly held off a hawthorn, right-wing congressmen and bought the nation valuable time. I feel this strategy gave the nation's law enforcement officers and military planners the needed space to piece together parts of a massive jigsaw puzzle. Through the show of patience and determination Bush has proved to be what is needed to conduct an extensive campaign against terrorism.

Gone are his campaign-style cross-county road trips. Gone is his smiling smirk. Gone is the Texas Gallagherism. Gone is the George W. Bush of the old.

The tragedies have also given Bush something previously missing from his repertoire: a political voice. It seemed as though Bush had become aloof and uncaring of the needs of middle class Americans and the world with his unbalanced tax cuts and unilateral foreign policy.

This ignorance left me feeling insulted that our leader seemed to go-alone on pressing issues without a clear understanding of the consequences of his actions.

The events of Sept. 11 already divided the tenor, however, as cameras began to catch a new Bush filled with emotion. Not only did the president cry with the American public over the loss of loved ones, and console them at a moving memorial service at the National Cathedral, but he also lifted his rhetoric to the challenge that now faces the nation. "Terrorists think they've beaten New York City touched me in inexplicable ways. The sight of the president grabbing a handbill to thank the exhausted rescue workers and the Union of Justice gave me a renewed sense of pride in our nation's government and of the man at the helm.

Understanding the difficult tasks that lay ahead, the president firmly addressed the nation and a joint-session of Congress.

Not since the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor has any thing of this caliber occurred. Bush recognized the significance and proceeded to give the speech of his lifetime.

Making history, Bush unleashed a series of ultimatums to the reigning Taliban regime in Afghanistan: to deliver all terrorists and al-Qaeda leaders to U.S. authorities, close all terrorist camps in Afghanistan or face serious consequences.

The speech took me by surprise, as Bush stood his ground firmly and did not yield.

According to the president, the campaign against terrorism would be fought on several fronts. Diplomatic and military battles would take place as well as covert and military operations.

The commencement, and continuation, of “Operation Enduring Freedom” aimed against the Taliban and its operatives is yet another example of Bush's resolve.

Not only did the president wait for the right time to attack, but he has also disposed compassion with humanitarians and food supplies to war-ravaged Afghanistan. Acts like these illustrate why the American public has rewarded our commander in chief with a lofty approval rating that still hovers around the 90th percentile.

Bush has made clear that neither he nor his administration asked for the job of leading a tense nation through a time of war.

However, the president has also made obvious the fact that trimming our military is now the focus of his presidency.

Bush is taking on the responsibilities head-on and has notwavered in their execution. I feel Bush is restoring the nation for the long path ahead through his patience, resolve and determination at rooting out those responsible for those acts of terrorism.

Troubled times call for serious leaders. George W. Bush has indeed elevated himself to the challenge at hand with his remarkable transformation and ascendency to the presidency.

Lt. Whitcomb relays the importance of evidence

BY ALISSA FISHER

Imagine putting your complete effort into something only to lose it. This is an all too real concern for Cattaraugus County sex crime investigators, said Whitcomb.

“If you don't have all the evidence, you can't lose it because it's the only one variable of the crime, [the case] may be lost,” a serious Whitcomb said.

Whitcomb gave a presentation Oct. 18 in Oflin Building to a handful of AU students interested in learning about the processes that take place during the investigation of a sexual assault.

Although losing a case due to a lack of evidence is uncommon, it is important to make sure the evidence contains all the necessary ingredients to convict a perpetrator of a particular sex crime.

“The court needs to know the where, what, when and how of every crime,” otherwise, you might as well forget it,” stated Whitcomb.

First Whitcomb began by explaining to his audience the difference between reasonable cause and probable cause within an investigation, the latter being needed for an arrest.

Reasonable cause is when a reasonable person would believe that the individual is involved with a certain crime.

Probable cause, Whitcomb explained is when a reasonable person would probably think that the particular individual performed the crime.

“I say ‘reasonable person,’

because when you work on these cases, you (the investigator) become frustrated and just want to put these criminals away, you have to see the point of view of a reasonable person,” said Whitcomb.

But Whitcomb, trying to lighten the mood, "Seriously, we don't go crazy like you've portrayed on TV. We just want justice."

After an amusing lesson about how to avoid a case being dismissed, the investigator needs to then prove, beyond a reasonable doubt, that the detained person committed the crime. The police must use corroboration — additional evidence to confirm or support their case. Corroboration proves, through an independent variable, that the crime did indeed occur.

Forms of corroboration include the following categories and examples of evidence:

- víctima's statements
- medical examination — screws for STDs, blood testing, semen collection.
- physical evidence — photographs (footprints), collection of evidence (clothing, bedding, furniture).
- written accounts — people, security cameras.
- written and verbal communi- cation — messages, conversations, emails, voice messages, calls to and from tapped numbers.
- offender interviews

The where, what, when and how of every crime are the basic requirements to take someone to court.

However, when investigators get evidence that places the rapist at the scene of the crime, proving beyond a reasonable doubt that he did indeed perform the crime, this is when the challenge at hand with his remarkable transformation and ascendency to the presidency.

HIV vaccine may be coming soon

BY JENELLE SILVERS

Multiple independent groups including universities, government health agencies and pharmaceutical companies around the world are currently researching AIDS vaccines. Before this research will benefit the public in the form of FDA-licensed commercially-available vaccines, the vaccines must pass three phases of clinical trial.

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IAVI states that a gene has become an issue which complicates the determination of vaccine efficacy.

Differences in the viral loads in the genital tract and blood as well as differences in reproductive, biological and immunological immunity continues to challenge researchers.
BY ALISON SAVETT
NEWS EDITOR

Mascot.com, an Internet company that provided AU with many services, was hit by bankruptcy. Explained Student Senate President Lisa Reina.

“It’s really important for us to know what you liked about Mascot.com, if you’d like to see on the AU Web page,” Adrian Morling, assistant director of Information Technology Services, told the Senate at the Oct. 17 meeting. “Hopefully we’ll be able to salvage some of what people used on Mascot.”

One option is a “blackboard,” which would cut down on the speed problem by housing the server on campus.

According to Abby Brody, director of the AU Web team, and Morling, Internet connection speed has been a problem on campus.

“We got Mascot because the AU Web site wasn’t geared to current students,” Brody explained. “We’ll try to do as much as we can to provide the services Mascot.com gave.”

However, Morling and Brody expressed that AU is under-staffed and is without the resources for the type of work Mascot did.

Reina reminded that there needs to be communication to Morling and Brody as to what would help people on Alfred’s Web site.

Next, Reina thanked everyone for their participation in the Sept. 11 fund through Barnes and Noble Bookstore. All [the] donations made a difference.

Brenda Porter, director of Residence Life, announced a student study area opening in Openshy Residence Hall, which will be called “Late Night Study.” The area will be open from 10 p.m. until 2 a.m. in the Student Center and also near school space, attached to Openshy.

In order to make use of the aforementioned space, students need to present their student IDs to the nightforker on duty, and may only get in to the space through Openshy’s front door. There will be fire alarms on all exit locking and exiting side.

Porter made it very clear that this study area may not be used for a student’s project, but also mentioned that all Alfred University rules and regulations apply for this space as well.

Student Senate announced its Hot Dog Day Committee Chairs: Amidah Brexi, Martheight Brook, and Nicki Topp.

The Poker Latex and Senate sponsored Dance-A-Thon winner was Beth Greenwood who danced for nine hours and 36 minutes.

Ruth Scott will be coming to AU for a Diversity Training Workshop on Saturday, Nov. 3. The conference is sponsored by Senate, will take place from 10 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. in the Knight Club.

Woman named minority whip in House

BY BRANDON THURNER
STAFF WRITER

The presence of women has emerged among Democrats in the House of Representatives as they continue to promote Rep. Nancy Pelosi to be their number two leader in the House of Representatives.

Pelosi will become minority whip when Rep. David Bonior steps down to run for governor of Michigan. Whips advocate for their party by transmitting news of party matters and the varying beliefs of members. Pelosi will also directly serve Minority Leader Dick Gephardt, D-Mo.

A woman has never held a position of leadership in Congress, and Pelosi’s ascent over the news was evident.

“This is difficult turf to win on, for a woman or for a man, but for a woman breaking ground here it was a tough battle,” she said. “We made history.”

The significance of Pelosi’s elevation is more stop with that matter of gender. Democrats are banking on the prospect of winning a majority of House seats in 2002 and a presidential run is not out of the question for Gephardt.

College Republicans gain insight at conference

BY JEFF HAAS
STAFF WRITER

Two College Republicans attended a leadership conference at the Albany Marriott on the weekend of Oct. 18. Michael Topp, AU’s College Republicans chairman, and Beca Wurst represented the AU chapter at this state committee function.

The purpose of the event was to train students in recruitment efforts for new members, to improve inter-chapter relations and sponsoring conventions.

On the morning of Oct. 19, 20 speakers came to voice ideas for such topics as themselves and their membership. College Republicans National Committee Executive Director Eric Hoplin explained ways to build chapters and encouraged members through actively seeking to educate college students about the CRs.

Following Hoplin, Minnesota State Chairman Richard Kruger spoke about pride and responsibility of the club. He added that all members should be working for the improvement and betterment of their and neighboring chapters.

After listening to these speakers, Topp and Wurst went to separate workshops dealing with media and how to obtain coverage.

NY Republican State Committee Executive Director, Patrick McGuirty, said that this was hard to get print media to give chapter a fair and unbiased coverage.

“You have to work hard to overcome the Liberal bias that most media has, to make sure that conservative voices are taken with proper meaning and have the desired impact,” he said.

“There was a lot of focus on how to campaign and petition for a candidate as a campaign manager,” explained Topp.

“Insider information was obtained in how to strike an opponent’s ballotling, proving signatures invalid through a stripping of signatures on a petition,” he said.

Wurst learned that how to most effectively promote a candidate using all forms of the media.

“We learned about the specific ‘media’ the process,” she said.

Workshop participants had the opportunity to practice their newly acquired techniques when they participated in mock campaigns.

A dinner banquet was held with N.Y. Republican State Chairman Nick Langworthy and Gospel. According to Wurst, Topp made an inspirational speech about the importance of minorities and how the GOP is an open party.

“Sarcosuchus imperator” ate not only fish, but experts also believe the dinosaurs ate dinosaurs. The Sarcosuchus is a close cousin, rather than a distinct ancestor of modern crocodiles.

If these events should happen, Pelosi stands to become the majority leader and possibly the top Democrat in Congress. This emerging power and prominence would be unmatched by any woman politician who Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton, D-N.Y.

The purpose of the event was to train participants about party acceptance of members and the varying beliefs of members. Pelosi has sought to recruit more liberal voting record, which stop there, as Pelosi sports a more liberal voting record, which illustrates a representative’s views illustrate a Democratic Party’s principles and policies and I intend to do exactly that.”

Pelosi brings many skills and much experience to the position. First and foremost, Pelosi has turned into a formidable fundraiser for Democrats as she raised $4 million for the 2000 elections and stands at $16 million for this year alone. Pelosi also brings a vast amount of knowledge as she has served the San Francisco area for eight terms. For algebra, rights, AIDS program funding, and human rights, which is consumed with thoughts of fear and worry, it is important to seek help.

There is a normal time period in which a small amount are not appropriate and expected, said Chester. However, when daily life is consumed with thoughts of fear and worry, it is important to seek help.

In the case of the current situation, Chester said that alcohol and drugs only increase feelings of anxiety and depression.

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Rocenated Kanakadea Hall receives dedication

BY PATRICIA STRICKLAND STAFF WRITER

Alfred University's newly renovated Kanakadea Hall, the old classroom building on campus, was formally renamed The Edward G. and Carole Hulse Coll Center at Kanakadea on Friday, Oct. 19, in a dedication ceremony honoring Edward G. Coll Jr., 12th president of Alfred University and his wife Carole Hulse Coll. The Colls were recognized for their enormous contributions to Alfred University during Edward Coll’s 18-year tenure. He served as president from 1982 to 2000 and is credited with helping AU achieve exceptional growth in both enrollment and academic programs under his leadership.

“This is the most singular and I have experienced in our lifetimes,” said Edward Coll in his remarks to the gathering of faculty, staff, students, alumni and friends. “Who would have thought it? I’m standing here at 67 years of age, about to experience my very first ribbon cutting complex,” he joked, as he motioned to the beautifully renovated building now bearing his name:

Carole and I are very pleased.”

Raymond hopes that aspiring family businesses can learn from his challenges and achievements. Family owned businesses play a crucial role in the American economy as over 90 percent of all the businesses in the United States are family owned or controlled and account for roughly 90 percent of the Gross National Product, 60 percent of employment and 78 percent of all new job creation.

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Raymond joined the Alfred University Board of Trustees in 1974 and served as chairman from 1978 to 1981. In 1993 he was named a Life Member of the Board of Trustees. By 1994 he had served as president from 1982 to 2000 and is credited with helping AU achieve exceptional growth in both enrollment and academic programs under his leadership.

One aspect of society that may have increased our vulnerability is the “winner-take-all” attitude, according to Booker. In such a society, talent, wealth and power are all concentrated in one area.

In this instance, terrorists struck two concentrated areas, New York City and Washington, D.C.

When discussing the economy in light of the attack, Booker took a somewhat optimistic tone. First, he noted that “today’s economy is not alone in the world, and can no longer be viewed as isolated.”

The following day, the nation could “erode interest in spending,” leading to a longer, deeper economic slump. Alternatively, increased spending on reconstruction could give the economy the boost it needs, said Booker.

In conclusion, Ostrower noted that the U.S. is learning that it is not alone in the world and can no longer take unilateral actions. He predicted that the U.S. will need to take the United Nations, as well as diplomacy, more seriously in the future.

By Patricia Strickland

STAFF WRITER

The Barnes and Noble Bookstore in the Powell Campus Center recently hosted a book signing by George G. Raymond, Jr. of his new autobiography, All in the Family ... Business.

Raymond, former President and CEO of the Raymond Corporation, served as a trustee at Alfred University for 25 years, including two terms as chair. He and his wife Robin have been assisting and promoting family business for many years.

A biography of his experiences in a family owned business, All in the Family ... Business is a “story of personal enterprise, struggle and achievement,” Raymond outlines in his preface. The book is a personal account and corporate history of the Raymond Corporation, which was founded in 1922 by George Raymond, Sr., and has been owned and operated by the family for three generations.

Raymond credits his brother-in-law, Anthony Robinson, for helping him move the book along. Robinson, a writer and recently retired professor at SUNY New Paltz, “took the skeleton and put meat on the bones,” said Raymond. “Tony called me every morning at 9 a.m. and we would talk, until about 11 or noon. He would take notes.” This lasted about three months.

“I saw many versions of the manuscript,” Raymond stated, explaining the lengthy process of putting together his autobiography. “When we saw the cover, we thought it was pretty horrific. Both Robin and I are very pleased.”

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**GHOST & SPOOK STORIES ABOUND ON AU CAMPUS**

*BY ALISON SAVETTI  News Editor*

Alfred has its share of things that go bump in the night, aside from your roommate’s bed. Everyone has heard the tales of Alfred’s ghosts and spooks, but not all of them have a fictional base. While the Brick never served as a morose as it is rumored people die there during the Spanish Flu epidemic of 1918.

**Conover**

Ted Conover

One day, a particular inmate taunted Conover all day, beginning with orders for Conover to orally draw in a specific part of the inmates’ body.

“**What’s that not very nice,**” Conover replied to the inmate.

But the situation grew worse as the day went on.

The inmate teased Conover of CO would walk and walk “CO, you walk funny … you look like Forest Gump.” And eventually, he began making racist comments.

Conover decided to retaliate by taking away the inmate’s chance to escape.

“**But I made a mistake,**” Conover said. “I was walking by and I had to walk back.”

When Conover walked past his cell again, the inmate shut at him and reached through the bars to knock Conover forward and onto the ground, so severely he was taken to the emergency room.

This became increasingly humiliating for Conover. “Conversations is all about control, and here I showed I was helpless.”

“I hated inmates,” Conover revealed after that incident. “I had this image of the whole place (Sing Sing) catching fire.”

But that was not a good thing to think of, Conover later realized.

“**The injury I suffered was hitting those things, when I thought less of them,**” Conover explained. “They’re not animals.”

Conover concluded his lecture by demanding that there is a lot of improvements needed in the area, and hopes that the audience is interested in stopping it.

The question and answer period revealed more information from Conover about prison life such as that one in seven COs are female, and although he may not seem like a good idea, women do work in male prisons, and vice versa.

Some suggestions Conover derived from his research was that the state should stop sending so many people to prison, particularly for low-degree crimes.

“The sentences seem disproportionate to the crime,” he said. “Besides it costs us $85,000 a year to keep them locked up.”

Conover also emphasized the importance of education. Education past high school level is not offered in prisons, and Conover felt this was not a good idea.

“It’s the best way to keep inmates from coming back to prison,” Conover said.

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*Some of your fellow students already heard their homes.*
AU prepares for bioterrorism

BY ASHLEY BRENON
A&E EDITOR

Although bioterrorism seems unlikely to affect Alfred directly, AU professionals assure that they are prepared to offer necessary services.

"In general the threat of a serious bioterrorist attack is quite remote," said Alan Goldstein, professor of biomaterials.

Kim Peckham, nurse practitioner at the Crandall Health Center said, "I certainly feel that between the University, St. James Hospital in Hornell and the Allegany County Health Department, we are prepared for a crisis."

Jean Cardinale, assistant professor of biology, departed from her regularly scheduled lecture to inform students about the facts of bioterrorism in her Oct. 29 cell biology class.

Cardinale began with a history of bioterrorism. Even in pre recorded history humans dipped spearheads into toxic plants to kill enemies and later contaminated rival's water supplies, she said.

Anthrax is a bacteria that produces biologically active proteins. This protein, called a spore, has a hard thick outer shell to protect it, Cardinale explained.

There are three different ways in which anthrax can infect a human. Types are differentiated based on how the spore enters the body. The symptoms and treatment vary depending on type.

The first, and most rare, is intestinal anthrax. People infected with intestinal anthrax have usually ingested an animal infected with the disease, said Cardinale.

The more common, but more easily identifiable type is skin anthrax. The spore usually slips into the body through a cut or a small scratch. A small bump grows into a lesion and develops a black center.

The third type of anthrax is inhaled anthrax. Anthrax particles are breathed into the deepest part of the lungs. Although inhaled anthrax symptoms mimic cold and flu symptoms prevalent this time of year, anthrax cannot be transferred from person to person as colds and the flu can, Peckham said.

Because the symptoms for inhaled anthrax exposure are similar to those of the flu and flu season is approaching, Peckham said, "Health professionals will begin by looking at the patient's symptoms. They will proceed to ask the patient about their recent history.

Brown-Greaney recommends that students visiting the health center with flu symptoms think about any unusual events occurring in their lives within the days leading up to the onset of symptoms.

If it is possible that the patient is infected with anthrax, further testing will be done to make a diagnosis, said Peckham.

Peckham reminds students that anthrax exposure in its early stages is treatable.

Three antibiotics used to treat anthrax exposure, doxycycline, cycloserine and penicillin, are available for students diagnosed with the any form of the disease.

Peckham said she checks the Center for Disease Control Web site, www.cdc.org, every day for updates. She recommends that students interested in learning more can check the Web site as a reliable source as well.

Greiff publishes book

BY JENELLE SILVERS
FEATURES EDITOR

In his recently released book D.H. Lawrence: Fifty Years on Film, Louis Greiff, professor of English and chair of the Division of English, examines nine feature films based on D.H. Lawrence's novels and stories and one based on his life.

Greiff said his interest in Lawrence stemmed from a seminar in graduate school at Syracuse University, which also inspired his doctoral dissertation.

Lawrence once wrote, "My great religion is a belief in the blood, the flesh, as being wiser than the intellect."

A World War I era novelist, poet and short story writer, Lawrence expresses a tortured concern with erotic themes, social angers and religious perplexities in many of his works.

In his book, Greiff acknowledges Lawrence's rather ironic relationship to machines and technology, films in particular.

Greiff attributes his academic interest in film to former Division of English chair David Ohara.

"Ohara's interest in film as art influenced many of us in the English department," said Greiff.

Introducing the process of adapting to his students, Greiff offered an honors seminar entitled 'Fiction into Film.' The seminar was so successful that it was later converted into a course.

Greiff's research took him all over the country from New York City to Los Angeles to examine film scripts.

Greiff's interview at the Public Broadcasting Station's WXXI Rochester is slated for Nov. 13 at 7:30 a.m. A review of his book will be aired on WXXI on Dec. 22 at 9:45 a.m.

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BY SARAH GUARIGLIA
PRODUCTION MANAGER

Canadian director Lea Pool’s film Lost and Delicious, presented by “ImageOut: The Rochester Lesbian & Gay Film & Video Festival,” played out themes of love, indentity, volatility and tragedy among young women. Rochester’s Little Theatre hosted the film as part of the festival’s Youth Project 2001.

The film is based on Susan Swain’s novel The Wives of Roth and focuses on the stories of three girls at a boarding school in the early 1980s: Mary “Mouse” Bradford (played by Mischa Barton) and her two roommates, Paulie (Piper Perabo of Coyote Ugly fame) and Tory (Jessica Biel). After being sent to boarding school by her father and long-cherished stepmother, Mouse grew close to her roommates. She soon discovers the intensity of the relationship that Paulie and Tory share. Barton deftly plays this national school—tired, eye-widened without any shock or disgust.

The three bond over their relationships with their mothers—Paulie tries, but fails, to connect with her birth mother; Tory resents her mother’s closed-minded propriety and Mouse mourns her biological mother’s death. Paulie nicknames Mouse “Mary B” ... “for brave” after drawing out Mouse’s story. Mouse, in return, learns Paulie’s erratic, emotional nature and Tory’s struggle with her friends and family.

They try to save face by denying her love in a wrenching scene that Pure plays with honesty, in which Torry forces herself to be her sister but walks away sobbing. She distances herself from the relationship, believing that she can’t be anything other than what her mother wants her to be and that loving Paulie fits nowhere into her mother’s idea of normalcy.

In all her adolescent intensity, Pure refuces to accept this. Perabo acts Paulie’s obsession well, mothering emotionally changed passages of Shakespeare along with their English teacher’s reading while watching Tory try not to notice.

Paulie makes it her mission to win Tory back; her strategies include everything from challenging Tory’s new boyfriend to a fencing duel—and not hesitating to cut her own leg open—to showing up in a tuxedo at the father-daughter dance and cutting in on Tory and her father. Here, she demands an affirmation of their love, which Tory cannot give in front of her father and the entire school.

Paulie arranges these scenes well, building Paulie’s instability with tense examples of fencing practice, snippets of Tory’s overheard conversations and the unfolding of Paulie’s haunting affinity for a falcon she nurses back from injury.

Through all of this, Mouse falls somewhere between a messenger and Paulie’s protector. Growing apart from the life she knew with her father and closer to the memory of her mother, Mouse finds the strength to support herself in the midst of upheaval of all kinds. She stays at Paulie’s side through all of the ridicule of their classmates and Tory’s blatant denial of their love, but cannot protect either of them in the end. Watching the situation unfold alongside Mouse is the school’s headmistress, Miss Vaughan, who tries to intervene in Paulie’s downward spiral. Paulie refuses to believe that anyone could understand her pain or that anyone could save her but Tory.

Deeply enchanted by Mouse and Miss Vaughan, Paulie loses control of her emotions and ends her life in tragedy before the eyes of the entire school. The film’s last scene follows the flight of the falcon, seemingly to have taken the remainder of Paulie’s own strength to finally fly away on its own.

The entire audience at the Little Theatre screening of Lost and Delicious remained silent and almost paralyzed for a few minutes at the end of the film. The story was a haunting reminder of the darker side of adolescence for many of the viewer whose own survival of that time, their lives seemed almost chilling when compared to the film’s.

The subtle cinematography and incredible setting of gothic buildings, sprawling school grounds and forests gave the feeling of a twisted fairy tale to the film.

Other programs in ImageOut’s 2001 festival, which ran from Oct. 5-13, included Shock Value: An Evening with Andy Warhol’s Factory and a screening of Andy Warhol’s The Chelsea, international films including French director Sande Zeig’s The Girl, documentaries, several series of short films, one of which was entirely animated and directed by Lili Taylor in Julie Johnson. 

Participants dance until they drop

BY MINDY BAKER
STAFF WRITER

Members of Poder Latino decorated the Davis Gym with balloons, red and white, and blue streamers for the Dance-A-Thon to benefit the Sept. 11 Fund.

Participants danced from 8 p.m. until 6 a.m. on Oct. 19 to a variety of music — hip-hop to reggae to rhythm-and-blues.

Student Senate co-sponsored the event with Poder Latino.

Beth Greenwood was the first place winner. Greenwood is a sophomore fine arts/ comparative cultures major. She danced for nine hours and fifteen minutes. Still, she said that it was worth it.

When asked what her overall impression of the Dance-A-Thon was, she replied, “I thought that it was pretty successful. We had a good time. Some people showed up late and supported the dancers.”

Actually, according to Poder Latino President Omar Perez, the dancers would have kept going, but they had to stop dancing because their permission to use the building ran out.

“We were really happy with the turnout and really inspired by the last four countants,” Perez said.

The Dance-A-Thon was meant to raise money, as well as spirits, on campus.

Throughout the event, students supported the victims of the World Trade Center, plus it was a fun thing to do,” said fourth place winner, sophomore Tiffany Evans.

Evans also said that all the money was worth it in the end. She danced for seven hours, and even danced with a broom for support.

The first place prize was a trophy, and the second through fourth prizes were items donated by local businesses.

The Dance-A-Thon raised $800, but members are still waiting for more contributions to come in, so the final amount of money raised for the Sept. 11 Fund may be even higher. 

Alumni Association Awards

We Need Your Nominations!

BY SARAH GUARIGLIA
PRODUCTION MANAGER

We need your help! Each year a grateful Alumni Association bestows several awards upon deserving recipients during Reunion Weekend. The Alumni Council and the Alumni Association welcome participation by all members of the University community in the nomination process. Any employee or student may nominate an individual for the awards listed below.

Nominations must be made by mail, fax or email, to Mark Shardlow, Director of Alumni Relations, no later than December 31, 2001. (607) 871-2391 or email: shardlow@alfred.edu)

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Staf F W r i t e r

Nanotechnology, the creation of useful materials, devices and systems through the control of matter at the atomic level, will revolutionize the production of almost every human-made object and usher in a new technology revolution, said Dr. Alain E. Kaloyeros, this year’s John F. McMahon Memorial Award Winner, at the annual McMahon Lecture on Oct. 11.

Kaloyeros, founding dean of the School of Nanosciences and Materials at the State University of New York at Albany, and the executive director of its Institute for Materials, also pointed out that universities “are well positioned” to be at the forefront of this breakthrough technology.

With graphs and charts he outlined how research and development spending trends were shifting.

“Companies are going to universities now for research and development,” Kaloyeros stated.

“There is tremendous potential for university involvement in cutting-edge research,” said William Walker, Jr., assistant director for the NYS Center for Advanced Ceramic Technology at Alfred University (CACT).

Collaboration between universities and individuals from different fields is critical because systems are so complex and the cost of some types of research has become so expensive.

A unique feature of nanotechnology is that it is multidisciplinary. Researchers are unified by the need to share knowledge, tools and techniques. Materials scientists, medical researchers and electrical and mechanical engineers are teaming up with chemists, physicists and biologists.

“As a member of the faculty, I am interested in contributing to this new world of nanotechnology — by partnering with others,” said Vasantha Amaraskon, director of the CACT and professor of ceramic and electrical engineering.

“Nanotechnology has the potential of making the next generation of electronic, photonic and biotech industries more efficient, faster and lighter,” he said.

Nanotechnology holds promise in many fields, from computer technology to medicine, aeronautics to space transportation technology.

“I attended a nanotechnology conference this summer where the possibility of flexible ceramics, due to nanized Amarakon at the annual McMahon lecture.

ANDREW BURLON/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER
Nanotechnology has also become an emerging market, and investment companies such as Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc. have informed their mutual fund managers that it’s time to start looking at nanotechnology.

“It’s an emerging, exploding market with much potential,” said Kaloyeros. “The possible financial returns are great.”

Kaloyeros also pointed out that, although nanotechnology holds great promise as one of the key technologies of the 21st century, scientists need a much greater understanding of the special rules that govern how nanoscale structures behave and interact and how these rules can be harnessed to create materials and devices.

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CULTURES COMBINE IN NEW PROGRAMS

B Y  J E N E L L E  S I L V E R S

Features Editor

Two programs, the International Campus Friends and the Host Family Program, provide international students with the opportunity to practice their English skills and learn more about American culture.

The International Campus Friends, coordinated by Vicki Wastacott, director of the Writing Center and adjunct assistant professor of English, matches an international student with an American student for a weekly cultural exchange.

This symbiotic program provides a mutual cultural exchange — “a more welcoming environment for international students and an opportunity for American students to gain global awareness,” said Wastacott.

The participants agree to set aside one hour each week to meet. Whether coffee and conversation or attending an event together, the participants get to know each other and learn about life from a different cultural perspective.

Although international students may have American friends, the program encourages practice in speaking English as well as the kinds of dialogue about culture which may not occur in casual everyday exchanges.

Neejal Raju, president of the International Student Scholar Organization, said he joined for the cultural exchange opportunity. Freshman Aaron Snyder said the program provides the occasion for “learning about a society that’s a lot different than the one here.”

Freshman Connie Lee said she joined to improve her English-speaking skills. Junior Brittany Wallinger said she had participated in a similar program in high school in which she “met a lot of people and had a lot of fun.”

For American students, the program provides an opportunity for one-on-one cultural exchange. Sophomore Kerry White said the program provides “an opportunity to learn from someone with a really different perspective.”

The program has matched 17 pairs thus far. Twice as many Americans as international participants expressed interest in the program.

The Host Family Program matches an international student — and his or her family — with a family in Alfred. The host family provides a practical resource for questions regarding life in Alfred as well as social and cultural exchange.

Host families typically invite the international student to dinner or to join in other family functions a few times over the course of the semester. Seventeen participants have been matched in the Host Family Program.

Participants met each other for the first time at a reception held Sunday, Oct. 7 in the Alumni Lounge.

“Alfred University is an important piece,” said Alain Kaloyeros, “now as never before.”

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Fosdick art exhibition takes visitors on global journey

BY JALAL CLEMONS
Staff Writer


The information piece by Chen Xiaowan titled "Neither Far nor Near" features softly-played traditional Chinese music while the sharply defined paper and ink pieces hanging on the wall draw you in for a closer look.

Most of the pieces in the show use basic and complex shapes to build the whole piece creating a unity of parts. They also use lettering and characters with images as part of the artwork to add another dimension to the piece besides the visual appeal.

Liu Sheng Zhong's "He He Poem 41, 42, 43" covers one whole wall of the gallery with red and gold and turns a fanciful language into a visually stunning hanging. It incorporates human-like figures into the poems in circles and groups.

Hong Hao's work, resembling pages from a book, makes the viewer look at the world in a different way by playing with maps of the world, switching "Hao's work ... makes the viewer look at the world in a different way by playing with maps of the world." landmasses with oceans and creating fanciful continents while at the same time emphasizing the commercialism and politics of today.

The works of Tang Hui and Su Xingping take a similar turn with a focus on telling the viewer a story through cartoon-like drawings and inked moments of action.

Fang Lijun's woodcuts of faces, built from different tones of gray, stand out in bold volume, defying while appreciating the two-dimensional surfaces they are printed on.

Some of the artists chose to focus more on the paper as well as the ink as seen in Tang Guo's kaleidoscope like abstract works, which included many colors and types of paper in flowing abstracts.

Finally, one of the most interesting pieces was the set of three-color prints by Wang Huxiang that showed many important figures from all different cultures in the past in bold red and black lettering.

For many, including myself, who have seen mostly traditional Chinese paintings and ink work, the exhibition is a wonderful window into where Chinese art stands today and how it has changed. The show, closing Nov. 2, is not to be missed.

Pain is Love proves maturity for rapper Ja Rule

BY MIKE TOPP
Circulations Manager

Tuesday Oct. 23 was an important date for music fans. This was the day Ja Rule, noted rapper and actor released his latest record, fittingly named, Pain is Love.

The third release by the rapper, Pain is Love has maturity and is a step forward in the growth of Rule as an artist. He has momentum in his favor with duets with Jennifer Lopez, J-Lo, “I’m Real,” also appears on this album even though it has already gained much airplay having been on J-Lo’s album. Track one is a slit of sorts, as Rule lyrically sings in a voice of strain and compassion about the pain in the world and how he sheds tears. Bells in the sharply defined music while the sharply defined paper and ink pieces hanging on the wall and the sound of police cars in the background, makes the viewer look at the world in a different way by playing with maps of the world.

The listener is given what sounds like an old man screaming, “I’m rich, I’m filthy — ing rich.” I would like to know what was going on in Rule’s head when he positioned this track right after such a soft and sweet song.

The biggest surprise on the CD was “So Much Pain,” a duet with the late rapper, Tupac. This would lend credibility to those that argued that Pac is still alive. I was surprised that Tupac was on Ja Rule’s disk and at the hushness of the album. Ja Rule is truly a gentleman to have his friend’s posthumous recording on his album and not try to predict the fact that he has a special track that would cause sad music to go through the roof. I hold this song as my favorite and respect Rule for not over emphasizing Tupac’s song.

Tupac enters the track with a statement that “This is for me and my son, take me alive.” repeated over and over followed by a flow that has classic Tupac venom and rage against enemies. He states that he is tired of the evil in the world and wants to see an end to the pain and hurt in the world.

Track 16 is the title track. Rule states that, “I’m here to tell the world that pain is love” — I would get out the game if I could, but I promised for my life to my kids I’d make good.”

The listener feels Rule’s sorrow as he states that; “Nobody loves me. Sometimes I wish that God could come down and hug me. Might grow to be a world leader like X and King if I can live a little longer than Pac and Biggie.”

Pain is Love is an amazing work, by a maturing rapper who has begun to show the inner-depths of his soul through the openness and clarity of his words.

I suggest that you go out and buy this album because Ja Rule has an inspirational message as a street narrator while maintaining credibility.

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Skalloween brings night of ska to Davis Gym

BY ALISSA FISHER
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ALISON SAVETT
News Editor

For Casey Lumbra, an AU sophomore, the idea of reinventing Skalloween was a dream come true.

“When I first whined to Dan Napolitano, I didn’t think it would happen,” said Lumbra. “There need to be an annual ska band festival, Skalloween, years ago, which just sort of dissipate.”

Lumbra realized when he came to Alfred that there were no bands he really enjoyed. When he spoke to Napolitano, he realized what he was getting himself into.

With the three ska bands in Alfred, Lumbra stated that he was “on cloud nine.”

8oz Joe is a band of seven members, six of whom are Lumbra’s peers: college sophomore. They all met in their high school days in Wilkes-Barre, Penn. The seventh member, drummer Greg Zeigler, is still in high school.

“I’m the homecoming king,” he said, raising his arms in the air. He was fresh from the events of homecoming weekend and came from them to Alfred.

8oz Joe is, in one phrase, down to earth. The guys joked around with each other while explaining how they became a ska band.

“Matt [Zeigler] liked ska, and he tells everyone what to do. He became a ska band,” laughed bass player Jon Dinstel. “I’d like to be the light switch to their next show in Massachusetts, their first time home to Boston in two months.

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“Jazz, R&B, garage and reggae all combined make Brooklyn soul, make us,” guitarist TJ Scanlon said. Scanlon stated that all genres and types of music, from Brazilian rhythms to the Slackers’ smooth style was energetic yet not overpowering, allowing students to swing dance and groove in whatever way suited them.

The evening ended on a good note, with words of advice from lead singer Q Maxx 420.

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The Slackers took the stage at 9:30 p.m., with around 150 people in Davis Gym. As they began playing, the crowd was sky. Yet as the night progressed, people began feeling the flow of the night. The wall-flowers came alive and began skanking and having a good time.

The finalists were a girl dressed like Alvin, of Alvin and the Chipmunk, a Santa Claus and a hillbilly. Although all these costumes were humorous, especially the hillbilly, junior Andrea Jaromin won with her Alvin costume.

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Halloween is not the same as it used to be.

Even though the costumes have a very painful downside: the costumes almost always suck.

When I was a kid, there was no end to the awesome costumes kids (with help from mom) would come up with for Halloween. Back then, only store-bought Superman and Barbie costumes sucked, partly because they're not scary. Those costumes sucked because neither Superman nor Barbie wore smocks featuring their pictures.

If you were one of those kids, shame on you.

As adults, we're very lazy and unoriginal with costumes. When I go to costume parties, there are pimps and whores as far as the eye can see, with the occasional cross-dresser mixed in. Asking after the motives for the pimp/whore motif, I usually get answers like “It's the best I could do on short notice,” or “I was using the materials I had at hand.”

We all know when Halloween is, so there's no such thing as short notice. You don't wake up one morning and cry out “Oh crap, what happened to September?!” And if I find it hard to believe men have a surplus of fun at times which to draw in case of emergency costume parties.

The parties are all the same, anyway. You show up, make small talk for an hour, get bored, spill your, more small talk, more spilled beer and then you're thrown out because you were never actually invited.

So I stay home and hand out candy. It is a crappy job, not because it's so boring, but because I always want to keep the candy. I mean, give away Three Musketeers bars? Are you nuts? The primal need to collect and binge on chocolate and sugar is too strong to resist on All Hallow’s Eve.

In this situation, you may ask “What should I do? Should I give the candy to the children, who are so innocent and happy, or should I clutch it to my chest and claw back into my dank cave to protect my preciousness?”

I was faced with that dilemma a few years ago, and being new to the adult side of Halloween, I didn't know what to do. So I kept the candy bars and slid inexorably into a sugar-induced mania while I scavenged for new treats around my home.

I found some that were fitting for my predicament, treats I thought would give the children an idea of what they could expect in a few years. I found treats that were pragmatic and hilarious, but kids just don't like light bulbs, toilet paper, Hungry Man dinners, buggios of fried chicken and handfuls of old woodpecker.

Man, if only those kids knew how good they had it. At least I didn't give them socks.
Anthrax scare spells disaster

BY CORY M. RISHOP
STAFF WRITER

The recent flood of outbreaks of anthrax in our nation is an ordeal that frightens me to no end. One time the anthracytes seemed to have things well in hand. There were only a couple of cases of confirmed anthrax exposure and they were investigating all possible leads. Things have gotten just a bit out of control. At first it was white powder enclosed in an envelope and sent through the U.S. mail to the intended target. It has escalated in recent days, as I can personally attest. Now I'm seeing white powder everywhere.

Just the other day, as I was walking down the street, I spotted one of those local drug addicts mortar ing anthrax directly into his nose! I didn't understand stand his reasoning at the time, but looking back on the situation I see he was trying to be a hero in his misguided way.

I postulated that much like flipping off an enemy grenade, this man wanted to save the rest of our country from that particular dose by inhaling it all himself. When the anthrax set in and his nose started to bleed, my suspicions were confirmed by the look of euphoria on his face. That's why I was so proud of himself for his sacrifice.

I can only imagine how the terrorists sending these bacteria get to some junkie on the corner, but it was not my only sighting, as I was eating at the dining hall over the weekend and I spied one of the cooks in the kitchen kneading anthrax into some dough. I didn't realize it was anthrax at the time, but sure enough, after eating some of the dining hall baked goods the next day, I started to bleed, my suspicions were confirmed.

As told by the photographs my next pro- ducer, the display is a bit more sophisticated.

As told by the photographs several conference-goers kept handy, related memorial balloons.

Beyond dispensers often constitute a good part of PEZ fan collections. PEZ papers — relic adver- tisements and posters, containing attach- able PEZ body parts, PEZ race cars, puzzles, stickers, T-shirts, pins and scores of other PEZ items adorn the shelves of a typical collector's wall. The nuances of PEZ collect- ing are many. Some might not detect the difference between the footless PEZ dispenser and the footed. Nor will they necessarily see a difference in European or American-pack- aged dispensers.

But this is the stuff PEZ col- lectors thrive on — the minutiae that determine each dispenser's value.

Definitely, this show will not disappoint. Even for those who just enjoy the reality TV fad, this is a totally new way at looking at realistic adventures. The first episode got my heart pumping — the paella burns down on them in terms of disease-wid- den flies. Guns N' Roses — may God bless their souls — hasn't released a studio album since 1991 but do we hear about "Tom Daschle exposed to Guns N' Roses"? Of course not, because there's really no involvement. Anthrax has its legion fans but never really had the crossover success of Guns N' Roses. If they had more hits, the media wouldn't be afraid of getting an "Anthrax infection.

Anthrax scare may not be so bad...
Binns-Merrill Hall hosts Schein-Joseph Int’l Museum

BY ALISON SAVETT

The Schein-Joseph International Museum of Ceramic Art was supposed to get a new home in 2004. However, when Binns-Merrill Hall reopened this school year, Margaret Carney, director and chief curator of the museum, was alerted that she would have a temporary space inside of Binns.

“We’re lucky to get to be the ones to occupy the room,” Carney said. “The space is really special because of its long history with Alfred.”

In 1983, the space was used as an organizational meeting space for the New York Ceramic Industries association. When this year began, The Paul Vickers Gardiner Glass Center was supposed to have the space in Binns.

Margaret Rasmussen, the glass center’s executive director, had planned on being in that particular space, so she was involved in every last detail of the room’s architecture.

“I really give Margaret the credit for this wonderful space,” stated Carney. “She graciously allowed the Museum in here.”

The room is a Palladian room, with windows facing Academic Alley, and Carney explained that on a bright day, the lighting is magnificent.

Three chandeliers, which are being refurbished, will hang in this space. Two benches are close together on one end of the room, in front of the portrait of Charles Fergus Binns by Bernard Gutmann.

“I want every student to come and see the exhibit, to sit and watch people go by or write poetry on the bench,” said Carney.

Sixty pieces of the Museum’s 8,000-piece collection sit out currently in the exhibition room, but Carney wishes that viewers could see more.

Yet she will be as involved with the new location’s details as Rasmussen was with Binns. In 2004 South Hall and the Crandall Health Center will be replaced by one larger building — the new space for the Museum.

The Museum’s old site was in the Ceramic Corridor Innovation Center, on Rte. 244 in Alfred. According to Carney, one of the positive things about the old location was the large storage space.

Carney thanks Margaret Miller, an AU alumna and member of the Board of Trustees, for the effort she has put forth in helping the Ceramic Museum.

“Marlin Miller has been very supportive financially,” said Carney. “He’s a major supporter of the museum.”

Being back on campus is a special thing for the museum, and for Carney. “I felt that we served the out-of-town visitors more than Alfred students,” she stated. “We’re here for the University and students. It’s nice to look out my window and see students going to class.”

Now, the larger difficulty is parking for the out-of-towners, the number of whom yearly is in the low thousands.

“Let’s make something really positive of being back on campus,” she said.

Much of the artwork relates back to AU. There are pieces by graduates of Alfred, former students and faculty members in the museum’s collection. Carney also has some high-tech advanced ceramics as well as arts, such as a ceramic bullet-proof vest.

“The Museum is not just here for students and tourists, but also for researchers of ceramic engineering and ceramic art,” stated Carney. “There are research opportunities here in Alfred.”

Carney wants people to think about what Alfred’s heritage is, she explained. The museum has over a decade of history with Alfred.

After only two months on campus, Mascot.com folds

BY CHARLIE CASPARIUS

For some students the disappearance of Mascot.com is a difficult one to take.

Mascot Networks was a web-based program — a college portal — that took all the pertinent information about the college and their students and put it together in a well-formatted, eye-catching way, which allowed students to have access to services and other things such as professors that the current Alfred University Web site does not provide.

Adrian Morling, assistant director of Information Technology Services, affirmed this when he said, “we got Mascot because the AU Web site wasn’t geared to current students.”

Mascot then brought students, faculty and extracurricular groups together in an easy-to-access forum-based atmosphere.

People could post messages on ride boards, lost and found items for sale, groups could send out information on current events or send out group information strictly to their members, which would cut down on the volume of the AU students distribution list on the Outlook mail program.

Many students never had the chance or desire to use Mascot.

Joe West, a business administration major, said “Mascot was a nice idea and there were a lot of good things incorporated into it, but the overall idea was a little frivolous. Some professors never really got into it, and it just didn’t offer anything really new and exciting, except for a fancy way of looking at the data.”

The major news came as a shock to many people, when Mascot announced that they were closing their doors. According to Morling, “Mascot went under financially.”

As of Oct. 12, 2001, Mascot officially shut down and withdrew all their schools from their Web site portal. According to both Abby Brody, director of the AU Web team, and Morling, it is important for the students to give feedback as to what they thought was good and bad about the service. This way “we’ll try to do as much as we can [of what Mascot did], because we would like to try alternative services.”

The reason Alfred University looked into Mascot instead of making its own ‘student-friendly’ Web site was for the one simple fact that Alfred just does not have the resources or the money to attempt a project like that, so in order to have something else like Mascot again Alfred is going to have to look at outside projects.

There are several alternatives that Alfred has looked into, one of the more popular ideas is another service like Mascot called Blackboard. There are several advantages to a program like this, the number one advantage is the speed because the actual computer that runs Alfred’s blackboard service would be on campus, and that would allow faster speeds.

AU is looking forward to bringing a comparable service back to Alfred, but student input is needed.
Squad ends strong season
Team earns third place finish in Empire Eight

BY RYAN SICK
Staff Writer

The Alfred University women's tennis team finished its season with a third place finish in the Empire Eight Tournament.

The team earned a number three seed going into the tournament after a 9-2 regular season.

In their first round match, Alfred defeated St. John Fisher 6-3. Singles winners were Alcina Ballard 7-6 (6-2).

Alexis Pickarsky 6-2, 7-5, Lindsay deCúipios 7-5, 6-4 and Jessie Torresy 6-3, 6-3. Doubles winners were Pickarsky and Erin Sands, 8-5, and Beth Harris and Jen Benson, 9-4.

In the semifinals, the Saxons were outscored by second-seeded D'Haas, 5-3, sending them to a consolation match with Elmira.

Alfred was able to salvage third place in the tournament, beating the Scaring Eagles, 5-4. Ballard, Beth Harris and Janice Brookes all won their singles matches in straight sets. In doubles, Pickarsky and Erin Sands won 8-3 and Harris and Jen Benson won 9-2.

Alfred went into the tournament with a 9-2 record with their only losses coming to John Carroll University at the Penn State-Behrend Tournament and to SUNY Genesee in the last week of the season.

Ballard was a big reason for the team's success this year. She finished the season with a 12-2 record in first singles, earning Rookie of the Year honors and a spot on the All-Conference First Team.

Head Coach Brian Friedland was also named as Empire Eight Coach of the Year.

Other Saxons awarded for their performance on the tennis courts were Sands and Pickarsky who made First Team Doubles with a 9-1 record and deCúipios named to Second Team Singles after going 9-3.

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end zone in the first 20 minutes of the game. After that, the Saxons defense allowed only three more points to the rest of the way.

Momentum swung around to the Saxons favor towards the end of the first half. Todd Zandrowicz scored on a 1-yard run with 1:20 to go in the half. Then allowing a 42-yard field goal, Zandrowicz hooked up with Nick Coleman on 52-yard touchdown pass with one minute left on the clock making the score 24-14 going into the half.

The game became a defensive battle in the second half as Alfred scored the only points on another 1-yard touchdown run by Zandrowicz with 10 minutes left.

The team had quite a scare in the second half when defensive back Vinny Adamo lay motionless on the field for several minutes with a severe concussion.

The loss of Adamo forces Murray to three freshmen in the already inexperienced secondary.

The Saxons traveled to W ill i a m P at t e r s o n University last weekend for their final game of the season. Their last home game will be Saturday, Nov. 16 as they host Grove City.

...Hall of Fame

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Benton is one of the most successful female swimmers ever at Alfred University. He earned All-America honors in 11 events during his four-year career from 1986-89. He also holds the later Alfred University record in the 1,000-meter freestyle.

“There were so many great guys I got to swim with over the years,” Benton said. “It was a wonderful, wonderful experience.”

Being a member of the swimming and diving team, then coaching at Mike Schase, was like being a member of a family away from home, Benton said. “I recall celebrating coach Schase’s 100th victory and saying, ‘Boy, I’m glad I’m here.’ And Mrs. Schase, she said, ‘We’re glad you’re here, too.’”

Schase, who presented Benton for induction, noted that Benton is one of only a handful of swimmers in school history to gain All-American honors all four years.

He noted that the men’s team’s dual meet record was 58-4 during those four years, but added that Benton excelled most when it counted most.

“Jeff was an underachiever, until the time for the conference and state championships,” Schase said. “Then, he was a totally different swimmer.”

Benton earned his bachelor’s degree in political science from Alfred and a master’s degree in elementary education from Nazareth College. He is now a teacher in the Newburgh City School District.

Friedly earned Regional All-America honors in 1998 and helped lead the women’s soccer team to their first-ever NCAA tournament appearance and an ECAC Mid-Atlantic tournament championship a season later.

Friedly has a two-time state All-Team Tournament Selection (1996 and 1998) and was named to the All-State Tournament in 1998.

Friedly said she not only excelled as an athlete at AU, but also grew as a person.

“There are so many incredible moments I had at this place — good and bad. I learned from each one of them,” Friedly commented. “There were just so many opportunities to become a better person here.”

Friedly’s head coach at AU, Pat Codispoti, presented Friedly for induction, calling her one of the best ever to don the Saxson uniform.

“Jeff had 11 years for this. She is one of the finest female soccer players in AU history,” Codispotti said. “She was the heart and soul, the inspiration, theeverything to our team. She was invaluable.”

Codispoti said Friedly’s competitiveness was a huge factor in Alfred making the NCAA tournament in 1998. “She wasn’t the biggest, the strongest or the fastest, but she was the most determined person playing for me in my 15 years of coaching.”

Friedly earned her bachelor’s degree in criminal justice and a master’s degree in community service administration from Alfred. She is now a teacher in the special education/collaborative program at Katonah Elementary School in Katonah, N.Y.

Rothwell is one of the most accomplished players in the history of Alfred University women’s basketball. She is the career leader in rebounds (1,658) and steals (179) is third in scoring (1,409 points).

The only AU basketball player ever named with at least 1,000 points and 1,000 rebounds, Rothwell was an All-American in 1990 and a GTE Academic All-American in 1989 and 1990. She spoke of the importance of the education she received at Alfred. Rothwell earned her bachelor’s degree in ceramic engineering from AU and a master’s degree in electrical engineering from Virginia Tech.

Rothwell expressed gratitude for her family, saying her parents missed only two out of 100-plus games she competed in during four seasons at AU. “I want to thank them for their dedication and for being such an inspiration to me.”

Her younger brother, Richard Mott, spoke admiringly of Rothwell as he presented her for induction. “I couldn’t be more proud of my sister. Her accomplishments didn’t stop there, she gave back many throughout her career.”

Rothwell is a vice president at Intercom Inc. in Forest, VA. She and her husband, Derek, live in Moneta, Va. Their four children.

Vredenburgh called his participation in football and lacrosse at AU “two of the most rewarding experiences of my life.” He said he took inspiration from the working hard and commitment to winning exhibited by his teammates.

“Seeing your teammates give that extra effort inspired you to do the same,” he said. “It’s what life is like.”

Tom Headlilip presented Vredenburgh, his longtime friend and former roommate at AU, for induction. He recalled Vredenburgh as “a fierce competitor, who always played the game to win,” whether it be on the gridiron or lacrosse field.

Headlilip recalled Vredenburgh joining the football team as the “air apparent” to AU Hall of Famer and current Athletic Director Jim Moretti as the Saxons’ quarter-back. After two stellar seasons at defensive back, Vredenburgh took over at quarterback after Moretti graduated and, during his junior and senior seasons, 1972 and 1973, led AU to a combined 14-1 record. He also noted that when Vredenburgh came to Alfred, he had never before played lacrosse. He left AU having started on defense for the men’s lacrosse team four years in a year and in 1973 was an all-conference selection.

Vredenburgh earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in history/education from AU and a master’s in education from Albany State. He is a production planner for Mack Molding Co., Cazenovia, N.Y. He and his wife, Mary, live in Springfield, VA, with their four children.

The keynote speaker at the banquet was Peter Ryan, a 1970 AU graduate and 1982 Sports Hall of Fame inductee. Ryan played basketball for Alfred from 1966-70. He expressed fond memories of his time at Alfred, both as a student and student-athlete.

“It’s a great University. I have so many wonderful memories,” Ryan said. “We all had fun. You studied hard and you played hard. It was the greatest time of my life and I’ll never forget it.”

After graduating from AU, Ryan earned a doctorate in dental medicine from the University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine. Today he has a successful dental practice in Condeser, Pa., where he lives with his wife Debbie. The couple has three children.

The 1971 Lambert Bowl-winning football team was honored during the banquet, and exceptional teams from the 1970s were recognized. Kevin “Skip” Hildebrand, a member of the 1971 team, congratulated Vredenburgh for being named to the Hall of Fame. He noted that five players from the team have now been inducted.

After introducing several members of the team, attendance, Hildebrand offered his appreciation to the Saxson Athletic Club for recognizing the team’s accomplishments.

“I came from a high school program that won three games in three years. We went 20-4 my sophomore through senior years at AU,” he recalled. “Winning was really fun. Thanks for honoring us by bringing us back.”

PHOTO BY PATRICIA STRICKLAND

Senior Melanie Hipster bumps the ball at the Saxsons’ game against Keuka College in MacLane Center on Oct. 15.
AU SPORTS INFORMATION

Alfred University inducted five new members into its Sports Hall of Fame during the Homecoming banquet ceremonies. The five, chosen for induction by the Saxxon Athletic Club, were Joseph Alberici ’91, Jeffrey Benton ’89, Dennis Friedly ’90, Elizabeth Mott Rothwell ’90 and Thomas Vredenburgh ’74.

“Alfred holds a special place in my heart. It’s where I grew up in many ways,” said Alberici. “There are so many great people here. It’s what makes Alfred such a great university.”

Alberici is the all-time leading scorer in AU men’s lacrosse history, logging 275 points (101 goals and 174 assists) from 1989-91. He earned his bachelor’s degree in elementary education in 1991 and a master’s degree in education in 1993 from AU. During his two years as a graduate student, he was an assistant under former lacrosse coach Al Brown, who presented Alberici for his Hall of Fame induction Friday.

“No one is more responsible than that man for me standing behind this podium,” Alberici said of Brown, who he credits with helping him pursue a coaching career that has led him to Duke University, where he is currently an assistant men’s lacrosse coach.

Brown had equal praise for Alberici, who he called a great leader.

“His hustle and effort generated hustle and effort in his teammates,” Brown said. “He had a passion for the game; a love for the game. The same attributes have moved him up the ladder in the coaching profession.”

Alberici, who lives in Durham, N.C., with his wife Petra, thanked his family, several members of whom were in attendance at the banquet, for the support they gave him over the years, as both a player and coach. He said he has especially fond memories of the six years he spent as a student-athlete and coach at AU.

“I left Alfred seven years ago, but Alfred has never left me,” he said.

Hall of Famers reflect back on days at Alfred

AU SPORTS INFORMATION

Alfred University men’s soccer team will play its most decisive game of the season on Saturday, Oct. 27 against Nazareth.

“Right now, if we win on Saturday we will be tied with RIT for first in the conference,” said Alberici. “There are so many good teams that the NCAA Tournament is just as competitive as the ECAC Tournament, “I think this is going to be our trip this year.”

Alberici is the first step. We want to take it one step at a time. The intensity of all the games will be much greater, and everything will be on the line. We need to come out ready to play and put goals in the back of the net,” said Hall.

Despite the increased pressure entering tournament season, the Saxons are going to stick to the soccer that they have played all season.

“We have a good sense of who we are as a team, and we are going to continue to practice as usual. It would be a fantastic honor for the seniors and the rest of the team to finish up the regular season with a trip to one of the tournaments,” said Hasler.

“The Saxons appear in recent action. The team ended its season Oct. 20 with a 2-1 road victory at Utica. The team finished with a 3-15-5 record. 1-6-0 in Empire Eight action. Stephanie Rudd was the team leader in points with seven. Rudd and Andrea Candall led the team in goals with three each.

Saxons defeated

BY PATRICIA STRICKLAND

MEN’S SOCCER

BY BENJAMIN LEW

Football

Men’s Soccer

The Alfred Saxons (2-5) came up just short in their comeback attempt against Hobart College (5-1) last Saturday. Down 21-0 early in the second quarter, Alfred came back within three, losing 24-21.

Injuries have been a major factor in Alfred’s struggles this season. The absence of Jessie Raynor taking care of kicking duties may have cost Alfred this game. The team was forced to attempt a long fourth down conversion from the 28-yard line in the first quarter instead of putting the three much-needed points on the board.

Despite his absence from the kicking game, Raynor was still able to carry the ball, gaining 127 yards on 27 carries.

Raynor and defensive linemen Todd Strong received game balls for their strong performances despite missing practices all week with injuries. Strong recorded 15 tackles on the game, including nine unassisted.

Wide receiver Nick Freeman also had a strong game gaining 86 yards on six catches.

Freeman also gained 100 yards on three kickoff returns.

Head Coach Dave Murray said, “This was Nick’s best game of the season. We’re really pleased with Nick’s performance on offense and special teams.”

Turnovers ended being a deciding factor in this game. Alfred turned the ball over three times, with first two leading to touchdowns.

The third turnover, however, may have been the most crucial. Hobart defensive back Skip Grantling picked off a Todd Zandrowicz pass attempt on Alfred’s final attempt to drive down the field to tie the game.

“The defender just made a nice play on the ball,” said Coach Murray.

Hobart built up a 21-point lead before Alfred was able to put any points on the board. Curvin Johnson, Ty Godinho and Alex Bell each found the