Bomb threats hit Alfred campus; one arrested

BY KELLY KNEE
NEWS EDITOR

The early spring calm of Alfred was shattered when a bomb threat was called into the AU security office, threatening the campus center.

At 6:30 p.m. on Wed., Apr. 21, an unidentified person called the AU security office, saying that there were bombs planted in the Campus Center.

According to Alfred Police Department Chief John Simons, after the threat was received, the campus center was rapidly evacuated, and search teams from neighboring areas were called in.

In addition to the APD, the Allegany County Police Department, New York State Police and the Cattaraugus County bomb detection canine unit were all called in to assist.

The exact same procedure was taken, Simons said. The building was thoroughly checked and declared safe.

However, the threats did not end there. At 7 p.m. the next night, Thurs., Apr. 22, another bomb threat was called into the information desk in the campus center.

Simons said the second threat was treated as seriously as the first.

“We don’t have the luxury of treating this as a bogus crime,” Simons said of the second threat.

Simons said the exact same procedures followed for the second threat as well. Simons said the person responsible for the second bomb threat has been arrested, but that person is not being held responsible for both threats.

The Alfred Police have reported that the man arrested was Demetrich M. Pound, who is being charged with a misdemeanor.

Simons said that “stupidity” was the likely motivation for both threats, but the first one was a “more thought-out prank.”

The first bomb threat was more severe, requiring the assistance of many agencies and causing the displacement of hundreds of students during mealtime, Simons said.

Simons said that each incident involved more than 100 people, between the various police agencies who were present, the fire and rescue squads.

In addition to the fire and ambulance squads present at the scene, there were companies from neighboring towns on standby to deal with any other emergencies, Simons said.

“I don’t think the person who made the threats realized how much time and money were wasted as a result of the threats,” Simons said.

Simons also said that the community needs to be aware of the severity of such a threat. Making a false bomb threat is a crime that is considered at least a misdemeanor, and can, depending on the circumstances, be elevated to a felony, Simons said.

AU is not the only campus that has been hit with bomb threats.

A bomb threat was called into Penn State Police Services Thurs., Apr. 22 at 9:20 a.m., according to the Daily Collegian, the student newspaper of Penn State University.

Columbine massacre shocks nation

BY JAY WEISBERGER
MANAGING EDITOR

The tickets were being sold, posters were being made and all was ready for a large concert at AU.

Meanwhile, Goo Goo Dolls lead vocalist and guitarist John Rzeznik was singing too much.

The Goo Goo Dolls were forced to cancel four shows, including the shows at AU and St. Bonaventure University, because Rzeznik was ailing from bruised vocal chords.

“We told [Student Activities Board] about the cancellation before we said the whole cancel,” said Director of Student Activities Dan Napolitano.

“You could see the disappointment on their faces.”

“It comes with the territory,” said David Clay, SAB large act chair.

“The Goo Goo Dolls were doing a lot of concerts in a row with a break.”

Despite the loss of the large act, there was a sense of disappointment Clay said he felt, he is looking at the bright side of the story.

The one good thing in that Clay said everyone involved put about 90 percent into the show. The main thing explaining that was all done except for the show itself.

“The students, Sophomore Zach Balser, had the experience of how to put together and run a show,” he said, which he added will help the group next year when looking the large act.

Next year brings up some interesting possibilities.

“The only money we lost this quarter was for things like advertising,” Napolitano said.

He added that next year “we’ll have more money for start-ups.”

He explained this means that more money will go into the large act.

He cautioned students that this doesn’t mean AU will get twice as big a show.

Napolitano did not rule out the idea of having two shows, however.

“SAB stayed patient and did everything correctly,” Napolitano said. “They knew they just have to move on to the next step.”

Clay said he would help out with the large act next year, despite not being the large act chair.

Next year’s large act chair is Sophomore Ocehan Balcer.

Students are coping with the loss of the large act.

“I’m disappointed, of course,” said Michelle Kurwin, a senior glass engineering science major.

Kurwin said she was looking forward to the concert.

She said she did not blame SAB for the loss of the Goo Goo Dolls.

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A quiet suburb of Denver, Colo. became the scene of inconceivable class when two teenagers walked into their high school and opened fire on their fellow students.

Eric Harris and Dylan Klebold, held the cafeteria of Columbine High School in Littleton, Colo. where there were hundreds of students in the room, according to a report in Time, May 3, 1999.

The two were part of a clique of students called the “Homecoming Maths” by other students in the school.

The group members were often ridiculed by other students, and were considered outcasts.

The students walking in the line in the cafeteria heard shots fired outside and saw two boys in trench coats and mascots firing at the kids in the schoolyard.

One of the boys tossed something up on the roof of the school, where it exploded in a flash.

Many students thought the explosions and firing were part of an elaborate senior prank and that the guns and bombs were fakes, according to the Time article.

In the cafeteria, the students ran headfirst out of the second story window.

Students huddled in the classrooms and locked in closets in the halls heard the taunts of the shooters, followed by shots.

About sixty students laid in a tiny choir room, afraid to make a sound, for fear the shooters might find them.

Many of the students who escaped the building ran into the parking lots of the building, where police met them.

“The police had to put everybody downtown because the police department had a tip that the shooters may have headed to escape the police,” according to the article.

Outside the building, Senior SWAT team member Don Krausser saw a boy dangling from a window, desperate to get out of the building.

Krausser said that he was obvious the boy was going to fall headfirst out of the second story window.

The boy, 17-year-old Patrick Ireland, had been shot in the head and the foot, and was in such shock that it was difficult for officers to determine who he was.

While chaos reigned outside the building, the shooters were calmly proceeding to the library.

An unidentified teacher made it to the library ahead of the shooters and warned the students working to get down under the tables.

According to the article, the killers moved through the library, asking questions and shooting many students at point blank range. If students cried or begged for their lives, they shot them.

Survivors of the massacre said the two gunmen treated the scene like it was a video game.

When the shooting was over, Harris and Klebold had taken the lives of 12 students and one teacher, as well as their own lives.

However, it was only in those days that followed did the killers...
Students should respect the campus

By Paula Whittaker  
Business Manager

Spring is in the air; the flowers are coming up, and students are playing outside. So what’s wrong with this?

What’s wrong is the litter, graffiti, and blatant disregard for the campus.

The other day when I was walking through class I saw a group of ten, maybe fifteen people, lightning cigarettes and throwing the butts on the ground. I mean garage sale.

There were two men, I am guessing from Physical Plant, picking up leaves. Later that students just throw on the ground, mostly empty bottles and soda cans that can be easily thrown into a dumpster.

Have you ever walked behind Reimer and Tefft Halls? With all the trash behind there you might mistake it for a landfill.

Students seem to order a pizza and then instead of throwing the box in the dumpster, they just throw it out the window.

Have you ever spent hours hanging them up around campus and then two or three days later see them carelessly ripped down?

It hurts. People hang the flyers to keep students and faculty informed of what is going on around campus. So why do people insist on ripping them down?

Writing with chalk on the pavement is a great art form without having any permanent damage. We all did have to write on school property.

But do people have to put rude, offensive pictures and words down? Some might think that it is funny, but other people think it is gross.

Now I am not saying that you have to think about everyone else when you go to do something, but think about what you are writing or drawing.

Students are rude and have no respect. Not to sound too preachy, but would you throw trash out your car window?

I am guessing probably not.

In my opinion, students have no concern for property and the campus they are living on. I am not saying that everyone acts like spoiled brats, but I feel that some people just don’t care.

One of the reasons I came to Alfred University was because it was so pretty, almost like a painting. It makes me really mad to see people treat it like a trash dump.

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• Student Activists Board, for doing an excellent job with the large act despite the cancellation.
• The Alfies Academy, for an entertaining evening at the Alfies.

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Nelson speaks at Riley Lecture

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"I have a whole nation of sisters with me. The question is, how do we connect; how do I connect with all of them?"

This is what Jill Nelson asked her audience at Susan Howell Hall Apr. 19 during her lecture, "Mammy No Mo: Women of Color Creating Positive Identity in a Hostile Culture."

Nelson was the speaker for the 4th Annual Elizaibeth Hallenbeck Riley Lecture in Women's Studies. Nelson encouraged people to "transform the culture we live in.

She said one way of doing so is to speak out and hold conferences like this one. Those lectures allow for everyone to come together and exchange ideas.

Nelson emphasized that, despite the heavy workload many take on, “women are invisible and cannot be seen in the workplace.”

At even more of a disadvantage are African-American women, who are “an enormous, disorganized army of hardworking sisters without collective organization, voice or agenda,” Nelson said.

Nelson came to the realization that even white feminists ignored her unless they needed a “visible, but preferably silent, black woman” as a part of a panel.

She said a plan is needed to bring about equality and awareness.

She brought up a rarely used weapon of black women, a “niggerbitchfit.”

"A niggerbitchfit is what happens when a nice colored girl, having exhausted all possibility of compromise, communication and peaceful conflict resolution, turns into everyone’s worst nightmare: a visible grown-up black woman mad as hell and with nothing to lose, and opens her mouth,” she said.

Cowed by her friend Thelani Davis, a niggerbitchfit explained two things to Nelson.

One is that it is not inapropriate to express rage and anger, despite black people being taught to suppress their true rage.

Nelson also learned she is not alone.

Nelson suggested a public, collective niggerbitchfit to express the rage, the invisibility and the wrongs black women is exposed to daily.

"There is no way for me to stay alive, a black woman in this culture, and not feed my rage. Fed regularly, my rage grows stronger, wiser, more cunning," Nelson said.

Along with teaching journalism at the City College of New York, Nelson is a writer and an activist.


She is a columnist for MSNBC.com.

Jill Nelson addresses a crowded Susan Howell Hall at the recent Riley lecture on the significance of being both a minority and a feminist.

At the end of her lecture, Nelson took questions from the audience.

Upon being asked about the issue of the separation between races, Nelson answered: “I think we’ve always going to be black and white. But we want a distinction of colors and [to see the way they intermingle].”

She received a standing ovation from the audience.
POLICE REPORT

The Alfred Police Department reported the following arrests and complaints from Apr 15 to Apr 25.

**Arrests:**
- DWI:
  - Andrew F. Buynas, Rochester, also failure to keep right, and greater than .10 BAC (Apr 15)
  - Tammin L. Lashu, Wellesley, also greater than .10 BAC and endangering the welfare of a child (Apr 21)
- Other:
  - Christopher R. Greve, Webster, open container (Apr 17)
  - Gardsoo D. Dale, Alfred, aggravated harassment 2nd degree (Apr 18)
  - 18-year-old male, criminal impersonation, also disorderly conduct (Apr 17)

**Hot Dog Day weekend arrests:**
Friday, April 23
- 12:40 am - Tyson J. Weller, 27, Freedom, charged with DWI & driving erratically on N. Main St. and driving OUI following a traffic stop on Lower College Drive. Released to third party.
- 1:26 am - Christopher D. Preston, 19, Brockport, charged with DWAI & driving left of pavement markings in no passing zone, following a traffic stop on S. Main Street. Released to third party.

Saturday, April 24
- 1:25 am - Stephen B. Reuss, 19, Gainesvort, charged with violating the village open container law and false identification to avoid prosecution. Issued an appearance ticket.
- 6:42 pm - Michael R. Leach, 20, Caledonia, charged with disorderly conduct, DWI and BAC greater than .10 after officers observed him spinning his tires and driving erratically on N. Main St. Released to third party.

Sunday, April 25
- 12:07 am - Jingling Liu, 39, Hornell, charged with assault 2nd, a felony, after she cut her husband's leg with a kitchen knife during the course of a domestic dispute. Arraigned and sent to Allegany Co. Jail in lieu of $10,000 bail.
- 9:30 pm - Charles R. Barron, 35, of Dunkirk, charged with possession of marijuana after he was allowed to go to the bathroom in the police station and officers observed him damaging emergency equipment kept in the bathroom. Arraigned and sent to Allegany Co. Jail in lieu of $800 bail.
- 6:30 pm - an 18-year-old Hornell youth charged with violating the village open container law, resisting arrest and criminal mischief after he became combative with officers as they were arresting him for open container.
- 9:45 pm - Patrick S. McFarlan, 20, Elma, NY charged with disturbing the peace after yelling obscenities at officers who were dispersing a large crowd on S. Main St. Issued an appearance ticket.

**Complaints:**
- Disorderly conduct:
  - N. Main St. (Apr 24)
  - Rte. 21 (Apr 14)
  - S. Main St. (Apr 24)
  - S. Main St. (Apr 15)
- Driving violations:
  - Church St. (Apr 18)
  - W. University St. (Apr 15)
- Trespassing:
  - AU campus (Apr 21)
  - AU campus (Apr 22)
- Trespassing:
  - Pine St. (Apr 20)
  - Elm St. (Apr 17)
  - Fisher Rd. (Apr 20)
  - W. University St. (Apr 15)
- Assualt:
  - S. Main St. (Apr 24)
  - S. Main St. (Apr 14)
- Feeling threatened:
  - State St. (Apr 21)
  - S. Main St. (Apr 20)
- Other:
  - Fireworks, S. Main St. (Apr 20)
  - Suspicious vehicle, N. Main St. (Apr 22)
- Criminal mischief:
  - Pine Hill (Apr 17)
  - State St. (Apr 17)
- Possession of marijuana:
  - S. Main St. (Apr 20)
  - Main St. (Apr 18)
- Marijuana pipe:
  - N. Main St. (Apr 20)
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**Illegal parked vehicles:**
- Park St. (Apr 14)
  - Park St. (Apr 22)

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Clockwise from upper left: • Students pull with all their might during the tug-of-war contest at the Mud Olympics. • A child gets her face painted at one of the booths at the carnival. • Members of Piconic Theater participate in the parade down Main Street Saturday afternoon. • Brothers of Sigma Alpha Mu moved their “Bounce For Beats” fundraiser for the American Heart Association from the campus center down to the carnival. The fraternity won an Alfie the next weekend for their contribution to campus life. • Joe Gow, associate dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and associate professor of communications, performs at the bandstand Saturday afternoon. Gow’s blues music is always popular at AU. He has performed at several Coffeehouses.
Both Alfred University and Alfred State College students celebrated Hot Dog Day Weekend Apr. 23-25. Here are some fun Hot Dog Day statistics provided by Russ Patterson, Hot Dog Day chair.

- Vendors sold 4,000 hot dogs and 768 Smart Dogs.
- Nineteen people participated in the Fun Run Saturday morning. This number is the highest in several years.
- Between arts and crafts booths, game booths, food vendors and registration, $8,800 was taken in. The money will be used to benefit local charities.
- About 20 teams got muddy in the Mud Olympics held above Tucker Field Saturday afternoon.
- This was the first year that sauerkraut and relish were provided to garnish the hot dogs. They were requested last year. Patterson said he thought it was a good idea and that the dressings were popular with people attending the carnival.
- This was also the first year that portable toilets were provided. Parents with small children and people everywhere with small bladders sighed in relief.
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Clockwise from upper right: • Shakima McCants serves ice cream to a young guest at the Ice Cream Bash. The bash was held in Davis Gym on Friday evening. Shades of Ebony, of which McCants is a member, won an Alfie for their participation in Hot Dog Day. The group also participated in carnival set-up Saturday morning, the parade Saturday afternoon and staffed a game booth. • A child enjoys her attempt to finish her hot dog at the carnival on Saturday afternoon. Fried dough, cotton candy, soda and Sno Cones were also available for gourmet carnival-goers. Although lines for the food were quite long, they moved quickly. • Jon Eaton cooks up hot dogs for Lambda Chi Alpha’s hot dog stand at the carnival. Smart Dogs, the vegetarian alternative to hot dogs, were also available at a booth staffed by People for Animal Welfare. • People explore the game and food booths at the carnival. Although the weather was cool, it was still a beautiful clear day. This year, Alfred State College increased its participation in Hot Dog Day, making it a combined effort by both campuses. The weekend was also Alfred University’s Weekend for Parents. Parents could visit their children and participate in Hot Dog Day activities. Many alumni also visit on Hot Dog Day weekend. This is the 28th year of Hot Dog Day at Alfred. • People slug it out in an inflated boxing ring provided on the Brick Lawn. An inflated “rock” climbing course, “American Gladiators”-type battling ring and Sumo wrestling were also popular with the younger members of the crowd.

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By Jasmine Lellock
A & E Editor

The Alfred University Department of Performing Arts’ recent production of Bertolt Brecht’s play


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highlighted the hard work of both very experienced and talented actors and young, energetic performers.

The show, which was staged Apr. 21-25, was the final show of the year for the department of performing arts.

The ensemble and director made sure they didn’t go out on a bad note. Incorporating tightly woven ensemble scenes and dramatic smaller scenes, director Becky Prophet, professor of theater, produced an effective example of Brechtian theater.

The audience was constantly reminded throughout the performance that it was watching a play, and sometimes even a play within a play. However, due to the power of performances by individual actors, the importance and emotion of the plot held the audience in thrall.

The story was about a young girl named Grusha, played by Freshman Theater major Ashley Long.

The play explored the ethical and political problems of poor leadership. The performance, which was like a ritual in many aspects, involved intricate set changes. For the most part, these complicated changes were very effective.

There were moments when the set changes could have gone more smoothly, but it did not seem to interfere with the audience’s overall enjoyment of the show.

The stage design, in which the audience was placed in a triangle configuration, helped to accommodate the large ensemble. Further, it supported the action by giving a sense of space and distance.

The talented musicians played very appropriate and well-written music, which added to the storytelling and provided unity to the production.

In many ways, the performance was strong and very enjoyable. The audience was fully able to engage with the character of Grusha, who was played beautifully as a strong and tender character.

Also, the acting of the several children in the production was inspired and effective. The strongest parts of the production were the smaller scenes.

Senior Performing Arts major Amberlee Edgerton held the piece together well with her roles as a storyteller and a singer.

She performed in a credible accent.

The lawyer Andah, played by Senior Performing Arts major Luke Jacoby, added humor and wit to the production.

The assorted roles of Sophomore Performing Arts major Clinton Powell, Freshman Biology major Angela Young and Freshman English major Laura Randall were skilful and fun.

Overall, despite its length, which could have made it drag, the performance was interesting and engaging.

Although it ran about three hours, the ensemble managed to engage the audience’s whole attention for the entire performance time.

The ensemble gave a strong presentation of both passion and skill in this extremely difficult piece. Hopefully, next year, the division will continue to produce more shows of such high quality.

The performance, which was staged well

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By Kenneth Leidig
Staff Writer

Carol Burdick, assistant professor of English, has been composing poetry since the third grade.

One of her most cherished poems, “April Glow,” was written when she was 19, she said.

In 1969, Burdick, who is known affectionately as “CB,” published her first collection of poetry, Destination Nowhere.

On Apr. 14 she gave a reading of her poems in Susan Howell Hall.

Ben Howard, professor of English and published poet, introduced Burdick by saying, “Few people read more widely than CB or with greater dedication, and few have demonstrated a more constant engagement with the art of writing.”

“My poetry is pertinent and very much self-absorbed,” Burdick said.

Burdick said she has dallied in a variety of styles: free verse, syllabic verse, sonnets and couplets.

Yet, her predominant style uses rhythm, which was engrained in her from Baptist hymns she was used to sing as a young girl.

Poets such as e.e. cummings, W. H. Auden, Emily Dickinson and Anne Sexton influenced Burdick’s passion for poetry.

“My work is not academic, not mainstream,” she said.

Burdick described her talent as a source for venting excessive feelings, usually touching on emotion, and sometimes nostalgia.

“Writing is an act of discovery,” she added, “I stopped telling lies about my life and started telling the truth.”

During the evening, Burdick shared some of her favorite works.

“Different people take meaning to different poems. I’m glad when anyone relates to them,” she said.

The poem “April Illusion” had a dual meaning—a unique quality in most of Burdick’s writings. The reader can interpret the work as describing someone’s life or just the pond in the poem.

“Finding the precise word is like an artist finding the right image to complement the canvas,” she added.

The co-editors of the Alfred literary magazine, Alfred Review-Focus, Courtney Flemming and Jessica Callanan were the coordinators of the evening.

They arranged for the reception that ensued.

“Writing helps me come to terms with my life in a satisfying way,” she said.

Burdick received a standing ovation for her works, not only in writing, but also as a generous person.
BAFA students show off work

BY JUDY TSANG
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A hand was held out with a girl rocking inside the palm. Another girl peered out from a small structure lit by a string of Christmas lights. This was what visitors saw as they wandered through the Bachelor of Arts Fine Arts students’ Cardboard City, exhibited last Wednesday and Thursday in the basement of the Brick.

This show displayed “Image, Text and Culture” by the freshmen BAFA students and “Body, Time and Movement” by the sophomores. Students compiled individual cardboard spaces and made them into one big city. These life-size structures were created with the intent to hold a part of the creator’s body with cardboard as the only medium. These structures stemmed from the text, Invisible Cities by Italo Calvino, the novel spoke of a possible world—a possible soci- ety.

Using the text as a reference, students created their own cities and environment. This then evolved into small-scale models and finally, the cardboard city of life-size creations was created. “Together, these pieces will make up a big city,” Tina Takimoto, adjunct visiting artist to the program, said.

The students were challenged to make structures that stand up and off the wall. “This is the first introduction to three-dimensional,” said Petra Sossensam, director of the BAFA Program.

Aside from the physical structures, text was used in some form as well, whether it be audi-tapes or words placed onto pieces. Both Sossennsam and Takimoto guided the first year Fine Arts students in this project.

Sossensam’s first assignment for the sophomores was to do an installation piece. These were dis-played throughout the building. One installation exhibit was in a room that looked as if it had been consumed by a large fire. The city of Hong Kong will be the countries Romania, Venezuela, and soon, Turkey. The city of Hong Kong will be an option as well.

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College gets grant

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Business faculty and students will benefit from a grant which the school already has big plans for.

The Fred L. Emerson Foundation presented the College of Business with a $100,000 grant. This grant will allow the business school to strengthen its curriculum on small and growing businesses and family-owned businesses, said David Szczerbacki, dean of the College of Business.

Strengthening the faculty is significant in helping the development of the school, Szczerbacki said.

“Where else to start but the faculty,” Szczerbacki said. “That way we can build from the bottom up.”

Experts in family business and entrepreneurship are brought to campus each year. Also, the school sends faculty to off-campus conferences and training.

Szczerbacki added the research resources will also be improved and added to. Books, periodicals, journals and other media for family businesses, entrepreneurship and to support the program will be obtained.

A new computer lab, an “information technology center,” will be built, Szczerbacki added.

Ten faculty members of the business school will write a book, Entrepreneurial Leadership in the Information Economy, with funding from this grant.

Pamela Schultz, assistant professor of communication studies, and Lana Meissner, director of the Information Technology Services, will also be contributing to the book.

Schultz will explain the communications aspect of the business world, and Meissner will discuss the skills needed for technology in relation to business.

Szczerbacki noted that the freshman introduction class MIS 101 is going to be completely redesigned.

It will be taught by the authors of the new textbook. Each faculty member will teach the chapter he or she wrote.

Students have already begun to see the difference in the curriculum with the themes in the courses as well as increased research projects.

“These are the bookend approach to our new curricu-lum, and Emerson is making it happen,” Szczerbacki said.

An Emerson scholarship of up to $10,000 is also being creat-ed, he said.

This will cover the costs of research, travel and stipends to several international destinations.

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The best fashion at the Alfies

BY CARMEN ANDREWS

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Angie Young, a freshman biology major, showed up at the Alfies with the most adorable little dress. Doesn’t she look sweet!? Young was also nominated for Best Female Actor in a Comedy series, which she won.

Kareem McKinnon, sophomore business major, is so smooth. He fashionably made a late entrance, but this made him all the more suave. McKinnon is a member of the basketball team, which won Outstanding Male Athlete Team.

The Saxon Sillies never miss an occasion to be wild, especially when it is such a prestigious event like the Alfies. They came dressed in their finest garbs. They really keep the Saxon spirit alive, not only on the basketball sidelines, but here as well. The Sillies attend each Saxon basketball game and cheer the team on with their wild and crazy antics. The Sillies were nominated for the Campus Spirit by an Individual award.

Ashley Carson, a freshman fine arts major, did it up with her sassy silver wig. Her outfit was shiny, sexy and a lot of fun.

Tom McCabe, a freshman Art and Design major, and George Harris, a freshman ceramic engineer, look stunning together. They added to the glamorous evening. McCabe was nominated for the Best Radio Show award.
Alfies honor AU’s best with gala in Harder

The 5th annual Alfie Awards were held on Sat., May 1. Voting took place in the campus center on Monday and Tuesday last week. Over 400 people voted.

**Best male actor in a comedy series**
- Ken Leidig
- Andy Berman
- Kelly Knee
- Jay Weisberger
- Stephanie Webster
- Colin Winter

**Best female actor in a comedy series**
- Molly Destafney
- Karolyn Reddy
- Dave Davis & Dave Silbergleit
- Tom McCabe
- Matthias Kolb
- Pete Durham

**Best radio show**
- Jared Janis for Shades of Ebony
- UMOJA & Poder Latino for fashion show
- UMOJA for Charity basketball game
- AMA for H2K series

**Outstanding male in a performing arts production**
- Wayne Montminy
- Alex Ruano
- Luke Jacobs
- Clinton Powell
- Chris Starwiarz

**Outstanding female in a performing arts production**
- Angela Young
- Monica Silva
- Ashley Long
- Beth Grimes

**Best campus wide event**
- Poder Latino auction
- SVCA
- Habitat for Humanity
- UMOJA
- The Union and Senate for the fire department gala

**Outstanding contributions by a Greek organization**
- Sigma Chi Nu
- Delta Zeta
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- Swimming

**Best student entertainer**
- Mike Christakis
- Mitch Fietel
- Jet Set Six

**Best Outside Entertainer**
- Beastie Boys
- Sarah Jones
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**Campus spirit by an organization**
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**Campus spirit by an individual**
- Rachael Davies
- Roxane Rodriguez
- Anne Minkoff
- Linda Ramos
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**Other awards**
- Outstanding student contribution to campus life
- Greg Hilgert

**College bowl trophy**
- Hard Nipples

**Outstanding participation in Hot Dog Day**
- Shades of Ebony

**The Alfies**

The Alfies trophies were redesigned this year. The Alfies began five years ago to recognize students and student organizations for their contributions on campus and in the community. Members of Friday Night Live, Pirate Theater and Mosaic perform their antics at the opening of the ceremony. The large costumed person is Grimace, a McDonald’s Happy Meal character. Members of each organization were nominated for Alfies of their own.

Grog Hilgert accepts the Alfie for Outstanding Student Contribution to Campus Life from members of the Office of Student Activities. Hilgert is one of the only male members of the Sexual Assault Victims Advocacy Program, an Orientation Guide Director, former Student Senate vice president and a member of Phi Kappa Phi honor society. The award is presented to a senior who has contributed greatly to student life but has not been recognized with a previous Alfie.

“**A Timeless Tradition**”

PHOTO BY JUDY TSANG
**BY ANDY BERMAN**
**Sports Editor**

What do you think of when you hear that a hooker is caught in the middle of a scrum? For women from Alfred University and Alfred State College, it automatically calls to mind the rough-and-tumble game of rugby.

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**SAXON SPORTS ROUNDUP**

**Saxons wrap up their spring season**

**Men’s lacrosse (7-4)**

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Morrison, Dawson 1 goal, 2 assists; B. Pillion 2 goals, Campbell 17 saves

Naasaveth 15, AU 7
Morrison 3 goals, Olmstead, B. Pillion 1 goal, 1 assist

**Women’s lacrosse (10-4)**

AU 11, Oberlin 4
D’Auria 4 goals, 2 assists; Calkins 3 goals; Bruder 13 saves

AU 12, Le Moyne 9
Calkins 4 goals, 1 assist; D’Auria 4 goals

**Men’s track and field (NYSCTC Heptathlon)**

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