Hillary Clinton visits AU on campaign stop

BY JUDY TSANG
MANAGING EDITOR

Within seconds of First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton stepping onto the stage, the Holman Auditorium audience erupted into applause and a standing ovation.

The unexpected, unplanned appearance of the First Lady at AU on Tuesday evening was introduced by President Edward G. Coll Jr. Before Clinton spoke, President of Omicron Delta Kappa, Michael Pellicciotti, and Vice President Chris Nyma inducted Clinton into the AU Circle of Omicron Delta Kappa. As Pellicciotti recognized Clinton into ODK, Nyman held an official book of recognition for Clinton to sign.

ODK Hall started
BY KRISTEN HOFFMAN
NEWS EDITOR

National leadership honor society Omicron Delta Kappa held a luncheon April 14 to induct two Alfred University alumni, Mark O'Meara and Eric Vaughn, into the Student Leader Hall of Fame to recognize their on-campus contributions.

"We [ODK] recognize solely their leadership when they were students," said Mike Pellicciotti, president of ODK. "We expect them to still be leaders, but we just look at their service as students." About 60 active ODK members selected O'Meara and Vaughn. Faculty and staff initially suggested 25 names to them for consideration.

Although O'Meara was the only inductee able to attend the luncheon, Pellicciotti explained that Vaughn couldn't attend because he had a conference call with a congresswoman in conjunction with a question and answer session at the White House. Vaughn, a lobbyist in Washington for alternative energy use, said, "I'm excited beyond belief [to be inducted into the Student Leader Hall of Fame]. It's quite an honor and brings back a lot of great memories."

One of his most memorable moments as a chair on the University Council was participating in a debate to change tenure policy.

"As a young individual listening to the professors talk about tenure goals, I realized I was part of the decision making process. Students have a powerful role to help the University expand, grow, and develop," Vaughn said.

Another memorable moment is when he met and had dinner with the Dalai Lama.

Safety of women in society takes focus

BY EMILIE HARDMAN
STAFF WRITER

Increased economic and social freedoms in modern society have replaced curfews and restrictive rules for women, but women are not taught how to stay safe and become empowered in our violent culture, said Patricia Riley.

Riley spoke at the Fifth Annual Elizabeth Hallenbeck Riley and Charles P. Riley Lecture in Women's Studies at Alfred University.

"I look back with a sense of nostalgia. Women then did not have the chances they have today, but we had a sense of safety that women do not have today," said Patricia Riley during her lecture. "We need to find safety for women in this world.

"I thought about calling this lecture, 'Never Get Into Bed With A Naked Man' to lighten the mood, because certainly, this is heavy stuff," Riley said, laughing. But even the stories behind Riley's humorous alternative title have a serious message.

Women, especially young and inexperienced women, sometimes allow men to spend the night in their homes or residence hall rooms. These men will promise not to engage in sexual activity, but will "change their minds," said Riley. She has prosecuted cases in which rapes occurred under similar circumstances.

Riley noted that fewer rapes occur in public places, so refusing to allow men who are not trusted friends into private spaces, like houses, residence hall rooms, or even offices, is the best plan. However, even good friends, especially if they have been drinking, can attack and rape women, she said.

Checking to make sure that men are who they say they are before allowing them into a home is also advisable. Riley relayed the story of a woman who opened the door to her apartment for a man who claimed to be her building's maintenance man. As soon as he was within the privacy of her apartment, he attacked the woman and raped her.

Online learning trend clashes with old-school ways

BY JAY WEISBERGER
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Online classes are a hot topic in many higher education circles and those determining how such classes will be implemented are not necessarily going to be professors said Joe Gow at the final Bergren Forum of the semester last Thursday.

The Associate Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and an Associate Professor of Mass Media, Gow told the Nevins Theater audience that he was presenting as "someone who is a teacher," before anything else.

Gow presented many different issues surrounding the use of online education, noting that he was going to raise more questions than provide answers.

He said he feels that the group with the greatest potential for use of online classes is what he called "non-traditional" students, such as adult students.

However, he mentioned he is skeptical about its uses for graduate students.

"We are not at the point yet where we can tell if students want this," he said. Gow noted the enrollment figures of two "virtual" colleges. He said that Western Governors, one online institution, has an enrollment of only 200 students, while Concord University School of Law has only 175.

Also discussed were the extra-curricular aspects of college life that online institutions have yet to offer.

"The stuff I did outside of class was pretty interesting," Gow said with a grin. These viewpoints go against the opinions of some who contend that global information changes so fast that students can receive a better education outside the classroom on the Internet.

Gow cited several authorities on higher education who have said that American Colleges and Universities are inefficient with their current setup. He mentioned many groups — groups that include big "educational brand names" like Ivy League Schools — are considering online classes in a for-profit venture.
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Dear Editor:

The Fiat Lux is appealing to you for your help in our current problem with the space we have. The current space is small and we need more room. The Faculty Senate is currently considering our request for additional space.

The space we need is for the following reasons:

1. More room for our staff to work.
2. More room for our students to study.
3. More room for our meetings.

We believe that we need at least a 50% increase in space to accommodate our current needs. We hope that you will consider our request and provide us with the necessary space.

Sincerely,

The Fiat Lux Staff

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Letters to the Editor

Hillary's visit brings responses

Dear Editor:

We are writing this letter in response to the e-mail that was sent out on April 26 titled "a concern of mine." The e-mail, which we are sure many of you read, dealt with the arrival of Hillary Clinton to Alfred University.

Apparently the student was concerned about the fact that the welcoming effort and helpful make some of the signs in question.

What they expressed was "their" love or support of Hillary Clinton and no way of stated or implied the overall support of Hillary Clinton by the entire art school that was stated related to the art students that were involved and do support Hillary Clinton. There are several art students that fit into this category, thus the slogan "Art Students For Hillary" is quite accurate. It is not an "ATROCITY" in any way. This was a valid expression of views by students. In response to the "many" that were protest- ing: there may well be "many" individuals who do oppose Hillary Clinton, although we noticed very, very few individuals who were openly protesting the event. Again, the signs that were displayed were representative of the students who do support Hillary Clinton, not individual that attends the event.

No person was attempting to speak on behalf of the "[the concerned students]" would be to start your own organization if you wish to express your ideas, after all that is what organizations are for. How can you concern students? expect to have ideas taken into if you do not make an authentic effort at expressing your ideas and are unwilling to identify yourself? We also appreciate your warn- ing of "public retaliation," but do not understand what "retaliation" would be, or what reason there would be for it. There is no need for a mass e-mail to interfere with everyone's accounts. If anyone wishes to respond to our concerns, then feel free to contact anyone of us to discuss these issues.

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Campus needs to come together

BY STEPHANIE WEBSTER
Production Manager

I am privileged to be writing this column in the waning days of my junior year instead of the spring of my senior year, the year I thought as editor was over, I have another year left with the Fiat Lux.

I am very proud of the things the Fiat Lux has accomplished in the time that I have been on staff, and I would like to see us continue to improve. Although we have had some bugs, the Fiat has updated its A&E coverage and won several national and state awards.

One of our keys to our success to the solid foundation provided by Michelle Passo, who was editor from 1999-2000. Now, it is time for the new editor, Jay Weinberger, to build on what we have started.

The Fiat needs to improve its news coverage. Too often, we accept the "public relations" answers to controversial questions instead of digging in-depth into a story. In addition, I am sure we miss commentaries.

This is to you, the reader, come in. If you know of an upcoming news event, please e-mail us or call us and we will post it on our answering machine. Write us a press release. Let us know about things your group is doing.

As I have stated in column form many times, we cannot provide free publicity for campus organizations. But if you do something newsworthy, we will make every attempt to cover it.

However, we are not perfect. As the editor, I was often afraid to defend the Fiat against criticism, because I didn't want to be seen as overly sensitive.

Since it is not "my" paper anymore, I will try to offer my opinion now. We have an executive staff of 17 or less people, depend- ing on whether any positions are vacant or anyone is doubting on positions.

This semester, because we have filled our executive board positions with former staff, we have a handful of staff writers and photo- graphers.

We are all busy people. A col- lege like Alfred University, a stu- dent who only participates in one extra-curricular activity is rare.

And unlike at other schools, we all take classes while we work on the paper. We do not get paid either. Believe it or not, at other schools, many executive board positions are paid, and staffers get paid for what they do.

What all this adds up to is that we cannot physically be everywhere at once. We are humans.

Lately, we have had a few let- ters to the editor concerning our performing arts reviews. These rather pointed letters seemed to have ignored half of the reviews.

Despite an overwhelmingly posi- tive review of Into the Woods, the Fiat has been inundated with com- plaints. What do those people want? A list of every person who participated in the play and how wonderful they were? That would not be a review. That would be public relations. We're not here for that.

A review is a writer's personal opinion, and you have a right to disagree. Keep in mind that because of constant complaints about the style of our reviews, we have solicited performing arts stu- dents to write reviews for us. For some reason, they keep turning us down. If you are not willing to help us out when we ask, you have no right to com-plain when you do not like what we do.

If we make a mistake, we always appreciate being told about it. But stop before you think to shoot off a letter to the editor that condemns a writer in harsh terms.

Even professional journalists have feelings. Believe it or not, we are people. When you attack us personally, we are going to get hurt.

The Fiat Lux is your paper. We want to serve you. We also have to serve our journalistic ideals. We appreciate fair and insightful criticism. Personal attacks and ignorant reactions are not appreciated.

I would also like to address another issue I have noticed: In the last few weeks we have received numerous student complaints about any number of events and issues.

I would like to tell the entire community to be calm.

Please. We are all acting like spoiled babies.

Recently about Hillary Clinton's visit to our campus over mass e-mail is a perfect example of this overreaction and overanализal- ization of everyone's motivations.

I believe that the College Democrats brought Clinton to campus because students deserve a chance to talk with a potential member of their government.

Like her or not, Clinton is a national figure. How coming to AU brings us a great amount of pres- tige and national attention.

If you have a problem with Clinton's politics, write a letter to the editor, make signs, or have a rally. But don't clutter up our mail- boxes with thoughtless e-mails.

And don't attack the College Democrats personally. They were doing what we were told to do. What did you expect them to do, poll every member of the cam- pus community to see how they really feel about Clinton? We, as a cam- pus community, need to support and understand each other.

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Stephanie Webster
Fiat Lux: Editor in Chief

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WorldNotes

Hot Dog Day 2000 proved to be a success yet once again. All pro- ceeds raised as a result of the event will go to eight specified chari- ties selected by the Hot Dog Day Committee. These eight charities are: AR Craniali Hook and Ladder Company, Alfred-Almond Little League, Allegany ARC, Camp Fire Boys and Girls, Gennesee Valley Habitat for Humanity, Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers Program, Literacy Volunteers of America, and MADD (Mothers Against Drunk Driving).

The Alfred Police Department arrested the person who sent an e- mail with an offensive audio attachment. The originator of the e- mail has been identified to be not the individual named in the e- mail. The University is proceeding with judicial action against the sender.

The e-mail was sent last Wednesday, April 26.

National

The biggest demonstration protesting 6-year-old ElisaLonardo's forced removal from the home of his Miami relatives is promised to be held by Cuban exile leaders in the state. The protest started around 8 p.m. near Miami's Bay of Pigs Memorial. About 80,000 people were expected at press time.

People have been urged to participate by exiles leaders on Spanish radio all week.

• Census "enumerators" are still out on the prowl to help anyone that hasn't yet filled out and returned a census form.

Sixty-five percent of households nationally mailed in their forms, while only 56 percent of New York State residents returned theirs. The United States Census is imperative for helping to provide public assistance.

International

Vietnam's Prime Minister Phan Van Khai paid homage to 300,000 missing communists who opposed American involvement in the war that ended 25 years ago Saturday.

"Our resistance struggle for national salvation had transcended 50 years of bloody suffering and sacrifices," Khai said in a keynote speech in the capital Hanoi.

15-24 hours in central Somalia, 42 people fell victim to a cholera outbreak, compounded by drought, local officials said Saturday.

Cholera is spread by contaminated water, and a drought that has dried up fresh water supplies and parched land in neighboring Ethiopia, Kenya, Eritrea and Sudan has intensified the impact of cholera.

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for Vaughan was when he received the Billy Band-Aid Award in football for his frequent injuries, which forced him to be a constant patient in the trainer's office.

He and O'Meara made the first Hot Dog Day a reality. Both con- sider Hot Dog Day as important to bring AU and Alfred State College students together with the American Community at least for one Saturday.

"It makes the community feel better about itself," Vaughan said. O'Meara emphasized that stu- dents made this event a reality.

"The first year, people [the Village Board] thought we were out of our minds," he said.

Once the event occurred, how- ever, O'Meara indicated that many who were at first opposed or indifferent to the event began to support it.

One of O'Meara's most memo- rable moments as a student was leading the second Hot Dog Day parade up Main Street partly because he found out Vaughan was looking for him the whole time during the parade.

"I made him [O'Meara] what he is today," Vaughan said jokingly.

Both O'Meara and Vaughan encourage student involvement on campus.

"As long as students are trying to find volunteers and raise money, it could be the Tiddly- Wink Club, for all I care," O'Meara said.

Policicotti is impressed with both of them.

"These people are incredible, they deserve to be inducted into the hall of fame. It's going to con- tinue for years to come. It's real- ly exciting," he said.
2000 Alfies showcase
AU excellence, talent

The Saxon Sillies get wound up before the show begins. The Sillies, who missed getting an Alfie in 1999, won the award this year for campus spirit by an organization. The group has become a facet of AU men’s basketball games.

AU President Edward G. Coll Jr. accepts his award for distinguished service to the University. The award was a special addition to this year’s program.

Members of the AU dance team show off their skills during their Alfie performance. The group was up for best student entertainer.

Liz Reina and Kyle Torok, both up for their acting roles in Pirate Theater, get together at the pre-show reception. Torok took home the Alfie in his category, nixing his pre-show prediction that he was going to lose.
The sixth annual Alfie Awards were held on Friday, April 29. Upon arrival at the Awards, guests were invited to step through a limousine before entering Harder Hall. Students, faculty and staff were treated to sparkling grape juice and munchies in the lobby of Harder Hall starting at 8:30 p.m.

For the second year in a row, the weather was warm and dry for the Alfies. The show was hosted by Ben Farnsworth and Ann Jones. This year’s show featured a special Alfie for President Colf, who is retiring after 18 years.

The Alfies began six years ago to recognize students and student organizations for their contributions on campus and in the community. Voting took place in the campus center April 17 through 19. Over 600 people voted.

The show started at 8:30 p.m. in the Student Organization Suite and the Multi-Cultural Suite. Davis, along with SAB, took honors for the Live concert.

PHOTO BY ANDRE BERNARD
Dave Davis gets into the Alfies spirit before the show starts in Holmes Auditorium. Davis, along with SAB, took honors for the Live concert.

PHOTO BY JAY WEISBERGER
Freshman Erica Lyn Robinson awaits the beginning of the show so she can cheer on her friends.

PHOTO BY JAY WEISBERGER
Laura Hillfiori of the Kanakadea Yearbook enjoys the post-Alfies party in the Student Organization Suite and the Multi-Cultural Suite.
It seemed that many Alfred University students were almost as excited by the presence of the United States Secret Service on campus during Hillary Clinton’s visit last Tuesday as by the First Lady.

While the First Lady was on campus, 12 federal agents were on hand. Two Explosive Ordnance Disposal specialists and a bomb sniffing dog and handler from the Department of Defense were also present.

The Cattaraugus County Sheriff’s department provided a second “bomb dog” team. Six officers from the Alfred Police Department, including Chief John Simons were at the event. According to Special Agent Chris Bronchetti of the Syracuse field office of the Secret Service, he was told to inspect the campus and determine what resources would be necessary to protect the First Lady. He visited Alfred the Monday before Clinton’s arrival and inspected the campus, especially Harder Hall.

According to Bronchetti, Harder Hall was swept by the dog teams and human EOD specialists. The area was sealed off until the First Lady arrived slightly after 5 p.m. and remained secure until after she left the building.

According to Bronchetti, the agents had access to heavy weapons and tactical equipment in case of an incident. Possible escape routes were already mapped out in advance. The agents had also designated two “hard rooms.” These are places where agents can safely protect people until extra help arrives.

Despite all these precautions, the Secret Service acknowledged that their security net is not infallible.

“Even we realize that things happen. Our job is to do our best ability prevent anything [dangerous] from happening,” said Bronchetti.

According to Special Agent Mark Leacue of the Secret Service, agents “look for something that is out of the ordinary.” This could be someone looking tense in a happy cheering crowd or someone wearing a heavy coat in warm weather, among other things.

Bronchetti said that a politician’s itinerary can sometimes clash with security concerns. The Secret Service would be perfectly happy if politicians did not do things like get out of motorcades to shake hands.

“They’re always compromise,” he added.

Bronchetti said that the performance of APD, AU Security and other organizations were very good and that the University and local authorities had been very cooperative and helpful.

However Chief Simons and Pat Schwartz, the head of AU Security, both said they would have appreciated more time to prepare before Clinton’s visit and would have liked to have been notified sooner. Both APD and AU Security said that they found out about the visit the proceeding Thursday when the Hornell Evening Tribune ran an article on it.

Simons said that he did not have any official contact with the Secret Service until the Monday morning before Clinton’s arrival.

“When you have somebody of that stature coming into a jurisdiction, a lot of liability is on that jurisdiction,” said Simons. The chief went on to explain that the Secret Service was responsible for defending the First Lady but that APD had to deal with ensuring the safety of the Alfred community at large and handle any civil unrest that might have broken out.

Despite the short notice, the event ran smoothly. Simons said that all the agencies involved, including AU Security, performed their duties very well and that there were no security problems.

“I had a great time actually,” said Scott Cicirello, an officer with APD who assisted in the event.

Omar Perez gets a chance to meet First Lady Hillary Clinton after her speech last week. Many students and community members had the opportunity to shake hands and exchange some remarks with Clinton.

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Secret Service hits AU for Clinton’s visit

BY PATRICK L. BOYLE

Staff Writer

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Our Sincere Best Wishes to you all!

The Management & Staff at AU Dining Service
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tures. This, Gow said, may very well take the decision making power over online learning out of the hands of educators and into the hands of people who are simply looking for a good investment.

Gow threw up a caution flag.

“Can money be made with online learning?” Gow asked. He answered the question by pointing out the recent dive in tech stock prices.

“People are starting to ask if America knows how to make money,” Gow said. Online higher education would pose the same risk, he said.

Other motivations for online communities were the idea that more massive students will get involved in forum discussions online. Also, because of it, it is hard to refute that the Internet offers fast access to any number of resources that could be used for a class. He also discussed the increasing price of college.

“Tuition [for four-year private universities] went up 44 percent in the 1990s,” Gow said.

Gow talked about the controversy over whether or not learning is real education. He said it involves checking out a man who claims to be a police officer before allowing him in, or being suspicious of a doctor who initiates sexual activity for the purposes of medical procedure.

“Women need a strong sense of self before they can navigate the sometimes murky waters of modern life,” Gow said.

Self-defense will benefit women greatly by helping them stay safe, he said.

“Stay in a group. Don’t yield to temptation to stay in an isolated situation,” Gow said. “Even if you think he is harmless, don’t stay with him.”

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International Friendship park dedicated by AU

BY KRISTEN HOFFMAN
NEWS EDITOR

If you have been wondering what all the work next to Scholes Library was, it is now obvious. The new Van Frechette International Friendship Park was constructed "to the causes of peace, friendship and cultural understanding," as written on the park's plaques.

The park was dedicated on April 25 at 11:30 p.m. The new park was the idea of David Pysz, dean of the College of Ceramics. Pysz traveled overseas and noticed similar parks at universities in Mexico and Germany.

"We should be doing something like that here at Alfred University because of our extensive international programs involving teachers and student researchers from all over the world who visit us," Pysz said.

Pysz thought it appropriate to name the park after Derek Van Frechette, a retired ceramic science professor, because of his contributions to the development of on-going international relationships.

In 1961, Frechette attended a conference in Cairo, Egypt about the interaction between radiation and solids. Because universities in Cairo had calendars coinciding with AU's and offered English-taught courses, Frechette and other faculty thought it was a good place to send AU students until the threat of war broke out between Israel and Egypt.

He talked to Herbert Odé, one of the many international professors he connected with over the years, and asked whether it was possible for students to study abroad in Germany.

Odé's question was "Why didn't you send students in the first place?"

Although the Goethe Institute for Glass and Ceramics' calendar ran on a different schedule from Alfred University, Odé and Frechette arranged for AU students to attend. He is pleased that about four-to-five German students come here for their sophomore year to study glass science and ceramic engineering.

"It's a neat idea and a very great honor," Frechette said in reference to the park named after him.

Maintenance Supervisor for the Ceramic Physical Plant Ken Ordway indicated that the construction of the park began last fall and had to be completed in the spring due to weather conditions.

There is a plaque dedicated to the 16 workers who undertook this project.

"The staff of the Physical Plant of the College of Ceramics has formed a small miracle to make this happen," Pysz said.

Pysz indicated that when a visitor from another country visits Alfred University, the United Nations Flag will be taken down and the flag of that particular country will be displayed along with the New York state flag and the United States flag.

The Fiat Lux

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Reich: peace to come slowly in Middle East

BY JAY WEISBERGER
Evanston-Chapel

Peace agreements among Israel, Syria and the Palestinians are not going to come before president Clinton leaves office this fall said Bernard Reich, a renowned expert on the Middle East, at a lecture April 16. However, Reich said at the same time, there would be no war.

Reich, a professor of political science and international affairs at George Washington University, detailed the current situation in the Middle East and made some predictions to full house in Rowell Hall.

Reich explained there are really two conflicts that must be settled in the area: one involving Israel and Syria and a second with Israel and the Palestinians.

Reich explained that these conflicts, for the most part, territorial, dating to World War II. This stems, he said from different sets of boundaries. In essence, each side of the conflict has been making claims to certain lands.

In respect to the conflict between Israel and the Palestinians, Reich showed how this was quite complicated.

“Both sides,” Reich said, “have legitimate claims.” He noted how when Great Britain decided to give up the area known as Palestine after WWII, the British promised after WWII, the British promised “the Jews will have a state of Israel.” Of course, gave the Jews a state of Israel, of course, gave the Jews a state of Israel.

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Reich said, he does not see the Gaza Strip as a problem, however. “The Palestinians will get all of the Gaza Strip,” Reich said, mainly because “it has no contemporary meaning to Israel.”

The Strip was once used by Israel strategically against Egypt; however, Egypt and Israel have had formal peace since the late 1970s.

Things changed when Reich discussed the West Bank, though. “Well,” he began, “there we’ve got a problem.”

This area, very near Jerusalem, is still in dispute, with neither side able to compromise on who will receive what land. Reich said there is no easy solution.

“We don’t know what’s going to happen,” he said, “except that neither side will like the end result.”

Furthermore, Reich said, Jerusalem itself is a major sticking point: both Palestinians and Israelis want Jerusalem to be their capital city.

“You can solve technical things,” Reich said, referring to problems like water distribution and refugee return to Palestine, but he added that Jerusalem is going to be a sticking point for a while.

The situation is complicated, Reich said, by the fact that Israel’s Prime Minister Ehud Barak, or any Israeli leader, will not give up any land to the Palestinians.

Reich explained that Israel has agreed to withdraw from certain territories, however, he added, “there is no final map or plan” detailing official boundaries.

In 1993, we were told that [Yasir Arafat] had a year or two to live,” Reich said, noting that Arafat is still in charge, despite his poor health.

Reich mentioned that the successors to Assad are not going to be able to help the peace process along at all.

With that, Reich said he is “not very optimistic” about a peace deal anytime soon.

Syria wants to go back to the border territories of 1967, which places Syria on the Sea of Galilee, a major Israeli water source.

This line would also give Syria control over the Golan Heights, which has been a sticking point for a while.

Concern to Israel in the military status of the Golan Heights if land back to Syria, Reich said.

“The Golan Heights must be demilitarized according to Israel,” in order to maintain peace. This is because, as Reich explained, whatever army occupies the Golan Heights has a huge military advantage over the occupying country.

Reich stopped short of saying there will never be peace in the Middle East.

Reich sees peace coming in the manner that Egypt got peace with Israel.

“Egyptian President Anwar Sadat got up in front of the government and said ‘The time has come for peace with Israel,’” Reich explained. He said he expects such surprise announcements to be the way of things.

“It’s down to the last issues,” Reich said, the problem said with the complicated ones.

Mullins talks of Mideast

BY GEORGE B. HARRIS
Staff Writer

Thomas D. Mullins, associate director of the Center for Middle Eastern Studies at Harvard and executive director of the Center’s Contemporary Arab Studies Program, visited the Alfred University campus this past Monday and Tuesday.

He was the guest of Abderrahman Rohana, professor of business, and Zakia Robana, assistant professor of French. The Robanas invited Mullins while on sabbatical at Harvard for the 1998-99 academic year.

At the request of Stuart Campbell, professor of history, Mr. Robana invited Mullins to come to the Alfred community and share his unique view on the Middle East conflict and the Mideast crisis from a Palestinian perspective. Mullins’ public speech later that evening was well attended. It focused on what Mullins saw as some of the key problems in Middle East stability, including the lack of good government, severe lack of light industry, the great economic separation between the “have and the have nots” and the Palestinian/Zionist conflict.

“It was a pleasure to hear a distinguished scholar who could speak so clearly on such a complex issue,” said Robert Myers, professor of anthropology and public health. The lecture was sponsored by Student Managed Investment Funds in the College of Business and the Division of Human Studies in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

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May 3, 2000
Projects center roundtable

BY EMILIE HARDMAN
STAFF WRITER

Following tradition, the final Women’s Studies Roundtable of the semester was given over to the graduating women’s studies minors to present their final projects.

“Those minors have brought so much from their course work in women’s studies to their projects and they have also learned a lot from completing the project,” said professor of English, Sharon Hoover. “There is an enormous amount of work that goes into teaching, Kool was actively Jewish woman,” wrote Hoover. “There is an enormous amount of work that goes into...”

Molly DeStafney and Heather Kool presented their final projects in women's studies. Vicki Rakich, Chair of the Division of Human Studies, read Naomi Manon's personal statement, as Manon was unable to attend.

Kool put together a pamphlet for the women's studies program at Alfred as her final project. Because of her time commitment to student teaching, Kool was unable to do her original project idea, The Alphadelphian, Alfred's Women’s studies program newsletter. She decided that a pamphlet would be just as important for the program.

“I wanted to make women's studies more of a presence on campus,” said Kool. “We need it to be more visible if we are to grow.”

The use of media like The Alphadelphian, the Internet and the new pamphlet will increase visibility on campus for prospective students and the community at large, said Kool.

“I think that a lot of people believe that women's studies means women period,” said Kool. “She advanced bringing more men into the program and said that women’s studies have given her new and important ways of seeing her experiences. It could do the same for anyone, she said.”

DeStafney examined films included on the American Film Institute top 100 film list. The list was compiled as a celebration of American film making several years ago.

“I wanted to examine what these movies were saying and showing about women,” said DeStafney. Time constraints prevented her from watching all 100 films, so DeStafney examined 26 of them. Films were selected for study based on their inclusion of strong female presence.

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“It’s really kind of disturbing,” she said.

Because the AQI list is meant to represent the best of American film making, the female characters in these movies are also called upon to represent American women. The negative way that they are portrayed is problematic, said DeStafney.

The final student, Manon, took yet another approach to the fulfillment of her women’s studies final project. Manon put together an anthology of women's writing that was concerned with positive religious experiences. The anthology, containing work from women all over the US, was going to be positive or negative when I started this project, if it was going to be positive or negative, said DeStafney.

“I get rejected from both sides,” said Manon in her personal statement. It could do the project.

Manon gathered pieces for the anthology through e-mail requests and electronic posts from on-line lists. She said what she collected ultimately was a very empowering collection of work.

“I’ve always felt a challenge to my identity as a feminist and an actively Jewish woman,” wrote Manon in her personal statement. “I got rejected from both sides.”

“This project has made me realize that I’m not alone,” she wrote.

Susan Morehouse, Director of women’s studies and professor of English, closed the final roundtable of the year by reading from one of Alfred's founding mothers, Abigail Alline’s, speeches.

“Be radical, radical to the core,” read Morehouse with a smile as she presented the graduating minors with their certificates in women's studies.

Projects center roundtable
Chamber Singers, Strings ready for Europe

The two groups will tour Sweden, Finland and Estonia on their 10-day trip overseas

BY KRISTEN HOFFMAN
News Editor

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Pat McGee Band's recent album "SBL" was written by McEwan and produced by McEwan in Richmond, Va. The album was released in June 1997 and has sold over 20,000 copies in the United States. The band has played over 200 shows and has shared the stage with bands such as the Black Crowes and the Steve Miller Band.

The Pat McGee Band has been touring extensively throughout the country. The band tends to appeal to people who are fans of Phish and Dave Matthews Band.

Joe Fruhman

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Field hockey looks at next year

BY BENJAMIN LEE
Sports Editor

Women’s field hockey is making final arrangements for their first season as a club sport at Alfred University’s campus.

“Our plans for the fall are to have a real season,” said monitor Samantha Johnston.

Junior Stephanie Webster originally founded the organization last semester. This semester, Johnston and Kim Gray, both sophomores, assumed the leadership responsibilities concerning the development of the team. The team is currently holding elections to vote on captains, secretaries, and treasurer. They have also been holding practices throughout the semester.

“About 50 girls expressed interest in playing, but we have been practicing with a core group of 20 to 25,” Gray said.

According to Gray, she and Johnston have contacted 25 schools in a three-hour radius to establish a tentative schedule for the fall season. As of yet, they have no scheduled competitions, but have been in contact with Elmira, the University of Buffalo, Geneseo and other area schools. They also want to host a tournament during the fall season.

The team has been collecting dues and holding bake sales in order to provide sufficient funds for their expenses. They plan on building goals in conjunction with art students in order to conserve money. Overall though, the team has not met its own aspirations to develop their program.

“Jenny Keran has been great about getting us field and turf time,” said Gray.

Johnston and Gray are scheduled to meet with Athletic Director Jim Moretti in April to discuss their plans and proposals for the team. They expect the team to eventually become a varsity sport, but at the moment they are just concerned with next season.

Gray and Johnston feel that they have an excellent start for the organization and the athletic department is supportive of the club’s success.

“I am open to any club where the students have an interest,” said Moretti.

Men’s lacrosse

—Compiled by Benjamin Lee

Men’s lacrosse faced Geneseo State in an 18-5 win. The Saxons led after the first quarter 6-1, and walked away with a consecutive win.

Freshman Jackie Brown takes a walk through the Clothesline Project last Thursday. The event got a very diverse turnout in the Knight Club. A local version of the Clothesline Project may be on the way so.

SPORTS ROUNDUP

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Rounding up the show were the Alfred Breakers. The breakdancing presented various moves including flips and kicks. The dancers proved that the floor was their friend.

Both Kutz and Miksic also demonstrated that their dance vocabulary was not limited to just men’s routines. Several female breakdancers also performed.

Women’s track

Women’s track team was also victorious in their singles matches. The team also swept their three doubles matches with the teams of Thurber and Clay, Tuttle and Crist and Empie and Pierce.

Men’s tennis

Junior Casey Hollenback placed third in the Empire Eight championships held at Nazareth College. The Saxons defeated Nazareth 5-3 in the third-place match, after losing in the semifinals earlier in the day to RIT.

Softball (14-11)

The softball team went 1-3 this past week. They dropped both games of a double-header to Geneseo, and they split with Empire Eight rival St. John Fisher.

They last the early game to Geneseo 18-2 and then the night-cap by a score of 11-0.

The Saxons had an optimistic opener the next day when they shut out St. John Fisher 4-0, but they were unable to complete the sweep. They lost the second game 4-3.

Jenny Rau Skinner has set the records for wins (12) and shutouts (3) in a season with six games left. She also has 50 strikeouts on the season.

Men’s tennis (9-2)

Saxon tennis placed third in the Empire Eight championships hosted at Nazareth College. The Saxons defeated Nazareth 5-3 in the third-place match, after losing in the semifinals earlier in the day to RIT.

David Clay posted wins in second singles, and also paired with teammate John Thurber in first doubles.

They then moved on to defeat St. John Fisher 4-3. Clay and Thurber were victorious again in first doubles. Chris Crist and Bill Tuttle emerged as winners in second doubles and their teammates Nate Empie and Jon Pierce won third doubles.

Also, avenging an earlier loss, the Saxons shut out host Penn State-Bellevue. Thurber, Crist, Clay, Empie and Brian Luzi were all victorious in their singles matches.

Women’s track

The women’s track team was also at the University of Buffalo. Ann Gunnemann set the pace for the AU women with a third-place finish in the 3,000-meter run with a time of 11:09.90, and placed eighth in the 1,500-meter run with a time of 5:17.60. Kristy Kopauff placed third in the javelin with a throw of 27.26 meters. Katie Gaylor finished sixth in both the 200-meter dash (28.10), and tied for tenth in the 100-meter dash (13.59) with teammate Keri Foreman. Tyeisha Fugish was eighth in the 800-meter run with a time of 2:22.78. Elizabeth Mener took sixth in the hammer throw (138.16 meters), and eighth in the shot put (57.6 meters).

Equestrian

The team took second in the open competition on the flat at the equine Zone championships held at Briarwood Farm in Newton, N.J. Brown also won the IHSA National Championship on May 12-14 in Couey, Ga. She competed at Nationals in 1999 placing eighth in the open competition on the flat.

Clothesline project brings awareness to Alfred

The Clothesline Project is a display of shirts designed by survivors of sexual assault, rape and abuse. It is designed to increase awareness of the impact of violence, especially against women.

“The words on the shirts are very powerful,” said outgoing WIC Co-President Christa Ray.

The night club was still able to RMS with injuries, the...
Atom gig fun

BY SARAH GUARIGLIA
A & E Editor

“We want metrics! We want them now!” So went one of the many battle cries of punk one-man-band Atom and His Package. Atom, who hails from Philadelphia, played on April 21 in the Knight Club as part of the SAB small-act series. The audience was quite different from the usual Knight Club crowd; the entire group stood, danced, jumped, bounced and shouted through the performance, and Technicolor hair was more prevalent than a normal night. The atmosphere suited Atom’s fun, hyper and often nonsensical songs.

Atom opened with “Hats Off To Halfton,” a song to Judas Priest’s Rob Halford, saluting him for “Halford,” a song to Judas Priest’s songs. Atom also improvised an impromptu keyboard solo before coming back to the mic. “We just had a great show in Boulder, though,” Soriano-Lightwood said about the band’s current buzz.

The Internet, she said, definitely helped them along. “We definitely got a lot of exposure [on the Internet],” she said. “[It was] more than we would have gotten with just normal marketing techniques.” Soriano-Lightwood said she has come from a very Internet savvy background. Her band is an experienced programmer, as well. The band’s sleek website is an illustration of the band’s affinity for online media.

With all this enthusiasm for the Internet, one would think the band would be embracing the controversial Napster program. “I still have to make my mind up [about Napster],” Soriano-Lightwood said. “We’re all for it,” she added, noting how the format helped them get exposure.

Chamber Singers bring energy

BY CATHERINE A. KEVETT
Staff Writer

With final exams looming before me, it was a great escape to listen to the euphonious sounds of the AU Chamber Singers, AU Chorus and AU String Quartet at St. Jude’s Catholic Church Friday night. The Stairwells, an all-male a cappella group, was not mentioned in the program, but they were a wonderful introduction to the night’s performances. Fairly new to the Alfred community, this group sang four pieces of music ranging from Moody Pervous’ “King of Spain,” to the Billy Joel song “And So It Goes.” These men definitely knew how to harmonize.

The Stairwells set the tone for the evening and were followed by the Chamber Singers, led by Luanne Clarke. The Chamber Singers is a select group of students who audition for a spot in the group. Clarke said last year she added 11 new students to the group, and the carry-over to this year was very good. This means the students are performing with a sense of camaraderie “because they know each other and have sung together for more than a year” said Clarke. This is compounded by the fact that they are touring Europe later in May.

I understood immediately the closeness of the group Clarke had mentioned when they began to sing. The church seemed to be the perfect place to house such heavenly voices and sounds. Their first piece, “All That Hath Life and Breath” by Sarah Guariglia

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REVIEW

AU Chamber Singers, Chorus bring energy

BY JAY WEISBERGER
Editor-at-Cam

Geri Soriano-Lightwood, lead singer for Supreme Beings of Leisure, has been moving around quite a bit lately. “It’s been pretty hectic,” she said last Friday from Des Moines, Iowa. “We just had a great show in Boulder, though.” Soriano-Lightwood, along with SBL, have found themselves all over the place, including Monday’s show in AU’s Holmes Auditorium.

For Soriano-Lightwood, getting to do some shows outside of her native Los Angeles has been a nice change of pace. “L.A. people are jaded,” she said, citing the buzz of the band “All That Hath Life and Breath.” She said it’s an exciting time for the band as quite a buzz has grown around them on the Internet and on the radio.

“We feel lucky to have been at the right place at the right time,” Soriano-Lightwood said about the band’s current buzz.

Insanity reigned during Atom’s set, which lasted slightly over an hour. While it may not have been lyrically deep, Atom’s music provided a fun change from the usual rock bands.

By judy tsang
Managing Editor

The presence of dance has become more and more prevalent on the AU campus within recent years, but was AU ready for ballroom dancing?

That’s what sophomore Jessie Eustis and senior Emily Milicic tested out Saturday, April 22 in the Adelphi Dance Studio. Along with their exhibition of ballroom dancing, there was swing dancing by sophomores Shelly Lloyd-James and freshman Patrick Nelson. Also performed was some breakdancing by the Alfred Breakers.

Professor of Dance Susan Rosebuck introduced the group of dancers Eustis and Milicic have been taking ballroom dancing lessons with the Fred Astaire Dance Company, as recipients of the Robert McComsey Ballroom Dance Scholarship. The dancers have competed at the bronze level in Connecticut.

The attention turned to Shelly Lloyd-James and Patrick Nelson, whom they showed how the Lindy-hop was done. Both Lloyd-James and Nelson allowed their legs to circle and flick out. Their piece ended with Nelson holding Lloyd-James upside down, with one of her legs pointing toward the ceiling. Easily captivating the interest of the audience was the cha-cha.

Ballroom dancing display an impressive showing