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Candlelight Carol Service

The Candlelight Carol Service, to be performed by the Albright College Choir, will be held on Sunday December 15th. The Albright Carol Service is one of the highlights of the season. About five hundred Albrightians including alumni, parents and friends together with townspeople yearly gather for an evening of seasonal music. Beginning at 7:30 in the Merner-Pfeiffer-Klein Chapel, the choral program will include works of George Frederic Handel, John Rutter, Williams, and Benjamin Britten. Arrangements of carols and spirituals will also be performed.

Chris Nagle will perform "Nazareth," by Gounod, and Becky Tarbell will sing of the

setting of a contemporary poem, by Carlson. Other soloists will perform descants and solos within the anthems.

The Reverend Jane Williams, director of the Albright Counseling Center will present a narrative sermon. Dr. John Gordon, Chaplain will preside as liturgist. Lion Diplomats will assist as ushers in receiving the offering and the lighting of the candles.

Dr. Francis Williamson will direct the choir assisted by W. Phillip Holzman (organist).

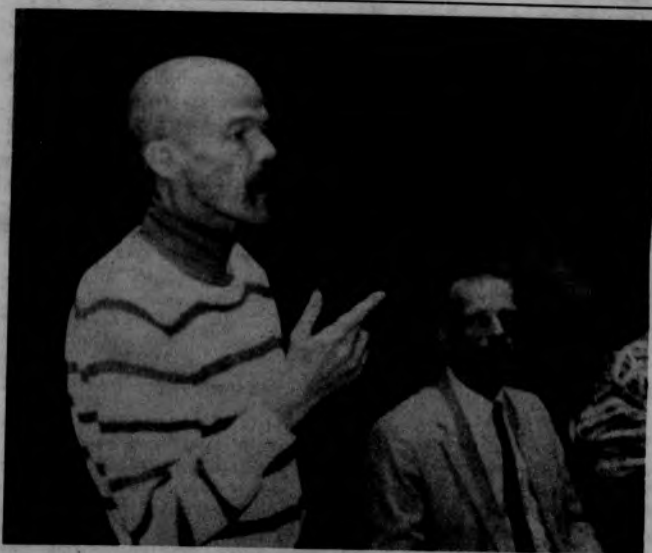
Students, faculty and staff are encouraged to participate in this annual event. All are welcome.

A New Addition to the Campus



Kay Reilly (left) and Cathy DiRugino assist the Hon. Judge W. Richard Eshelman, president of Albright's board of trustees, in unveiling the sculpture of Jacob Albright Nov. 22. The project was financed by Eshelman.

photo by Brian Singer



A member of "people living with AIDS" (PLWA) answers students questions in the theater on National AIDS Awareness Day.

photo by Brian Singer

National AIDS Awareness Day Observed

On Dec. 2 Albright participated in the observance of National AIDS Awareness Day. Three "persons living with AIDS" (PLWA) who have been diagnosed as being HIV positive were present to tell their stories. Although the stories were intriguing and informative, they sometimes were not unlike horror stories about the disease itself, it's side effects, and the stigmatism they face.

"Joe," the fourth longest living AIDS victim according to the National Institute of Health (NIH), believes he contracted the virus in the late 1970s. He was not diagnosed with "full blown AIDS" until 1982, when a serum test was finally developed.

Through a Philadelphia physician he was able to become a "human guinea pig" to test experimental drugs at NIH. Members of the audience asked if this had been beneficial to

his stabilization. He replied that in one particular instance he developed renal (kidney) failure as a side effect of one of the drugs. Joe also noted that some drugs manifest side effects differently in each individual.

The participants fielded questions from the small audience in the Meridian Theater. Questions ranged from "Have there been any advancements in clinical medicine for the treatment of AIDS?" to "What are the symptoms?"

Joe said that currently 53% to 55% of the physicians in the U.S. refuse to treat HIV patients and finding treatment is complicated by the lack of federal funding toward research. On the positive side, New Jersey has passed laws that revoke practitioners licenses upon refusing to treat HIV positive patients.

Rethinking Democracy Conference Held

by Susan E. Miers

Many alternative viewpoints and thought-provoking papers were presented during the "Rethinking Democracy" conference organized by Dr. Achal Mehra, head of the communications' program.

"Approximately 300 people went through some portion of the program," said Mehra. He said there were about 100 people attended consistently, at least four or five of the sessions. The afternoon Keynote Address by controversial author Michael Parenti received the largest attendance. Parenti's contempt for big business, and in particular the big business of the media, was humorously presented.

"Why is there so much golf on television," quipped Parenti, "Do you know what a small percentage of Americans play golf?" Parenti went on to explain that because all of the executives who run the media and all of their friends play golf, so they think everybody plays and wants watch it on the tube.

He also attacked the content of newspapers. We read a lot about people robbing banks said Parenti, "but what's more common, people robbing banks or banks robbing people?"

In addition to Parenti, the list of distinguished keynote speakers included: Dessima M. Williams, former ambassador to the United Nations for Grenada, Ngugi Wa Thiong'o, distinguished professor of comparative literature at Amherst College and author exiled from Kenya, and Edward Herman, noted author and professor emeritus at the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania.

Mehra said he hopes to make the conference an annual event and has been contemplating the advantages and disadvantages of moving the conference to the spring or earlier in the fall semester. Many students said they would have liked to attend more of the sessions, but had too many papers and studying for exams. Mehra said the conference could feasibly only be moved up one week earlier.

Tuition Hikes Evaluated

by Spencer Finch

Every student that attends Albright College went through it: the whole process of sending to different colleges thousands of pages of applications, with all their little requirements and details to be taken care of.

One detail that usually gets the most attention is the financial aid application. After it is filed and sent to the Financial Aid Office, the need of each student is determined, according to income and assets of the student's family, including the student.

Almost 90 percent of the class of 1995 at Albright had some sort of need. After many discussions and calculations, the student chooses the college he or she wants to go to (hopefully, Albright). Finally, after years of savings and hard work, at least by the parents, the family can rest.

Or so they thought. Today, because of the recession that does not go away and also because of tuition increases, some families are having a hard time paying college bills. As a consequence, some students and parents are having doubts as to whether the decision to come to Albright was the right one. Others are trying to find new ways to help finance their education.

"Next year I'm planning on becoming a R.A. [residential assistant] to help my parents out, because the tuition will go up again. Three years ago, it wouldn't, because the economy was up. But today nobody has a lot of money", said Sarah Shatz, a junior at Albright.

Joyce M. Frantz, Financial Aid Director at Albright, said that many families are, for the first time, having some difficulty at meeting the total sum required of parents, in many cases because one parent lost a full-time job or overtime pay, which they counted on to help them meet their obligations. There are some students moving out of the dormitories to become commuter students just to save money.

"One of my apartment mates might be moving back home next year", said Kathleen Clark, a senior at Albright, "because of financial difficulties".

One consequence of this strain on parents and students is that the Financial Aid Office has been forced to increase its aid to students,

to lure them away from cheaper public colleges and the usual private competitors.

Frantz says the biggest threat comes from the public schools: "With this climate in the economy, due to the recession, many parents are not real sure a \$15,000 to \$20,000 education in a private college is going to get their child a better education than a \$7,000 to \$8,000 investment in a public college".

The tuition for students attending Albright College has continually gone up in recent years. From \$10,715 in 1989-90 it went up to \$11,800 in 1990-91, and then to \$13,400 in 1991-92.

These increases, of 10 percent and 13.5 percent respectively, are much higher than the national average of 8 percent and 7 percent, making Albright one of the 150 most expensive private colleges in the United States.

But, to disparage those who say the increases have been excessive, the tuition paid at Albright has not gone over a steady 30 to 35 percent premium over the national average for private colleges. What this means is that even though Albright's tuition has gone up, the tuitions at other private colleges in the country have also gone up, at about the same rate. According to Frantz, that is also true in comparison with regional competitors, such as Muhlenberg, Gettysburg, Dickinson, Ursinus, Moravian and Susquehanna.

Also, Albright may not have to fear competition from public colleges either. Last year these colleges faced financial hardship as the increase in tax support to them dropped to its lowest levels in 30 years. Thirty states made mid-year cuts in their public college budgets, with the average cut amounting to 3.9 percent. Because of this, many public colleges are capping their admission levels, limiting the choice of prospective students.

"Is the price of attending Albright fair? I can't say because there are many definitions of fair. Certainly, some would consider the price steep, but if you want to attend a college where the classes have 20 students instead of 100, and where the teachers can give individual attention to the student, this is the place to come", Frantz concluded.

All figures used in this article come from Albright College's Financial Aid Office or from figures published in the "Chronicle of Higher Education" and the U.S. Department of Education's "Digest of Education Statistics".

Cheerleaders To Go To France

by Joy Wolfe

Golden beams of sunshine cast a halo over Shirk stadium, creating a regal throne for the legacy of American sports, college football. The crowd watches with anticipation for the next play to be completed, anxious for a touchdown and their energy ignites yells of frustration.

Below on the track, stand nine girls who transform this energy into beacons of support, which hopefully will lead the football team to a touchdown. Taking pride in their colors of red and white, the cheerleaders of Albright College represent the epitome of school spirit.

Next summer, they will take that spirit to France to support the Albright football team in its game against the French National Football Team.

In August of 1992, 13 girls will take advantage of the great opportunity offered by a trip to Vichy, France. Deborah Lile-Dunston, president of International Sports Connection (ISC), Inc., believes that the "Vichy Classic" football game and festivities provide students with a "once-in-a-lifetime experience."

The cultural and educational benefits cost each individual \$1,398. But members of the squad agree, the cost is an affordable price in exchange for roundtrip airfare, six nights hotel accommodation, two meals daily, two sightseeing tours and invaluable media exposure.

Although the trip will be personally funded, the cheer leaders will participate in fund raising activities, such as raffles and candy sales, to defray the cost of the trip, said Joanne Lightman, cheerleading director.

"It will be a great experience for them by allowing them to broaden their horizons and to see how people live differently in other

countries," Lightman said.

In France, both the cheerleaders and the football team will receive media exposure. They were invited by ISC and the city of Vichy. The town is hosting an American college team for the football game against the French National Team. While representing the United States in the American Festival Week, they will be the focus of French television and will be featured in U.S. Foot, the official football publication in France, according to Lile-Dunston.

Cathie Carlista, a junior, said that the media coverage will be "very exciting." It will allow the group "to see how sports are covered by the media in other countries."

Lightman believes the experience will aid them in performing before large audiences. When ISC invited the group to perform, they informed Lightman that the group would be in several parades and would greet the football players at the airport, while also being featured in articles.

As a result of these actions, the exposure will generate a "positive image of Albright College," said Lightman.

The cheerleaders greatly appreciate the fact that the football team and the athletic directors included them in this opportunity, according to Carlista.

By recommending that they perform, Coach Jeff Sparagana has included the spirit which is a focal point of the football experience. Without the enthusiasm of the cheerleaders, the French audience could never experience an actual American football game.

Even though the football games have ended, the cheerleaders are still helping to motivate the audiences at basketball games. But, in nine months, they will experience another type of excitement as they help to lead the cheering crowds in France.

Sexploitation in the Media

Sexploitation in the Media
by Lori Schoeberl

On November 21st, Dr. Karen Hicks presented an experience event entitled "Still Killing Us Softly." This experience was about advertising and how many of us in the audience became more aware of the ideas conveyed in them that we didn't realize before. Every day of our lives we see imagery in advertising, whether it be on television, movies, billboards, or magazines, and these images help to form our society's views of looking at the individuals themselves.

I first watched a video from 1987, by Lynn Kilbourne, who has been involved in advertising and its effects for fifteen years, and then we participated in a discussion. We were invited to see that almost all of the advertising forms are negative to women, first of all, and that most advertisements show white people, who are heterosexual, young, in a nuclear family, with no disabilities and no blemishes of any sort. In reality, only 12% of the real world is representative of this. So much has changed over the years, it is amazing that these advertisers still create their advertisements in the same fashion.

Of all groups that feel pressure from advertisements, women feel the most. Women must be beautiful -- that means no lines, wrinkles, scars, etc. Women of color are expected to look as white as possible and all are expected to transform their natural looks to appear almost less than human. The cosmetics business, as a result, makes over one million dollars an hour spent by women trying to improve themselves.

Women's bodies, as well, are perceived as things or objects by the advertisements, showing all parts of the body as being able to be altered. Parts of their bodies actually are dismembered, which is quite dehumanizing in its appearance. Sometimes, one can tell who is the real human and who is not. This focus on the body brings women to be quite concerned about their weight and it is stated that 1 out of 5 college women have an eating disorder, as well as 80% seeing themselves as overweight. People believe that if they don't look like the models in advertisements, they are not going to be in relationships at all or if they are, they may lose their significant others.

Women in advertising, also, are told to look innocent, telling all women to never grow up, stay passive, powerless and dependent on men. Little girls actually become sex products, and this leads to sex crimes, where 1 in 4 girls and 1 in 10 boys are sexually molested.

Men, too, are in advertisements and they are perceived to have power, dominance and control over women. In today's society, men still are paid more than women and equality continuously is being fought for. This has had negative effects on society.

This entire advertising campaign is seen as negative and needs to be changed, before our society totally dissolves because of its desire to be "just like the people on television." Once we begin to change these values, our society will change to a better place, allowing people to be individuals and not feel pressure to be someone else.

Picture of the Week



Ann Calderone (left) and Krista Wissler try to figure out who this year's basketball mascot is during the men's game against Elizabethtown, Dec. 4.

photo by Wil Johnson

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Life is what happens to you when you're making other plans."

- Betty Talmadge
1924

CLUB 21

Friday, December 13 5 - 8 p.m.
in North Hall, Big Meeting
Room on the Second Floor

Key Duplication Controversy

by Susan E. Miers

On Dec. 11, Brad Lieberman was freed from any disciplinary action resulting from his possession of a duplicated dorm key. The judiciary board ruled that Lieberman would not receive the punishment recommended by Rhonda Brown, Dean of Students. Brown had recommended that he be barred from Walton Hall and denied privileged housing for next year (The Woods & North Hall).

During the week of Oct. 23 several male students were caught entering Walton with keys and when confronted by the R.D., Holly Adams, said they had received keys from girls they knew in the dorm. Adams said some of those stopped were verbally abusive towards her. When questioned further about how they obtained keys to the all-female dorm, Lieberman was implicated for giving one of them a the key.

Security was informed and the keys were confiscated. Brown was informed and questioned Lieberman. He said he obtained the key from admissions, where he works, according to Brown. Lieberman said he did not make that claim.

Brown said Lieberman changed his story and said he got the copy of the dorm key from a former resident. Lieberman said he told Brown that he had received it from the former resident.

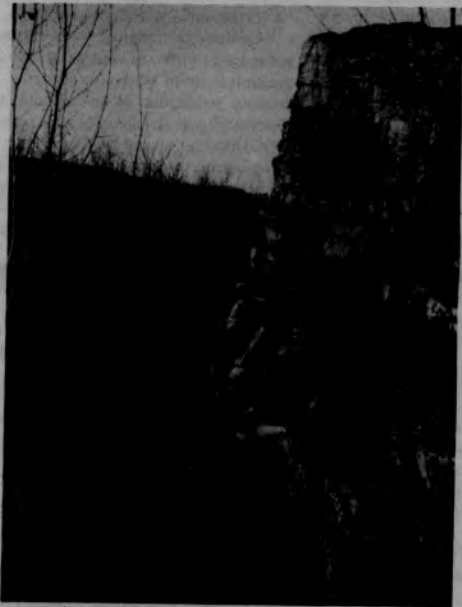
Brown made her recommendation for punishment, which Lieberman appealed to the Judiciary Board. The Judiciary Board dropped the punishment because it is not written anywhere that it is against the college's rule to possess or make duplicate keys.

"They [the students] just don't understand why it is problem if males have keys to this dorm," said Adams. "This is a women's dorm after all."

Lieberman said he was confident that he had not broken any college policies and hoped that the Judiciary Board would vindicate him.

"If it had been a written policy it would have been different," said Stratton Marmarou, head of Albright Security.

This article is part of series chronicling the actions of the judiciary board and the Dean of Students to keep the campus abreast of disciplinary actions.



Mike Yarnall and Marc Laudonio rappel down the cliff face.



Dr. John Hall and Dave Frantz tagging a woodrat.

The Autumn Adventures of Beta Beta Beta Honor Society

by Dave Frantz and Erik Johnson

Beta Beta Beta, The Biological Honor Society, has had a very active semester. Its two major activities this semester were a Fall Break trip to West Virginia to perform ecological studies and a recreational trip to the field station in Huntingdon, PA.

The Fall Break trip to Cave Mountain in West Virginia was a part of ongoing research conducted by Dr. John Hall. His research consists of periodic population counts of Woodrat communities in designated areas mainly throughout Pennsylvania and West Virginia.

During his investigations, he has seen a decline in the Woodrat populations in PA and the surrounding areas, the causes of which he is investigating. The Woodrat is part of the Packrat family and lives in large rock piles

and caves.

These rodents have definite territorial boundaries defined by the availability of food and space. Based on this aspect of their habitat, they are often difficult to study. To get an accurate population count, these rats must be trapped using live traps baited with apples for several years in the same location. Six Tri-Beta members participated on this trip led by Dr. John Hall and Dr. Richard Heller. This excursion included hiking up to Cave Mountain, setting forty traps, and periodically monitoring them over the course of two and half-days.

This meant that members of the party had to spend the night inside the cave. Over the course of the weekend, a total of seven rats had been caught, weighed, gender determined, tagged, and released. When students were not monitoring the traps, they were doing the

vast caverns and rappelling down the sheer cliffs of Cave Mountain. During the nights, the members braved cold temperatures, swarming bats, restless rats, and very vivid imaginations (there were no real axe murderers on the mountain). The trip proved to be educational as well as a lot of fun and was enjoyed by all who participated.

Tri-Beta's next event was a purely recreational trip to Huntingdon, Pa on November 8, 9, and 10. This trip included a nature hike to explore the property, exploration of Hesston's Cave, and rappelling off rock formations near Juniata College. After a brief training session, students were led by the fearless Dr. Heller into Hesston's Cave, a large network of cramped maze-like passages occasionally opening into cavernous rooms. Cavers experienced tight crawls (some only about one foot high), lots of sleeping bats,

interesting rock formations, and muddy rooms.

After surviving this adventure, students were eager to try their hand at rappelling. For the beginners, there was a 30-40 foot rappel that was relatively easy and a good confidence booster. The more daring rappellers had a chance to free rappel off a 60-70 foot wall of rock. These students quickly realized that their faith must be placed solely on themselves and the rope, which was their lifeline.

The students that survived found the trips to be challenging, exhilarating, and fun-filled; most say they are eager to go again. So if you like adventure and want to have lots of fun, make sure you sign up for one of Tri-Beta's trips next semester.

SGA Minutes for Nov. 17

Members Present: Tiffenia Archie, Christine Bender, Steve Bolcar, John Eureyock, John Gillespie, Gerard Gonnella, Dave Lambert, Jill Martin, Rich Menesek, Cristin Trecroce, Jennifer Valtos, Lou Verdelli, Charnita Zeigler.

Meeting was held from 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

1. The minutes from the November 10th meeting were approved as read.
2. John Eureyock reported that the treasury currently holds a balance of \$19,605.35.
3. Jen presented the RSA report.
4. Lou presented the budget requested for CLUB 21.
5. By a motion of privilege, a motion was made to fund CLUB 21 \$500.
6. Lou reported on his meeting with Dereic Dorman.
7. The elections for special interest representation in SGA were discussed.
8. Discussion about the Campus Center Director Position was continued.
9. Lou asked for discussion ideas for the Trustee Meeting. Some ideas were: library services, telephone billings, importance of students and the tuition increase.
10. Dave presented a report of the Faculty and Curriculum Meeting.
11. There was further discussion of the photo copier at the Computer Center and a 24-hour study room.
12. Adam Crilly was present as a representative of the Class of 1993 to request administrative fees and an account number.
13. Dave requested administrative fees for the Leadership Development Council.
14. Tiffenia suggested that SGA adopt an athlete.
15. John Gillespie and Nita delivered the Marketing Report.
16. Dave Lambert motioned to close the meeting. Jerry Gonnella seconded the motion. The motion carries.

Respectfully Submitted,

Charnita Zeigler
SGA Secretary

"To the Albright Community," Concerning the decision not to Renew Dr. Greenfield's Contract

Editor's Note: Normally a letter of the content below would appear on the Editorial Pages, but due to space constraints it appears on the News Pages.

We write to express our deep concern upon hearing that Dr. Kate Greenfield is soon to be "relieved" of all her duties at Albright. We cannot begin to express our deep disappointment that such a move was even contemplated by the college, considering that she has served the Albright community so diligently and selflessly as few other members of staff can claim to have done.

We personally know her, and we feel that she is in fact an invaluable and irreplaceable asset to Albright, being a highly qualified and experienced professor. If Albright is indeed a liberal arts college - as claimed - then a person of Dr. Greenfield's calibre cannot be let go of so easily. Her interaction with the student community is admirable, and she makes us feel more like friends than students.

Being a director of the Interim program and all the experience events, a history professor, as well as the organizer of such interesting and diverse events as the Unity Retreat, we feel that her absence at Albright would be tantamount to robbing Albright of a truly devoted Albrightian. Her working in association with the multi-cultural office invaluable due to her being an engineer behind the myriad of activities organized by the multi-cultural office.

It is our sincere hope that those in power will, for once, hear the students out and retain Dr. Greenfield in her current position. We feel that the mere contemplation of such a move is to disregard her endless contribution at making Albright a better place in all possible ways.

A group of Concerned Students at Albright.

Ignorance and the Resurgence of Censorship

Collegiate Times
by Robert Lukefahr and Phaedra Walker

On Oct. 28, a conservative radio host scheduled to appear at a "Pro-American Rally" hosted by students at the University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee, was confronted by a mob of student protestors determined to prevent his talk. They succeeded. Armed with whistles and signs, the estimated one hundred protestors screamed, chanted, blew their whistles, and threw coins, ice and other objects at the guests. Fearing further violence, the speakers left.

Unfortunately, this was not an isolated incident. Unpopular speakers have been shouted down or chaos from campus at more than a dozen top-flight schools during the past few years. In addition, over the last four years, conservative student newspapers have been stolen or destroyed at more than fifteen of the nation's top twenty-five universities. These and other examples of campus intolerance have sparked a national debate over "political correctness" and have led *Time* magazine writer Nancy Gibbs to conclude that "nowhere is the First Amendment more imperiled than on college campuses."

How did things get this way? After all, less than a generation ago college students were demanding more freedom of speech. The simple answer is "ignorance." College students no longer understand the historical and philosophical basis of our constitutional protections. A 1989 survey conducted for the National Endowment for the Humanities reported that less than one-half of the 700 college seniors it surveyed could correctly identify the purpose of *The Federalist Papers*, and more than one-third confused the words of the Constitution of the Soviet Union with those of the American Constitution. As the NEH report noted, students' understanding of the Constitution is "superficial."

But instead of instituting a more rigorous program in the fundamentals of American political philosophy, most colleges and universities have allowed the emasculation of their core requirements. Another NEH survey found that a full seventy-eight percent of colleges and universities no longer require their students to take courses in the history of Western civilization, and a staggering thirty-eight percent require no history at all. When this diluted college curriculum is coupled with the frightful ignorance of high school graduates, the results are a predictable failure to grasp or appreciate the basic protections offered by the Bill of Rights.

Thus, to someone like Canetta Ivy, of the Council of Student Presidents, it seemed completely reasonable to say to a reporter for *The New York Times* in 1989, "we don't put any restrictions on freedom of speech as we should." Ms. Ivy, and those who share her views, are bolstered by their heartfelt desire to create a more amenable environment for minority students, and the ironic notion that "intolerance" can be eliminated by refusing

to tolerate unpopular speech. But, as President Bush said at the University of Michigan in May, "What began as a crusade for civility has soured into a cause of conflict and even censorship."

If the students of this generation were at all familiar with history, they would know that censoring ideas, even in the name of sensitivity, only serves to make those who hold them more radical and more determined. But absent some understanding of political philosophy and history, young people find it difficult to argue forcefully for the abstract notion of freedom.

Beyond the considerable gaps in the formal curriculum, the informal pedagogy of example-how professors and administrators act when confronted by challenges to free speech--further undermines the generation's respect for civil liberties. Many colleges contribute to the campus intolerance--or at least ratify the attitudes which lead to the suppression of free speech--by adopting speech-restricting codes. According to the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, such codes have been enforced or drafted on almost seventy percent of the nation's campuses. As Harvard Law School Professor Alan Dershowitz recently explained, American colleges are "tolerating and teaching intolerance and hypocrisy."

Another example of this repressive pedagogy at work was evident last month in the University of Wisconsin System. In a perverse affirmation of its commitment to "tolerance" over freedom, the state system is considering an appeal of the recent U.S. District Court decision which ruled UW's restrictive speech code unconstitutional. After the decision, James E. Sulton, special assistant to UW-system president, told the *Chronicle of Higher Education*, "Everyone seems more concerned about the theoretical abridgement of First Amendment rights than about the real abridgement of rights based on racial harassment." Apparently, Mr. Sulton believes that violations of the First Amendment protections are not terribly "real."

The ignorance and misunderstanding being fostered in the twenty-something generation represents the greatest internal challenge to the nation's liberties since the American Tories aided the forces of King George. These students who would gladly circumscribe speech on campus today, will be the journalists, congressmen, and judges charged with defending this right in the next century. It is time the twenty-something generation take up the challenge John Adams issued in 1765: "Let us dare to read, think, speak, and write...let every sluice of knowledge be opened and set a-flowing." It is also time the nation's educators cast aside their own doubts about the American constitutional tradition and begin a program of remedial education in the basics of liberty.

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Happy Holidays
From The Albrightian.
Enjoy Your Break and
Drive Safely!

EDITORIAL

The final issue of *The Albrightian* for the 1991 Fall Semester is here at last. That statement alone brings a sigh of relief from a number of people—primarily the editorial staff!! We do, of course, enjoy our involvement with *The Albrightian*, and more importantly, we take great pride in our work. Nonetheless, we certainly appreciate the upcoming break. In fact, we will not be producing another issue until the start of the Spring Semester. With this in mind, we hope that you have enjoyed the issues produced thus far, and that you will continue to be active readers (meaning, of course, that you read more than just the comics) of *The Albrightian*.

At this time, we feel it is only appropriate that we continue an *Albrightian* tradition. Seeing as it is the final issue of the semester, and the closest issue to the Holiday Season, we would like to present a gift wish-list for Albright students. So, here goes.....

First, however, allow us, the staff of *The Albrightian*, to make a wish of our own: in 1992, we would like to see an increase in the number of PERSONALS and LETTERS TO THE EDITOR (especially you Eureycko). The poor showing in both cases thus far is inexcusable. So, instead of just complaining, air your views in a public forum for all to see! Now, for the students...

Certainly, the student body must have been pleased with the success of the football and volleyball teams. Furthermore, students finally learned how much fun going out to support the teams can be. So, wouldn't it be nice to have an exciting, successful season from yet another Lion team? How about one that could possibly pack the gym, and ultimately, make the playoffs? Coach Ray Ricketts and the Mens' Varsity Basketball team may make this wish come true. The combination of senior leadership and promising young talent may make the 1991-2 season one to remember. Be sure to go out and support the team (next home game January 10, 1992).

Needless to say, high on the student wish-list is the hope (or should it be demand) that the Board of Trustees will (unlike last year) see the detrimental and negative consequences of yet another tuition hike. Maybe the wish should be that tuition is lowered, however, in order to remain within the parameters of reality, we will leave the wish in its initial form: do NOT raise tuition!

How about a wish that the SGA will finally take advantage of the space offered to it by *The Albrightian*. SGA has worked hard on behalf of the students, however, the problem of communication remains. Therefore, why not make an effort in 1992 to establish better lines of communication between the students and their representatives?

This wish could very well be number 1 on the list: the hope that some concrete, visible measures are taken to deal with and improve the status of the Albright "social" scene. Coinciding with this wish is the hope that the *Safe Rides Program* and *Club 21* will return and reach a level of unprecedented success, and furthermore, that *The Outlet* will continue its "winning" ways.

Yet another prominent wish relates to the current search for the new college president. Obviously, Albright students hope that the individual selected for the position is highly qualified, competent, and not overly verbose (ahem), but more importantly, the new president should be concerned with and responsive to the needs and problems of the student body.

Next wish: NO MORE CONSTRUCTION (at least for the next ten years or so).

And now for a dorm-life related wish: consistent enforcement of the rule pertaining to pets (i.e. snakes, rats, fish, spiders, and DOGS!!!!!!!).

The hope that fraternity "Spring Pledging" (as opposed to pledging during the Interim) will not really be as bad as most Greeks currently anticipate.

Okay, we can live with the fact that the flowers on the tables in the dining hall have been revoked: but we do have a wish: PLEASE, PLEASE, DON'T TAKE AWAY THE TABLECLOTHS!!!

As students seek to keep "warm" during the winter months, and, of course, in the face of AIDS awareness, the hope that Ma Gable will increase her "deal" to 12 for a Buck (and besides, with the recession...): And remember the words of our illustrious "Prez", "If you're gonna' do it (whether in Italy, France, Spain, Bahrain, or the Middle East), you gotta' be prudent at this juncture" (he would probably also add that there is no recession).

And one final wish: the hope that Albright students need not live in fear of the "Politically Correct Thought Police" (and you know who they are!). Happy Holidays (note: not Christmas) to all.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I hasten to correct Michael J. Steiner's mistaken impression that the Interim IDS course cluster, "The World of Columbus and the Aftermath of the Columbian Encounter," is in any sense intended to "idolize" Columbus or to celebrate his "discovery." Quite the contrary, it is precisely because millions of Native Americans perished, and because the other consequences of European expansion were so profound for all peoples, that this event and its contexts deserve serious, even somber, reflection.

A quick survey of our course description makes clear that indigenous peoples are at

the center of our concerns. In addition, Kirkpatrick Sale's *The Conquest of Paradise*—a book to be read and considered by students in all six countries—makes the "case against Columbus" as thoroughly as anything in print.

I share Mr. Steiner's concern and applaud the fact that *The Albrightian* has raised awareness of the history of Native Americans.

Yours sincerely,

John Pankratz
Department of History

Top Ten Ways to Reduce the Deficit

by Paul Castronovo and Chris Gehring

10. William Casey sponsored robberies of banks from various parts of the world.
9. Raise Albright's tuition to \$117,000 -- then donate the \$100,000 proceeds to the U.S. government
8. Take an interest free loan from U.S. Savings and Loans
7. Hold a Pentagon "Garage Sale" of used/obsolete weapons (to be held in Israel)
6. Collect all the money that those Latin American "punks" owe us.
5. Encourage all professional athletes to donate one-half of their annual salary (concentrate on Bobby Bonilla)
4. Force every American to throw \$2 into a really big hat.
3. Use Pearl Harbor as an excuse to seize all Japanese assets.
2. U.S. Treasury could print out more money -- for example, why not start printing billion dollar bills?
1. Economics 101: Cut spending and raise taxes...George (hey, isn't he a Phi Beta Kappa from Yale with a degree in Economics?)

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No Nonsense in 1992

by Chris Gehring
Editor in Chief

Please be forewarned: there is a dangerously high level of sarcasm in this article. Those with a politically weak stomach should take caution before reading.

As we approach the 1992 election, one can only wonder if the pertinent issues of the day will come to the forefront; or, will we be forced to base our decision on such crucial issues as Willie Horton, the rank and serial number of the vice presidential candidate while in the National Guard, and whether or not the candidate in question would favor the death penalty if his (or her!) spouse were raped. We can only hope for the former, but unfortunately, the 1992 election carries with it a high risk of some serious mudslinging.

For example: will the Democratic candidates (or Pat Buchanan, for that matter) produce any incriminating photographs of George Bush while he was, say, in Italy; (If he runs) will Mario Cuomo's ties to the mafia be revealed, and if not, will they factor into his chances for an election victory; will it be determined definitively that Dan Quayle did (oh horrors) take a puff off of a joint; will Senator Kerrey (or Pat Buchanan for that matter) continue to offend those of a different sexual orientation; will George Bush expand on Reagan's old campaign slogan by espousing, "It may be morning in America, but it will always be pitch black in Iraq"; or better yet, will he dub the state of the economy as an "Opportunity for Lifestyle Downscaling"; and for one more, Bush could always fall back on the fact that our economy is "one

helluva lot better than that of any country in Latin America, bud!"; and finally will George Bush (or Pat Buchanan, for that matter) rekindle the Cold War flame and ask that ever-so-popular question (of the 1950's): "Hey Tom Harkin--are you a Commie or what?"

The nonsense illustrated above is not that far from the reality of political campaigns--just look at the '88 debacle between George Bush and Paul Tsongas, oops, I mean Mike Dukakis (gee what a choice).

It is easy to make a joke out of the '88 election, or the potential for a good laugh in '92. However, the negative consequences of such cannot be overlooked. The folly of 1988 has produced passive, unresponsive, ineffectual, and impotent White House leadership with regard to the domestic agenda (but hey, we did kick the crap out of that superpower bent on global domination: Iraq). The 1992 election must deal with the paramount issues now confronting the country: the economy (the hell with cuts on capital gains taxes), education, the environment, the homeless, health (insurance), and drugs.

Obviously, this is no easy task, and there will not be an immediate resolution to any of them. But it is high time that we elect leaders who will back up their words with action (and I don't define action as visiting as many foreign countries as possible in a 30 day period), and begin to deal with the current issues progressively, realistically, and substantively. This may entail the election of a "new generation" of leaders--I don't know. I do know, however, that 12 years of Reagan/Bush is too long. It is time for this country to make a change.

Fifty Years Later, the Bogeyman Lives

by Paul Castronovo

Early morning December 7, 1941, Japan bombed Pearl Harbor, shattering isolationist conceptions held by many American leaders and the people they represented. The "yellow peril" was on the march, and so, too, was American racism.

The Japanese were all to blame. After all, the United States did nothing to provoke such an atrocious attack. We were an ocean and, it seemed, a world away from Asia.

Fast forward to the America of 1991. A lot has changed. We've progressed. No more do we see the Japanese as "little yellow people" or crazed Emperor-worshipping warriors. The United States and Japan of today are at peace with each other, allies even!

Unfortunately, this scenario is mostly fictional, as the commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the bombing of Pearl Harbor illustrates. This event has degenerated into little more than an excuse to bash Japan under the thin veil of patriotic history and remembrance for the dead.

The harsh reality is that both countries are responsible for the Pearl Harbor bombing. The US, under the benevolent leadership of Franklin Roosevelt, had placed oil and other economic embargoes on Japan, thus pressing its economy. Of course, these embargoes were instituted to protest Japanese militarism in Asia; true also, military reprisals like the Japanese bombing are not warranted for

economically hostile policies like those of the US. Also under contention is that FDR used these embargoes to force American entrance into the war to save the economy under the less-than-stellar New Deal. These are the grey areas of history.

The sad fact is that we have not learned from the past. In the American mind, Japanese hegemony has been replaced by the Japanese economy. Now, as fifty years ago, we are blaming Japan for situations which we have, in part, created.

Today's wisdom holds that our economy is in shambles because of unfair economic practices by Japan, most notably protectionism. If there is to be any improvement in America's chronic economic condition, we must realize our own flaws, not blame it on the success of another nation.

In fact, we should even be thankful for the robust Japanese economy. Without their investment in the United States, our financial infrastructure would collapse under all the deficits and debt we have incurred all these years by defending the world. Japan is underwriting our national debt, and keeping the US economy afloat in the process.

Like so many people today who look to fashionable and false heroes for guidance, the United States is looking to a fashionable and false villain to divert its attention from the reality that the problem is with ourselves, not the Japanese. Fifty years later, Japan is still the bogeyman, only with a different weapon.



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Stronger Control on Chemical Toxins

by Eric Henao



First let me state some facts about just what is being thrown into our air. Emissions: There are billions of pounds of toxic compounds that are being expelled into the air yearly. This is literally exposing each American to dangerous toxins every day.

Cancer and Other Health Effects: Throughout the country a "routine" release of just 15 to 45 substances cause up to 1700 cancer cases per year, according to the EPA. There are also toxic emissions that cause an untold number of neurological, immunological, reproductive, and other deleterious effects.

Accidents: The EPA recorded almost 7000 chemical accidents between 1980 and 1985. Of these, 138 people were killed, 4700 were injured, and over 200,000 people were required to evacuate. If that isn't scary enough, expect them to increase. The National Response Center reported that over 12,000 toxins were released into the air, water, and ground during 1986.

Environmental Damage: These air pollutants are also contaminating the natural environment, killing and injuring aquatic wildlife, and indirectly threatening human life. Hundreds of tons of these toxic wastes are being dumped into the Great Lakes.

Are these facts not enough to make you toss and turn in your bed at night? How about the fact that the EPA has only managed to regulate only a tiny percentage of these chemicals. Over the past 17 years it has clearly become obvious that the EPA lacks the authority to enforce the laws and regulate the chemicals that are being released. However, over these 17 years, we the people have learned a lot about these toxins. Richard E. Ayres sets forth an outline for a sound program to protect Americans and America from toxic air pollutants.

First, the program should make sure that all available technological means of controlling the toxic emissions are put into use and developed as soon as possible. It is silly for the bureaucrats to put off such developments in order to calculate the precise risk that humans face from contamination.

Next, the program should pressure for the development and use of new means to attain the appropriate public health goal. The program would provide full protection against health threats from airborne toxins that remain after the application of today's technology. Better emission control, closed manufacturing process, and non-toxic substitutes for toxic materials will not be commercialized unless the Clean Air Act continues to supply legal incentives for eliminating public health threats from these airborne contaminants.

Thirdly, the new law would require a program to protect the people from sudden, catastrophic releases of toxic chemicals.

Finally, to help prevent these catastrophic releases from happening, creation of a group of federal investigators, similar to the National Transportation Safety Board. This special group would then be responsible to learn what goes wrong at these catastrophic releases and to then make recommendations to the EPA in order to prevent future occurrences at other locations. These four

elements form the structure of S. 1384, which is also known as Title V. This rough draft is not the final but it incorporates the basic elements listed above into a more definitive amendment to the Clean Air Act. It has received strong support from the National Clear Air Coalition because of its sound national air toxins policy. It addresses three areas in the Clean Air Act that give the EPA specific responsibilities for curbing the full range of toxic air releases:

1. "Best Technology" Standards for Toxic Air Pollutants. Title V requires "best available control technology" (BACT) standards for major sources of 311 toxic air pollutants listed under the right-to-know provisions of the Superfund law. "BACT" is defined as the greatest reductions achievable. Title V also directs the EPA to reduce emissions from smaller sources and vehicles that create the toxic "urban soup" by 55% over 10 years.

2. Health-Based Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants. Title V requires health-based standards for 19 hazardous air pollutants. Of these 8 are partially regulated under the existing law. An additional 11 cancer-causing agents have not been regulated, but the EPA "intends" to. Title V prohibits the EPA from compromising these standards with cost-benefit analyses that tolerate loss of life to hold down industry costs. It also tells the EPA to protect against environmental damage as well as public health hazards. Lastly, it instructs the EPA to examine potential candidates of hazardous material each year and to order industry funded safety testing if needed.

3. Preventing chemical accidents. Title V builds on the emergency response and the right-to-know requirements of the 1986 Superfund amendments by requiring EPA action to prevent accidents, not just responding to them. It requires facilities handling extremely hazardous substances to undertake hazard assessments and annual safety audits. These audits are then to be available to insurers, lenders, stockholders, governmental authorities, and the public. It directs the EPA to establish equipment and operational standards to prevent accidental releases. Perhaps the most important thing about Title V is that it establishes an independent Chemical Safety and Hazards Investigation Board to investigate accidents and recommend measures to prevent recurrences. This would be very similar to the National Transportation Safety Board, which has proven the benefits of having such a board. It is these requirements that will help the EPA to function in the proper manner, the way it was intended to operate. Adoption of Title V will give the Clean Air Act the power it needs to start to clean up the mess that we have put our selves into.

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The Blissful Oblivion Know as Sleep: Where has it gone ?

by Tracy L. McRobbie

The information for this article was obtained from the December 17 issue of *Time* magazine.

Seriously think about it ... Can you count the hours of sleep you get a night on one hand? Do you find yourself dozing off in class? Missing whole sections of conversations? Talking to your book bag? Forgetting your meal card again? Driving obliviously through stop signs? And getting bad grades? Then you are probably the victim of a very serious and yet very prevalent American disease, commonly known as lack of sleep.

American society today functions at a level that the human body cannot safely keep up with. It is a 24-hour-a-day-7-days-a-week 365-days-a-year-society we live in. As college students we are just getting a taste (or rather a mouthful) of what this is like. Between classes, labs, papers, studying for tests, reading for class, holding a job or two, activities, a little bit of social interaction, and meals, sleep somehow always gets pushed to the bottom of the list. This is expected, though, because in society's eyes it is not a valid or constructive use of your time. Can you imagine saying to your professor, "sorry, I couldn't finish my paper because I had to get my eight hours of sleep." NOT. I would like to propose, however, that this is something that we need to put more of a priority on.

Research has shown that mental alertness and performance suffer considerably from losing sleep night after night. This has led to many problems. Everything from traffic and industrial accidents, to bad attitudes, bad marriages, and bad grades. In order to function effectively, we as college students need about eight hours of sleep a night. Dr. William Dement, the director of Stanford University's sleep center says that the effects of sleeplessness build up over time and accumulate so that "most Americans no longer know what it

feels like to be fully alert." After one night of not enough sleep, mental concentration, flexibility, and creativity are knocked down. And after only two nights of scant sleep, rote functioning (our routine actions) are affected. Just think what happens after a whole semester! Sure we try to make up for it on weekends by sleeping until 1pm, but that may do more harm than good because it disturbs our routine sleep-wake cycle and could end up making us feel more tired than ever. We batter our bodies when we try to dictate these cycles. Especially when we use "drugs" to do it. Popping some No-Doz and Mountain Dew to stay awake, then following it with alcohol and sleeping pills when it is time to sleep, and then five hours later swallowing more caffeine-laden drinks on the way to class. One can just imagine how confused the body becomes.

So what can we do to fight the fatigue and its consequences? Several suggestions: first you need to recognize sleep as a necessity, then budget your time and include sleep as a priority, take naps when you can, and consider the costs of sleep deprivation. Sometimes you may do better on an exam if you get the sleep rather than staying up all night and studying ... just because you would then have the mental capacity to use your reasoning and common sense skills to make decisions on answers.

I think it will take society changing the way it functions as a whole before individuals can slow down and take the time to sleep. Seems impossible at this point but we have seen significant changes in cigarette habits, cholesterol and fat intake, and exercise. I want to challenge you to enter into that blissful oblivion eight hours a night for a week and see the difference it makes in your life!

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In an effort to improve dining services, the food service department will be distributing questionnaires monthly. These questionnaires will help the department survey student opinions on various topics concerning dining services.

Our first survey was held on Friday, November 15, 1991. The topic of our questionnaires involved converting linen tablecloths to vinyl table covers. The questionnaire read as follows:

In an effort to cut operating costs, the food service is planning to convert from table linens to vinyl table covers. The current cost of table linens is \$23,000 per year. The cost of table covers will be \$4,700 per year. A cost saving of \$18,300. The additional savings will be put back into the food budget for special events and physical improvements to the dining hall.

The results were:

189 Yes, I am in favor of the proposal.
57 No, I am not in favor of the proposal.

A final decision on this matter has not yet been made. Many comments were noted on the questionnaire and will be seriously taken into consideration.

Only 42% of the students dining in the cafeteria on November 15 answered our survey. If you feel strongly about your meal services here at Albright we encourage you to voice your opinions by filling out our monthly questionnaire. On the first Tuesday of every month a food service meeting is held in the cafeteria at 4:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend and give your input.

From the Career Planning and Placement Office

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Features

"A LIGHTER SIDE TO THE HOLIDAYS"

by Brian "Fox" Singer and Phil Walsh '91

'Twas the night before Chanukah
The season was felt.
The children were wondering
If they'd get any gelt.

What is gelt you say?
You say you don't know.
Gelt is some money
That Jewish folks bestow.

Let's not forget Christmas
And the nativity scene.
Though it's been around
Since before Halloween.

The joyous season
Is a time of thrills.
But there is one exception
When one gets the bills.

The holidays are happy
A joyous time of year.
When you find that someone special
You stand up and cheer.

Now the Christmas decorations
Are all around the house.
As you try to impress someone
And make them your spouse.

Some couples together
Get nestled in their beds.
With some protection
Adorned on their heads.

Have a happy holiday
In your dorm made of brick
But when you go to bed
Make sure to protect your... reputation.

The students at Albright
Got plastered on beer.
Their noses were as red
Like a certain reindeer.

The finals are coming
It's a time we all squirm.
Look on the bright side
It will soon be interim.

**Happy Holidays
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"T" Notes: Your Worst Holiday Gift

The holidays are here! All of us have certain ideas in mind of what we would like to receive as special holiday gifts. A new car, a new computer, a Nintendo game set, or a set of new skis are just a few examples of what our creative minds can come up with as gifts. Beware!! The shock of your life may be only beginning when you open up that box to discover that it isn't the leather jacket you asked for, but a Willie Nelson concert shirt that your aunt Bobby Sue from Valley, Alabama got you as a gift. Horrendous holiday gifts are something that we all dread, but also something we have all received at least once in our lifetime. I have asked Albright students the question "What is the worst holiday gift you ever received?" and these are some of the worst gifts that Albright students have received.

Clothing, and the such, is usually something that can be received with relative ease and comfort. According to senior Kim Hengst, this isn't always the case when she describes the worst Christmas gift she ever received. "The worst holiday gift I ever received was a neon green sweatshirt and a pair of matching

neon green socks and to go with it a black belt with neon geometric shapes on it." Well Kim, I guess the person that gave you this gift wanted to make sure that you could be seen while going for your nightly jog. Dinah Schuster, sophomore, claims that the worst holiday gift she ever received was a "leopard skin vest with a matching purse." What was the motive behind that gift? So you could talk to the animals?

And how about that trendy crocheted look. I'm sure that everyone has received a crocheted scarf or hat from an older relative as a holiday gift. Freshman Kim Spotts received a very stylish "crocheted vest" for the holidays one year. I'm sure that was the big trend setter at school that year. An interesting, but crafty gift that was given to Tiffany Botting, freshman, was a fashionable pair of crocheted knee-high slippers. For those that weren't so lucky as to receive a stylish crocheted vest or slippers, may have been as lucky as Emily, a freshman, to receive a "How-to knit book." This is to prepare you for your exciting future Emily, when you will be able to give a crocheted vest to one of your

grandchildren.

Jewelry is something that people always like to receive, especially women. Bracelets, rings, watches, anklets, and earrings are usually gifts that one can never go wrong with. Well, never say never! Julie Amobrosio, sophomore, claims that her worst holiday gift was a "cheap gold bracelet from my boyfriend." Better luck next year Julie! Maybe you should go for the crocheted vest instead.

Michael Jackson dolls, math books, ugly pajamas, and birth were amongst the "treasured" gifts that some Albright students received. I guess some gifts are worse than others.

With the holidays upon us and gift giving in the air, take into consideration that some gifts are much worse than others. Crocheted vests, neon shirts, yahtzee games, and "Dressy Bessies" given to little boys are some of the worst gifts that have ever been received. Just remember that these could be some of the gifts you have either given or may give sometime in the future. Deck the halls with leopard skin vests and pink sweatshirts with red snowmen! Happy Holidays!!

Finals Survival Tactics

by Kim Hengst

'Tis the season to be jolly, HO, HO, HO. Well, yeah, yeah, yeah, before we get all wrapped up in the holiday spirit, let's gain some perspective on the joyous season of finals week. I don't mean to be the bearer of bad tidings but, before we rack up another materialistic holiday bill on our VISA, let's take a moment to figure out how we're going to get through finals.

Just walking through the library in search of interviewees for this article, I could see that the end of the semester was already taking its toll.

I wandered over to a group of girls that answered my questions before I even opened my mouth. One girl sat slumping, eyes only half open, with what I'd call a "drunk from anxiety" sort of expression. When asked

about surviving finals she answered in a slow, distant tone, something about taking things day by day. Keep your mind, sleep is a good thing to take day by day.

Her counterpart was a little more alert, in a hyper sort of way. (Funny how the body tends to go to extremes). She kept babbling about time management and how it should be used. Hey we're at college, 'should' is the key word here.

And what about those great care packages that get sent out each year? They really can keep you going! But at least one person I talked to was looking forward to this semester tradition. Oh yeah, and those awesome study break munchies in the cafe. Hold on Ron, only a few more days to go!

Busy, busy, busy. A lot of people didn't even have time to sit for a minute to be

interviewed. I'm an adaptable sort though, so I did questioning on the run. As I was chasing one hasty senior, he eagerly shared his secret to survival, "I live from one brain fart to another." How attractive Jim!

Steve Bolcar was rather philosophical in his ideas of finals stress. "It's not the end of the world. What happens, happens." Thank you for those words of wisdom Steve.

Practicality is not my thing so I wanted more interesting stress relief tips. I won't reveal any names, but one person said the best way to handle stress is to get loaded, or get laid. Well that wouldn't necessarily have to be an either/or situation.

I am stressing out myself (who invented seminar anyway) so, I'm going to wrap this up. If nothing else gets you through, break is in a week. So, good luck and happy holidays!

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Entertainment

21st Amendment Kurowski's

by Greg Vella and his faithful companion

Visiting Kurowski's was like getting drunk at your Grandmother's house. This friendly bar is right in the middle of a typical suburban neighborhood and resembles all the other houses, with the exception of the glowing Stroh's sign in the window. We won't bother giving you directions because they are too complicated, but take our word for it that it is in West Reading, somewhere.

The bar is run by a small, old woman named Wanda, who serves up drinks in her house dress. The spacious bar (a converted living room) has a pool table, table seating, and a juke box, none of which were being used while we were there. The beer prices were typical for a bar in Reading, \$.60 for a draft and the same price for a 7oz Rolling Rock. The service was pretty good but Wanda would occasionally get too wrapped up in Jeopardy and callously ignore the patrons. She would also hold us hostage to her T.V.

favorites as we found ourselves engrossed in a dramatic and emotional Smurf cartoon for a 1/2hour.

If the name Kurowski sounds familiar to our New York Yankee fans, it is because it was once owned by Whitey Kurowski, the famous St. Louis Cardinal player who hit a homerun in the 1942 World Series to beat the Yankees (Eggo did you know that?).

The bar is open Mon - Sat from 11AM to midnight or when Wanda is exhausted from too much T.V. The time was all right but Kurowski's notoriety is in its obscurity not atmosphere. Visiting a bar in a quiet suburban neighborhood where local kids played joyfully in the streets was something different. Note to Carrie Dellock: We are certain that they were local kids because we made sure to ask. Well, that's about it, the staff at the 21st Amendment wishes you happy holidays. COMING SOON...probably the greatest night in Reading, Ollie's Cocktail Lounge with the band Sugar and Spice.

The staff of *The Albrightian* would like to wish their faithful readers

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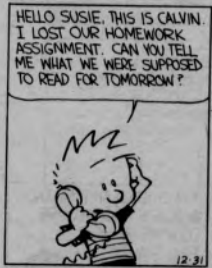
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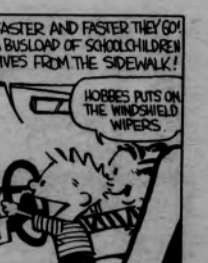
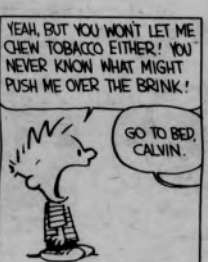
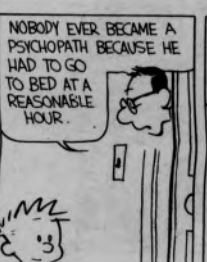
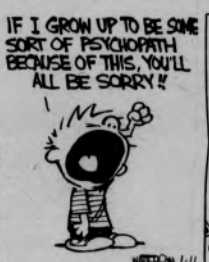
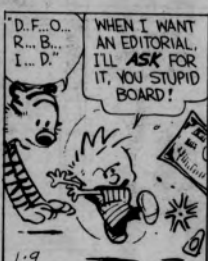
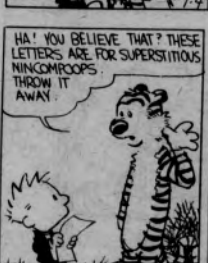
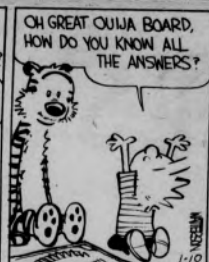


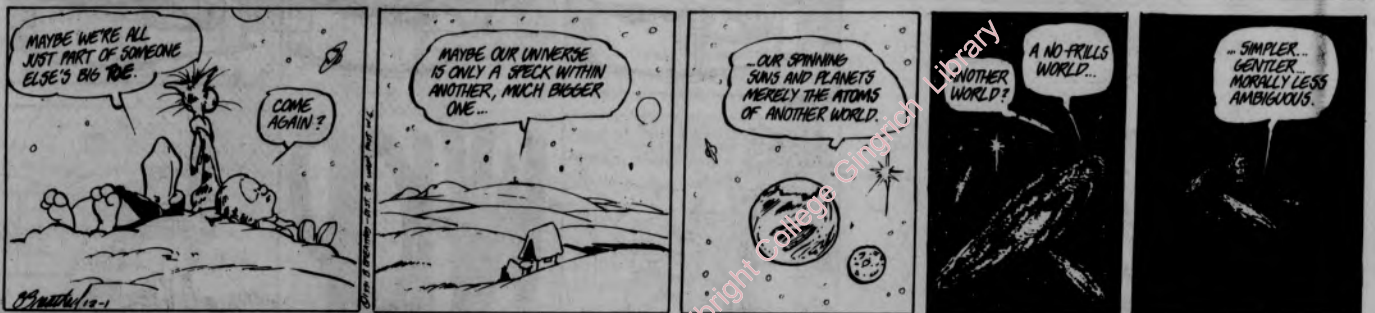
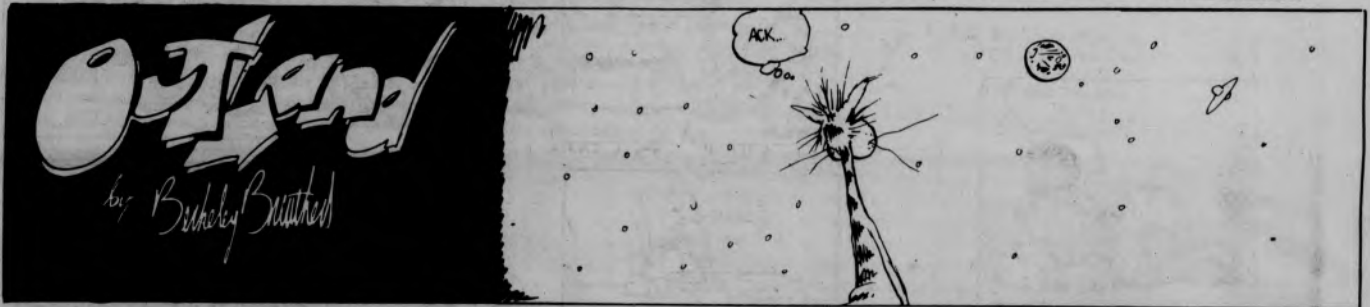
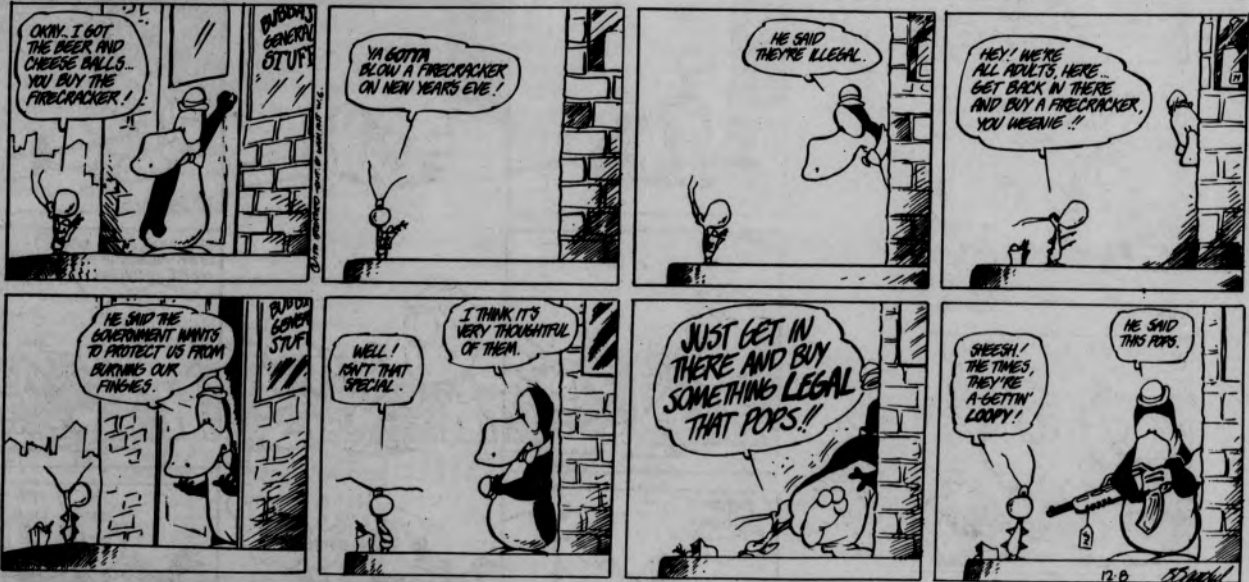
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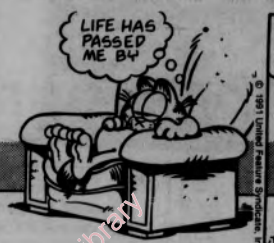
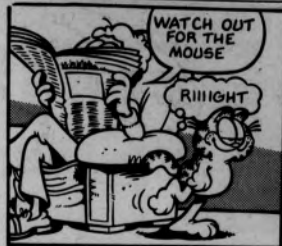
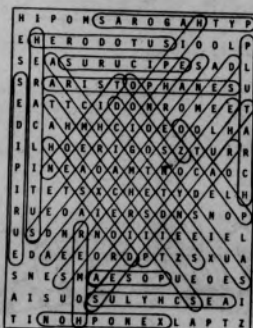




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SOCIAL SERVICE PAGE

From The Women's Center

by Albrightian Staff

The Albright College Women's Center, founded in 1988, is dedicated to providing information, education, and counseling services that will encourage students, faculty, staff, and community members to become more aware of and sensitive to the needs of women. It also serves to focus attention on sexism, racism and any form of discrimination which affects the development of women.

Located in the administration building, the women's center houses a library of referral sources concerning women's health, AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases, birth control, eating disorders, sexual assault, harassment, and sexual abuse. In addition, a library of books and videos concerning these

and other subjects is available for the use of students and other interested persons.

New to the women's center this year is a Peer Advisor program. Students who have volunteered to receive training to be peer counselors are available Monday thru Friday from 10:00a.m. to 4:00p.m. In addition, the peer advisors host a telephone hotline (ext. 7649) that is also available Monday thru Friday 10:00a.m. to 4:00p.m. as well as 7:00p.m. to 12:00a.m. All client concerns are kept strictly confidential.

To keep the community informed about the center's events, a women's center newsletter is published every two months. Anyone interested in receiving the newsletter, working on the news letter, or becoming a peer advisor can call the Albright College Women's Center at ext. 7649.

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 and 1:00 to 2:00
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 Friday 11:00 to 12:00 and
 2:00 to 3:00

Human Service Organization

by Donna Voss
 HSO President

During the week of November 18-24, you may have had someone knock on your door asking for a donation to help feed a needy family in Reading for Thanksgiving dinner. That person was a member of the Human Service Organization, who was participating in the second annual fund raiser

in connection with the Hispanic Center on North 4th street in Reading. HSO would like to thank Albright for all of their spare change that added up to \$150! This money went to feed a few Reading families and also helped to make their Thanksgiving that much brighter! Carmen Rosario who works at the Hispanic Center and who did the organizing on the other end, also extends her gratitude for Albright's generosity!

Literacy Volunteer Tutors

by The Literacy Council of Reading

The Literacy Council of Reading-Berks Adult Learning Center needs volunteers to teach adults the necessary literacy skills in order to better survive in our society. Training is included in a workshop that runs approximately 10-12 hours, plus additional hours if tutoring English as a second language. The location of the tutoring place is in one of the centers established by the Literacy Council, such as libraries, churches, schools, the Literacy Center office. After the training workshop, the volunteer tutor and student should meet once or twice weekly for a total of 3-4 hours. Scheduling is up to the tutor and the student. After completing a training workshop, the

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tutor will be able to provide encouragement and support to the student in addition to teaching them a skill.

Elementary Program

by Katie Rea
 Social Service Editor

For over 200 early elementary students (grades 1-3) Wednesday afternoon is spent going over their homework in a different environment. Every Wednesday from 3:00 to 5:00p.m. instead of going home, these kids go to a local Lutheran Church. Here, local volunteers help them with their school work. The program title is called "GRAIL" and it is sponsored by the West Berks County Mission District.

The program was originally designed to help minority students who were having difficulty in their school work, but has since been expanded to help any children in their early elementary school years. Many of the children come from the surrounding neighborhoods. Most of the students live with persons who are from foreign countries. This makes the GRAIL program so worth while, because it is hard for the kids to form an understanding of English when their family

is unable to reinforce what the child learned in school.

The children are first served a snack (which is donated by Clover Dairy Farms and the Site Directors) and then they go to work areas where they are greeted by a volunteer. The volunteers first help these children with their school work, but then when that is finished, the volunteer plays educational games with the children.

Center activities focus mainly on education, but also promote much more. St. James Church Site Director, Margaret Sweitzer feels that the program also helps the children form a more positive attitude about school and learning. "Learning can be fun, and that is what we are trying to show the kids."

All of the six sites are in need of volunteers to help the children with their school work. This is a very worthwhile cause that does not ask much of your "valuable" time. Please donate your Wednesday afternoons! St. James Site Director Margaret Sweitzer's phone number is 372-2012 or you can call the St. James Lutheran Church at 376-5551.



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A New Year's Forecast

by Mike O'Brien
Sports Editor

Before we say goodbye to 1991, the Albright sports staff would like to make some New Year's predictions for 1992 on behalf of all of the sports world. So here they are:

Rita Baran and Pat Pruitt will average enough points the rest of the season to reach the 1,000 point milestone for their careers.

Magic dresses for every Olympic game and assists Coach Kryszewski and Coach Carlesimo as the third assistant as the U.S.A. trounces every team from Argentina to Zaire

Bobby Bonilla takes a vicious pay cut and is subjected to making a measley 20 million dollars over 5 years.

Coaches Kris Krow and Gary Choyka get some respect as being the best assistants in the Middle Atlantic Conference.

George Foreman gets his well deserved second chance at the heavyweight title and becomes the oldest man to hold the prestigious title.

The newly founded "Mike Utley Foundation" and the A.I.D.S Awareness Program prosper after two tragic losses in the world of sports.

Scott "Eggo" Fitzpatrick, the "self-proclaimed sports authority" (Ha!) WILL type his own articles if he ever expects to see them in print. (No, Eggs your articles are not the only ones people read!)

The 1992 version of the Sigma Phi Epsilon 3-on-3 basketball tournament will not have the cheesy so-called referees and the organizers will notify the teams at least an hour before the specified game time.

Bud Light will win Bud Bowl IV and Coach Beer Bryant will get his 500th career victory.

The attendance at all Albright home athletic contests will be nothing less than excellent.

Brian Debnam will shatter many school records on the way to winning the triple jump and the long jump at the M.A.C.'s in May

Kevin Willis is recognized as one of the premiere rebounders in the N.B.A. and makes his first appearance in the N.B.A. all-star game.

The University of Michigan beats the University of Washington in the Rose Bowl on the first day of the year and in more of a surprise the Cornhuskers beat the Hurricanes making the Wolverines the national champions.

The instant replay rule in professional football is adopted for another year amid much controversy from players and coaches, but mostly from fans who have to sit at home and listen to color commentators (Dierdorf) complain about it for a whole half.

Dick Vitale names freshmen guard **Mahlon Hayes** to his 1991-2 College Basketball Diaper Dandy team along with others, Chris Webber, Travis Best, Cherokee Parks, and Donyelle Marshall.

Lions Off and Running Mens' Basketball Seeks a Playoff Berth

by Mike Skrobalak

The Bollman Center is truly home sweet home for Ray Ricketts and the Albright Men's basketball team. Last Wednesday, the Lions played their home opener vs. the Elizabethtown Blue Jays and came away with a 72-68 victory. Following losses previously to Johns Hopkins and Ursinus, Albright was able to improve their record to 2-2 (1-0 MAC).

Against the Blue Jays, the Lions hoped to take advantage of Elizabethtown's lack of size and experience (10 freshmen and sophomores and no player over 6'4") in the contest. Unfortunately, the Lions committed 14 first-half turnovers and found themselves trailing by as many as 7 points in the early second half. E-town guard Ron Ulrich scored 14 points in this stretch en route to 23 for the night. Fortunately, the Lions tightened up on defense and got great play from Mahlon Hayes (25pts.) and Pat Pruitt (17pts.) Hayes scored many of his game-high 25 near the hoop on assists from Sean Minniear (10 rebs.). Mean while in the holiday spirit, Pruitt was

lighting E-town up like a Christmas tree with 4 three point goals. Other standouts for the Lions were Bruce Peacock with 13 pts. and 17 rebs. and Steve Leming with 10 rebs. and a sweet first-half dunk.

Following this win and head start on the M.A.C. playoff chase, the Lions were faced with a difficult task. Saturday they traveled to Scranton to take on the Royals who were ranked #6 in the country in division III. In their last meeting, Albright upset Scranton at the Bollman center on a game-winning 3 pointer by Matt Kaminski. This years outcome was, unfortunately, a little different. The Lions played tough throughout the game and ended up on the short side of a 74-56 final. Albright led the game early and was as close as 2 in the second-half. Eight minutes into the second-half, Scranton broke the game open and lead until the finish. Sophomore Jim Hoopes led all Albright scorers with 11 pts. and 12 rebs. The loss moved Albright to 2-3 but they hope to improve on that mark as they take on Susquehanna (Sat, Dec. 14) in their next contest.

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Albright's Gary Kasmer (#14) made his first start in Albright's 72-68 victory over E-town photo by Wil Johnson

Home Sporting Events During the Interim Semester

Women's Basketball

Tues. 1/14 Swarthmore 7:00
Wed. 1/22 Wilkes 6:00
Sat. 1/25 Ursinus 4:00

Men's Basketball

Fri. 1/10 F&M 8:00
Sat. 1/11 Juniata 3:00
Mon. 1/13 Messiah 8:00

Men's & Women's Swimming

Sat. 1/11 Scranton 2:00
Sat. 1/18 Leeb. Valley 1:00

Wrestling

Wed 1/29 Messiah 7:00

Swim Team Gets Off Blocks

Young team makes up for lack of experience with a lot of heart

by Albrightian staff reporter

First year varsity squad, the Albright Swim Team, has got off to a slow start this year, dropping its first two meets to the likes of Dickinson and Western Maryland. The swim team, however, has their hopes high because of strong finishes against both higher caliber teams. Coach Janis Frederick says "with hard practice and improving times, I remain optimistic. The team is lead by mens captians Tom "Helmuet" Kohl and Ming "the Sting" Lau and womens captians Maureen "I'm your dream" Dundas and Lita "Clipboard" Hoffstein. The lions swim team, 34 strong, consists of 10 seniors, 5 juniors, 10 sophomores, and 8 freshmen. Even though the team will lose 10 seniors this season, the hopes for next year are high among the younger members of the squad. Freshman Shane "Broderick" Thomas says "I think the team is doing exceptionally well, considering our first year status and good competition." All members

of the team are striving to qualify for the MAC's which will take place the last weekend in February. Four members of the squad have already qualified to participate in the gala event. Matt Austen "Texas" qualified for the 100 yard butterfly. Tom Kohl qualified for the 200 yard free, 100 yard back, and the 200 yard individual medely. Lynelle "Spitz" Harbold, coming straight from an excellent volleyball season, qualified for the 100 yard breaststroke. Maureen Dundas also qualified for the 50 yard free, 100 yard breast, and 100 yard fly.

On Sat. Dec. 7, the Albright Lions took on one of the strongest teams in the MAC. Although the lions lost, 106-74 in the mens, and 107-64 in the womens, the Widener coach commented on the excellent team spirit the young lions displayed. Shane Thomas and Dan "Flipper" Cochrane joined the illustrious group of those qualifying for the MAC's.

NOTES: Lions' Next Home Meet will be held on 1/11/92 vs. Scranton

TRIVIA QUESTION

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Question: Before Hawkins and Dawkins, what was the last 76ers backcourt that rhymed?

Answer from last issue: The Philadelphia Eagles

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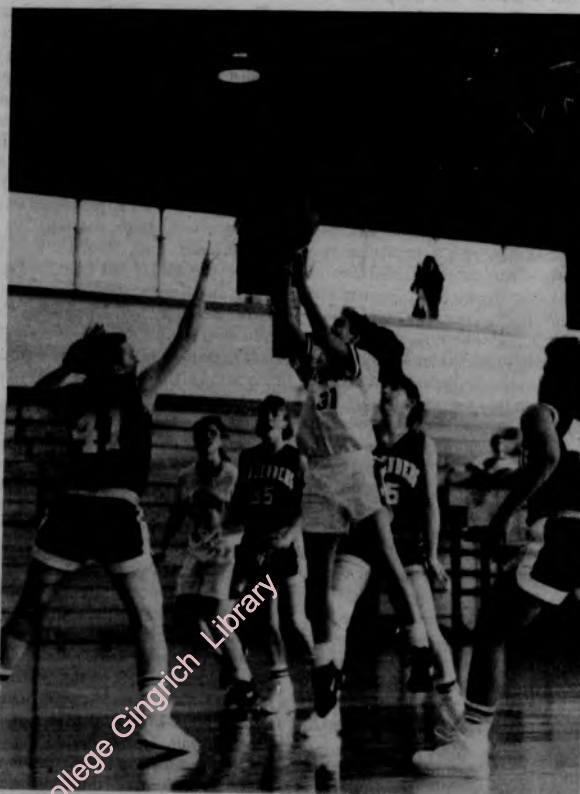
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Quote of the Week

"The only place we're taught to love each other is on the athletic field. Blacks, whites, liberals, conservatives: all these stereotypes we've made come together. When someone sticks it in the end zone, we all hug each other. No one looks to see what color we all are."

-Bill Curry
Head Football Coach
U. of Kentucky



(#31) Jen Esposito of the Lady Lions will play a crucial role for her squad

photo by Wil Johnson

Lady Lions Set for 1991-2

by Mike O'Brien
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Sally Miller and the Lady Lions look to challenge for the M.A.C. title this year. This task could rest solely on the shoulders of senior guard, Rita Baran. Baran, a starter since her freshman year, owns one of the deadliest three point shots in the nation. The team will need her leadership if they are to finish strong this year. One player who could help take some of the weight off Baran's shoulders is Becky Shumaker. The sophomore who averaged 7.0 ppg last year at the forward spot, could move to the backcourt for Albright. Another player to see considerable amount of playing time is Jen Esposito. She owns the highest career rebounding average on the team. Senior Rhonda Miller and junior Krista

Wissler look to have injury free seasons this year. Miller, who suffered from an injured knee, and Wissler, who was hampered by a foot ailment, look to help Esposito on the boards. Miller is making a comeback after being the no. 2 scorer in 89-90 with 9.0 ppg. Other players looking to help Miller and assistant coach Larry Kunkle are: junior, Sharon Fillipone, sophomore, Heather McGonagle, and freshmen, Kristen Ruch, Jacky Cunningham, and Sue Rehrig.

Their current record is 2 wins, 3 losses. Wins include games against Cedar Crest and Eastern, which they set a school record in scoring 106 points. High scorers were Miller with 12 pts. (Houghton), Baran with 18, 20, and 20 pts. (Eastern, Cedar Crest, and Ursinus), Grothe 13 pts. (Muhlenberg), and Ruch with 24 pts. (Widener)

The Road to Minneapolis

College Hoops are Here, and Things are Taking Shape

Can the Bluedevils Repeat?

A whole host of top tens!

by Chris Gehring
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Rather than attempting to imitate Walt Whitman (as did Eggo in his verbose yet moving introduction), I will, in a rather uncharacteristically (somewhat) terse fashion, delineate my top ten picks for the regular season. Obviously I, like any college hoops fan, am waiting in endless anticipation for March Madness to commence. However, before that gets under way, there is a lot of basketball to be played! In fact, it seems that the 1991-2 season may offer more parity among a plethora of teams than any of recent years past. One need not look too far for evidence to back up that claim: Arkansas (pre-season ranking of #2) already has two losses; UNC Charlotte (the E. Carolina of college hoops) has beaten both DePaul (ranked #20) and Wimp Sanderson's Crimson Tide (ranked in the top 20-#15?); and lastly, Bryant Styth and co. from the University of Virginia beat John Thompson, Alonzo Mourning, and the 18th ranked Hoyas of Georgetown. The list goes on—and it is only the 13th of December. Yes, I think it is safe to say that college basketball junkies are in for quite a year.

My regular season top ten is as follows:
#10. Georgia Tech: Cremins comes through again with the BIG recruit and his name is Travis Best (sorry Kenny who?). An improved Matt Geiger and an awesome Malcolm Mackey will allow the surprisingly good, underrated Ramblin' Wreck to challenge for the ACC crown and sneak its way into my top ten.
#9. Alabama: Wimp Sanderson has some prime-time athletes—all of whom can run the court, rebound, and score. Robert Horry leads the Crimson Tide into the number nine spot.

#8. Kentucky: I have a lot of faith in Rick Pitino. Pelphrey can lite it up for 3, and Mashburn is tough. Kentucky showed Bobby Knight what they can do—in the Hoosier Dome. Put the Wild Cats at number 8.
#7. Indiana: Bobby Knight is a genius, but a good rebounding team will give the Hoosiers real trouble (i.e. Florida State last year in the Tourney). Cheaney is one of the best, and Bailey and Anderson are quality ball-players. Look for Indiana to have a great season, but they will only finish second in the Big Ten.
#6. UCLA: Currently ranked #2, I think the Bruins are a top ten team, but only at number 6. MacLean and Murray are one of the best frontcourt tandems in the nation. Like the Hoosiers, however, UCLA will finish second in their conference.
#5. UCONN: Calhoun's team is at LEAST number 5. Donyelle Marshall is not your typical freshman, and Scott Burrell is one of the top defenders in the nation. I think Chris Smith is slightly overrated (sorry Rizado), but UCONN definitely has Final Four potential (if they can get by Duke—a big IF). Look for the Huskies to win the Big East.
#4. UNC: Dean Smith has done it again. George Lynch is one of the most athletic and exciting players in the nation. With a year of

experience behind them, Phelps and Montross are playing great basketball, and Hubert Davis is on fire. I think P.J. will attest to the quality and excellence of Tar Heel Basketball in 1991-2. Carolina could easily return to the Final Four in March. Unfortunately, however, they too will have to settle for second place in their conference, the ACC.

#3. Ohio State: The loss of Lee and Carter will hurt, but I cannot speak highly enough of JJ, certainly the most versatile and the country's best (excluding the Shaq); and Randy Ayers, a coaching genius (last year's Coach of the Year). And can you say #1 backcourt in the country? Ohio State's season ended too early last year. That won't happen again in 1991-2, and they will win the Big Ten.

#2. Arizona: Lute Olsen's Wildcats will edge out the Bruins and take the PAC 10. Othick and Reeves in the backcourt, and Stokes, Womack, and an awesome Mills in the frontcourt make Arizona my number two. Look at the way in which they handled the Shaq and a highly overrated LSU (Arizona 87 - LSU 67).

#1. DUKE: The Bluedevils are better than last year (McCaffrey and Palmer said goodbye, but Coach K. bids welcome to Mr. Parks, Mr. Clark, and Mr. Blakeney). Laettner is a first team All American, Grant Hill may become the best ever at Duke (aieeee Danny Ferry!), and Thomas Hill and Brian Davis are electrifying to watch. And oh yeah, who could forget Bobby Hurley—love him or hate him, you've gotta' respect him.

Other teams to watch are Wake Forest, St. John's, an upset-minded UNC Charlotte (no, I am not jumping on their bandwagon), Arkansas, Seton Hall, Michigan State, USC, Kansas, NOT UNLV, and OB's all George Foreman team, Florida A&M.

Now for my top ten players in college basketball. There is so much talent, but here are a few of the elite: Shaquille O'Neal (LSU), Jimmy Jackson (Ohio St.), Christian Laettner (DUKE), Calbert Cheaney (Indiana), Todd Day (Arkansas), Walt Williams (Maryland), Don MacLean (UCLA), Malik Sealy (St. John's), Byron Houston (Oklahoma St.), and Chris Mills (Arizona).

Other awesome players to watch: Harold Miner (USC), George Lynch (UNC), Bryant Styth (UVA), Terry Dehere (Seton Hall), Rodney Rodgers (WFU), Alonzo Mourning (Georgetown), Jamaal Mashburn (Kentucky), and Robert Horry (Alabama).

Keep your eyes on some of the great freshmen talent: Travis Best (GA Tech), Cherokee Parks (Duke), Donyelle Marshall (UCONN), Chris Webber and a whole host of them at the University of Michigan, Mahlon Hayes (Albright), and the best of them all, Anfrane Hardaway (Memphis State).

Finally, my pre/beginning of the season Final Four Picks: out of the West - Arizona; out of the Midwest - Ohio State; out of the Southeast - UNC; and out of the East comes the 1992 National Champ - the Duke Bluedevils.

The Top Ten Teams of the EPP

by Scott "Eggo" Fitzpatrick

Ohhh... so very beautiful... The air begins to change to a whispering cold breeze... The leaves become brittle crunching under your feet... The smell of snow twitches the nose... Christmas lights illuminate the night... And college basketball is back. That's right sports fans the Shaq, J.J., P.J., Lefty, the General, the Shark, the Monster Mash, Speedy, Malik, and the one and only Dicky V! The long arduous journey to Minneapolis has commenced. Awaiting in the balance, March Madness, which has become an American mainstay in sports. Last year, U.N.L.V. was every journalist's sure fire N.C.A.A. champion. Maguire, Vitale, Sheridan, Valvano and Packer all played the Runnin' Rebels. Remember the ink comparing the squad to the Indiana team of 1975 and the Alcindor and Walton U.C.L.A. teams of the late sixties and early seventies. As I emphasized last year, no team is a "shoe-in" to waltz through March Madness. This year the exact same weight is being levied on Duke. The Blue Devils are presented as inferior, stacked with thoroughbreds and "big men". Hopefully, Dick Vitale, Billy Packer and all the other so-called experts have learned their lesson. Among the hundreds of teams, ten appear to be ready to soar into March. In other words, here's Eggo's top ten which is simply a REGULAR SEASON prediction. Write it down and remember the immortal journalist's forecast.

While I would love to have a top fifty, I do not have the space and feel it is integral to dissect these very talented tentacles. Here's twenty teams outside the ten that will not be sweating on selection day. These teams are: Princeton, Bucknell, Wisconsin, Green Bay, LaSalle, Temple, Georgia Tech, Wake Forest, L.S.U., Texas, Houston, Seton Hall, Utah, DePaul, Southern Mississippi, Oklahoma, Kansas, Missouri, Memphis St., Louisville, Georgetown, Iowa, Michigan St., U.S.C., and Arkansas (close to my top ten).

For the tenth spot in the E.P.P. (Eggo's Press Poll) I have a tie between Alabama and Kentucky. Regardless of their early season defeats, these teams will have excellent years. The Alabama Crimson Tide should be no surprise to anyone by now. Wimp Sanderson's boys have immense amounts of athleticism. In their quest for the incredibly improved SEC Conference Title, James Robinson and Robert Horry will put up All-American numbers. Hanging right with the Tide, Kentucky is ready for a banner year. Remember the old Kentucky teams with players like Sam Bowie, Melvin Turpin, Winston Bennett, and Kenny "Sky" Walker that used to bang the ball inside. Those days have vanished, Rick Pitino has changed KU ball by exploiting the three point stripe. The Wildcats have versatile big men like sensational sophomore, Jamaal Mashburn, scrappy John Pelphrey, and a smooth Deron Feldhaus. Match that with excellent ball-handlers like Travis Ford and Sean Woods, and the Sweet Sixteen seems inevitable.

With experienced players like Chris Smith,

No complaints now, Eggo. If you would type your own article, like every other Albrightian reporter, you wouldn't have to worry about the insertion of Editor's Note(s).

Sincerely, OB

Rod Sellers, and Scott Burrell, Jimmy Calhoun has every reason to expect a Big East Title, especially with the addition of Donyelle Marshall. The UCONN Huskies will be the 9th best team at season's end.

Finishing 8th in the EPP, will be Oklahoma State, riding on the shoulders of the versatile Byron Houston. The Big 8 Champion has the Sutton combination, Coach Eddie and point guard Sean, which will support the Barkley-like Houston.

The magical days in Westwood are currently being restored. UCLA is back, and should be recognized as a National Championship contender. The best forward combo in b-ball belongs to UCLA. Don McLean and Tracy Murray will add their names to the illustrious Bruin Hall of Fame. Watch out for this squad which finishes 7th.

Indiana has lost twice (KU, UCLA), but Bobby Knight will use these losses to motivate his troops and gain 6th place in the EPP. Cheaney, Anderson, Bailey, Meeks, Graham, Henderson, and Nover give the Hoosiers unlimited depth. A Big Ten Title is in reach.

Finally, Coach Lou Carneseca has all the tools to return to the Final Four. St. John's will win the Big East, and be the 5th best team at the season's end. Malik Sealy is one of the three best players in the nation, and is ready to bring excitement to the Garden.

While everyone lauds Duke, their neighbor has been quietly dominating every opponent they have faced. The UNC Tarheels will lose only 4 games this year, and finish in 4th place in the EPP. The freshmen have matured, especially Eric Montross and Derrick Phelps. Match that youth with "marksman" Hubert Davis and the versatile George Lynch, and a National Title is in reach.

The Arizona Wildcats have seen the departure of Brian Williams, but this is a void quickly filled by Sean Rooks. With Williams gone, Chris Mills has received the green light, and will prove to America that he is a lottery pick. With Mills, Stokes, and Rooks towering up front, Matt Othick and Khalid Reeves make up the most underrated backcourt in the country. Lute Olsen will lose only 2 games and finish 3rd in the nation.

Even with the losses of Treg Lee and Perry Carter, the Ohio State Buckeyes still will claim the Big Ten Title, and 2nd in the EPP. Everyone knows about the multi-faceted Jimmy Jackson, but teammates Mark Baker and Jamal Brown are ready to break out in Columbus. Coach Ayers has a solid team, patiently awaiting the arrival of Lawrence Funderburke.

The best team in the nation at season's end will be the Duke Bluedevils. Players like Hurley, Hill (2), Laettner, Davis, and newcomer Cherokee Parks have the best coach in basketball dreaming of March.

Well, my top ten has been decided and the road to Minneapolis has commenced. (Editor's Note: This is not a mistake, this is taken directly from the author's handwritten text) As for the national champion, Hike Arizona I think it's too early to foreshadow. Why don't we just enjoy the spirit and and hype of the college hoops regular season.