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## Oscar Arias, Nobel Peace Laureate, to speak at Albright

Reading, Pa. —

Oscar Arias, winner of the 1987 Nobel Peace Prize, former president of Costa Rica, and spokesperson for the Third World, will speak at Albright College on Monday, March 11, 2002, at 10:00 a.m. in the Bollman Center at 13th and Bern Streets, Reading. A question-and-answer session will be part of his presentation. Arias will also be awarded an honorary doctoral degree from Albright.

The lecture is free and

open to the public, but reservations are required. For tickets, call 610-921-7526. Arias appears through a special partnership of Albright College and The Hispanic Center of Reading and Berks County.

Oscar Arias was president of Costa Rica from 1986 to 1990. From his first days in office, Arias devoted himself to the peace process in Central America, a region torn by civil war and discord.

Arias has continued his pursuit of global peace and

human security, promoting human development, global governance, human dignity, and curtailment of the global arms trade. He advocates preventive diplomacy, and prohibition of arms to nations that support terrorism.

Arias' topics include the struggle for world peace; moral leadership in an age of globalization; the ethics of service; humanism and non-violence for today's heads of state; and the new, post-September 11 reality, including terrorism, which has been an issue for Latin America.

In 1987, Arias drafted a peace plan to end unrest and civil war in Central America. The Arias Peace Plan called for dialogue, cease-fire, freedom of speech and free elections in El Salvador, Guatemala and Nicaragua. His initiative culminated in the signing of the Esquipulas II Accords or The Procedure to Establish a Firm and Lasting Peace in Central America, signed by all of the Central American presidents.

In 1987, he received the Nobel Peace Prize, and used

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## ELM Center presents lecture series on Assisted Reproduction Technology

Genevieve Shope  
Lion Reporter

Should a couple be able to chose the gender of their child? Who are the real parents of "test tube babies?" Is the use of artificial technologies to create children immoral? These are all question with difficult, not to mention controversial, answers. But someone needs to be asking the questions, and why not you?

Albright College's Center for Ethics, Law, and Medicine is presenting a series of community discussions on Assisted Reproduction Technologies (ART.) Jeffrey H. Barker, director of the ELM Center, says these are "not lectures in the ordinary sense." It's a chance for students to ask

questions to some of the biggest names in the field.

Vincent A. Pellegrini, M.D., director of the In Vitro Fertilization (IVF) program at a Berks County clinic, kicked off the program on February 12 discussing reproductive technology today. Some new reproductive technologies include IVF, where the egg and sperm are actually fertilized in the laboratory, and Gamete Intrafallopian Transfer (GIFT), where eggs and sperm are injected directly into the fallopian tube. Artificial insemination, which is the transfer of sperm into the surrogate mother's reproductive tract, and sperm/egg donation, along with these other technologies, prove to be highly complicated issues.

Albright graduates and

bioethicist, Tricha Shivas, spoke just recently, on March 4<sup>th</sup>, about the severity of fetal harm in both cases of crack babies and ART babies. She brought into consideration the similarities and differences of how pregnant women are treated depending on the type of drugs they used.

The series will continue on March 20 when John A. Robertson, J.D., visits Albright. He will raise some of the legal challenges concerning these new reproductive technologies. For example, "Is it morally sound to sell sperm and eggs?" and "What defines a mother or father?" Peter A. Schwartz, M.D., director of the Obstetrics and gynecology department at the Reading Hospital and Medical Center, will conclude the series, on

April 17 with a discussion on gender selection and the ethical issues involved for doctors partaking in such activities.

Students, faculty, and members of the surrounding community should take advantage of this excellent opportunity to talk with professionals of expertise in the area of reproductive technology. These discussions do qualify as experience credit for Albright students. As stated in the ELM center brochure, "At the intersection of ethics, law, and medicine are issues of vital concern to every human being at some point in their lives." This series confronts some of the issues that affect each and every person in today's society.

Genevieve Shope is a sophomore and a Lion Reporter for the Albrightian.

## Spring break: What are you doing?

Danny Campos  
Lion Reporter

What will you be doing for spring break? Sitting in the sunset in Panama City? Skiing up in Quebec City? How about teaching english to children in Peru? If you are looking for a good day in the sun, then the beach is for you.

There are so many locations to go to, to enjoy the sun. The most popular locations include Cancun, Mexico and Florida. Whether you are going for MTV, or to just have a great time, those are two popular locations. Other places that students travel to are

Acapulco, Myrtle Beach, Bahamas, and even Canada.

If you are not looking for fun in the sun, how about fun in the snow? With the warm weather in February, it wouldn't be bad to see some "real snow." There are spring break ski trips in Quebec City, and even Vermont and Maine. These are probably the best places that still have availability late in March.

Are you the adventurous type? Well, then maybe you need a road trip! There are great bus trips that go cross-country to many places. Whether it is hiking or white water rafting, or even a trip to Alaska, you'll always find

yourself in a different location everyday.

Don't like the sun? Hate the snow? Or maybe you feel like doing something that will help others. Well, there are alternative spring break programs. On the website, [volunteerworkabroad.org](http://volunteerworkabroad.org), college students go to different countries and work with children. There are many different activities, whether it be arts and craft or teaching English, you are always making a difference in these children's lives.

Check out all the websites below for all your spring break information.

If you really don't want to do anything this spring break, then relax and enjoy the time off. That is something I'm going to do! Have a safe and happy spring break!

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[leisuretours.com](http://leisuretours.com)  
[adventureplanet.com](http://adventureplanet.com)  
[volunteerworkabroad.org](http://volunteerworkabroad.org)

Danny Campos is a freshman writer and a regular contributor to the Albrightian.



# Exploring assisted reproduction technologies

**Reading, Pa.** - The Albright College Center for Ethics, Law and Medicine presents The ART of Making Babies: Exploring Assisted Reproductive Technologies, a series of presentations and community discussions. The first presentation, The State of ART: Reproductive Technology Today, will be held on Tuesday, February 12 at 4 p.m. in the Campus Center South Lounge.

The event, which is free and open to the public, will feature Vincent A. Pellegrini,

M.D., clinical director, IVF Program, at The Women's Clinic, Ltd. in Wyomissing.

Pellegrini joined the Women's Clinic, Ltd. in July, 1978. Always interested in the subspecialty area of infertility, he was instrumental in establishing one of the first private practice in vitro fertilization programs in the United States. With the first stimulation cycle in September, 1986, the Women's Clinic's first IVF baby was delivered in January 1988.

Pellegrini is an active

member of the American Society of Reproductive Medicine, the American College of Obstetricians & Gynecologists and the American Association of Gynecologic Laparoscopists. He is president of the Obstetrical Society of Philadelphia and the recipient of the National Faculty Award for Excellence in Resident Education from the residents of The Reading Hospital and Medical Center.

The series also includes the following presentations:

Monday, March 4 (4:30 p.m.) - ART Babies vs. Crack Babies: A Question of Fetal Harm by Tricha Shivas, bioethicist, Michigan State University.

Wednesday, March 20 (4 p.m.) - Legal Issues in ART by John A. Robertson, J.D., Vinson and Elkins Chair, University of Texas School of Law at Austin.

Wednesday, April 17 (4 p.m.) - ART and Gender Selection by Peter A. Schwartz, M.D., director, Obstetrics & Gynecology, Reading Hospital and Medical Center.

For more information, contact Jeffrey H. Barker at 610-921-7707.

## Ellen S. Hurwitz lecture on faith, reason, & imagination

**Reading, Pa.** - Albright College's annual Ellen S. Hurwitz Presidential Lecture on Faith, Reason and Imagination presents Anthony Campolo, Ph.D., author, ordained minister, and media commentator on religious, social and political matters, on Thursday, March 14, 2002 at 7 p.m. The event, which is free and open to the public, will be held in Memorial Chapel.

There will be a book signing immediately following the lecture.

Founder of the Evangelical Association for the Promotion of Education (EAPE), Campolo has provided the leadership to create, nurture and support programs for "at-risk" children in cities across the United States and Canada, and has helped

establish schools and universities in several developing countries.

He is the author of 28 books, the most recent being *Revolution and Renewal: How Churches Are Saving Our Cities and Let Me Tell You a Story: Life Lessons From Unexpected Places and Unlikely People*. Campolo is also a media commentator on religious, social and political matters, having been a guest on television programs like *Nightline*, *Crossfire*, *Politically Incorrect*, *The Charlie Rose Show* and *CNN News*. He co-hosted his own television series, *Hashing It Out*, on the *Odyssey Network*, and presently hosts *From Across the Pond*, a weekly program on the *Premier Radio Network* in England.

Campolo is professor



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emeritus of sociology at Eastern College in St. Davids, Pa., and previously served for 10 years on the faculty of the University of Pennsylvania.

An ordained minister, he is presently recognized as an associate pastor of the Mount Carmel Baptist Church in West Philadelphia.

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## Dangerous city: Reading

**Matt Kemeny**  
*Lion Reporter*

Reading, PA now has an additional distinguishing factor besides being the outlet capital of the world.

However, this might not be one to brag about.

Due to a year filled with drug related violence, Reading has jumped into the 25<sup>th</sup> spot among the most dangerous cities in the United States — closing in on Philadelphia, which holds the 24<sup>th</sup> spot.

The study was performed by Morgan Quitno Press, a Kansas publisher that produces a yearly report of FBI crime statistics.

In addition to being ranked the 25<sup>th</sup> most dangerous city, Reading was also ranked the sixth most dangerous among cities with populations of 75,000 to 100,000.

City residents attribute the high rank in crime to drug related violence.

"Let them (the drug dealers) shoot each other," said Ernest Danneberg of the 1600 block of Centre Ave. "Reading has always been a nice place to live if you are not a drug dealer."

City officials have agreed that it's pertinent to pull together to drive out the drug dealers. They are not shocked by the rankings, but are interested in a turnaround for the better.

"Dating back to the 50's and 60's, this city has always had a crime problem," said city councilman Angel F. Figueroa. "To overcome this problem, we need to be organized as a com-

munity, be accountable for our actions, and have a sense of pride to erase this black mark that has been given to us."

Reading, with a population of 75,000, had a record 25 murders in 2000.

On a side note, the Reading metropolitan region placed 135<sup>th</sup> most dangerous out of 254 surveyed."

### Top 25 most dangerous cities

1. Detroit, MI
2. Atlanta, GA
3. St. Louis, MO
4. Baltimore, MD
5. Gary, IN
6. Camden, NJ
7. Tampa, FL
8. West Palm Beach, FL
9. Compton, CA
10. Memphis, TN
11. New Orleans, LA
12. Washington, D.C.
13. Kansas City, MO
14. Richmond, VA
15. Dayton, OH
16. Flint, MI
17. Miami, FL
18. Youngstown, OH
19. Dallas, TX
20. Newark, NJ
21. Trenton, NJ
22. Chattanooga, TN
23. Orlando, FL
24. Philadelphia, PA
25. Reading, PA

Morgan Quitno Press studies over 2000 FBI crime statistics for 327 cities and 254 metropolitan areas nationwide. Cities are ranked by the per capita rate of murder rape, aggravated assault, burglary and stolen vehicles.

The only other Pennsyl-

vania city to rank in the top 100 most dangerous was Pittsburgh at 98. Allentown was 126<sup>th</sup>, but Lancaster and Harrisburg did not make the list.

The last time Reading appeared so high in the yearly rankings was 1997, when it came in at 38.

Residents believe that with such a drop, there is a need for more drug control on the streets.

"The key is to get rid of the drug dealers on the streets," Danneberg added. "The crime will then go down proportionally with that."

Newly appointed police chief, Frank Delewski, now has a new task in his hand of Reading "taking back its streets." Delewski, along with mayor Joseph D. Eppihimer, have a long way to go to reverse this ranking.

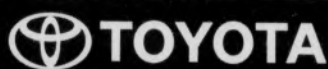
"If someone wants to shoot you, they are going to shoot you," Eppihimer said. "Unless you live in a bulletproof house, you have no other options."

"It's pertinent for the public to get involved in the apprehension of criminals," he continued. "The more the public becomes aware of crime, the easier it will be for Reading to reverse its ranking."

Sgt. Thomas M. Freiwald of the criminal investigations division noted that due to the number of crimes in the city that has augmented in the past decade, patrolmen have been busier than ever.

"The guys are going out and doing the best job they can, regardless of what's in the newspaper," Freiwald said. "The workload is the same no matter if Reading is ranked first, second or 25<sup>th</sup>."

**This is an announcement:**  
*The Albrightian*  
**will be closing for the rest of the spring 2002 semester if we do not get anyone to write!! We are short staffed, over-worked, and tired of begging for writers. If you enjoy and look forward to reading the paper, this is your chance to save it! Otherwise, this is the last edition! Don't let the paper die...it's up to all of us...**



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The Albrightian is in need of several photographers. Anyone who is completing the photography program, this is a great opportunity to have some hands-on experience. However, anyone is welcome to participate. Must have your own camera. If interested, please contact the Albrightian office at x7558. Thank you.

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## Oscar Arias

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the monetary award to establish the Arias Foundation for Peace and Human Progress. Under the auspices of the Foundation, three programs were established: The Center for Human Progress to promote equal opportunity for women and gender equity; the Center for Organized Participation to strengthen the action of civil society in central America; and the Center for Peace and Reconciliation to work for demilitarization and conflict resolution in the developing world.

He recently proposed that heads of state in



The Nobel Peace Prize Winner will speak at Albright on March 11.

the hemisphere endorse a two-year moratorium on the purchase of high-tech weapons. To date, 24 leaders have agreed to this moratorium. The measure would extend the reach of an existing treaty that made Latin America the world's first nuclear-free zone.

On March 11 at 6:30 p.m., Arias will also be the guest speaker at the Hispanic Center of Reading and Berks County's Annual Scholarship Banquet to benefit Latino students from Berks County.

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## Campollo

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The Ellen S. Hurwitz Presidential Lecture Series on Faith, Reason and the Imagination was established in honor of Albright's twelfth president. The series, which focuses on faith and spirit, invites world-class leaders to

Albright to foster conversations across the many faith traditions at Albright, connecting learning, creativity and the cosmic picture.

This bracelet was a gift Amber Apudaca received from the center where she helped teens with drug and alcohol problems. She was wearing it when an underage drunk driver took her life.

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# FEATURES

## World peace council holds simulation at Albright

Reading, Pa. -

Albright College, in collaboration with the World Affairs Council of Berks County (WAC), the United States Institute of Peace (USIP) and the Berks County Intermediate Unit (BCIU) will present "An International Conflict Resolution Simulation for High School Students" on Tuesday, March 5, 2002. The event will run from 9 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. in Albright College's Campus Center.

USIP, an independent, nonpartisan federal institution created by Congress in 1984 to promote research, education, and training on the peaceful resolution of international conflicts, will train Albright students the day prior to the event, Monday, March 4, to serve as mediators in the simulation.

On the day of the simulation, high school students will be assigned roles of parties to the conflict in a fictitious factual situation created by USIP. Groups will then be given time to resolve the disagreement and report their results for evaluation.

This opportunity will enable students to: Enhance their understanding of conflict and peacemaking; Learn to discover, define and transform a problem; Develop concrete steps to resolve a problem; Receive feedback on the effectiveness of their work.

tiveness of their work.

Jeri Kozloff, president of the Board of WAC of Berks County, said, "We've always had an annual WAC in schools programs, but this year we wanted it to be more interactive, rather than straight lecture." She added, "The students will benefit more and get a better point of view by getting involved."

Although WAC has collaborated with Albright College on events in the past, Albright President Henry A. Zimon, Ph.D. said he is especially excited about this particular endeavor. "This is a wonderful opportunity for both Albright students and local high school students to work together. It's a perfect learning experience for all involved. We are working very hard to build more and more ties to the community and, now, we hope that the success of this program will lead to the simulation becoming an annual event here at Albright."

The event will culminate with a luncheon, which is open to the public, at 11:30 a.m. for students, faculty advisors, USIP, WAC members and Albright participants. At the luncheon, students will present their results for evaluation by USIP.

For more information or to make luncheon reservations, call WAC at 610-375-7880.

## Anti-Pop Newsletter

by : Eric Adair and Adrian Chesh

After over a semester of covering all sorts of hard music, we here at the newsletter are still left with a looming question. What is the rest of Albright listening to? We want to cover what all of you want to read about, so let us know at antipopnews@hotmail.com.

Anyway, this week we focus on a band that revolutionized the modern hardcore sound and are currently on a nationwide tour.

We hope you enjoy and maybe even give it a listen. Look out next issue for a review and pictures of Burnt By the Sun in concert.

Since the release of their full-length debut, "The Opposite of December", in 1999, Poison the Well has left a huge mark on the hardcore scene. If the most sincere form of flattery is imitation, then Poison the Well has been praised more than any hardcore band in recent history. After this ground-breaking debut, which mixed pulse-pounding, hardcore beats and screams with a melodic trimming to prove the extent of their talents, a slew of new bands appeared on the scene in an attempt to cash in on this new hardcore sound. None of these bands, however, could do things quite like the Florida-based five-piece that are known simply as "The Well" to die-hard fans.

A few weeks ago, the

long awaited sophomore album from The Well, "Tear From the Red", hit the streets through Trustkill records. It features an even larger array of melody than their first album, but this band has by no means gone soft.

Just listening to the first song on the album entitled "Botchla" will prove this fact. It begins with an acoustic riff and a few soft melodic lines, but by the time you have time to ask yourself if this is an attempt to become a radio-friendly band, you are bludgeoned with riffs like a jackhammer and bruised by hardcore breakdowns. The rest of the album follows suit, placing melody in exactly the right places, giving the listeners just enough time to catch their breath before plunging them back into the pounding drum beats and slicing guitar work that made them famous.

Hopefully, with this more mature opus under their belts, along with a full U.S. tour, Poison the Well can show all non-believers that they are the real deal and the band to lead hardcore into the new millennium. Their exposure to the world has just begun as they tour with hardcore greats Hatebreed and will begin their own headlining tour at the end of March. The future is definitely bright for this young, talented band. So download a few songs and check Poison the Well out. It will definitely

be worth your time.

*Eric and Adrian are sophomores and regular contributors to the Albrightian.*

## Announcing: The Albrightian Advice Column

Do you have problems that you just can't find the right answers to? Well, have I got news for you! The Albrightian has decided to put an advice column in the paper to help you solve those pesky little problems. If you are in need of answers to your problems, then this is for you. You can write in as yourself or anonymously. It's that simple.

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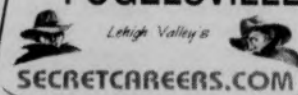
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# ALBRIGHT SPORTS

## Albright baseball expecting a winning season

**Becky Eshbach**  
*Lion Reporter*

This year the Albright baseball team is very hopeful. With depth in their lineup, and many pitchers, the players feel they will have a great season.

Included among the pitchers are Matt Slivinski and Dan Jarrett who are expected to pitch many games.

The team has been practicing diligently a few hours each day and has met everyday in the fall and spring for weight training. The men's first game is away against Drew on March

3, which they feel will be the first win of many.

First baseman Justin Holland states, "This year we have a very strong line-up and should have a great season."

Their line-up boasts many returning players including Kerry Marshall and Sam Greenhalgh, who clutched two of the highest batting averages last season. The first home game is on March 14 at 3 p.m. against Widener, so come out and support the great team Albright will have this year!

*Becky Eshbach is a freshman and Lion Reporter for the Albrightian*

## 2002 Season Wrap-up: Basketball

**Jim DeLuccia**  
*Lion Reporter*

The men's team finished the 2001-02 season at 4-21 (2-12 Commonwealth). The team opened the season with an overtime victory at the College of New Jersey, but faltered from there, suffering losing streaks of six (twice) and eight during the season.

Sophomore guard Terron Buchanan led the MAC (both Freedom and Commonwealth conferences) in scoring at 21 points per game. Freshman guard Corey Rich led the Commonwealth in three-pointers made, with 67, and three-pointers made per game, with 2.7. Freshman forward Shawn Sweigart led the team in rebounding at 5.4 per game, in the absence of senior captain Brendan Ferns.

The women's team

finished the season at 6-18 (2-12 Commonwealth). The team opened up the season 2-2 with resounding victories over Chatham and Marywood, but lost seven of eight from there and never recovered.

Sophomore forward Lauren Finnigan led the team in points and rebounds at 10 and 7.5 per game, respectively. Freshman guard Calista Walker was second in scoring at 9.5 points per game, but led the team in free throw shooting at 79 percent.

With the season-ending injury to Ferns, neither team had a senior on their roster.

*Jim DeLuccia is a junior sportswriter for the Albrightian*

## Albright Softball

**Lauren High**  
*Lion Reporter*

The Albright softball team began its 2001 season with a game on March 2 at Drew. After a series of away games, the team will play the home opener on March 14 against Widener. With eleven freshmen on the roster, the softball team looks to its eight veteran players to lead the team. A core of solid returning players and the addition of rookies should prove to be an electrifying combination.

Look for returning players to make key contributions both on offense and on defense. Veteran pitchers Natalie Cellucci, Kelli Kaelber, and Shannon Kline will try to continue the strong performances of last season. With the addition of freshman Kate Reisch, the pitching staff will have added depth. Senior short-stop Liz Groves will work to keep the Albright defense strong and anchor the veteran infielders. On offense, Albright will look to its returning players to swing the bats well and generate plenty of scoring opportunities.

With plenty of freshmen to fill the void left by last season's departed seniors, the Albright softball team appears to be laying the foundation for a strong and experienced team for seasons to come. If players can stay healthy this season, it seems that the team could make a run for the conference championship. Good luck!

*Lauren High is a junior sports editor for the Albrightian*

## Swim teams return from MAC's proud

**Elizabeth Gaska**  
*Lion Reporter*

The Albright swim team proudly returned from the MAC Championships on February 15, knowing that they gave an outstanding performance at the swim meet and had an incredible season.

At the MAC Championships this year, the women's swim team took first place, the men's swim team took second place, and they set four new Middle Atlantic Conference Records. The combined score of the men's and women's teams was 903 points; the only other college to come near that score was Widener with 799.5 points.

The four Middle Atlantic Conference records broken this year were the men's 200-yard medley relay, the men's 200-yard freestyle relay, the women's 200-yard medley relay, and the women's 400-yard medley relay. In the men's 200-yard medley relay, Daniel Carr, Adam Fletcher, Matthew Printz and Billy Ruth set a new record with their time of 1:38.38. In the men's 200-yard freestyle relay, Billy Ruth, Raymond Walzer, Adam Fletcher, and Matthew Printz set a new record with a time of 1:27.02. Cindy Barner, Courtney Kroh, Brooke Heebner, and Jessica King set the new women's 200-yard relay with their time of 1:52.85. The women's 400-yard medley relay record is held by Cindy Barner, Courtney Kroh, Brooke

Heebner, and Julie Jones, with their time of 4:06.04.

"This has been a great year," stated head coach Jeni Frederick, "The swimmers have made a lot of sacrifices and worked exceptionally hard for this."

Other exceptional events at the Conference Championships were men's 1650-yard freestyle and the men's 400-yard IM. In both of these events the Albright men placed first, second, and third. In the men's 1650-yard freestyle, Matthew Stumhofer placed first, Andy Ikeler placed second, and Brian Okum placed third. In the men's 400-yard IM, Andy Ikeler took first place, Leon Adams took second place, and Matthew Stumhofer took third place. A swimmer with an extraordinary performance at MAC's this year was freshman Cindy Barner. She received the David B. Eavenson, Sr. Award for the most outstanding swimmer at the meet.

The MAC Championships was a great end to an incredible season for the Albright swimming team.

Senior Co-Captain of the men's team Mike DiFelice commented, "The swim team was very close this year, and we had a lot of talent and dedication."

Overall the Albright swim team had an amazing season filled with extraordinary individual and team performances.

*Elizabeth Gaska is a senior Lion Reporter for the Albrightian*

## Spring Track and Field Preview

**Kimberly J. Hassel**  
*Lion Reporter*

The indoor track and field season is coming to an end. The team competed on Satur-

day, February 23, in the MAC Championship meet at Susquehanna University. The season will come to an end on Saturday, March 2, at the ECAC meet at Tufts University in Boston. The team will soon move outdoors to the Shirk Stadium track. The coaching staff has high hopes for the spring season.

A strong group of freshmen will join a talented team of upperclassmen. There should be enough athletes to fill all of the individual events. The men's and women's 4-by-100 and 4-by-400 relay teams will remain intact from the indoor season. Seniors Holly Whitpan and Jason Scheerer will both participate on these relay teams.

On the girls' side, the team will look toward Holly Whitpan in the high jump, long

jump, relays, and 400. Whitpan led the team last year in total points scored. Head coach Don Gottshall feels that she is, without a doubt, the most "outstanding female track athlete in Albright history." Hopefully Johanna Dotts will be healthy and throwing strongly in the javelin event. During her sophomore year, she went to Division III Nationals in the javelin event. Freshman Lakeisha Fairley of Oxford, Penn., is expected to excel in the sprints. Sonja Standefer of Lakeland, PA will provide depth in the jumping events. Sophomore Aileen Mulligan should be a factor in the discuss event.

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## Spring Track cont

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Freshman Chrissy Matticola will lead the distance squad.

On the boys' side, the team will look to BJ Summer to score some points in the sprint events. Jeff Feverston, who cleared 14 feet indoors, is expected to be strong in the pole vault. Ernie Woolf had a strong indoor season in the long jump, 200, and 400, and he is expected to keep up the good work throughout the spring. Senior Greg Leppien and freshman John Burke will train for the decathlon. Mark Snitzer and Andy Klinsiek will be competing in the weight events.

The team is under the direction of head coach Don Gottshall and assistant coaches Barry Stebbins (pole vault, weights), Daneen Ebeling (sprints), and Fred Hiel (jumps, hurdles). The season will open on Wednesday, March 20, with a home meet at Shirk Stadium, against Delaware Valley College, York College, and Penn State Berks. The track team appreciates all fans and invites students and faculty to attend their meets.

Kim Hassel a junior sportswriter for the Albrightian

## Wrestling wrap-up

Lauren High  
Lion Reporter

The Albright wrestling team wrapped up the 2001 season with a seventh place finish at the MAC Championships, which were held February 15 and 16.

After going 1-18 overall and 1-7 in the MAC, the Albright men made a strong showing at the meet. Senior heavyweight Ben Hammond placed second overall. Hammond lost in the championship match to Cory Fleisher of Wilkes after Fleisher got two quick points in the final seconds of the match. Additionally, Hammond was selected as a second alternate to represent the MAC at the NCAA Championships. While Hammond was the only Albright wrestler to advance to the championship round of the tournament, the rest of the team wrestled competitively in consolation matches. Ryan Scarduzio won his first consolation match with a pin, before losing in a semi-final match.

In a season plagued by injuries, Albright remained tough competitors. As a result of various injuries, including

the season-ending knee injury sustained by Bill Brennan against Messiah, Albright could not be competitive in all weight classes. Still, Albright wrestled every match with determination.

The senior wrestlers, particularly, provided much of the team's spark. Hammond was 21-8 during the season, including a first place finish at the University of Scranton Tournament. Scarduzio had a 17-win season, and he also placed third at the Scranton Tournament. Finally, senior Dustin Simcoe went 4-17 on the season but provided much needed depth at 125-pounds. Junior Brian McElrone also had a successful 14-12 season.

Though the 2001 wrestling season was not a winning season for the team, it is clear that the season was filled with inspired individual performances. Next season, head coach Joe Reilly will look to his returning players for a similar display of the strength and determination that characterized the 2001 season.

Lauren High is a junior sports editor for the Albrightian

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# STUDENT LIFE

## Scholarship Corner

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Eligible students can find the application materials at the foundation website:

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The Families of Freedom Scholarship Fund was established to provide education assistance for postsecondary study to members of families impacted by events of September 11. Contributors to the Fund want to ensure that the children and spouses of those who died or were permanently disabled will have the opportunity to continue their education.

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Students with any questions may contact Lyn Dauffenbach, Program Manager, at:

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# Reflections of a wasted childhood

By: Dan Ruedy

When I was seven years old, I was living in Bonn, Germany thanks to U.S. Government orders. I had the distinct privilege of being exposed to a completely different world than most other American children, and I had the opportunity to take advantage of that exposure to learn more about the world around me. What glorious days those were. My most pressing concern, as a young boy, was who got to be in my club. Clubs were the primary social organization in those days, and anybody who was anybody was in one.

One fateful summer day, some companions and I

came upon a felled tree with a huge mound of soil still clinging to its exposed roots. Behind this massive wall of root and soil was a pit of appreciable size. I instantly recognized its value as a potential clubhouse, being strategically located deep in a forest, yet close enough to our residences that we could rely on a steady stream of soda and cookies from friendly territory. All the kids from the various Embassies in the community wanted to be in our club. There were three or four founding members, and though their names escape me, I recall that we were quite intent on keeping the membership as exclu-

sive and selective as possible, and wanted and making improvements to our log-fortress a top priority. We borrowed our parents' garden shovels and buckets, and further excavated our shallow hole in the ground. That glorious pit became a bastion of our childhood, and back when our horizons were narrow and dreams were simple, it was our life. We thought up secret handshakes and code names. No one else was even allowed to know the clubhouse's exact location. We prided ourselves in being separate and isolated.

The summer began to wane, but we had no intention of disbanding our club when

school began in the fall. We retained our status as an exclusive group even during the lunch hour. No one else was allowed to dine around our yellow table, or sit in our small, elementary school-size chairs. Sometimes I would make attempts to defect to the quadrant of the playground where the females of Mrs. Barthelmae's 3rd Grade class would congregate, but I had to do so with stealth and secrecy. Had my covert operations been discovered, I would surely have been ousted from the club I had personally created. My friends from the club and I would make fun of kids that were different, and took pleasure in making them feel miserable and dejected, primarily because it made us feel better about ourselves. Every day after school we would gather at our log in the forest and busy ourselves with throwing rocks and sticks at tree targets in preparation for some kind of war against an unknown enemy. We were all very content with being part of something that we perceived as big, and I thought those kids would always be my best friends. They would not. At some point it occurred to me that we were not drawn together by a common interest. We did let a kid named Paul from the British Embassy into the club because he had a Nintendo and a couple of games and we all shared a common interest in using him for access to famed titles like Duck Hunt and Super Mario 1. I hate to admit it even now, but what actually drew us together was a common fear of being alone.

Those days are far gone, however, and most of the kids that we spent time intimidating and harassing have probably forgotten about what a bunch of jerks we were. As a club we had a mutually beneficial relationship - we all made each other feel better about ourselves - but we were parasitic, benefiting at the expense of oth-

ers. I still remember, and wish I had taken advantage of those years to learn from those that were different and unique rather than those that were simple and the same.

-Dan Ruedy is a Freshman Columnist for The Albrightian

## Jake's Q & A

by Diane Frankhouser

Alright now let me get right to the point! One month has passed since the first installment of 'Jake's Q & A' and I have not received one comment. There must be something of a curious nature you would like to know about Jake's, so come on over and give me the questions I am so looking forward to answering.

Coming in March, Jake's will be having nightly specials. First and definitely not least, every Monday night we are having a 30¢ wing night. That's right, you can buy a dozen wings for a bargain price of \$3.60, and that is not all. We are planning numerous other specials too, how about a burger, fries, and drink at a low discount price. This is just the beginning, so stay tuned and watch for our nightly specials, hope to see you there!

Diane is a Senior and an employee of Jake's Place.

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# COMMENTARY

## Indiscriminate Injustice

By Jen Levy

Several Fridays ago I was reminded first hand of the discrimination that still runs rampant in our society. It is not limited to skin color or gender or religion, ethnicity or race, but extends to age as well. This is something of which I am sure you all are aware.

Coming out of a bar in Exeter with several friends, a cop car proceeded to slow down, stare at us, and circle our car, which sat alone in the front parking lot (everyone else still there had conveniently parked in the side lot). Foreseeing the outcome, we opted to call a designated driver instead who awoke from her slumber to come get us. As we waited, all of us who were of age and with no open containers mind you, the cops persisted to harass us. Stating several times that we should leave and that the time was rather late, they seemed to be attempting to hurry us from the lot! They then decided to wait until we left, staring from their cars—there were now two cars, three officers, and a canine. They insisted that they were just doing their job—to “serve and protect the public”—not once asking us if we had been drinking or if we had a designated driver. It was as if they were waiting for us to do something wrong!

To make a long story short, I proceeded to tell them what I thought and that we would depart when the designated driver arrived. A disorderly conduct citation and \$145 later, I am no less angered and distraught. The attitude seems to be “guilty until proven innocent” as far as young adults are

concerned. Additionally, although we receive no respect, we are expected to respect authority unconditionally, despite their arrogant, power—tripping, attitudes! However, this discrimination towards young adults does not seem to be limited to “authority”.

I have experienced it in stores and in restaurants. Either I receive no service at all or it is extremely bad and basic. I have done nothing to provoke this unfair treatment in most situations, as I realize the situation described above may be questionable to some. My point is that I am sick of it!

Everyone’s screaming about our need to pull together as a nation and the progress that we’ve seemingly been making on this since the 9/11 crisis, but these types of experiences have me doubting that we’ve made any advancements at all. If everyone respects one another and has an open-minded attitude our problems would be minimized and we could chip away at all types of discrimination that plague our nation. Our attitude needs to be “innocent until proven guilty”, as was originally intended, and we need to be willing to give one another the benefit of any doubts. We cannot live peacefully if we continue to judge books by their covers.

Jen Levy is a Senior and a regular contributor to The Albrightian.

## SGA Column

by Mike DeFelice, SGA President

Fellow Albrightians,

SGA hopes that everyone is having a great semester so far.

We have completed revising our constitution and are awaiting administration approval. Upon the approval, we will have a student body vote. This should occur in the middle of March.

We are finalizing the planning on the performance for Spring Fever. More details in the future.

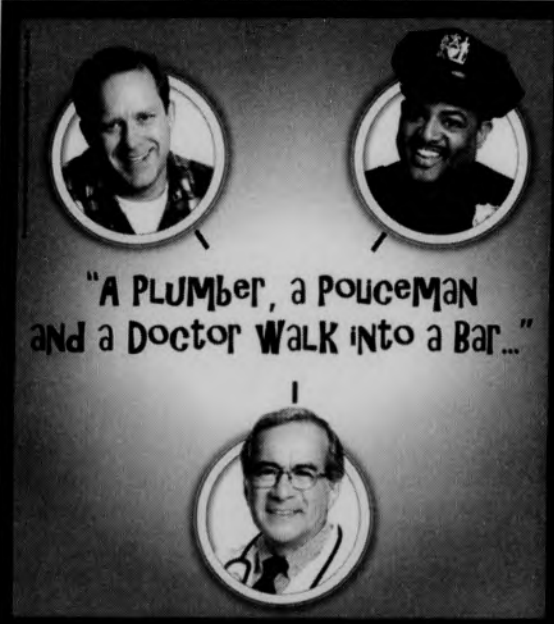
Our senate dates for the rest of the semester are as

follows: March 10, April 7, and May 5, all of which are at 3:30 in the South Lounge.

Start thinking about running for office. Class officer and SGA elections will occur in April. Applications will be available at the end of March.

Also, we highly encourage every student to attend Oscar Arias’ Speech on Monday March 11. He is a Nobel Laureate and the Former President of Costa Rica.

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
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## Salt Lake : NBC's Report Card

Dan Pennucci  
Lion Reporter

Every four years, the world turns its attention to a small wintry town for the Winter Olympics. This year, it happened to be a remote large wintry town. Salt Lake was the largest city to ever host the Games. The games themselves were certainly games for the ages. For two weeks, athletes from around the world endeared themselves to us and amazed us with their skill, and of course, a myriad of controversial issues, from figure skating to ice hockey. Surprisingly, NBC's coverage was not as pro-USA as the Sydney games had been. NBC did an adequate job of capturing the global feel of the games, yet there were certain aspects of their coverage that perhaps may have been left wanting. Take for instance the new "Extreme sports", if you will. The babies of the Olympics: snowboarding, the halfpipe, moguls, and freestyle skiing. The Americans dominated these events, most likely because they invented them and were responsible for their rise and birth into the Olympic Winter Games. Yet, during the coverage, all we mainly saw were the Americans. Given, they took home the most medals from these competitions, but would it have been so horrible to see athletes from other countries.

Take the women's moguls, for example. The US took home a silver medal courtesy of a Miss Shannon Bahrke. The gold was won by a Norwegian woman, yet the only thing you'd remember from the coverage is that Shannon Bahrke won the silver and the United States first medal of the games. Shouldn't the Norwegian girl have been given her fair share of coverage here in the US? The girl won, yet NBC made a celebrity out of Shannon Bahrke. As for the snowboarding half pipe competitions, both men's and women's, were dominated by the Americans, and they got the beef of the coverage. NBC occasionally showed another competitor, as long as they were close to contending for a medal.

Returning once more to the making of a celebrity by a network, we shift our focus to short track speed skater Apolo Anton Ohno, a 19 year old from Seattle. Ohno was quite possibly the most hyped Olympian coming into the games, and he hadn't even skated a single race in Olympic competition. The Sports Illustrated cover boy was first seen in the 1,000 meter event. Funnily enough, to help me get my point across, this even took place early in the second week of the games, yet the short track events had been going for a week without Ohno, yet did NBC televise any of it??

Of course not! One had to wonder when Ohno failed to qualify for the 500m final, whether NBC would even bother televising it. They did, but most likely reluctantly.

The main focal point of my gripes with NBC's coverage of the Winter Games was the Sydney 2000 feel it had to them. By this I mean, finding out the results and medalists before NBC televised the event through ESPN, the internet, and even NBC's family of cable networks (who by the way did a very good job in their coverage of hockey, curling, and any other sport not worthy of grabbing ratings). NBC "saved" these events for their primetime coverage, instead of capturing the games as they unfolded. Speed skating, alpine skiing, and the sled sports fell the largest victim to this. What fun is it watching an event to which one knows the outcome? The games were only 2 hours behind the Eastern Time Zone, as opposed to the half day ahead of Sydney, Australia. Would it have been too much to ask to show an event other than figure skating live? One would think a lesson would have been learned from their atrocious coverage of the Sydney games.

The coverage was not all bad, as NBC, like expected, did a great job with their figure skating coverage. In addition publicizing the injustice served to the Canadian skaters Jamie Sale and David Pelletier in the pairs competition (which was probably a driving force in their being awarded a gold medal for a performance which they were originally, and wrongly, given silver). NBC and the North American media refused to let the issue rest, crying foul at every possible chance. What eventually happened was the setting of a very dangerous precedent. The fact that the Canadians were given gold after being awarded silver from a judging conspiracy will make every future and past competitor who was shafted by judging in a subjective sport feel that they deserve the appropriate medal for their performance. This is not good, as the Russians quickly demanded a second gold medal for women's figure skating silver medalist Irina Slutskaya. The request was denied, but there will most certainly be future controversies stemming from this new occurrence. Let's hope it was a one time deal and not a new precedent.

NBC must be commended on their hockey coverage as well. The men's and women's ice hockey competition's were certainly one of the most recognizable and publicized events coming into the games. NBC did not fail here. First off, they showed every minute of the games live

on their cable networks of CNBC and MSNBC and secondly they brought in a team consisting of the best hockey broadcasters. ESPN's Gary Thorne and Bill Clement, MSG's Sam Rosen and John Davidson, and FOX's Joe Micheletti. New Jersey Devils' play by play caller, Mike Emerick, generally regarded as one of the best in the NHL, was scheduled to appear, yet did not due to personal reasons. The only problem with their hockey coverage was the cutting away to commercial, which in turned cause parts of the games to be missed. And yes, there were instances when goals were scored and crucial plays occurred.

To end this reflection on a positive note, the Olympics were a huge hit, and to top it all off, the US team's expectations were exceeded greatly, as they won 35 medals, about 15 more than expected, and finished second only to Germany's 36. The games are over, and we must wait 4 more years for more Winter games, (Turin, Italy in 2006) but we can take with us the memories from these games. The Salt Lake games needed to be a hit after the 1998 ratings debacle in Nagano, Japan. Will our lives change because of the games, probably not, but it was a peaceful and relaxing distraction from the harsh real world for two weeks. Thank you Salt Lake.

Dan Pennucci is a senior sports columnist for the Albrightian. Visit his web site, [www.sportstalk01.com](http://www.sportstalk01.com) for more articles and sports news.

### Good Luck!!!

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From the staff  
of  
The Albrightian

## The people for the government

by Andrew Harris

Last year at the honor's symposium on the 2000 Presidential Election, Ryan Bialas told us to vote for Bush or else we might end up in the Army. The basic idea of his message was that every war in the twentieth century started under the term of a Democrat in the oval office. I laughed at the idea of the draft being reinstated. Apparently Ryan and I were both wrong. Thanks to Representative Curt Weldon of Pennsylvania's Seventh district and Representative Nick Smith of Michigan's seventh district all males between the ages of eighteen and twenty-two who are registered for the Selective Service will, not could, be serving in the armed forces in the near future. The name of the bill that they introduced to the House of Representatives is "Universal Military Training and Service Act of 2001 (HR 3598)". While the bill is rather long, I would suggest that every male between the ages of eighteen and twenty-two should read it. Unless the idea of one year of military training, service in the military, or some other federal department sounds appealing to you.

The bill would require all "qualified" males between the ages of eighteen and twenty-two to go through military training. Then they would serve in the military or some federal community service program for six months to a year. Females would not be forced in to the military but could, should they choose, volunteer. Your entry into the military can be deferred if you haven't graduated from high school, yet there is no section about deferment due to college.

There are several problems with this bill. The first one is why? Does anyone recall seeing a shortage of military personnel so severe that everyone eighteen year old in America is needed? The cynical side of me wonders if the real purpose of this bill is to gain brownie points by looking Patriotic or appeal to a lot of people, both liberal and conservative, who feel that young Americans should be forced into serving in the Army or national service program.

The second problem with the bill is that it goes against the principles and ideals this country is based on. This bill violates the 13<sup>th</sup> Amendment of the United States Constitution which states that, "Neither slavery nor involuntary servitude, except as a punishment for crime whereof the party shall have been duly convicted, shall exist within the United States, or any place subject to their jurisdiction." This bill would force young American men into involuntary servitude to the military or other federally approved programs. This

bill goes against the very principles this country is based on. The Declaration of Independence states that every man has an "unalienable right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness". The purpose of government is to protect these basic fundamental rights. This bill could take away, on several levels, the life, liberty, and the ability of a man to pursue happiness. Thus going against the very basis of our government. This bill also goes against Article four of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights passed by the General Assembly of the United Nations. To violate the Universal Declaration of Human Rights would put the United States on the same moral ground as every country the United States accuses of abusing human rights.

I am also appalled by the inherent sexism in the bill. Why are only males required to serve? Are females incapable? What sort of patriarchal worldview is this bill promoting? Not only is this bill destroying the constitution, the ideas expressed in the Declaration of Independence, and the Universal Declaration of Rights, but also it is saying that females are unequal. This is also discrimination based on age. I see that no one who could vote on this bill would ever be forced to serve in the military or some other federal department. In fact most voters would not have to. Only a small segment of the voting population would be forced to serve.

I am not against community or military service. I think that women and men who are willing to dedicate a portion, if not all, of their lives to helping or protecting others are admirable and inspiring choices. At the same time, I am appalled that a Representative in Congress from my own state, would try and "enslave" my peers and myself. I am asking that everyone write a letter to their congressional representatives and request that they not support this bill. Then to make this scenario even more unlikely ask them to support Representative Ron Paul's bill H.R. 1597 titled, "To repeal the Military Selective Service Act". If we do not act now, the next time Bush talks about the "volunteer" USA Freedom Corps or expansion of the War on Terrorism, you or someone you know could be getting first hand experience.

For more information, go or to have assistance looking up the bills, visit the College Libertarians of Albright website <http://www.campuslib.org/ac>

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