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One of the many activities of orientation was the making of group t-shirts. The transfer group wore theirs to Sports Night.

POPs welcome '2002 and transfers!' to Albright

A month after Albright's annual orientation, students and advisors reflect on its many successes and few shortcomings.

by Nathaniel Carey

Albright's three day Peer Orientation Program (POP) welcomed more than 400 first year students this year between Aug. 28 and 30, with enthusiasm and relatively no hassle.

The orientation program at Albright is responsible for familiarizing freshmen and transfer students with all the aspects of their new environment. A team of Albright's most outgoing, spirited and dedicated upperclassmen separated into 31 smaller groups known as POP groups. The POP groups consist of two leaders and about a dozen first-year students.

The students and POPs follow a rigorous schedule beginning at 8 a.m. with breakfast, and lasting until the conclusion of that night's evening activity, which usually ended around 11 p.m. Within the three days, the newcomers to Albright attended a variety of events ranging from special guest speakers, faculty presentations and videos to

airbands, playfair and sports night. The students were also provided with time to check in to the residence halls, get their identification pictures taken, buy books and say good-bye to their parents.

Despite the hectic schedule, POPs and students remained upbeat. "2002 and transfers!" and "I need a standing ovation" were popular, energetic cheers that could frequently be heard echoing throughout the campus during orientation.

"The most important thing was that the spirit was back this year. It was a 360 degree change since last year," said Meghan Brady, Senior Co-Chair of the Steering Committee. The steering committee is the student organization which is responsible for coordinating orientation.

"It (orientation) was uneven, but because nothing bad happened," said Dr. Newton Perrin, faculty advisor for orientation. "I was always nervous about the weather; if it would rain or not. But things seemed to go without much difficulty," Perrin continued.

The POPs, the steering committee, and the advisors were pleased with the success of

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Absence of Academic Learning Center hinders the learning disabled

by Adrienne Mitchell

Albright College has long presented itself as a community dedicated to diversity and providing for the needs of that diversity in light of the changing world. Groups like students of color, the physically handicapped or international students make Albright's community rich and more fulfilling for students and staff alike. However, one section of the population at the college has seemingly been overlooked for far too long.

With the retirement of Virginia Scullion, the Associate Dean of Students and Director for Career Planning and Placement, support for Albright's learning disabled has been effected. Those students who now seek assistance must go to the office of Ron Green, Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and Academic Dean. Green comments that this situation will not last forever and that he and his secretary are doing the best they can to help the students who ask for assistance. National ads are presently being run seeking a full-time person to provide additional academic help to all students. However, the full-time person for the learning disabled will also be taking over the responsibility of minority retention. Green also commented that Albright will be providing better facilities and more hours to the Academic Learning Center with the hiring of the full time person.

Regarding the present situation, Green said, "I think we have the right balance of dealing with problems when they arise."

This is not an opinion shared by many of Albright students with learning disabilities. Debra Labow, a member of the class of 1998 stated that, "during my time here, I found other ways of getting my papers

checked by using my own private resources. Without that, I would have never graduated."

Another student who wished to remain anonymous stated, "Dean Scullion and Dean Green promised us there would be support like someone to check our papers, etc. . . .there are really no resources." She continued to say that where there is little academic support, there is even less personal aid.

The students who questioned the lack of aid referred to the 1995-1996 Albright College catalog. Under "Learning Disabilities" the catalog reads "Support services and advocacy for students with learning

disabilities are provided through the office of Career Services." However, the "Office of Career Services" section does not mention any services provided for learning disabled students.

Under "Special Needs Students" in the most current catalog students are instructed to "contact Virginia Scullion, Associate Dean." Scullion is no longer Associate Dean.

Students interviewed were quick to point out that most professors are usually very good about offering help and extra time. However these students say, there are some who do not understand the needs of a learning disabled student and therefore make the learning process extremely difficult. Other resources like the Writing Center and Academic Learning Center are often utilized, but as one upperclassman said, "It's not a teacher."

In the future, students hope to see more of the "proper balance" Green optimistically proposed. More support is needed in the eyes of the students, and in the end, it should be the needs of the attending community that outweighs any other agendas.

"During my time here, I found other ways of getting my papers checked by using my own private resources. Without that, I would have never graduated."

Debra Labow, '98

Albright ranks low in annual U.S. News Survey

by Francine M. Scoboria
Reading Eagle/Times

Three out of four local colleges have earned low grades in the *U.S. News & World Report* college rankings, in which academic reputation is the largest single factor.

A fifth local college, Reading Area Community College, was not ranked because community colleges were not included in the survey.

Albright College and Kutztown

University were ranked in the fourth tiers - the lowest tiers in their divisions - and Alvernia College was ranked in the third of four tiers in its division.

But Pennsylvania State University, judged in its entirety as a national university, was ranked in the first tier in its division. Penn State Berks-Lehigh Valley College was not ranked individually, but was included as part of Pennsylvania State University.

Local college officials questioned the accuracy and relevancy of the annual rankings, which have generated controversy at colleges across the country since they were introduced in 1983.

"The rankings concern me because they create the appearance that we do not have first-rate higher education in Berks County, and that is just not true," said Dr. Laurence W. Mazzeno, president of Alvernia College.

The rankings are based on 16 categories including academic reputation, freshmen retention rate, graduation rate, class size, student to faculty ratio, students' high school standings, students' SAT scores and alumni giving.

Gregory E. Eichhorn, director of admission at Albright College, questioned the accuracy of the single largest category, academic

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New faculty members increase humanities departments

Eight new professors joined the Albright community this year. In the past two years Albright has added 13 new faculty members. This is the largest increase in staff since 1989.

by Derek De Cosmo

"These 13 professors will bring a new intellectual excitement to the Albright family," said President Ellen Hurwitz regarding the 1998-1999 faculty increase. Hurwitz feels that the new staff will be a "great addition to Albright's already excellent faculty."

The eight newest professors have studied at schools across the United States mastering a variety of subjects.

Andrea E. Chapdelaine, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Psychology, earned her doctorate in social psychology from the University of Connecticut. She hopes that her experience and enthusiasm for learning will help contribute to the campus.

Lourdes Giordani, Ph.D., Associate Professor and Director of the Johnson Center for Cultural Ecology, received her doctorate in anthropology from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Giordani

likes working in a one on one atmosphere where there is a lot of interaction between students and professors and she is excited to be at a place where this exists. Giordani is currently teaching the Honors IDS course, 'Sacred Landscapes.'

James Douglas Huck, Jr., Ph.D., Associate Professor and Director of the Johnson Center for Latin American Studies, received his doctorate in Latin American Studies from Tulane University. He also served as an associate professor in Latin American Studies, and as an instructor in political science at Tulane.

James O. Pawelski, Ph.D., was educated at Penn State. He is a returning faculty member at Albright who is now a full-time Associate Professor of Philosophy.

Victoria C. Rosenholtz, is an Associate Professor of Sociology and is a doctoral candidate at the University of Pennsylvania. She hopes to be a mentor for students and help them achieve their goals inside and outside of the classroom.

Jules Tygiel, Ph.D., is a visiting Professor from San Francisco State University who received his doctorate in history from the University of California, Los Angeles. He came to Albright to teach a course on the history of baseball.

Kristen Tabone Woodward, M.F.A., Associate Professor of Art, received her masters of fine art from Clemson University of South Carolina.

Roxanne Gupta, Ph.D., will join Albright in the spring as Associate Professor of Religious Studies.

These professors will hopefully fill in the gaps in departments that were lacking faculty members.

New Residence Life Director hopes to bring about consistency in policy

by Lisa Marie Cope

As the 1998-1999 school year begins, the Albright community welcomes Thomas Miles as the new Residence Life Director.

Coming all the way from Midway, Georgia, Miles and his wife were looking for a small Mid-Atlantic town to make their new home. Reading provided the perfect location and job for Miles.

"Albright is a small school, it is personable and provides the opportunity for me to work hand in hand with the students," said Miles.

Fully qualified and experienced, Miles is ready to tackle his immense job here at Albright because he has already worked as an RA, an RD, a deskworker, an Area Coordinator and Vice President RSA. He has been employed at Georgia Southern University, Lander University, Georgia College and State University.

Upon his arrival at Albright, Miles was relieved to find that the Albright housing facilities were in good shape. However, he said, "Technology is not where it needs to be. There is nothing wrong with what we are equipped with now, we just haven't progressed to where we need to be."

Miles is also concerned about the flow of information to the students. He feels "better vehicles for communications" are needed in

order to ensure that all Albright students have their voices heard.

"I can't stand when students get the run around. We can do better than that," said Miles.

It is encouraged that student take advantage of organizations such as SGA and RSA because they provide "a consensus of people rather than just one individual opinion. Get as many people behind the effort as possible," said Miles.

Because the people at Albright are so friendly and conscientious, Miles is enthusiastic about the forthcoming year.

In regards to instituting further improvements in the dorms, the suites and the woods, Miles said, "at this point I am interested in looking into a few things." For example, Miles would like to see card access for entering and exiting the dorms. Although this is very expensive, card access is much safer than the current key system. This idea is only in its beginning stages and the Housing department still needs to look into the financial aspects, security aspects and student needs.

Presently, Miles' first big housing project is the controversy concerning Greek housing. Miles said, "Albright does not have Greek housing, we have apartments that Greeks live in. RSA is not for or against Greeks and neither am I."

Miles' goal is to "meet in the middle" on this situation. Although this issue is a priority, further

examination and investigation has to go into this issue before anything is done. "We need to look at the big picture," said Miles. According to Miles, only 24% of this campus is Greek while the other 76% is non Greek. Therefore, it is imperative to do what is good for all of the student organizations.

Also, Miles is in full compliance with the state laws and the rest of the campus will be too. Non compliance with the drinking rules will not be tolerated. The law says you can't drink unless you are 21, and Miles intends to fully cooperate with the law.

In the future, Miles hopes to initiate a few changes. But Miles said, "I am not interested in turning over the apple carts and causing controversy." He said he must examine what we have already, and see where we can make progress.

For example, Miles thinks we could add to resident life by combining it with academic life. By having academic advisors visit the resident halls, residence life could assist in improving the academic relationship between students and faculty outside of the classroom.

Regarding the Resident Life staff Miles said, "they are expected to do their job." It is his hope that they will emulate their leader and offer an open door policy; showing true concern and compassion for their students. According to Miles, it is critical to have the staff involved in student life and programs pertaining to student involvement.

Miles is also looking into how his staff is structured and how it operates. "Right now we are doing the best we can," said Miles.

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**Thomas Miles
Residence Life Director**

Art sculpts itself back into a major

by Markita Edmond

Do you enjoy painting, sculpting, photography, film or going to the art gallery? Starting this academic year, Albright has the program for you.

After four years of increased interest among students and renovations of the Center for the Arts, Albright has reinstituted art as a major.

The Art Program is presently the largest it has ever been on Albright's campus. Currently fifty-one students either have art as their major or have combined it with another concentration.

In the early 1960's art was a major, but due to down-sizing, the art program was cut. Despite the cutbacks in funding and support, interest in the art program continued to increase.

When the administration noticed the growing interest among students they decided to support the arts. The Art Program has subsequently received new facilities and supplies. Two full-time professors ensure that students

receive the one-on-one teaching that they would not receive at a larger university or school of the Arts.

One of these full-time professors is a new addition to the Art program. Kristin Woodward comes to Albright from Mississippi State University.

Woodward encourages students who are not art majors, or who may be thinking about becoming dual majors, to take art classes. She feels that art overlaps into many areas in society and is a great way for students to expand their view on art, as well as bring their own ideas into the program.

The 13 core course requirements for a concentration in Studio Art is similar to the other majors offered at Albright. The Art major can also be combined with all other majors to form a dual major. According to Thomas C. Watcke, Chair and professor of Art, most students who declare an art major or dual concentration come in as Alpha students.

Many students have the opportunity to study various artists who are featured at the

Freedman Gallery in the Center for the Arts. Other students have studied in New York and abroad in Italy. Students are also able to observe Watcke and Woodward creating artwork.

Along with increasing the quality of the art program and its curriculum, Watcke and Woodward hope to create a nurturing environment in which students can learn from each other and are taught the technical skills as a foundation for their future.

Woodward says she is amazed by the facilities and supplies available to students, which would not be available at a larger university.

Woodward is also impressed by the enthusiasm and determination that her students possess. "It's amazing because some of my classes are from 9 a.m. to 12 a.m. and I find students actually staying after class to finish up their work," Woodward said.

Woodward hopes to work closely with the students and help them to learn more about each other and tap into their own talents.

In reestablishing the art program, Albright will offer more talent grants to incoming students who have an interest in the arts and provide all art majors with a quality program.

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**Kristin Woodward
Associate Professor of Art**

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POPs and their groupies engage in tomfoolery in the Campus Center.

Orientation sum-up

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orientation since it was almost free from failure.

"People (POPs) were often crying because everything was going so well," said Brady.

The only predicament that the steering committee encountered resulted when the Conestoga Marching Unit cancelled just a few days before orientation. The marching unit is a choreographed step group with drum players that had performed during the 1997 orientation. The marching unit was contracted by the multi-cultural co-chairs of the steering committee, Brooke Blair and Kate Schaeffer. Due to the cancellation, the two chairs had to improvise and come up with a substitute activity. They invented "multi-cultural jeopardy," a trivia game which tested the freshmen students on their recently acquired knowledge of Albright.

Barring the withdrawal of the marching unit, the other activities ran smoothly according to Brady. The first evening activity, Playfair, began on Friday, Aug. 28. Brady explained that Playfair is an activity headed by a hired entertainer named Mahara, who came out of retirement just to perform for a few select schools, including Albright. The goal of Playfair is to get the freshmen students connected by learning bizarre facts that the students have in common with each other, such as birthdays and hometowns. Mahara also introduced the international students and taught "standing ovals" as well.

Other traditional orientation activities are airbands, the art center event, and a speech on alcohol consumption.

"Way Off Broadway" was the theme for this year's orientation airbands. Airbands has the POPs lip-synching to music while performing choreographed skits. Some traditional skits are "Scenes from an Italian Restaurant" and "Cecilia."

The art center event is a mini-tour of the Freedman Gallery. The gallery walls are lined with poster paper so that freshmen students can exercise their creativity and leave their mark.

The alcohol consumption speech is another orientation tradition at Albright. Every year

Mike Green comes to Albright to discuss the effects of alcohol. "An effective part of his speech is when he asks students to count the number of days they spend drinking to get drunk," said Brady.

The multi-cultural department also brought in an important speaker named, Dr. Marabella, who comments on issues concerning diversity, such as racism, sexuality and gender.

In previous years students would meet with their academic advisors during orientation, but such was not the case this year.

"Administration made the decision to wack-off the part when you meet your advisor. I don't know why they

did that, but it's not the end of the world. People weren't very happy about it though," said Perrin.

Changes in the future are being explored by Kim Jackson, Director of Multi-cultural Affairs, who was the 1998 orientation administrative

advisor. Jackson seeks to expand and improve the POP selection process by making it more objective.

"It's a difficult process in a small school to choose 20 to 40 new POPs each year, and do it fairly. I got involved because of my commitment to changing the process," said Jackson. "Another area of improvement would be to lighten the orientation schedule so that it doesn't begin at 8 a.m. and go until 11 p.m. Students and POPs get too tired. Opportunities for social interaction, making friends, and bonding activities are important, but we don't need to wear them out on it."

The steering committee for the 1998 orientation consisted of twelve members who held six positions. The steering committee co-chairs were Meghan Brady and Bobbi Roberts. The academic co-chairs were Jill Jones and Ryan Petrizzi. The activities co-chairs were Nate Barnes and Karen Karenowski. The POPs co-chairs were Jeff Tantum and Erin Reski. The multicultural co-chairs were Brooke Blair and Kate Schaeffer. The transfer co-chairs were Andy Darlington and Mark Blank. They all contributed to making the 1998 orientation hold up to its theme: "orientation is life...the rest is just details."

Albright places in lowest tier again

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reputation, which counts for 25 percent of each college's total score.

Academic reputation is determined by surveys of presidents, provosts and directors of admission from colleges within the same division, according to *U.S. News & World Report* Web site.

Eichhorn said he has completed many surveys on schools in Albright's division - national liberal arts colleges.

"I never even heard of many of them," Eichhorn said. "The inclination is to rank a school lower if they don't have national name recognition. This method is quite controversial. It could hurt us (in the rankings) as it could hurt our peers."

Robert J. Morse, deputy director of data research for *U.S. News & World Report*, said the rankings were originally based 100 percent on academic reputation.

Over the years, the ranking methods have evolved, he said. Now, a combination of graduation rates, retention rates and faculty resources make up 40 to 45 percent of the scores, he said.

Colleges are split into divisions according to size and mission. Each of the local schools falls into a different category.

Of the 162 national liberal arts colleges, Albright placed somewhere between 123 and 162. For each division, the rankings identify the first 10 to 50 schools. Exact ranks are not listed within the lower tiers.

Albright College has chosen to

be a national liberal arts college, Eichhorn said. The national liberal arts division is more competitive than the regional divisions, he said.

Regional universities, including Kutztown University, are divided into quadrants. Kutztown is compared with other regional universities in the North. Of the 146 schools in its division, Kutztown ranked between 114 and 146.

Vicki C. Mayk, Kutztown University spokeswoman, said numbers cannot tell the whole story of a college's worth.

"Some things can't be measured numerically," said Mayk. "For example, the personal attention the faculty give to the students - that is more than just a number."

Some other universities operated by the State System of Higher Education placed higher than Kutztown. Millersville and Shippensburg universities both placed in the first tier.

"I am happy for sister institutions when they have something they can be proud of," said Mayk. "All state system universities are run independently and deserve to be judged individually."

The rankings also divide regional liberal arts colleges into quadrants. Alvernia College is listed with other regional liberal arts colleges in the North. Out of 96 schools, Alvernia was ranked between 52 and 70.

Mazzeno also questioned the subjective nature of the surveys used to determine academic reputation.

"I decide how other college's should be rated, and it's a guessing

game," said Mazzeno. "It is hardly a scientific process."

Penn State was ranked 44th out of 227 national universities. It was also ranked 11th out of the top 50 national public universities.

Kimberly J. Murphy, director of development and university relations at Penn State Berks - Lehigh Valley College, said she was happy to see Penn State's high scores.

"We are certainly pleased to be recognized in the survey," said Murphy. "But we realize this is just one tool to look at when choosing a college."

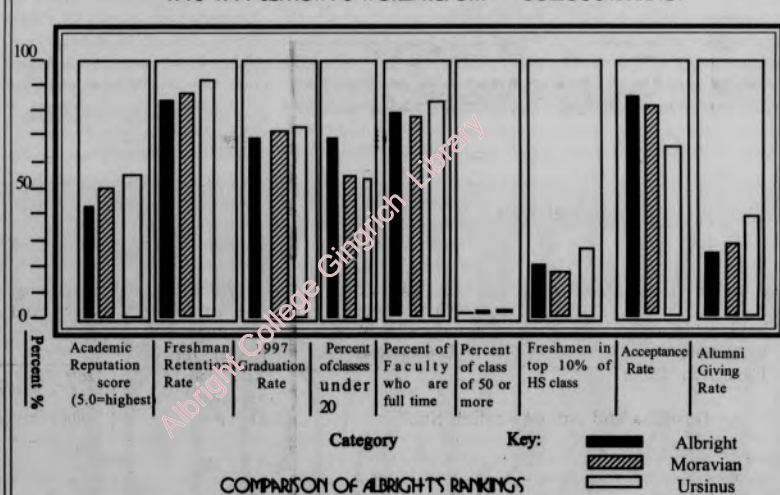
Other college officials stressed that visits to campus and conversation with students, faculty and administration are important factors for students trying to find the right school.

"It is clear from some research that only a small percent of students use the rankings as a primary source to make their decision," said Morse. "Large amounts of students use them to some degree."

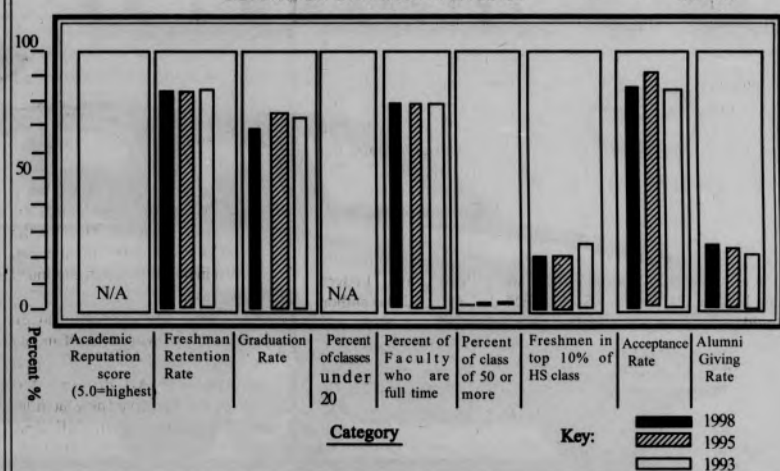
More than 90 percent of colleges surveyed - including four local colleges - provided data to *U.S. News & World Report*. Data on colleges that did not cooperate was obtained from other sources, including the U.S. Department of Education, according to the magazine's Web site.

The college rankings were published in August in *U.S. News & World Report*. They are also available in a book, "America's Best Colleges Guidebook," and on the magazine's Web site at <http://www.usnews.com>.

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COMPARISON OF ALBRIGHT'S RANKINGS



Presidential search set in motion

On Monday, Sept. 28 the Presidential Search Committee met to compose an 'Expectations Statement' to define the qualifications required of the next president of Albright.

by Lori Thomas

Albright College has a major change in its future. President Ellen Hurwitz has announced her resignation, thus creating a need for a new president to fulfill the duties of her position after the 1998-1999 academic year. Albright is now involved in the long and tedious process of selecting the proper candidate for the position.

To accomplish this task, Albright College's Board of Trustees has appointed a select group of individuals to form the Albright College Presidential Search Committee. This committee is composed of fourteen people. The group contains trustees, alumni, administrators, faculty, and students. Formal meetings are held twice a month according to Kim Field, president of SGA and member of the committee.

"The committee seems to be working very well with each other. No one constituency is valued over another," said Field.

Salvatore Cutrona, class of '73, Partner, Andersen Consulting, LLP, has been chosen as the Committee Chairman. Leslie Mardenborough, class of '68, The Mardenborough Group has been selected to be the Committee Vice Chair. Both Cutrona and Mardenborough are trustees of Albright.

According to Kim Jackson, Director of Multicultural Affairs, who is a member of the search committee, the committee's process is complex and has many stages. It is the responsibility of the committee to begin a nationwide search to

locate candidates. They will do this by devising advertisements that solicit those qualified for such a position, taking special consideration of the applicant's leadership qualities. They will seek and accept applications from a large quantity and broad range of people, thus creating a large diversity of applicants.

"Right now we're accepting nominations for the presidential office. Nominations are usually from faculty members or administrators who have connections," said Field.

The committee will also be responsible for screening all resumes and applications based upon their leadership ability. Next, the committee will deliberate and decide upon who they wish to interview.

Then the committee will be responsible for conducting approximately twelve interviews with the applicants the committee believes to be the most qualified.

After all of the interviews are concluded, the search committee will be responsible for selecting three candidates to be presented to the Albright College Board of Trustees.

The Board of Trustees will then select one of these three chosen candidates. The search committee will cooperate and communicate with the Board of Trustees throughout the search, but ultimately, the committee will be responsible for the outcome of the search.

The search committee began the process by hiring an outside search firm by the name of Spencer Stuart. This firm will benefit the search process because it can provide more resources from which the committee can then extract. On behalf of the firm, Spencer Stuart and Ron Zera are the representatives associated with Albright's search for a new president. According to Jackson, Zera has been involved in high

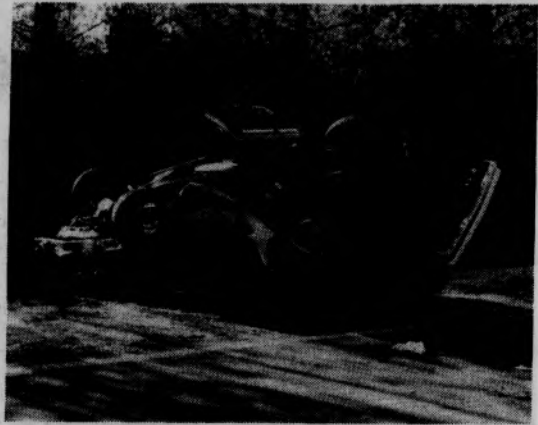
executive level searches for over seventeen years, and therefore brings a great amount of experience to the search.

Last May, Albright assembled various guests for a dinner meeting with the purpose of gathering information to form a list of constituencies that are believed to be important aspects to consider while selecting a new president. This meeting was composed of administrators, staff, faculty, trustees, students, and alumni. The guests devised a list of qualifications that the new president ought to possess to be beneficial to Albright College.

The ideas discussed at this meeting were combined into a list that will be available to any interested applicants. This list will provide applicants with information about the college, what the college hopes to achieve through their new president, and what specifically they are looking for in their new president.

The search committee is currently at the stage of compiling this information into a list. The committee will be involved in distributing this information, and later will eventually react to the applicants.

The Board of Trustees appointed the following members to the Presidential Search Committee: Committee Chair Sal Cutrona, class of '73, Committee Vice Chair Leslie Mardenborough, class of '68, John Broadbent Jr., Vice President of Finance and Treasurer of Arrow International, Inc., Albert Cacicedo, Associate Professor of English, Karen Campbell, Associate Professor and Chair of the Biology Department, Kai Dawes, class of '00, Kimberly Field, class of '99, Calvin Green, class of '50, Kim Jackson, Robert Liptak, class of '62, Jerome Lee, Associate Professor and Chair of the Psychology Department, P. Sue Perrotty, class of '75 and Dorothy Watson Tatem.



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Features

Students' drinking is not what it seems to be

Survey reveals that perceptions are off the mark when it comes to drugs and alcohol.

by Jennifer Schestok

The results are in for the spring 1998 Core Alcohol and Drug Survey that is administered by the Dean of Students' Office. The survey shows that students have an inaccurate perception of their peers' drinking and drug habits.

The purpose of the survey is to compile longitudinal data concerning the attitudes and behaviors that are employed when consuming alcohol and drugs. These findings are compared with other colleges and universities in the U.S. with the hope that college faculties and administrations can deal with the ever increasing issue of drug and alcohol use on campuses. But mainly the survey demonstrates the usage of these products by underage students.

Trusting that the "self-reports" of the students participating in the study are accurate, they relay that college students are drinking and using drugs far more than they really are or are admitting on the form. Vice President for Student Services and Dean of Students, Carolyn Brooks, says, "I think that it is good to have that material to see what the trends are." She adds that one must keep in mind that these are self-reports and there is no determination as to the accuracy of the student's response.

Forty-seven percent of freshmen, 41 percent of sophomores, 31 percent of juniors and 37 percent of seniors have taken the survey. Fifty-seven percent are females and 43 percent are males (a total of 423 participants in this research). Also, 78 percent reside on campus. Of the sample, about 11 percent say that they started to consume alcohol by age 13. Roughly 10 percent started to use tobacco by age 13.

Brooks expresses concern and

is amazed by those numbers. She says that kids are starting to use drugs and alcohol at younger and younger ages. The usage of marijuana and steroids is at a dramatic increase.

A surprising 28 percent admit that they use alcohol once a week and the use of some drugs are less than five percent. But a following question asks students to estimate how often do their peers use drugs and alcohol. More than half of the students think that other students consume alcohol more than once a week and 21 percent perceive the use of drugs, like marijuana to be about three times a week.

The survey also reveals that about 30 percent say that they never had a hangover and 56 percent say they never miss class due to the previous day's drinking and drug outing. A good 80 to 90 percent say they have never had trouble with authorities or vandalized due to a drunken stupor or drug induced haze. Eighty-three percent do not think they are out of control or have a problem because they drink or do drugs. More importantly, Albright students do not seem to have a problem being taken advantage of while under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol.

Brooks says, "I don't like the drinking age. I think it was a terrible mistake and we've paid for it. I hated it from the beginning." She feels that a lower drinking age "will reduce the tension over the issue."

Students may not be so inclined to abuse alcohol and drugs for the sheer fact of "getting wasted" and riots may not break out to rally for the right to party if students and faculty are on the same page. Brooks says, "institutionally we would be looking at the role of alcohol on campus" with the survey results. Again, it will help students, faculty and administration to work together and understand where each other are coming from.

She says that, "this is an institutional problem not just a student one. I am obligated to enforce and support the laws. It is more of a liability issue."

With this study's statistics, college and universities will learn and gain a better understanding of students' habits and in return the students will benefit with less tension regarding the issue of their drug and alcohol usage.

American college students fight for their right to party on campus

by Rayna McKinnon

For many years, alcohol and drug abuse have been major and increasing problems on college campuses across the country. To combat the rise in substance abuse, colleges have begun to adopt stricter policies than ever before.

For example, the Bloomsburg University alcohol policy, like those of most state colleges, including Shippensburg, and Penn State University-Berks Campus, is one of absolutely no tolerance.

In addition recently Penn State University has recently announced that several fraternities and sororities are going to go dry (meaning that no alcohol will be permitted) by the year 2000.

But what is Albright College's stance on this growing problem, and how does it affect you?

Currently, the issue of "binge drinking" has been brought to the forefront, leaving the drug abuse of college students in its shadow. This is due to the many horrific events that have occurred of late as a result of simply too much drinking.

One of the most popular cases was a death at a fraternity party at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (M.I.T.) due to a drinking binge by a freshman who was pledging the fraternity.

"We are a drink away from that tragedy," said Vice President for Student Services and Dean of Students Carolyn Brooks. Because of this incident, the fraternity was indicted by grand jury for homicide; it was the first time in history that an organization was held accountable for the death of another student due to drinking.

In addition to this death, 33 others were caused by binge drinking across the United States last year. Drunken students also have caused damaging riots in the past few years at Ohio University, Colorado State, the University of Connecticut, Washington State, the University of Wisconsin, the University of Colorado, and, more locally, Penn State University last July.

In response, to the riots at Penn State, the governor of Pennsylvania has decided to pay particular attention to the issue of binge drinking, which has been defined as the consumption of at least five drinks in a row for men or four drinks in a row for women.

Due to the sparked interest of Governor Tom Ridge, Penn State University has declared that all fraternity and sorority rushes this year will be dry in an attempt to get a different class of people interested in Greek life. This has been a policy at Albright for years now; all formal rush events must be absent of alcoholic beverages.

What exactly is Albright's policy on alcohol? The policy closely follows the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, which limits involvement with any alcoholic beverages to persons 21

years of age or older. Accordingly, Albright allows only students who are 21 years of age or older to use alcoholic beverages solely in the privacy of their own room.

Keg alcohol and any other common source container of alcohol is absolutely prohibited in all residence halls and apartments on Albright's campus. Anyone who violates this regulation is subject to severe disciplinary action and may even result in loss of housing privileges. With the exception of the rule about kegs, which was implemented only in the past two or three years, this policy has been on the books for the last four plus years.

In terms of narcotics and drugs, Albright's policy firmly states that all dangerous drugs or controlled substances are strictly prohibited by the law of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and are therefore prohibited on Albright's campus.

The penalty for possession of narcotics (morphine, heroin) is a prison sentence of up to five years and/or a fine of up to \$2,000. The penalty for the sale of narcotics is a prison sentence of five to 20 years and/or a fine of up to \$5,000. In the case of the sale and possession of dangerous drugs (LSD, hallucinogens), the penalty is a prison sentence of up to one year and/or a fine.

According to Brooks, our policy is, "fairly consistent with what other colleges are doing." In addition, Brooks said that, "We are pretty conservative. We were one of the last colleges in the country to give up kegs on campus... We haven't probably been as consistent in enforcing our alcohol policy as other colleges are."

However, changes are in the works. Will Albright's fraternities and sororities go dry by the year 2000, like those at Penn State will be? Brook's response was, "I think that all of the national organizations are going to move in that direction. It's not just Penn State who is saying it."

Brooks also wanted to remind students that the reason for joining a Greek organization is not to drink. "It is to stand behind the ideals of the organization, brotherhood, sisterhood, philanthropy, etc. Unfortunately there are too many people who rush fraternities and sororities who have a misconception about what the organization is supposed to be about. When alcohol is tied up in that, I think you lose your ideals, and students join whichever ones have the coolest parties. That happens. I think if we get away from that, we can return to the original reasons why sororities and fraternities existed."

Bloomsburg University's alcohol policy reads, "No alcohol is permitted on the Bloomsburg University campus, in any university-owned buildings, or on university property. This alcohol policy covers all students, employees, alumni and visitors to the campus." This approach is much like, if not the same as, that of Kutztown University, Shippensburg University, and Penn State University-Berks Campus.

Regarding her feelings about this more stringent policy, Brooks said, "I think that is something the college needs to look at." She added, "Is it extreme? Maybe. Do I think 21 year olds ought to be able to drink in their rooms? Yeah. But it is awfully hard to control."

On the other side of the spectrum, Lehigh University recently applied for a liquor license, which would have permitted liquor sales at the University's Student Union building, a common meeting place for students, much like Albright's Campus Center. It was rejected by the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board, citing that the goal of the rejection was to change the culture and environment on college campuses that lead to binge and underage drinking.

Brooks' response to this issue was, "I don't think we ought to be selling alcohol on campus. The vast majority of our students are not of legal age, so I have problems with that." At any given time, Brooks added, only about 200 out of the 1000 students on campus are of legal age.

So what does the future hold for Albright in terms of its own drug and alcohol policy? Said Brooks, "We are going to be more consistent about enforcing the policies with regard to social gatherings and the number of people who are there and whether or not the majority of those people or any of those people are underage."

Nevertheless, she feels that it is not just the job of the college to control underage drinking, but that it should be a joint effort between the college, law enforcement, and especially the community. "We can have whatever policies we want," said Brooks, "but if law enforcement is not dealing with the issue in the community, I think it sets up a double standard."

In conclusion, are we ever going to be able to stop this ever growing problem along with all of the deaths and damages? "I think there is a whole lot to this issue and it's more than just the policies and the laws and the regulations, it's how do we get people to think differently about alcohol consumption. There's no magic answer."



Factoids

← America's 12 million undergraduates drink 4 billion cans of beer a year, averaging 55 six-packs apiece, and spend \$466 on alcoholic beverages more than they spend on soft drinks and textbooks combined

← Among those students currently enrolled in college, between 240,000 and 360,000 eventually will lose their lives due to drinking. In addition, student dropout rates, date rape, vandalism, and violence continue to be linked to high levels of alcohol consumption by college students on campus.

← Binge drinking is defined as five or more drinks in a sitting for men and for women four or more drinks in one sitting.

Critics Corner



Movie Review

by Adam Kreps and Andy Ker

Ronin

A Ronin is defined as a Samurai whose master has been shamed and or killed. With the exception of one reference to these nomadic samurai, John Frankenheimer's new and exciting thriller is randomly titled. This fact aside, Ronin is a fast paced movie that is a surprising delight for anyone who is sick of not needing an IQ when entering a movie theatre.

Ronin tells of a group of contracted experts in various forms of combat who have been hired to retrieve a mysterious case. Now what could possibly be inside this case that would be worth so many lives and millions of dollars? That's exactly what Robert DeNiro wants to know as he leads this group as the brains of the operation. Joining DeNiro are Stellan Skarsgård (Good Will Hunting) as the computer expert, Jonathan Pryce (Tomorrow Never Dies) as their mysterious employer, and the phenomenal Jean Reno who makes any movie wonderful (that is if you pretend Godzilla never existed).

Frankenheimer takes an excellent script by J.D. Zeik (with rewrites by playwright David Mamet) and creates a mysterious world of lies and betrayal all for large amounts of money. What is so refreshing about this film, is that it takes its time to carefully set up scenes which then turn out to be the most exciting chase sequences since The French Connection.

It's not very often that one has a good time being confused. Yet there are so many plot twists and so much to keep in mind from scene to scene in Ronin, one can't help but

become befuddled.

Despite the occasional confusion, Ronin grabs you from the very first scene and slowly entices you into a seedy and treacherous underworld of assassination and organized crime. Not once does the film lose its aggressive savvy.

Robert DeNiro's witty sarcasm and smooth coolness reflect in the rest of this extremely good cast.

Work ethic is a definite characteristic of Frankenheimer's pictures. Whether it be his direction of the entire cast as a plotting whole, or the fantastic work that is apparent in the construction of his chase scenes, his direction is rarely, if ever flawed.

Often, in the midst of Ronin, I found myself smiling and asking the favorite question of "What Next."

Even though the picture is not a non-stop tour-de-force of action and special effects, it is nonetheless, fun. Fun, regrettably, hardly ever goes hand in hand with the word "smart" in the world of film, but again Ronin goes the extra distance to ensure one's satisfaction.

From a technical point of view, Ronin is an excellently edited movie that keeps the appropriate pace with each scene. From the carefully paced scenes where they construct their plan to the 100 mile an hour retrieval of the case, Ronin never lets up its constant intensity and intellect. Frankenheimer remains one of filmmaking's prize possessions.

On a whole for anyone who likes action and to be taken on a ride Ronin is an excellent choice.

Restaurant Review

by Hillary Cassarino and Becky Heck



Thai Cuisine

Location: 502 Eisenbrown Street (behind Bosco's North)

Atmosphere: quaint and nicely decorated with statues, figurines and pictures of the Thai culture.

Hours: Closes at 8:30 p.m.

Parking: Ample parking behind the restaurant.

Hillary's Review:

This week Becky and I chose to write separate reviews for The Thai Cuisine, basically because we shared two opposing opinions on the restaurant.

Let me begin with the appearance of The Thai Cuisine (pre-dinner time). The location was very quaint, located on a corner lit up with what seemed to be white Christmas lights. It was very attractive for passersby. There was ample parking behind the restaurant with only a few cars in the spaces provided.

The walk into The Thai Cuisine was quite inviting. We were welcomed with a nice aroma of a

potpourri as we entered the dimly lit "House of Asian Delight." There were only two tables seated and we supposed the rest was up to us. My first qualm was that no one was there to greet us. If we had not seated ourselves who knows how long we would have been standing there.

After about five minutes of sitting at our table, we were greeted by our waitress (who, by the way, was not of the Thai culture). When I at an ethnic restaurant, I take pleasure in having a server whom is of the same culture. But this is merely my personal opinion.

The menu was quite flavorful. As with most Thai food, much of their dishes are made with coconut milk and seafood, which is mostly South Thai. Becky was not pleased with the selection, but then again, this is why we are writing separate reviews.

To start off, we began with soup. I ordered a coconut milk/

seafood soup. A different combination, yes, however, it was a delight. The exotic aroma was intoxicating and the taste was like none that I had ever experienced. If you like seafood, I advise the soup. It had chunks of salmon and succulent shrimp surrounded by a beautiful pink color.

Now, the entree I had ordered was a chicken with basil. The dish came almost immediately after the soup and was served with a scoop of sticky rice on the side. I really did not enjoy the dinner. If I had wanted Chinese food, I would have eaten at the Amazing Wok. I have had Thai food before, along with many other Asian foods, but this was unlike anything I had previously tasted. As for the cost, it was quite pricey and I was not satisfied for the price that I had paid.

Overall, if you're in the mood for a switch from the caf. food, come on down to The Thai Cuisine.

Becky's Review:

As you have probably already read in Hillary's article, we ate at Thai Cuisine this week. Before I actually begin my review, I should point out that I may not be extremely qualified to review a Thai restaurant because I have never eaten Thai food before. Therefore, I am going to try to keep my review focused on the restaurant itself and the service.

We arrived at approximately 7:45 p.m. As we were entering, we noticed that the restaurant closes at 8:30. This surprised me because it seems a little bit early to close a restaurant.

One aspect of the restaurant that I immediately liked was the décor. There were statues, figurines, and pictures, presumably of the Thai culture, scattered throughout the dining area. The lighting was dim and there were candles on every table. The dining area was also rather small. All of these factors created an inviting atmosphere.

As we entered the restaurant, there was no one to greet us. This disturbed me tremendously. When I go to a restaurant, I like to be greeted at the door. This also created

some confusion since we did not know whether we should seat ourselves or wait to be seated. We decided to simply sit down, and it actually took some time until our waitress came to our table.

As I began scanning the menu, I made a startling discovery. There were absolutely no main entrees that were vegetarian. In fact, only two dishes on the entire menu were without meat, one type of soup and one type of salad. We questioned the waitress about it and she replied that meat could be substituted with tofu in any meal. I still was not satisfied. Almost any restaurant will make a dish without meat if you request it. The true test was if they give vegetarians any choices in the beginning, which Thai Cuisine did not. As a vegetarian customer, I felt unwanted.

I ordered a dish with noodles and vegetables. The vegetables were steamed to perfection, but the rest of the dish was not enjoyable. There was a peanut sauce sprinkled over the top and a lemon on the side which both were infecting the taste

of my noodles. Since I have never eaten Thai food before, I cannot assert that it is the fault of Thai Cuisine that I did not enjoy my meal. I can tell you, however, that the meal turned my stomach and I did not even finish half of it.

I would also like to mention a few other aspects of the restaurant that bothered me. First, none of the employees that we saw were of the Thai culture; this included our waitress and two workers in the kitchen. This fact steals away from the restaurant's authenticity. I also felt that the entrees were very expensive considering the size of the portions, which were rather small. Finally, the restaurant was non-smoking, yet we spied one of the employees smoking a cigarette in the kitchen as we were leaving.

Overall, my experience at Thai Cuisine was not pleasant. I left with a feeling of nausea and relief that dinner was over. If you are a big fan of Thai food, maybe Thai Cuisine will yield a better experience for you; however, I personally will never return there for dinner.

Top 10 Movies



1. **Rounders** starring Matt Damon
2. **There's Something About Mary** starring Cameron Diaz
3. **Blade** starring Wesley Snipes
4. **Saving Private Ryan** starring Tom Hanks
5. **Simon Birch** starring Ian Michel Smith
6. **Snake Eyes** starring Nicholas Cage
7. **Ever After** starring Drew Barrymore
8. **Knock Off** starring Jean Claude Van Damme
9. **How Stella Got Her Groove Back** starring Angela Bassett
10. **Armageddon** starring Bruce Willis



Top Video Rentals



1. **The Wedding Singer** Adam Sandler (Warner-PG-13)
2. **The Man In The Iron Mask** Leonardo DiCaprio (MGM/UA-PG-13)
3. **Jackie Brown** Pam Grier (Buena Vista-R)
4. **Good Will Hunting** Matt Damon (Buena Vista-R)
5. **Wag The Dog** Dustin Hoffman (Warner-R)
6. **U.S. Marshals** Tommy Lee Jones (Warner-R)
7. **The Big Lebowski** John Goodman (PolyGram-R)
8. **The Newton Boys** Matthew McConaughey (Columbia TriStar-PG-13)
9. **Sphere** Dustin Hoffman (Warner-PG-13)
10. **Hard Rain** Morgan Freeman (Paramount-R)



Book Review

by Michelle Hunter



The Professor and the Madman

The Professor and the Madman A Tale of Murder, Insanity, and the Making of the Oxford English Dictionary

by Simon Winchester; published by HarperCollins, 226 pages.

by Michelle Hunter

The subtitle, believe it or not, is serious—even the part about the Oxford English Dictionary (OED), famed for its 414,825 definitions and the resulting difficulty of lifting the monstrous thing from the library shelf.

The intriguing story, peppered with OED excerpts, is based in truth. The OED lists among its most important contributors a criminally insane American doctor who collected thousands of entries, mailing them from his solitary cell to editor James Murray. The doctor, William Chester Minor, had been arrested in England after he shot a British man who was passing by, and spent the remainder of his life in Broadmoor prison.

The Professor and the Madman weaves together Minor's insanity and its causes, Murray's progress with the dictionary, and the relationships among those involved. (For example, Minor eventually gave almost all of his military pension to his victim's wife, spending the rest on his books. She came to visit him and seemed to forgive him.) It is also a fascinating look at a paranoid mind, one that sees "fiends . . . creeping about in the interstices between floors and ceilings . . . to abuse the poor doctor nightly, mark his books, steal his flute, and torture him cruelly." Beyond a this and a look at the history of lexicography, Winchester reveals the points of view of different characters and the narrator, who acknowledges the strangeness of events and challenges of piecing together from his position in the present what must have happened.

I recommend the book with (4 of possible 5) on the following

scale, (with examples you may have read to give an idea of the sort of books I like):

Don't bother. (Example: Ernest Hemingway's *The Sun Also Rises*)

Well . . . Are you procrastinating? It's more interesting than doing your homework. (Example: Jeanette Winterson's *Oranges Are Not the Only Fruit*)

Pretty good reading. (Examples: Melville's *Bartleby the Scrivener*; Judith Martin's *Miss Manners Rescues Civilization*)

Don't make any other plans, because you'll lose track of the time. A very good book. (Examples: Stephen King's *Insomnia*; Shakespeare's *King Lear*)

The sort of book worth reading, and rereading, and telling everyone you know to read right away. And then rereading again every once in awhile. (Examples: Jane Austen's *Pride and Prejudice*; George Orwell's *1984*; Toni Morrison's *The Bluest Eye*)

REAL ISSUES:

by Cyra Kemp

QWhat do you think of the renovations at Jake's Place?

1. "It looks much nicer than last year. It's more appealing to the students coming here."-- Roubec's Landis, '01
2. "I think the renovations are nice...not as comfortable as last year, though."-- Stacy Ann Fowler, '01
3. "I just think it looks too much like the cafeteria. We need comfy chairs!"-- Ann Hyde, '00
4. "They're alright, but the pool tables cost too much."-- William Hodge, '02
5. "The food is pretty good...not the best. The atmosphere is pretty mellow."-- Hosea Ali Baker III, '02
6. "Jake's Place has lost the ambience that it once had. It's just cluttered, instead of the open spaces where everyone can just lay back and chill."-- Markita Edmunds, '00
7. "I'm glad they did the renovations, but it lost a lot of what it used to be. There used to be a little chill place, it had the little stage, that coffee house setting, you know. Don't get me wrong. I'm all for renovations, but if the renovation are not to better it, then they shouldn't have done it at all."-- Michael Leon brown, Jr., '00
8. "I think the renovations at Jake's Place are O.K. They could have been better. It was a lack-luster attempt and hopefully the college will soon change that. I don't think they will, but anything can happen at Albright."-- Marquis T. Upsher, '01
9. "I think that the renovations at Jake's look very good, but it's taking away from the atmosphere that they had last year."-- Robin Adams, '00
10. "I like it. I just think they should put the booths back."-- Birdie Thompson, '01
11. "I really liked the booths better in Jake's Place. I don't like the new chairs."-- Morgan Shilling, '01

Soap Updates

ALL MY CHILDREN: Jake discovered Allie did not use her diaphragm when they made love. He told her he was not ready for marriage or children yet. An exhausted Dixie accepted Tad's invitation to spend the night at his place. Dimitri and Edmund discussed the DNA test. The mystery man saved Palmer from the men who were coming after him. Dimitri realized Edmund was interested in Kit. Wait To See: Liza is touched by a gift from Adam.

ANOTHER WORLD: Vicky's discovery allowed her to play a trump card against Donna. Kirkland became a victim of Cindy and Grant's behavior. Sofia realized Zak had manipulated her. Gary confined in Cameron about Josie. Wait To See: Zak takes an interest in Cass and Lila.

AS THE WORLD TURNS: James and Holden were stunned by David's demands. Meanwhile, Lucinda and James found comfort in each other. Camille developed a new fear related to her illness. Barbara overheard John talk about his feelings. Wait To See: Roseanna books a flight to Oakdale.

THE BOLD AND THE BEAUTIFUL: After a fight with Ridge, Taylor considered quitting her job with Pierce. Brooke had a confrontation with Stephanie over Amber's living arrangements. Taylor made plans for an important dinner party. Meanwhile, Lauren urged Brooke to go after Pierce. Sheila played target practice on a picture of Stephanie. Wait To See: Bailey continues to plot against Ridge and Taylor's marriage.

DAYS OF OUR LIVES: Vivian revealed Hope's true identity at

Princess Gina's party. As Billie left the catacombs with Bo and Greta, she was startled to run into Wayne and Earl. Lucas began to regain consciousness. Bo and Greta stumbled on the grave of Georgia. Billie and Bo's deceased baby daughter. Lucille found the remote control Stefano uses to alter Vivian's mood. Kate told Lucas how Sami took the fall for him. Hope was reunited with Bo. Wait To See: Roman learns Kate's secret about Franco.

GENERAL HOSPITAL: Katherine prodded Nikolas into realizing Laura and Stefan were hiding something. Lucky got a new job from Jason. Lucky and Nikolas vowed to help Emily learn who was blackmailing her with the nude photos. Jax learned the charges against John and Jerry were true. Bobbie wondered how Jerry's arrest would affect Lucas. Wait To See: Monica reaches out to Alan.

GUIDING LIGHT: Another life is put in jeopardy as Hart tried to protect Cassie from the stalker. Matt confronted Beth's advances. Jesse came clean with Michelle. Dinah's family rallied around her. Blake reacts to Ross' drastic decision. Wait To See: Harley risks her life in search of the nursery rhyme stalker.

ONE LIFE TO LIVE: Cassie learned Barbara saved her life. Barbara later eased into Cassie's hospital room to try to sabotage her recovery. Following that, Joey and Barbara made love. Cassie told Kevin she had no feelings in her legs. A wake for Drew was held at Bo and Nora's home. Wait To See: Asa gets disturbing news about Bo and Nora. More evidence is found linking

Dorian to R.J.

PORT CHARLES: Lucy and Scott broke away from the bed as the fire got closer, but realized they might not escape the flames. Meanwhile, on Jasmine Island, Kevin, Victor and Eve recreated the picnic that led to murder, with Eve facing death as the truth is revealed. Garcia shared with Julie information he had on Eve's mother. Victor told Kevin and Eve that Scott's and Lucy's burned bodies had been found. But in the meantime, Scott and Lucy found themselves trapped in a snake-filled tunnel. Wait To See: Lucy has an outrageous dream.

SUNSET BEACH: Ben returned to find Maria asleep in his bed, but he was called away before he could get a look at her face. Carmen promised Antonio she would find the identity of his dream mystery woman. Later, as the woman's identity was revealed, Antonio prepared to face her in person for the first time. Olivia was overwhelmed by the intensity of Gregory's passion, unaware it was prompted by an aphrodisiac. Annie gave him. Meg left to spend the night before her wedding to Ben at her parents' home. Wait To See: Ben and Meg's wedding begins as Maria attends the nuptials.

THE YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS: Jack started his move against Victor by trying to persuade Brad to join him. Dru learned of Neil's engagement to Victoria. The judge prepared to rule on Jill and Kay's dispute over the Chancellor estate. Michael was nowhere to be found. Chris went to Norfolk to find the man who looks like Paul's dad. Tony walked out on Grace. Wait To See: Chris makes a disturbing discovery.

Horoscopes

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22)

You'll be meeting with an accountant or financial adviser. Your desire to have things precise sometimes can make you a pain in the neck. Be adaptable now.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) You may be upset with a child's spending habits. To get along with others this week, be less critical. Do some comparison-shopping regarding a prospective course of study.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) You may not accomplish as much as you'd like this week on the job. You could be bogged down in details. Be sure to follow through on commitments made to others.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) You'll be participating more in a group activity in the next few weeks. Either you or a close tie tends to extravagance if out shopping. A contractual talk could break down this week.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Getting involved with a friend financially is not a wise idea. Some you deal with later in the week have a tendency to exaggerate. You're ready to begin a research project.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You may not see eye to eye with an adviser this week. Guard against unwise expansion at home. You're entering a period when you'll be holding important business

discussions.

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You and a higher-up may not be on the same wavelength this week. Talks bog down over minute points. There is a tendency to go overboard if partying this weekend.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Reaching agreements about financial interests may be difficult early in the week. There is a tendency to let some things slide on the job. You're entering a period, though, of mental achievement.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Feelings and thoughts could be at odds this week, particularly in romance. Someone promises more than he or she can deliver. You'll be busy with some mental interests in the coming weeks.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Once more, extravagant spending is a temptation. Still, you may find something you like in a mail order catalog. Be less critical of a family member who is touchy over the weekend.

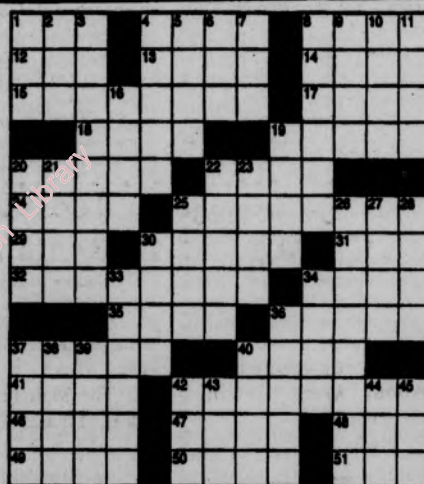
LEO (July 23 to August 22) You'll be getting a new incentive to achieve in the coming weeks. Expect to be immersed in your work then. A small disagreement could occur about money this week.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) A partnership interest becomes more important to you in the next few weeks. Right now, you could be stuck on a detail at work. You'll enjoy a family outing during the weekend.

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- 8 Talent
- 12 Computer data unit
- 13 "Metamorphoses" poet
- 14 Concept
- 15 Lucas blockbuster
- 17 Burying
- 18 Grache
- 19 Dryer and Biletnikoff
- 20 Floats gently
- 22 Mrs. Copperfield
- 24 Sam Shepard's "of the Mind"
- 25 Protective measures
- 29 Absolutely
- 30 Modern-day factory employee
- 31 Boy king
- 32 Sentimentalism
- 34 Silents vamp
- 35 Painter's medium
- 36 Composer Anderson
- 37 Air rifle
- 40 Dead Sea kingdom
- 41 "Exodus" author
- 42 Hoagy Carmichael classic
- 46 Part of "SNL"
- 47 "If - a Hammer"



- 48 Half a dance?
- 49 Oktoberfest essential
- 50 Oscar Madison's milieu
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- 4 Monks' hoods
- 5 Office silhouette
- 6 Sarge, to a private
- 7 Notices
- 8 "The Prophet"

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- 9 Useless
- 10 Nourish
- 11 Playing marbles
- 16 Memorization
- 19 Guitar-neck
- 20 Mean's mates
- 21 A Baldwin brother
- 22 IOUs
- 23 End of a Baum title
- 25 Toy-shop purchase
- 26 Ahab's first mate
- 27 Prefix with dollar or Disney
- 28 Go no Further
- 30 Reason for a tarp

- 33 Feline nimrod
- 34 Rosary component
- 36 U.K. Upper House
- 37 Tulip, formerly
- 38 Cheese-tray choice
- 39 Be philanthropic
- 40 "Serpico" author
- 42 Actor Alastair
- 43 Article in Time?
- 44 Yon wench
- 45 Nail a base-runner

Editorials/Opinions

You're a mean one, Mr. Blank

DEAR EDITOR,
I WOULD LIKE TO RESPOND TO some of Mark Blank's complaints directed towards Residence Life published in the last issue of the Albrightian.

I am curious to know how many of Mr. Blank's complaints have been directed through the proper channels in administration in order to get a satisfactory response.

For instance, exactly to whom did he complain about the \$75 tag to store school furniture? Has it occurred to Mr. Blank that the reason for the high price is to discourage residents from moving the furniture? Getting new furniture in the dorms has been a major issue at least since the class of 1998 came in as freshmen. Personally, I didn't believe that I would be here to see it arrive. Now that it's here, residents already want to move pieces and risk scratching the new wooden furniture. As underclassmen, you're enjoying what past Albrightians have been arguing, fighting, and demanding.

I understand that not everyone needs to use all of their furniture, but the trust me, as one of the few third year Resident Assistants, moving that one dresser out is not going to add so much space to the room that it will look like a mansion.

Concerning Mr. Blank's complaints about the new Housing Director, how did he discover that our new director is a man? Perhaps he actually met him or maybe he's trusting the ever reliable Albright grapevine, of which we're all members. There was a welcome reception for him on the 17th of September in the South Lounge, yet I didn't see Mr. Blank there. You mean with all his contacts, Mr. Blank couldn't find out about the reception? I thought he really

wanted to meet him.

As for the RA's being "on the rampage," it's amazing that we apparently participated (according to Mr. Blank), yet the staff didn't find out about it until we read the Albrightian. Also, exactly how did the situation resolve itself? That's usually our job, but if we're out "rampaging"... Please explain to our staff (I'm referring to RA's, FM's, and RD's in all our halls) why if we participated in this so called "rampage" and offended residents, Carolyn Brooks had no idea of it happening? Surely the offended persons would have reported our staff's alleged offense to someone in administration, so that the incident would be dealt with appropriately.

Granted, some staff members may miss the former housing Director, but when you've worked with someone for a period of time, it's to be expected. (Relate it to how you'd feel if it were someone you were close to, Mr. Blank) However, our

staff has tried its best to welcome "the new guy" (whose name, by the way, is Thomas Miles) and I believe that he will be a great asset to our staff and fit in quite nicely. Oh, and the "true test" didn't begin when he arrived on campus, Mr. Blank, it had already begun and you may have just arrived late, that's all.

As for being treated like human beings, one has to earn respect, it isn't an automatic thing. Responsibility is a big factor in earning respect. Age and maturity are two totally different things. Why is alcohol such a big issue considering many of our residents can't even hang on to their issued keys for one year?

Another argument of Mr. Blank's is the one a.m. "curfew." First of all, a curfew implies that for whatever reason, one must go home. When our staff asks you to leave a room, building, etc. (as in the Woods), the idea behind it is "You don't have to go home, but you've gotta get up out of here." As far as extending it to two a.m.? Our staff already does rounds until

two a.m., even though the Woods parties are closed at one a.m..

Keep in mind that we're students also, balancing classes, work (many of us have other jobs besides being on Residence Life Staff), extra-curricular activities and trying to have time for ourselves.

It's a harder job than you think, Mr. Blank. Let me tell you about being a member of our staff. If I remember currently, as a Pop, you arrived on August 25, during our lunch time, no less. Our staff had already been here for five days of training.

To prepare for this year, yes we did the door "crafts," but also we: role played disciplinary and counseling issues, reviewed school policies, did room assessments, fire extinguisher training, prepared "Not Yet Ready for Bed" skits for the incoming class, practiced mediation, planned programs, studied substance abuse and identity issues, learned about drug use and paraphernalia, listened to guest speakers on numerous topics, checked in early arrivals, renewed our CPR and Basic First Aid certifications and much more. (I'll let you read my training manual sometime).

On the front page of the last issue, the Labor Day storm was mentioned. With all that was going on, who do you think had to evacuate North Hall twice, plan wake-up calls in the quad, and calm nervous residents? That was Residence Life Staff, all the way. We have to be: tour guides, guard dogs, counselors, planners, an information booth, secretaries, referees, mediators, communicators, detectives, reporters, listeners, a taxi service, janitors, etc... the list goes on.

While we're doing our best, we face being called "bitches, hardasses, the S.S. and the Gestapo," yet we continue to do our jobs... and well. There are no thank-yous, no pats on the back, no "good job," or any of the like. If we're lucky, we'll have no major situations, and we'll leave here at the end of the year as stronger individuals with our respective positions and yet we stick with it. That's what being a member of Residence Life is about.

So, Mr. Blank, I accepted your challenge to protest. Now, why not accept mine... in Residence Life Staff. Sincerely, Jemmell'z Washington, '99 Third-year Resident Assistant.

"So, Mr. Blank, I accepted your challenge to protest. Now, why not accept mine—join Residence Life Staff."

Jemmell'z Washington, '99

Bright days ahead for local colleges

The following editorial appeared in the Sept. 14 issue of the Reading Eagle.

ENROLLMENT AND TUITION figures for Berks County's private and public institutions of higher learning indicate a healthy prognosis for post-secondary education as we draw closer to the 21st century.

One of the most significant developments has been the recovery in enrollment of Albright College, which this fall attracted its largest freshman class since 1981. This year's freshman class numbers 368, a remarkable advance from 1993, when the incoming class comprised only 226.

Overall, Albright's full-time enrollment this year stands at 1,190, up from 1,130 last year.

The brightening situation at Albright no doubt has been especially gratifying to the college's president, Dr. Ellen S. Hurwitz, who is planning to leave the post in the spring. When Hurwitz took the job here in 1992, she had envisioned focusing on academic enhancement, but financial considerations forced a radical switch in emphasis. Under her predecessor, the college had overbuilt in anticipation on continued growth but failed to keep up enrollment.

"We had to take a very hard look at our financial situation," Hurwitz said recently. "We needed to increase enrollment, increase fundraising and reduce expenditures." All of those goals have been met, albeit at the expense of 30 job eliminations or reassignments. It was difficult but necessary, she said.

On the public side, Berks campus of Penn State's newly combined Berks-Lehigh Valley College reported an enrollment boost of 8.3 percent to 1,600 students. Berks-Lehigh's new four-year degrees in business and electrical engineering were credited with helping boost enrollment.

Berks Campus, with all 390 dormitory spaces filled and a waiting list numbering more than 400, is planning on construction to provide new dormitory space for 400, with 213 available next fall.

Alvernia College also reported an enrollment boost. Alvernia, with 860 full-time students and a total enrollment of 1,300, reported its freshmen class of 186 is one of the largest in the school's 40-year history, plus the addition of 104 transfer students gave the college its biggest boost in full-time students in a decade.

At RACC, where total enrollment has fallen from a high of 3,314 in 1993 to 2,870 currently, registrations are expected to come in at around 3,000, with about 2,000 of those being part-timers. Traditionally, enrollments lag in good economic times and increase in leaner periods.

Kutztown University, which has been bursting at the seams for years, reported a drop in full-time enrollment, but a 51 percent increase in part-timers, boosting the overall figure slightly. At KU, full-time enrollment fell from 6,080 a year ago to 5,691, with part-timers increasing from 852 to 1,293.

A KU spokesperson observed that the boost in part-timers there might be attributed to a healthy economy inclining students to continue working full-time while pursuing their education on a part-time basis.

Kutztown and RACC had no increases in tuition for this year, while Albright, Alvernia and Berks Campus had boosts ranging from Albright's 3 percent to Berks Campus's 4.2. Tuition figures for the current academic year stood at \$2,040 for RACC, \$3,468 for Kutztown, \$5,712 for Berks Campus, \$11,280 for Alvernia and \$18,240 for Albright.

Students offer their perspective on Greek Weekend

Albright College opened up Greek Weekend with air bands Friday night, Sept. 19 in the campus center. Upon entering the building, excited students were attempting to sit still in their seats as the anticipation of the evening began to build. The participants were lined up on the north wall with both eager and nervous expressions. Most were dressed in outlandish fashions pertaining to their skits. Some of the participating women were busy giggling their faces red with embarrassment, while some of the men wore clever grins as if they knew something we did not. Brian Kozera, the ringleader of this fiasco, stood triumphantly in the back smiling over

what he created. In the long tradition of Albright planning, Brian had been working for weeks getting the event squared off often coming across numerous pitfalls and unforeseen obstacles which he gallantly overcame. When asked to comment on the event, he blew his chest out and spoke proudly of his success. "This event is sponsored by the Greeks... it's something fun that brings the community of Albright together.... It's not just this, (air bands)—there are mixers this weekend, and then a campus cleanup."

When asked exactly who is participating in this event he replied by shooting off a long list of organizations, "Phi mu, Sigma

Kappa, Alpha Delta Pi, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Alpha Chi Row, Pi Kappa Phi, and Sigma Phi Epsilon."

The lip-synching extravaganza started out with Brian Kozera and his fellow cohorts breezed through a set of Blues Brothers tunes. After that came a rap montage, courtesy of SAE, followed by a buttock smacking romp through "I'm Too Sexy," performed by ADPI. The Girls of Phi Mu, pulled off a memorable, well choreographed rendition of "My Best Friends Wedding" theme song, a montage concerning the Boogie nights soundtrack. Then ADPI held a festive enactment of Barry Manilow's "Coca Cabana." Then a

Sigma Kappa girls gyrated to Tone-loc's "Wild Thing." SAE performed a "Full Monty" striptease (nobody said anything to me about the full monty!) and were cut off prior to full expose. One student, when asked what he thought about SAE's debauchery, he replied, "It was Sick. Just sick." The final performance came from the Crows who lip-synched to AC DC's "Big Balls," who stayed true to the song with help from overinflated balloons which dangled from their crotches.

After nearly one and a half hours the night came to its conclusion. The cheering crowd slowly disassembled and scattered. A group of girls who lingered about

were asked for their opinions of the night. One said "The Sigma Kappa's....The Backstreet boys, were the best." Another said, "I just think it's a great way to bring the Greek community together to have fun."

The Greeks left the campus center en route to their fraternities and sororities to engage in mixers, and fraternize, while the janitors began to clean up after them.

The next day a major campus clean-up involving all the Greeks took place all around campus. Greeks could be seen picking up beer cans, planting flowers in an effort to make a campus a better place.

—Val Broeksmit and John Bragato

Student Government Association Allocations

Organization Allocated

Albright Visual Arts Org.	450
Democrats	732
Albright Environmental Action	699
Asian American Council	4,030
Amnesty	325
Republicans	125
American Chemical Society	1,315
Albright Christian Fellowship	570
African American Society	4,435
Agon	2,656
Gamers Guild	700
Albrightian	10,208
Brother And Sister Exchange	1,260
Campus Center Board	23,283
Cinema Club	3,880
The Cue (yearbook)	51,278
Day Students Assoc.	500
International Film	1,898
International Students Assoc.	5,675
Hillel	1,810
Human Services Org.	500
Lion Diplomats	6,675
Newman Assoc.	400
Resident Student Assoc.	4,400
Ski Club	5,000
Vogue	314
WXAC (radio station)	14,051
Alpha Phi Omega	2,126
Inter Fraternity Council	300
Kappa Tau Chi (PreMinistry)	150
Tri Beta (Biology)	3,200
Class of 1999	2,650
Class of 2000	700
Pep Band	550
Masters Chess	75
Domino Players	5,575
Albright's Angels	242
WOW (Women of the World)	1,225
Class of 2001	1,250

SGA President's Corner

DEAR EDITOR

I WANT TO ADDRESS THE ISSUE OF Homecoming/Family Weekend in this article. Many students are upset with the schedule of events for the weekend. I would like to explain how some of these decisions were made, and perhaps alleviate any concerns students may have.

This year the Homecoming Dance was scheduled for Friday night. In years past, the event was held on Saturday, after the football game.

This, along with the fact that the weekend was scheduled in conjunction with Family Weekend was one of the key concerns for many students.

All of these changes, as well as the lack of a parade, upset many students on campus.

Let me try to explain some of the justifications for these changes. There are two weekends a year when this school draws its alumni back. One is Homecoming in October and the other is Alumni Day in May. In a sense these days belong to those alumni who are 'coming home' to Albright. This does not in any way discount the students currently attending Albright, it just means that we should focus on welcoming our alumni back to their alma mater and making their visit one that is pleasurable.

The comedian hired for Saturday night was intended to keep the alumni as well as the students on campus after the game. Kevin Pollack is an entertainer with a fine reputation that appeals to both the students and alumni. This was thought to be an excellent way to include the alumni in postgame activities on campus, rather than excluding them by holding the dance that evening.

The choice to have Homecoming with Family Weekend was a decision that is beginning to become commonplace at many colleges. F&M as well as other local schools have done the same thing as it draws more family and Alumni to the school for one 'big' weekend.

The energy and enthusiasm that comes from so many people should make for a more energized and spirited campus over the weekend. I understand the position that this places people in if they want to go to the dance Friday night, but their parents are arriving for the weekend. There is a sense of obligation to hang out with them. I don't know how to explain that. That may be a downfall to having both events the same weekend, but perhaps next

year some other ways to better plan the two together will alleviate this problem.

Finally, the issue of the parade being canceled was of primary concern this

past weekend. The parade was canceled due to such a low level of participation in the recent past. As a senior I can say that the floats have gotten progressively worse. I've seen better floats at high school parades. That is not meant to demean anyone who has made floats in the past few years. The fact of the matter is we, as students, can do a better job than we have been. Our parade is a joke in comparison to other schools. The Alumni Office is willing to give us a shot at the parade again, but we really need to prove ourselves to the. We need to make our floats incredible this year. I hope that we all can pull together and prove just how much creative spirit we have this coming weekend.

We as students may not be happy with some of the changes that have been made, but we are, and I can't think of any other way to say it, stuck with them. So the way I see it we should take what we have and make it the best it can be. Our alumni are coming back, and we should embrace this opportunity to see old friends and have fun. The weekend is, above and beyond anything else, about Albright. This is our school, and this is our celebration of what is ours.

So go out this weekend and take note of all the smile and warm faces around you, and know that this is what Homecoming is about.

"The weekend is, above and beyond anything else, about Albright. This is our school, and this is our celebration of what is ours."

Kim Field, '99

Editor's Angle For everyone's edification: The Albrightian is a newspaper, not a vehicle for PR

In the last *Albrightian* issue, we printed an editorial from Mark Blank, in which he criticized several aspects of Albright's RSA.

Subsequent to the publication of the paper, both *The Albrightian's* advisor, Dr. Michael Adams, and Mark were called into the office of an administrator to discuss the validity of the editorial.

Although I was not personally summoned for questioning, I would like to take this opportunity to clarify *The Albrightian's* purpose and efforts as a student-run newspaper.

We will try, to the best of our abilities and resources, to practice responsible journalism. This has not always been a priority of *The Albrightian* in the past, and as

editor-in-chief, this is my primary goal for the upcoming year. But the difference between "responsible" journalism and good PR obviously needs to be clarified.

The complaint against Mark, and consequently against *The Albrightian* for printing his editorial, was that it was factually incorrect.

Mark, however, was not dealing with facts. He was voicing his complaints and challenging the student body and administration. Whether his impressions were "factual" or not is irrelevant. He utilized his student right to write an editorial, and by the response of the students and administration, albeit negative, was successful in his efforts to encourage people to "take a stand."

What the administration was primarily concerned with regarding the editorial was the rumors it could circulate—in other words, the bad press. Well, news flash, we are a paper and from time to time we just may report stories or print editorials with disturbing content that will not shed Albright in a good light. That is part of our responsibility.

Although, perhaps it is futile for me to even refer to the term "responsibility." As a former judge of the U.S. Court of Appeals said, "I doubt whether there is, in truth, any objective standard of responsible journalism. We tend to think papers are responsible when we agree with them and irresponsible when we object to their content."

It is partially *The Albrightian's*

fault that Albright views the paper as a free resource for announcements, ads, etc. In the past we have taken all student organization and departmental ads and announcements and ran them in random places. This year, to avoid any confusion, I replaced the "Personals" page of *The Albrightian* with an "Announcement and Events" page. Student organizations or any other department in the college who wish to advertise or make an announcement will be placed only on this page.

Personals will be taken only when advertised for in the campus center (for Homecoming, Holiday Break, etc.)

It is for this reason also that the

"Arts and Culture" page has been eliminated. When a department has a press release, it should be sent to *The Albrightian* and we will have our reporters cover it if it is deemed newsworthy. If the news at the time warrants a page dedicated to a specific department (i.e. Art, Literature, Biology, etc.), then certainly we will consider that possibility.

The Albrightian will not skew facts and wallow in sensationalism; however, neither will we massage complacency and ignorance. We will print news. Whether or not that news happens to reflect positively or negatively on the college, frankly, we don't care.

Sincerely,

Lisa Zimmerman, editor-in-chief

Announcements & Events

Career Center: to go or not to go to Grad School?

by Lisa Tarsi/ Career Center
Counselor

A physician, psychologist, pharmacist, and physicist. What do they all have in common? They went to graduate school to achieve these careers.

If you are thinking about attending graduate school, now is the time to start planning. Deciding what you want to study and why you want to study it is the first and most important step in the process. Graduate school is a large financial and time commitment. Going to graduate school because you are afraid of doing a job search is the wrong reason to apply.

Discussing your goals with

your advisor and other faculty, or meeting with us in the Career Development Center can help you find out if graduate school would be appropriate for your chosen career.

Going to the workshop on the graduate school application process offered TODAY at 4 p.m. in the Library Group Study Room B will prepare you for the process.

When you know what you want to study and why, you can begin to construct your list of schools. Attend the fall Graduate School Fair on October 7 in the Campus Center from 10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. and talk over your goals with the admission representatives that will visit. Visit the Peterson's Guides to Graduate Study in the Career Development Center, which lists every graduate program offered in America by field of study, along with admission requirements, faculty and their research, and contact names and addresses. Contact each school for

their catalog and application. As soon as you receive it, scan the material for important deadlines. A late application is no application! Keep a log of the information you have sent and where, including any names of people with whom you may have spoken.

Your next step will be gathering information to be included in your application, such as recommendation letters from professors or work supervisors. You need to provide your references with a self addressed stamped mailing envelope, follow up to be sure the letter was sent, write a thank you letter, and keep them informed of your progress. Ordering a transcript from the Registrar's Office will be another necessary piece of your application. Prepare for and take the necessary standardized admission tests, and have your scores reported to the institutions of your choice.

Most graduate programs will

require a personal statement from you, detailing your reasons for applying to the program. A portion of your personal statement may also be used to explain any potential problems with your application, such as a low standardized test score, or low G.P.A. Have your advisor, other faculty, and us read your personal statement and offer you feedback.

If you intend to apply for scholarships, fellowships, or assistantships, consult each school individually to learn about their application process and deadlines. You may need to apply for a scholarship to a specific department, or to the university as a whole.

If you are not accepted to the school of your choice, call them to find out what was deficient about your application. For more information about any part of this process, visit the Career Development Center and talk to your advisor.

Classifieds

The Cloister at St. Joseph's is seeking part-time dishwasher/ kitchen help.

Call 376-6925.

The Inn at Reading has part-time and full-time positions available. Full-time positions include generous benefit package.

Hours available in all three shifts.

Please apply in person: bell person, front desk clerk, PBX operator, night auditor, housekeeper, banquet servers, banquet setup, bartender, cocktail server, dining room server, cashier/ host(ess), busperson, dishwasher, cook, carpenter/painter.

Important!!!

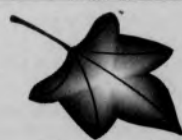
Due to scheduling complications, Kevin Pollack cancelled his show on Friday. Richard Jeni, who has appeared on "The Mask," "National Lampoon's, Dad's Week Off," and "Coca-Cola Presents Richard Jeni," will instead do his stand-up comedy routine.



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Calendar of Events



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			4pm: Graduate School application process--see career services Yom Kippur 30	4 pm: Exp. Event--Klein "On Re:Presentation--A Discussion on the Relationship Between Fact and Fiction" 6:30: Exp. Event--Roop "Denial, Disrespect and Despair:Exploring the Depth of Dating Violence" 2	Freedman Gallery--Re:Presentation (through Nov. 20) 2	3
6pm: Memorial Chapel--services 8pm: Kachel Chapel--Mass 4	American Express Financial Advisors recruiting--see career center 5	4pm: Exp. Event--Klein "Black and White Memories of War: West German War Movies of the 1950's Sentry Insurance recruiting--see career center 6	10:30am-1:30pm: CC--Graduate and Professional School Info Day 7	PFPC Worldwide recruiting--see career services 9pm: RSA Bonfire 8	8pm: Exp. Event--Meridian Maelstrom Percussion Ensemble \$8.00 in advance, \$12.00 at door (student reduced rate with ID of \$3.50) Homecoming Dance 9	Family Weekend 9pm: Chapel--Richard Jeni 10
11am, 6pm: Memorial Chapel--services 8pm: Kachel Chapel--Mass 11	Columbus Day 12	Karr Barth Associates recruiting--see career services 13	4pm: Exp. Event--CCSL Create Your Own Career 4pm: Six Degrees from Kevin Bacon Prudential recruiting--see career services 7:30pm: Chapel-- Choir POPS Concert 14			

Sports

Women's rugby lacks depth but has heart

by Kim Field

The Women's rugby team started their season last weekend with a match against Susquehanna. After travelling two hours to Selinsgrove, the team played a hard game and struggled to keep up with the Susquehanna girls.

The game started with Albright short of three girls. Missing a fullback and two loose forwards the girls struggled to keep their spirits up.

After a series of collapsed scrums, the Lady Lions mustered their strength to prove themselves to the Susquehanna women. After stealing a scrum in the latter part of the first half, the Albright team pulled together and kept Susquehanna from scoring in the final 10 minutes.

At the half, the score was only 13-0, with the Susquehanna points coming from an early field goal worth 3 points and two tries, one of which converted the kick to an additional 2 points.

With the team's enthusiasm up at the end of the half, the women's team was ready to come back strong.

The Albright ladies were playing well, even down by three players. The game was going well in the beginning of the second half. Defensively, the ladies were holding the Susquehanna team back. There were key plays made by flyhalf Melissa Zeidler that prevented the opponent from scoring.

As the game progressed, the Albright team's energy began to slip. Trying to cover for the missing players wore the Albright girls out, and late in the second half Kelli Jo Thesier was injured in a scrum.

After escorting Kelli off the field, it was apparent that the Albright women were hurting for players. It was the final ten minutes of the game when Susquehanna scored the final three tries against the struggling and worn Albright team.

The final score was 30-0, but the

score was no indication of the amount of energy and effort that the Albright Women Ruggers put out. Without key players in fundamental positions, it was difficult to maintain the energy necessary to win the first league match.

"The team played well and with all their heart. They came out here knowing they were down a few girls, but the team pulled together to prove that they were ready for a challenge," said Melissa Zeidler.

After battling the Susquehanna women, the Albright team took the week to get psyched for their next match against East Stroudsburg University. Upon arriving, the Albright team of twelve was greeted by over fifty anxious ESU ruggers and their families. The scene was intimidating, but the Albright ladies were ready for the challenge.

ESU lended Albright a hand and gave them three players to compensate for those positions not filled.

Albright lost the toss and received the ball to start the game. From the very beginning it was obvious that the ESU girls were a strong force to be reckoned with. They used strategy and their natural athleticism to fuel their early drive into the try zone.

With key plays, the ESU team scored two tries and converted one kick.

Going into the second half with their hopes down and their energy zapped, the Albright girls tried desperately to stop the oncoming East Stroudsburg girls.

With only twenty minutes left in the game, the ESU team drove down the field three times and scored each time, bringing the final score to 27-0. Even with the help of the three ESU girls, the Albright team was unable to keep up with the fast pace and quick cycling of the ball. This, in addition to the injury sustained by winger, Soula Stergiou, prevented the Albright team from playing as well as they would have liked.

The team looks forward to playing York College next weekend.

Flying Dutchmen crash and burn

In a 33-23 victory, Albright Football turns in a stellar performance by both the offense and defense to increase their record to 2-1.

by Melissa Zeidler

Albright Football Outscores Lebanon Valley in 33-23 Victory On Saturday, Sept. 19, the Albright Lions improved their record to 2-1, as they beat the Flying Dutchmen of Lebanon Valley. The offensive game captured the attention of the spectators, and key players demonstrated Albright's potential.

Junior Matt Santoro turned in an excellent show as he trounced Lebanon Valley with 224 rushing yards. Albright never faltered under the heat of Lebanon Valley, and the Lions gained a victory on their home turf.

The Lions were hot from the beginning of the game, and quarterback Jeff Haberl connected with Jay Sabo to boost the Lions to a 7-0 nothing lead in the first quarter. Albright's offense continued, as senior wide receiver Eric Nemec caught a pass in the end zone. Nemec's touchdown signified a historic moment in Albright football history. Nemec broke the record previously held by Ryan Ditzel for the most career touchdowns in Albright's history. The 30th touchdown caught by Nemec came at a key time and the Albright Lions enjoyed a 14-0 cushion as the second quarter began.

However, the flock of Flying Dutchmen were not ready to return to the farm fields without properly defending their name. Lebanon Valley counteracted with a deep pass to wide receiver Matt Franks to cut Albright's lead down to 8 points. Lebanon Valley failed to gain any extra points after their passing touchdown. Yet, Lebanon Valley's offense was not finished.

With 9:39 remaining in the first half, the Flying Dutchmen scored again. Lebanon Valley enjoyed their second touchdown of the game, but again they failed to tack on any extra points. The Lions watched their 14 point lead cut down to 2, and the score of 14-12 was not comforting for the Lions.

The Albright Lions had to improve their performance, and they did. Haberl connected in the end zone with junior Howard Payton (Woo-Woo-Woo), and he completed his fifth touchdown of the season. The last minutes of the first half ticked by, and Albright went for a last second field goal, but failed. Thus, Albright went into half time with a solid, but not secure, 20-12 lead.

Albright added to its lead in the third quarter, as a hand-off pass to Adam Ullberg successfully turned into a touchdown. Albright failed to gain any extra points, and the football score improved to 26-12. Lebanon Valley responded with a field goal, and the Lion's lead was diminished to 11 points.

The Lions witnessed their lead cut to three in the fourth quarter, as the Flying Dutchmen scored a touchdown and a two point conversion with 11:36 remaining in the game. The Flying Dutchmen were threatening, and the Lions' once comfortable lead was seriously diminished.

With less than ten minutes remaining in the game, the Albright Lions needed to preserve their slim lead and win the game. "It became

close in the end," said Nemec, "but everyone worked together and the team came up with some big plays." The Lions not only protected their lead, but they added to it.

On a picture perfect offensive drive, the Lions swiftly moved the ball across the field. Nemec

successfully kept the offense breathing with a few key third down completions. Also, the scrambling ability of Haberl became apparent as he avoided the rush of the Flying Dutchmen to gain a first down inside the 10 yard line. The

pressure was on, and the Albright football team did not fold under Lebanon Valley's defense.

Junior Matt Santoro, added to his already stellar performance while running through the Flying Dutchmen's defense and scoring with 4:28 remaining in the game. Santoro rushed for 224 yards, and the Dutchmen could not stop his determination to gain yardage. The Lions kicked for the extra point, and the once slim lead stretched into a 10 point victory.

Albright's defense made sure that Lebanon Valley did not score again, and with 3:58 remaining Chris Bullis intercepted his third pass of the season. This sealed the victory for the Albright Lions, and their success was inevitable.

The Lions remain undefeated on their home turf, and they have to gear up for next week's game at Moravian. Hopefully, the Lions will be victorious as they continue to play with determination and heart.



Intramurals '98-'99

Upcoming Events:
Outdoor Volleyball
(Tentatively starting 10/3/98)

Ultimate Frisbee
(Tentatively starting 10/3/98)

Updates on Current Intramural Sports:
Intramural Football Standings:

	W	L	T
1. AXP	2	0	0
2. SAE	2	0	0
3. Marabou	1	0	0
4. Sig Ep(A)	1	0	0
5. Pi Kap	0	1	0
6. Sig Ep(C)	0	2	0
7. Sig Ep(B)	0	2	0

Players of the Week: (Intramural Football)

Peter Penna 2 TDs (one INT return, one reception)
Ryan Petrizzi 2 TDs (both receptions)
Josh Yorgey 2 TDs (both receptions)
Kevin Windsor 2 TDs (both receptions)

Upcoming Games:

All games played on the practice field next to the field hockey field.

Mon., Sept. 28th
4pm Marabou vs. SAE
5pm Sig Ep(A) vs. AXP
Thurs., Sept. 29th
4pm Pi Kap vs. Sig Ep(B)
5pm Sig Ep(C) vs. SAE

Anyone interested in playing IM Frisbee or Volleyball please call Dave Flannery at ext. 6769.

Upcoming Home Dates:

Men's Soccer

4pm--Thu Oct 1 vs Moravian
1pm--Sat Oct 10 vs Kings
4pm--Wed Oct 14 vs Western Maryland

Women's Soccer

1pm--Sat Oct 3 vs E-town
4pm--Tue Oct 6 vs Susquehanna
4pm--Thu Oct 8 vs Del Valley
11am--Sat Oct 10 vs Wilkes

Football

1:30pm--Sat Oct 10 vs Kings

Cross Country

10:30, 1:00--Sat Oct 10

Women's Volleyball

7pm--Thu Oct 8 vs Ursinus
11am--Sat Oct 10 vs Susquehanna
7pm--Tue Oct 13 vs Moravian

Women's Tennis

4pm--Thu Oct 1 vs Widener
11am--Sat Oct 10 vs Juniata

Field Hockey

4pm--Thu Oct 1 vs Widener
1pm--Sat Oct 3 vs Susquehanna
4pm--Thu Oct 8 vs Kings
11pm--Sat Oct 10 vs Juniata



Women's soccer enjoys successful early season

by Traci Sayers

The women's soccer team began their season with an undefeated 4-0 record. Although the team has lost a few games since the start, the season has proved to be a successful one for the Lions.

The team has already improved last year's season record and are currently 4-3. Coach Harry Kline was concerned at the beginning of the season and did not know what to expect from the girls.

"We did not have a preseason tournament to see what we were made of, so we went into our first game as our first competition," said Kline.

Even without a preseason tournament, the girls seemed to have proved themselves well in their dominating 13-0 victory over Alvernia in their season opener. The team continued to improve over their next three games, beating Immaculata, Lebanon Valley, and Allentown.

The most notable of these wins was the 3-2 victory over Lebanon Valley. This win was the team's first ever MAC conference victory. The team's only losses were to Messiah, Widener, and Cabrini.

As of September 20, there are two players who were ranked first and second in the MAC conference for scoring. These players were



Stride by stride, junior fullback-defender, Erin Wreski, uses her speed to cut off the opposition while attempting to gain possession of the ball.

Marisa Yoda with 8 goals and 2 assists and Christy Gentile with 7 goals and 2 assists.

This team has learned to work well together and to focus on their game from the very beginning. Harry Kline said, "they really seem to enjoy what they are doing and they do their best at every game and practice."

All of the players have developed a positive attitude toward themselves and toward their game, which is apparent when they walk onto the field before their games. Coaches Harry and Michelle Kline are very proud of the girls and just want them to continue playing as they are.

"I am very impressed at how well all of the girls have improved over the season and how everyone is making the adjustment to the

collegiate level from the high school level," commented Harry Kline.

This year's team has nine returning players, two transfer students, and four freshmen. From looking at the team, you would have no idea who the new players were.

Michelle Kline said, "I am surprised and impressed at how well all of the girls have bonded together." She continued, "It is very rare that you can see a team that accepts the new players as if they have known each other for years."

The girls all have the same common goal for success and hard work in their minds, and they hope to continue to improve as the season progresses.

Their next home game is on Saturday, October 3 at 1:00 PM when they face Elizabethtown.

Women's tennis plagued by early season woes

by Matt Kemeny

Former Albright tennis star, Bill Flegler, now has another win to add to his collection, however, this one comes as a coach. Flegler, a 1997 Albright grad, puts down his racket and picks up the coaching duties of the Lady Lion's tennis team that had a 10-6 record a year ago.

"I was really happy with our first match," commented Flegler. "We beat Alvernia 5-4 in a nailbiter." The match was clinched by junior Chrissy Jackson, who was playing in her first match ever as a tennis player.

Since the first match, however, the team has struggled, picking up only one victory in the last six matches. Andrea Dennis leads the Lions with a record of 5-2. Dennis, a junior, is coming off an impressive 12-1 season, where she held down the number two spot behind '97 grad Jarra Rusnock. The loss of Rusnock may prove to hurt the Lady Lions.

Captains, Bethany Bajgier, Brooke Blair, and Dennis lead the Lions. Bajgier and Blair are two of

the three seniors on the team along with Emily Losben. Bajgier commented, "we have a lot of fun, and everyone on the team works hard."

Lack of youth looks to be a problem for the Lions as the roster includes only two sophomores and one freshman.

The Lions will look to get back on the winning track on Tuesday as they battle Kutztown and on Thursday as they face Widener. Following those matches, the Lions travel to FDU-Madison on Saturday.

The season then comes to an end with matches against Elizabethtown on October 7, Juniata on October 10, and Lebanon Valley on October 15. After the close of the regular season, the team will send their top two singles and doubles players to the MAC championship tournament.

"This is a team that works hard," praised Coach Flegler. "The girls here just don't quit, they're always battling." The team will use the remaining games to try to finish with satisfying record and to build optimism and promise for next year's team.

X-country captures top ten finishes

by Matt Kemeny

Despite early season injuries, and a lack of depth, the men's cross country team has shown promise, finishing in the top ten in both the Lebanon Valley College Invitational and the Baptist Bible College Fall Invitational. Don Gottshal, in his fifth year as head coach, returns quality runners from last year's team that finished 9-1.

After a decent performance at Kutztown, the Lions went on to LVC, where they finished 9th out of 25 teams.

"It was a real team effort," said Gottshal. "They really ran well."

Sophomore Mark Mango and Senior John Heck led the pack finishing 25th and 67th respectively out of 250 runners. Sophomore Steve Zalewski also ran well finishing 73rd.

The Lions then traveled to BBC, where they again ranked themselves among the top ten, finishing 8th out of 19 teams.

"It was a decent race," commented Gottshal, "but I don't think that we were ready for this race like we were at LVC." Mango and Heck continued to shine, finishing 14th and 27th respectively out of 150 runners. Junior Mark Boyer was the other Lion to make the top fifty, finishing 44th.

The Lions continue to run well, despite injuries, such as Junior Chris Moy, and a lack of depth with only two freshmen and three seniors.

"Injuries have definitely hurt us," said freshman William Smith. "But everyone does what they need to do to make us a successful team."

The Lions run at Drew University on Saturday and then at Belmont the following Saturday.



Sports Quiz by Aaron E. Tucker

1. Can you name all eight teams in the USA-N.C.A.A. football conference?
2. Who is the head coach of the Syracuse Orangemen?
3. What number did pitcher Jerry Koosman wear for the New York Mets in the 1960s and '70s?
4. What baseball team did New York Yankees owner George Steinbrenner originally want to purchase before the Yankees in 1973?

5. What former San Francisco Giant infielder had the nickname of "Hot Dog"?
6. Name the first-ever Atlanta Brave pitcher to start a National League playoff game.
7. What is the name of the University of Vanderbilt's N.C.A.A. football team?
8. Name the first baseball team the late and great Billy Martin ever managed.

Sports Quiz Answers

1. Southern Mississippi, Tulane, Cincinnati, East Carolina, Memphis, Army, Louisville, and Houston;
2. Paul Pasqualoni;
3. Number 36;
4. Cleveland Indians;
5. Tito Fuentes;
6. Phil Neidro in 1969;
7. The Commodores;
8. Minnesota Twins in 1969

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