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## Panels displayed in celebration of World AIDS Day at Albright

by Kristin Angellella

On Wednesday, December 4, SAGE (Student Alliance for Gender Equality) and the Women's Center sponsored Albright AIDS Day at Albright College. World AIDS Day is actually recognized on December 1, but Albright's recognition was delayed because the college was still closed for Thanksgiving break on the first.

It was observed by displaying three sections of the national AIDS quilt in the campus center. These panels honored people from New York and Pennsylvania. The quilts were lent to Albright by the NAMES Project chapter of Philadelphia. Red ribbons, flyers, and information about AIDS were distributed and two videos were shown.

One video was about AIDS and the other was more specifically on the National AIDS quilt. The latter video showed the history of the quilt and the hard work that goes into preparing the quilt for national display. It also focused on some difficulties the weather can cause when the AIDS quilt is scheduled to be displayed outside.

The entire AIDS quilt has enough panels that it can fill over 20 football fields. It is made from every material imaginable. Many of these diverse panels were displayed in Washington on this past October 11-13.

Last November, Albright had an enormous display of the panels in the Bollman Center.

Among the panels of the quilt that was displayed this year was one in memory of Keith Haring, a famous artist from Kutztown. Haring's art, which is world renown also happens to be on display in the Freedman Gallery in the exhibit "20/20" at this time.

About 800 people observed the quilt in the campus center. The money that was collected on Wednesday, just over \$40, was given to the NAMES project of Philadelphia. Emily Losben, who helped organize AIDS Awareness Day at Albright, was very excited that many people did not just ignore the quilt.

"A lot of people stopped and looked, and they realized the impact of AIDS -that is what is important," she said. She hopes that next year Albright will be able to display the quilts on World AIDS Day.

To inform the campus about Albright AIDS Day, flyers were hung all over. The flyers included statistics on AIDS and HIV such as, "one in every 100 men are infected with HIV," "one in every 250 people are infected with HIV," and "over 18 million people world wide are HIV positive."

Losben was pleased with the number of people who showed interest in the quilt and said that many people approached the table for additional information. The flyers that hung around campus stressed two important messages. "Don't ignore the facts! Don't put yourself at risk!" It appears that these messages may be getting across.

## Service fraternity reaches out to make a difference

by Laura Antonioli

Alpha Phi Omega is a coed service fraternity recently rechartered here at Albright College. It was restarted at Albright last spring by three girls, Jen Moll, Amy Crile, and Janelle Howey. However, the history of Alpha Phi Omega's Albright Chapter, Mu Eta, goes back well over 35 years.

Alpha Phi Omega participates in many service projects such as Habitat for Humanity, Berks Heim nursing home, Easter Seals, tutoring at Hope Lutheran Church, volunteering at the Humane Society, planting trees, helping disabled people through Easter Seals to do their holiday shopping, and many other activities which are both fun and rewarding. One of their big plans for the future is the building of a house for Habitat for Humanity.

Though the purpose of Alpha Phi Omega is mainly service, there are also many social aspects as well. They hold meetings, organize

parties and formals, and have a great deal of fun.

Since it is coed, anyone is welcome to join. It is possible to belong to Alpha Phi Omega and other fraternities or sororities as well. There are currently members of Alpha Phi Omega who also belong to other sororities.

Rush will begin in February. There will be two weeks of rush followed by six weeks of pledging. During these six weeks, pledges will do a variety of service projects and do at least 20 hours of community service.

Alpha Phi Omega stresses leadership, friendship, and service. Members put in many hours of work, but what they get out of it, they say "is worth it."

They build friendships that will last a lifetime and they receive a lot of personal satisfaction from being able to help others. For more information, contact the president of Alpha Phi Omega, Jen Moll.

## Amnesty International reaches out to voice concerns for Human Rights

by Maggie Ward

Amnesty International is an independent, worldwide movement working for the release of all nonviolent prisoners of conscience (men, women, and children imprisoned because of their beliefs, national origin, sex, race, or language), fair and prompt trials for all prisoners, and the abolition of torture and execution under all circumstances. It is independent of any political, ideological, or religious affiliation and is funded by donations from its members and supporters around the world.

Albright College's chapter of Amnesty International has been present and active on campus for several years, fighting for and supporting the basic human rights of people around the world. The group on campus works to free political prisoners by writing letters to foreign governments on behalf of specific prisoners. In addition to this, the group is working to raise awareness on campus of the gross human rights abuses that occur everyday in the United States and around the world.

Today is Human Rights Day, and Amnesty groups everywhere will be holding special events to voice their support. The Albright College chapter is currently working on a campaign for the country of Turkey.

The overall situation in Turkey is horrific. Everyday innocent civilians (men, women, and

children) are subjected to unthinkable torture for minor offenses that many are not even guilty of committing. The Turkish government carries out these atrocities with the belief that they are upholding national security. For several years they have been promising countries in the United Nations that they will repeal Article 8 of the Anti-Terror Law, under which many people have been arrested, tortured, and killed. Journalists and writers are one of the heaviest targeted groups because they try to speak out and report these abuses.

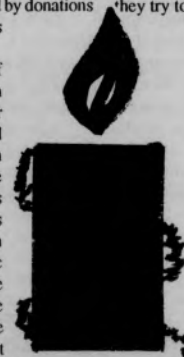
The freedom of speech no longer exists in this democratic nation. The fact is that people across the world struggle to survive each day.

Amnesty International believes that all members of the human race have the right and responsibility to demand that governments ensure their peoples' fundamental rights. There will be a table set up in the campus center today with petitions, letters, and information. This evening at 6:30 there will also be a short

candlelight vigil held to remember and support those who continue in their struggles.

To show support or gather more information, please stop by and help Amnesty International stand up for those who cannot stand up for themselves.

All it takes is a voice, signature, or letter to make a difference.



## Food service brings catering profits to college

by Doug Riordan

Earlier in the semester, there was some concern that catering was overcharging for their service. Carolyn Brooks, Dean of Students, held a dinner at her house that was catered by Albright. She felt that she was overcharged for the service. Dave Tanger, head of Albright's Cafeteria, analyzed the costs of the dinner, and it broke down to a few dollars per person. Tanger submitted this report to Paul Gazzero, head of Finance, and the matter has since been resolved.

Albright's catering is led by Jack Bogrette, the Student Staff Coordinator, and Nicole Williams, the lead of student catering employees.

Catering is immensely profitable for the college. During the summer, Albright catered

the Reading Phillies games and made approximately \$220,000. This money goes into Albright's general fund from which money is appropriated to Albright's many departments and student organizations.

Jack Bogrette jokingly commented, "Unfortunately, we [The Caf] never see any of that money." Some of this money was used by the Caf's budget to purchase new chafing dishes which are silver metal dishes with two Sterno lighters underneath.

Bogrette is kept enormously busy catering to many organizations and institutions during the year. Albright catering engaged in approximately 90 functions in employees.

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# Students should prepare for consequences of "malicious" fire alarms

by Lisa Zimmerman

The timing is always perfect. It's 3 o'clock in the morning, 30 degrees outside, and you're snugly warm in your flannel sheets, at the climax of the most incredible dream you've ever had, when brrrrng, brrrrng, brrrrng.

The shrill sound of the fire alarm cannot be remotely duplicated on this paper. Rarely does it indicate a fire. It will always mean that you will be standing in the frigid cold in nothing but your pajamas, coat, and shoes, if you remembered them, for at least half an hour.

Last month, though, the residents of Smith Hall faced much worse consequences. Since the Reading Fire Department has been called onto Albright's campus for eight malicious fire alarms since the beginning of the year, the fire chiefs have requested the assistance of the Reading Police when responding to a malicious alarm. Consequently, on November 12, when a fire alarm pull station was maliciously pulled in Smith Hall, both the Reading Fire Department and the Reading Police responded to the call.

Students were ushered into the lounge, and everyone in the building was individually questioned by the Reading Police. Since the grounds of the dormitory are within the jurisdiction of the Reading Fire Department, students' rooms were also searched. Several people were told to remove halogen lamps, which are considered a fire hazard in the dorms.

Stratton Marmarou, director of Albright Security, said that in the future

students can expect fines in addition to being individually questioned by the Reading Police. According to Reading City Ordinances, after two unauthorized alarms, the college is subject to fines. The students living on the floor of which the alarm is maliciously pulled will be responsible for these fines, which can be as much as \$20 per person.

The Reading Fire Department has also pressured Albright Security to take further action in catching and disciplining those responsible for setting off false fire alarms.

As a result, Marmarou said that this year extra measures will be taken to deter the frequency of these malicious fire alarms.

"There is a detection system that works," Marmarou said. Although he could not give details of the methods Albright Security is using, Marmarou was confident that this system will eventually lower the frequency of malicious fire alarms.

Twenty fire alarms have occurred since September 1. Eight were malicious, four were caused by dirty heads, four as a result of cooking, and another four because of complications when the heat was turned on.

In the month of November, there were six fire alarms. Four of them were malicious.

Despite this seemingly high proportion of malicious fire alarms, Marmarou said, "The number of malicious fire alarms are not as bad as last year."

Tell that to the students waiting in the wintry cold and yearning for their warm beds and much needed sleep.

# AAC celebrates Kwanzaa with Albright community

by Danielle McGrath

Kwanzaa is an African-American holiday held from December 26 until January 1. Dr. Maulana Karenga founded this holiday in 1966. Its goal is for African-American families to celebrate and work together. For each of the seven days there are seven principles that are reflected upon. The principles are Umoja (Unity), Kujichagulia (Self-determination), Ujima (Collective Work and Responsibility), Ujamaa (Cooperative Economics), Nia (Purpose), Kuumba (Creativity), and Imani (Faith).

These principles were explained on Thursday, December 5, at Albright during the African-American Society's (AAS) annual program. The program had an explanation of each principle including what it meant to each member of AAS who explained it. Each person then dedicated the lighting of the candle to someone important to them.

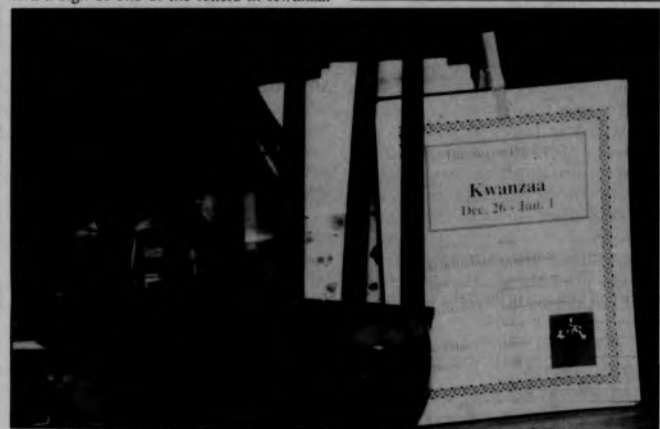
Before the program began, Rasheia Johnson, president of the AAS, explained the word Kwanzaa. Originally, it was not spelled with two As at the end. However, during a celebration a group of children were each to hold a sign of one of the letters in Kwanza.

One child, however, did not get a letter and began to cry. Therefore another A was added.

Rasheia then introduced the MC, Nikia Morene, who ran the program. The festival began with the singing of the Black National Anthem, "Lift Every Voice and Sing," led by Javon Harris. Followed by the blessing of the food by Kyndal Goldsberg. After everyone got their food and was seated, the lights dimmed, and Sheldon McBee started the Libation. This is a calling and response of the saying of an ancestor's name, in recognition of the persons accomplishments, water is then poured on the ground as a symbol of cleansing.

Next, Nicole Williams told the history of Kwanzaa. Followed by an explanation of the objects used during the celebration. The Kinara, or candle holder, is a symbol of the ancestors. There are seven candles: one black representing the people, three red to represent the blood of struggles and three green for future hope. The candles are lighted one a night for each day of the festival. On the sixth day of Kwanzaa there is a feast called the

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The Kinara, candle holder, that symbolize the seven principles of Kwanzaa is displayed.

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## SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE

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| <p>Rotary International Ambassadorial Scholarships for study abroad for 1998-1999 school year. Covers tuition, board, and travel up to \$23,000 for undergraduate or graduate studies.<br/><b>DEADLINE: December 16, 1996</b></p>                               | <p>Sons of Italy Foundation Grant - up to \$5000 for American citizens of Italian descent.<br/><b>DEADLINE: February 28, 1997</b></p>  |
| <p>Berkshire Charter Chapter/ABWA sponsored scholarships in various amounts for women who are U.S. citizens and Berks county residents. Must have completed 60 credit hours towards bachelors degree and have a 2.50 GPA.<br/><b>DEADLINE: Jan. 6, 1997</b></p> | <p>Scholarships ranging from \$500-1000 each for accounting students entering their second, third, or fourth year of studies - must have "B" or better average and be enrolled full time. Must be US or Canadian citizen.<br/><b>DEADLINE: March 10, 1997</b></p>  |
| <p>\$1000 Scholarships offered by Carat Scholarship Foundation. Must be a US citizen. Awarded on basis of career goals, financial need and academic record for spring '97 semester.<br/><b>DEADLINE: Jan. 15, 1997</b></p>                                      | <p>Diocese of Pennsylvania - Church Training and Deaconess House - scholarships from \$1000-3000 for women for graduate studies and/or training for religious and benevolent work pertaining to the Episcopal Church.<br/><b>DEADLINE: March 15, 1997</b></p>  |
| <p>Glamour Magazine 1997 Top Ten College Women Competition for female juniors. \$1000 cash prize.<br/><b>DEADLINE: Jan. 31, 1997</b></p>  | <p>James Madison Memorial Fellowship Foundation Awards - fellowships for graduate study leading to master's degree in history or political science; Master of Arts in Teaching (history or social studies); or a related masters degree in education for a concentration in history, government, social studies, or political science. Awards of up to \$24,000.</p> |

For additional information and applications for each of these scholarships, please contact the Financial Aid Office.

## Academic discussions highlight SGA meeting

by T.W.W. Pace

The SGA held an Organizations Senate meeting on November 24, just before the Thanksgiving Break. In the meeting, several organizations provided reports on the past month's activities, as well as upcoming events.

Alpha Phi Omega, a service fraternity, reported that they have been doing service hours for both Habitat for Humanity and the Red Cross. In the future, the group is looking to renovate a room on campus to serve as an office.

In class news, the Class of 2000 declared their Ribbon Race fund-raiser a success. The Class of 1999 decided to cancel the Mr. Sophomore Pageant with hopes of rescheduling the event during Spring Fever Weekend. Both the Class of 1998 and 1997 reported their efforts to prepare exam aids.

Beta Beta Beta reported their successful trip to Virginia, while the Lion Diplomats mentioned the faculty's appreciation for Faculty Appreciation Day. AGON told the Senate of its successful first Poetry Slam. Look for another poetry slam in the spring. ABA will be sponsoring a trip to tax court and a CPA review session in the following months. EMS is planning an EMT refresher course to be held in the spring.

The most recent Committee Senate meeting was held December 8. Of special note was a report from the Enrollment Committee regarding new standards for academic scholarships for the Fall 1997 semester. The minimum GPAs for all scholarships will be raised .3 points, except for the Presidential Scholarship.

Also of interest was a report from the Curriculum Committee in which the Senate was informed of changes in the Religious Studies Department and the Education Department. The Education Department is adding a new

course for next year entitled Early Childhood Education. The Curriculum Committee representatives also mentioned a plan to explore a new master's degree program with the expected withdrawal of St. Joe's University from the current MBA cooperation program.

Affirmative Action Committee members had no report, but they did comment that they were not informed of recent meetings by the chairperson of the committee.

Academic Standing Committee representatives reported that the proposed academic standards for student athletes and extracurricular activities students have been approved by the College faculty and will be effective for next Fall semester.

In old business for December 8, SGA Executive Board Members commented on their touring of the Penn State Berks' facilities on Thursday, December 5. The most beneficial feature to Albrightians will be library resources and cultural event offerings.

In other business, the Executive Board discussed the ongoing unhappiness with some services offered by the Career Services Office. SGA President Carissa Kolb informed the Senate that all complaints should be submitted to the Academic Dean in writing.

In regard to a new matter, the Senate discussed the recent change in party registration policy. In the past, parties have been required to be registered one day prior to the event at 12 noon. Now, according to the new policy, all parties must be registered on the Wednesday before the weekend of the party. Also, any registered party will be required to post a sign at the party site during the event. The assembly noted that this new policy completely lacked student input in its formulation. The SGA promised to look into the matter with Jen Valtos, coordinator of residence life.

## Printing error delays distribution of Cue

by Mark Preletz

One of the hottest questions floating around Albright's campus is: What is causing the delay in distribution of the 1995-96 yearbooks?

The 1995-96 Cue's have been on the college campus for almost a month. The delay is from a mistake made by the printing company. Four senior portraits were incorrectly identified. Following the Yearbook staff's careful examination, the students found this information in another part of the yearbook.

Natalie Famous, last year's Cue editor, made the decision to delay the release of the yearbook. The staff is presently awaiting labels to correct this mistake. The yearbook is

expected to be in student's hands very soon. They will be made available at the Bookstore for \$20.

Pauline Skiadopoulou, current editor stated, "Students should understand it was the company's mistake, not Albright's staff." She also mentioned that work has begun on the 1996-97 Cue. No new changes are expected to be made. However students will see a change in the cover and parents' advertising section.

The Cue is looking for new members. Interested students are asked to contact Pauline Skiadopoulou in the Cue office. They will also hold a fund-raising sale of old yearbooks (\$5.00) and pictures (\$0.25 or 5 for \$1.00) outside the cafeteria.

## New Director of Corporate and Foundations Relations begins work

by Lori Thomas

There has been a new addition to the Albright family. Her name is Joan Simone, and she has recently been hired to work in the Development Office, which is located in the Rockland Building. Her official title is Director of Corporate and Foundation Relations. She is replacing Pat Pacifico who was let go last summer.

Joan Simone and her husband, Lou, have 2 children, a 16 year-old son and a 14 year-old daughter. She and her family just moved to Berks County from Pittsburgh, which is her husband's home town. They actually lived in Reading from 1984 until it was necessary for them to relocate to Pittsburgh in 1988 because

of her husband's job. Although they adored Pittsburgh, they are delighted to be back in Reading.

Simone received her education in Edinborough, Scotland. She refers to it as "over the pond" - meaning on the other side of the Atlantic Ocean.

Simone is excited to be a part of our school, especially at what she believes to be such an important time. With the turn of the century nearing, she hopes to be able to help carry Albright through with strength and vigor. She believes this will be a very important transition, not only for Albright College, but for the community, as well, and she is delighted and excited to be with Albright for this.

## Catering brings profits

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October alone. Catering can include anything from brief coffee services to dinners consisting of 350 guests.

The catering process begins when Bogrette fills out a form listing exactly what services the client would like at its function. He then passes the form, which includes the menu to be prepared, to the chefs who begin the laborious process of preparing the many delightful cuisines found in Albright's catering menu. The menu is so incredible that some of the items included on the menu

would be hard to find at even the best restaurants.

The employees for the catering functions are drawn from a pool of roughly 25. The employees are then selected and the catering service is executed.

Students are always given priority when it comes to meals in the Caf. However the are some situations in which catering functions must occur in the Caf. Tanger said, "There's nothing I can do when we are told that the service will be held in the Caf. I understand that it's an inconvenience for the students, but my hands are tied."



Joan Simone, new Director of Corporate and Foundation Relations, takes a brief break. -photo provided by Jack Miller

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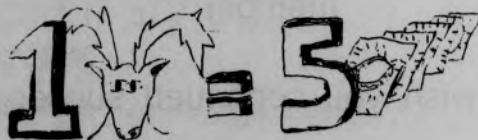
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Albright students enjoying dinner and festivities at the celebration.

## Kwanzaa celebrated

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There were additional performances in the program. A dance troupe called the Tropical Performers enriched the celebration with two beautiful and uplifting dances. The women of the AAS did a step performance and Luchia Gbaya gave a powerful reading of a poem written by Nikki Giovanni, called "Ego Tripping." Another interesting addition was

a discussion which turned into a rap performed by Jamil Rasheed Boyer, Sheldon McBee and Khari Martin.

The celebration ended with closing remarks given by Nicole Williams followed by the traditional ending to Kwanzaa in which everyone says "Harambee" seven times. "Harambee" means the uniting of people to help one another. This is one of the essential ideas encompassed in the celebration of Kwanzaa. It was a very interesting,

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## Drinking poses dangerous risks for students

Some might say alcohol consumption is just another facet of the overall college experience. This appears to be true when one is alerted to the fact that 85 percent to 95 percent of college students drink regularly (at least once a week). According to experts, this substantial figure has existed for a few decades, but attest to the fact that it is more dangerous to drink in today's college atmosphere.

"Drinking in college has always been prevalent, but with the current volatility of HIV and increased violence, you have a dangerous situation," said Mark Levins, spokesperson for the National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information.

The dangerous situation involves the occurrences of date/acquaintance rape and unsafe sex practices. According to National Clearinghouse statistics, 90 percent of date rape cases involved the use of alcohol, and 31 percent of college students polled said they were less likely to use safe sex practices after consuming alcohol.

Nationwide, alcohol is definitely the drug of choice, serving as a big part of the fraternity party scene. In recent years, something has been done to monitor the goings-on at fraternity parties.

"Not too long ago our campus fraternities were allowed to have keg parties and the people who attended were not even monitored. Now it is strictly B.Y.O.B. (Bring Your Own Booze) and IDs are checked by the on-site university police officer," said Corey Roebuck, Inter Fraternity Council President at San Jose State.

Drinkers of any age are put into three distinct categories: social, problem, and alcoholic drinkers. The social drinker is the one who can take or leave alcohol, drinking only occasionally and never "pounding" drinks.

"The social drinker is always responsible.

He never pressures others into drinking and would never operate a vehicle while intoxicated," said John Pestana, a peer health educator at Williams College in Alabama.

The problem drinker is the notorious partier. The one who is always looking forward to occasions in which to drink, and drinking for the sole purpose of getting drunk. According to Pestana, the problem level starts beyond social drinking.

"The first tell-tale sign of a problem drinker is when the individual begins to experience blackouts, or alcohol-induced amnesia," Pestana said. "The problem drinker will also see his grades drop."

A step beyond the problem drinker is the alcoholic. The alcoholic is unable to stop drinking regardless of the circumstance. With alcoholism also comes denial, sneaking drinks at all times of the day, and eventually, withdrawal symptoms such as severe trembling.

According to Levins, heavy drinking in college can be a phase for some and a pending death sentence for others.

"It really depends on the individual," Levins said. "For some, the problem drinking stops after college as they begin to settle down. For others, the problem is harder to kick, and only gets worse when they graduate."

The National Clearinghouse would be quick to agree that young drinking in any degree is a serious problem. The 15-24 year-old group is the only age group in the U.S. whose life span is decreasing. A big factor is believed to be alcohol consumption.

"Many people's lives are touched in some way by alcoholism and problem drinking. These problems are real and there are many people on campuses across the U.S. dealing with them every day," Pestana said.

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# Calendar of Events

Continuing through December 13-  
"20/20" Art Exhibit in the Freedman Gallery

Tuesday December 10-

Albright Student Film/Video Show  
8:15 Klein Lecture Hall



Lighting of the Hannukah Candles  
Campus Center at 6:15 p.m.



6:30 Amnesty International hosts Candlelight  
Vigil for Human Rights Day



Wednesday December 11-

Danton-French Film 6:45 Klein Lecture Hall



My father's birthday !!



Thursday December 12-

Hannukah Celebration in the Campus Center  
6:00 p.m. - Lots of Food and Fun

Friday December 13-

Playwright of the Month- David Ives  
7:00 p.m. in the Meridian Theater  
Lots of Laughs



Sunday December 15-

Candlelight Choir Concert  
7:30p.m. Chapel



## Statistics lead to questions last in series on rape

by Lisa Zimmerman

I was planning on focusing my final article on the occurrences of acquaintance rape at Albright College. I was sure, after all the reports and surveys I had read about the astonishingly high statistics of rape on college campuses, that the same had to be true of Albright College.

So when I asked Strat for the crime statistics and saw zero rapes reported for 1993, 1994, and 1995, I was immediately suspicious. Strat, however, assured me that he takes rape very seriously, and what is reported to him is always included in the final report to the state. "What are you saying," I asked him, "that no one is coming forward to report rape?" He assured me that was the case, then he showed me reports from Penn State and Lycoming College. According to their records as well, only one rape has occurred in the past three years.

So I made an appointment with Dean Brooks, hoping that she could explain the discrepancy between the supposed numbers of women being raped on college campuses, and the low, if even existent, number of cases reported. She too was adamant about protecting women who have been raped. "This institution will not hide rape," she said. However, part of protecting women who have been raped is not re-victimizing them by forcing them to officially report the rape. Some women decide that they only want to confront the rapist through mediation. Dean Brooks also said that she often hears of cases of rape, yet the person never comes forward. Dean Brooks said this is extremely frustrating for her because the college has an effective judicial process; it's just that women are afraid to confront the rapist.

And so all of a sudden I didn't have a story. Oh, I suppose I could have written about the logistics of reporting a rape and the events that subsequently occur, but that no longer seemed important to me. I was just very surprised at the realization that ignorance and denial about rape occurs for not only men, but

women too. When I wrote my first two articles I was so eager in "addressing men, in making them aware of the potentially dangerous consequences of their actions and aggressions, that I almost forgot about a woman's role in rape. Like it is so often done, I immediately classified her as the victim, not the survivor. And in assuming that a woman who has been raped is only a victim, you are taking away all of her power; and yet power is exactly what she needs after the horrendous experience of rape. Power to come forward and demand that her rapist receives the appropriate consequences of his actions, power to know that she was not at fault but severely violated, power to just get up everyday and attempt to lead a secure and confident life. So many women, though, do not have that power, or even realize that it exists. Many who have been raped or sexually assaulted cannot call it by those names.

Through thinking about all of this, I came to the conclusion that I have addressed men enough. Though it was not my aim to pinpoint certain groups (i.e., fraternities), I do hope that my articles have heightened male awareness. Whether it changes their actions or not, I think that needed to be said was.

So what I want to do now is make an appeal to women at Albright campus. I know that it is not my place, nor anyone else's, to urge a woman to report rape. She must do only whatever it takes her to heal. What I am urging women to do though, is reclaim the power, your power, after being raped. Just admitting to yourself that you have been violated is the first step in this process. A woman's self-respect, confidence, and self-worth is already something that is seriously lacking in American society. Rape undermines that even more, and I believe that that is the reason why women are not reporting rape. Rape is one of the most appalling and frightening things a woman can experience. It does not, however, need to incapacitate you. You still have a voice, you still have power. And the college will back you up. You have Strat's word, and you have the Dean's word.

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# Editorials/Opinions

## Ignorance is bliss

by Doug Riordan

If you've ever been in a Footlocker or other major footwear store you know that Nike products are as omnipresent as God. Nike sneakers, jackets, hats, etc. are the most available products over Reebok, Asics, and other major name brands. Almost everyone owns a Nike product.

However, have you, like a good consumer, ever looked at the tag on the inside of your Nikes to see where your sneakers were made? Most Nike products are made in Indonesia in factories that employ roughly 70,000 people. The workforce lives below that poverty line and Phil Knight, founder and owner of Nike, knows it.

Further, if Nike were to expend 1% of its marketing budget it could raise the 70,000 employees above the poverty line. The question is, why doesn't Nike make this expenditure to aid 70,000 people?

The answer is multifaceted.

For one, capitalism virtually requires this abuse of human rights. If you were the CEO of a major corporation and you had the choice of employing a workforce of 70,000 American union workers that demand fair wages and fair treatment from their employer and employing a workforce of 70,000 in a land halfway around the world whom you can pay very little, what would you do? One might be compelled to employ American union workers even though one would have to pay them more because one believes that it's important to ensure that the United States' economy is perpetuated by American companies and American workers.

Further, one may believe that exploiting thousands for the benefit of the few is abhorrent and illegitimate. Or one might have a different motive. One may believe that manufacturing goods in a foreign land where one's employees have no means of protesting the long hours, feeble pay and degrading working conditions would be ideal since the company's profit margin would exponentially increase.

For corporations today, the latter is the case. Many CEO's actually have the unmitigated gall to defend their labor practices amid the fierce controversy surrounding their company. Human rights organizations have long been investigating and accusing companies like Nike of child labor and unfair labor practices, but consumers in the United States don't seem to care.

This past summer when the latest scandal involving Nike sneakers exploded, the press went to Michael Jordan, who has received tens of millions in endorsements from Nike, to answer for Nike's detestable labor practices. Michael Jordan said that it was not his responsibility to answer for or comment on the scandal because he had no control of

situations like that in Indonesia.

Essentially, he washed his hands of any involvement even though from the millions and millions of dollars he has received from Nike, Jordan himself could raise the Nike workforce in Indonesia above the poverty level if he wished. Again, like Phil Knight, why won't he make this expenditure?

Could it have to do with the fact that Phil Knight, Michael Jordan, and tens of millions of loyal Nike consumers in the United States don't care as much about 70,000 people suffering in Indonesia as 70,000 people suffering in the United States?

Such gross abuses of human rights would have little chance of continuing for so long in the United States as they have in many Asian countries. Once discovered, the media would most likely be relentless in hounding Phil Knight and his cronies for there would be no escape for Knight. He could no longer rely on America's well-developed sense of apathy to ignore and deny these abuses.

Phil Knight banks on America's credo: "Out of sight, out of mind."

The question that remains to be asked is, why do you continue to buy Nike products now that you know you are complicitous in an economic empire that systematically exploits a massive workforce in Indonesia?

I admit, I have bought Nike products for many years. I think their sneakers look cool like everyone else. I own a pair of Nike hiking boots. But consider: can you conscientiously buy a cool pair of Nikes now and call yourself decent?

In some discussions I've had with fellow students, I've found that they believe, like Michael Jordan, that Nike's labor practices are revolting but that they can do nothing about them.

These people are apparently comfortable continuing to buy Nike products simply because Nike products are cooler than Reeboks, Asics and Filas.

But now I put it to you: what will you do? Will you take the path of Phil Knight and Michael Jordan and simply ignore these human rights violations? Will you continue to buy Nike products simply because Reeboks just don't measure up? In ignorance there is certainly bliss.

There comes a time, however, when one must sacrifice superficial bliss in the fight for the human rights of 70,000 poverty stricken people who make the sneakers and jackets you own.

Don't you owe them at least that much?

## Hello...is there anybody out there?

Editor's  
Angle

The end of the semester has seemed to arrive this year without much fanfare; morale is decreasing as the workloads of professors and students everywhere are escalating in volume. Everyone is so busy!

No time to sleep, to relax, to think...or even to write a letter to your local college newspaper editor.

A number of issues have arisen throughout the semester in this section of *The Albrightian*, and I think many of them required (even begged for) some kind of response from the Albright community, some expression of anger, approval, or even apathy.

Apparently, members of this community do not have an opinion on any issues besides the moral character of the Republican party and the status of AlbrightWORKS, since they are the only topics that were addressed in letters to the editor.

Doug Riordan and I have covered issues of semi-controversy since the beginning of the semester: Administrative realignment, environmental awareness on campus, the ambiguous purpose of AlbrightWORKS, multiculturalism, the Republican party's "evil" platform, the "cult of macho," and the ongoing malfunctions of the computer center. A plethora of issues, don't you think? And only two responses.

This is not to say that these issues have not been discussed.

Mr. Riordan has been harassed over the phone, Lisa Zimmerman has been questioned about her series on rape issues, and tales of heated commentary resulting from these editorials have found their way to my eager

ears.

Come now, Albrightians. The phrase "all talk" is sounding apropos right about now.

*The Albrightian* is the most public and accessible forum available to voice concerns, yet no one takes advantage of it.

Individuals on this campus have the tendency to complain about anything and everything, whether they are directly affected by the problems they address or not, and our community tends to be complacent in its whining.

Frankly, I feel that this lack of action is going to undermine us eventually. If you care enough about an issue to become involved in a heated debate with your friends or colleagues, I think you could muster the energy to write a letter to the editor about it, at the very least.

Writing a letter to a dinky college newspaper may seem distasteful to you. Maybe even pointless.

You're wrong. Stirring up the ire of the powers that be can be integral in implementing change. Even small changes and acknowledgments of problems can be steps in the right direction. And besides, we're not so dinky.

So for all of you out there who have found yourselves wondering how some horrendous offense could continue to occur Albright's campus or within its power structure, WRITE, RESPOND, please DO SOMETHING! Don't be satisfied with being comfortably numb.

And for those of you who have stooped to the level of harassing our writers personally, grow up.

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want, just vegetate--that's  
what we're doing!)

--Greetings from the staff

# Albright Traditions

November 16, 1984

## I didn't want the money anyway

Congratulations, Albright College! You have managed to make another asinine move to add to your growing list for this year. Thank you ever so much for raising our tuition another \$855! I just had no idea what to do with the extra money laying around my dorm room!

Pardon me, but did you ask us, or rather our parents, if we would be willing to pay that extra money? Did you give us a break down of how every dollar we put into this school is spent, and then show just where each dollar of that extra \$855 would be going? After all, we are paying your salaries, for the most part, so shouldn't we get some consideration?

Why are you doing this? Inflation, you say? That's a blatant lie. The national inflation rate for 1984 to date is only 4.5%. You've jacked up tuition 9.1%! And with the extra \$100 for room and board, it's up 11.4%! You don't need a calculator to see that your increase is more than twice the national increase.

There haven't been any significant improvements on campus in the past year. The quality of teaching hasn't gone up. The quality of food certainly hasn't gone up. The activities this year aren't much better than last year, in spite of the extra activities fee money. And don't blame it on the new science and radio station equipment. The science equipment was purchased through grants, the radio station equipment was paid off with funds from SGA.

Is it going to the new arts center? Why? Does the campus really need a new arts center? I don't really know of any art majors on campus, and even if there were art majors, why would they come here? We already have one building devoted to the art department, plus the Freedman Gallery, and the theatre. We need a larger theatre? Why? I have yet to see any production done on campus that garnered a full house, with standing room only.

Will it be spent on that fraternity row you've been tossing around the past few years? Last month you said there were no plans to go ahead with that project at this time. Have you suddenly changed your minds? Why weren't we told?

In case you're not aware of it, although you've increased the costs 11.4%, the maximum GSL you can get is still only \$2,500. Will you also increase the scholarships we're getting from this school 11.4%? The last two increases have almost totally nullified the average scholarship.

When the Class of '85 were freshmen, the total cost per year to come to this school was \$6,745. In four years it has gone up 53%. Can you justify that, Albright? Tell us where the money goes. Give us some concrete evidence to show our parents why they have to take out a second mortgage on the house to keep us in school so we can get our college degrees. (Already some people know that they will not be able to come back here next year.) Give us a penny for penny breakdown of where this year's \$9,345 goes, and a breakdown of where next year's \$10,300 will be going so we can compare them and see where the increases are.

Albright College has been in the black for the past ten years. There aren't many small private schools in that country that can make this claim. Meanwhile, your putting us all deeply in the red so we have an enormous debt hanging over our heads when we finally graduate. Are there 1,400 work-study jobs available on campus next year? It'll take a lot of hours to pay off these new costs, at the risk of the grades we need to get into graduate schools.

Do you enjoy playing with our lives, and our parents' lives like this, Albright? What ever happened to our motto of "truth and justice"? We rarely even hear the truth from your lips where our money is concerned, and there is no justice in what your doing.

Thank you, Albright, for ensuring that our next few years will be monetary hell.

## Alumni Spotlight

Dr. Patricia Snyder

by Nicole Anderson

Dr. Pat Snyder graduated from Albright College in 1970. She was the first student to graduate with a degree in Psycho-Biology. She returned to Albright College in 1976 to teach in the psychology department where she is today. I recently interviewed her to ask her about her thoughts on Albright, past and present.

*Q: What was your favorite aspect about Albright when you were here as an undergraduate?*

A: There are so many things about Albright that were important to me. I came to Albright as a pre-med major, but I found that I had a passion for psychology. I really enjoyed my studies. I played women's basketball and I was part of the *Agon* staff. Those were great experiences. Also, there was a group of about 30 - 40 students that were involved in political activity. It was a very volatile period. With the Vietnam War, there were quite a bit of things going on on campus. There were many activists on campus. There was a large group of people that protested. The activism was very stimulating. Students were more involved with the campus and the world. What I liked best was a mixture between personal and collective interests.

*Q: What is your favorite aspect now?*

A: Things at Albright have gotten complicated. We had a better idea of our identity in the past. Academically, college is almost overwhelming. We offer so many things to students. From the post-modern perspective, this is a good thing. We are in

a state of process, and we are evolving. We have an incredible faculty, and we do the best we can to keep up with the times.

*Q: What brought you back to Albright to teach?*

A: I did my graduate work at Georgia State University, and I had opportunities to work there. But my family lives in Pennsylvania, and I had connections to people. There was an opening at Albright for a part-time position in the Psychology department. The next year they hired me full-time, and I have been here ever since.

*Q: What major changes in academics have you observed over the years?*

A: The biggest change is computer technology. Students use the internet for the library and research, even word processing. It is a whole new experience. I am constantly learning. In Psychology, there are programs in statistical analysis. These programs have become labs for me. I think that is wonderful, but problematic. It becomes very mechanistic, and it alienates us from one another. Everything becomes more stressful for faculty and students some how. There is so much information. It is exciting, but stressful.

*Q: What would be one piece of advice that you would want to give the students of Albright today?*

A: I believe it is important for people to balance their mind, body and spirit. At college, you put so much emphasis, and information in your mind. Don't walk around unconscious. And, don't live in fear.

November 11, 1955

## Does the shoe fit?

What do the two words college student bring into your mind? . . . A stereotyped form or a real individual? Many people, both on campus and off, have a "picture" of the typical collegian which may include anything from a striped blazer to a pair of spectacles and a pile of books.

Within any long-established institution there are certain traditions which bear heavily on the daily life of the student. Traditions are helpful in that they add the flavor of the past to the college spirit and aid us in establishing ideals and values. But too close an adherence to these traditions may bring about a stifling of progressiveness and an attitude of "what was good enough then, is good enough now". This conforming to standards may become dangerous.

Another type of conformity may arise from within the student body itself. There is a certain desire on the part of most students to live up to the ideal of the "typical" college students which they have formulated.

### The Title We Wear . . .

Certainly it is desirable that we should be recognized as college students when we are off the campus. But what form does this recognition take? As a young man recently said: "Whenever I fear someone use the words 'tremendous' or 'fabulous' I ask them what college they are from". Is it by trivial characteristics as these that we establish ourselves in other people's eyes, or is there something more, something deeper?

When we come to the campus as freshmen, we bear the collective title, "Frosh", for a few weeks. But when the time comes that we cast off the red hats and ties, we

sometimes forget that we are no longer part of a large, mechanical body, but that we must now act as a group of individuals.

What happens to the person on campus who dresses a little differently from the "average" student? Is he laughed at once or twice and then completely disregarded, or is he given a chance to assert himself as a true person? But this editorial does not pertain to clothes alone. The example is used to prove what damage can be done in the realm of ideas and actions when the suppression of individualism and the exclusiveness of a few people "in the know" tend to lead to a dangerous conformity.

### To Develop Individuality . . .

We do not attend college to prove that we can talk, dress, think, and act just like the next fellow; we're here to develop our own individual abilities and personalities. Let's not fall into the rut of conformity and go through our four years of college thinking anything we do is acceptable because the other students are doing it.

After all, who started, for instance, first wearing saddle shoes? How do we know he was right in his ideas? Once again, apply this example to many of our everyday actions and quite a few of them may turn out to be just a matter of "going along with the crowd". Of we're afraid to assert our individualism in these important years of life, how stagnant will we become ten years from now?

The next time you hear the two words college student, ask yourself whether you see an all-inclusive, stereotyped picture or a society of individuals living harmoniously, yet never fearing self-assertion and progress.

October 20, 1933

## Extra-Curricular Activities

The problem of over-stressed extra-curricular work is becoming more and more serious in the small college today. Albright is no exception. The ever-widening scope of these activities and the difficult problem of properly distributing time and talent among the various organizations of the campus had pressed the student with the necessity of making definite selections. We heartily agree with such organizations have their value and proper place in the student curriculum. The modern college has come to accept these activities as a positive necessity in acquiring a well rounded education. But to overcrowd is fatal, for talent, no matter how brilliant, when spread over too vast an area benefits no one.

The question is one for the individual. His choice should coincide with his need and deepest interests. He should determine his selection with the same care as he does his

study program and allow the same amount of time in its preparation and participation as he does for one of his classes. If the student would adopt such an attitude toward extra-curricular work, it would be a simple matter to regulate their function so that they might in no way interfere with the scholastic side of our college life. Faculty, upper-classesmen, and fraternities may do a great deal in guiding new men into the proper channels of extra curricular activity.

As an outside activity we believe *The Albrightian* has much to recommend itself, for in what other channel may gain a better opportunity for self-expression. One glance at our staff box will show you that our editorial board is composed chiefly of seniors. It is obviously clear the necessity for members of the Junior and Sophomore classes to show a definite interest in the work of the school paper. May we use this editorial to urge students interested in journalism to make this step.



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Winter Break!!!

# Features



## Spotlight on...The Music Department

### An Interview with Becky Butler

by Helenna Lutz

Recently I interviewed Becky Butler, who has been chairperson of Albright's Music Department for a year and a half. She came to Albright fifteen years ago to lecture and teach music classes.

The Music Department is located on the ground level of the Center for the Arts; once you go past the Freedman Gallery you continue up a short flight of stairs. The first studio on your right houses my interviewee.

One important point brought up in our discussion was the "open door" policy of the Music Department.

Anyone who is interested in learning to play an instrument or singing in the choir is welcome. There is no need for prior experience or ability in order to take lessons, either with an existing group or one-on-one with a teacher.

According to Butler, "anyone interested can sit in on a rehearsal, any type of rehearsal." There are a variety of instrumental and vocal groups to choose from: band, jazz band, string ensemble, orchestra, small chamber orchestra, chorus,

concert choir, and madrigal choir. A madrigal tells a story using overlapping voices and melodies.

The performances of most of these musical groups can be seen and listened to as experience events. "It is important that students know about the different performances and student recitals offered during the year," points out Butler.

Besides experience events, the Music Department offers academic courses and off-campus performances. "We [the Music Dept.] are always looking to be better. We try to keep our minds open to new ideas; we're very user-friendly."

According to Butler, it is essential that students realize that there is something more to campus life than classes and studying. It seems to be somewhat difficult for the Music Department to attract nonmusical students.

When asked for an explanation of this problem, Butler asserted that "non-musicians don't have as much interest and are not used to listening to alternatives to popular music. It seems the Baby Boomers' dislike of classical music has set the minds of younger people."

Butler said that she would change the

music program by "expanding the performance opportunity for the groups and maybe finding some more time for musical training."

So far, the only difficulty Butler has encountered in arranging private lessons is finding teachers for students' unique aspirations.

She mused: "The only problems I ever had involved finding teachers for students interested in playing a harmonica and hammer dulcimer (an elongated stringed instrument played with padded hammers).

The aspect Butler most enjoys about the Music Department is the energy of the students. "They bring such a level of commitment to what they are doing."

She also notes that "the Department has begun to get better recognition from Admissions and the freshmen orientation groups; Dr. Hurwitz has promoted the ideas of giving talent grants to deserving students."

Currently, music students make up 10 percent of the student body. According to Butler, "there are about 55 in the bands, 40 in the choirs, 10 in the string orchestra, and 40 in private lessons."



## Last Call



by Joe Boles and Jason Frame\*

Apparently the illustrious Paul Sinclair and Darren *Wes* have stopped frequenting local bars, seeing as we haven't seen a "Last Call" in The Albrightian for several months. Consequently, your friendly editor has seen fit to take drastic action: Sorry guys, you've been replaced. Buh, bye.

Joe: For our first outing as bar reviewers, we decided to check out the "Northeast Tap Room."

Jason: The architecture is quite stylish and tasteful; the establishment is located at a corner on 1101 12th St. in lovely Reading city. Unfortunately, I was able to examine very closely this corner since I am not yet of drinking age. I took up my position outside of the bar while Joe went in to evaluate the scene. You may wonder why I chose to become a bar reviewer. Well, the way I see it, the outside of a bar is just as important as the inside.

Joe: As I made my way through an obviously cultured crowd, I noticed the various toys and doodads the proprietors have made available for the amusement of their patrons.

I approached the bar and was immediately struck dumb (a rare occurrence for me)—there before me was a display of the brands on tap that evening.

Rare and wonderful brews greeted my eyes: Oliver's Pale Ale, Cherry Wheat, Peach...the list goes on and on.

I walked up to the bar, amazed by this wide variety, and promptly ordered a Cherry Coke with extra ice. Yes, folks, it is true—I do not imbibe.

I feel that it is important to evaluate a bar's value by being completely clear of head and empty of bladder.

Jason: I surveyed the scene outside. Damn, it's cold outside of the Tap Room. Something I'll have to criticize. I noticed some shadowy forms darting into an alleyway.

I decided I had better move onto the steps. I hoped Joe was faring better than I.

Joe: I took position at one of the tables near the back of the narrow upper level. Revellers were enjoying peanuts and Trivial Pursuit while taste-testing the plethora of delights available to the beer connoisseur.

Soon my presence exuded its usual magnetism; women began to surround and to woo me. I could not pay homage to these ladies at the time—I had serious business to which I had to devote all my attention.

One perk of the Tap Room is that the bartender looks remarkably like Dr. Michael Adams. No relation, from what I've been told.

The Basset Hound making his rounds is also entertaining, that is if you don't mind a little drool in your beverage.

Jason: Joe emerged rather early from the bar—12 a.m., in fact. I was happy to see him, seeing as those shadows I saw before were threatening to sell me. I was then ready to score the bar.

Joe: The only real negative comment I can make about the Tap Room is that it closes its doors rather early for the hard-core barfly Albrightian. Midnight is when the fun begins, man!

I feel confident in scoring the bar at this juncture.

Scoring is based on a five-star scale.

	Joe	Jason
atmosphere	****	**
uniqueness and variety of product	*****	N/A
professor lookalikes	*****	N/A
temperature	*** 1/2	*1/2

\*By the way, Joe and Jason begged me to write this article for them and paid me \$50 for doing so...For some reason I don't think they'll do much better than Paul and Darren. Sorry, guys.  
Jaime Britigan

## Be Like Clinton, Don't Inhale!



The many health risks involving smoking, such as everything from asthma to cancer to cardiovascular problems to male impotence to eye problems, are almost always mentioned when speaking of this dangerous pastime. But somehow, overlooked in this litany of smoking-related health factors is the danger of being seriously injured or even killed in a fire caused by a cigarette.

Often, whole apartment complexes and houses go up in flames because someone lets a cigarette fall onto a mattress. Situations like this force many people to think that this is another example of cigarette smokers asserting "their rights," but not their responsibilities.

Another hazard connected with cigarette smoking should get more press. It appears that many people suffer serious burns using aerosol sprays while smoking. The most serious occur when hair spray is used near a cigarette flame or even a burning ember. The spray ignites quickly, and in no time, hair and skin are involved. Be careful if you smoke. Better yet, don't smoke.

## Best-Ever Butter Cookies



### Ingredients:

1 cup butter, softened  
1 cup sugar  
1 egg  
2 1/2 cups all-purpose flour  
1 teaspoon baking powder  
2 tablespoons orange juice  
1 teaspoon vanilla

### Directions:

In a large mixing bowl, combine butter, sugar and egg. Beat at medium speed until creamy. Reduce speed to low; add flour, baking powder, orange juice and vanilla. Beat until well mixed. Cover and refrigerate until firm (2 to 3 hours). Preheat oven at 400F. On lightly floured surface roll out dough, one half at a time, to 1/4-inch thickness (keeping remaining dough refrigerated). Cut with 2-inch cookie cutters. Place one inch apart on cookie sheet. Bake 6 to 10 minutes or until edges are slightly browned. Cool completely before frosting and decorating. (Recipe follows.) Makes 6 dozen cookies. If desired, sprinkle colored sugars on some of the cookies before baking, or bake, cool and decorate.

### Cookie Frosting

### Ingredients:

3 cups powdered sugar  
1/3 cup butter, softened  
1 teaspoon vanilla  
1 to 2 tablespoons milk

### Directions:

In small mixer bowl combine sugar, butter and vanilla; beat at low speed, adding enough milk for desired spreading consistency. If desired, delicately tint frosting with food coloring. Frost and decorate cooled cookies.



## An Evening of David Ives

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# Horoscopes



**Aries** (March 21 to April 19): You need to be more patient since something you thought was at hand this week is delayed yet again. Any work of a mental nature is favored, particularly as the week wanes. Take time this weekend to tend to banking matters.

**Taurus** (April 20 to May 20): Meetings are productive early in the week and agreements are easily reached, much to your satisfaction. If out shopping, exercise discretion and be wary of defective merchandise. The weekend is the best time for quiet activities and relaxing with the family.

**Gemini** (May 21 to June 20): You need extra discipline this week to stay on top of things on the work front, particularly when all seems to be falling apart. Communicative skills are also not at their best. Thus, you find it difficult to get your meaning across to a loved one.

**Cancer** (June 21 to July 22): Distractions and disruptions rule the early part of this week. Nevertheless, you are still able to get a lot accomplished. Your thoughts about money and business are right on the mark. Follow through on these and make new plans this weekend.

**Leo** (July 23 to August 22): You come up with a solution to a problem that has been eating at you for quite a while. Later in the week, the accent is on work interests rather than socializing. Progress at work is assured.

**Virgo** (August 23 to September 22): Feedback from a friend is valuable concerning a business project you've been laboring on. A machine is a source of problems later in the week when it suddenly breaks down at an inopportune time. Be

sure to get more than one estimate for its repair.

**Libra** (September 23 to October 22): You find that others are quite demanding of your time as the week begins. However, they do appreciate your input. Later in the week, try to get in touch with a friend you've been neglecting or avoiding for some reason.

**Scorpio** (October 23 to November 21): Instead of indulging in outside entertainment this week, it's best to stick close to home. Pay attention to what's being said by a bigwig concerning a work matter. There's more going on behind the scenes than you're aware. The weekend finds you in an introspective mood.

**Sagittarius** (November 22 to December 21): You want to consider a business proposition more carefully. By week's end, you come to a satisfactory conclusion, spurred on by the advice of a good friend. The weekend is good for educational pursuits.

**Capricorn** (December 22 to January 19): You encounter more difficulty than you'd anticipated on a work project. However, a co-worker has a wonderful suggestion, and you are able to work well together. Follow through on the suggestion.

**Aquarius** (January 20 to February 18): In-depth thinking leads to the answers you're seeking on the job. Your significant other doesn't agree with you concerning a proposed purchase. Listen carefully to any suggestions.

**Pisces** (February 19 to March 20): You're right to feel that there are too many strings attached to a friend's proposal. This person has proven to be manipulative in the past. Listen to your instincts.

# Soap Scraps

**ALL MY CHILDREN:** Erica cautioned Skye to get over her infatuation with Edmund. Trevor had Janet arrested for violating the restraining order keeping her from Amanda. Myrtle saw Red catch a star out of thin air for her Christmas tree, and wondered if he were, indeed Santa Claus. Unable to get Brooke to declare her love for him, Adam visited her as Stuart. Tad drove off into the country to alert Liza that Adam never intended to give her half of WRCW. Liza then returned to Pine Valley to tell Adam the marriage is off. Tad's arrival, meanwhile, provided Jake with Liza's true identity. **Wait to see:** Skye sees an "opportunity."

**ANOTHER WORLD:** After being arrested for trashing "Sassy's," Jake told Paulina he believes Vicky and Bobby have made love. John and Felicia's romantic evening was cut short when he was called to see a sick Gregory. Carl begged Rachel to take him back. Grant was stunned at what he found in Cindy's purse. Ryan learned Grant has three targets as part of his new plan. **Wait to see:** Sofia faces possible danger.

**AS THE WORLD TURNS:** Lily found a stamp from Malta on Diego's passport, which she took as proof of his connection to Umberto. Later, she agreed to sleep with Diego as a way of getting the truth about him. Zoey agreed to film a video with her ex-husband, Corey. Mike learned a startling fact about Domingo. A horrified John and Barbara watched as Lisa and Martin said their I Do's. Ryder saved Nikki from Dick. **Wait to see:** Lisa may face "widowhood" again.

**THE BOLD AND THE BEAUTIFUL:** A thrilled Sally learned Macy and Thorne were trying to start a family. Ridge was moved by Taylor's wedding vows. Claudia hid when the INS raided Forrester's looking for undocumented workers. James told Sheila he's sure she can handle his marrying Maggie. Sheila later visited a doctor's office, and when she emerged, told Mike they had to rush to learn where the wedding was being held. They later burst into the chapel just as a kilt-clad James was repeating his marital vows to Maggie. Sheila stopped the wedding by announcing she's pregnant with James' child. **Wait to see:** Grant may be about to face Decision Day.

**THE CITY:** Gino proposed to Tracy. Later Tracy tuned him down, Gino stumped her by saying he knows Alex is the man in her life. Tess freaked when she learned her mammogram showed a small growth and she needed further tests. After being threatened by Gino, Alex confronted Tracy. Tess lied to her doctor about getting more tests. **Wait to see:** Tracy and Alex face a moment of truth.

**DAYS OF OUR LIVES:** Sami intimidated Austin about choosing between his trip with Carrington and his son, saying if he doesn't stay, Lucas will be the boy's role model. Kristin's "twin," Susan sat with John during the ultrasound, when John suddenly said something was wrong. While Jennifer tried to believe Laura was all right, Stefano was

planning to leave Salem that night with Peter and Laura. Billie's conscience won out and she finally told Bo and Hope about Jill. Meanwhile, desperate to keep his secret safe, Franco rushed to the nursing home where Jill was being kept. Will developed a high fever which Marlena worked to bring down. **Wait to see:** Bo realizes he may never again Hope's trust.

**GENERAL HOSPITAL:** Brenda wondered how much Jax didn't tell her about Miranda. Mac, meanwhile, wondered how much he could tell Miranda about his feelings. Stefan continued to "comfort" Bobbie who found it difficult to accept the Tony/Carly situation. Luke decided to learn more about Alexis' relationship to her kin, Stefan. Meanwhile, Kevin considered his role as an adviser in the defense Alexis has devised for Monica against Dorman's sexual harassment suit. **Wait to see:** Christmas is coming, but will someone get coal in their stocking?

**GUIDING LIGHT:** As Josh and Annie comforted the children over the death of their grandmother, Sarah, Josh told her this is not a good time to have another baby. His comment led to a startling revelation. Seeing Dinah and Hart together prompted Bridget to go the plastic surgeon. Josh went to see Reva in Cross Creek. Annie went to see Buzz in an attempt to get him to help them save their spouses from each other. While Vanessa fantasized about her children seeing the beautiful Swiss countryside, Dinah and Hart made plans for a Swiss honeymoon. **Wait to see:** Meta confronts Zachary about Michelle.

**ONE LIFE TO LIVE:** Max and Maggie went on their first date. Blair learned she's pregnant again, but Todd told her and Patrick he believed Patrick is the father. Blair later confronted Todd about his attempt to take custody of baby Starr. Patrick was sure Todd set him up as Carlo's killer. Meanwhile, Alex and R.J. conspired to make Antonio look guilty. Alex showed Hank a forged will leaving everything to Vega as Antonio's motive. Cord told Joey he had information on the real Cameron Wallace, and this one is a fraud. Kelly agreed to go along his plan to expose her connection to Dorian. **Wait to see:** Patrick gets another shocker.

**THE YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS:** Kay deduced Kurt is the mystery man who saved Ashley. Meanwhile, Ashley showed gratitude for Diane's blood donations, but still felt angry toward her. Malcolm was upset about Dru hiding the facts about her modeling form Neil. Victor have Hope a children's book written in Braille, so that she could read to Victor, Jr. from the first time. Victoria assured Victor that Cole would work with her to save their marriage. Ryan, meanwhile, told Nina that Jill arranged for the McNeils to spend Christmas in the Caribbean. John agreed to babysit with Billy so that Jill and Silva could have a Christmas holiday. **Wait to see:** Nikki feels increasingly uneasy about Hope.

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## Stop the Madness: A Commentary on Finals Week

by Joe Boles

It's exam time once again, and for all of the freshman out there who may not know, exams are the one time of the year that could accurately be described as a living hell. If you've ever messed up in class, this is the time that your teacher gets to make his/her paybacks.

"Final exam" is a seemingly-innocuous term which really is a cruel attempt to cram one semester's worth of knowledge into one two-hour test. What point does it serve? Don't ask me, I sure don't know. What I do know is that for the next two weeks you will see more people dressed in sweats and running shoes than you would at a track meet.

You see, during exam week you study more than you ever have in your entire life, totally making yourself crazy. Any information that you had in your brain previously has been washed out like low tide. Your friends' names--what are friends? (Who are these people, I don't know these people!!) You vaguely remember your parents, and even then only a little bit. Of course they may be why you are at college in the first place; so you would be better off trying to forget your parents to the best of your abilities, especially considering that you are going to go home after exams and fight with them until January.

So now you have reached a crossroads--you have no information other than the supply and demand theory for your Eco. final. What are you going to do with your yourself? Well,

there are two options for you: 1) you could leave school, skipping all exams, and then start out on your jetsetting career as a Benedictine monk, or 2) you could suffer like the rest of us. Yes, that's what I thought that you would do, Father.

It is time to stop the madness of exams. There is no need for us to have to suffer through this agony. I mean really, what point do they serve? They make a great placemat for your professor's holiday dinner.

The funny thing is that I wouldn't even mind exams except for the fact that it is a rare occasion when you actually find out how you fared on the test. You never actually see how you did on a test that counts for 30% of your grade.

So that is why we must stop the madness; there is no need for finals when we are already getting buried throughout the semester.

At the very least, I don't think that the exam should be the most important grade in the semester. I think exams should be the time to hang out and say final good-byes to your friends. College is short, so don't let studying ruin you. Technically, it should be a part of your college experience, but you should also remember that you can only do college once. Have as much fun as you can.

Actually, I'm just kidding. I love exams, and I think that there should be more of them; I think we should push for mandatory exams and research papers that are due during finals. What I wrote before was a psychological aberration on my part. Have a nice vacation.



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# Androcles and the Lion: A Musical Experience for all Ages



by Giovanni Debaccio

This weekend, the Domino Player Company gave five performances of Aurand Harris' musical adaptation, *Androcles and the Lion*. The play was first presented at the Forty-first Street Theatre in New York City on December 7, 1963. It was written in the style of the rich Italian theatre tradition of *commedia dell'arte*. In this Sixteenth Century dramatic style, troupes of strolling players portray a story, relying on improvisational skills, and character background, while, at the same time, working with simplistic sets and limited props. Characters such as the young lovers, the old miser, and the haughty captain, for example, are frequently found in *commedia dell'arte*, and are known as "stock characters."

The story line of *Androcles and the Lion* contains a slave named Androcles (Nathan Roberts) whose cruel, greedy master, Pantalone (James Harr), attempts to withhold the dowry of his beautiful niece, Isabella (Shannon Grim), thus keeping her from marrying Lelio (Paul Mischeshin), her true love. Pantalone incorporates a bragging,

boasting captain (Kara Morral) in order to keep Isabella a prisoner. Androcles helps Isabella escape to Lelio with the help of a very large lion (Robert Holliday) who Androcles helps, and who, in return, aids Androcles. The play concludes with Lelio and Isabella together, the Captain and Pantalone punished, and Androcles free.

The Domino Players were graced with the proud privilege of being directed by Albright's nontraditional sophomore, Kristofer W. Updike. This has been Kristofer's first experience directing completely on his own. About his work, Kristofer said, "What I enjoyed most was taking my vision of the play and meshing it with everyone who was involved in the production, creating a unique and wonderful theatre experience. One thing is for sure, everyone involved in the show deserves equal credit for its success." "He was a heck of a guy to work with," said James Harr, portrayer of the character Pantalone, "a real heck of a guy." Kara Morral, who played the captain, said, "Kris was a fabulous director. I mean, hey, he had me touch Bob Holliday's butt!"

The actors in the show were quoted by

many to be "brilliant," "exceptional," and, as one patron stated, "one of the best works the [Meridian] theatre has seen since the last show." Michelle Carrara, class of '97, said, "It was great! I especially loved the captain and all those tights," as she flashed a beaming smile and signaled a thumbs-up. "I admired the roaring of that dashing lion and the daring stunts of the dancing denizens of the stage," Brittany Jennison, class of '74, said as she left the theatre with her two children, Myra and Charlie. Upon inquiring on young Charlie's critique of the show, he said, "Not a lot of people liked the mean old man [Pantalone], but I thought he was the bomb!"

All in all, the show was an amazing experience (how ironic a word, considering no experience credit was given for this event). Besides the fact that only a mere four Albright professors appeared at the performance, the one negative point brought up by an audience member was by Opal Morgan, class of '99, who, with tears in her eyes, said, "I only wish the show ran a second weekend!" So, as you can see, *Androcles and the Lion* was a wonderful occurrence, and, if you missed it, you missed out on theatre at its best.

## Scholarship Search Now On-Line

College Scholarship Services has now placed their private scholarship search program FUNDRAISER on line through the internet. This means all students who have an account with the computer center can now search the internet to find additional financial aid resources to help pay educational costs. This is what you need to do to find those extra dollars!

- 1) on main screen double click on INTERNET icon
- 2) double click in NETSCAPE icon
- 3) type in address (<http://collegeboard.org>) on the GO TO line
- 4) using DOWN ARROW, scroll to financial aid staff and single click
- 5) using DOWN ARROW, scroll to EXPAN SCHOLARSHIP SEARCH and single click

Once you are at the EXPAN SCHOLARSHIP SEARCH,

- 1) single click to mark a category/characteristic
- 2) enter when complete and a list will be produced
- 3) single click to print list of scholarship (on laser printer in lobby)
- 4) use mouse to show each scholarship on list

## GEORGE by MARK SZORADY

(Sung to the tune of Winter Wonderland)

Snowplows scrape, are ya listening?  
On the roads snow is glistening!  
A terrible sight and more snow tonight!  
Digging out a winter wonderlaaaaaand!

Got no heat, got no power!  
Clocks are dead, what's the hour?  
The cold wind it bites!  
No cable or lights!  
Digging out a winter wonderlaaaaaand!  
Email: [Georgetoon@aol.com](mailto:Georgetoon@aol.com)

On the highway cars are in the snowdrifts!  
And the drivers all have gone astray!  
We've been getting food from army airlifts,  
just to make it through another day!

Wish we were someplace nicer!  
Where there's no snow or ice, sir!  
A warm place to stay  
maybe Canada, eh?  
Digging out a winter wonderlaaaaaaaand!!



## King Crossword

### ACROSS

- 1 Practice pugilism
- 5 History chapter
- 8 Puerto —
- 12 "It's Impossible" crooner
- 13 Sailor
- 14 "Zounds!"
- 15 One of the Baldwins
- 16 Illinois city
- 18 Caused resentment
- 20 Word on an otherwise blank page
- 21 Nosh
- 22 "— favor, Senor"
- 23 Hamburger, e.g.
- 26 Woody plant?
- 30 Breakfast for Brutus
- 31 "Holy mackerel!"
- 32 Sandra or Betty
- 33 Incomplete
- 36 Three-strand twit (ug)
- 38 P.A. together
- 39 Sticky stuff
- 40 Datum for Bob Barker
- 43 Bloodhound, at times
- 47 Crib notes?
- 49 Caffeine-rich nut
- 50 Explorer Tasman
- 51 Mimic

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- 33 Suffers a recession?
- 34 Get the ballcarrier
- 35 Thought
- 36 Feathery accessory
- 37 JFK's chair
- 39 Midas' downfall
- 40 Baby carriage
- 41 Post-bout garb
- 42 Doughnut shop
- 43 This cluw has one
- 44 Honshu seaport
- 45 Exile isle
- 46 File
- 48 Gladstone, for one
- 8 Amendment
- 9 "— Rhythm"
- 10 Give a hoot
- 11 Probability
- 17 Have more than a hunch
- 19 Deposit
- 22 Dog's dog
- 23 Soft drink
- 24 Ms. Gardner
- 25 Pitch
- 26 Scale member
- 27 Mrs. McKinley
- 28 Niihau
- 29 Started the trick
- 31 Bankroll

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# Personals



Gieve,  
And I creep! You nut! How are the screaming cuts! How about the sheep!  
-Dedicated Listener

Special thanks to:  
Karen "Wert" Wert

Bob Villa, Sherri, AA, Julie,  
I can't thank you guys enough for everything you've done for me this semester. It's been a little rough sometimes and I wouldn't have been able to make it through without you guys. You guys are the bestest friends in the world.

Thanks,  
MOM

Sarah,  
Great job on your paper; may your applications turn out just as well. Let's go to New Hope soon!

Love,  
Jaime

Michelle,  
What's wrong with your bladder? (I have to go to the bathroom again! This is the 10,000th time!) Don't you think maybe the rest of us would like to use the bathroom, too?

P2

Dancecarama!

Michelle,  
Slap me!!! Smack me!!! Beat me!!!  
Spitter

Crite,  
Can I use your phone?

Captain K. Morral,  
I want a slapstick. Bring me a slapstick! By the way, nice sword!  
Jaime and Michelle

The word of the week is  
"contraception!"

Well, I'm a freak, of sorts.

Electra,  
I need you to rejuvenate my lower half!  
Roach

Hey Piglet:  
Another great semester—we always come out on top! How about a walk before finals are over? Never forget, near or far, we're closer together...  
Your Itch

Joe,  
Bring us the clock now.

Kristofer (our fearless director),  
Great job! Thanks for putting together an awesome production! Oh, have you reared today?  
The cast of Androcles and the Lion

Karen,  
You are a dirty article! When did you become Shannon Tweed! Dirty, dirty, dirty.

Long showers. You know what that means, James.

Most Arrogant... You filthy, sleazy rat bastard!!!!

Judy,  
You are Lucifer's sister!

The word "masturbation" makes me blush, too!

Aymer,  
Mr. How about a cigarette!

Chestnut,  
You'll be snapped in two, I tell you.

Meow, meow...gag me with a ladle!

Heh, heh, heh...Eva Braun...heh, heh, heh...Eva Braun...heh, heh, heh...Eva Braun!

Megan,  
Would you mind composing me a

small opera? Thanks for all the work you put into our show...especially, my very large hair!  
Jimbo

Jess,  
Nyancee, it's the best name for a decayed Duckie.

New Hope/Christmas Village...the finals week foray.

I could sing "Love Shack" better if I were gagged, lacking vocal chords, in a pool with a plethora of piranhas while undergoing a lobotomy!

Oh, Darth! Put your saber away!

...I want to wake up in a city that doesn't sleep...  
The F2 singers

Ryonne,  
Jealousy! Keep your chin up. You will get some soon! (Ha, ha) Remember the raft and the glowing plants!

Emily,  
It's Joumey again!  
Jaime

Where's the dam book?!?! The gosh dam book!!  
Michelle C.

Wendy's evil twin sister,  
Give us back our friend- we miss her!

To the Thursday Night Diners Club,  
What the hell happened to your fearless leader???

Jarra--Congrats AGAIN!!  
Love, Dana

Amy,  
Holal, Remember that bottle we'll be sharing at the end of espanol!  
Lisa

Personals

*If you want to say Hi to a friend or send them a silly message, then just drop them a personal in the Albrightian! Just fill out this form and drop it in the mailslot at the Albrightian office (next to the mailroom) by next Monday so it will be in the next issue.*

*If you lose this form, don't fret. Just write your personal on a piece of paper and put it in the door.*

*Have fun and use your imagination!*

Abba,  
Blossom! How about some Hemp! You know the flag was made out of that stuff.

Hey N. Roberts!  
What do you know about bovine flatulence?  
Lisa

Karen, Nathan, Kris, and Marcus,  
Want to go to Walmart? Fun times will be had by all!  
Jim

To my sisters (you know who you are): "Here's to the men that love us, Here's to the men we love. But if the men that we love don't love us, then screw the men and here's to us."

**Check out these home sporting events before leaving for Christmas vacation:**

<b>Women's Basketball</b> 12/11 Moravian	H 8:00	<b>Men's Basketball</b> 12/12 Moravian	H 8:00
<b>Women's JV Basketball</b> 12/11 Moravian	H 6:00	<b>Men's JV Basketball</b> 12/12 Moravian	H 6:00
<b>Men's &amp; Women's Swimming</b> 12/14 Susquehanna	H 2:00	<i>*be sure to support all winter sports teams over the Interim period.</i>	

## Season begins to heat up for women's basketball

by Chad Eisenhower

The Albright Lions women's basketball team is getting back into the swing of things. After a shaky 0-3 start, the Lady Lions have seemingly overcome those early season jitters and have put together two solid victories.

The Lions are led by an experienced group of leaders including captains Jarra Rusnock and Jennifer Myers. Rusnock is a junior forward and two-time All-MAC. Myers, a four-time varsity letterwinner, returns to the other forward spot for the Lions. Also returning from last year's lineup are junior guard Cathy Quigley and sophomore center Jennifer Houser. First-year student Rachel Connolly will be handling the point guard duties.

In the first three games, Jennifer Houser had the hot hand averaging 16 points and 5.3 rebounds. Against Alvernia, Houser posted one of her best games scoring 22 points and pulling down nine boards. That effort helped earn her MAC Commonwealth League Women's Player of the Week for the period November 25-December 1.

In those first three games, Rusnock has led in assists (3.3), steals (1.7), and free throw percentages (75.0%) while also contributing 13.7 points per game. Myers has pulled down the most rebounds on the team while Connolly

and Quigley are also among the team leaders in scoring. Off the bench, freshman center Leah Morgan and sophomore Kristyann Marshall are tied for second with rebounds.

The Lady Lions did stumble out of the blocks at first, but have since defeated two Commonwealth league opponents. The first win came in spectacular fashion as the Lions handed the Widener Pioneers 79-69 in the home opener December 3. The Lions led by half-time and never let up as they defeated the Pioneers for the fifth straight time. Albright shot only thirty-five percent from the field, but displayed basic fundamentals as they hit 30-of-38 foul shots.

Jarra Rusnock paced the Lions with 25 points. With her 22nd point of the night, Rusnock became only the seventh player in Albright history to reach the 1,000 career point plateau. Jen Houser also contributed 16 points in the victory.

Saturday, December 7, the Lady Lions showed that they are going to be a tough team to beat at home this year. Albright cruised to a 63-49 victory against Messiah. The Lions showed great teamwork as Rusnock scored 14 points, Houser 12 points, and Connolly 11 points.

Albright remains at home for the next three games, including an important league game with Moravian.

## Men's basketball bounces back after tough F&M loss

by Kurt Krebs

Thursday, December 5, was not a pretty night for the men's basketball team. Due to 22 turnovers, early foul trouble, and a 25-6 run to end the first half and start the second, Albright lost a very winnable game against Franklin and Marshall. What a difference 48 hours can make. Albright came out and dominated Messiah from start to finish Saturday night at the Bollman Center. The Lions used 13 players to even their league record to 1-1.

Not everything that came out of the F&M loss was negative. The freshmen, on whom coach Tyler is counting heavily this season, came through with some big performances. Adam Lewis contributed a tough inside game when senior Dwight Davis ran into early foul trouble. Nick Schmid was a spark off the bench, scoring 11 and adding 7 rebounds. Freshman Jon Taylor held F&M's starting point guard, who had been averaging in double figures, to only 3 points. Perhaps the most exciting moment of the game came when the ball ended up in the hands of

freshman Howard Payton. Payton, despite joining the team only four days earlier due to football, slashed through the F&M defense for easy, inside opportunities.

However, two days later the men were able to pull together for a big win over Messiah. The freshmen also made key contributions in this game, but this time the effort started with Davis. Davis, who had been previously limited by foul trouble, stepped up and took charge. The Lions jumped out early, with Davis picking up three quick field goals and a ferocious block. The lead was one the Lions would never relinquish. Albright led by over 20 at one point, and when Messiah made a run midway through the second half, it was again Davis who stepped up. He rejected a Messiah shot, and the ensuing trip downcourt resulted in a Jon Taylor steal and dish to Davis for the monster jam. From there, the Lions rolled to a 86-71 victory.

The Lions look to continue that roll Thursday, December 12, when they host Moravian. The JV game is at 6:00, and the Lions and Greyhounds tip off at 8:00.



# Sports

## Undefeated swim teams strive to continue success

by Gina Roselli

Although it is early in the year, the members of the swim team have already displayed tremendous ability, both as a team and individually. New records have been set, and the Lions, with an undefeated record, have a strong momentum carrying them as they prepare for upcoming meets against MAC League opponents.

On November 23, the men's team soundly defeated visiting team Western Maryland by the score of 102-84. At the tri-meet held at Ursinus on December 3, Albright men prevailed over Beaver by the score of 59-36 and overcame Ursinus by a 56-35 margin.

When the women's team swam against Western Maryland they crushed them 125-42. With the momentum of that solid victory, they, too, won both their meets on December 3. They beat Ursinus by a 52-43 score and trounced Beaver 73-22.

Not only did Albright win these two meets, they also set some new records along the way. A new 200 yard backstroke team record was set by freshman Nicole Houvig. Freshman Charity Karr broke the old 100 yard backstroke record, and the relay team consisting of junior Adriene Bowman, and freshmen Bobbi Butterweck, Kelli Bracken, and Amy Steffenauer set a pool record in the 400 yard relay.

The team has already overcome some significant setbacks early this year. Over half

of the team was stricken with the flu the week before Thanksgiving. Eric Hoffman, one of the tri-captains of the men's team, is out indefinitely with mono.

Coach Jenis Frederick expressed her happiness with the team's performance so far this season. She explained that currently they are in the process of getting beat down. This means they are swimming tough yardage and difficult sets. This can be a frustrating time for the swimmers because of how hard they are working. Overall, Frederick said that she is "pleased with the team's performances and practices. They are coming together as a team and really supporting each other."

Looking ahead Frederick sees a tough meet December 14 against MAC rival Susquehanna.

On December 28, the team is going to Cocoa Beach, Florida for training camp, but this trip will not be about fun and relaxation. The team will be practicing five hours a day in a long course (50 yard) pool. They will do their training in the morning and in the late afternoon. The team will return on January 4.

So far this year, the swim team is pushing themselves hard. Their strong start should provide momentum for the rest of their long season. They already have proven that the strong youth of the team will be an intricate part of their season. The Lions have begun to strive to reach the goals that they set for themselves and have shown that they are able to attain them.

## Wrestling team hopes for improvement and support

by Matt Reimert

As the winter sport's season rolls around, many sports fans turn their thoughts toward football bowl games and the beginning of the basketball season, but there is an array of other winter sports out there, all of which are also exciting and entertaining. Among these lesser known sports is amateur wrestling. I am not referring to the comedy acts put on by wrestlers like Hulk Hogan and the Macho Man, but to the kind of real wrestling done by rock-hard, extremely disciplined men battling on the mats of their high schools and colleges around the country. However, many of these wrestling teams, like the one here at Albright, must struggle for attention from the rest of their student bodies, faculty, and alumni.

This winter the Albright wrestling team looks to attain a solid winning season and improve upon last year's record of 8-8. In the past the team has not been extremely successful, but in this season and in future seasons they look to improve perennially under second-year head coach, Steve Ohnsman. Ohnsman has already been instrumental in the team's improvement. If the team attains their goal of nine wins this season he will become the second-winningest wrestling coach in Albright history.

The improvement under Ohnsman, who is also the Albright chaplain, does not, however, come at the expense of his wrestlers' academic success. He stresses education and said that "a successful college wrestling career is something nice to look back on, but an education is much more important."

Ohnsman named Brian Johnson and

Chad Vosberg as his two key losses from last year's team. They were both team captains, and Johnson placed fifth in the Eastern Region at the end of last season. This season some of the key returners are upperclassmen John Ungerelli, who is a captain, Dan Moser, and Bilo Bouab. The team has a young sophomore and freshman core made up of Justin Arguelles, Asen Koburov, Frank Carranza, Jason Alexander, Jason Richter, Joe Asterino, Kevin Pole, Joe Sedon, Dave Armstrong, and Karl Schaeffer. Right now the team is having to cope with a lot of injuries, illness, and wrestlers who have just come in from football or elsewhere. They are currently 1-1. Their win came against Waynesburg and their loss to Western Maryland.

In the future Coach Ohnsman hopes to keep improving and eventually have enough wrestlers to fill two teams and therefore be able to compete with some of the bigger wrestling schools. He stresses that the team has a lot of talent, that they all have good attitudes about the sport and school, and especially that they are fun to watch. Ohnsman also acknowledged that wrestling has been relatively ignored by the rest of the school and hopes that as they get better and better, the team will continue to gain more recognition. The team has the Swarthmore Team Challenge Tournament and a match at LaSalle before they return for a home match against Scranton on January 18 and one on January 25 against Elizabethtown and King's.

Coach Ohnsman encourages the Albright community to come out and enjoy themselves at any of these future wrestling matches.

## Rusnock scores her 1000th point in win over Widener

by Dana Peterson

The game stopped. The crowd cheered. No, the women's basketball team had not defeated Widener...not yet, anyway. The excitement was for junior forward Jarra Rusnock who had just scored the 1000th point of her Albright career. With seven minutes frozen on the clock, Rusnock ran into the stands and gave the game ball to her dad and hugged her mom before returning to the game to beat Widener 79-69.

Although December 3, 1996 will always be a memorable day for Rusnock, it is not a day unlike all others. Three years ago when Rusnock was a senior at Muhlenberg High School, she scored her 1000th point in the second to last game of her high school career. Rusnock was the second female in the history of her high school to reach this milestone.

However, when she started over as a freshman at Albright, repeating this achievement was not foremost on Rusnock's mind.

"I just wanted to focus on being a key contributor to the team. I hoped to make an immediate impact," she said.

Rusnock did make an immediate impact, scoring over 450 points her first year and being named MAC Commonwealth League Rookie of the Year.

Head coach Sue Stuebner came to Albright the same year Rusnock did, and had never had an opportunity to see her play before their season began. However, it did not take Stuebner long to realize she had a "premier" player on her hands.

"I realized right away what a good athlete she was and noticed how she would immediately incorporate any corrections into her game. You never had to tell her anything twice," said Stuebner.

After that first year, Stuebner's only concern was that Rusnock would be able to continue her success as opponents began to put their best defenders on her. Again Rusnock was victorious, finishing the season with 492 points and breaking the record for the most points scored in a season.

Now only four games into her third season, Rusnock shines again.

Stuebner knew going into the season that it would not be long before Rusnock reached 1000 points. However, with the start of the new season and with the success of the football team, concentrations were elsewhere.

After the third game of the season, played at Alvernia, Stuebner panicked, thinking Rusnock might have reached her 1000 and it



Jarra Rusnock

went unnoticed.

However, a phone call to sports information assured her that this was not the case. She needed 22 more points to reach her milestone.

Rusnock was aware of this magic number going into the game against Widener, but lost track of her points as the game progressed. Not until she missed a foul shot and heard the reaction of the crowd did Rusnock know she was only one point away. With adrenaline pumping, she then did her favorite thing—drove to the hole to score her 1000th and 1001st points.

"I was so excited," said Rusnock, "but we still had a game to win."

Albright won this first league game against Widener, enhancing Rusnock's special moment for her.

Rusnock needs only 357 more points to break Albright's record for the most points scored in a career. Although this is a definite reality for her this season, she wants to focus instead on scoring points to help take the team to the playoffs.

As for the future, Rusnock would like to incorporate coaching into her after college plans. "I love being around the game and being around people who love the game," she said.

For now, however, Rusnock has 20 more games and another entire season on which to concentrate. With this much playing time left, chances are we will be hearing from Rusnock again.

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