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# THE ALBRIGHTIAN

ALBRIGHT COLLEGE

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### Yarussi and Maransky are named to All-American team

Recently, Jim Maransky and Nick Yarussi, niors on Albright's football team, received Honorable Mention with the Associated Press' Small College All-American Football Team. Each year after any sports season is over, the est players in the country are selected for the

The selection process is extremely competitive. First, collegiate coaches submit the names and statistics of their best players to Hershel Nisseson, the coordinator for Associated Press. Nisseson, who works in the A.P. Bureau in New York, then compiles a nomination ballot form which he sends to sports writers all over the country. Included on this ballot are each player's accomplishments. The writer is allotted a specific number of votes per position. Three All-American teams and Honorable Mention players are the result.

The team is comprised of players selected from NCAA division II and III schools, and from NAIA (National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics) schools; this totals approximately 500 teams. In short, "Maransky

and Yarussi were recognized at the same level as guys who play at Division II...they are the same caliber of player,"Mark Wallace, Albright College Sports Information Director

Wallace promotes the players by mailing information listing their statistics and achievements; the flyers are sent to people along the East Coast and some along the West Coast. These 300 or so individuals and organizations include media, other division III schools and other SID's whose input on certain committees can help players gain

This year, as Wallace's flyers point out, both Maransky and Yarussi played exceptionally well. Maransky, a tight end, had 48 receptions and 489 yards. Currently, he holds Albright College pass receiving records with the most career receptions (128), career receiving yardage (1433 yards), receptions in a single season (56 in 1987), and receiving yardage in a single season (71 yards in 1987). Maransky was named to the ECAC Division III South Honor Roll in



JIM MARANSKY (left) and NICK YARUSSI, re College All-American Football Team.

Yarussi, an inside linebacker, led Albright in tackles with 124 in 1988; this tops his 1986 and 1987 tackles combined. His solo stops (60) and his assists (64) in 1988 also beat his total solos and assists in the 1986 and 1987 seasons. Twice. Yarussi was named to the

ECAC Division III South Honor Roll.

As Coach Jeff Sparagana said, "They epitomize what being a student athlete is" by doing well in the classroom as well as in the game. "Their honor is an honor for the entire football program and the College.'

### Dorm, pool construction delayed by zoning appeal

Although the Computer/Mathematics Center is well on its way, the Albright Pool and Special Interest Dormitory will

its way, the Albright Pool and Special Interest Dormitory will not see construction, let alone completion, as originally planned, by Fall 1989. As a result, the three fraternity houses will remain open into the 1989-90 school year.

It appears that the talk of expansion that has excited students, faculty and administration has had an opposite effect on local residents.

On Wednesday, January 4, the Concerned Citizens of Hampden Heights opposed Albright's request for special permission to build a two-story Natatorium. The foundation of the building would be closer to the street than normally allowed and therefore special permission is needed for construction to commence. struction to commenc

Similar permission was granted for the construction of the Bollman Center, 37 years ago. However, there was no need for a variance in zoning, only this special permission.

The group's main opposition to the construction is an influx of parking which the pool would create.

Edward B. Holtzman, Albright directorof physical plant, explained that parking would not be a problem. Six spaces are being added to the current parking lot at the east entrance to the gym in order to accommodate an aquatics instructor and

Forty-two spaces are also available behind the Continuing Education building to provide parking for competitive swim meets if, in fact, a team is formed.

on Monday, January 9, an appeal was filed by the citizens group concerning the construction of a Special Interest Dormitory. This appeal is directed at the Reading Zoning Board and not Albright College. However, because Albrigh has a vested interest, they will become involved in the 'Sal process. The appeal states that the Zoning Board ested in granting approval for construction prior to the Tollege's

As in the case of the natatorium, parking as an issue that concerns the citizens group. Mr. Holtawn explained that 176 parking spaces would be provided by the 176 students in the dorm. He stressed that this naker does not reflect an

increase in student body, it is simply the displacement of students from fraternity and sorority houses as well as those residents in Selwyn Hall, due to Administration's eventual

Students who had originally parked on Hampden, Olive,

and Union streets would now be parking in a lot.

The cuzens group objects to this proposal because of the influx of airlic coming from the lot onto 13th Street. According to Xe Holtzman, students would leave the lot by means of Recemont street which is located in between David Crystal and the soccer field.

From Rosemont, cars would empty onto 13th street. The group proposed that a traffic study be done before construction

President Ruffer is optimistic: "This college is 136 years old. 136 years from now, this incident will be a minor part of history. As long as we move forward in a positive direction, the delays are worthwhile. As responsible neighbors we have a responsibility to our neighbors. Trying to be a good neighbor; that's what it's all about."

### Studies show: job market is booming for class of '89

by Michael O'Keeffe

The job market for this year's

The job market for this year's college grads is booming.
"There's no question about it," reported Angie Aschoff of Linn-Benton Community College's placement office in Oregon, "the number of jobs advertised with us is

It's happening nationwide. Two major annual surveys, released in December, of national corporate hiring of new grads both predicted

a happy spring.

Northwestern University's
Lindquist-Endicott Report predicted
an 8 percent jump in corporate
demand for graduates with bachelor's
degrees. Those graduates will
receive starting salaries that are an average 4.6 percent higher than those

garnered by the class of '88.

Starting salaries for students with new master's degrees should be 3.5 percent higher than last year's, NU's report added.

While

While Michigan State University's Annual Recruiting Survey does not paint as rosy a picture, it does predict "new graduates will face a healthy job market."

MSU asked 427 corporations about their hiring plans. In response, the firms expected to make 3.1 the Irms expected to make 3.1 percent more more job offers to students this year, and said they were espacially interested in hiring more women and minority grads. Some students consequently feel they're in the driver's seat.

"I'm looking for an attractive company with travel benefits," said

University of Maryland senior Maurice Boissiere of his job search. "Right now I'm looking at company

The companies feel it, too.
"We will be offering jobs to "We will be offering jobs to people who know they are going to be in great demand," conceded Sally Odle, recruiting manager for IBM. "We have to offer jobs that are challenging and interesting."

Deborah DeBow of Eastern Washington University's Placement Office also found "there's more competition (for students), so companies are getting more

companies are getting more aggressive. They're buying ads in student publications and coming into the office to strategize more with

the (placement) director."

Observers attribute the scramble for students to corporate concern

hire in the future.
A recent U.S. Labor Dept. study

predicted one million fewer young people will enter the job market

that there won't be enough grads to during the next decade than during

We are doing everything we can to prepare for the shrinking (see Class of '89, page 4)

### Drug tests await graduates

CPS -- More students will have to pass one more test -- this time a drug test -- before starting their careers after graduation, new studies of the job market for this spring's grads indicate.

"The drug user, once on the payroll, becomes a very, very costly liability" to the employer, explained Victor Lindquist, author of Northwestern University's Lindquist-Endicott Report, which showed 47 percent of the nies hiring on the nation's campuses this year test job applicants for

drug use.

Another 7 percent of the employers Lindquist surveyed said they expected to start drug testing during 1989.

About 32 percent of the companies asked by Michigan State University's Annual Recruiting Survey, also released in Tale December, now make prospective employees take drug tests.

(see drugs, page 4)

### **Boston U. slightly relaxes** rules barring overnight dorm guests

CPS -- Boston University, which during the fall had imposed strict new dorm rules some saw as a return to the heavy-handed regulation of student life of the 1950s, has slightly relaxed its efforts to stop students from having overnight guests in their dorm

The rules, however, are still "oppresive," a student protest leader maintained.
"They are not changed that much," said Susheel Srikonda, a computer science major who helped form a group called Active, Concerned, Together (ACT) to fight

BU President John Silber announced he would accept a task force's suggestion to allow overnight guests who are related to dorm residents.

Silber had formed the task force, made up of students, parents, faculty members and BU officials, after thousands of students demonstrated against the prohibition which one speaker said would "ban life after 11 p.m." -- when it was announced in

Under the new rules, students still can't host unrelated guests of the opposite sex in their rooms after 11 p.m.

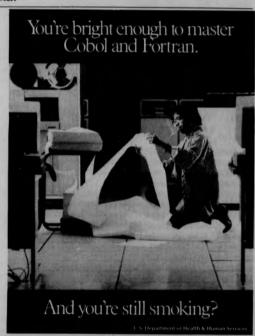
The reccomendations don't substantially change the original decision, said Srikonda, who argued roommates, not administrators, should determine who may stay in a room overnight.

In November, the University of Portland did decide to let individual dorms set

their own visitation policies "by consensus among student residents."

Yet BU spokesman Kevin Carleton contended BU had gone farther than Srikonda claimed. "The initial policy that was proposed was that there would be no overnight guests. The tone of it was to discourage overnight guests." The new policy "is saying there certainly can be (related) overnight guests. It describes the format in which that can occur."

He concedes the university, which has a dormitory population of about 8,500, cannot police the dorms. But BU, Carleton added, is obliged to discourage certain



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### OFF THE RECORD

Every once in a while, it's nice to go home for college breaks. But after two weeks of visiting friends and relatives, I couldn't wait to get back and start Interim. You all know what it's like, you go home and get bombarded with the same questions from the same relatives every single time:

"Joel! Home again, huh? Just how long are your semesters anyway?"

"Yeah, hi Uncle Bob (not his real name)"

"So, you're what now ... a sophomore?

"Uh, no I'm a junior now"

"A junior! Why it seems like you just left to go to college and here you are half done already! So, have you decided on a major yet?"

'Yeah, I'm an English major, Uncle Bob."

"An English major!(Here comes my favorite question) What are you going to do with that?

"I don't really know yet. After all, I'm only a junior."

"So when do you go back to school?"

"Right after New Years. I have to get back for Interim."

Yeah, we take one class for a month and have lots of free time to party." "Sounds like fun, Joel. I wish I could ditch your aunt and go back with you,

heh, heh.' "Well, it's been nice talking to you Uncle Bob. I'm sure I'll see you on my next break.

Isn't it nice to be back at school now? Home is a nice place to visit, but I wouldn't want to live there.

-- Joel Cohen

#### Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor.

In November 1988, President Ruffer established a Task Force On Greek Life with the general purpose "To study the role of Fraternities and Sororities in the Albright College community and to report to the Faculty on or before 30 May 1989. The report should summarize the nature of that role and present any recommendations the Task Force believes should receive further attention."

In order to accomplish these goals, the Task Force was instructed to provide a forum to which the fraternities and sororities can present the arguments they believe support their role in the community, and respond to concerns here by members of the faculty as to that role. Other members of the Albright community will also be given the opportunity to present their views about the role of Greek life on campus Conn completion of this study, the Task once will develop recommendations release to the continuing involvement of fratemess and sororities at Albright. Information will also be gathered through an albright campus survey through the comparative study

of similar et to is on other college campuses.

Preside Ruffer appointed the following persons to serve this Task Force:

Faculty Members: Dr. William Birdsall, Dr. Donald Daniel, Dr. Kathleen Greenfield, Dr. Pat Snyder

Administrators: Ms. Sheila Carraway, Mr. Daryl McCullough, Ms. Virginia Scullion

Students: Ms. Cindy Buonaiuto, Mr. Patrick Delaney - SGA President, Mr. Scott Hoh-IFC President, Ms. Adrian Shackelford, Ms. Becca Smith - Panhellenic President

This Task Force hopes to initiate communication throughout the entire campus concerning this issue. If you would like to contribute to the Task Force's work please contact any of the listed members or send comments to Box 54.

Dr. William Birdsall

Patrick Delaney

I appreciated Jodi Kreider's recounting of the events leading up to the recent SGA action concerning Campus Crusade for Christ. However, several corrections need to be made, two of which are very important. First, the ReligiousLife Council was not the group which studied the issue of religious organizations on campus. In fact, the Council did not exist at the time in question. It was the Church Relatedness Committee, which consists of faculty and is chaired by the college chaplain, that studied the

Second, Jodi is not correct when she states that the policy recommended by the Church Relatedness Committee "did not allow for new religious organizations on campus." committee submitted a recommendation to the President which supported the creation of a limited number of student initiated and led religious organizations in addition to the ones currently in existence.

Third, the major concern surrounding the issue of outside religious organizations on campus does not involve the fear of diminished membership within existing groups. Rather, the focus of concern involves the issues of the free and open exchange of ideas and beliefs, accountability, and proselytization of members of other religious traditions. These are very serious issues which need to be considered in depth before making a decision. The goal of the process, of course, is to ensure a fair and reasonable policy which takes into account the long term interests of all members of the Albright College community.

Sincerely, John W. Gordon,III

S.G.A. Minutes for the Meeting held January 10, 1989 Time: 9:00 - 9:35 p.m.

mbers Present: Dave Caramanica, Stan Chrapowicki, Pat Delaney, Cris Giambalvo, Andrew Kearney, Andrew Lobley, Pete Mandalakis, Heather Stewart. embers Absent: Tom Malecki, John Mowchan, Heather

McKnight, Andrew Kokitus.

- Minutes from the January 4 meeting were approved with the following correction: Heather Stewart was present at that meeting. Stan reported that RSA is planning on sponsoring an ice skating night the last week in January. He also reported that RSA is planning a dance for next weekend.
- Lynell Shore was present from MDA to request an allocation of \$385.00 for sweatshirts fokr MDA committee members.
- The issue of the new dorm appeal was discussed. Pat updated SGA on the Greek Task Force.
- Under a motion of privilege a motion was made to fund MDA \$385.00 for sweatshirts for MDA committee members. The motion carries. Pat Delaney abstained from voting.

  Andy Lobley motioned to close the meeting with Andy Kearney
- seconding.

Respectfully submitted, Cris Giambalvo SGA Secretary

### Class of '89

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labor market," said Trudy Maroita of the Marriott

Corp.
Victor Lindquist of Northwestern added companies
themselves are also hiring because the companies themselves

Sixty-one percent of the firms NU surveyed thought they'd be more profitable in 1989 than they were in

"Corporate America is confident the economy will remain strong despite concerns by so-called experts about the volatile stock market, the deficit, trade balance, megamergers and the increased competition in the market place," Lindquist said.

His report closely followed an early December survey of 14,000 employers by Manpower, Inc., a

temporary employment services company.

Twenty-two percent of the companies expected to add to their workforces during the first three months of

1989, while 11 percent foresaw staff reductions.

"we were a bit surprised at the hiring strength indicated by thorse figures," Manpower President Mitchell Fromstein said. "After a year in which three million new jobs were added to the U.S. workforce, we expected to see a slowing down of job formation."

The boom is better for some students than others.

"Engineering, accounting and health professions are our most sought-after graduates," said DeBow, while Linn-Benton's Aschoff finds clerical, nursing

and automotive students in high demand.

Michigan State researchers said electrical gineering majors will be in the greatest demand, followed by marketing and sales, financial administration, mechanical engineering and computer science majors.

The Northwestern survey found that technical grads will make the most money. Engineering majors can expect to earn \$30,600, up from 29,856 in 1988.

Chemistry majors sould get the second highest starting salaries -- \$28,488 -- up 5.1 percent from

But the biggest salary jump will be in sales and marketing, up 8.8 percent to \$25,560.

The Southwest, according to the Michigan State report, will offer 1989 graduated the most new jobs, followed by the Northeast, the Southeast and the North Central states. The South Central states and the Northwest will offer the fewest jobs.

### Drugs

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Twenty-seven percent of the firms asked last year imposed drug tests

By contrast, only 14 percent of the companie students prove they don't abuse alcohol and 3 ; required applicants to take AIDS tests.

Sixty-four percent of the companies contacted by Michigan State, however, said they had no plans to implement drug testing in the near future.

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#### **New Opportunity for Student Involvement!**

Dean of Students Office looking for students who are interested in being part of a Peer Review Committee. The purpose fo the Peer Review Board will be to review disciplinary actions on campus. The Committee will be comprised of five students with two alternate students members. Positions available only to sophomores, juniors and seniors. If interested.

### MDA -- What it is

As the tenth annual Muscular Dystrophy Association dance marathon rapidly approaches, the campus fills with the excitement and anticipation. This year's marathon will take place on February 17, 18 and 19. In the nine previous year the Albright community has raised approxiamately \$96,000, making Albright the biggest youth sponsored fund-raising organization in Berks county. All of the money raised stays in Berks county. The \$96,000 has been used to purchase conventional and electric wheelchairs, send children to camp, and provide various other patient support

While many members of the Albright community tirelessly donate their time and effort to this worthy cause, many of us do not fully understand the scope of the disease. Muscular dystrophy is the name applied to a group of diseases that are, for the most part, genetically determined and that cause gradual wasting of muscle with accompanying weakness and deformity. These muscle destroying disorders vary in the age of onset, initial muscles attacked, and rate of progression There is no one disease called muscular dystrophy

The Muscular Dystrophy Association (MOA) was started in 1950 by a group of parents who have dethat, "there are no incurable diseases, only diseases for which no treatments have yet been found." Today, MDA is a voluntary national health organization which fights 40 neuromuscular diseases. MDA provides a

number of services including:

-Worldwide research programs in which grants and fellowships are awarded to physicians and scientists.

-Nationwide program of patient and community

services that help patients and their families meet the problems imposed by the disease.

-A network of 240 clinics providing diagnostic,

therapeutic, and rehabilitative follow-up care.

-Public and private educational programs attempt to achieve knowledge and awareness of neuromuscular

-Summer camping programs for patients aged 6-21. Each camper has his/her own volunteer counselor, and the camp is staffed by physicians and nurses who volunteer their time.

This year's marathon will include old favorites such as Smile and the Phillie Phanatic, and new attractions including the Touch and strolling magaician Jim Carrol. Various social and academic groups will again sponsor focal and game booths, and the faculty, staff, and Aministration will also share in the festivities. This ear the committee hopes to break last year's record of \$17,800. A total of \$20,000 will enable Albright to send a representative to Las Vegas to present the money to national MDA chairman, Jerry Lewis on Labor Day Weekend.

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For an indepth look, see the Albrightian window across

#### **BLOOM COUNTY**

























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ad, is alive in a U.S. product-testing lab (we learn of how baby b, subsequently, becomes a martyr in the Falkland Islands war). Opus, they aren't volunteers), Opus discovers that Morn is being metics ("Their products are made from animals... tested on animal-fur coats! IT'S A MARY KAY MASSACREE!!) Our a quest to save his mother. On the verge of liberation, in burst... are pinkl). Doomed? No. Just in the nick of time, the A.L.G.F. M-16c in hand. A fire fight erupts and Opus is "saved"... without Jones struggles with social equality amongst "convenient flesh crayons (an anachronism, Crayola switched to "peach" awhile

ndow across from Meeting Room One.



#### Calvin and Hobbes









by Bill Watterson

















































#### NOTICE

#### PERSONALS

ess- I think I should get ience Credit for living with you.

K-I have a question! Why is my life happening to me? Or even better-why is your happening to you?? I love you- K.

Laurie, Heat transfer in - Mass transfer out. What's that mean?-Me

Sisters, Belated thanks for all of your help. In sisterhood, Lynn

Lynn & Kathy - Thanks for the cookies, great timing. R

Jenn - Let'd do the Helter Skell again with the boys from West Point! -Sue

Pep - Forget the lights in the bathroom. this is a better way!

JRS - Will it be the one from the past, the one from here, or the one from Day's Inn?? DECIDE. SLA

P - You're such a tease - M Good luck TKE pledges!

Hey, Anybody have an extra \$4000? Because evidently the Woods isn't worth it, though it needs

R.A.T. - You're such a back-ass kinda guy -US

Vinny - If you go to the caf. Cover your spandex -T

J.B. - Way to go "Mr. Loving"

K - Jealousy is everywhere - let's just sit and smoke - L

Russ - "It must be tough being a Senior your Senior year..." (Lions vs. Lycoming)

Come on Klug, We Want Doorbells, We Need Doorbells, And ONLY your signature assures our Doorbells. <u>The Woods</u>

To the New Officers of GSS-Good Luck and Best Wishes for a Fantastic year! In sisterhood, Maria, Alice, Laura, and Valerie

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### The Speakeasy

### The Whipping Post Pub

by Bob Stravinski

As the immortal Neil Diamond once said, 'Hello again, hello." Yes, inebriation fans, the Speakeasy has returned after a month Over the first week of this glamorous interim, I fell in love. True love, not with a buxom blonde named Genevieve, but with the Whipping Post Pub on 11th and Greenwich Sts.

The Whipping Post is the consumate neighborhood/dive bar. I mean, the placard above the bar reads "Shirts and Shoes Required; Bras and Panties Optional," get my drift. Fortunately when I habitated (is that a word?) this bar, the Albrightian news editor accompanied me.

This pub is not a haven for the morally and spiritually weak. Filling the open space is a crane operator game, electronic bowling, and possibly the best pool table in Reading. The regulars here are friendly and open, quick to skunk you in a game of pool. Unlike most corner bars, outsiders are welcomed; not with open arms but with empty barstools. One of the proprietors, Whip, is a robust gentleman almost always found tending bar. He's gruff and blunt, but a down to earth guy.

Besides the pool table, The Whipping Post offers Coors Light Night on Wednesday

nights 8-10 p.m., for three dollars a pitcher. A real winner in my book is their Miller draft and a Slim Jim for a buck and a nickel. Their draft is good and cheap. Labatts, Miller, Coors Light, and Old Mil round out the tap. One of the best things here is their Winds and water for only a dollar. Can you top that? Ronie's can't!

When going to a bar, one must always mention the grille. It is ample and it is also cheap. Their "berger" is only a buck-fifty and a sizeable hunk of pepperoni runs for sixty cents (and I might add that is does run eventually.) If you get bored just sitting there or don't feel up to a game of pool, check Morton Downey Jr. on the tv. Your a is also diverted to the other placards the bar, some amazingly unmentionable here. Ladies are very welcombere, just be sure to wear your nicest deniminated and jeans with a Twisted Sister tee shirt (Twisted Sister?)

There's the Whipping Post Pub, short and sweet. It is a hike to get there so wear a good pair of shoes. If you go there, don't mention my name, he won't know me. "You're over there on Briar, right?" ... "Two, Briar." and I do have a pool and a pond. See you there and have one on me.

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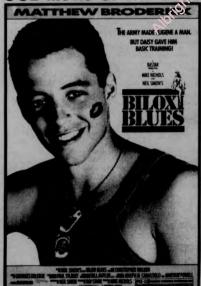
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#### THE SPORTS PAGE



#### Get off Buddy's back

Buddy Ryan will never win any award from the NFL. That's because no one (excluding his players and some Eagles fans) like him. The press, both in Philly and outside, can't stand him. On some of the Philly sports-talk shows, the hosts almost seem to be rooting against him. Some of these hosts, such as Bill Campbell, have been following Philadelphia sports for the last 15-

20 years. So why do they hate Buddy?

Do they hate him because he talks 'doodoo' on everyone? Do they hate him because he uses and abuses the press? Do they hate him because he eats pork chops? Do they hate him because he's winning?

It's probably a combination of all of the above. People love to hate Buddy. That's a fact. You either love him or you hate him. There is no middle ground. Their are two groups of people who love Buddy, his players and Eagles fans.

It's amazing how his players love him. He sticks by them and they stick by him. Ever since the 1987 strike, when Buddy supported his 'boys' and treated the replacement players like dirt, loyalty to Buddy is never been a question. Buddy has the Eagles programmed. Their undying loyalty is almost unbelievable when you consider Buddy's overall lack of popularity.

The Philadelphia fans love him for one reason, he's winning. The Eagles are not yet ready for the Super Bowl, but they have gotten better each year since Buddy arived. Buddy's first year was just ugly. The team was trying to learn a new system and as Buddy would say, "there were a few bad apples." Last year, the team had a winning record (7-5) in non-strike games. They began to play as a team. This year, they won the Eastern Division Championship, albeit with a little help from those two New York teams. Next year, who knows.

When talking with non-Eagles fans about the team, we always hear the same co "They aren't that good, they just got lucky." "If it wasn't for Randall Cunningham, the Eagles would be worse than Dallas." And of course, the favorite comment, "their secondary

However true or not these comments may be, the fact remains, the Eagles are the NFC st Division Champions. Buddy said when he arrived that he had a five year plan to get the Eagles to the Super Bowl. He said a lot of other things too, but so far, Ryan is on track to reach his goal.

Ignore what he has said. Forget about ome of his mistakes. Bypass his luck. Love him or hate him. It all just doesn't matter, the man is succeeding...so far.

On Dec. 10th, the Bollman Center was alive like it hasn't been in almost two years. Albright hosted Susquehanna in what turned into a double-overtime thriller. The stands were packed and rowdy. Albright hasn't seen that kind of fan support since Jeff Batturs led the team into the MAC Playoffs two years ago. The Lions lost in the first round that year. At the time, a writer from the Reading Eagle called Albright fans the biggest fair ather fans of the year. In a way, he was

Slowly, the excitement seems to be returning, but very slowly. After the excitement of the Susquehanna game, we returned from break to see a dreadful loss to Juniata. The crowd scene resembled a wake. Then, the crowd seemed a little more excited for the Scranton game, which was a corallated by a better effort by the Lions.

One of new head coach Ray Ricketts' goals is to bring back the excitement to Albright basketball. With all the problems this team has had this year, they have shown flashes of good things to come. It's way to early to judge Ricketts, but there are some good signs. The true answer will be seen hen he gets 'his' players on the roster. All of the upperclassmen were recruited by Will When Ricketts has a chance to recruit for a couple of years, and the current players get to know the system, then there will be pressure to win.

### The Squared Circle

by the Polish Pen

Welcome wrestling fans to the best seat in the house. You're in the front row as the action is fast and furious in the World Wrestling Rederation (WWF) and the National Wrestling Alliance (NWA). Both leagues are competing for the majority of the audience by providing viewers with plots that put daytime soap

operas to shame.

Just this past December 26th, the NWA held Starcade 88", the biggest wrestling event of the year. What a doosy! The "total package" Lex Lugar was defeated by NWA World Heavyweight Champion Ric Flair. In other action, the "American Dream" Dusty Rhoades and Sting were unable to defeat the NWA World Tag Team Champions, the Road Warriors, managed by Precious Paul Ellering. The NWA is fortunate to have commentators David Crockett and Tone

entators David Crockett and Tony Schiavane providing us with the "pillar to post" action. The WWF commentating tag team of Vince McMahon and Jesse "the body" Ventura are the Pat Summerall and John Madden of Professional Wrestling. McMahon's unbiased view of the action along with Ventura's way of telling things, "not as they are, but as they should be," make for the best play-by-play available in any arena.

This past Saturday, the WWF held its monthly Saturday Night's Main Event. The

Intercontinental Champion, the Ultimate Warrior, defeated the Honky Tonk Man. In much controversy and speculation, Hulk Hog was declared victorious over Akeem, who had help from the Big Boss Man and their manager, the "Doctor of Style", Slick. three-on-one situation broke out and the Hulk was incapacitated. Then the lovely Elizabeth(manager of Hogan and WWF Champion, Randy "Macho Man" Savage) was handcuffed by the Big Boss Man, until Savage, who watched while Hulk was beaten down by the three thugs, burst on the seen to barely save the day. I, as many other wrestling experts, have questioned the bond between the Hulk and the Macho Man. I believe this to be a highly volatile situation brewing. Should the Macho Man cross the line of all at is right and true, he will not only lose his WWF Heavyweight Championship to Hogan, but he will lose the lovely Elizabeth, as well.

Hulk Hogan is charasmatic in everything he does and is still seen as WWF Champion in many fans eyes. I sense the Macho Man hears those cheers for Hogan, and could return all the favors Hogan has done for him, by a dispicable display of "friendship." Of course, this is a hypothetical situation. Should such an event take place, Hulkamania will

Well fans, in the words of the NWA, "I gotta go, I'm outta time."

### **High Court rules on NCAA**

C.P.S. - A December U.S. Supreme Court decision has confirmed the power of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) to punish its member schools.

"I'm tickled to death," said NCAA lawyer Jack Kitchin.

'The court," added Executive Director Richard Schultz, "reaffirmed that the membership of the NCAA has the right to enact and enforce legislation that is binding upon each member.

On Dec. 12, the court ruled the NCAA had acted properly in 1977 when it ordered the University of Nevada-Las Vegas to suspend basketball coach Jerry Tarkanian for allegedly breaking NCAA recruiting rules

Tarkanian had argued the NCAA could not force a public body like UNLV to remove him from his job without going through legal procedures that would give Tarkanian his day in court just like any other citizen.

But Justice John Paul Stevens, writing for the majority of justices, disagreed, saying UNLV could either drop out of the NCAA if it didn't want its coach to subscribe to its recruiting rules or "it could have stayed in the association and worked ... to amend rules it deemed harsh, unfair, or unwieldy."

The 5-4 decision resolved a longstanding debate whether the NCAA, an association of almost 1,000 private and public members, should be considered a governmental body

whose actions must meet constitutional due process requirements, or a private organization not covered by the Constitution.

NCAA officials had feared a contrary dgement would have destroyed their enforcement powers by exposing them to constant litigation whenever they tried to discipline schools for violating rules on recruiting, drug use and academic eligibility.

"I think it will make the NCAA less subject to lawsuits, for one thing," lawyer Kitchin said.

The ruling is likely to enhance the NCAA's power to order drug testing, since athletes will not be able to claim the tests violate privacy rights protected by the Constitution.

It does not, however, affect a California judge's ruling that be at the NCAA from conducting drug tests in that state. The ruled in favor of two private as well as

Tarkanian himself isn't sure what happen now. "Naturally, I'm dissappointed,

The NCAA has not yet announced if it will again try to suspend Tarkanian, who obtained a court injunction winning a reprieve from suspension in 1977, when the NCAA first charged him with recruiting violations.

He has avoided suspension ever since (Tarkanian has never missed a game) as he won various lower court decisions.

#### THE PICKS OF THE WEEK

Well folks, after a needed layoff, I'm back and readier than ever to win a lot of my predictions. The Super Bowl is right around the corner. There are many different ways to look at the game. Here's the list.

#### San Fransisco v. Cincinnati(+6)

First off, we'll start with San Fransisco(-6). The NFC team has dominated the last four Super Bowls and has made a debacle of the AFC team. This year will be no different. San Fran is playing like a well-oiled machine. Their offensive and defensive lines have been owning the line of scrimmage. It won't change. San Fransisco 42, Cincin 124.

#### Over and Under (46)

We are talking about two teams that love to make the big plays and love to score points. Rice, Woods, Eniason, Montana - to me, that's more pours than anyone else could score. This could be the highest scoring Super Bow! istory. I'll take the over 46.

#### Over and Under 3 Field Goals

This is a questionable call. Both field kickers are good and capable of making our kicks easy. But the key here is the way Cincinnati goes for the first down on fourth and passes up the field goal attempt. For this reason I'll take the under 3' field goals.

#### More Yards Craig v. Woods

This is an interesting bet. Both players

can gain over a hundred yards. But the question is who can gain more. Roger Criag is the best running back in the NFL and has the capability to brake it long. On the other hand, Ickey Woods, another great running back, has to go up against the defense that has been crushing the opponents and making them pass to try and catch up. I'll take Roger Craig over Ickey Woods in the rushing category.

#### Over and Under 3 Interceptions

This is a given. Both teams through out the playoffs are having a fun time picking off the other team's quarterback at a clip of 2 to 3 a game. This game will be a game that the interceptions will set up the scores. Look for San Fransisco to pick off four themselves. Take the over in interceptions of 3.

Last, but not least, the coin toss. Yes, they do bet on this. If you can believe it, there is a trend that the team that calls it, wins the toss 95% of the time. This year Cincinnati calls the toss, so I'll take Cincinnati in the

Well, there they are, six ways to w I'll be waiting to see the outcome, watching the game with a few friends. Oh, b the way, in the Syracuse - St. Johns basketball game this weekend, no matter what the spread is, I look for Syracuse to blow the Redmen out. I'll see you next week with more winning



# THE SPORTS PAGE

## Men's Basketball team struggling for wins

by John Andersen

Albright Men's basketball is now in the midst of a four game losing streak after their last victory over Messiah. The two key problems to the Lions poor start are poor shooting and too many turnovers. The Lions are shooting only 40%, while their opponents are shooting close to 50%.

Susquehanna came to town on December 10th bringing with them an undefeated record in the conference. The Lions played tough, showing that they are capable of playing with the better teams in the league. It took Susquehanna two overtimes to finally put the Lions away. Jim Rolen's jumper at the end of the 2nd overtime, that would have given Albright the win, just missed. Matt Kaminski led Albright with 21 points and Tom Malecki finished with 13.

Albright's following game was on January 3rd. They travelled to Division I Lehigh University. The Lions gave their all, but were just overmatched by this team. Albright

committed 26 turnovers, most of which Lehigh converted into baskets and then ran away with an 86-57 win. The Lions were led in scoring by freshmen Gary Kasmer and Jim Rolen, each with 10 points. Juniata travelled to Albright last Thursday

Juniata travelled to Albright last Thursday and was met by a scrappy Albright team. The Lions kept the game close in the first half trailing 34-29. In the second half, Albright just couldn't convert when they had to, losing 79-61. Kaminski and Mark Stone led Albright with 12 coints a piece to a piece of the second half.

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Finally last Saturday, Scranton was here, and again Albright battled tough, but lost it at the end. Albright closed the score to 55-54 with 8 minutes left but Scranton went on a 15-2 run. The Lions couldn't overcome that losing 76-63. Kaminski led Albright with 17 points and Malecki added 13.

Albright played on January 11 when Lycoming comes to town. They play again on January 12 at Messiah and at Wilkes on the 18th. FDU then comes to Albright on the 19th to finish out the week's games.



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The Lady Lion's Nicole Buist drives down the court

### Buist, Koch and Long leading the Lady Lions

S.L.D. - The Albright Lion Women's Basketball team has had somewhat better success than the men's program this year. Head coach Sally Miller's unit stands at 4-5 overall (1-3 MAC Southeast).

"Despite being one game under .500 at the present time, the squad has been competitive in every contest," said Miller. "Inconsistant play has been a problem at times, but as the season progresses the team will mature and we should have improvement in all areas." Albright has been led by a trio of players

Albright has been led by a trio of players in scoring and rebounding all year. Sophomore forward Nicole Buist has been the team's top offensive performer throughout the year. Senior co-captains Alison Koch and Nedra Long have assumed their leadership roles well in the seasons first nine games.

The Lady Lions have received some outstanding guard play from freshman Rita Baran and credible performances from sophomore guard Michelle Ludwig. Postman Ronda Miller has filled the roll of Vest player off the bench for the team.

Koch, who plays center, needs but 41

points this season to reach the 1,000 point plateau in her career. She can become the fourth player in Miller's tenure as head coach to reach the coveted scoring mark.

Buist earned mention to the ECAC Division III South Honor Roll for her play last week vs. Western Maryland and Dickinson.

In the two games, Buist averaged 19.5 points per game while collecting 5.5 rebounds per game, four assists, seven steals, and one blocked shot. The smooth-shooting forward connected on 48.3% of her shots from the field in helping the Lady Lions post a 1-1 record for the week. Albright bested Dickinson on Jan. 7th, 63-46, while dropping a 61-71 decision to Western Maryland on Jan. 3rd.

"Nicole has been our most consistent player this season," stated Miller. "She has given us good all-around performances throughout the year and is definitely described of this honor."Buist leads the Lady L scoring at 16.6 ppg and collects 5.0  $\eta$  s. We has topped the team in point scoring five seperate times this season.

### Bringing back the memories

by Chris Gehring

Imagine if you will, the Bollman Gymnasium packed to the rafters; a crowded gym with standing room only. Hundreds of fans cheering the Lions basketball team on to victory. Certainly you are stretching your imagination, for this scene is far from the reality we face today. But it was not long ago when this scenario was in existence.

Over the past few seasons, the varsity basketball team has been plagued by more than just a lack of victories. A lack of fan support has been a significant problem as well.

The new athletic department administration under William Helm is making a visible effort to try and turn things around. For starters, a young, enthusiastic new coach by the name of Ray Ricketts was hired to lead the team. This move is symbolic of Helm's attempts to move away from the old and worn out athletic program, and replace it with a fresh and revitalized one.

Helm has recognized that a lack of support has been a dilemma, and he feels that the way to remedy the situation is to "generate more enthusiasm for athletics, especially the basketball program." As a result of this basic belief, a basketball

As a result of this basic belief, a basketball alumni night was coordinated. On December 8, 1988, a number of local alumni members who played basketball for the Lions during their years at Albright were invited to the gym. The purpose of this event was to allow these "prominent, well-established members of the community" to meet the players and the new coach, and "to try and get Berks County people familiar with the athletic program."

The evening consisted of the alumni members attending the team's practice, a brief speech by Coach Ricketts, and finally, a dinner at President Ruffer's house. By sponsoring this type of event, Helm hoped to "promote good-will with the alumni and community, to gain community support, and to establish strong community relations." Certainly, one would think that this would be an opportune time to seek financial aid, but according to Helm, "Financial assistance may come, but we aren't pressing it."

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The speech by Ricketts featured an open invitation for the alumni, as well as their

friends and family to come out and watch some games. Ricketts stressed that "the green are working really hard, and they deserve "port." He then went on to ask for their nelp by requesting that they "keep an eye out for young talent" and aid him in recruiting some players. Ricketts summed up his speech by calling for alumni support to "get things going in the right direction. Because then maybe the team can pack the stands, and play some really exciting basketball."

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There was a wide assortment of alumni present for the event: Dan Bollman class of 1938; Eugene Shollenberger, Tom Snyder, and Franklin Seifert of '49; Jay Lord of '67; Jim Fegley of '69; Art Purcell of '71; Wayman Clark of '72; Walker Wadsworth of '73; Bob Gallagher and Jim Kuhn of '74; Emil Dvorshock and Bob Ford of '81; Sam Marrella of '85; and Brian Bickley of '88.

As expected, the glory days of these men were brought to my attention. It was Tom Snyder ('49) that summed up the feelings of those in attendance, "All schools have their ups and downs. In the past, we had some great years, the last couple of years have just been rough."

The situation concerning basketball at Albright has changed drastically since the days of these men. In the past, the Lions played the likes of LaSalle, St. Joseph's, Cornell, and Villanova, and more often than not, the Lions were the victors. One particular game which truly stood out in the minds of the alumni was the Albright-Wyoming contest. Wyoming was just able to win the game in the final minutes, giving them a close victoru. Incidentally, Wyoming went on to win the Division I National Championship later that

Even though the teams of old played at Northwest jr. high school, they still "packed the gym night after night." It was apparent that these alumni members shared the attitudes of Helm and Ricketts. Hopefully, events like this will help turn around the sports program, and allow Helm to achieve his goals. The first step is clear, however, and easily completed. It is simply for the students to go out and support the team. Thus far, the Lions have shown a lot of potential, and with a packed gym, there is a strong possibility for some great basketball. The team gives it the best they have, now it is up to us to recognize