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Homecoming 1999: "I had the best time of my life!"



President Zimon sports the new lion mascot uniform before the game.

by Matt Neatock

Albright's student government once again combined Homecoming and Family Weekend in an effort to bring both entities together into one college and community-wide celebration.

This year students could take part in the first ever homecoming parade and sporting events, while in the company of their parents.

"I thought the whole day was really fun," said Krystal Hammel '03. "Your parents could see you and meet all of your new friends."

While some freshmen enjoyed the activities, a few upperclassmen did not believe that both family day and homecoming should be on the same day.

"It's too much at once," Mike Imperato '00 said. "People don't want to have their parents around

with everything going on."

Imperato did however believe that the homecoming activities were well organized: "This was the first year for the parade. I thought it turned out well and everyone had a good time."

For the parade, class members and their officers dressed up in different themes for their different floats. Freshman Class Treasurer Kristin Houghtaling was part of the '80s float and sported a Smurf costume to show her school spirit.

"I was really impressed with the amount of spirit everyone showed at the parade," Houghtaling said. "Everybody had a good time."

After the parade, most Albright sports teams competed. While the men's soccer team continued having one of their best seasons ever by defeating Alvernia 3-1, the football team suffered a 42-9 loss to nationally ranked Lycoming.

After the sporting events were over, homecoming queen and king were appointed. This year's homecoming queen is Erin O'Connor and her king, Scott Long.

"I was very shocked," said Long. "When I found out I just kinda stood there until the guy next to me was like 'What are you doing? Go forward.' It was a real big esteem boost."

King Long then gave his opinion of Homecoming 1999. "I had a blast. I got to spend time with my mom, I had a good time tailgating, it was just a really good weekend."

Other activities included a Homecoming Reception after the



Cars piled up on the practice field for the annual tailgating festivities.

football game to recognize outstanding Albright athletes of the day. Anyone was invited to attend the function which enabled the Albright community to meet with the Homecoming Court as well as other Albright leaders. Individuals at the function, such as alumni and

administration, were given an excellent opportunity to chat with current Albright leaders in a relaxed setting. Refreshments were served at the event which was capped off at its conclusion by the 1999 Albright Homecoming Dance held in the Bollman Center.



Students whoop it up during Albright's first parade through Reading.

Two certified EMT'S save the day for Crowell Hall student

□ The poise of two members of the Albright Community proved necessary.

by Frank Morelli
News Editor

It takes a special personality and a big heart to keep your cool in a high pressure situation. This past weekend two members of the Albright College Community possessed both of those characteristics in attacking a

potentially dangerous dilemma.

Shawn Kauffman of Albright Security and Adam Green '03, both certified EMT's, rushed to the scene of a student alcohol poisoning in Crowell Hall this weekend, possibly preventing the student from suffering major injuries or even death.

According to security, a call was placed at 1:15AM Saturday asking for assistance with a student experiencing alcohol poisoning. At this time, Kauffman and Green were on the second

floor of Crowell and they rushed to the scene knowing they would be able to help as a result of their prior EMT training.

Green explained that when they arrived on the scene, the student had gone into respiratory arrest as a result of the alcohol poisoning and had stopped breathing at one point. Kauffman and Green wasted no time in providing the student with mouth to mask resuscitation in an effort to restore oxygen to the student's lungs and brain. This continued

until an ambulance arrived to escort the student to the hospital about 15 minutes later. Green explained that had they not taken experienced medical action during these 15 minutes, the student could have suffered brain damage resulting from a lack of oxygen to the brain.

"I've been an EMT for five years. He (the student) needed help, and it was mine and Shawn's duty to act quickly upon that need," Green said.

Campus officials, such as

Stratton Marmorou, Head of Security, feel these individuals need to be commended for such a valiant action.

Marmorou said, "Here's an opportunity to recognize another individual for a job well done."

According to the security office, both Shawn Kauffman and Adam Green are new to the Albright security team for the 1999-2000 school year. Their EMT experience is expected to be a huge asset to the Albright community as it was in this case.

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Largest donation ever

by Lisamarie Cope
Staff Writer

An Albright alumnus became the largest living donor in the college's history with a donation of \$1.5 million dollars to be used for the endowment of a new Biology chair.

As Dr. P. Kenneth Nase '55 began planning his estate, he saw it fitting to

give a gift to the school that got him started on his career. After graduating from Albright in 1955, Nase went on to receive his M.D. from Hahnemann University in Philadelphia, and

soon became the first Berks County retinal specialist. Dr. Nase endowed the Biology Department with \$1.5 million dollars in naming Associate Professor Karen A. Campbell, Ph.D., to the chair in his honor.

"This endowment means a lot to me, I have worked with Ken Nase and talked with him about Albright and know what his visions with the science department are. With this endowment, we are able to move toward the future with his insights," said Campbell.

President Zimon announced the

gift on October 1 at the Presidential Council dinner. Here, the major donors were invited to pay tribute to Dr. Nase. Dr. Nase's gift is the largest donation from a living donor in the history of Albright College. The donation is extremely important to Albright because the endowment will be invested to support the college and thus earns the college money.

Others schools in the region, such as Franklin and Marshall, have endowments of over \$250 million, while Albright has a total of \$32 million. With

Dr. Nase's endowment, he is challenging other alumni who have the financial capability to support the college as well.

Don Kirkwood, Vice President for Advancement said, "Alumni of Albright feel strongly about the quality of the education at Albright."

According to Kirkwood approximately 1/3 of alumni supply Albright with a monetary gift each year. Dr. Nase also told Kirkwood that he hopes other alumni will "follow in his footsteps."

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Karen Campbell

New social gathering policy doesn't appease state officials

by Maria Herne
Eagle/Times

Albright College has enacted a policy intended to reduce student drinking in its Albright Woods Apartments, but state liquor law enforcement officials said the policy is illegal.

Under a social gathering policy that went into effect in September, students renting the apartments face limits on alcohol and the number of guests they may entertain.

They also must allow at least two college-trained servers to monitor drinking and serve alcohol at large gatherings.

But Thomas Heffner, a supervisor with Pennsylvania State Police Liquor Control Enforcement, said that the policy violates state law because it allows students under 21 to serve alcohol in an unlicensed establishment.

Documents that party hosts and servers must sign before a party is approved indicate that at least one party host must be 21 years old, which is the legal

drinking age in Pennsylvania. The servers, under college rules, must be at least 18 years old.

Albright Executive Vice President Paul Gazzero Jr. said the policy was based on Albright legal consultants' interpretation of state law. He said the law defines possession of alcohol as ownership.

The Pennsylvania Crimes Code Title 18 Section 6308 states, "A person commits a summary offense if he, being less than 21 years of age, attempts to purchase, purchases, consumes, possesses or knowingly transports any liquor or malt or brewed beverages."

Heffner said that although state law allows minors to work and serve alcohol in licensed establishments, it does not extend the privilege to minors in private dwellings. If student servers are volunteers, Heffner said, they are not paid employees of the college.

"The very fact that a minor student has alcohol in his or her hand is illegal," Heffner said. "It doesn't matter if they are not consuming it or that the alcohol is the property of someone else."

Gazzero said the college will look into its policy further.

"We will be consulting with our attorneys for clarification," he said.


Albright College instituted the new policy to promote alcohol awareness and limit the college's liability in alcohol-related incidents, said Michele Daniels, Dean of Students. The policy makes students accountable for the behavior of their party guests, she said.

"Students who host a party are essentially signing a contract," Daniels said. "They will be held accountable. We are the only college in the area taking an educational rather than an enforcement approach to this issue. We're giving our students the information they need to make the right decisions and to consume alcohol responsibly."

Joseph S. Rosenberg, Coordinator for Greek Life, said the policy will improve safety for students. Some fraternities and sororities are hosts to parties in Albright Woods.

The policy was created last year by a committee that included trustees, faculty members, administrators and students.

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- Wed. 11-17 Women's Swimming vs. Juniata 6:00 Away

Tennis brings home notable wins at MACs

by Cristen Leaper
Staff Writer

Looking back on their accomplishments throughout the tennis season, the team found nothing but pride.

The regular season ended with an 11-2 record after a 9-0 win over Cedar Crest on Wednesday, October 20.

Coach Bill Flegler stated, "We improved greatly over last year and the only thing left to do is improve did their best and worked hard, and I am very proud of them. They have experience now that will be useful to us in the future."

Freshman Becky LeGay commented on her first season with the Lady Lions by saying, "We did better than anyone expected. None of the other teams realized what we were made of, which put us at an advantage because they didn't take us seriously."

The top six girls on the team traveled to Moravian on October 22 and October 23 for the MAC Tennis Championships.

Junior Emily Wagner and freshman Cristen Leaper played one and two singles, respectively.

Senior Andrea Dennis and freshman Kristy Stutz played number one doubles, while senior Marisa Fiedler and LeGay played number two doubles.

Quite contrary to last year, each player made their way through their first matches with victories.

Wagner defeated FDU-Madison's first singles player in three sets, but came up short in her second round match.

Flegler commented, "Emily had a great tournament, especially with her upset in the first round. She gained confidence from it, took it with her into her second match, and fought hard. It was a tough match because the other girl was so consistent."

Leaper won a tough first round match in three sets, and proceeded to play the first seed of the singles tournament in the second round.

"Her frustration got to her in the second match, because no matter what she tried it didn't seem to work the way she wanted," Flegler said. "She banged the ball well throughout the tournament though."

According to Flegler, Dennis and Stutz, the top seed of the team was not tested until they reached the final match.

They played through the tournament without dropping a set up to that point. They lost 2-6, 6-2, 1-6 to the University of Scranton's first team, leaving them to a second-place finish.

Flegler proudly stated, "In the semifinals, they played textbook doubles. It was the best match they ever played, by far. They played perfect tennis, and you don't see a lot of perfect matches. It was fun to see all of the practice they put in pay off and come together for everyone to see."

Despite only a single day of practicing together, Fiedler and LeGay came up victorious in the first round against Elizabethtown, but fell in the second round.

"They played a very good first match and they had triple set point against the sixth seed in the tournament, Flegler commented. "After one day of practice, they did very well."

The team loses five of their nine athletes on graduation day of 2000. These members are Grace Barretto, Lisa Ciarley, Andrea Dennis, Marisa Fiedler, and Chrissie Jackson.

"We only lose two of our top six players," said LeGay, "but we are losing our most valued supporters and friends as well. They will be sorely missed and never forgotten."

Men's soccer breaks mark of wins in a season with victory over Alvernia

by Dan Pennucci
Staff Writer

The Albright men's soccer team squared off against Alvernia in a Reading rivalry on a blustery fall day here on homecoming weekend.

The Lions were looking to pick up a victory having lost three of their last four games. The game started off with Alvernia taking it to Albright but mounting no real attack.

In the ninth minute, Albright scoring threat Sutton Smith broke through the defense off a Tom Van Horn through-ball and fired a shot on goal. His shot was saved by the Alvernia keeper.

The momentum of the game seemed to shift in the 15th minute when Alvernia was awarded a penalty kick after a questionable foul by Paul Triolo.

Jason Magid read the shot and made a big save to his right.

The Lions went on the offensive after the play, and their efforts were rewarded 12 minutes later when Albright recieved a direct kick 25 yards out.

Dan Bergey was over the ball and noticed the keeper out of position, and he lofted a bending shot into the far corner to put Albright up 1-0.

The lead did not hold for very long.

Two minutes later in the 29th

minute, Alvernia's Garret Cullen recieved a ball and cracked a shot from 30 yards out, catching Magid off-guard and tying up the score at one all.

Things remained physical and even for the remainder of the half until Steve Lhulier spotted fellow freshman Aaron Preusser streaking down the left flank.

Lhulier put the ball onto the foot of Preusser, and Preusser finished with a near post shot that snuck past the keeper, taking the Lions to a 2-1 lead.

Coach Witmer made several adjustments at halftime, one of which being the repositioning of Tom Van Horn to an outside defender.

"They were sending three forwards at our defense," said Witmer, "so I decided to drop Van Horn to the defense so we would have four at the back."

This switch had obvious results, as the Lions allowed Alvernia only two shots the entire second half, and Van Horn cleared a

ball off the line after a scramble in front in the 60th minute.

The Lions took control of the play in a rather uneventful second half.

Several missed calls by the officials and near misses by Albright sum up the half nicely.

The Lions added one more goal after Preusser was taken down in the penalty area and the official made the penalty call.

Hacksaw Jim Rottbart converted the penalty kick and put Albright up 3-1, thus sealing the victory for Albright.

"Early in the game, Alvernia had us off of our game and they began to exploit us, but once we returned to our style of play we dominated the game," said Coach Witmer after his team's performance on Saturday.

This win was a record tenth by the Lions. "This is the best team in the history of the school," said a proud Dale Witmer.



Volleyball earns hard fought victory over E-town to salvage dismal season

by Shaun Schaeffer
Staff Writer

The Albright women's volleyball team ended a long losing skid by pulling off a 3-1 victory over visiting Elizabethtown on Oct. 20.

The game started off to an exciting start as the women from Albright opened up the game to a 2-0 lead.

Soon after, however, Albright lost the serve and E-town took the opportunity to start a rally, which carried them to a 6-2 lead before Albright had to call a timeout.

A series of tough rallies pushed the score to 8-8, before Albright's Robin Morris went back to serve. With the ball in her hands, she propelled the Lions to a 13-8 lead.

E-town called a timeout to stop the onslaught, and when they returned to the court they won the ball and battled with Albright before closing the game at 15-13.

In the second game of the best-

of-five set, the Lions opened up the game with four straight unanswered points. However, E-town was not impressed. They won back the serve and scored six straight points.

In a series of intense volleys, Albright clinched two more points, once again though, E-town regained the serve and marched up the score to 6-11.

The struggle for possession continued, and the points continued to mount for Albright till a 12-11 comeback was halted by an E-town timeout.

That was not enough to stop the Albright women, as captain Kate Werner sealed the game with an authoritative spike to the back row of E-town, finalizing the 15-11 score.

Tied with one win each, the

third game was a definite momentum changer. E-town took the opening volley and scored a quick two points, but on the third serve Colleen Reilly rejected E-town, and won the ball back to Albright.

Possession changed hands quickly and often as the score continued to role up to an 8-5 Albright lead.

On the next volley, Kate Werner's commanding spike was enough to inspire the E-town coach to take another timeout and give a pep talk.

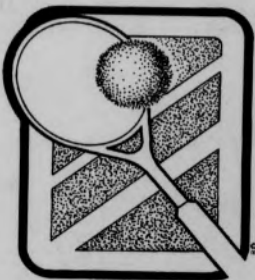
From there it was all downhill for E-town, as Albright scored six more points to close the game at 15-5.

The fourth game was the last for E-town. Albright opened the game to a 3-0 lead, before mistakes from both teams made the score 5-2.

That was enough for Albright. They turned up the heat on E-town and put away the game to a decisive 15-6 score. With that victory Albright won the game three sets to one.

"We came together with our play and chatter, that's what we needed to do to win and we did it," said Werner.

Nicole Houvig said, "Everyone's setting was great, and the hitting of Kate (Werner) and Colleen (Reilly) was awesome and the back row came up big, hitting everything that was near them."



The Albrightian would like to wish all of the winter sports good luck as they start the 1999-2000 season.

Men's Basketball Men's Swimming
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Music/Movie Review

by Erin Leyhane and Ellen Terrible

Fight Club

First rule, "There is no talk about the Fight Club." Why not experience first hand the thrill and chill of Fight Club by listening to the music or viewing the movie? Along with being Brad Pitt's latest movie it has to be one of the Dust Brothers greatest soundtrack productions. The music that accompanies this way-out bizerker film is unreal. Between the rhythm and the outstanding instrumental features this soundtrack will take you to a higher place. If you are not physically tripping you will be by the end of the fifteen song CD. There are no lyrics to any of the songs. The best way to describe it is a techno/new age kind of beat. Each song has a beat that pulsates through your body leaving you reaching for the "repeat" button. This is the kind of music you might shake your tooshie to in an all-night Rave in the city. It is also great driving music or

music just to play as you write a paper. It defiantly gets you moving.

The movie, "Fight Club" pushed my imagination and expanded my mind into a new realm. It reminded me a movie that can only be shown in small basements, undercover, not in a stadium-seating theater. It wasn't a movie with seat-gripping special effects or lots of hard sex. There were no James Bond big-breasted girls; it was just Brad Pitt and thrilling twists and suspense. It was a movie about being pushed to the edge and finding an escape. This psychological thriller matches up to other hits such as, "Sixth Sense" and "American Beauty." So, if you want to leave a movie speechless and shocked go see "Fight Club." It is anything but predictable.

Restaurant Review

by Alexis Grilli

Arner's Restaurant

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Steph's Commentary:

I first came upon Arner's while driving down 9th street on my way to work. After mentioning it to my partner in crime, Alexis, we set out.

Arner's has a cute interior; I don't know how else to describe it. It's like the living room in "The Brady Bunch" - stone motif with modern decor. I really liked the wood touch and the little pumpkins.

After perusing the menu, which is full of pasta, seafood, meat, and poultry, I landed on the sandwich section. As I've said before, I'm a fan of the chicken sandwich, but something new caught my eye. The grilled chicken ceasar wrap is filled with grilled chicken tenderloins, crisp romaine lettuce, dried tomatoes, and served with sweet potato fries. Hmmm... sweet potato fries? Kind of eery to me, but I decided to give it a try. BAD IDEA!

The wrap was wonderful. It was

It was even comparable to the one at Ground Round. It's good stuff; and for only \$9.99 - a dollar less than the Ground Round!

The people are nice, the food is good. Go there - Arner's has locations in Reading, Mt. Penn, Wyomissing Hills, Tuckerton, and New Castle, D.E. Don't Miss It.

Alexis's Commentary:

I was less impressed with Arner's than Steph was. I think I've been to so many diners/family be too high. I ordered stuffed potatoes. They were tasty, but I can't say that they were worth \$6.99. I must also say that Arner's has good service, however they don't have soap in the bathrooms.

So... if your money situation is like any typical college student's (non-existent), or if you like to eat with clean hands - don't go to Arner's!

Art Review

by Geoffrey Smith

The Americans

For over a month now, a show called, "The Americans" has been on display in the Freedman Gallery. It is a series of eighty-four photographs taken in 1955-56 by renowned photographer and filmmaker, Robert Frank.

On the evening of October 21 in Klein Lecture Hall, Robert Frank was supposed to present films and his show in the gallery, but he was in Sweden at the time. Mr. Frank relayed his apologies to a packed lecture through the Director of the Freedman Gallery, Chris Youngs, who said that Mr. Frank lives "out of a shoebox." He is rescheduled for November 4 at 7pm in Klein Lecture Hall, maybe with a new work from New York City.

The films were shown on Oct. 21. The first called *Pull My Daisy*, introduced by Prof. Adlestein as "the most famous film of the Beat Movement," and a "key-work in avant-garde cinema." The film was directed by Mr. Frank and Albert Leslie. The characters of film could not be heard, but a narrator filled in the appropriate lines. It seemed at times that the story the narrator was telling was a different story than what was on the screen. The majority of the film focused on a household of young beatniks explaining their views to "The Bishop," who was also young.

The second film, was shot and narrated by Mr. Frank around 1996 and was a tribute to his son and daughter who are now deceased. He asked a friend to erase the word "memory" from a pane of glass and the younger man said that it would not come off, to which Robert Frank said that it would be hard to erase seventy years of "memory" but it will humor to the audience was Robert Frank saying, "AH! Now I'm just wasting film!" Yet the last sequence was very powerful in my opinion. He rolled a couple dice and said, "I lost...so what?"

After the two films, everyone was encouraged to go to the Freedman Gallery to view *The Americans*. It was advised to view them in their sequential order (starting at one in the first gallery to the left of

the entrance.)

Robert Frank said that "The Americans" is an attempt to chronicle the kind of civilization born here and spreading elsewhere." There are many themes running through the photographs, often ones that seem to be in conflict: Old World/New World, subjectivity/objectivity, intuition/logical thinking, family/society, and freedom/convention.

One of the most striking things about Frank's photos is that in all but five of them, the subject does not notice the photographer and therefore it is an honest portrayal of human emotion, and the American culture. The question I asked myself very often while looking at the series was, "What are they looking at?"

My personal favorite, and one I suggest that everyone take special notice of is photo # 66, "Movie Premier - Hollywood" where there is a supposedly famous person in the foreground arriving at a theater, but she is not focus. The people behind her, are reacting to sight of the "famous people" arriving at the premier.

The last frame in the series is not one that is in the book, but is a tribute to Frank's son and daughter who were with him when he shot the photos all over the continental United States.

The Americans is an excellent show that gives us a glimpse into the lives of the generation before us and how they were affected by the world. I strongly urge all of you to go see it.

**The Ugly Oyster Drafthaus****Bar Review**

by "Tops" Harr, "Suds" Cellucci, and "Pub-Stool" Pettinato

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Last issue, as many of you faithful readers know, I received criticism on the establishment known as The Ugly Oyster. I felt that I should, at the very least, find out what this place is all about. So I jumped into my '89 Nissan Sentra (yes, the one with the deformed bumper and right-rear quarter panel), managed to recruit two of Ronie's patrons in my endeavor, gave us all catchy pseudonyms, and headed for the Oyster.

When we first viddied this mesto, O my brothers, it seemed as though something was visually telling us to "run...run far away," but, knowing that we had a job to do, and being that it was a bar (how we love those), we could not resist the siren song of cold lagers.

When we entered the "drafthaus," we were immediately taken aback by the brash voice that spoke the words "There's a four dollar cover." Well, we were shocked. We were horrified. We were appalled!

Luckily enough, "Suds," in his normal style of generosity, took care of all of our covers. What a champ!

So into the bar we sauntered. As we looked around, we noticed a very...eclectic crowd. You had the regular townies, the old-heads, the artsy-fartsies, and, of course, the freaks. I looked at "Pub-stool" and said something to the effect of, "This place is strange." He responded with an affirmative "Yeah it is."

The weirdness was put to the test almost immediately. It took no less than three minutes, sitting at a table, before a man in his mid-forties, fully pierced, nuzzled his chair up next to mine and asked me if I liked "crazies." I believe my blank stare--in the opposite direction--gave him the answer to his question. Then there was the pirate. No, that wasn't a typographical error. There truly was a pirate. Just to arouse curiosity, I am going to leave it at that. In other words, go to the Oyster yourself and look for an eye patch toting patron. In all

actuality, there are many interesting people at the bar, far too interesting to even attempt to put into words.

There are several points to note on the subject of beverages. Drinks at the bar are of an average price range. They are not as inexpensive as a place like Ronie's, but definitely do not reach the outrageous heights of Third and Spruce or the Firehouse. "Suds" made this comment on the issue: "If you want to look like Mr. Big Spender, but don't have much of the collateral, The Ugly Oyster is the place for you." "Pub-stool" then responded, "Yeah it is." If you are looking for a drink, specifically a shot, that is out of the ordinary, the signature "Oyster shot" will serve your purposes. Where else can you find a beverage that contains beer, tabasco sauce, and a raw oyster all in one glass? Nowhere I tell you. Nowhere! They (whomever "they" might be) tell me that if you can stomach the shot, you get a free T-shirt. Now there's an incentive if ever I heard one.

As the evening, along with our sobriety digressed, we were forced to retire for the night, but not before

listening to ten minutes of bad jazz (the apparent cause of the four dollar cover--we could think of no other reason). In short, it was an soiree of enlightenment.

So here is our summary of The Ugly Oyster Drafthaus:

Clientele:
Down-and-out necrophiliacs

Atmosphere:
Lots O' Lumber

High Points:
The monster of a urinal (check it out ladies); A bartender who isn't old enough to have a driving learner's permit

Low Points:
Everyone besides us and the bartender

Rating:
I gave it two mugs out of five. "Suds" and "Pub-stool" gave it three and a half mugs out of five

**Movie Review**

by Brad Elson

Elmo in Grouchland

Elmo loves his fuzzy, well-worn blue blanket better than anything in the whole world. In fact, they are inseparable--a perfect team. Elmo would never let anything happen to it--until a tug of war with his friend Zoe sends his beloved blanket into a faraway land and Elmo in hot pursuit.

Facing life without his cherished blanket, Elmo summons all of his courage and determination and sets off on an action-packed rescue mission that plunges him into Grouchland, a place full of grouchy creatures, stinky garbage and the villainous Huxley (Mandy Patinkin). There, Elmo learns an important lesson about sharing.

In addition to Patinkin, Kevin Clash provides the voice for Elmo and Vanessa Williams joins him. From Columbia Pictures in conjunction with Jim Henson Pictures and Children's Television Workshop, this is one for the whole family. Little kids, especially, will love this latest Muppet adventure.



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Anyone feeling stressed? This student has answer, "stroke it"

Dear editor,

Masturbation...there, it's out in the open now. If you say it out loud, conversations stop and all eyes turn to you. Strange how one word can have so much power. So, what's the deal with masturbation? For centuries, masturbation has been considered taboo; it definitely was not a topic to be brought up at dinner parties or in casual conversations, and even with the increased tolerance level of society as a whole, the subject still remains elusive to many tongues. Why?

There is a connotation that masturbation is dirty. Type the word "masturbation" into any search engine on the Internet and the majority of sites, if not all, consist of pornographic material. One non-pornographic site, created by the Church of Latter Day Saints, blasted masturbation as a sin, displaying passages in scripture which referred to masturbation as evil; it even offered tips on how to wean yourself off of your masturbation addiction.

The advice given ranged from changing your diet to eliminating tight fitting clothing to sleeping with the bible, or another holy book to help curb your desire to masturbate. The biblical references are a tough argument, but would it not be better to masturbate than to release one's sexual tendencies by engaging in premarital sex (another biblical no-no), or worse, rape?

We are often taught that our bodies are beautiful and now educators and parents are learning that they should encourage children to explore and ask questions about their bodies. Why should masturbation not be a continuation of this exploration?

Masturbation for the majority of people is a release of pent up sexual frustrations and desires. Men, who are more apt to admit to masturbating, as evident by random surveys, reach the sexual peak in their late teens, early twenties. Marriages

in that age bracket are becoming less and less frequent as couples begin to more effectively plan their careers and love lives. What channels exist to release these tensions for men and women whom are abstinent or waiting for marriage before engaging in intercourse? It almost seems that a punishment exists for those who choose not to be sexually active. The release offered by masturbation cannot be matched by alcohol, drugs or any other substance or activity, short of sex. Granted, some people do choose to be abstinent their entire lives, but for many of those people, that involved a commitment with God and their act of abstinence is an offering to God.

This is in no way an advocacy article for masturbation, but a little FYI, masturbation is good for you! In studies conducted, tension and stress are released via masturbation. Also, masturbating allows you to find your areas of pleasure that you can communicate with your partner to enhance your sexual experience. So, maybe you might want to check it out.

Sincerely,
Name Withheld



Albright grad suggests investigation of Zimon

Dear Mr. Miller,

I am writing regarding the situation that has arisen involving possible professional fraud committed by Albright's new president, Colonel Henry Zimon, as well as inappropriate conduct by the Presidential Search Committee.

As an alumnus of Albright College, Class of 1995, I am acutely interested in the progress of the college. This is due not only to my affection for the school, but also because the value of my degree in the professional marketplace is directly linked to the continued success and reputation of Albright.

Over the past several months,

allegations have been advanced with which I assume you are now all too familiar in your role as a member of the Board of Trustees. In responding to the apparently well-founded and documented questions about the contents of Colonel Zimon's resume, Albright's new president has been less than forthcoming, and investigations into the matter by the Search Committee have been half-hearted, severely lacking in thoroughness and quite obviously sympathetic to Colonel Zimon's denials of wrongdoing.

has done to this point, but they also feel that this issue will not go away without a formal investigation.

"I do not want my education toyed with, and we need someone to lead us by example," said Patrick Sasse '02.

There were also a number of students who support the president even if he did falsify his resume. One of these students, sophomore Anthony Krick stated, "Even though these allegations may have some validity, as long as he has not grossly misrepresented his background there are no grounds for his removal, because he is doing a wonderful job."

I attempted to get faculty opinion on this issue, but this article went to the press before their meeting about the allegations, and I did not want to mislead the college community on their feelings. One sentiment that was echoed by many faculty members though, was that they are concerned for the college and for President Zimon.

Like many other students, I do like Colonel Zimon as a person and a president. However, I think we as one community would be acting irresponsibly not to press for an investigation into these allegations.

I feel very strongly that an investigation would crush the backlash we are feeling and protect the integrity of this institution.

Sincerely,
Derek DeCosmo '01

I implore you as a member of the Board of Trustees to reconsider your full support of Colonel Zimon and your certainty of his innocence in this matter until a full and impartial investigation can take place.

Glen M. Martin '95

perhaps the hardest to answer for those close to the Albright community. Immediately, upon hearing of the latest account of charges against Colonel Zimon, Albright issued an official statement denying the validity of these charges and considering the matter closed. It is this inexplicable burying of its head in the sand that has me most frustrated with my alma mater. As most of the faculty - and almost anyone who has followed this issue agrees, none of the allegations regarding Colonel Zimon's professional claims has been satisfactorily disproven. In fact, it seems wholly evident to all but the

Presidential Search Committee and the Albright Administration that an investigation is not only warranted but is, in fact, imperative.

As someone who feels great

affection and loyalty towards the Albright community, the last thing I want to do is advocate bringing more divisiveness to a campus already reeling from persistent infighting and from an outgoing president whose term was distinguished most remarkably by vindictiveness and incompetence. But the same affection for Albright demands that fraud and deception - if, indeed, it exists in the office of our new president - be detected and eradicated immediately.

I implore you as a member of the Board of Trustees to reconsider your full support of Colonel Zimon and your certainty of his innocence in this matter until a full and impartial investigation can take place.

The media, the national education community, and most importantly, your faculty, staff, alumni, and students are watching. Please don't let us down.

Sincerely,
Glen M. Martin '95

*The preceding was a letter sent by Glen M. Martin to the Board of Trustees on October 21, 1999. It was printed with full permission from Glen M. Martin.

Blow your mind. Student gives his thoughts on developing Zimon controversy

Dear editor,

"He is a nice person and everyone likes him, but these allegations are serious and should be looked into," said Erica Roenthal '01.

Both Achal Mehra, journalism professor, and Julianne Basinger, writer for *The Chronicle of Higher Education*, have conducted investigations into President Zimon's resume, and have found discrepancies in his credentials.

As journalists they have taken this issue as far as they can, and have left it upon those with vested interests in Albright College to take the next step. These allegations against Colonel Zimon are of national interest and the negative publicity the college has received is of a large scale. The question that I raise to the Albright College community is: what do we do now?

This institution has been around for over 140 years, and many students, faculty, and administrators have come and gone during that time. What has made this college flourish for so long is that it exists as its own separate entity with its own integrity. My own opinion, is that Albright can weather any storm, so long as its integrity is protected.

I do not believe that the removal of President Zimon is the answer, but I do feel that the evidence brought to light warrants an investigation of Colonel Zimon. An investigation to

find the truth, to show that this college has morals, and to bring closure to an issue that has loomed for the last six months.

The best resolution would be to have President Zimon address the allegations to the faculty and the students, but that is not likely to happen. I would like to believe that President Zimon wants to give an explanation, but the reality of the situation is that this is a legal issue. I am inclined to believe that his lawyers are advising him not to speak about this situation.

I have spoken to people who work for admissions and people who work for the development center, where the backlash of this controversy can already be felt. Regular financial donors to the college are heavily inquiring about this issue and have refused to donate until this matter is resolved. Tour guides and admissions personnel on recruiting trips at high-schools are being asked about President Zimon and I do not think these students are going to find this as an attraction to the school. The employees that I spoke to did not want their names mentioned in this article.

I hope it is not true, but if it is, it's a shame," said Billy Donahue '00.

The consensus of the students is that many are happy with the job that President Zimon

Sports

Cross country picks up pace as season closes

by Cristen Leaper
Staff Writer

The men's and women's cross-country teams stepped up to the challenges pressed upon them to answer with wins and close times during meets.

The 1999 men's team started off the season with a third place finish at the William Patterson Invitational, and also finished well at York and at the Connecticut College Invitational as the season progressed. Back-to-back victories came on October 9 and October 16, Coach Don Gotshall hailing their win over Alvernia, Cabrini, and Wesley on October 16 as their best of the year.

Gotshall comments, "The top five men on the team finished in the top seven of the overall race with only a minute and twenty-three seconds separating them. That is a great accomplishment. The whole team ran well to put us in first place."

Junior Mark Mango, crossed the finish line first, winning the entire meet, followed by junior Brent Hurley, who came in 27 seconds after Mango. Freshman George Dimotis came in next for the Lions at fourth place, followed closely by junior Steve Zalewski and senior Mark Boyer.

Gotshall continues, "The team is finally realizing what they can do. We have five solid guys, and each one knows what the others can do. They use that as an advantage and stay close, so the split time between them is dropping. In all in, they are

steadily running more together."

According to the coaches, the men and women faced incredible competition at the NYU Invitational toward the beginning of the season.

The invitational consisted of thirty-nine strong teams from all over the Northeast. Although both teams did not fair well in the invitational, improvement became visible as both teams claimed victories over Delaware Valley during Homecoming weekend.

Earlier in the season, the 1999 women's team placed second in the William Patterson Invitational, and also won meets on October 9 and October 16. Coach Don

Watterson states, "The team is running much better in October than in September, and hopefully the best is yet to come."

Junior Carrie Jones stands as the top runner on the team, as she won the overall race against Delaware Valley with a 22:02 time. When it comes to the top runners, Watterson says that they flip with every meet. He comments, "It varies among Laura Byroade, Nicole Cassel, and Jen Hawriluk as to who comes in second, third, and fourth. Jen Busillo and Kate Frederick are also sound runners."

"The team works together and pushes each other to stay in the front of the races. They are not concerned with individual results as long as the team does well. I see a steady improvement, especially with the lessening of the gap time between the first and last runner."

The team is running much better in October than in September, and hopefully the best is yet to come.

Coach Don Watterson

Sports Commentary

Emily Wagner

He holds the record for the most career hits in Major League Baseball (MLB) with 4,256. He holds the MLB records for most games played (3,562), most at bats (14,053), most career singles (3,315), most total bases by a switch hitter (5,752), and a list of about 14 other baseball feats. He is also banned for life from the sport of baseball.

Guess who???

Okay, so that wasn't too hard of a question, but for those of you who do not know, "he" is Pete Rose.

Rose plea bargained his way through a messy ordeal over whether or not he bet on MLB. In his plea bargain, he agreed to a lifetime banishment from the game he loves.

Although he never admitted to betting on the Cincinnati Reds or on any other Major League team, he continues to feel the implications of this ordeal ten years after the fact.

According to the Baseball Hall of Fame's Rule 3e, "Any player on Baseball's ineligible list shall not be eligible for the Hall of Fame." Therefore, Rose, despite all the records he holds in the history of MLB cannot be inducted into the Hall of Fame banishment list.

Even though the officials of MLB and of the Hall of Fame may not "go to bat for" (excuse the pun) Pete Rose, many fans continue to support him and have shown their support recently during the announcement of the All-Century Team.

During one of the World Series games, the players selected to the All-Century Team were announced. In the midst of great names of baseball, including Hank Aaron, Pete Ruth, and Joe DiMaggio came

the name, Pete Rose. And with the announcement of Rose's name, came a 56 second ovation, the largest of any player announced that evening.

Despite the controversies surrounding Rose and his gambling habits, many people continue to stand up for Rose and his contributions to baseball on the field.

I pride myself as one of those people.

Looking solely at Rose's contributions as a player to baseball, there would be no question as to whether or not he would be inducted into the prestigious hall in Cooperstown.

Unfortunately, baseball's head honchos have looked past his successes as a player and looked into the allegations of him betting on their precious sport. Sure, gambling is not the most moral of acts, and if he really did bet on baseball, it was against the rules of the game, but let's look at some other examples of immorality in the game of baseball.

Ty Cobb, who was the first player to be inducted into the Hall of controversies, Babe Ruth was known for excessive drinking, and even Leo Durocher was even labeled as a gambler.

Furthermore, MLB does not seem to care about the repeat drug offenders who play the game. Doc Gooden and Darryl Strawberry have been given numerous chances to come back to play the game after repeatedly violating drug policies. Steve Howe was reinstated into the game seven times, each after drug offenses.

Drug use is illegal. Drug use kills. Doesn't MLB realize the implications of drugs? Doesn't MLB realize that

their players are role models and idols to children?

Yes, you could say then that Pete Rose would not be a good role model for children either, and I'm not saying he is the greatest of role models, but baseball cannot single out Rose for what he did and not severely punish the repeat drug offenders of the game.

Plus, the fact is that even though the evidence may be overwhelming, it has never been proven that Rose bet on MLB. Gooden, Strawberry, and Howe have violated specific MLB codes.

Rose has admitted to gambling, just not on MLB, but hasn't he paid his debt already?

Dave Pallone, a former MLB umpire, said in 1996, "I don't know whether he bet on baseball or not, but he certainly has paid for any mistakes he may have made. He has admitted he has a has given numerous chances to men with alcohol and drug sickness and they should allow Pete to come back."

If nothing more, Rose's situation should be reviewed again. Rose wants another hearing and said in a press conference, "Even Charles Manson gets a hearing every year, doesn't he?" It's only fair that Rose gets another hearing to look over his case once again.

Rose deserves a spot among the greatest players in baseball history: a spot in the Baseball Hall of Fame.



Lion Spotlight

by Dan Pennucci

Dan Bergey is a recognizable figure on the Albright soccer team with his curly red hair.

He can also be spotted as the guy who is giving his all and not quitting.

Bergey has endured several disappointing seasons in his tenure here and feels "that this is without a doubt the best team in Albright history."

Bergey leads by example on the field, and is an easy going and approachable guy off the field as well.

He has had somewhat of a transformation in his offensive game this year, as he is scoring more. In fact he is the leading scorer on the team with seven goals.

His first few of the season

came at Delaware Valley, with a hat trick, earning him MAC Player of the Week honors, and since then, he has been a major threat at the direct kick on goal.

He feels that "the offense of this team is tremendously improved. We scored only 17 goals all of last season, and we have goals being scored by a variety of players."

He admits that the team has had some rough spots which have let the preseason goal of reaching the MAC playoffs slip away. "We had higher expectations earlier, but some injuries to key players hurt us."

Dan Bergey is the epitome of a team player. He has never cared about who scores, as long as Albright is winning.

Simply put, what he brings to a team is irreplaceable.

Sports Question of the Week?

What University did former New York Giant great running back Tucker Fredrickson graduate from?

Drop off answers in Albrightian Mailslot by Monday, November, 8th. Correct responses will be placed in a raffle, and winner will receive a mystery prize.

Good Luck!!!

Jane Goodall comes to the Albright Campus

by Jennifer Schestok
Staff Writer

The true Jane for Tarzan was not the prissy girl you saw in the movies or read about in the books, but Dr. Jane Goodall should have been since she spent 40 years of study with chimpanzees in the wild Gombe National Park in Tanzania, Africa. The children stories of Tarzan and Dr. Doolittle were her favorites growing up. Goodall said, in good humor, that she fancied herself as a much better mate for Tarzan when she spoke to Albright College on October 14, 1999.

She came here on behalf of the Berks County Community Foundation in part to raise money for the Jim Brett Global Conservation Education Fund and to spread conservation consciousness. Albright College awarded Goodall with an honorary doctorate of humanities degree for her outstanding work and contribution to society.

According to Brett, "The Berks County Community Foundation and the Jane Goodall Institute are working hand-in-hand to assure that we can continue to broaden and enrich the conservation education curriculum for international students through the use of resources in our own backyard."

Native Tanzanian conservation educator, Jumanne Kikwale was also at the lecture with Goodall. He presently is a participant in an environmental education program at Nolde Forest Environmental Education Center in Cumru Township, Berks County. His connection to Goodall goes back to his late father, Rashidi, who was Goodall's first staff member, helping her in the 1960 with early observations of toolmaking among groups of chimps.

It was in the summer of that same year, when Goodall first went to Tanzania, East Africa. "Although it was unheard of then for a woman to travel in to the wilds of the African forest, this was the fulfillment of Jane Goodall's childhood dream," said the Institute.

Goodall's mother, Vanne only encouraged her fascination with animals. She recalled that her mother gave her a chimp doll at age one and she took it everywhere she traveled.

A few months after her arrival in Kenya in 1957, she met the famous anthropologist and paleontologist, Dr. Louis Leakey. Leakey wanted to pioneer a study of wild chimps in order to gain more insight into the evolutionary past of humans. It was due to her patience, persistence and unbiased nature from academic information that Leakey asked her to study the chimps in Tanzania.

During her many years of study, she discovered that chimps have a conscious self. "They know they are individuals. They have intelligence," said Goodall. She also made a real connection with them. She has seen many chimps born, grow and die.

Chimps are like us biologically as well as psychologically. Goodall stated about her findings. "They share a lot of our feelings. They teach us humility," she added. But like many creatures on this earth, they do have a dark side. The males can be extremely violent and even kill if they feel threatened.

They live by the basic rule of survival of the fittest. Goodall has worked effortlessly in protecting and improving the lives of chimps held in captivity and those still in the wild. At the turn of the century, chimps' numbers were in the hundreds of thousands. Today, their total number is less than 250,000. Her institute said that this decline was due to habitat destruction, the bushmeat

trade and the increased human population. In addition, many females were killed to capture their infants for the pet trade, entertainment or biomedical research.

"With the townspeople becoming more educated, more sophisticated, they don't just kill for sustenance now. They kill for surplus and profit. Wild meat is popular now. People around the world will pay more money for wild meat," said Goodall.

Now that the Earth has exceeded the population mark by six billion, there are only greater threats to all species because of the depleting natural resources. Goodall warns us of the double tragedy at hand. There is just too much human over-consumption (mainly Americans consuming more than 1/4 of the Earth's resources). Resources are finite.

"We have to stop leaving it up to politicians and scientists. We have to take matters into our own hands." She calls this attitude, "Just me-isms." We can search for organic foods and take extra precautions," proclaimed Goodall.

She told the audience that we should not despair because there is hope. Her new book rightfully titled, *Reason for Hope*, discusses many of the world's problems. In this new inspirational read, she lists four major reasons why there is still hope. The first is the human brain. "We are a problem solving species," she said. So, we can create new reusable resources. She carries around various articles she calls her "symbols of hope." The one that demonstrated the brain was an Eco-brick that her friend created. It is made of waste products and can be used for building.

Her second reason was the human spirit. She, herself, was extremely spiritual, giving off a warm energy to her audience. The spirit she said is boundless and can

transcend all things. Her symbol for spirit was a handicapped surgeon's glove and a rock from Nelson Mandela's prison.

"Nature is resilient," she stated as her third reason. Nature will regenerate like leaves she carried around from Hiroshima and Mt. St. Helen's.

And finally, her fourth reason for hope was determination and commitment, especially from the youth. Her "Roots and Shoots" program is evidence of hope found in the youth of the world. The Institute established the program in 1991 with the goal to empower young people to create service projects in their own communities. Not only will these projects benefit the community, but the environment as well.

She explained the program's ideal that, "Roots creep underground everywhere and make a firm foundation. Shoots seem very weak, but to reach the light they can break through brick walls. Imagine the brick walls are all the problems we have inflicted on our planet. Hundreds of thousands of roots and shoots, hundreds of thousands of sands of young people around the world, can break through these walls. You can change the world."

Kikwale works with the Institute as part of the "Roots and Shoots" project. While studying in Berks County, he will learn about reforestation and preserving the natural beauty of Tanzania. He will then take this information back to his country to pass it on to others.

Goodall encouraged the Albright College Community to do their part like Kikwale and participate in the "Roots and Shoots" program because "the future of our world is in our hands."

For more information about Goodall and her work visit her website at www.jane-goodall.org.

The Roots and Shoots Program

Began in 1991

Has 1,000 groups in 50 countries

Began in Tanzania

Began with 16 secondary school students

For more information:

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Cloud Party Set For Internet's First Time

On Sunday, October 31 (Halloween), Reading, PA musicians, Cloud Party, will become the first regional band to record the basic tracks for an album live on the internet. Their new CD will be entitled "Real" and will include all-new songs, the basic tracks of which will be recorded during a live internet broadcast by p-wave.com at 4:00 EST.

P-Wave, a Reading based internet company has been presenting live music over the internet since February of this year. Generally, bands set up and play in p-wave's studio/club while the company videotapes and records the show and sends that

signal live over the internet via their website at <http://www.p-wave.com>. There is generally a small studio audience (of about 50 people) invited to the show.

Cloud Party will take this performance one step further. Spending the weeks before hand preparing, Cloud Party will set up a veritable recording studio in the P-wave club. Working with producer, Craig Sockel, the band will prepare to record their performance digitally. This will involve altering the live show a bit (for instance, drums and drum mikes will need to be isolated from the rest of the music). But the final result will be that, in a doubtlessly frenetic two hour period and with an intimate studio audience along with

potentially thousands of internet surfers watching, Cloud Party will play the tracks of their new album and record that album live.

This is your invitation to this

album will be recorded, with overdubs, edits, and mixing done over the next week. The final result will be "Real", Cloud Party's latest CD, released on Googolplex Records in early 2000. Many regional bands have played "live" over the internet. Cloud Party will be the first band to record its album live on the internet.

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Sophomore George Merrill boots a 28-yard field goal to put the Lions up 7-0 in the first quarter.

Lycoming fires pass after pass to rain on Lion's homecoming parade

by Matt Kemeny
Sports Editor

Before the Albright Lions tied their cleats, strapped on their pads, and ran onto the damp, frigid gridiron, they knew what they were up against. Coming into the game ranked 5th in the nation, the Warriors of Lycoming College, had a record of 6-0, with a firm hold onto first place in the MAC.

Sixty brutalizing minutes later, the weary Lions trudged off the field after watching the Warriors spoil their homecoming by a final score of 43-9.

In a game that was won in the air, Lycoming produced more offensive fireworks than seen in most Fourth of July parades, piling up just short of 400 yards of total offense.

Ryan Swailes, Lycoming's tall, lanky gunslinger was the spark to the fire that burned the Lion secondary, completing 18 of 29 passes for 284 yards and three touchdowns.

On the contrary, the Lion's offense struggled for the first time in the last four games, registering only an average of 3.7 yards per play, while they turned the ball over 5 times.

Promising sophomore quarterback Mike Strack, was held at bay, completing only 13 or 34 passes for 152 yards and four torturing interceptions. The Warrior defense held Albright's superb tailback Matt Santoro to a mere 32 yards rushing on 19 carries.

"Offensively, if we had executed on several plays, it would have been a different ball game," commented junior wide out Rich Kolka. "Many times during the game, we were only one or two blocks away from big plays."

Before the Warriors scoring parade, Albright (2-5) jumped out to a quick 3-0 lead, on a 28 yard

field goal by sophomore placekicker George Merrill. The boot was set up nicely, after sophomore Jay Scheerer caught John Shaffer's punt and raced 60 yards downfield to the Lycoming 14 yard line.

After a couple of errant pass attempts, Merrill gave the Lions first blood, continuing his consistency on field goals and extra points this season.

"It all seems to be coming together for me this year," Merrill added about his season. "I just want to continue to be consistent, and help the team any way that I can."

On the ensuing kickoff, all 1326

festivities at halftime with some festivities of their own.

Swailes sent the Lions yet another touchdown via air mail, hooking up with his favorite target Tim Dumas for a 32 yard touchdown. Lyco then tacked on two more scores, one on an interception return and the other on a short run to put the final nail in the coffin.

A bright note for the Lions was a 16 yard touchdown pass from Strack to senior Howard Payton just before the end of the half, alleviating some of the pain that was caused by the unmerciful Warriors.

Following the game at the homecoming reception, Toby Ranck and Tom Fitti were presented with awards as players of the game.

Ranck had a banner day leading all players with 8 tackles while forcing two fumbles as well.

For Fitti, it was the second year in a row that he was the player of the game, and deservedly so as he recorded 5 tackles, 2 for a loss, while matching the physical play of the Warriors.

"We didn't come out to [4] intimidate them (Lycoming), because they were ranked fifth in the nation," said Fitti about the defense. "They came out playing very physical football, and physically we matched them, however, we made mental mistakes that eventually cost us the game."

The offense is working to improve for next week against a very tough King's defense, where hopefully they can get the entire offense back on track.

"They (Lycoming) weren't as big and physical as we thought that they were going to be," commented senior tackle Brian Wood. "Yet, as an offense we didn't do our job, and we have to work on getting better as a unit."

The Lions are currently in preparation, to meet the Monarchs of Kings College on Saturday the 29th of October, and then they travel to Delaware Valley, before returning home for the season finale against a tough Susquehanna squad.

With three games left, the Lions aim to salvage a respectable season, and pull out a .500 record.



Lion Spotlight

by Jason Bedisky

Meighan Rourke has been a huge part of Albright's women's soccer team over the past few years. With one game remaining in her final season, her soccer career is winding down.

Rourke began playing soccer in the second grade, but not on a girls team. This team was filled with boys. Being one of the few girls, she did get pushed down and run over a lot, but little did she know that this experience would help her until the present day.

She attended an all-girls' high school where athletic teams were very competitive. Her freshman year she started on the junior varsity team. Her last three years of high school, she played on the varsity team, and was chosen as captain for her senior year.

This was not the only sport that she excelled at in high school. She also ran track and received All-State honors for her efforts. She was recruited by Albright to be on their track team, yet her heart was with soccer.

Rourke had always been a team player, and for this reason she did not want to run track at Albright, but instead wanted to play soccer. She was intimidated coming into her first year at Albright, but soon came to realize that she could play with the best.

In her final season on the women's soccer team, she was voted captain for her outstanding leadership qualities.

For her senior year, her expectations have changed from the start. Her main goal now for the team is to finish without any

more serious injuries, to play to the best of their abilities, and most importantly, to have fun.

"We have a lot of fun, and also a lot of heart," Rourke commented. "I feel those two aspects are enough to have a successful season."

With only one more game remaining in the season, the thought of having to leave Albright and the women's soccer team has set in for her.

"I've made some friendships that will last a lifetime," Rourke said. "I'm really going to miss playing next year, but I'll look back and laugh, and cry too, because I really love the sport and the girls I've played with over the years. My college career would not be the same if I hadn't played soccer. As a senior, I know that now."

Soccer is not the only thing on Rourke's schedule everyday. She is also a proud member of the Sigma Kappa sorority. She would like to thank all of her friends, her teammates, her family and her coaches who supported her every step of the way. She would also like to thank her boyfriend, Bobby Maro.

When she returns next year to visit Albright, she hopes to come back and see an improved team. She wants to feel that she left her mark at Albright.

"During stretching at practice, the team often talks about former players," she recalls.

She hopes that next year during practice, the players will talk about her as they did about the other great players before her.

Albright athletes find cure in training room

by Jason Bedisky
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If someone has wandered near Albright's training room, he might see two men that are not very familiar.

Over the summer, Albright hired two people to their sports medicine team. Those two people are Jason Bottiglieri and Rick Partsch.

First, coming in as interim trainer, Bottiglieri has been at Albright since the midsummer sports camps.

Then, shortly after the semester began, Partsch came in as Albright's new head trainer.

Bottiglieri volunteered his services as a student trainer at Albright while attending Reading High.

After graduating in 1995 from Reading High, he attended East Stroudsburg University until graduating last May. He was an intern at Moravian College where he stated was "a good experience."

Bottiglieri now stands as the assistant trainer to give him enough time to obtain his masters degree in

Health Education from Widener University.

Parsch first became interested in sports medicine after he separated his shoulder during his sophomore year at Forest Hills High School in Pittsburgh. He received his undergraduate degree in Exercise and Physiology from the University of Pittsburgh in 1996.

He did his internship with the Pittsburgh Steelers football team and was a graduate assistant for two years with the University of Pittsburgh football team.

Before becoming Albright's head trainer, Partsch worked at Reading-Berks Physical Training office and also at Kutztown High School.

"We came into an Albright athletic training environment which we understood to be sub-par," commented Parsch.

Parsch continued, "We took on many new and different challenges to create a 180 degree turn for the better. Hard work, long hours, and dedication has led to this drastic improvement of overall appearance and care of Albright's student-athletes."