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Crowell Fire Destroys Second Floor

by Susan Miers

On Tuesday, November 21, shortly after 4:45 AM, the residents of Crowell Hall woke to pounding on their doors and a smoke-filled hallway.

A fire broke out on the second floor of Crowell and fire fighters arrived 10 minutes later, according to fire officials. The blaze warranted a second alarm which rang at 5:05.

Fire officials said the fire was caused by a candle which ignited a tablecloth in room 213. The candle was being used due to a storm-related power outage; the power outage also prevented the fire bells inside of the building from sounding since they were not connected to the emergency generator.

However, another part of the alarm system was connected to the generator and alerted the security office and a private alarm company who then notified the fire department.

Security guard Henry W. DeTurk, 77, spotted the fire during his rounds and radioed the security office to notify them. DeTurk then entered the building and began evacuating sleeping students with the help of those who had been awakened. He was later taken to the hospital and treated for smoke inhalation. DeTurk spent less time in the hospital than the doctors had wanted, according to Dale Vandersall, Dean of Students. DeTurk was back on the job the day after the fire.

Two other people were injured as a result of the fire. Amy Thorpe, a junior in room 218, suffered a fractured elbow, while fireman Gregory Lease dislocated his elbow.

Dean Vandersall said 77 students, living on the first and second floors, were displaced by the fire. First-floor residents returned to their rooms after Thanksgiving break.



photo by R. Blodgett

Crowell Hall during clean-up

The second-floor and third-floor rooms will remain closed until second semester.

Deputy Fire Chief William H. Rehr III said the fire spread to other rooms on the floor because several doors were left open by students fleeing the building.

The monetary damages of the fire are still being assessed. Paul Klug, Vice President of Finance, said he should receive an assessment sometime next week. Klug said that some recent estimates seem to be on target, but in his opinion \$500,000 is too much and the actual figure should be between \$350,000 and \$400,000.

Fire Victims Find Alternate Housing

by Laura Chambers

The fire that occurred in Crowell Hall has obviously caused a variety of problems for the students who reside in that dorm. One of the many concerns is that the students were forced to face the question of housing. Where were the victims of the fire to go?

Ed Skoczen, the Director of Housing, made several comments on how the decision was reached as to where the students would live. "Basically, the administration decided to house students on, or close to, campus for convenience reasons," stated Skoczen.

There were 77 Crowell residents that were in need of alternate housing. Skoczen checked the options available and decided to place roomless students with those who lived alone in double rooms. Many students didn't receive notification that they would have these "temporary roommates" before coming back to school, and therefore were not very receptive to the idea.

Faculty members volunteered their services by offering space in their home.

Many students chose to make their own housing arrangements. Leslie Simboli, a junior, comments, "Generally, Ed Skoczen did the best job he could do, faced with the circumstances. But I think some (housing) decisions were made in haste. There were rooms available on campus which should have been used instead of wasting money on hotel rooms" which could have been used otherwise.

Skoczen stated that 95% of the Crowell students were contacted over the phone during Thanksgiving break, to be notified as to where they were to live upon returning to campus.

Robin Feldman, a freshman, stated, "I was upset and scared and didn't really know where I was going to live once I returned. Also, I feel the administration could have been more helpful with the actual move itself."

Students from Crowell are being helped by many and are trying to make the best of a bad situation. Laurie Mack, a junior, comments, "I think that people should be able to study and be comfortable in their room, and I know that people aren't."

Skoczen hopes that the 3rd floor residents will be able to move back into their rooms on December 16-17, the weekend before finals. The second floor students will hopefully be able to move

New Gallery Show Calls For AIDS Awareness



photo by H. Burdan

Dr. Jerome Marcus speaking with Albright students

by Luke Krill

With the opening of the new Freedman Gallery exhibition "Art About AIDS" and the special programs occurring in conjunction with it, the Albright Community is given an opportunity to learn about the shocking effects the Immunodeficiency virus is having on America. Art has always been a reflector and a sounding board for issues in society. Even when it is very personal, art still carries a broader representation when it is read in the context of the individual artist responding to societal pressures. The current gallery show, which runs through January 21st examines AIDS (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome) on several levels: confrontation with the virus itself, the personal effects of living with the dying from AIDS, and the effects of this disease on our culture. Two of the most notable works that dealt directly with the AIDS virus are the painting by widely known, contemporary artists Ross Bleckner and a computer generated three-dimensional image, called "phscologram" - a cross of photography, sculpture, and holography, by a collaborative known as (ART). Robert Maplethorpe's "Self Portrait" (1988) which portrays the artists acceptance of his own situation as a PWA (Person With AIDS) reflects the effects on the individual. Maplethorpe died on March 9, 1989. Well-known graphic artists Keith Haring addresses the social response by transposing the symbols of "See no evil, hear no evil, speak no evil," and "Silence = Death."

Also a part of the show the gallery will also be showing several hours of recorded programs titled "Video Against

Aids." The video has been divided into three parts to be shown continuously during the gallery hours. One part will be shown each day on a video monitor near the gallery entrance.

The opening of this show was planned to coincide with the World Health Organization's "AIDS Awareness Day" on December 1st, and through the coordinated efforts of senior, Nadia Robinson and Freedman Gallery Director, David S. Rubin this day became a very important media event for the entire Albright Campus. Thanks to Cecelia Heller-Horacek, of the Visual and Apparel Department and several Fashion and Merchandising Students over 100 black arm bands were distributed to mourn the deaths of over 60,000 victims of AIDS in the United States.

The Campus Center was the focus of the day's activities as information about AIDS and AID's transmission was offered to students. A section of the NAMES project quilt, a quilt composed of 3' x 6' panels made by friends and loved ones of many PWA's who have died, was displayed throughout the day. Also there were information tables set up by the Berks AIDS Health Crisis, Planned Parenthood and ACONS, the nursing students organization. Condoms and information pamphlets were made available to all students, and three video monitors played informative programs provided by the Dr. John Gordon, the American Red Cross, and ACONS.

The days activities began as Chaplain Gordon called for a moment of silence in the crowded lunch hour Campus Center. For the next half hour several students read poetry and prose written by those whose lives had been touch by this horrible disease. Then speaker Dr. Jerome Marcus, president of Omega Labs, warned students to learn more about how they are at risk and how AIDS works against the human body to defeat immune responses this failure allows other illnesses to enter the body causing the death of AIDS victims not the virus itself.

Workshops regarding AIDS related issues were held with two of the artists represented in the exhibition, Ann Meredith and Dui Seid regarding AIDS related issues. Later that evening following the gallery reception these artists also spoke and showed how these issues have affected their work. Meredith spoke about Women with AIDS and Seid spoke of his work in homecare of PWA's. Closing remarks were made by William F. Bender, Board Chair of Berks AIDS Health

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Tensions Mount on Campus

by Erica Renee Ohr and Robert Stravinski
Albrightian Editors

The Albright Community has succumbed to racial tension this week, based on an incident report filed by a minority student. The complaint has been dealt with by the Disciplinary Board, following the general harassment policy of the college, found in the student calendar.

Tuesday, December 12, at 7 pm, the defendant a white student will appeal the decision of the Disciplinary Board in front of the Judiciary Committee; the Judiciary Committee is comprised of five students and five faculty members.

Reportedly, a black student was verbally harassed by a white student. Three incidents were cited by the student filing the grievance, while the interpretation of the accused differs.

The incident report was brought to the attention of the Disciplinary Board at their regular meeting. The stories of both parties were heard, with other students called in to confirm what had occurred. However, it is unclear as to whether there was an initial attempt at resolving the conflict between the two students themselves.

After discussion and investigation, the Disciplinary Board rendered their decision and punishment. An appeal, by the disciplined student, is being brought before the Judiciary Committee on the twelfth of December.

Both students and the Disciplinary Board were approached by the Albrightian for comments relating to the situation. One student agreed and commented on the situation; while the other had a meeting set up, but did not show, nor give the Albrightian a reason for his absence. A formal statement by the Disciplinary Board was promised to the paper, but was never received.

EDITORIAL

The campus is being torn apart physically and socially.

The unsightly construction and the unfortunate fire leave our campus torn up and scarred. However, the administrations' desire to expand, diversify, and improve the school socially as well as physically is creating something even more hideous. The social changes being implemented by the college could cause social separations and problems much greater than the physical separations and problems created by construction fences and charred rooms.

The school's desire to make changes are understandable. However some of these social changes are being encouraged at a great expense and are accompanied by changes in policy interpretation and enforcement. This has created an invisible monster that is beginning to take shape, form, and most unfortunately, color.

The color does not necessarily mean black or white. It's more like grey, red, and yellow. Grey for the area in which the school is operating its policy enforcement for various students. Red for the anger that is building in the student body. Yellow for the fear some students feel to speak out when they believe they have been wronged by fellow students or the almighty administration, not to mention a fear of where all this may lead.

The diversification is occurring not only in the student body but also in the policies designed for the student body. The following accounts contain limited information, and we regret any discrepancies in what we feel are "the facts." However, we very received little cooperation from administration in our hunt for the truth. They seem hell bent on concealing the facts from the Albright Community - students, faculty, staff, the board of trustees, and even fellow administrators.

1) It was learned through an interview with the Dean of Students that a minority male student recieved three separate warnings for three separate cases of sexually abusing female students. On the fourth incident of sexual abuse he was removed from campus. The girl received counseling, and the male student was dismissed from school. As far as we have been able to ascertain, the male student's records and transcripts contain no mention of the incidents.

2) Weeks later a white student is "fed up" with being called names with racial connotations (such as "white trash") from a black teammate and uses the term "nigger," in retaliation. The white student is suspended for Interim, placed on social probation for the year, and must receive [educational] counseling. In the opinion of the Disciplinary Board the white student's name calling has emotionally scarred the black student. This incident is permanently marked on his transcript; however, according to Dean Vandersall, this is not supposed to damage his future in any way.

Whether these matters were incorrectly handled is for you to decide; however, the administration must be consistent in its practice and enforcement of school policies. To allow someone who has a history of repeated sexual offenses to leave this school without intense counseling, or giving indication of his past history to his new school is inexcusable.

Does Albright believe that racial slurs are more damaging and threatening than sexual assaults??? Some believe that the treatment of these two incidents was inconsistent, unequal, if not unjust.

Diversity is great, but not in school policy!

SECURITY GUARD HENRY DETURK

would like to thank everyone who sent cards, flowers, and gifts in regard to the Crowell fire. However, the best present was knowing that everyone had a safe and healthy Thanksgiving!

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OFF THE RECORD

It all started innocently enough. I was drinking my morning coffee and picked up a copy of the Reading Times. The first thing I looked at was the weather forecast to see if it was going to snow this week. Little did I know that I was about to be enlightened to one of the most important meteorological discoveries of our time. I'm referring of course to the **Comfort Index**: that informative little section which rates on a scale of 1-10 (1 being the least comfortable) how much we will enjoy the upcoming weather.

The obvious question is, who decides these ratings? Does the paper hire a professional comfort tester? Imagine the Help Wanted ad in the Classified section:

HELP WANTED: Reading Times seeks a meteorological comfort tester for immediate opening. Applicants should have at least 3 years prior experience in the field of comfort testing and be a member of the International Comfort Testers Workers Union (ICTWU). All qualified persons should send a resume to: Reading Times / Attn: Weather Editor / Reading, PA 19603

I could just picture the applicants. Guys with names like Bud, Snake, Moose and Ox.. They would all show up wearing dirty white undershirts with their beer bellies hanging out. They all would have cigars in their mouths and a brew in their hands. They would be expected to take an examination to measure their accuracy in properly predicting comfort levels. The test would involve such complicated subjects as addition and subtraction of whole numbers, with an extra credit problem involving negative integers just in case another ice age hits unexpectedly. The paper would then evaluate the mental stability of each person, after all, this is a stressful job. Having the responsibility of making sure all of Reading and the surrounding communities know how comfortable they will be is no easy burden. Finally comes the training procedures. This is the time when the supervisor must show the comfort tester where to sit outside every day for 10 minutes.

All of this aside, what determines comfort anyways? Most likely a snow fall of 8 inches or more would warrant a low number; yet I would think that school children (who would get the day off), college students (who would take the day off) and snow shovel salesmen would all be comfortable. The Reading Times obviously has not yet realized that some people actually find the winter comfortable.

I took another sip of my coffee (which was quite cold by now) and leafed through the rest of the Reading Times. Somewhere in the paper there had to be a Social Index that could rate my chances for the weekend.

- Joel Cohen
 - Mark McKinney

Letters to the Editor

SOME THOUGHTS ABOUT THE CROWELL HALL FIRE

It is at a time of crisis that communities show their strength.

That maxim was no better demonstrated than in the wake of the Crowell Hall fire. The responses of members of this community to the residents of Crowell Hall were supportive and helpful. We thank you for those. We are grateful that there were no serious injuries, and thankful for friends.

Thank you all for being Albrightians. Sincerely, David G. Ruffer, President

The staff at Crowell Hall would like to express their appreciation for all the help and support received during the recent fire in the dorm. Thanks out to Henry DeTurk and the Residence Life Staff with special thanks to Ed Skowron and the staff and residents of Smith and Krause Hall. Further thanks go out to the residents, whose cooperation made everything run a little more smoothly, Albright Security and the Cafeteria Staff. For those who are not mentioned please know that you are not forgotten and that your efforts are also greatly appreciated. The staff and residents at Crowell may not have survived this tragedy so successfully without your help. Thank You Very Much, Crowell Hall Staff

Dear Editor,
 We are writing as two concerned students who are quite disappointed in the way in which the administration is dealing with the tragedy of the fire in Crowell Hall. While we are not Crowell residents ourselves, we are ashamed to be a part of the Albright community which is treating the victims of such an unfortunate accident in such an unsympathetic manner. Even though we are not directly involved, we have heard reports from Crowell residents concerning the handling of the situation and about the meeting that took place on the evening of November 29. At this meeting, a full 8 days after this traumatic

event, psychological counseling for those involved was offered for the first time. We feel that at the very least some sort of emotional support should have been offered at a much earlier time. Instead many students were left alone to engage in a frantic search for a room in which to live for the remainder of the semester. It has been over a week since the fire and Crowell residents still have no answers. When does the administration plan on giving some answers to the questions and concerns of the entire Albright community?

In closing, we all, as individuals, chose Albright for different reasons. These different reasons were joined together by one common thread - the people. At Albright we believe that the people make our school a special place. Now, the people need help. Has Albright turned its back on its people? Sincerely, Betsy Brown and Donna Voss

To the Editor:

Thanksgiving. What does it mean to you? A four-day weekend away from academic pressures. Getting a chance to see old friends and family members. Holiday shopping in overcrowded, overheated malls with enough decorations and displays to make you sick. Football games and parades on TV. A good excuse for overeating.

Unfortunately, these are the things that most often come to mind when we think of many holidays. Thanksgiving, like Christmas, has gone from its modest beginnings to a holiday which is largely run by the likes of Hallmark, FTD, and retailers everywhere.

Recently, a group of students got a serious jolt which gave them a new meaning to this holiday of Thanksgiving. Naturally, I'm speaking of the Crowell students who awakened by a fire on November 21.

Let us give thanks then... for Mr. DeTurk, the security guard, who quickly responded to the alarm and awakened many residents...that no one was killed and a very few were injured (but not

Spotlight: Henry DeTurk

The following letter is an example of the many letters of gratitude which he received concerning his assistance of students during the Crowell Hall fire:

Dear Mr. Henry DeTurk,

On behalf of my friends in Crowell, and as a Resident of Walton, I would like to sincerely and graciously bestow many thanks upon you for saving the lives of many Albright Students. You unselfishly saved their lives, and deserve more than just this letter of thanks and praise.

You can modestly say you were doing your job, or doing what anyone else would have done; however, I beg to differ. If Albright had been U of Penn or Harvard or Temple, your name would have hit the news. You would have been a "hero for the day" nationally. Well, sir, you are not only a "hero for the day" on the Albright Campus, you are a hero for a lifetime. That is, the lifetime of every student you saved. You deserve much thanks and appreciation. I don't know how to thank you enough for saving my friends' lives. You are most definitely a hero in my book.

As much as Albright students claim our security is not quick enough or efficient enough to serve our needs (should a problem arise), perhaps we need to give credit



where credit is due. Yes, you were in the right place at a most crucial time, and you did your job -- and did it well. For that, I commend you, and have suggested that others do the same.

Thank you for being a member of a concerned and unselfish Security Department on Albright's campus. I hope that your health is completely restored, and that you and yours have a very happy holiday season! You will be remembered in many prayers! Thank you!

Sincerely,
Chris Brandmarie, '92

(letters continued)

very seriously)... that only a few lost many of their personal possessions. It could have been much worse.

Close your eyes for a moment and think what it would have meant to you if one of your best friends in Crowell had perished in the fire. Think what it would have meant if it was YOUR room which had gone up in flames and the next thing you knew you had next to no worldly possessions to your name.

These thoughts aren't too far fetched. Lives could have been lost and all possessions too. But they weren't! For this we should all be thankful. It's true what they say: "You don't know what you've got until it's gone."

While we're giving thanks, let's give Security a break. They were there when the chips were down. They did their job and did it well, saving many lives and preventing thousands of dollars worth of damage. If it weren't for a 77 year-old security guard named Henry, who knows what we'd still be mourning today.

Security guards are people too! Although we most often tease about how old they are and how slowly they seem to move we must remember that they are husbands and fathers and grandfathers just like the ones in our families. They've got mouths to feed and expenses to meet and this is how they chose to do so. So don't razz and ridicule them -- because it was one of them who helped to save a whole bunch of us; over 100 lives, to be exact. Next time you see a security guard, why not say "Hi!", and if you see Henry DeTurk, say "Thanks!"

When you're walking around the dorm and you see a fire door (like at the ends of the hallways) propped open, take charge -- unprop that door! Report things which you think may be safety problems to your R.A. or R.D. Who knows, YOU may save a life!

Yeah, it was recently Thanksgiving break and we all probably did most of the things listed at the beginning of this letter. But this year it was a different Thanksgiving; one which many had something real to be thankful for; one which brought true meaning to this commercialized holiday.

-- T. Williams

RESPONSES TO LETTER FROM "A CONCERNED STUDENT"

Dear Editor,

I would like to address "A Concerned Student" who wrote in the last edition of the *Albrightian* that the most common display of racism he/she has seen on campus is the wearing of "black power" t-shirts. It is clear to me that this person does not know the definition of racism, its prevalence on campus, and towards whom it is directed. To assume that this is the most common display of racism on this campus is ludicrous!! Perhaps this student has closed his/her eyes to the real racism on campus, which is far more prevalent

and detrimental than a few students wearing so-called "black power" t-shirts. The racism to which I am referring is the racism directed towards blacks and other minorities, which we must face every single day. This racism is sometimes very subtle and sometimes not so subtle. As a non-minority (which I assume the writer is, due to the lack of empathy) he/she evidently has no understanding of the plight we must deal with.

It would be truly great to quell the "inferno of racism" to which the writer refers; it would be even better to extinguish it all together. However, before any of this can be accomplished, "A Concerned Student" and other must realize who is throwing a majority of the logs into that horrible inferno of racism.

- Tiffenia D. Archie

Dear Editor,

"It is a very grave error to mistake Black self-assertion for racism or Black supremacy. Black people in this country know what it means to be victims of racism, bigotry, and slavery. Realizing our predicament from these inhuman attitudes, it would be ridiculous for us to turn around and perpetuate the same reactionary outlook on other people. We more than anyone else realize the importance of achieving the type of society whereby people can be viewed as human beings. The means of reaching these goals must be, however, from the point of view of respecting the differences between peoples and cultures and not pretending that everyone is the same; the refusal to respect differences is one of the reasons that the world is exploding today."

- Members of the Atlanta Project
- Charnita M. Zeigler
officer of the African-American Society

SOME CONCERNS ARE VOICED

Members of the Albright Community,

Recent days have brought incidents which reflect lack of respect for the differences among us, and the different ways in which we approach our individual responsibilities as members of this community. The need to understand and accept difference is a basic tenant of an academic community, and one of the most important ideas we encounter in the classroom, in the ways we express our individual personalities, or in the interactions we have with each other, they are real and must be respected.

When any of us demonstrates lack of tolerance for difference through words or actions, we damage the fabric of the community. When we use words or actions which abuse others, we hinder their ability to learn. Because this is an academic community, intolerance and abuse are unacceptable behaviors wherever they occur.

It would be my hope that the joy and

NEWS FLASHES

INTERNATIONAL

Federal democratic reforms are underway in Czechoslovakia as a non-Communist party majority took power of half of Czechoslovakia.

Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher was victorious Tuesday in an attempt to end her rule of the Conservative Party.

The Malta summit produced three concessions by President Bush. They were as follows: tariffs on Soviet exports to the U.S. would be lessened, observer status in the Kremlin in a major international trade group.

NATIONAL

The U.S. is at risk of losing billions of dollars. They are of risk to fraud, waste, and other possible risks. The I.R.S., the Defense Department, and Social Security Administration are mentioned in the list of the high risk problems.

LOCAL

The state House of Reps. proposed that 21 new county judges be installed as a result of a bill passed Tuesday night. Berks County will receive two of these newly proposed judges.

The overpopulation of deer at the Lake Ontelaunce watershed may no longer be a problem. The city and state have agreed on making plans to solve this problem.

Experiences to Experience

Monday, December 11, 7:30 p.m., Chapel, Christmas Concert The 125-voice Bach Choir of Bethlehem, PA will perform a concert of Christmas music by J.S. Bach in this special appearance sponsored by Albright. This world-renowned choir, led by conductor Greg Funfgeld, will perform two Christmas cantatas and the Sanctus from the B Minor Mass-- three works the choir has recorded on the Dorian label. Organized in 1898, the Bach Choir is dedicated to performing the choral works of J.S. Bach. Its annual Bethlehem Bach Festival in May is one of the oldest continuing musical traditions in the United States.

expectation which are part of this season will cause each one of us to stop and see the wonderful ways in which diversity in all its forms enrich our lives and contribute to our hope for the future.

Sincerely,
David G. Ruffer, President

Dear Editor,

Last Friday an Albright student was suspended for harassment, namely a racial slur. In an unrelated incident last month another student was expelled after being charged with sexual harassment and assault. There might not seem to be any correlation between the two incidents, but beneath the surface there most definitely is. The student who was expelled was involved in at least three other incidents concerning harassment. Although these events were not documented, it was revealed to SGA by the administration, specifically Dale Vandercall and Sheila Carraway, that they were well aware of those occurrences, and took no disciplinary action against the student. In the case of the student who was suspended last week, it was his first offense, and he was given absolutely no prior warning or notice to the punishment rendered. Harassment is a serious offense and should be treated as such, and SGA does not condone on any form. However, we do question how the administration has handled these issues as blatant inconsistencies concerning the enforcement of its policies seem to exist.

As the student handbook states, the minimum punishment for harassment is six months probation, which the student involved in last week's incident received. He is also suspended from Interim and must seek "counseling;" he is currently appealing. SGA is most definitely not defending this student's actions, but the punishment seems exceedingly harsh, especially when in the other case the student was attending Albright with no formal reprimand whatsoever after three incidents concerning harassment occurred. How can the administration justify its actions when the student is seemingly being made a scapegoat at the mercy of the administration, while the other's behavior was covered up and remained undocumented? Whether or not these previous incidents went unreported is irrelevant; something should have been done to keep other students' welfare from being endangered. The administration supposedly warned the student involved in

the sexual harassment case, but it obviously had no effect, and yet another student can be suspended without any prior warning for a first offense.

The administration needs to take a serious look at the way it is handling incidents occurring on our campus because SGA is becoming increasingly concerned with stories that are circulating. Concerning last week's incident, as well as last month's, the student body should be made aware of what is occurring on our campus because the administration is certainly not making any attempt to keep the students informed. In fact, it appears to be doing its best to confuse, cover up, and handle incidents in whatever way suits them at that time.

- the Albright Student Government Association

Dear Editor,

As a student who believes education is enriched by a diversity of experiences, I strongly support Albright's effort to diversify its population. Among these is the Faculty/Staff/Administration Holiday party to be held December 17th at the Berkshire Country Club -- an institution which is offensive to blacks and Jews.

The Administration has tirelessly worked to foster an open atmosphere where diversity is accepted. Why, then, does this holiday party exclude/offend some dedicated members of the Albright community solely on the basis of race and religion? As students, we look at the way Albright employees interact, and frequently, we learn from your examples. The message this incident sends to students is bring people on to campus, but once here it's ok to put them into situations which are discriminatory or uncomfortable. Is this the message you are really trying to convey?

After attending two Albright Unity retreats, it is wholly apparent that your actions are blatantly inconsistent with your policies. On moral grounds, other faculty, staff, and administration should boycott the dinner in support of those who are not welcome by this club.

Students alone cannot be solely responsible for bridging the cultural gap that exists at Albright -- the effort must come from the ENTIRE Albright community.

Sincerely,
Lynell Shore

Campus Clips

The Albright College Choir will present its annual Candelight Carol Service this Sunday night, December 10 beginning at 7:30pm in the Albright Chapel. The choir, under the direction of Dr. Francis Williamson, will sing an "Alleluia" by the 17th century composer Hans Leo Hassler. Sue Wilson will be soprano soloist in a John Rutter setting of a Shakespeare text. The choir will also sing arrangements of traditional and lesser known carols including an Allen Gibbs setting of a Martin Luther text, and a poem of Robert Frost.

Chaplain Gordon will serve as liturgist. The Rev. William Marlow will preach.

Phillip Holzman, guest organist, will accompany the anthems and the choir and congregation in carol singing. Jamie Schlessman will participate in a cello, flute, and keyboard sonata of Sammartini. Peter Kaminski and Matthew Reininger will participate in a double quartet, as a part of an extended setting of *Magnificat* by Johann Pachelbel, a German composer a generation earlier than Johann Sebastian Bach.

The public is invited to attend this annual service of candle lighting, readings, and carols in the Merner-Pfeiffer-Klein chapel. An offering will be received.

STUDENTS, NOW IS THE TIME!

The calendar will say "1990" soon. And now is the time to pick up 1990-91 academic year financial aid application materials from the Student Financial Services Office.

All freshmen, sophomore, and junior students who plan to apply for financial aid for next year must pick up the required forms according to the following schedule between 8:30am and 4 pm:

FRESHMEN DAY CLASS OF '93 - TUES, DEC. 12

SOPHOMORE DAY CLASS OF '92 - WED, DEC 13

JUNIOR DAY CLASS OF '91 - THURS, DEC. 14

Each student must sign for the forms so you will be unable to obtain them for a friend. The office will provide each student

who wishes to apply with the proper forms to file as well as the *Student Financial News* which contains all deadlines, procedures and instructions.

Be sure to pick up the forms before going home for Christmas break. If you can't adhere to the schedule, please come to the office any time after those dates to obtain your forms.

Note from the Controller's Office: Recently the college has experienced an increase in the number of checks which have been returned to us for insufficient funds, stop payments, etc.. In addition to the extra work this causes our office, our banks have increased the charges for handling these types of items.

Therefore, effective Jan. 2, 1990 there will be a charge of \$30.00 for each check which is returned to our office.

The Class of 1990 Scholarship Fund campaign is complete, totaling more than \$40,000 in commitments from the class.

The campaign, conducted over the past month among 340 classmates, gained an average contribution of \$210 from 72% of all class members solicited. The students were encouraged to honor their commitments over the next five years.

According to Lynell Shore, campaign chairperson, the campaign is the eleventh conducted in as many years. The funds from all class scholarships provide financial aid to sophomore, junior, and senior students who show financial need and who are in good academic standing.

President Ruffer complimented the group on its collective effort on behalf of future Albright students, indicating that "such an undertaking by young alumni does much to strengthen this college as it prepares for the 21st century, and we are pleased to share in your success."

Station Move May Wait

by Lee Bleyer and Staci Kupersmit

WXAC-FM's plans for extended daytime broadcast have been put on hold.

The Albright radio station will be unable to broadcast from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays, as it had originally hoped to, because of a delay in the move of its transmitter and antenna.

The transmitter and antenna, which are currently on the roof and top floor of Science Hall was to be moved this month to the Maintenance Building at Albright Woods apartments. New plans now call for the move to occur next summer, which will allow WXAC to begin continuous broadcasts.

According to Station Manager Brian Niles, WXAC's transmitter in its current location interferes with Science Department equipment, and therefore the station cannot broadcast between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Programming for the spring semester will continue under WXAC's current broadcast schedule: 6 a.m. - 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. - 2 a.m. on weekdays, and 8 a.m. - midnight on Saturday and Sunday.

The odd weekday hours are necessary so that WXAC broadcasts the twelve hours of programming daily needed to maintain its license at the frequency 91.3 FM with the Federal Communications Commission.

Although the transmitter will not be moved until the summer, the studios and offices of WXAC are expected to move from their

current location beneath the Campus Center to the print shop area and the former Computer Lab # 1 in the basement of the Library-Administration Building by January 1.

According to Niles, improvements in the station's studios and facilities will be delayed until the 1991-92 school year when the Library-Administration Building will undergo major renovations.

William E. Hannaford, director of the library said that WXAC will be given space in the Library-Administration Building. "This is an era of construction for Albright," he said, "and by the time the library's renovations are done, WXAC could be moved three or four times."

Hannaford said that the radio station did fit into the library's new plan.

Improvements which WXAC will be able to implement after the move include the addition of a production room to its control room and secondary studio said Brian Niles, increasing the number of studios to three.

He said the additional studio will allow WXAC to produce better quality promotional spots and Public Service Announcements, in addition to providing post-production facilities for Inkblot Productions.

**Station Manager's note: The Executive Board has decided to suspend broadcasting for the January Interim. This will enable the station to fully relocate the studios properly. We will (tentatively) begin broadcast for the Spring semester the first week in February. Please watch for further information in the Campus Center.



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Racism and Ethnic Pride

by Dr. Kathleen Greenfield

"Why do black students separate themselves?" "Why do black students get away with wearing 'black power' T-shirts? If I wore a 'white power' T-shirt, I would be called racist." These questions are a natural part of the growing pains Albright is experiencing as it becomes a culturally and racially diversified campus.

It is easy not to appear to be a racist if there are not blacks around; but the presence of a considerable number of black and other minority students on campus has forced white students to confront racial issues on a daily basis. Most students have been poorly equipped by our society to relate effectively to roommates, classmates, and friends from diverse backgrounds. Many white students are raised in homogeneous neighborhoods and schooled in a culture full of deeply ingrained prejudices about black inferiority. Black students have nearly all been victims of racial abuse of some kind and also have inherited a cultural memory of white abuse of blacks.

This generation of students has grown up since the Civil Rights Movement. Today's students do not remember the blatantly racist movies and television shows common a generation ago. The dehumanizing portraits of blacks justified the exclusion of blacks from "respectable" hotels and restaurants, from the polls, and from the schools that white students attended. They permitted towns to exclude blacks from public libraries and from most meaningful education.

The victories of the Civil Rights Movement gained a measure of legal equality for blacks; however, racism is alive and well in the perpetuation of segregated housing patterns, school systems, and occupations. This year several young men have been killed for no other reason than the fact that they were black. Almost all black students have themselves been subject to random expressions of racist hostility or mistrust during their lives. Racial prejudices are still so strong that black people with first-rate educations and professional jobs may find themselves harassed or even burned out if they move into a white neighborhood. While other ethnic groups are subject to prejudice, none suffered the extent and intensity of abuse that blacks do.

Many white students at Albright find prejudices within themselves when they assume that black students must be less

qualified than themselves. A young man made a public comment this fall in a meeting in the Theater which assumed that blacks admitted to Albright under some sort of special admissions program.

In fact, at Albright the only special recruitment of minority students is aimed at outstanding high school students who are eagerly sought by many colleges. In three years of teaching at Albright, I have not yet encountered a black student who wrote "black English" or exhibited writing problems not academically, but economically: they are middle-class, often affluent. They are awarded financial aid according to the same criteria as white students. They are a growing black middle class which is the source of new Albright recruiting.

Why then do black students "separate themselves" on this campus? One obvious answer is that they don't. Every black student at Albright has deliberately chosen to immerse himself or herself in a predominantly white environment. Many black students come from predominantly white suburban school systems and feel completely at home among their white classmates. They rarely, if ever, seek out the "black" table in the dining hall or the "black" circle in the Campus Center Lounge. Many of these students are deeply offended by any form of special treatment or reference to their skin color. They feel "the same" as their classmates in all but the most superficial respects.

Other black students have grown up in segregated housing and gone to segregated schools as a result of continuing segregated residential patterns. They feel acutely the differences between themselves and their white classmates.

What all black students have in common is their vulnerability to white racism. This may take the form of being called racial names or having someone assume they voted for Jesse Jackson or that they are poor. It may take the form of being told "I would like to date you, but this campus isn't ready for interracial dating." It may require them to stand up in a public meeting and defend their academic credentials. It often makes them self-conscious when they enter an all-white classroom or restaurant and encounter numerous stares.

Social relations between blacks and white are inherently difficult in our society because of the "cultural baggage" we bring to our interactions. A white student approaching blacks has to worry about what prejudices a white friend holds and

what the unstated limitations on their friendship may be. The social encounter is inherently charged with racial questions which can only be answered over time. Only with other black students can most black students assume full acceptance.

It is not very surprising, therefore, that some black students frequently seek out the company of those like themselves—not to exclude whites, but just to relax, to experience a kind of comfort which is difficult to achieve elsewhere.

How should white students feel about this need? First, they should realize that white prejudice, but historically and in the immediate situation here at Albright, has produced this need for black community. It is fundamentally unfair to blame the victims of racism for feeling separate.

Second, white students should not feel excluded or rejected. Black students at Albright all have many white friends in spite of the sense of reserve with which some may regard a white stranger. Sincere friendliness will be accepted for what it is.

Third, it is extremely unwise to make any assumptions based on skin color. The fact that a person has African ancestry does not determine that person's cultural background, attitudes, personal character, abilities, or friendliness. The statement "Black students do, are, or believe..." is inherently false. The same is true of Italians or Jews, of course, and every other identifiable group.

Fourth, wearing a "black power" t-shirt or other assertions of ethnic pride are not necessarily acts of racial hostility. Whites usually feel no need to express ethnic pride because their ethnic identity is not challenged. In fact, relatively recent immigrant groups such as Italians, Jews, and Poles still sometimes feel the need to assert ethnic pride because they can still be stung with ethnic slurs.

The "black power" movement did not claim racial superiority; it affirmed the human worth, beauty, and dignity of black people. It claimed the right to struggle for legal and social equality "by any means necessary." At times the black power movement did advocate the oppression of whites.

To equate the "white power" movement with the "black power" movement is fundamentally false. White power

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Reaction to the Conversion of Graduation Requirements

by Susan Miers and Jennifer Zeigler

The report card is mixed on the new 32-course unit system implemented at Albright College this semester.

Under the new system, Assistant Registrar David Ballaban said, courses have been intensified to "improve the school intellectually, and place more emphasis on learning."

However the new system is being panned by some whose graduation plans have been dislocated by the changes.

"I changed my major at the end of my sophomore year and now I'll have to stay for another semester because I can't take the extra classes during a regular semester," David Rompolski, junior, said.

The students are now permitted to take a maximum of four courses per semester under the new system. With the old 40-course system students could take up to six courses to fulfill graduation requirements.

Eugene S. Lubot, academic dean, said students would be disadvantaged by the new course load restriction on if they were previously several credits behind in the old system.

Students who alter majors, or fail or drop courses will therefore have to stay an extra semester of make up the credits during the summer because they will not be able to take more than four courses at a time.

However that makes Senior Roger Bateman unhappy. "It's ridiculous that you can't take as many courses as you wish," he said. "If you want to pay for them you should be able to take them."

Paul Maguire, junior, said that the limited course load, which now consists of more intense classes, requires more work than did the previous system and this will adversely affect some students.

"Because of the change in courses, I think more students will be failing and dropping out, getting worse grades than they were before, and transferring to other schools," Maguire said.

Thirty-six percent of the student body, according to Ballaban, received non-quality (D or F) grade reports this semester.

In addition, Kristen Buchanan said that the new system is not clearly understood by students and faculty.

"Nobody has told us very much, so I don't think anybody knows what's going on. Actually, my advisor doesn't know much about it," she said.

Ballaban agreed that the system is not clearly understood. He said many professors do not remember what they voted on and that they didn't understand when the changes would go into effect. Students, he said, are sometimes difficult to communicate with because "they often don't care about things until it hits them."

Nancy Harrison, associate academic dean and registrar, said confusion is to be expected when changing a system.

"People are reluctant to change," Harrison said. "They like to stick to things they know, so there may be some confusion until everyone gets used to the new system."

AIDS: Do You Know The Facts?

by Nancy Berwind, Annmarie Biondi, and Sharon Clark

As everyone is probably aware, December 1, 1989 was declared World AIDS Day. In the interest of health education, three nursing students conducted a survey to identify Albright College Student's knowledge of AIDS.

The results of the survey concerning the facts about AIDS indicated that the majority of the respondents have a basic understanding of the disease. However there are several misconceptions which need to be addressed. The most frequently missed question concerned the transmission pattern: it is true that there is a higher incidence of male to female transmission than female to male transmission. Another question frequently answered incorrectly was the fact that legally you don't have to tell anyone if you have AIDS. However, ethically you may have an obligation to tell your sexual partners, your physician or anyone else who might come into contact with your body fluids.

As health care professionals and members of the Albright Community, our main goal is to educate the student population and to encourage a realistic acceptance of AIDS.

THESE ARE THE FACTS THAT CAN SAVE YOUR LIFE: 1) Latex condoms do reduce the risk of transmission of the AIDS virus. 2) Your risk increases with each new person with whom you have sex. 3) There is NO way that you can know with absolute certainty the past history of your sexual partners. 4) Anal, vaginal, and oral sex all involve contact with body fluids and thus are high risk behaviors. 5) AIDS is transmitted by individuals before they are aware they are carrying the virus. 6) The incidence of AIDS among the heterosexual population is increasing more rapidly now than in previous years. 7) HIV transmission can be a direct result of sharing contaminated needles. 8) If you consider yourself to be at risk, there is free, anonymous testing available through the Pennsylvania Department of Public Health.

We here at Albright may feel that these facts don't concern us. However, undoubtedly within each of our lifetimes we will know someone who has had AIDS. Therefore, it is imperative that each of us examines our own knowledge and feelings regarding AIDS. When you learn that someone you know has been diagnosed with AIDS or is HIV positive, how will you react?

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The observance of "AIDS Awareness Day" came to a close at around 9:30 pm with an emotional, silent lowering of the NAMES quilt section in the Campus Center Main Lounge, but "Art About AIDS" is not limited to a single day.

On Monday the 4th two trees donated by the River View Nursery were planted on the east side of Smith Hall and dedicated to all the victims of AIDS.

On Tuesday evening at 7:00 pm in the Campus Center Theatre there was a program of two events. Art critic Robert Atkins spoke on "The Art and Politics of AIDS: A Case Study Of Art and Activism in the Media Age." He discussed how artists have dealt with Media Age." He discussed how artists have dealt with AIDS in their art and also in the works included in the Freedman exhibition. Immediately following Atkin's talk there was a program of films about AIDS. This show was organized by Jerry Tartaglia, Albright Alumni, and presented by Berks Filmmakers, Inc. It included Tartaglia's film A.I.D.S.C.R.E.A.M. and six other experimental/independent films totaling about 80 minutes. There was a discussion of the works and related issues.

On Wednesday evening there was a panel discussion on "Living With AIDS" at 7:30 pm in the Campus Center South Lounge. Due to the printer's deadline this will be covered in the next issue.

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groups such as the KKK and the Aryan Nations have carried on a continuing campaign of violence and terror against black people to keep them in their place -- on the bottom of society and separate from white people. These groups are currently active in our society. Last year, immediately after a play at Albright opened with a racially mixed cast, KKK posters appeared surrounding the campus. A racially mixed group of Albright students pulled down the signs and the play continued. Separatism is indeed a problem in our society -- white separatism.

Fifth, what is needed now at Albright is really fairly simple -- the commitment on everyone's part to treat others with courtesy and respect. Black students do not want expressions of friendship from people who harbor racial hostilities; they have every right, however, to walk the campus free from racial abuse, to walk in any door knowing that they belong there and will be accepted for their abilities. For white students schooled in racism from childhood, it is not always easy to avoid undervaluing the abilities or misconstruing the intentions of black classmates. It is important, however, to make the necessary effort.

Nothing is more unfair than to deny the existence of racism or the pain of its victims. White racism is a white problem; it is the responsibility of the whole community, not just the victims, to overcome it. As we do overcome racism, the need of blacks to "separate themselves" will just quietly fade away.



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To View or Not To View

by Bill Exaros

Like most Albright College students, the "once a month check" has not lasted for me. Therefore this week I will review movies found on "new release" shelf of the video store.

The Accused

This movie, starring Jodi Foster is definitely not one to see with a first date. Let's put it this way, it doesn't make men look too good, and rightfully so. The ten minute rape scene doesn't do much for conversation like, "so how do you feel?" or "Hungry?". The plot is based upon a true story of a woman who was gang raped in a bar in New England. It is brutal, raw and riveting, and Jodi Foster's performance is worth of her Oscar. A must see, but watch it with a close friend.

Dangerous Liaisons

This one time play gets off to a slow start but soon catches you and doesn't let go. Glenn Close plays another Black Widow character, who along with John Malcovich works to destroy the lives of their enemies in the opulence of the sixteenth century. It is sensual, witty, dramatic and visually beautiful. If you like big flowing skirts, powdered wigs and breathtaking scenery, then rent this sick tale of deception, love, pride and the deadly game of lust.

A Cry in the Night

Meryl Streep, yes she's back, her hair is different, her accent is different and as usual she is amazing. While on a camping trip in the Australian outback, Streep's child is taken off by a Dingo (an Australian wild dog) and eaten. Yes, another light tale. The authorities believe that she murdered the child with help of her husband. This true story spawned a frenzy of rumors and lies, throughout Australia. You decide if you think she's guilty, rent this film.

Punch Line

Sally Field and Tom Hanks pair up to create a strange and yet touching story about the seedy side of comedy. Both actors are addicted to making people laugh, but for different reasons. Field's plays a house wife who spends the family vacation money to

buy jokes for her stand up act and Hanks in one of his best performances ever, is a med-school drop out who needs comedy to keep him sane. A drama that makes you laugh and cry, view **Punch Line**.

Mississippi Burning

William Defoe and Gene Hackman are at conflict as two FBI agents on a missing persons case in the deep south. Both men are investigating the disappearance of three civil rights activists that were last seen in this little Mississippi town. Defoe is from the new intellectual school while Hackman relies on cunning and force. Together they must overcome their differences to fight against the brutal and frightening world of bigotry and hatred. Perhaps one of the better testaments to the ignorance of prejudice, everyone has and obli tion to see this film.

Batman

If it hasn't been shoved down our throats enough, its out in video. Feel intelligent if you didn't spend regular movie price for this boring flick. Predictable and mildly amusing, too dark and lacking of a mildly entertaining plot are two good ways of describing this movie. Yes Jack Nicholson is good but how many times is he going to play the same character in different degrees. Jack, we've seen it before in *The Shining* and *Witches of Eastwick*, give us a break. Throw on a little make up and he thinks he should get paid millions and win another Oscar - please! Michael Keaton was panned by the reviewers but he seemed most credible. Kim Basinger did what she does best, look pretty and say a line once in a while. If there is nothing else to do like contemplating your navel of changing the thing that makes the water blue rent this movie.

Happy VCRing, Fellow Poor College students! And when you're at the video store, remember these thoughts - Why is it that the tape you want is never there? Why is it that you still don't feel adult enough to walk into the adult section? What ever happened to beta? And why is it that even if you know what movie you want you spend one hour looking just in case there is a better one?

Alcohol Awareness at Albright

by David Rompolski and Hiro Shioda

Alcohol support groups may be available at Albright College as early as February, according to Edward J. Skoczen, Director of Residence Life.

Skoczen, who has a master's degree in chemical dependency counseling, along with Dr. Timothy E. Ring, the Director of Counseling Center at Albright, have been working to bring some type of alcohol awareness program to the college. Both believe that the climate is now right on campus for such a program.

Ring said that a few years ago he wanted to start an Alcoholics Anonymous chapter on campus. But he said the college, including some faculty members, "didn't think it was a good idea." They felt that visiting parents might see A.A. flyers posted around campus and think that the school has a serious alcohol problem. And this might have led some parents do not want to send their children to Albright.

But Ring and Skoczen both believe that the time is now right for alcoholism treatment programs at Albright because of the national trend toward fighting chemical dependency. People are also more aware of the existence of alcoholism throughout all levels of society, and Albright is no exception, Skoczen said.

Ring and Skoczen plan to establish an alcohol support group. The group would meet once a week to discuss and deal with alcoholism. The group will be open to "co-dependent" students, Skoczen said. "Co-dependent" people are those who may not themselves be alcoholics, but have alcoholics in their families.

Skoczen believes that by involving "co-dependent" students, they can open the program up to more people.

"One out of every 10 people is an alcoholic. But nearly everyone is acquainted with at least an alcoholic," Skoczen said.

The current method for helping alcoholic students is through weekly counseling sessions with Ring. And according to Ring, Students who need intensive supervision enroll on an outpatient basis at the Caron Foundation, in West Basing.

"Our main goal is to keep students from dropping out," Ring said, as it makes their

situation worse and makes them more prone to continue drinking.

Ring added that most alcoholic students he is currently counseling have been forced to receive counseling after they started fights on campus, vandalized property (or suffered from depression. But by opening the groups up to everyone, students who have a problem but do not actually admit it might become interested in getting help.

Dale J. Vandersall, dean of students, says that students have problems admitting to alcoholism. However, he said, "In a college situation, it is very easy to become an alcoholic."

Ring said that peer-pressure on incoming freshmen is a major cause of student alcoholism. Freshmen feel that to socialize and become acquainted with other students they have to attend many parties. And even if they become intoxicated they realize that their parents aren't around to check on them, he said. Their new freedom helps perpetuate alcoholism.

Ring estimates that "freshmen average around three beers a day, while upperclassmen average only around one and a half beers a day."

By creating alcohol support groups and bring in speakers to talk about the effects of alcohol, Ring and Skoczen hope to involve more students in alcohol programs, and possibly help some students realize that they might have a problem with alcohol.

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The Speakeasy: Hippodrome

by Bob Stravinski

"I'm gonna seal up the windows, make some macaroni and cheese, and turn up the gas." Has anybody missed me? Gosh, I sure hope so. In Albright's ever expanding attempt to broaden my horizons, I traveled across the ocean for this week's *Speakeasy*.

Where did you go, they say? Look at the title. "Silly audience, Sedgways are for kids." After the transatlantic moan, my safe sex partner and I traveled to a London hotspot entitled theHippodrome.

This place is right out of a Frankie Goes to Hollywood video. I've always said I'd never go back to the Loft, and I did, and I go to this dance place. What a run on sentence, or a sentence that just doesn't make sense. Needless to say I hate to dance because I can't dance.

Before hand, of course, I happened to enjoy the nearby watering holes. London, much like Reading, has a pub on every corner. Places named *The Rags Head, Courage, Tom and Jerry's, and The Scrotums Feet*, were all establishments I threw down a pint or so at. Not knowing the currency helped. I think I bought a beer for ten dollars. So what, it's just money.

Back to the dance place. They have these dudes outside, reminding me that pro wrestling is alive and well, thank you very little. Once inside the doors, it gets weirder. Mirrors everywhere and I haven't left the bathroom. Up this runway, there are pictures of non-famous celebrities. Great.

Finally I get near the bar. Just two pound fifty for a beer-American terms, an arm and a leg. The dance floor is at the bottom of the rollerball arena. Seriously, I was waiting for Jonathan E. to skate by. My beautiful accomplice and I waited an hour for a slow dance, needless to say it never happened.

Halfway in between, sandwiched in a Paula Abdul tune, drops this big screen TV. I was chillin' to Bugs Bunny until some British guy stumbles into me, sorry mate, have another beer bloke.

Meanwhile, back at the ranch. This place is meat market central. Two circular tiers high with a knockout lightshow, they parade around looking for the kill. You figure it out. As Pete would do, to make a short story longer, I left the place thoroughly bored as well as intoxicated. No one ever said I could hold my liquor.

As you can very well read, except for Theo, I've returned with my mind set that I love the US. Stay tuned for the Bob and Jay show, when we resurrect Elvis and Jimmy Hoffa, and let them play chess. Am I a professional? At this point we don't know. See you over there sometime and have one on me.

Amnesty International Forms at Albright

by Kim Hill

A new group was recently formed on the campus of Albright College. Amnesty International is a commonly recognized organization around the world and is now making its roots here. The purpose of Amnesty International, as stated in our constitution, is that it "...is an independent, world-wide movement working for the release of all non-violent prisoners of conscience (men, women and children imprisoned because of their beliefs, national origin, sex, race, or language), fair and prompt trials for all prisoners, and the abolition of torture and execution under all circumstances. It is independent of any political, ideological or religious affiliation and is funded by donations from its members and supporters around the world." What Amnesty International Albright College Chapter(AIAC) is trying to do is fulfill a few goals. We are hoping to promote awareness of human rights on Albright Collegecampus, to enhance leadership qualities of its members, and to encourage campus involvement in foreign affairs. The group does this by writing letters or petitions to those officials in charge of the country whose actions have come to our attention to pressure them into changing their plans or courses of action.

Every month AIAC focuses on a country whose problems have come to national attention. Guatemala is the country on focus this month. In the States, many students take for granted their abilities to speak their minds and have public demonstrations making others aware of their concerns. But Guatemala this is impossible. Recently at least 12 students from the Universidad de San Carlos (USAC) were abducted by official security agents. Seven of the 12 were found dead and the condition of the others remains a mystery. Man of the homes of these students have been robbed by armed men believed to be members of the security forces. The victims were apparent leaders of the Student's Association at the USAC, the Association of University Students (AEU). Other members have received death threats pertaining to them holding their

positions in the AEU. Other students were abducted for their support of a teacher's strike in August of this year.

There has also been incidents of "death squad" activities in the past year. Two bombs were dropped near the home of a student leader of the AEU in February. Pamphlets spotted with blood were scattered in the area to warn students not to participate in the upcoming Huelgo de Dolores (an annual student demonstration, satirically portraying current political events in Guatemala). The pamphlets listed the names of the 12 student leaders who were then abducted. The second set of pamphlets warned others to stop participation in the AEU. Many members of the organization have left Guatemala in fear of their lives. AIAC is looking for more people to join the group and help those who are already members achieve our goals.

We need people to help us reach those governments, like Guatemala, or those in charge of organizations and let them know that there are people aware of what is going on. Some current projects that we are working on is airing the Amnesty International/Human Rights Now tour as a part of study breaks during exams. This concert features Sting, Bruce Springsteen, Peter Gabriel, Tracey Chapman, and Youssou N'Dour. For the Christmas season, one of our projects is to send toys to the missing children of Peru. We are asking people to donate an inexpensive toy and we will in turn send all the toys to the officials in Peru asking them to please give these toys to the 300 missing children for Christmas. And also, at the Christmas dance, we will be having a table set up for students to take the opportunity to send a Holiday Card to a prisoner of conscience. For every card that a student signs, we will put a red ribbon on the Amnesty International tree at the dance. Each ribbon will have a prisoner's name inscribed on it. It is activities like these that we need your help and support to make work. More information will be available in the Campus Center on December 9th. If you are interested in joining Amnesty International here at Albright, stop by our table on the 9th or drop a note to Chris Wheeler c/o Box 1444. We need your support!

S.G.A. Minutes for the Meeting held
November 31, 1989
Time: 9:00pm - 10:00pm

Members Present: Stan Chrapowicki, Cris Giambalvo, Bill Kazmierczak, Christopher Krow, Tom Malecki, Pete Mandalakis, Steve Reidnauer, Dave Schultz, Stephanie Smith, Heather Stewart, Lou Verdelli.
Members Absent: David Spratt, Mike Ziolkowski

1. Minutes from the November 15 meeting were approved as read.
2. Lou Verdelli reported that the Treasury holds \$37,944.83.
3. Cris Giambalvo reported on the minutes from the Library Learning and Resource Committee and the Campus Programs and Organization Committee.
4. There was no RSA report.
5. There was no DSA report.
6. Cris Giambalvo was present from ACONS to report on the SNAP convention.
7. The Crowell Hall fire was discussed at length.
8. Cris Giambalvo motioned to close the meeting with Steve Reidnauer seconding.

Respectfully submitted,
Heather Stewart, SGA Secretary

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PERSONALS

CF, MS, JS - Yeah! -PK3

Dorothy - You are so "adorable!" P.S. Was it as good for you as it was for me?

M-LM, How was your birthday, hrm? -PK3

Bri - Since you'll have so much free time next month, wanna join staff??? NOT!

Vella - 72 tackles don't mean anything when you cry over a tree. - The roomies

Fish - Up for Nostalgia?

Hey Tina, what did you think about your birthday present? Well, now that you have your own wood, I guess you won't need to use anyone else's! - U.No Hu

Hey Guys - Anyone want to go to Maxwell Mansion.

Tuna Man Welch - New heights as a lightweight. Next time cover yourself. - your roomies

Why do we rush Christmas?
- A very concerned customer

Hey Enlightened One: Who needs a study break when there's Club Led Zap to relieve stress and to aggravate the rest of Walton? -The Transcendentalist

Dr. Chuck - Which way did I go...which way did I go! - Fox (hurr)

Anne & Barry - you guys make us sick, why don't you take it to a room?
Love The Freshes

John M. Can I borrow your hat? Oh never mind - roommate

James - I hope everything turns out okay? - Saidah

Brad - I am going to miss you soo much Remember our conversation. We will survive I love you very much - Saidah

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Sav, Thanks for the ride home, Christine

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Ya-k we wanted a Bud Light!

Phil & Dorothy - Virginia, there is a Santa Claus! They finally printed our article. -Brian

Anna - who did not attend the open house at Alpha Chi Rho, Nov. 29th missed up a real treat. It was inspiring to see the work and the pride the Fraternity brothers put into their house. As guests, we want to compliment them on their hospitality. Thanks fellows!
Louise Pammer and Pat Stoner,
Student Affairs Staff

Hey, Fish - You picked the country, and then they go and tear down the wall....TAHANKES!!!

Thanks to Anna Marie, Mark, Rob, Deahna, and Am. You guys are the best!
- 2nd Floor Krause

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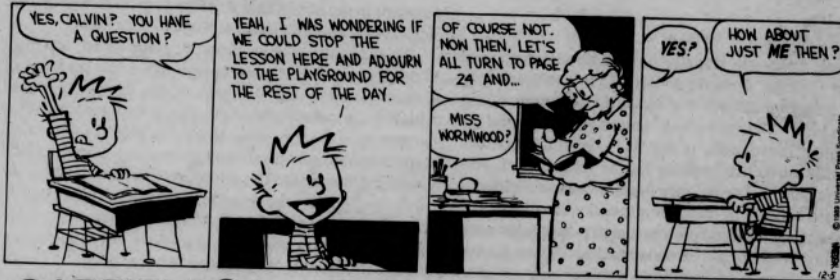
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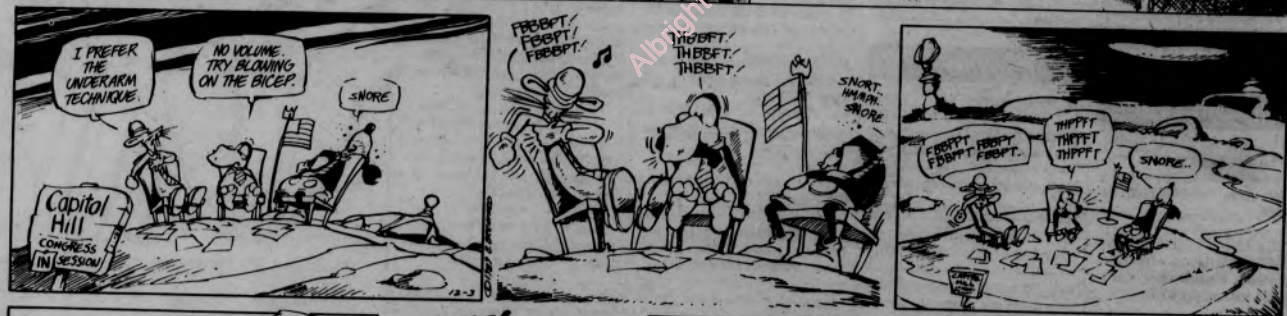
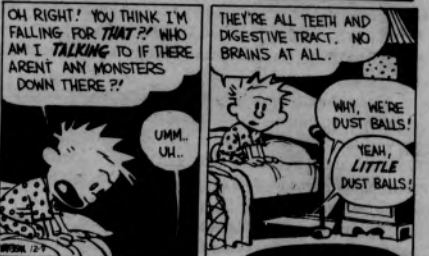
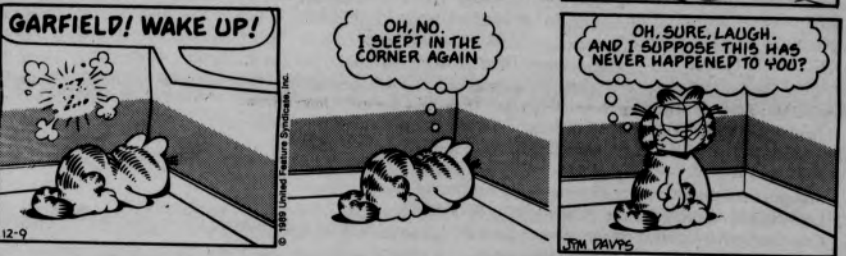
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Hoops off to a Rocky Start

by Chris Krow

Wake me up Albright hoops fans, I'm having a bad dream.

Three weeks of a basketball season, and no wins to show for it! But seriously, the Lions have played six tough games so far. All but two have been under ten points, including one overtime game. I'll just re-cap the games and explain the 0-6 record.

The Lions opened up way back on November 17th and 18th at F&M's Sponaugle tournament. On the first night, Albright lost 67-74 to a well-coached Elizabethtown team. Sean Minniear led the scoring with 27 points while Pat Pruitt threw in 24. In the consolation game, Albright lost to York 53-58. This game was probably the Lion's most poorly played game this season. This was a team that Albright should have easily beaten, but they just played below par. Senior captain Tom Malecki led the scoring with 15.

Albright played one more game before Thanksgiving; against a very good Ursinus team. The Lions played maybe their best game so far against the Bears. Pruitt had an amazing game, scoring 27 points and throwing in 5 3-pointers. Albright lost this game on the boards with Ursinus pulling down 15 more rebounds.

The next game was at home versus E-town again. A home game should bring a win, right? Wrong. This game was a great one to watch, though, regardless of the outcome. Albright never led in this game, and was behind by 11 at the half. In the second half, the Lions showed fans what they might be capable of this season by coming back to send the game into O.T. Gary Kasmer's off-balance layup in traffic with 4 seconds left highlighted his 24 points for the night, 17 coming in the second half alone. One hopeful thing to watch for is that the Lions should be tough at home this year. There was a good

number of fans at this game, and the place got loud when the team needed it.

Last weekend the team lost to an always strong Scranton team by a score of 59-72. Albright led by 9 at one point in the first half but lost their lead when their shooting went cold. Minniear led the scoring in this game with 26. On Monday, Albright traveled to FDU-Madison and their gym which conjures up memories of junior high and trips with Dad to the YMCA. It was small, it was cold, and it sure wasn't friendly. Albright lost handily, 66-89; Minniear had 16.

The season can only get better. Albright will play Messiah, Susquehanna, and Delaware Valley before Christmas. They should win one of those games. Actually, the Lions are still very much in contention in their division. They are 0-3, but they can get right in things with wins over the right teams. Weaknesses in this team so far are rebounding and inside scoring. Scoring needs to be more balanced. Strengths on this team are Pruitt and Minniear's scoring and the team's free throw shooting. If the team can find five players who can all play well at the same time and as a team, then things might get better. I hope that there's light at the end of the tunnel, and I hope it's not a train.

KROW NOTES: The J.V. team is 2-1 with two impressive wins and a 3-point loss to Scranton. Sean Carney and Bruce Peacock are leading what looks like a solid team. ... Roger Bateman had a sweet two-handed dunk at Scranton ... Tom Malecki may be done for the season with cartilage damage in his knee, let's hope not ... The next home game is Monday against Del Val. Show up and see it before finals get here. Game time is at 6 (J.V) and 8 ... Varsity player of the week(s): Sean Minniear ... Junior Varsity player of the week(s): Bruce Peacock ... that's just one man's view.



photo by R. Blodgett

Albright plays a tough game against E-town

..... Sports Shorts

by Chris Gehring
Sports Editor

.....Not all of the attention should go to the Lions Varsity Basketball team, for the 1989-90 men's intramural hoops season is now officially under way. In the "B" League, last year's champions, the G.S. have opted to form a team under the auspices of a new name in the "A" League, so the door is wide open. The "B" League features Sigma Phi Epsilon, the TKE Express, the Fat Boys, Milwaukee's Beast, Quequeg, B.D.A.A., Goingsin, B.A.C.-Pure Fury, and the Sons of Italy. In the "A" League, Marabou returns as the defending champions with an even stronger squad this season. Mike Rasmussen, Gary Andrusyshyn, Mike Skrobolak, and (the

lanky) Rob Loane have all opted not to play for the Lions, and instead, join the intramural ranks. Marabou is the favorite to repeat, but they will have to beat some very good teams to do so. The "A" League features Lady's Choice, the Cogs, L.O.D., Phil's Room, the Hawks, and The Pisces.....The Lions Varsity Soccer team recently selected their team captains for next season. Congratulations to juniors Bill Koughan and Ted Westervelt, along with sophomores Mike Geisler and Scott Fitzpatrick.....The main reason for the Giants' tough goal line stance defense, has been scientifically linked to the very mysterious burial of Jimmy Hoffa under Section 107 (which, coincidentally, parallels the goal line).....Congrats to Andy Cogan for beating Biff in an argument.....

Lady Lions Season Under Way

by Paula Silverman

The Lady Lions started their basketball season at Messiah in a tournament. On Friday, November 17th. The Lions played their first game against Eastern. Albright lost 63-58, even though Michele Ludwig scored 10 pts. and Margo Smith scored 9. The Lady Lions weren't totally out of it at this point. They had to play a consolation game on Saturday against Eastern Mennonite. Albright won 58-45, to come in third in the tournament. Ronda Miller scored 19 pts., Rita Baron 15, and Nicole Buist scored 12.

The Lady Lions played Cedar Crest on November 21st at home. The Lions destroyed them, 102-54. Everyone had a chance to score: Nicole Buist 20 points, and Ronda Miller, Rita Baron, Michele Ludwig and Sharon Filipone all scored 15 points.

At Ursinus last Thursday, the Lions lost 80-57. Rita Baron scored 15 points, Nicole Buist 11 and Jen Esposito scored 10 points. On Saturday, Albright played Muhlenberg at

home. It was Parents Day, and they were invited to watch their daughters play. Muhlenberg's defense was very good, and Albright couldn't overcome their strength. The Lady Lions lost 81-56. Muhlenberg just pulled ahead with an early lead and held it throughout the game. Fouls were also a problem. Ronda Miller scored 14 points, Krista Wissler 10, Sharon Filipone 6, and Nicole Buist scored 11 points. The Lions were 7 for 11 from the free throw line.

Tuesday, the Lions travelled to Widener. They were matched up well, for at the half Albright was up by only one-32-31. This lead occurred only after the Lions were able to catch up from a 5 point deficit. Later on, Albright just couldn't keep the lead and lost, 67-65. Ronda Miller had 12 points and 11 rebounds, Suzi Piacine had 12 points and 11 rebounds as well. Marge Smith had 10 points, and Krista Wissler pulled down 8 rebounds. The team was only 7 for 20 from the free throw line, one of the main reasons for the Albright lost.

Wrestling May Lack Quantity, But They Don't Lack Quality

by Greg Wallace

The Albright wrestling team travelled to Lebanon Valley College this past Saturday for the Jerry Petroses Invitational Wrestling Tournament to open up the season. Albright placed tenth out of the seventeen schools present. Turning in strong performances for the Lions were Mike DeLuca at 134 with a third place finish, Ward Weiland in the 158 lb. class, with fifth place finish, and Chris Boylan at the heavyweight spot, chalking up a sixth place finish for Albright. According to head coach George Cherry, the squad is looking good this year, saying, "This year, we don't have lots of numbers, but that's nothing new. However, we do have quality people." Quality may be an understatement considering that three of the returning upperclassmen placed in the M.A.C.'s last year; Senior Chris Boylan at heavyweight, who's made appearances at the M.A.C.'s all four years and placed twice, senior Mark Rochovich who is presently filling the 190 spot, placed at the M.A.C.'s at 177, and Mike DeLuca, a junior at 134. Cherry believes that, in addition to these three powerhouses, the entire Albright roster has a shot at placing

in the M.A.C.'s this season.

As for quantity, the Lions roster has two big gaps to fill, the 118 weight class, and the 177 lb. class. Coach Cherry predicts that the team will perform better in tournaments than in dual meets, because the wrestlers we have are really strong, but the forfeits will hurt us in the dual meets. The rest of the roster shapes up like this; at 126 is junior, Tim Hoffman who racked up over 100 wins during his High School wrestling career; at the 134 spot is co-captain Mike DeLuca; at 142 we have the sophomore John Gillespie; at 150 is sophomore Andrew B. Kelley who should be a real force on the mat if he can overcome his nagging shoulder problem; filling the 158 class is another sophomore, Ward Weiland who's "Looking tough" says Cherrie; at 167 is the freshman Hugh Price, "Albright's future star," says Cherrie; 177 is open, so, anybody interested see Coach Cherrie for more info. ; in the 190 class stands the senior Mark Rockovich; and last, but definitely not least, in the heavyweight class is last years M.V.P. award winning Senior, Chris Boylan.

This past Wednesday night, the Lions went up against Ursinus College. Be sure to look for the stats in next week's issue of the Albrightian.

WXAC NOTES

- Needed: Baseball commentators to broadcast Albright Lion's games on WXAC.
- Anyone interested should contact Steve Euler, Sports Director, Box 46
- Be sure to listen to Sidelines, Albright's all-sports talk show, on Sundays from 8-10 p.m.
- Don't miss Lions' Basketball this Monday night at 8 p.m. against Delaware Valley

THE SPORTS PAGE

Let's Talk Sports

with Christopher Gehring
Sports Editor

The \$3,000,000 Man: The First of Many?

Let's pose a question to anyone who may be haphazardly reading *The Sports Page* this week. If you were to receive sixteen million dollars over the next five years, what would you do with that money?

First of all, you would be able to pay for the cost of an Albright education (and the way college tuitions seem to be rising with each year, it may not be too long before you need sixteen million to do so - I guess there is a direct relationship between cost and prestige...). Wait a minute though. If someone offered you sixteen million bucks, why in the world would you waste your time studying and eating food that doesn't even compare to Mom's? Seriously though, what would you do with all of that money. Personally, I'm not so sure you could possibly spend it all. That last statement may be easy to blow off and scoff at, but sixteen million dollars is a lot of money! You could live (much better than) comfortably off of the interest.

For some people, however, the sixteen million dollars that most people can only fantasize about is becoming a reality. Yes it is true, Mark Langston has signed a contract with the California Angels that entitles him to a two million dollar signing bonus which will accompany the one and a half million he will receive next season. Then, over the next four seasons, the Angels will pay him three and a quarter million dollars each year. I certainly hope his arm holds out.

Now of course, Hendricks, Mark Davis' agent, is demanding that Davis receive a better contract than that granted to Langston. He justifies this with the fact that Davis was the '89 Cy Young Award winner in the N.L. Maybe Hendricks should reevaluate his demands, although there is a strong possibility that Steinbrenner may shell out that kind of money (after all the Yanks lost out with a meaningless second place in the quest to attain Langston, and Steinbrenner has to sign

someone for an exorbitant amount of money).

In reaction to these (and there are a myriad of other examples) "contracts of the future", my immediate reaction is that if the owners and front offices are (dumb enough?) willing to pay that type of money, then the players should obviously take advantage of their (stupidity) willingness. In fairness to the owners, however, the mega-bucks being distributed for the television contracts are providing them with the funds, so if they have the money, why not go after the big names that will (hopefully) win ball games. In the end, maybe these ventures will pay off financially, and as a secondary gain, who knows, they might even go crazy and win a Division Pennant, or maybe even the World Series (for some reason, the order of those priorities seems backwards).

Several problems arise, however. First of all, will these exorbitant salaries affect the prices that the average fan has to pay (as if they aren't high enough already)? Secondly and more importantly, will the contracts now being signed simply set a precedent which causes every player who has a good season (or even a few) to start demanding this kind of money? That in itself might not be too horrible, but why should the salaries stop with three million? What about four, five, six, or seven million dollars a year. Finally, what happens when the money runs out? With salaries extending into the three million a year mark, and the unavoidable escalation that will occur, sooner or later, the owners will have to put a lid on the flow of money. What happens then? A strike? A lockout? The top players jump ship to the old timers' league in Florida (well let's not go that far)? Anyway, the fact remains that the owners may be creating monsters that will someday be out of their control. I hope not, but then again, I can't say that I'm optimistic. Well, as the saying goes, only time will tell....

Chick, Rick, and Eggo's Picks of the Week

Philadelphia -11 over Dallas	Houston -8 over Tampa Bay
San Diego +9 over Washington	Seattle +11 over Cincinnati
Pittsburgh +1 over the Jets	Cleveland -1 1/2 over Indianapolis
Buffalo -5 over the Saints	Denver -3 over the Giants
Green Bay -3 over the Chiefs	the Raiders -9 over the Cards
Detroit +7 1/2 over Chicago	New England +6 over the Dolphins
Atlanta +11 over Minnesota	San Fran over L.A.

Well, we almost forgot about that barnburner which is better than any bowl game. The Army - Navy classic will be won by Army, -11 points.

Now Mr. Kinarney, why don't you admit you are wrong? We feel that the one and only reason needed to prove that the Eagles are better than the Giants is simply that the Birds have beaten the boys from New York four times in a row. Kinarney, we are afraid that you are just going to have to close that trap of yours and agree.

Stay tuned, as next week, the tremendous trio will pick the bowl games.

The Pick & Roll

.....by Kurtis A.

College Hoops Fans May Catch Scarlet Fever

Syracuse, UNLV, Illinois, LSU, Georgetown, Rutgers. Excuse you? Yes, I said Rutgers. Granted, in the past they've hardly been in the limelight of college basketball, but in his first season, head coach Bob Wenzel proved that the Scarlet Knights are a rising force in the NCAA. His debut last year turned a former 7-22 club into an 18-13 Atlantic Ten Tournament championship team, and to say his expectations are great this year would be an understatement.

Wenzel returns four of last year's starters, including long range bomber Tom Savage, who led the Atlantic Ten Conference in three-point field goal percentage. This 6' 5" junior forward also led the team in scoring (20 ppg). Savage's returning supporting cast includes senior guards Rich Dadika (13.1 ppg) and Craig Carter (9.4 ppg), along with 6-6 center Anthony Duckett.

Returning four key players is only the beginning for the Knights due to the arrival of former Orangemen Keith Hughes and Earl Duncan, who each have two years of eligibility. Hughes, a 6' 8" agile New Jersey product, was unhappy riding the pine at the Carrier Dome, so along with guard and close friend Earl Duncan, he decided that New Brunswick would be his place of salvation. Both players will start, producing immediate impact and depth to the Knights' squad.

In addition to a solid arsenal, Wenzel has strengthened his schedule with opponents like Syracuse, Notre Dame, and Duke. Consequently, Rutgers' air-time will dramatically increase, giving them the national exposure that they need. Scarlet Fever has broken out in the Atlantic Ten, and may very well spread into the top-twenty.

TIP-INS: If you like the physical play of Alonzo Mourning and Derrick Coleman, you're going to love the Big East even more this year. The Big East, Southeast, Colonial and TransAmerica conferences have all given a sixth personal foul to each player in conference games only....The Southeast and TransAmerica conferences are also experimenting with the ridiculous idea of giving three free throws to a player fouled in the act of shooting a three-point field goal....both rules change a great deal of crunch-time coaching strategy.

Biff Speaks Out:

A Toast to the NFL Schedule Makers

by Mark Kinarney

One has to figure that the Eagles' "Dream Season" has to come to an end one day. Since the concept of luck transcends the boundaries of a particular sport, I am able to come to the conclusion that the Eagles are the luckiest team I have ever seen. Typical "teams of destiny" include the 1980 U.S. Olympic Hockey Team (gold medal), the 1983 NC State and 1983 Villanova basketball teams, however, they don't even come in at a close second compared to the Eagles.

Let's look at the Eagles - Giants game. A study was made and announced over WFAN (NY's 2010 AM all-sports radio station) that dealt with the difference in preparation time for competing NFL teams. What was the conclusion of that study? Well, after analyzing hundreds upon thousands of regular season NFL and AFL football games, the study concluded that there has never been such a disparity favoring one team in preparation and reoperation time than in this particular 1989 football game.

Now given that such a mistake in scheduling could happen, what is the probability that it would happen during this particular season? Or, better yet, what is the probability that it could happen during this particular game? And to expand upon that, what is the probability that the edge would just happen to favor the Birds? I think that

even Albert Einstein would have trouble with that one; but the Eagles will certainly take it (as has been the case all year long!) For some reason, Eagles fans, in their always-ignorant fashion, still claim that the Birds aren't lucky!

The scheduling of this week's important game between the Giants and the Eagles makes me extremely wary of the competence of the NFL schedule makers. To start with, a Turkey-day team should play a Sunday team so that each squad has comparable rest time. If you have to make a Monday night team play a long week team, you would figure that the Monday team would play at home. But no! The Giants played over 3000 miles away in San Francisco, thereby costing them an additional half day of time. Next, you'd figure the short-week team might play an easier team the preceding week. But no! The Giants played the best team in football. Then you'd figure the long-week team would play a relatively tough team the preceding week. But no! The Eagles played the worst team in football. The only other advantage the schedule maker could have given the Birds would have been forcing the Giants to play an exhibition in Anchorage, Alaska on Thursday. This might explain why I saw Buddy Ryan at a champagne brunch last Sunday with the NFL schedule makers! Let me warn you Buddy: you can only rent your soul to the devil for so long, just ask the priest in Caddyshack.

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