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## Bollman Center goes under the knife during the offseason

by Lori Thomas  
Staff Writer

The old, outdated look of our Bollman Center has been transformed into a new, modern facility. The Bollman Center gym has just undergone a tremendous renovation.

The Bollman Center has many new features. The bleachers were fixed to be electronically state of the art, VIP seating was created at half court and the floor was sanded, refinished, and painted. New NCAA and ECAC emblems and Albright banners now replace old ones. In addition to appearance, equipment was replaced. The new gym is complete with new glass backboards, a new shot clock, and a new scorer's table. Also, a brand new sound system was put into the gym for sports announcing.

The need for such an enhancement was necessary. The Bollman center was built in 1954 and it had not been changed from its original state. The once beautiful gym had grown outdated and had fallen behind its competition. To properly support Albright athletics, a renovation was necessary.

A project of such an enormous size is expensive. Extensive fundraising was done to support



After extensive remodeling, The Bollman Center is said to be one of the best sports facilities in Division 3.

such an incredible task. Robert A. Miller, Director of Special Gifts, explained that the original goal to raise such funds was \$350,000, but after reaching that, the stretch goal was \$400,000.

The money for these endeavors came from several different sources. Albright alumni funded a vast majority of this endeavor.

One alumni member particularly stands out behind the Bollman Center project. This would be John Scholl. John Scholl, class of 1969, is the all time leading scorer in Albright basketball and he is in our Hall of Fame. He is currently on the Albright Board of Trustees, as well. Scholl recognized the demand for a modernized gym so he contributed a gift to the renovating fund of

\$40,000. He challenged other alumni to contribute by his agreement to match new or increased gifts dollar for dollar. He was the chair of this renovation project and the driving force behind keeping the project on schedule.

Another source of funding was the VIP seat incentive. It was decided that those who gave a gift of \$ 1,000 would be permitted to

name a VIP seat. The seat could be left in memory to a loved one or simply in the donor's or a family member's honor. These seats will have a name plate on the back of the chair forever.

Specifically, the money for the new sound system came from the family of a deceased Albright alumnus. Walker Wadsworth, a former Albright student who was known for his announcing of Albright athletics was honored by his family through their contribution toward the purchase of the new sound system.

Additional gifts were contributed through phone-a-thon solicitation and other fund raising campaigns administered by the Varsity Club.

The renovation process began last year. The painting and banners were purchased last season. The floor was redone shortly afterwards. The bleachers were completed over a couple of weeks in the summer and now all is in place.

Miller said, "Currently, it (The Bollman Center) is one of the finest gyms in all of Division 3."

In honor of Scholl, a dedication ceremony is planned to take place in the new gym on December 4, 1999. This will also be the first home game for the men's basketball team in the new Bollman Center.

## Safer socials stopping slurred speech on campus this fall

by Kylie Keith

In an effort to promote alcohol awareness and limit the college's liability in incidents involving alcohol, Albright College implemented a new social gathering policy for the 1999-2000 academic year.

The Social Gathering Policy was sent to the homes of returning students this past summer, and can be found in The Compass, Albright's student handbook. However, some changes are being made to the original version found in The Compass.

"The Social Gathering Policy is a work in progress," stated Joseph Rosenberg, Area Coordinator in the Albright Woods and Coordinator for Greek Life.

One of those changes is the form that students have to fill out to be approved for a social gathering. The form that was sent home to students was an example of what it

would be like and, according to Rosenberg, they used the old forms until they could come up with a new form that students could use to fill out.

The original example form that was sent home to students stated only 24 people could actually sign up for a social gathering, with alternates. The new forms allows for 50 people, with alternates, to sign up for a party, but only 24 people can actually attend the party. This allows for people to attend more than one party in one night, and other people who are on the list to be admitted after some people leave. However, people have to be on the list to be allowed into the social gathering and only 24 students can be present at a gathering at all times.

Another change is the handling of the alcohol. On the previous form sent home to students, there was no common source container allowed for the alcohol (i.e. coolers, trash cans). Now, you are allowed to have

a common source container to store the alcohol, but the alcohol needs to be chilled at all times. This does not include kegs or other containers where the same supply of alcohol is dispensed to multiple guests at the gathering.

"The most positive change is there is now a solid foundation for a policy concerning events where alcohol is present," said Rosenberg. "This policy provides a foundation or framework for a policy whose sole purpose is to ensure the safety of our students."

One of the most positive changes according to Michael Imperato '99 is the "TIPS training."

TIPS training, according to Rosenberg, is "not a lecture, but a frank discussion about the usage of alcohol and how to responsibly serve the beverage." Rosenberg also suggests that all students should take advantage of the TIPS server program, including students who choose to have parties off campus.

Imperato claimed he went through TIPS training and thought it was beneficial because of the understanding of liability. He also said he learned additional information about alcohol, even though he thought that he was not going to learn anything new.

According to Rosenberg, safety is the main concern for students and administration.

Imperato said he is concerned about the safety of the students, but feels "the published Social Gathering Policy, (i.e. the form sent to returning students, and located in the Compass) is a document to alleviate liability from Albright College as an institution and does not appear to have been created in the interest of the health and safety of the student body."

Imperato also stated that he feels the published Social Gathering Policy that was sent home to students during the summer is going to push many students out of the

social setting (Albright Woods) and into the residence halls and off campus.

In response to this dilemma Rosenberg said, "I am always concerned about students seeking alternative forms of social gathering, and I want to provide a safe environment and as much education as possible so students can make a mature decision when it comes to consuming alcohol."

"This is a positive change, it brings about accountability and forces people to act responsibly when hosting events where alcohol is present, and would venture to say that if people would handle alcohol responsibly, we would have half the problems we have in society concerning alcohol," stated Rosenberg.

Rosenberg is working on revising the Social Gathering Policy, and he wants students to know that

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## Zimon aims and fires to make Albright a world-class squadron



New president, Dr. Henry Zimon, meets with some Albrightians during his first visit to the college last term.

by Lisa Scheid  
Eagle/Times

Albright College President Henry A. Zimon is the kind of man who carries his father's Airborne Ranger patch from World War II in his briefcase.

He's the kind of president who spent two months in a college dormitory this summer with his wife, Charlotte Jane, and invited students without a television in to watch the women's world cup soccer match.

The stint in the dorms while his school-owned home was being renovated and his willingness to collaborate with faculty on major decisions has helped dispel fears of some that the former Army colonel would be an autocrat, Zimon said.

"I think about 50 percent of the faculty took a wait-and-see attitude to see if I was a cowboy with no cows, so to speak," Zimon said.

The Albright faculty, students and community will have a lot to collaborate on: Zimon has plans to build Albright into what he calls a world-class liberal arts college, and hopes to foster economic development in Reading along the way.

Zimon was a senior strategic planner in the Pentagon and for the Joint Chiefs of Staff from 1994 until his move to Albright in July. An interesting economic development in places as diverse as Poland and Appalachia is his academic specialty.

He has already begun work on many of his goals. Zimon has asked the Board of Trustees to endorse his Commission on the Future of Albright, which will involve 300 to 400 people assessing every area of the college, from academics to alumni.

The study will begin in January and will be completed by next October.

Zimon said the academic task force would consist of 30 to 40 people who will look at Albright's strengths and suggest other areas for growth and ways to raise standards.

If the school spreads itself too thin in many areas, it will not be able to become strong in any of them, he said.

"We need to be careful not to major in our minors," Zimon said.

He noted strong programs in biology, law, psychology, pre-law, political science and arts and music.

Zimon said branch campuses in places such as Latin America and an electronic business program could be among the growth areas for the school.

Through open discussion, he hopes the best path for the school will develop.

"I believe in letting 1,000 flowers bloom and letting sunshine be the antiseptic," Zimon said.

As for technology, Zimon said a partnership with Pennsylvania State University will bring Albright students access to a virtual campus

of distance learning. Zimon also wants to improve the school's use of technology.

The college is hiring a computer center director. Zimon hopes the hire will grow into a new position of chief information officer, which he would like to add next year.

Zimon said improving Albright's image will involve marketing and public relations, including strengthening its relationship with alumni as well as with Berks County community organizations.

He is gathering information on the extent of the school's community service. There are many Albright-affiliated people who volunteer in the community but don't make it widely known, he said.

He has already contacted Gen. Colin Powell's America Promise, a program that connects colleges and universities with at-risk youths in cities.

Albright could be the first small liberal arts college in Pennsylvania to join the initiative, Zimon said. He has put the matter before students and faculty and is awaiting their reaction.

Zimon said he is deeply interested in urban renewal and has been asked to help bring economic development to Reading as well.

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## Jane Goodall to receive Albright degree

Dr. Jane Goodall will be awarded an Albright College honorary doctorate of humanities degree on October 14, 1999 after a lecture to the Albright College community. The lecture begins at 4 p.m. and will be held in Meridian Theatre.

Goodall, author of several books including her most recent, *Reason for Hope*, began studying chimpanzees in the wild in Gombe, Tanganyika (now Tanzania) in 1960. Passionate about conservation education, she began Roots and Shoots, an organization enabling pre-school to university level students the opportunity to coordinate projects locally that promote care and concern for the environment, animals and human conditions. Roots and Shoots is part of the Jane Goodall Institute for Wildlife Research, Education and Conservation.

According to Ronald G. Green, Executive Vice President of Academic Affairs and Dean, Goodall will receive an honorary doctorate of humanities degree from Albright College for her "outstanding example of science and humanitarian excellence combined in one life's work".

## Revised social gathering policy

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his main goal is give students the benefit of the doubt if they can act responsibly. For this reason there is a "three strike system," within the policy.

If it is your first violation of the Social Gathering Policy you will lose social privileges for one week. A second violation will result in the loss of social privileges for two weeks. The third offense is still being discussed, but could result in a month or semester of social

probation, and possibly a loss of squatters rights when applying for housing.

Rosenberg wants students to know he is there for them at any time they have a question or concern about the Social Gathering Policy.

Rosenberg said, "It might take a while to start working, because it is a change of culture for the students, but we are making an effort to make Albright a safe environment for the students, and I am willing to work with the students."

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# Features

## Combating the freshmen fifteen

by James B. Harr III  
Features Editor

Is your big move to college getting a little bigger than you anticipated? Is that new Mustang that Daddy bought as your high school graduation gift suddenly one size too small? Are professors calling your name twice when taking attendance? Perhaps you have gained a little weight during your time at this buffet of knowledge that we call Albright College. It is not necessarily a bad thing to expand one's waistline along with one's mind in college, but allowing too much growth might be physically detrimental. Regardless, whether you have put on the freshmen fifteen or the freshman fifty, here are some ways to take that alter ego off of your personage and remain healthy at the same time.

According to Weight Watchers of Philadelphia president, Marilyn Price Birnhak, "Adapting to college is harder than it looks...food education is the key to avoiding unwanted weight gain." Birnhak advises that college students eat selectively and strategically. A

balance between eating and exercising is the best way to avoid a drastic weight gain.

Karen Miller Kovach, MS, RD, lead scientist at Weight Watchers International gives these helpful suggestions on how to remain slim and fit all semester:

1. **Be smart about what you drink.** Stock your refrigerator with a variety of non-caloric bottled waters—with and without bubbles as well as in a variety of flavors. Doing so will ensure that you've got something on hand to fit your every mood and help you get the minimum 6 glasses of water a day to keep you healthy.
2. **Buy your favorite snacks in smaller sizes—individual portions are best.** Choosing the big, economy size of your favorite cereal, candy, chips or cookies is a sure way to sabotage yourself. If you do purchase the "value" size, also purchase small sandwich bags and divide the snack into smaller, ready-to-eat portions.
3. **Satisfy that salt craving with light popcorn, pretzels, or low-fat chips.** These tasty treats tend to have less

fat and calories than their traditional counterparts. At the same time, use some of your "higher learning" to read food labels because there are exceptions to every rule. For example, a one ounce serving of honey mustard pretzels can

have as much fat and calories as regular potato chips.

4. **Be cautious when buying dry packaged soups.** While most of these are low in fat and calories, few aren't. And since you can't tell the exceptions by the brand name or the flavor, it's important to read the food label to see what you're getting.

5. **Snacks that include protein and fat keep you satisfied longer.** Top your cracker with a slice of cheese or a dab of peanut butter.

6. **Eat at least five servings of fruits and vegetables per day.** Keep a bowl of fresh fruit in your dorm room to munch on while hitting the books.

7. **Be selective in the cafeteria line.** Just because food is offered doesn't mean you have to eat it.

8. **Learn a "lifetime sport."**

By following some of these simple guidelines, you can have a healthy, happy semester free from excess baggage and personal sloth...that is, until Thanksgiving Break.



## Reading Symphony takes the stage at two local venues next weekend

Associated Press

Here's Brahms that won't lull you to sleep! On Saturday, October 23, 1999 at 8pm at the Rajah Theatre, 136 North Sixth Street, Reading and Sunday, October 24, 1999 at 3pm at the Scottish Rite Cathedral, 301 South Seventh Avenue, West Reading, the Reading Symphony Orchestra presents the second classical concert of the *Encore* season, *Brahms, Brahms, and Brahms*.

Inspired by the enthusiastic music-making of country villagers in Hungary, Brahms composed two sets of *Hungarian Dances*, 21 pieces in all, which have proved to be the most popular of his works during his lifetime. The enthusiastic sounds of *Hungarian Dance No. 1 in C Minor* will transport the listener into the midst of the pleasant fiddlers.

Violinist Carmit Zori and Cellist Hai-Ye Ni join together with the RSO for Brahms' *Concerto for Violin, Cello and Orchestra*. This concerto, rich in harmony and filled with melody is regarded as a masterpiece of Brahms' later years.

Hai-Ye Ni, the youngest recipient of first prize at the Naumberg International Cello Competition, has been lauded by *The Washington Post* as, "a youthful Yo-Yo Ma...soulfully expressive...brightly

aware." Ms. Ni will be joined by violinist Carmit Zori. Ms. Zori is an established musician in her native Israel and has performed with orchestras throughout Europe, Japan, Australia, Latin America, and the United States.

A large and serious work, *Piano Concerto No. 2 in B-flat Major*, is at the same time hauntingly beautiful. Vladimir Horowitz called it, "the greatest music ever written for the piano." This piece requires a pianist of stunning technical achievement, and immense physical endurance and musicianship. Piano virtuoso and RSO audience favorite Santiago Rodriguez joins the RSO for this sober, reflective and philosophical work.

Immigrating from his native Cuba to the United States at the age of ten, Santiago Rodriguez made his concert debut performing Mozart's *Concerto No. 27* with the New Orleans Philharmonic. His international career was launched in 1981 after winning the Silver Medal in the Van Cliburn Piano Competition, where he also received a special prize for his performance of Leonard Bernstein's *Touche*, a work commissioned for the competition.

Mr. Rodriguez has an extensive discography, which is available on ELAN records. Three of his recordings have been named as

"must haves" by *National Public Radio's Guide to Building a Classical CD Collection*.

Tickets for both venues range in price from \$14-\$45 and are available by calling TICKETS at 610-371-8820 or 1-800-459-5502.

The Saturday evening opening concert is sponsored in part by YUASA, Inc. and National Perz Bank. The Sunday afternoon concert is sponsored in part by Sovereign Bank and the Reading Eagle Company. Solon Hai-Ye Ni and Carmit Zori are sponsored in part by Time Warner Cable, Target Select Cable Advertising and Cardiology Associates of West Reading.

On Saturday, October 23, 1999, at 1:15pm in the Grill Room of the Rajah Theatre, the RSO presents, *Music in the Making*. This program gives the public the opportunity to meet an RSO musician for a demonstration and discussion and then, after light refreshments, sit in on the symphony's intense afternoon rehearsal.

Barbara Prugh, RSO principal trumpeter for 17 years will lead the afternoon's discussion. Ms. Prugh will discuss music making from the trumpeter's viewpoint.

*Music in the Making* is presented each Saturday afternoon of the subscription concert and is free and open to the public.

## The tunnel may turn gray without your help

by Alexis Grilli  
Staff Writer

On October 28th, 29th, and 30th members of A.V.A.O (Albright's visual arts organization) will be constructing a mosaic mural over the half-finished mural that now covers one side of the campus's tunnel. Steve Cossman, the president of A.V.A.O., has tried to arouse Albright's students out of their usual antipathy so that they will contribute to the completion of the mosaic. If this project is not finished soon (and in order for this to happen students must lend their support) the tunnel will be painted over in a bleak gray color.

While this may not seem like an important issue to students, as their heads are already full with their classroom and social obligations, the tunnel is situated in such a matter that passing through it on a daily basis is unavoidable to nearly everyone on campus.

The members of A.V.A.O. will begin work on the tunnel on October 28th. They are asking students to

donate any old, broken (optional) ceramic plates, cups, mirrors and glasses. The week after fall break a collection bin will be at the doors outside of the Cafeteria during dinner hours. Students (and faculty) who are tired of looking at the half-finished mural (and who cringe at the thought of a completely gray tunnel) are encouraged to make donations. Anyone who wants to help construct the mural can contact Steve Cossman at box 381.



A major off-Broadway success, *Getting Out* probes the past and present of a young woman attempting to find her way in life after prison. Ultimately, the play, like life, offers no simple answers, but portrays the struggle of a young woman fighting for her life against incredible odds. *Experience event.*

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**Music Review**  
by Erin Leyhane**Mirrorball**

"My love, you know that you are my best friend, you know I would do anything for you," is a line from Sarah McLachlan's song entitled, "Hold On." When I was asked to write a music review I immediately chose Sarah McLachlan. She has been an inspiration to me for at least four years. Her music travels through life without ever growing old or becoming hard to relate to. She has an amazing ability to reach down into the core of my soul and touch me on a very personal level. Her lyrics are all directly from her heart and share secrets and fears. "It's my heart that pounds beneath my chest, it is my mouth that pushes out this breath," is a line from the song, "Fumbling Toward Ecstasy." For those of you who are not familiar with her music she sings about broken hearts, losing the one you love and opening up to forgiveness. Some may label her a "chick-singer" but many of my guy friends enjoy her music as well. She has a total of five albums and one live recording. The live recording is a collection of her best songs, some

from Litih Fair while others have climbed the pop charts. The album has a total of fourteen wonderful tracks. The album is entitled "Mirrorball" and it is by far the best collection of songs I own. The album contains a great variety of her songs which all come together to form over an hour of relaxing music. Some of the songs include, "Good Enough," "Possession," "Ice Cream," and the theme song from "City Of Angels," entitled, "Angel." If you are already a fan of Sarah I suggest you add this album to your existing collection and if you do have any of her music give it a try...I think you will be hooked.

**Movie Review**  
by Mark Blank**American Beauty**

Life is not about possessions, as this movie so graciously displays, rather it is about finding out who we are. A movie with sex, drugs, voyeurism, adultery and nudity may not sound like an instant classic, but this movie is in a league of its own. Kevin Spacey and Annette Benning star in this film about the beauty of life. Spacey portrays a businessman who is in search of what life is, or could be. His wife, played by Annette Benning, is a real estate agent who has mental problems that lead to innuendoes about divorce between the couple. His daughter is rebelling, his neighbor is a militant father who holds a secret, his other neighbors are two men who are "partners," his neighbor's son is a drug dealer, and he is infatuated with his daughter's friend. If that isn't enough craziness for one movie, Spacey likes to masturbate.

After you take all this in, you have to understand what the movie is trying to portray. It represents all the evils of life, shows you how possessions can take over everything, and it shows you the simplicity and beauty of life with a plastic bag. The movie is hard to explain, but the ending is revealed

during the opening scene. This does not ruin the movie, rather it adds to the portrayal of how life can be easy and simple. Spacey's life for the past couple of years has been complicated and unhappy. From the example set by a drug dealer and the infatuation he has for an eighteen year old girl Spacey's character finds out that he can change everything in his life for the better.

The imagery of this movie is what allows you to absorb the simplicity of life through something of great beauty. This beauty is portrayed by a rose that is seen during many scenes throughout the movie. The color of this rose, red, portrays passion, but it portrays death as well. The imagery of this movie is what creates this masterpiece. You can only imagine what this movie is really like. Don't let the evils of life scare you from seeing this movie. They shouldn't, because they are all part of everyday life. This movie is a must see, and I give it three and a half roses out of a possible four.

**Bar Review**  
by James B. Harr III

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Upon entering this fine establishment for the first time, it initially struck me as the proverbial "hole in the wall," which, perhaps, it is. The red vinyl upholstered stools and wood paneling give the bar an air of the nineteen-seventies. In the intimate setting of this bar, and it does get intimate, playing games and simply having a good time with people that you meet for the first time or have known for years is what Ronie's is all about. While I was checking out the bar itself, I was also observing its inhabitants. I asked several people why they come to such a

place. Jamie Roth, of Shillington, responded, "Places like the Ugly Oyster get so crowded and old fast. Ronie's is refreshing." "It's like a little homecoming everytime I walk in," says John Cellucci, of Exeter. "Yeah it is," replies Carl Pettinato, of Reading. He then states, "Donna's like the mother I never had." I believe I saw a tear fall from his eye...

In the grand scheme of "bandom," Ronie's may fall short due to its lack of a dance floor, the majority of its clientele being above forty, and the difficulty of obtaining many types of mixed drinks (it took me three tries before Donna recognized one), but over all, it is a fine watering hole to accelerate your inebriety. By the way,

**Restaurant Review**  
by Alexis Grilli and Steph Kanavy**Your Place**

"Your Place" Restaurant  
Fairgrounds Square Mall  
(610) 929-4318

**Steph's Commentary**

The extensive multi-page menu of "Your Place" highlights an array of items, from appetizers to pizza to sandwiches and entrees. All for under \$9.00! Most items on the menu are between \$4-\$6 dollars, including the entrees. All sandwiches are served with a side of chips and "Your Place" homemade sandwich fries for just \$1.25 extra.

I'm an avid lover of the chicken sandwich, but suddenly their "Famous Your Place Stromboli" popped off of the page at me. "Always imitated, never duplicated"... "Golden brown with a touch of spices"... hmmm. Intrigued, I just had to get a mini-boli (\$4.50) to see if they were right and Alexis, who wasn't hungry (but is always up for a cup of hot tea), decided to settle on her favorite beverage and leave the eating to me.

"Your Place" was right! The mini-boli really was a golden brown. The top was encrusted in spices and the center was packed full of oozing cheese and chunks of meat. I'd be darn proud if I'd cooked it. (Of course I can't cook- that's why this column is so perfect for me) I would have thought from "mini-boli" (and from its low price) that it would take up a quarter of the plate. Well, it was twice the size of what I expected. If their bolis aren't famous, they should be. One more thing- heavy food usually make me very tired, but their mini-boli didn't have that affect on me. I didn't even taste any grease! I think I've found a new place to eat lunch at when I'm working at the mall.

**Alexis's Commentary**

Steph recommended that we go

to "Your Place." I was hesitant because it sounded as if it would be like a Friendly's-type of restaurant, with no special qualities. For once, though, I was wrong. First of all, "Your Place" delivers until 12 am! I hardly need to write anything else for me this is its selling point.

This restaurant has a ton of specials. Everyday they run a beer special, on Sundays they have 1/2 dozen wild wings for \$1.95. On Mondays through Fridays from 11:30 am - 1:30 pm they offer an "all you can eat" lunch buffet for \$5.75. It features pizzas, subs, soups and strombolis. Also on Mondays through Fridays "Your Place" has a happy hour with discounted beer and free food.

Although I'm not particularly interested in sports, I'm under the assumption that plenty of other people are! "Your Place" has lot of football specials, including drawings to win Penn State tickets and NFL tickets. Monday Night Madness is an "all you can eat" taco buffet for \$1.00 from 8:00 pm to 11:00 pm, with big "Bud Light" drafts for \$1.95. Saturdays are "Coors College Saturdays" with "Rocky Mountain Size" Coors original drafts for \$1.95 until 11:30 pm. "Your Place" runs a lot of other beer specials that change weekly.

The atmosphere at "Your Place" is rustic, but is accented with large screen televisions (each one highlighting a different sporting event) and a large pool room. If you're looking for a place to go during the late-night, this restaurant is open until 2:00 am. "Your Place" has affordable food with generous portions and...it delivers! This restaurant is definitely worth checking out.

**Birthday Party Tips**

An important secret to a memorable children's birthday party is in the entertainment, a recent survey of parents with young children discovered.

According to Jan Jewell, party planning expert and co-founder of the world's leading Internet provider of children's birthday party products and services, "The most popular entertainment ideas for children's birthday parties are costumed character visits, mobile petting zoos or a trip to the zoo, magicians and clowns."

Additional ideas popular with children and parents include balloon artists, luau pool parties, pony rides, pirate treasure hunts and sporting events.

Jewell points out that services such as Birthday Express.com, which she co-founded in 1994 with husband Mike Jewell, offer a variety of ways parents can celebrate children's birthdays easily and affordably—spending less time on coordination and more time with their child.

More information can be found at [www.BirthdayExpress.com](http://www.BirthdayExpress.com) or (800) 424-7843.



# Possible discrepancies on Zimon's resume spark dispute



Dr. Mehra calls for an investigation of President Zimon's background.

DEAR EDITOR

A SIX-MONTH INVESTIGATION OF public records and publishers reveals that Albright College President Henry Zimon may have falsified his resume and grossly misrepresented and exaggerated his background to the faculty and the presidential search committee.

1.) In his resume, Colonel Zimon claims he is publishing a book titled *CFE: The Making of the Treaty and Its Implications for the Future* with former CIA Director Ambassador R. James Woolsey. Colonel Zimon repeated that claim at his meeting with the faculty in February and he further added that part of the manuscript has already been written. I have spoken with Ambassador Woolsey, who told me that the book is "news to me... I don't know anything about the book... I have no commitment to do any such book... This must be garbled up or something." Colonel Zimon has insisted to me repeatedly that Colonel Woolsey is collaborating with him on the book and that Ambassador Woolsey would attest to that fact. On quite the contrary, Ambassador Woolsey denies any association with the book. Mr. Woolsey can be reached at 202-828-2066.

2.) Colonel Zimon's resume claims a second book titled *Reshaping U.S. National Security Strategy: Peacetime Engagement, Regional Stability and Global Security*, to be published by Praeger in 1998-1999. Praeger Publisher Peter Kracht has advised me that Praeger is not publishing the book. I have also talked to Mr. John Harney, a freelance acquisitions editor for Praeger, who Colonel Zimon claimed is his editor after he was told that Praeger is denying that it is publishing his book. Mr. Harney says he knows nothing about the book. Pressed on the subject at the September faculty meeting, Colonel Zimon insisted that he has a written contract from Praeger, albeit one which he is now trying to get out of. Colonel Zimon has failed to produce the contract for seven months. For months he asserted that the contract had been packed in preparation for his move to Albright. He even hid behind the war in Kosovo, saying that he had no time to address these issues, but that he would do so as soon as he came to campus. Now he pleads that he has

not had an opportunity to open the boxes in which his contract is allegedly packed. It is hard not to come to the conclusion that something is remiss here that requires more than Colonel Zimon's verbal assurance that he has a contract. Both Praeger and Mr. Harney have looked at their files and confirmed that they are not publishing his book and even assert that they have never heard of Colonel Zimon. Mr. Kracht can be contacted at 203-226-3571 and Mr. Harney at 508-359-8787.

3.) Colonel Zimon's resume claims that he had financial oversight of \$60 billion of the U.S. Army budget, which included, he told a faculty meeting in February, sole signature authority on army checks, including one, he said, for \$428 million. I filed a Freedom of Information request with the army and in its response the army reported that "Colonel Zimon has signed no government checks." I met with Colonel Zimon twice, first on Aug. 11 and again on Sept. 13. I found his explanations on most of the issues I have raised unsatisfactory. He now admits that he never signed army checks, which is totally contrary to what he stated to the faculty in February. Indeed, at that meeting he had drawn comparisons with his personal checkbook and even waxed about the number of zeroes he had entered the day earlier on a check in the hundreds of millions of dollars. His new explanation is that he approves the OPS Form 61, which constitutes authorizations for checks. Indeed, he told me that he had signed hundreds of these forms. In fact, the army has told me, that the OPS Form 61 is not a check authorization at all, but is instead a routine general document summary cover sheet. Indeed, I understand that neither the Office of Operations and Plans nor Colonel Zimon have financial responsibilities that involve checks in any way, shape or form. Nevertheless, I requested copies of the OPS Form 61s signed by Colonel Zimon under the FOIA, and have been advised that there are no such documents.

4.) Colonel Zimon claims in his resume that he had oversight responsibility of the army's educational system. At a public faculty meeting during the search he stressed the very significant character of those responsibilities,

that included, he asserted, authoring the army's annual strategic educational review. But in response to an FOI request I filed with the army, I have been informed that "No official documents were authored or co-authored by Colonel Zimon" relating to the army's university or educational system. In my meeting with him, Colonel Zimon claims that such documents exist, but that the army does not provide all documents under the FOI. That is simply not accurate as FOI rules obligate the army to produce all documents pursuant to a request, unless the documents are exempt under national security, which is not being asserted by the army here.

5.) Colonel Zimon claims in his resume to have authored, even been the principal author, of several U.S. treaties. In his resume he states that he "Participated in the development, writing, and interagency coordination of five of the eight

President's U.S. National Security Strategies. Wrote and helped negotiate major sections of two U.S. treaties and related documents." In addition, in his resume, he lists the following documents as publications: Treaty on Conventional Armed Forces in Europe; National Security Strategy of the United States; Treaty on the Elimination of Intermediate Range Missiles. But in response to my FOI request, the army informed me that, "No official documents were authored or co-authored by Colonel Zimon" relating to any treaties, U.S. security plans, or the National Security Strategy of Engagement and Enlargement, of which Colonel Zimon claims to be principal author. Once again, in his meeting with me, Colonel Zimon was unable to provide any explanation for this discrepancy, again explaining that the documents exist but that they have not been provided to me pursuant to my FOI request. Colonel Zimon is in essence arguing that the army is violating FOI law by not providing the documents that he says will show that he played a significant role in these national publications. Indeed, my understanding is that Colonel Zimon was not even a member of most of the task forces that authored these documents and of which he claims to be principal author.

6.) Two search committee members have advised me that they had the understanding that Colonel Zimon was a candidate for president of Seton Hall. Indeed, it was the concern of losing Colonel Zimon to a competing institution that was advanced as the motivating

consideration for speedy action on his candidacy, well ahead of the scheduled time table. This hasty action may have precluded the kind of investigation that might have exposed some of these discrepancies. In fact, Colonel Zimon was candidate only for dean of the International School at Seton Hall, which scarcely raised concerns of losing him. He was also a candidate for dean of the school of arts and sciences at Creighton University. He had not even interviewed for these positions at the time. How these tow and perhaps other committee members came to a false understanding that he was candidate for president at Seton Hall needs to be examined. Perhaps this miscommunication was passed along by the consulting firm hired by the college for this search. Colonel Zimon had told me that the firm had vetted his vita. The nature of his relationship with the consulting

firm for possible conflicts of interest needs to be explored.

There are a host of other questionable claims that Colonel Zimon had made about his professional and

publishing background, but all the above involve documentary evidence that can be examined. Academic dishonesty is the most egregious misconduct in academia. The Albright College catalog notes: "Academic honesty is part of the foundation of an academic community. Any violation of the highest standards of academic honesty threatens the trust upon which an academic community is built." The point is further underscored in the faculty handbook, which provides on the subject of faculty searches: "Faculty are expected to be honest and fully responsive to the questions they are asked... This interest requires an open, honest procedure and is PARAMOUNT in the College's consideration." (Emphasis added).

In his interview with *The Albright Reporter* (Summer 1999), Colonel Zimon himself stresses honesty and integrity as the core values both in life and education: "However, in answer to your question to me personally, at the top of my list are core values such as integrity - and I should point out that integrity to me is a much broader value than simple honesty, although it certainly includes being honest..."

As one works through these and other issues and looks at the totality of the documentary evidence, one cannot help but arrive at the conclusion that there is potentially, at least, a willful and

calculated pattern of deception on Colonel Zimon's part to deliberately mislead and deceive the faculty, search committee and the trustees. I do not ask anybody to take my word; I do ask for a legitimate inquiry that gets to the facts. I have not even asked that Colonel Zimon produce the evidence to me; I have asked only for a serious investigation.

A prima facie case exists that Colonel Zimon has falsified his publication record and that he has grossly exaggerated and misrepresented his army background. Even though the facts in this case may cause discomfort, we all have a professional responsibility to pursue the truth wherever it might lead us. If we chose to ignore such a blatant case of dishonesty by the college's lead officer, the faculty will have no moral authority to challenge similar misconduct by students and by other faculty.

Questions relating to Colonel Zimon's background were raised at the faculty meeting of February 17. Several of the votes that followed were very narrow. A motion to table a resolution congratulating Colonel Zimon was voted down by just two votes (and just one not counting the chair). Remarks were made by supporters of Colonel Zimon at that meeting, to quote the minutes, "[I]f Dr. Zimon's vita were inaccurate then this in itself would be grounds for his removal..." There are sufficient grounds to suggest that that might be so. No doubt, students are investigated on far flimsier evidence than is the case here.

It is imperative that the college establish a committee to investigate Colonel Zimon's professional and academic background and let the chips fall where they may.

Sincerely,  
Achal Mehra

Associate Professor Communications

## SGA MEETINGS FALL TERM SCHEDULE

### SEPTEMBER

19 Committee Senates  
26 SGA Meeting

### OCTOBER

3 SGA Meeting  
10 Committee Senates

### FALL BREAK

24 SGA Meeting  
31 SGA Meeting

### NOVEMBER

7 SGA Meeting  
14 Committee Senates

### THANKSGIVING BREAK

### DECEMBER

5 SGA Meeting  
12 Committee Senates  
19 SGA Meeting

\* PLEASE ATTEND AND LET  
YOUR VOICE BE HEARD!!

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Professor Achal Mehra



# Sports

## Lion offense falls short in final minutes, 35-27

by Matt Kemeny  
Sports Editor

As the remaining seconds ticked away from the scoreboard clock, the weary Lions trudged off the muddy field, knowing how close they were to upsetting undefeated Widener University in the 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Shrine Pretzel Bowl.

The stands of Shirk Stadium were filled with Shriners, who were honored at the halftime show, and if any of them were hoping for an exciting game, they were not disappointed. In other words, this game contained some plays that looked like they were patterned right off of a Ringling Brother's Production. However, despite all of the acrobatics, the Pioneers held the Pretzel Bowl Trophy high, defeating the surging Lions by a score of 35-27.

"This was definitely a positive effort by the offense," commented junior wide receiver Mike Downes. "We finally clicked as a unit, but unfortunately we couldn't get it done in the end."

The Lions began the scoring parade with a one-yard run by senior tailback Matt Santoro. The touchdown not only capped off an impressive 51-yard drive to start the game, but it moved Santoro into sole possession of second place on Albright's all-time rushing touchdowns list with 24.

However, the Lions did not have much time to celebrate, because on the second play from scrimmage after the ensuing kick-off, Pioneer quarterback Mike Granato hit wide out Matt Giello on a 67-yard scoring strike. Mike Gavaghan's extra-point failed, but Widener narrowed the lead to 7-6.

The dejected lions did not keep their heads down for long though, as sophomore quarterback Mike Strack went to work on the Widener secondary, picking up the blitz, and leading his team down the field. On first and ten from the Pioneer 25 yard line, Strack connected with Junior split end Rich Kolka, and George Merrill's extra point put the Lions up 14-6 at the end of the first quarter.

The first eight minutes of the second quarter proved to be painful to the Lions as Granato tossed a pair of touchdown passes, the second one of the afternoon for Giello, and also to Mike Coleman. The Pioneers added a two-point conversion, and pulled ahead of the Lions by a score of 21-14.

Then, after the Lions drove the football down to the Pioneer 19 yard line, in a play that is normally drawn in the sand, ex-quarterback Jeff Haberl fired a touchdown off of a reverse, across the width of the field, placing the ball softly in the outstretched arms of Strack, as he raced by defenders into the end-zone.

"We had just instituted that play during the last week of practice," stated Haberl. "For me

personally, it was a nice feeling to throw the ball again, and we were fortunate that the play was successful for us."

Just when you thought that it couldn't get any more interesting...it did. After Merrill booted a 28-yard field goal to put the Lions up by 3, the Lions were ready to march into the locker room with a well-earned lead. When one of the Pioneer up-backs fair caught the ball with 11 seconds remaining, the Shriners were two steps from parading onto the field for the halftime festivities. Everyone in the stadium held their breath though, as Granato and wide receiver Jim Jones connected with a 67-yard hail mary with 0:00 remaining on the scoreboard. The miracle touchdown strike, not only put the Pioneers up by a score of 28-24, but sent the fans scrambling for someone with a video camera who has just possibly taped a football play in the running for a highlight reel on ESPN.

The third quarter was slow for both offenses, but Widener was able to land, once again, another touchdown pass, this one from Granato to Coleman, giving the Pioneers some breathing room at 35-24.

The Lions scoring drives were futile in the final quarter and Albright was only able to come up with a 22-yard field goal by Merrill to close the gap to 8 points. With his second field goal of the night in as many chances, Merrill continues his consistency, as he stands perfect on extra-points as well as 7-8 in the field goal department.

As the game neared its close, Widener's defense rose to the occasion halting the Lions on all of their attempts to tie the game, and the Pioneer offense held the ball as the clock wound down to end the football game.

Strack, who completed 28 of 48 passes for 295 yards and two touchdowns, received the Pretzel Bowl MVP award, along with Pioneer quarterback Mike Granato. Granato threw for over 300 yards and connected on a school-record-tying five touchdown passes, in leading the Pioneers to a still undefeated 2-0 in the MAC conference; they are 4-1 overall.

On the other hand, the painful loss dropped the Lions to a disappointing 1-4 overall and 1-2 in the conference.

Also, another positive result from the game was that Lion superb tailback Matt Santoro, not only racked up 86 yards on 22 carries, but he edged closer to second place on the all-time rushing list at Albright with 2,571 yards in his sensational career.

"It was a real frustrating loss for the reason that we were so close to victory against a very good team," commented Junior defensive tackle and co-captain Stip Fedorak. "However, we can take a lot of positive things from this game, and hope to improve for the rest of the season."

## Sports Commentary Emily Wagner

I love football.  
I love to watch football.

I even love to play football...yes, I've played football. Okay, so it was only in my high school's powder puff game and in little pick up games with the guys, but that counts doesn't it?

Either way, I love football. I don't know whether it's the aggressiveness of the game, the excitement of the game, or whether it's simply those tight pants, but it's a great sport. (I guess those tight pants just accentuate the already great sport.)

I even associate color combinations with my favorite football teams. A purple and yellow combination always triggers the Minnesota Vikings in my head. And if you try walking around with a blue and orange combination, be prepared to hear a "Go Syracuse" following your footsteps.

That might be pushing it, but there's got to be some psychological study out there on that type of association. If not, I'm willing to be a subject in any psych major's study on that topic.

So now that I've confessed my psychotic love for football, I would like to share my cheers and jeers in the current football arena.

First of all, hip hip hooray for the instant replay rule!

It is obvious that the NFL made a wise decision in implementing this new rule because teams have taken advantage of instant replay in many instances already this season and have received call reversals in the process.

But at the same time, teams have not overly abused the power of instant replay due to the stipulation that if the original call stands as is, the team who challenged the call must sacrifice a time out.

Secondly, isn't it great to see

all the NFL teams fighting for winning records? I like the fact that not one team stands out as a huge powerhouse or super bowl favorite this year.

Well, I guess you could call the Rams the current powerhouse in the league as they're the only undefeated team in the NFL. But where did those Rams come from?

And how about those Eagles ending Dallas's undefeated streak? Those Eagles' fans sitting in the stands didn't know what hit them as their previously winless team soared past the Cowboys. They celebrated like they had just won the Super Bowl.

But what the heck has happened to the Vikings, the Falcons, and the reigning Super Bowl champions, the Broncos?

At least Denver has an excuse with the loss of Elway and Davis, but the Vikings...well, I guess I just expected more from my Super Bowl hopefuls.

Now onto one of my biggest qualms...what's with this new Houston franchise? I can't even remember where the Titans are from, and now they want to confuse me even more with another new team.

There are enough teams in the league, and with another expansion team, the talent level will continue to decrease as the need for more players with limited skill increases.

If nothing else, this billion dollar deal is simply a waste of money.

Finally, I was terribly disturbed to read about the Peter Warrick incident.

Warrick, who quarterbacked the number one team in the country, Florida State, in their first few games has now been suspended indefinitely after he was charged with grand theft.

The incident is ridiculous in itself. Warrick and another teammate were charged with grand theft after a store clerk sold them clothing

valued at over \$200 for a little over \$20.

It sounds like a petty and insignificant crime, and it is. Two things, however, bother me about this occurrence.

First of all, these players, especially Warrick, were just plain stupid to even try to get away with such a crime. Warrick was one of the top Heisman trophy prospects, and now his chances of earning this prestigious honor have pretty much gone down the tubes.

Secondly, the fact that Florida State's athletic director would not have suspended Warrick if it were not for the college's school codes disturbs me.

Too often, athletes at all levels get off too easily when they commit crimes.

Leon Lett, of the Dallas Cowboys, was suspended this season for at least the third time in his career for violating the substance abuse policy of the NFL.

How many chances do these players get? They get minor suspensions for breaking the law while other citizens go to jail.

Athletes who break the law, especially the ones who continually fail drug test after drug test, should be banned from the sport. Athletes are role models to children and should not be allowed back on the field after such violations of the law.

Furthermore, if Leon Lett gets his nine lives in the sport of football, then Pete Rose should definitely get at least a second chance. Rose deserves a bust in Cooperstown, but I'll save this argument for a future commentary.

For now, I only wish that the morale of athletics, especially football, increases so I can be proud of the men that I gawk at wearing those tight pants.

## Ruggers fall short at Swarthmore

by Shaun Schaeffer

What happens to a Rugby team when one of its two captains graduates and the other transfers?

Simple. It starts all over again.

That is what the Albright Men's Rugby team has done. Thanks to Mark Lukens, both the men and women are donning new and uniforms; the women in their traditional colors, while the men went with the all-black jerseys, shorts, and socks.

Next, a coach was found. For the first time in three years the men have a coach. Coach Jason Horowitz, an Alpha Chi Rho at Kutztown, is volunteering his time to help the struggling program.

Although the men have fallen short in their first two games of the season, they have shown much improvement. In their last game

against Swarthmore College, the ruggers fell just 15 points shy. Scoring for Albright was first year player, and inside center Faisal Hussein, on a long, hard fought run that would have made Barry Sander's jaw drop.

"I just kept my legs going and never took my eyes off of the try-zone," commented Hussein on his rumble. "As soon as I got close to the end-line, I just leaned forward and was fortunate to touch the ball down."

Just before half-time, Shaun Schaeffer ran a brutalizing penalty play down to the try-line, where veteran scrum-half Dave Armstrong dove in for the score.

After the half there wasn't much offense for Albright's ruggers, but they managed to keep Swarthmore out of the try-zone.

Albright only brought 11

players to the game, and had to borrow men from Swarthmore to even play the game.

"We are getting better with every game," said senior Dave Armstrong. "The lack of numbers, however, is really what kills us in the end."

It was a moral victory if nothing else for, and with more players and more experience, they can only get better. The ruggers play their final home game of the season on Halloween weekend.





## Women's tennis team overcomes obstacles to beat Susquehanna

by Cristen Leaper  
Staff Writer

Even though they faced a few obstacles, the members of the women's tennis team pulled together to produce a tough win over league rivals, Susquehanna, on Saturday, October 9.

Going into the match, the girls knew they would have to deal with the absence of co-captain and undefeated first singles player, senior Andrea Dennis. The entire lineup shifted, placing athletes into spots they had not played all season.

The biggest alteration came with the last-minute decision as to who would play together in the doubles matches. Each of the three teams never played in competition together.

Rain fell upon the courts early that morning, forcing the match to be played indoors on the third floor of the Bollman Center. To start things off, courts one through three held the doubles matches, two of which resulted in victory.

The first team of Kristy Stutz and Emily Wagner came back from a 1-2 deficit to defeat their opponents 8-3. Susquehanna earned their sole doubles win in their 8-5 effort against the second team of Marisa Fiedler and Cristen Leaper. The third team of Chrissie Jackson and Becky LeGay led the entire way en route to

their 8-5 victory.

Anxiously awaiting the start of the singles matches, coaches, fans and members of the women's tennis team found themselves strolling over to the outdoor courts. The efforts to dry the courts with brooms lasted half an hour before play resumed.



Once the athletes took their places in their respectable positions, the action began. The match became closer and closer with every serve and volley that sailed over the nets.

As Fiedler appropriately stated, "This match really came down to the wire."

Stutz faced a big challenge at first singles as she attempted to fill in Dennis's shoes. Her overall record became 9-3 following her two-set loss.

Wagner, who played second singles, strung together a 6-3, 6-3 victory over her opponent.

At third singles, Cristen Leaper hustled her way to a 7-5, 6-3 win.

The fifth singles match favored Susquehanna as Becky LeGay also suffered a two-set defeat.

With only two players remaining on the court, the score existed as 4-3 favoring Albright. The first of the two players to exit the gate was Chrissie Jackson, who lost a grueling three-setter at sixth singles with the score of 3-6, 6-0, 2-6.

With that result, the overall match became a dead tie, making the fourth singles match the deciding factor.

At this point, Fiedler had split sets, with the girl from Susquehanna the first being a 1-6 loss, and the second putting her on the winning end of the stick with a 7-1 tie-break score.

All eyes on her, Fiedler forced her opponent to make error after error, leading her to a 6-0 victory, and the team to a 5-4 win.

The victory landed Albright in a tie with Juniata for second place in the MAC Commonwealth division, with a league record of 5-2.

The team's overall record for the season stands at 10-2, with one match remaining against Cedar Crest on October 20. Head coach, Bill Flegler, commented, "It was a big win for us, and everyone contributed some sort of win for the team, whether it be in doubles or singles." "I am really proud of them."

## Men's soccer edges Neumann in double overtime with Endy's goal

by Dan Pennucci  
Staff Writer

Fans at the soccer team's game on Saturday had one question on their minds: How has Albright not scored a goal yet?

The Lions outshot Neumann 34-2, and yet only managed one goal by Kevin Endy in an overtime that should have never even happened.

Keeper Jason Magid and the rest of the Albright defense could have sat down the whole game and Neumann would have never even come close to scoring. That should tell fans how comprehensive the Lions domination of the play was.

Albright easily possessed the ball 70-75% of the match. Wynn Kiesel "was in" as he exploited a

very weak right flank along with defender Paul Triolo to send many dangerous crosses into the area to generate numerous attempts on goal, including Jim Rothharp's header directly at the Neumann keeper.

Kevin Endy controlled the midfield as usual, winning headballs and threading through balls onto teammates' feet.

The offense put on a clinic which included everything but putting the ball away.

Senior captain Matt Crouse eloquently summed up the team's offensive performance when he said, "We couldn't shoot for s\*#%."

It was a very comprehensive win even if the score did not reflect it. "They played us tough, and sometimes we play down to another team's level," said leading scorer Sutton Smith.



This game certainly reflected the way the team can dominate by possessing the ball and controlling the play, but in no way showed the finishing ability of which the team

is capable.

"The game was a little frustrating since we had trouble finishing, we'll have to work on that, but the team's perseverance and hard work paid off and we pulled out a win," said coach Jim Sweeney.

## Lion Spotlight Volleyball

by Matt Kemeny

Nicole Houvig doesn't just play for the lions...she has the heart of a lion. And as one of the co-captains, of the Albright women's volleyball team, she is pouncing on the opposition.

"Nicole has been a positive influence for all of our underclassmen this year," comments head coach, Bob Zedaker. "She has been an excellent leader for us all season."

Houvig, one of the best female athletes on campus, with much toil and sweat has put herself in excellent shape for the season. At this year's first tournament at Franklin and Marshall University, as the rest of the lady lions were stretching to get loose for the first match, Houvig promptly ran two and a half miles...as a warm-up.

"She has always been a physical fitness nut," says Zedaker about the senior from Radnor, Pa. "One thing that I can always count on is Nicole being in shape."

Houvig is captaining a team in a rebuilding year that has been crippled with the lack of numbers. With only 8 players on the entire team, the Lions have managed just a 1-19 record. Despite a larger number in the wins column though, Houvig has kept her head high.

"When things don't go your way, you just have to pick your head up," states Houvig. "We just have to concentrate on one game at a time, and hopefully the wins will start to pick up."

Houvig is finishing up her last year on the court, a career that has spanned 8 years, starting in her freshmen year in high school, when she listened to her older sister telling her how fun the sport is to play. That inspired her to start playing volleyball, despite remarks that

she didn't have the size.

"I had a lot of things to prove in high school on the court," she recalls. "I wanted to show people that I could play even though I was smaller than most players."

Now, standing at only five feet and two inches, Houvig's size can be measured by her heart. Also, she has been asked to play many different positions this season, but has been extremely versatile, playing hard wherever and whenever her coach has asked her.

Her main position is center and she is known for her good serve and perfect setting form. Also, she likes to rise up and spike the ball, and concentrates hard on that at practice.

"Nicole will do whatever is needed for the team to win," comments Zedaker. "She has kept a positive attitude in doing everything that I have asked of her."

With five games remaining in the Lady Lion's season, Houvig is thankful of having such great teammates, that has made this, even with its limited number of wins, a fun season.

"I've had a lot of fun this year," smiles Houvig. "I want to thank coach Bob (Zedaker) and coach Mike Hanth and all of my teammates for a fun year, and to tell them that they should all keep their heads up, because everyone has played their hearts out this year."

As for now though, we can get a chance to see her finish out her career with four straight home games to conclude the season.

For when she has spiked, set, and smacked her last volleyball she will leave the hardwood surface with nothing left in her...because Nicole Houvig has left it all out on the court.

### Upcoming Sporting Event Schedule from

October 13-October 20

\*\*\*home games bolded

Wed. 10-13 Men Soccer @ Western Maryland 3:30 Away

Thurs. 10-14 Field Hockey vs. Chestnut Hill 4:30 Home

Thurs. 10-14 Women Soccer vs. Moravian 4:00 Home

Fri. 10-15 Volleyball vs. Cedar Crest 4:00 Home

Sat. 10-16 Football @ Lebanon Valley 1:30 Away

Sat. 10-16 Field Hockey @ Wilkes 11:00 Away

Sat. 10-16 XC vs. Wesley/Cabrini/Alvernia 11:30 Home

Sat. 10-16 Women Soccer vs. Rutgers-Camden 1:00 Home

Sat. 10-16 Men Soccer @ Moravian 11:00 Away

Wed. 10-20 Field Hockey vs. Elizabethtown 4:30 Home

Wed. 10-20 Women Soccer vs. Widener 3:30 Home

Wed. 10-20 Women Tennis vs. Cedar Crest 3:30 Home

Wed. 10-20 Men Soccer @ Wilkes 3:30 Away

## Albright College Rugby

Practices:

Mon. Wed. Thurs.

4 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Science Field

Trample the weak  
Hurdle the dead



## Lion Spotlight

### Women's Tennis

by Matt Kemeny

As we enter the fall season here at Albright College, only a few things are certain. The leaves will change color, the air will get cooler, and, sure enough, Lion senior Andrea Dennis will be pounding opponents on the tennis court.

The senior captain is currently 10-0, and is steadily heading towards her second undefeated season in her Albright career.

"Simply, she's just a great competitor," commented head women's tennis coach Bill Fleegler. "She hates to lose and just levels her opponents with her great consistency on the court."

Dennis has tallied an amazing 45 wins in her Albright career, and, incredibly, has only dropped four matches in her four years here, putting her in a class by herself among Lady Lion tennis players.

Dennis failed to drop a match until the middle of her sophomore year, recording a shocking 15 wins and zero losses in her rookie year. She then went on, plowing opponents, and leaving an indelible mark on her coach, teammates, and the rest of the MAC conference.

"She frustrates her opponents to the point where they make unforced errors," mentioned junior teammate Emily Wagner. "She is very patient on the court and returns just about every shot."

This season, Dennis stands at an undefeated 10-0, and has no worries about losing her perfect record.

She has led Albright, along with a crop of new standout players, to its best record in many years, with an impressive 8-2 overall record, and a 4-2 record in

the MAC Commonwealth League.

In the Lion's 7-2 victory over Kutztown University, Dennis led the pack with a straight set win over senior Wendy Butts, who defeated Dennis in the previous year.

The opening win sparked Albright to its first victory over Kutztown since 1980. Dennis has only dropped an incredible two sets so far this season, sending most of her opponents to the showers in straight sets.

Fleegler contributes this domination to an incredible desire to win, above any particular tennis skills.

"She doesn't overpower her opponents with any of her shots or her serve," he states. "Yet, Andrea just knows how to win, and gets it done every time she steps on the court."

Dennis's goal this year is to keep her undefeated record and finish out her Albright career knowing that she has had a lot of fun, along with all her victories, on the court.

"I definitely have had a lot of fun playing tennis here," smiled Dennis. "My goal for the rest of the year is to stay undefeated, and finish strong as a team this season."

With only one match remaining this year for the Lion superstar against Cedar Crest College on October 20, Dennis has her sights set on not only keeping her undefeated record but finishing off a stellar career on a positive note.

When she has served, smacked, and sliced her final ball here on the Albright courts, she will walk off the lined surface a winner, and we can have memories of Andrea Dennis as one of Albright's best women tennis players ever.

## Women's soccer team looks to improve on early season setbacks

by Jason Bedinsky

Expectations for the 1999 women's soccer team ran very high.

At the beginning of the season, two dozen women came out for the team, and among them, new faces with promising talent. There was no reason not to have high expectations for the season.

"Before the start of the season, I was so excited, because I felt we would be better than last year," explained senior co-captain Meghan Rourke.

However, through the first ten games, the Lady Lions have only managed to pull out one victory, at the expense of Allentown College.

The disappointing season can be, in part, contributed to the high amount of injuries and illness that has spread throughout the team.

Since the 1-9 Lions have been plagued by injuries and illnesses, the roster has nearly been cut in half. Of the remaining 11 to 12 players, only a handful are completely free from

injury and/or illness.

"Coming into the season, expectations ran extremely high. We have the skill to compete with most teams, yet due to injuries and illnesses, our team has lost so many key players," commented sophomore Nicole Roantree.

Rourke added, "It's very

Yoda, a junior, is forced to sit out the season due to an illness.

This is truly an unfortunate season for the Lady Lions, however, they are very optimistic about improving on their record during the rest of the year.

The Lions feel strongly about their final seven games, 5 of which are home games. They hope for wins against Alvernia, Rutgers-Camden, and Neuman College, since those teams are having disappointing seasons as well.

Despite the hardships that this team has faced throughout the season, one aspect that keeps this team rolling is heart.

"I came back with just the sheer desire to play, and with that came the desire to win. I will do anything it takes to win and think about the consequences later."

Trina Sawicki, '00

frustrating. It feels like *deja vu* from last season."

Injuries have put an extreme amount of pressure on these women.

Many players on the team are playing hurt as well as playing out of their usual positions.

Albright is also without the school's all-time women's scoring leader, Marisa Yoda.

## Field hockey just falls short in dual with nationally ranked Crusaders

by Dan Pennucci  
Staff Writer

The Albright field hockey team suffered a tough 3-1 loss against a Susquehanna squad that is ranked 9th in the nation.

This closed out a week in which the Lions scored wins over Scranton and Philadelphia Bible.

The opening portion of the match contained a wave of offense from Susquehanna which kept the Lions back on their heels and defending.

With 17 minutes left in the first half it looked as if the Crusaders were going to get on the scoreboard, but Sarah Kadis had other ideas.

A scramble in front of the goal produced a loose ball that was knocked past goalie Amy Lincoln. Kadis recovered and cleared the ball off the line before it was too late.

It was a big momentum changer as the Lions stopped being so defensive and went on the attack.

Their efforts were rewarded with several corners.

Unfortunately they were not able to put one in the cage. As the half began to draw to a close, the

match, and if it was kept out then it would've been a completely different match."

Susquehanna knocked in another with 25 minutes left to go up 2-0. With ten minutes left, the Lions suddenly went on the offensive creating chance after chance, until Rachel Perkins put one in the cage with 7:45 left.

"That goal gave us confidence and momentum for the remainder of the game," said Billman.

The Crusaders soon put the lions away with a goal 2 minutes from time. "We certainly didn't let them win this game, we played aggressively and made them work for the win," said Billman of her team's effort against Susquehanna, "they're a strong squad and we gave it our all."



Crusaders were pressuring Albright inside of our circle and this time it did make it across the line. Allison Wawer was a split second late from another huge play.

Coach Diane Billman feels "that that was the turning point of the

## New wrestling coach steps on the mat

by Matt Kemeny  
Sports Editor

Albright College has a wrestling team? The answer to this commonly asked question is yes...and this year new coach Joe Reilly is aiming to rebuild the Lion's previously unstructured program.

Reilly brings to Albright, not only 25 years of high school experience, but a new attitude that he hopes will make this year's team a little more successful than last year's poor display. The Lions, 2-17

last year, also hope to bring in a promising crop of new wrestlers, along with the talent returning from last year's squad.

"This year our main goal is field a whole team," said Reilly. "I understand that a total turnaround is not going to happen overnight, but I am hoping to make progress starting one day at a time."

For the past 11 years, Reilly was the head coach at Central Catholic High School, where he led the Crusaders to a 7-6 record in 1998. Previously, from 1980-1987 he had coached Wyoming High School,

and led the Spartans to the Berks II championship in the 1985-86 season.

"I think that coach Reilly will rebuild the team through hard work and dedication," commented sophomore heavyweight Shaun Schaeffer. "The new recruiting will also help, since recruiting has always been poor here in previous years."

"I really want to build a new identity for Albright wrestling starting this year," adds Reilly. "I want students around campus to recognize a Lion wrestler, and that will make us a stronger and more confident team."

## Fellowship of Christian Athletes



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October 21st at 7:00 p.m. in the  
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