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## Watch out students! There's a new sheriff in town

"There's really no

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Mark Blank, '00

always win

by Frank Morelli

Almost three months after the implementation of new judicial officers at Albright College, the effectiveness of the judicial system remains unclear to students.

With incident reports piling up in the housing office and heated judicial hearings becoming common place, students at Albright college are not seeing eye to eye with administration in regards to the benefits of the new judicial system enforcement.

"This system has always been in place," said Kris Kawczynski, Coordinator of Residence Life and Judicial Affairs. "Now it's being enforced to the fullest extent."

The judicial system has in fact been in the Albright Compass for years, but until now repercussions of violating school policies were not consistently enforced. Kawczynski explained new administrators such as herself and Tom Miles, Director

of Housing, have recently been hired difficult for students to plead their to enforce the policy.

"In past years many students

slipped through the cracks with warning after warning. The new system provides the RA staff with more support," said Jen Brinker, Resident Assistant of Smith

Kawczynski said that the judicial system is not a means

to punish the students, but instead a way of educating the students on responsibility. She said that the students must learn their lesson.

Statements like these are not being met with much support from Albright students however. Some students feel the sudden enforcement of the judicial system has been a nuisance to campus life.

Students feel that the judicial hearings are being conducted in a biased manner therefore making it not guilty charges, but compared

cases with any relative success

"They [the judicial officers]

didn't even listen to what I had to say, I feel like they were content on only listening to the RA's side of the story," said Senior Jeff Mastronardo "I went into the trial guilty until proven innocent."

Junior Mark Blank also commented, "There's really no justice done to the student, the RA's always win.

According to Brinker, the trials may be perceived this way because the judicial officers trust the RA's. But if students are honestly not guilty then their charges will be dropped.

Kawczynski did not know the exact numbers of guilty charges to

The ratio of cases thus far was 3to-1 in favor of guilty charges

Several students argued that the judicial system needs substantial improvements in the future if it is to be unbiased. Students suggested that the judicial system should be run by a committee of students and faculty rather than by one or two judicial

"The judicial officers have too much executive power in these hearings, they are too prone to side with the RA," said Blank.

"There could improvements," said Kawczynski, There should be more student involvement so students can take responsibility for their peers." Kawczynski urges the student body to petition Dean Brooks for more student involvement.

Housing Director and Judicial Officer Tom Miles was unavailable for comment on the matters

## Four student vigilantes take a bite out of crime

by Nathaniel Carey

Four students captured local Reading vandals suspected of slashing tires on Richmond St. on November 10.

Sophomores Scott Karpinsky, Kevin Windsor, Chad Hack and Frank Morelli apprehended two out of three alleged juvenile criminals after a brief confrontation.

Albright security received calls from the Gingrich Library and from Masters Hall at 10 p.m. reporting a disturbance and a fight, supposedly Security among students. immediately dispatched a guard in the reported direction, and met up with two of the four Albright students who were holding one of the alleged vandals. The student who phoned security, Hack, alerted the guard of the gist of the situation. Shortly thereafter, security convened with the other two students at 13th and Union streets. These students had captured a Reading local who was carrying a knife. Security took control of the situation and brought every person involved into the office for questioning. The Reading police department was notified and dispatched an officer to the scene.

Stratton Marmarou, Head of Security, said, "There is only a couple of us [security] here. The students are the eyes and ears of Albright. If you students see something, call us. When stuff like this takes place someone should stand up and say, 'Hey! These guys did a hell of a job here.' That's what we need here. These guys should be commended for what they did."

Prior to the confrontation, the Albright students suspected



Scott Karpinsky, Chad Hack and Frank Morelli: tracked down the alleged tire slasher. Kevin Windsor is missing

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suspicious activity. They were walking into the Mohn parking lot when Hack saw three individuals whom he could not recognize. One

was dressed entirely in camouflage. Hack said, "These guys are shady, they're up to something." Hack and Morelli got into Hack's car. They had just pulled out of the Mohn parking lot when they picked up Karpinsky. He pointed out two cars that he said had their

tires slashed. After exchanging intuitive sentiments, the three students agreed that the unidentified passersby might be linked to the

vandalism. Karpinsky immediately checked his car to see if it had been tampered with. Sure enough. Karpinsky was indeed a victim.

They got back in the car and then picked up a fourth person, Kevin Windsor, Intent upon tracking down the locals, they wanted extra numbers safety. The group saw the locals walking onto campus via the

tunnel. Hack drove his car directly onto campus into the small circle behind Masters Hall.

Karpinsky jumped out of the

car, briskly walked toward the group of locals and yelled, "You guys been slashing tires!" Karpinsky pushed the nearest local and continued, "Somebody better start talking." As Karpinsky turned towards the local dressed in camouflage, one suspect took off running. Karpinsky asked one of the remaining two why their friend was running away. He then pushed the suspect dressed in camouflage again. A knife fell out of his jacket, and he picked it up and swung at Karpinsky. Karpinsky escaped the first stab attempt, he dropped back to avoid the repeated swinging of the knife.

Since the suspect was given distance from the students, he turned

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## President says goodbye

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President Hurwitz

up.

by Lisamarie Cope

Ellen Hurwitz has officially resigned from her Presidential duties at Albright College. She considers herself to be "graduating with the seniors." After the After the

commencement of the Class of 1999, President Hurwitz will move onto to her new job at New England College in New Hampshire. She will become England New College's first female President.

Hurwitz decided that she was leaving Albright

February, thereby giving the board almost a year and half notice. Hurwitz said, "Seven years was the right amount time to be at Albright." She was initially contracted for five years but promised to stay for another two. Hurwitz said, "Although you make a commitment to one school, you must explore all your options." Hurwitz has vacationed in the New England area and she went to school there. She describes it as "a beautiful part of the country."

President Hurwitz makes it clear that she will truly miss the students, faculty, administration and staff at Albright. The growing new programs, such as, Interdisciplinary Studies, the

Honors Program and the cooperation with other colleges in our area are also among the list of things President Hurwitz will miss

'Honestly, I feel like a mother letting go of her child and letting her child grow up." Hurwitz is extremely affectionate toward

Albright and has plans to keep in touch and visit. She does not want to completely let go of the close bonds she has made here.

Hurwitz confident in leaving Albright in the hands of a new president. Albright has made a complete turn around, there

have been dramatic improvements in the financial situation and in the organization and structure of programs. Albright has secured major grants from national foundations and is becoming an institution that integrates itself with other surrounding schools. As a result of the enormous challenges that Albright had imposed on Hurwitz, she feels that she is ready to tackle any challenges at New England College. "I will use the skills I have learned here and apply these experiences there," said

Although Hurwitz has nothing to do with the actual selection of the new president, it is her goal "to be at their disposal" if they have any questions or need any advice.

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President Ellen S. Hurwitz

## Faith no more, or a spiritual revival

Demands for a more spiritual college atmosphere prompted a search for a full-time chaplain. Administrators attended workshops to gain insight on dealing with this national problem.

by Adrienne Mitchell

Spiritual Life new Committee/Multi-faith Courcil is being developed at Albinint and many other college canipuses. A national meeting was held to discuss this new trend; these attending from Albright inclosed President Ellen Hurwitz; Carolyn Brooks, Vice President for Student Services and Dean of Students; John Horrigan Jr., Chair of the Board of Trustees; and Dr. William King, Chair of the Religious Studies Department. The

group brought back several 'models" of multi-faith ministry from many schools. Workshops and dialogue sessions held pertinent information for maintaining students spiritual life and embracing the change the approaching 21 century demands. King said, "The idea behind it is that a college campus is a diverse community. Therefore, its religious life must be diverse as

The council's mission statement going to reflect this commitment to diversity and faith. One of the main points it will stress is that religion is a positive aspect on a college campus and a multi-faith perspective can help students appreciate the beliefs of others. Another cardinal belief is that one of the best ways of teaching positive regards for other's faith is to let people experience it first hand.

It is noteworthy to point out the chaplain's status at Albright. For 30 years there was a full time United

Methodist chaplain. In 1994 the position was downsized due to financial constraints. A "quartertime" chaplain was hired. With Albright's renewed interest in religious life, the trustees have given their approval to initiate a search for a full time chaplain. Since Albright wants to keeps its ties to its Protestant background, the new chaplain will be United Methodist. Whether or not Steve Ohnsman, Albright's current Chaplain will remain in that position remains to be seen.

Albright is meeting the demands of reviving spiritual life with heavy student participation. A multi-faith service called an "Interfaith Celebration of Life" is being held in remembrance and celebration of those who have suffered with AIDS. It will be held on Nov. 30 at 7:00 p.m. in the Campus Center South Lounge, to kick off National AIDS awareness week. The "spirit lifting" event will include music and readings; every

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# Students save the day

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and ran towards the chapel, down the hill and across the street. Windsor and Karpinsky chased him until the corner of 13th and Union. At that point the suspect turned around in full swing with the knife, and warned the Albright students "to stay back" or he would use the knife. Windsor replied, "If you don't put the knife down, we're gonna beat the shit out of you." The suspect stood in dismay, and so Windsor repeated, "You'd better drop the knife," until the suspect did relinquish the blade. Windsor picked up the knife. When the students convened with security Windsor reported that the suspect was armed with the knife. He added that the knife was smeared with black stuff and smelled like

Simultaneously Hack and Morelli had not moved from behind Masters Hall. Hack phoned security with the emergency call box, and they detained the other suspect until security arrived. Hack said, "We scared the guy so much that he denied knowing the guy who ran away. We kept telling him that if our buddy catches his friend, his friend is dead." Both suspects were separately denying that they knew each other.

When the four students and security all reconvened behind Masters Hall, the students provided another quick rundown of the events of the confrontation.

Both the Reading locals and the Albright students went to the security office to give their statements to both security and the Reading police. Karpinsky was asked to identify which cars had been slashed. A total of four cars had been deflated by a knife. All of the cars were parked on the street, rather than in the Albright lots.

The four students were upset because the 'rumor mill' was accusing them of slashing the tires. Karpinsky said, "People always start rumors when they have no idea what happened." Morelli said, "It's ridiculous that whenever something good happens on this campus, no recognition is given."

The deflated tires were an inconvenience to Karpinsky and sophomore Natalie Shawlis, who had to pay for their new tires themselves. Shawlis said, "I had to drive around with a donut for about a week and a half. The tire cost me about \$70. Hopefully I'll get my money back soon."

The armed suspect, Michael Fisher, was arraigned at a prehearing on November 20. He had been in custody since the incident because he was unable to post the \$15,000 bail.

Albright security and the Reading police keep in touch on a regular basis. The police notified Marmarou of vandalism incidents occurring near Albright. Also, only a few days prior to the incident, a faculty member had reported that suspicious looking persons were lurking around her car. So Marmarou decided to double security around the parking lots. Security was not caught offguard.

## RSA delegates 'rode the rooster' at conference

by Geoffrey Smith

Earlier this month, 18 Albright College students attended a conference and returned with the ideas and groundplans to radically change RSA and residence life in the dorms.

The Albright delegation was led by Ted Isslemann, RSA President and Ann Flowers, RSA Vice President. The group attended CAACURH (Central Atlantic Affiliate of College and University Residence Halls) from November 6 to 8 at La Salle University in Philadelphia. They learned about residence life ideas, programs and problems that occur at 57 different schools from six states and the District of Columbia.

All of the 57 delegations made "program presentations" and displays of school spirit showing how their schools approach residence life conflicts.

Albright delegation cocaptain, Isslemann felt that last year's conference was much better

than this year's. He said, "I was really spirited and anxious to learn from new things and bring them back to Albright. Whether riding the rooster or attending programs, everyone was just full of spirit!"

Sophomore delegate to

CAACURH, Bekah Lewis said, "The sessions we attended were informative and we hope to implement the ideas presented there in our own Residence Halls here at Albright."

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rooster or

During the Interim, the RSA executive board will be revamping and making intense plans for the Spring Semester. RSA is hoping to restructure the Hall Councils so

that it can complete its goal of being a sounding board for residents. With the training program that the organization adopted from the convention. members will become more qualified and capable of fulfilling

this goal. RSA will be holding forums for residents to voice their concerns and help search for solutions. The organization will also be changing their means of advertising and methods of planning. Furthermore the e-board intends to give more responsibility to committee chairs, all based on what was seen at CAACURH. One program in particular: "Hall Wars" ought to be implemented into Spirit Week

Other schools have abandoned the quota system for the R.A. programs. Albright, on the contrary is seeking to increase the number of mandatory programs per semester. The R.A.'s in other schools work together and can hold week-long programs. They said that teamwork was the key to their success.

According to delegates, this year's CAACURH convention may not have been up to last year's standards, but still influenced the delegates to proceed in a new direction with RSA and residence life.

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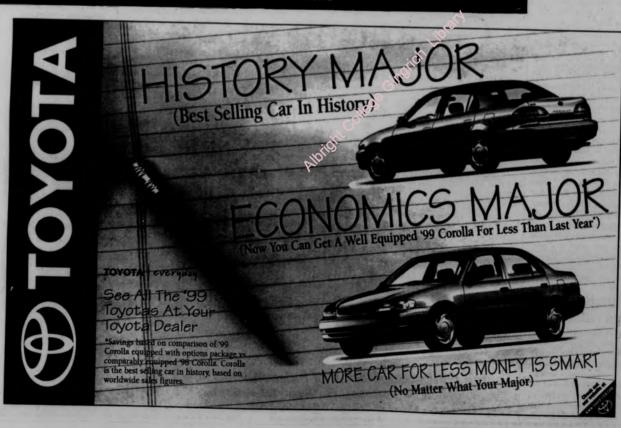


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# Features

## Who needs Martha Stewart when creative students are around

As you wander through the halls in the dorms and take a peek into the rooms that have open doors, you see many different styles and ideas. Many students are very creative in coming up with ideas for their rooms.

"We love to try to be different and make our room look unique," says Jenny Moran and Beth O'Donnell, residents of Crowell Hall. As you walk into their room you can definitely feel the uniqueness. The beds are bunked on the left side of their room.

Next to the beds is one set of dressers with their refrigerator and microwave on top of it. On the opposite wall is the other set of dressers with a fish bowl on top of it along with many other decorative items. Next to that is a cart that contains a huge stereo.

On the walls are many posters that range from movies to Albert Einstein to love and friendship quotes. The walls and ceiling are also the lucky occupants of glow-in-the-dark stars. Along the border of the room is white

Christmas lights that help to brighten up the room. At the present time their room is still decorated for Halloween and will soon be transforming into the festive Christmas season.

Their room also contains a blowup chair and a beanbag for guests to sit on. They left the center of the room open so that they could have dance parties with their friends Their room is full of life and fun.

Another unique room is that of Mike Santarelli and Alti Clemente, also residents of Crowell Hall.

As you enter their room their beds are unbunked in a neat fashion. The one bed is on the top notch (like a loft) against the wall, while the other bed is vertically under it.

Next to the vertical bed is a trunk with their television on top of it. Their dressers are inside their closets. Filling the entire wall on top of the beds is a huge camouflage net. On the top of the net is Santarelli's guitar. Against the other wall is a futon for their guests.

The walls are decorated with numerous posters such as Grateful Dead and Tupac, as well as a blinking traffic light along with black lights to decorate their room. "We are constantly trying to find a new look for our room and are always rearranging it in some way,' comments Clemente.

Many students want to make their rooms as homey as possible because they will be living in it for the rest of the school year.

Some students have themes for their rooms, such as movies, tropical. spring, solar systems, or other eccentric ideas. A few rooms have curtains and have developed some kind of unique closet doors to hide their messy side. Many rooms contain couches, recliners, or some other type of comfortable sitting area. A majority of the rooms have Christmas lights around the borders, either multi-colored or white. Some rooms have lofts; the only rooms that are not allowed to have this style are those occupied by freshmen.

Albright students love to decorate for the holidays and their windows are always changing. Some students get so into the decorating mood that their rooms have garland

criss-crossed on the ceiling and doors, which helps to make their rooms feel more like home. Decorating also gets students into the festive mood of the present holiday.

"As I enter my room and see how decorated it is... I feel more at home and I begin to think about how I can change the room for the next approaching holiday," said Megan Youngberg, a resident of Smith Hall.

Now that your interests are sparked, peek into a room with an open door as you wander by and see if it is creative. There are many things that can be done to the rooms, you just have to let yourself be creative, fun, and crazy. Let your creative juices flow and you might just surprise yourself along



These students bunked their beds to conserve on space

## Feng Shui brings in good chi, out with the bad

by Jennifer Schestok

Are you tired of your boring room? Are you feeling unproductive, not creative, anxious and stressed caused by bad energy that surrounds you? Fret no more! Feng Shui (pronounced fung shway) maybe the answer to help you start living a spiritual, healthy, vivacious and meaningful life again

Feng Shui, literally meaning wind and water, is an ancient Chinese study of the natural environment. It is not based on any religion or belief system like Buddhism or Taoism, as many people are misled to believe by all the fraudulent Feng Shui practitioners and spiritual propaganda.

It is the Chinese art of arranging furniture and other objects in a house, office or dorm room. Many even position their homes, office buildings, churches or any form of shelter according to the five elements before actually building them. Feng Shui determines these positions based on the year the individual is born, their environmental surroundings and the movements of the solar system. This practice of living harmoniously with

the energy or Chi results in our better moods, health, and life.

"The virtues of wood, fire, earth, metal and water (the five elements) show up every time we participate in the exchange of Feng Shui information," explains Katherine Metz, a Feng Shui teacher and practitioner in Redstone, Colorado, and Los Angeles, California.

She explains in her article "Cultivating Your Ch'i" on the Feng Shui Guild Internet site, that "each of the five elements is an example of a way of being, an expression of the force within a human being." She adds that people do a better service unto others and themselves when they learn to cultivate these sources.

Chinese scholars more than 4000 years ago developed Feng Shui based on the environmental science. It was a very guarded discipline used as a tool to ensure the good health, wealth, and power of the imperial dynasties. The Feng Shui masters were the protectors of this secret knowledge. They were respected and revered scientists and astronomers who sustained the well being of the royal court.

These masters were also wary

of sharing this important knowledge to anyone and they chose those who wished to study this practice very carefully. There is, still to this day, a limited number of true Feng Shui

People should take caution when choosing a Feng Shui practitioner. Do not just pick anyone who claims they can practice Feng Shui because they may only sell you smoke and mirrors There is more to this art then just the basic spiritual propaganda that is so trendy today like incense, pretty mirrors, wind chimes and embellished prayers and chants

The American Feng Shui Institute website states that a true Feng Shui reading addresses the unique energy of the individual and the room. The practitioner uses a Lo-pan or compass to determine the energy characteristics of a building. The result of this reading affects the occupants giving them better chi. Calculations are used according to the basic pria ples. Remedies are then presented to have a positive effect on a person and building and to balance the energy where it is necessary.

The basic principles of Feng Shui incorporate yin and yang, the

five elements, east/west compass directions, the solar system and the environment. The set theories and complex calculations of Feng Shui are derived from the I-Ching. "This includes an in-depth understanding and application of the theories of yin and yang, along with the balancing of the five elements (fire, earth, metal, water and wood) and taking into account the physical relationship between the natural environment and the magnetic field," according to the American Feng Star Institute.

The Institute and that Feng Shui can be applied to all aspects of life like individuals, homes, cities, states and even in education.

A sicopic and inexpensive way to practice Feng Shui, nonprogssionally in your own home rene in your life, is by buying books, esearch it on the Internet and talk to legitimate Feng Shui practitioners. But the absolute best way to practice Feng Shui is by receiving a consultation with a real Feng Shui

All in all, Feng Shui is a safe, natural and energizing method that will significantly improve your health and well being

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-Borders also has a section devoted to this practice and many wonderful books on this subject.

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- -Improved employee performance

## Movie Review & by Adam Kreps & Andy Ker

#### Enemy of the State

Will Smith finds himself an Enemy of the State in the new movie by the people who made Top Gun and Crimson Tide. Director Tony Scott and producer Jerry Bruckheimer once again bring conspiracy and gadgetry to a new level.

Robert Dean (Smith) is a Washington D.C. labor lawyer who finds his life turned upside down and himself on the run when unbeknownst to him, he is given evidence of a murdered congressman. What makes this evidence so important is that members of the National Security Agency (NSA) killed the murdered governmental official. The NSA decides to shake up Dean's life a bit in the hopes that he will give them the evidence that he has in his possession.

Within twenty-four hours, Dean finds himself accused of having a connection with the Mafia as well as being set up so that his wife believes that he is having an affair. Cast out by his wife and suspended from his job, Dean turns to Brill (Gene Hackman), a former NSA agent turned investigator, for answers and help. Together these two try to hide from advisories that have the technology and capabilities to locate

anyone and eavesdrop on every word from just about anywhere on the planet.

Enemy of the State is a very exciting and fast paced movie that keeps you guessing as to what will happen next. Regrettably, there are certain inconsistencies that keep this movie from being excellent; secondary questions are never resolved. Even the dialogues are at times a bit unbelievable and perhaps out of place. These, however, are minor glitches in this intense technical thriller.

It is a pleasant change to see Will Smith take on a more "down to Earth" role, considering this is his first movie in four years, where he is not battling aliens and saving the world. Smith's charm and quick wit have turned him into one of the biggest stars in Hollywood. A supporting cast, consisting of two Academy Award winners and a half dozen new young stars including Scream co-star Jamie Kennedy, Saving Private Ryan's Barry Pepper and Chasing Amy's Jason Lee cannot help but make Enemy of the State a box office success

Overall, Enemy of the State is an exciting action packed thrill ride and is recommended

#### Restaurant Review by Hillary Cassarino & Becky Heck

Location: The Village Square at Spring Ridge, on Commerce' Drive, in Wyomissing

Hours: 10 to 10 on weekdays, Saturdays and 10:30 to 9:30 on Sundays

Everyone gets in the mood for a nice sandwich sometimes, don't they? Well, if pastrami on rye is calling your tummy for a snack, go and enjoy a deli sandwich, or even a vegetarian sandwich at *Isaac's Restaurant & Deli*.

Suprisingly enough, Issac's is better known for their vegetarian sandwiches than anything else. They create their own concoctions of a savory vegetarian blend of fresh avocado, sprouts, cheeses and dressings on a Kaiser roll or French bread. Becky ordered the "Gloxinia" filled with yummy alfalfa sprouts, beans and mozzarella cheese all on a Kaiser bun. I ordered the classic "Albatross" which is bursting with pastrami, coleslaw ("slaw") and knockwurst on rye.

By the way, it is somewhat weird that all of the sandwiches are named after birds (an insignificant matter for Becky because she is vegetarian). But the reason why the deli sandwiches are named after birds is due to the silly little pipe dreams of the owner and his college roommate. You know how it is, up last because of papers, studying or too much partying and you are in a state of delirium and students come up with the oddest ideas. Well the roommate and the owner always talked about naming sandwiches after birds. The roommate finally made the dream come true by opening the deli and naming the

#### Isaacs Restaurant and Deli

sandwich after birds.

Isaac's serves all of the plates in the traditional deli style with chips. For all the "real deli connoisseurs," Isaac's has Dr. Brown's soda. I, of course, had to have the cream soda.

The atmosphere is very lively and artsy—complete with a red painted wall with a school of fish placed in the center of the wall. We sat in a blue painted wooden booth that is actually quite comfortable. The Cars and Prince (before he was "formerly known as") can be heard in the background. The patrons at the deli ranged from families to couples to friends just spending quality time together. In other words, it is a very diverse crowd in a casual dining environment.

Isaac's prices are extremely reasonable. The sandwiches range from three to six dollars. The desserts are very appealing. We ordered a "Fudgie-Wudgie"—a bowl of moist brownies, creamy vanilla ice cream dripping with chocolate syrup. As women who can allow ourselves to indulge into our cravings, we also ordered the "Apple Attack." This wonderful creation is a mounting sundae consisting of some more creamy vanilla ice cream, real slices of juicy, succulent apples, a sprinkle of cinnamon topped with caramel that dripped ever so softly off of the glass that it looked simply unreal.

I would not dare compare Isaac's with Katz's or Ratner's Deli in New York City (where I hail from), however, I do recommend it for a quick bite to eat. Isaac's will give students a 15 percent discount on Sundays with a valid student ID.

## Music Review



#### Pete Droge, Steve Poltz, John Doe & Glen Phillips

The lights are dimmed throughout most of the house. On a table stands a single yellow rose in dark decanter. The decanter itself is an opened bottle of Yuengling beer.

All right. It isn't the most romantic image. But it did sum up, symbolically, the mingled seriousness and lighted-heartedness (and perhaps a little light-headedness) during a night of male singer-songwriter performances on Wednesday Nov. 11 at the Theatre of Living Arts in Philadelphia.

Pete Droge, Steve Poltz, John Doe, and Glen Phillips found the perfect locale for their mix of introspective and observational tunes in the intimate T.L.A. While not necessarily performing folk music, their performances took on a folk quality as they punctuated their songs with tender stories and comic anecdotes. They came brandishing only their acoustic guitars (and, momentarily, an electric guitar for Doe). Yet they proved that singer/songwriters don't necessarily come in a cookie cutter form.

Droge, perhaps best known for his love theme to the film *Beautiful Girls*, quickly warmed up the crowd. His wistful songs were peppered sporadically with tongue-in-cheek humor.

Despite his ability to captivate, he couldn't avoid the plague that infests almost all acoustic shows: the annoying loud talkers. Never fear. Droge simply flipped them off mid-song and admonished them afterwards in a barely straight-faced rant. Problem solved.

Following Droge's set, we were introduced to Poltz: our stand-up comic for the night. Poltz displays a kind of undeniable, albeit absurd, charm.

Having penned tunes like "Meant for You" with Jewel, he knows how to articulate a bittersweet ballad about heartbreak. But he also proved to be quite the jokester with his 45-second ode to a serial killer ("Dahmer") and his racier rendition of "Little Red Corvette." This free-spiritedness was articulated by Poltz's wild gestures: bouncing his body and swaying his legs so much he looked like he would certainly fall off his stool.

John Doe offered a more melancholy alternative to Poltz's slapstick. He shared dark, wry tales of drinking warm vodka with hobos near a California highway and of learning how to say "I'm sorry." Integrated with these newer tunes were some gems from his legendary punk band, X, such as "White Girl" and the resonant "See How We Arc."

Phillips closed the show with more concoctions of dark and light. He showed his quirky, fun-loving side with a surprisingly pretty version of the theme to Star Trek (with words) and with a cover of Steve Wonder's "Sir Duke." These songs were juxtaposed with ones of sadness. Phillips introduced a new original tune about his father's

death. He plaintively sings, "I will be free," in this song about attempting to understand the loss. Phillips followed this with a beautiful cover of The The's "Love is Stronger Than Death."

He also pleased the crowd with several selections from his now defunct band, Toad the Wet Sprocket. The most noteworthy of these were "Something's Always Wrong" (performed impeccably, unplugged and without a microphone) and the lilting encore "I Will Not Take These Things For Granted."

Noisy talkers returned again for Phillips' set. But this time the audience collectively turned around to shush the culprits, as Phillips unsuccessfully tried to restrain from giggling.

All four musicians rejected competition in favor of enjoying the music with each other. Phillips accompanied Droge on slide guitar for "Blindly." Poltz joined Doe for a duet on the X classic, "The New World." From the bar, Poltz also indirectly joined Phillips. Between songs, he shouted, "Have a drink with me, Glen!" Grinning and grabbing a bottle from the table on stage, Phillips complied.

The highlight of the evening came when Doe strolled onstage to offer Poltz the yellow rose. In exchange, Poltz asked for a kiss. Doe hesitated before bending Poltz over for a dramatic fake kiss that had the audience rolling. Evidently, the rose sparked some romance after all.

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## Theater Review by Danielle McGrath

The Domino Players have just completed their last performance of Jean-Paul Sartre's "The Flies." The play was very typical of Sartre, who was an existentialist. Existentialism is a philosophical school, which holds that there is no ultimate reality and life is meaningless. Consequently, humans have free will and spend their lives searching for meaning. Sartre believed that being human is the same as being free and that existence (living) precedes essence (being).

The plot of "The Fors" encompassed this existentialist theme. Sartre creates a myth of how humans realized See will. The play was set in Aryos years after the murder of Yong Agamemnon.

The Queen Clytemnestra, Agamemnon's widow, and Aegistheus, Agamemnon's murder, rule the kingdom. The town's people were fearful and full of remorse, because of the murder. The city was infested with flies sent from Zeus, which remind the people of their guilt.

A young traveler and his tutor came to Argos on the "Day of the Dead." This was a festival created by Aegistheus to control the people by fueling their feelings of guilt. The young traveler was really the son of Agamemnon and Clytemnestra and was believed to be dead. He met his sister, Electra, and they formed a plan to avenge their father's death and murder the King and Queen. It was during the planning of the murder that Orestes realized that the gods had no control over him and he was a free

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Through out the play, Zeus attempted to ruin Orestes plan, but was powerless because gods had no control over humans that know they were free. Orestes carried out the murder wit out remorse. In the end, like the "ied Piper, Orestes led the plague of flies and guilt from the city. Orestes' realization of free will or his existential moment began to demise of the gods.

Despite the length (over two hours) and the repetitiousness (where was Sartre's editor?), it was entertaining. The excellent acting helped keep interest in the sometimes boring dialogue.

Although the whole cast was wonderful, a few actors stood out. Kristofer Updike (The Tutor) and Jason Updike (Aegistheus) performed at their usual excellent standard. Brett Myers (Orestes) and Christiana Viernstein (Electra) showed much promise on stage.

The play's contrast of Sartre's modern theory within an ancient setting was carried through the production by many other elements, like set design, sound, and costume.

The set used elements like marble design, Greek columns, statues of gods in a very modern, artistic fashion. The set was abstract and very creative. Music was used to convey the mood of each scene. Electric guitar vocals, by John Bragato and Val Broeksmit (Hendrix's disciples), moved the audience through the play and stood out against the traditional speech of the characters.

Many of the actors wore costumes that resembled attire from the era. The most notable contrast was the costumes of the Furies. They wore black dance leotards. The exceptional make-up and costuming complemented the under-lying sexual nature of their hunger for remorse. They appeared beautiful, scary, and deadly.

Jean-Paul Sartre's "The Flies"

Two interesting touches to the play were the use of masks and an addition to the prologue. The masks were used to signify the guilty and remorseful. Because they had no remorse, Orestes and the Tutor were the only characters who never wore masks. Electra only wore a mask after taking on the remorse of her mother's murder. When Orestes took away their guilt (the flies), the town's people removed their masks.

The prologue of the murder of Agamemnon was added onto the original script. There was no dialogue. Instead, the murder was accompanied by evoking guitar vocals. This was an excellent idea, which helped introduce the play.

Overall, I thought the production was worthwhile. The acting, set, and presentation strengthened the script. If these areas had not been as exemplary as they were, the play would not have been successful. Even if the plot and theme were of no interest, one could appreciate the performance. The avant-gardesque rendition of the Flies presented by the Domino Players was an excellent and accurate portrayal of Sartre's play and existentialist beliefs.

"LAST CALL" Bar Review by Jon DelRusso & Nick Restrepo

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#### Freymoyer's Bar & Restaurant

This past Thursday night, the newest bar roamers. Jon and Nick decided to check out a little known bar in Reading. The fine establishment that we went to is called Freymoyer's. It is located just a mile and a half away from the Albright's campus.

We entered the bar at about eight o'clock and were pleasantly surprised to find out that happy hour was just beginning. The place was packed and we were lucky to find two obliging stools at the bar.

During happy hour, drafts were only one dollar and mixed drinks and shots were half price. They had a great selection of beer on tap, which included Yuengling Lager (our personal favorite), Molson Ice, and Bass Ale. What a great deal for a couple of college students like us

Happy hour lasted till ten o'clock. We also realized that Thursday nights are kareoke nights at Freymoyer's. There were two big screen TVs as well as a small monitor

that displayed the words to the songs. It was quite amusing to see everyone at the bar get so into this. So we figured, what the hell, we'll sing a song. It was a Neil Diamond classic "Sweet Caroline."

Although the crowd was not a bunch of college students, there was a bunch of lively people in their late twenties and early thirties. We did find a few college students from Alvernia in the mix.

The bar offered a full dinner menu all night long, as well as complementary popcorn. When the kareoke ended at midnight, the good old jukebox spit out a great selection of classic tunes.

Overall, we thought this bar was terrific. It had a great atmosphere and the drinks were a very reasonable price. We recommend everyone to grab a few friends and make a visit to Freymoyer's. This place will cheer up the gloomiest of people and let the happiest sing till their voices are raspy and nearly



SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) There are some loose ends to tie up before you really know how a business venture is going to turn out. Guard against distractions

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Friends at a distance seem more reliable then some nearby acquaintances. Do not be so quick to confide in people you do not know

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) So you are not ready to go out and conquer the world now, but you can bone up on some facts that you will need later. Take one step at a time. PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Unless you have done your homework, do not become involved in what looks like an unfeasible proposition. It is in the friendship area where you will shine now

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Some mistakes could occur in the handling of money now. Why not let that sum of money get another day's interest?

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Just remember that not everyone is as straightforward as you are at this time. Speak your own mind, but take what others say with a grain of salt. GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) There is nothing like a small gift or consideration to show someone at home that you really do care. You can do a lot to pick someone's spirits up now.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You are tempted to seek the unusual in entertainment now and thereby get yourself in some sort of trouble. Opt for conventional fun outlets.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Much that occurs on the job is confusing at this time. Sort things out at home on your own time when you will be better able to put the pieces

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) It seems like somebody at home could use a night out as a break from routine. Partners will not quibble if out somewhere enjoying themselves this weekend.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Do not just take somebody's word about an investment. Stay away from areas about which you know little. Accent work as the vehicle to financial success

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Somebody who flatters may not be the person to ask for advice. Partners are your best allies at present. Be a good listener. Pay attention.

#### TOP 10 VIDEO RENTALS

- 1. The X Files starring David Duchovny (Fox Video-PG-13)
- Mercury Rising starring Bruce Willis (Universal-R) A Perfect Murder starring Michael Douglas and Gwyneth
- Paltrow (Warner-R) 4. Black Dog starring Patrick Swayze (Universal-PG-13)
- 5. City Of Angels starring Nicolas Cage and Meg Ryan (Warner-PG-13)
- 6. Lost In Space starring William Hurt and Gary Oldman (New Line-PG-13)
- 7. Last Days of Disco starring Kate Beckinsale (PolyGram--R) 8. Primary Colors starring John Travolta and Emma Thompson (Universal-R)
- Wild Things starring Matt Dillion and Kevin Bacon (Columbia TriStar—R)
- 10. The Odd Couple II starring Jack Lemmon (Paramount-PG-13)

### fresh tomato and monuarella pasta

Prep time: about 15 minutes

8 ounces (about 4 cups) penne pasta 1 pound fresh Florida tomatoes diced teaspoon dried Italian seasoning teaspoon minced garlic teaspoon salt teaspoon ground black pepper cup of olive oil 2 cups of shredded mozzarella cheese

Cook pasta according to package directions. Use tomatoes held at room temperature until fully ripe. Core and dice tomatoes (makes about 2 cups). In a large bowl, combine tomatoes, Italian seasoning, garlic, salt, pepper and olive oil until mixed. Drain pasta; add to tomato mixture; toss until well coated. Stir in mozzarella cheese. Serve hot. Yield: 5 to 6 portions (about 7 cups).

### torkey stirling

Toss bite-size turkey w/ broccoli, red pepper, mushrooms & ginger/garlic sauce. Serve w/rice or curly egg noodles

- 2 tablespoons seasoned rice vinegar
- 2 tablespoons soy sauce
- 1 tablespoon grated, peeled fresh ginger 1 teaspoon sugar
- 1/4 teaspoon crushed red pepper 2 garlic cloves, crushed with garlic
- teaspoon cornstarch
- 3/4 cup of chicken broth
- 1 tablespoon of olive oil
- 4 cups broccoli flowerets
- 1 medium red pepper, thinly sliced 8 ounces white mushrooms, thinly sliced
- 2 cups bite-size pieces leftover cooked turkey meat (about 8 ounces)
- 1. In a small bowl, combine vinegar, soy sauce, ginger, sugar, crushed red pepper and garlic. In 1-cup glass measuring cup, mix cornstarch, and chicken broth.
- 2. In non-stick 12-inch skillet, heat oil over medium-high heat until very hot. Add broccoli, red pepper, and mushrooms, and cook 5 minutes, stirring often. Stir in soy-sauce mixture, and cook 3 to 5 minutes longer, unitl vegetables are lightly browned and tender-crisp.
- 3. Add turkey meat and chicken-broth mixture to vegetables in skillet; heat to boiling, stirring. Boil I minute. Makes 4 main-dish servings.



ALL MY CHILDREN: Adam tried to buy off Raquel. Meanwhile. Hayley and Mateo argued over Max. Kit fled from the hospital after overhearing Erica's remarks about her to Jack. Adam asked to be a male figure in the life of Liza's baby. Braden blasted Palmer for his delight over Tad and Dixie's breakup. Kit and Travis shared an emotional reunion. Wait To See: Ryan walks out on Gillian

ANOTHER WORLD: Marley asked Jordan for help. Josie and Cameron were unnerved by her doctor's question about her pregnancy. Jake tried to uncover the mystery surrounding Jordan. Someone from Remy's past paid her a visit. Cass confronted Matt about his strange behavior. Wait To See: Marley and Cindy make plant regarding Grant.

AS THE WORLD TUTO'S: Holden considered turning imself in. Meanwhile, Lucinda eached an important decision. Jack made a decision about Julia. Margo saw Tom and Emily in a close moment. Carly devised a plan. Eddie tried to impress Katie. Wait To See: Holden and Lily fear for Hope's health.

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BEAUTIFUL: Pierce told Taylor how the video would help change attitudes about sex and the problems of overpopulation. Amber confronted Rick about his feelings for Kimberly. Sally told Lauren she's concerned about Macy's "visions" of her father. Meanwhile, Myles entered Macy's hospital room and, while shielded by the divider, pretended to be her roommate and urged her to talk to him. Rick prepared to tell Kimberly about the baby. Wait To See: Pierce makes a decision that could change Taylor's life.

DAYS OF OUR LIVES: Nancy

was called to jury duty and wondered if she would be assigned to the Samantha Brady case. Vivian was startled when, instead of delivering Titan to her, Stefano asked her an important question. Kate wondered if Roman was close to discovering her involvement in Franco's killing. John urged Marlena to get to know Greta better. Meanwhile, Billie and Greta had a heart-to-heart talk. Wait Te See: Vivian gives Stefano 37 estimatum.

GENERAL HCSP: TAL: Stefan lied to Laura about helping to find Luke and Lucky. Meanwhile, Lucky rescued Luke from the bear trap and stayed with him. Luke had nightpares about his rape of Laura. Late, Laura learned of his Syolvement in Katherine's "death." Ned headed to Monte Carlo to distract Julia. Jax and V won at baccarat. Robin went on an art tour in Italy. Alan offered Felicia his story and access to his dealer. Wait To See: Katherine and Nikolas grow closer.

**GUIDING LIGHT: Cassie's** allegations shocked the Lewis family. Vanessa accused Beth of being the stalker. Josh's behavior became stranger. Blake and Ross faced the fight of their lives. Beth taunted Vanessa about Matt. Ross made an admission on the witness stand. Wait To See: Reva turns to Alan for help.

ONE LIFE TO LIVE: When the lights were turned back on in the church, Todd explained he is a changed man. But during the ceremony, he rushed out, leaving Tea at the altar. Later, he and Tea were married and he took her to the Cabana for their wedding night. Tea rejected him when she heard the tape of his confession being played throughout the country club. Todd stalked out, leaving her trapped in the Cabana, which she accidentally set on fire. Will told Lindsay he is

the father of Jessica's baby. Wait To See: Clint makes a decision

about Lindsay.

PORT CHARLES: Frank pursued the Eve look-alike but found himself face-to-face with Julie. Later, the killer made an attempt on Mary's life. After the bombing at the hospital. Garica told Kevin Eve's mother dated a bomb expert. Victor was suspicious of Julie's request to see Kevin. Serena was fascinated by the map Scott and Lucy brought back from Florida. Meanwhile, after learning Greg Cooper escaped, Scott also learned Serena and Lucy were missing. Kevin realized Greg might be Victor's son. Wait To See: An "interesting' Thanksgiving unfolds.

SUNSET BEACH: Cole was shocked by Hillary's appearance as she held a gun on Caitlin, and demanded the jewels. Ben stopped Meg from telling Maria how she "died." Cole rescued Caitlin, who later received a mysterious phone call. Virginia fantasized how Michael would react to news of Vanessa's pregnancy since he is supposedly sterile. Maria began to remember more about her past. Antonio struggled to get Gabi out of his mind. Wait To See: Thanksgiving draws some people closer and drives some people further apart.

THE YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS: Nikki learned that Victor knew about Sharon and Nick's separation. Jack was furious when Brad did not tell him about being hired by Victor. Later, Jack had a surprise visitor: Phyllis. Paul followed Chris to Norfolk after learning she had lied about going to New York. Malcolm decided to get Callie's contract from Trey. Wait To See: Paul makes a startling discovery.

# Editorials/Opinions

## Let falsehood ring: Professor defends freedom of speech

EAR EDITOR.

In January 1991, as U.S. forces prepared to attack Iraq, I published an article in the now defunct Albright magazine accusing the United States of being the world's worst international outlaw, a position to which I still subscribe. After the article appeared, dozens of critics denounced the article, one of whom informed the editors that he was sending my name to the FBI for

name to the FBI for investigation for treason and another volunteered to buy me a one way ticket back to wherever I came from. (As someone planning a trip to India this winter, I would love to take him up on his offer.) A member of Albright's Board of Trustees descended hollering and screaming in the office of the editor of the magazine blasting her for publishing the article.

I thought it was my finest hour at this college, tarnished only marginally by the fact that a few people actually liked the article.

Over the years, I have frequently been amused by the hostility that my letters and commentaries evoke and can scarcely control my glee when people demand, as Franklin Mock does in his letter in the Nov. 11 Albrightian, that my "association with the institution should be reexamined." To the dozens of students, faculty, administrators and others who have asked, and anyone else who might have wondered, let me assure you that one of my greatest perks at Albright comes from knowing how much my presence here distresses so many, and not yet enough.

A culture of hostility to criticism permeates this campus. Mr Mock has the right to criticize my views, including what he considers my habit of "name-calling." He is a mobile tribute, to

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fall back on my pattern of namecalling, to the reservoir of ether that is an Albright education. For that I salute him. What is troublesome though is his suggestion that people should be removed from campus because he finds their views objectionable.

His intolerance, which finds resonance in various forms and various quarters at the college, from servile pleas for civility to outright anger at critical expressions of any kind, is borne of an arrogance, dogmatism and certitude in one's own version of truth. Let me make the case here, not for some deeper or different virtue, but for pure, unalloyed falsehood, the kind that some of my critics think I am guilty of preddling

Even liberal democracy, in its moment of near universal triumph, stands stripped of its undergirding predicate of the fallibility of truth. More than two centuries ago, John Stuart Mill prophetically captured the virtues of not just truth, but also half-truths and falsehoods: "First, if any opinion is compelled to silence, that opinion may, for aught we can certainly know, be true.... Secondly, though the silenced opinion be an error, it may, and very commonly does, contain a portion of the truth ... It is only by the collision of adverse opinions that the remainder of the

truth has any chance of being supplied. Thirdly, even if the received opinion be not only true, but the whole truth, unless it is suffered to be, and actually is, vigorously and earnestly contested, it will, by most of those who receive it, be held in the manner of a prejudice, with little comprehension or feeling of its rational grounds."

The marketplace of ideas of which John Milton waxed is not a boardwalk on which truth struts, but rather a scarred battlefield on which truth, half truth and falsehood interminably wrestle. Western democracies never genuinely lived up to their pious rhetoric, reigning in a wide range of expressions, with prohibitions and penalties for libel, invasion of privacy, obscenity, national security information, and the like. There is rising clamor for regulating ever more speech: hateful speech, offensive speech, blasphemous speech, speech that desecrates the flag or hurts the cow ...

Now even lonely voices dare not pick up the frayed threads of liberty, threads America's founding fathers unrolled to sail the kites of the First Amendment, which decrees that freedom of expression shall be absolute. Period. No exceptions. Not one.

Sure, we know now that they did not fully comprehend, much less believe, any more than Nail

and Milton before them did, the lofty visions their soaring rhetorical sputnik beckoned, visions larger than the frail kites assembled in their individual and collective imagination. Sure, we understand that, absent recourse, individuals who have been libeled, whose privacy invaded, whose ethnic origins verbally assassinated, why even the state, when speech endangers the public welfare,

pay a heavy price. It is a tax that freedom exacts, that they must pay, that we all must pay. But it is more than that. As the U.S. Supreme Court observed in 1951, even though it never fully believed it then or ever, the "full and free discussion even of ideas we hate encourages the testing of our own prejudices and preconceptions."

Liberty, Justice Louis Brandeis once wrote, was to be "valued both as an end and as a means." Freedom to "think as you will and to speak as you think are means indispensable to the discovery and spread of political truth." Brandeis cautioned, "Without free speech and assembly discussion would be futile; that with them, discussion affords ordinarily adequate protection against the dissemination of noxious doctrine; that the greatest menace to freedom is an inert people ..."

Freedom of speech needs to be absolute, because truth cannot. Not the truth on race, not the truth on the flag, not the truth on God, not the truth on obscenity, not the truth on hate, not the truth on children, not the truth on gays, not the truth or Se right, not the truth on the tot, not the truth of the politically ecorrect, not the truth of the yolitically incorrect, not the Albright lovers, not the truth of the Albright lovers, not the truth of the Albright critics. Not any truth. Not

one. Not even the heart-wrenching truth of teary-eyed souls innocently holding flickering candles to the relentlessly menacing and frigid nights of the generals.

In Sufi poet Farid ud-din Attar's most famous work, The Conference of the Birds, a throng of moths determine to understand the elusive glow of the candle. One moth flies to a palace window and returns "to tell the others what he thought he knew": it is light! A second braver moth presses closer, hovering in the aura of the flame's fire and flies back to gloat "how far he'd been, and how much he'd undergone and seen": it burns! A third moth soars closer, wooing the flame and is engulfed by it, never la return.

"He knows, he knows the truth we seek. That hidden truth of which we cannot speak."

The self righteous, sole proprietors of truth, whoever and wherever they are, share the glorious rainbow between the window-peering towncriers and the pompous and arrogant tin pot drummers who, like Attar's moth, having "hovered in the aura of the fire, a trembling blur of timorous desire," return to regale others with breathless tales of their mirage, even though they have far-from "fathomed how the candle shines."

In an age when the grand floats of truth shimmer with resplendent glory at the head of majestic parades, let someone peal the bells of falsehood, pure unadulterated falsehood.

Just this once, let falsehood ring. Let it ring, let it ring. Sincerely,

Sincerely, Achal Mehra Communications Program Tel: 921-7811 396-0366 396-0722

Picking the President...









## Letter from the President explains transitional process

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DEAR STUDENTS,
PLEASE KNOW THAT I SHALL BE with you through commencement of this academic year as planned and promised. Thereafter, I shall become president of New England College in Henniker, New Hampshire, bringing to the students there my seven years of experience as president here at Albright. When I shared with the Board of Trustees last February my intention to serve seven years and then step down, I expressed to them that I will always treasure my years of service to the college and that I intend to be a special kind of alumna of Albright, ready to serve in any way that is appropriate. Once an Albrightian, always an Albrightian!

Some of you are concerned about the transition in this office. Please know that we are doing everything we can to assure a very smooth transition so that when my successor arrives he or she will stand tall and lead you from a position of strength. We have an outstanding Presidential Search committee and the position from

which I am stepping down is a very attractive one indeed. I am confident that when the Board makes the appointment next semester you will very pleased.

As we undergo a presidential transition, considerable planned momentum is in place to carry the College into the new millennium. I would like to share with you what some of those activities are which have been the concerted effort of many persons involved with planning at the College.

#### CAMPUS PLANNING

The architectural firm of Wallace, Roberts and Todd, Inc, is preparing a master plan to be shared with the Board of Trustees in February.

They have worked the Master Planning Subcommittee of the Strategic Planning Committee under the leadership of Chairman Richard Androne and Paul Gazzerro, Jr.; their process appears to confirm that a new building for the sciences is our first priority.

#### SCIENCE PLANNING

Professor Karen Campbell has

led the Science Division discussions on the future needs of science at Albright College; the Division will meet with the Project Kaleidoscope consultants (at no cost to the college) to advance science planning prior to the early conceptual design of a new building.

#### TECHNOLOGY PLANNING

← A search committee has been formed to identify a full time Director of Computer Services under the leadership of Executive Vice Presidents Green and Gazzerro.

 An assessment of computer needs is currently underway and a progress report will be presented in February

← Trustee P. Sue Perrotty is chairing the Board Technology and Information Systems Committee that is working with the Administration to help us refine our technology planning and to identify areas where assistance can be provided form the corporate sector.

#### MARKETING

Trustees John Broadbent and

administrators on the development of a focused marketing strategy that captures the essence of Albright in a few key phrases.

← We shall do focus group tests of tag lines and position statements in the next two months and begin putting these concepts into our publications.

We are analyzing what it will take to bring us back to the third tier in the U.S. News and World Report rankings as our enrollments continue to grow.

#### STRATEGIC ALLIANCES

- The Board Committee on Strategic Alliances, working with the Administration, is evaluating the scope of our alliances with respect to their contribution to Albright's strategic plan and with particular concern for limiting and focussing the proposed partnership with Penn State since a major grant is likely to be forthcoming. ← The Board Committee on

Strategic Alliances will meet with members of the Advisory Board of the Berks Lehigh Valley Campus of Penn State to clarify mutual concerns and plan for a positive partnership.

- The Board Committee is at work

clarifying and prioritizing a multitude of other associations as well.

#### CHAPLAINCY

← After I attended a national conference on the transformational nature of education and religious life in a multifaith world along with Board Chairman Jack Horrigan, Dean Carolyn Brooks and Professor Religious Studies William King, we asked Professor King to lead the search for a full time Chaplain who will be a United Methodist minister with the capacity to foster a multifaith environment

← Professors King and Richard Androne are leading an active Spiritual Life Committee of students, faculty and administrators in the development of a mission statement and a position description for the chaplaincy

In short, good leadership abounds at the College as we make a positive and planned transition in the President's Office. Let's keep moving ahead together! Happy Thanksgiving!

Dr. Ellen S. Hurwitz, President

#### SGA President's Corner

LET ME START OUT BY LETTING everyone know how happy I was last Saturday. As I watched the football game I was amidst a crowd of cheering students and it made me proud. So thank you, and thanks to the football team for playing with the most heart I've ever seen a team play with. You guys were incredible. Ihope that everyone can continue to show their enthusiasm as the basketball season begins.

Now let me talk about some other things that are going on. Most of the organizations have heard about the upcoming changes for planning events, but wanted to share them with the all students so that they will be aware of what is going on.

Beginning next semester when you want to reserve a room you will have a simple form to fill out at the Campus Center Desk. Two days later you will receive confirmation that the room is available. I realize that this may be perceived as yet more red tape for you the students. Let me assure

you that this is not the case

As each room is reserved for particular events we will be compiling a calendar of all the events being planned. At the end of each month we will be taking the calendar for the upcoming month and distributing it to all students so that they will know when everything is. It will have the sports schedule, experience events, organizational events, as well as music and art exhibits all included on it. We will also be including some of the events going on in the Reading area so that we can interact more with the community. As a result we will have a calendar that is all inclusive and comprehensive. It will be posted around campus and available to everyone.

I hope that we can take advantage of this reference and find interesting things to do on and off campus. It you have any other suggestions as to improve the socialization on campus, please let me know. If you don't see me in the Campus Center, you can reach me at x6720 or box 590.

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# Announcements & Events

## Sororities highlight this semester's achievements

Congratulations to . .

Sigma Kappa: Rachel Connely and Bobbi Butterwick for a great feild hockey season . . . Amy Johnson, Kelli Bracken, Meighan Rourke, Marisa Yoda, and Emily Weiss for finishing a fantastic soccer season . . . Lauryn Gardner and Nicole Houvig for a terrific volleyball season . . . Amy Johnson for being nominated to the 1998 Homecoming Court . . . Jenn Kelley on her engagement to Dan Bingaman . . . Lauryn Gardner for being inducted into the Phi Delta Sigma Honor Society . . . Liz Eagen for being elected the President of the Pre-Law Society . . . the sisters of Sigma Kappa for raising money for Altheimers research by selling lolipops. Phi Mu:

Sonja Root, Shannon Grim, Ritamarie Weiss, and Christy McCrum for a terrific chorus concert . . . Kelli Jo Thesier and Melissa Sepnefski for a great woman's rugby season . . . Sonja Root for winning first runner up in the Miss Berks County Pageant . . . the sisters of Phi Mu for raising money for the Children's Miracle Network

during the Rock-a-thon . . . Patty Williams for a fantastic cheering season . . . Jen Hawriluk for a great Cross Country season and for her lavaliering by John Saldibar of Sigma Alpha Epsilon . . . Wanda Hickman on her engagement to Albright alumni, Bob Harner . . . Stacy Hampton on her engagement to Mike Netznik . . . Jess Dimond on a great soccer season

Alpha Delta Pi:

Wendy Nappo and the sisters of Alpha Delta Pi for coordinating a great ighway clean-up on October 24, with Pi Kappa Phi . . . Allison Wawer for a terrific field hockey season . . . Soula Stergiou for finishing a winning woman's rugby season . . . Jen Hawley, Erin Wreski, and Sarah Swaygm for a great soccer season

Meg Brady on being crowned Albright's 1998 Homecoming Queen .Congratulations to the seven sisters that were nominated to this years Homecoming Court, to Kara Graham, Jill Auer, and Courtney Bromall on a great cheering season, and to the new sisters of Phi Mu, Sigma Kappa, and Alpha Delta Pi.

## Interested in Air Rifles?

Professor David Schwartz, in cooperation with Sally Stetler, Director of Athletics, is trying to organize an air rifle club at Albright. Air rifle competition is an Olympic sport and an NCAA sport. Although an Albright club initially could not compete under the NCAA, it could possible become a varsity sport in the future. In the meantime, our club could compete with other colleges and universities in the male and female shooters.

woman student, Emily Caruso.)

Any student who has experience in rifle competition of any kind, or has an interest in competing in air rifle, should contact Professor Schwartz, Teel Hall 104 (inner), ext. 7782. If there is enough interest among the student body, an organizational meeting will be held before the end of fall semester. Look for announcements as to date, time

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## Classifieds

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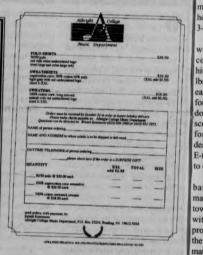
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On, Monday November 30th we will kickoff AIDS Awareness week here at Albright College. That night, at 7:00 p.m. we will be holding a "Celebration of Life" interfaith service in the South Lounge. This service will focus on the idea of hope, something that must be associated with AIDS, so that a cure can be found. We will have people from all faiths speaking, reading, participating and attending.

If you have any writings you would like to include in this service, please either send your submission to box 847 by Monday, Nov. 23. It can be in any language and from any faith, original or from a sacred text.



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## From the Career Center . . .

by Lisa Tarsi

"the squeaky wheel gets the grease." Well there! You've heard the expression Well, there's a program through the Career Development Center that makes this expression come to life. The ASK (Alumni Sharing Knowledge) program is a oint venture between the Office of Alumni Relations and the Career Development Center.

Let's say you are interested in being a lumberjack in Brooklyn. Believe it or not, we may actually have an alumni out there who is doing just that, and would be happy to provide you with some more detailed information about that career. Or, they might be in a position to offer you an internship to explore your interest further. They may be a person to talk to as you go along your career path toward your goal, offering you assistance, guidance, and

support as a mentor.

What you need to do to get involved with the ASK program is to meet with one of the counselors in the Career Development Center, so we can discuss what you're looking for, and then we can put you in contact with alumni, either locally, or across the country.

Are you from New Jersey or a

state other than Pennsylvania? This program is perfect for you, since our alumni are located practically everywhere in the world. So, you will be going home on break soon, and while you are home, you can make an ASK connection with an alumnus. Just contact our office for details.

Interested in relocating after graduation to, say, Montana? The ASK program can help you by putting you in contact with alumni in that area, to help you search for housing, or give you information on the local area.

Watch this column next semester for some "success stories" about this program. To get involved, all you have to do is ASK.

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# **Sports**

# ds Grapplers fall short in first match

by Emily Wagner

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After weeks of preseason practice, training and conditioning, the Albright wrestlers were prepared to hit the mats for their first match against Elizabethtown. The grapplers fought long and hard in each match, but they came up just shy of defeating the visiting Blue Jays.

The match began with the 285 lb. weight class taking center stage. Jason Alexander took the lead in the second period with a take-down, Immediately after the take-down, Alexander took time out for an injury, but came back within seconds. Soon after, the opponent tied the score with a take-down of his own. With pain showing in his movements, Alexander could not hold on to a victory, and lost a close 3-2 match in the final period.

Albright forfeited at the 125 lb. weight class, so the match continued with Andy Strauss hitting the mats for Albright at 133 lbs. Strauss found himself down early in the match 3-1, but he soon fought back to tie it at 3 with a takedown. After the third period, the score remained at tie at 4-4, which forced the match into a sudden death overtime. Unfortunately, the E-town grappler made the first move to earn two points and the victory.

At 141 lbs., Dave Armstrong battled through another tough match. With every take-down by Etown, Armstrong would come back with an escape, but he could not produce enough points to counter the opponent. The final score of his match was 8-3, and with that victory, the Blue Jays took a commanding 16-0 lead over the Lions.

But just as things looked bad for the Lions, Michael Divitis



Despite the long and hard practices, the Albright Grapplers came up short in Saturday's meet against Elizabethtown.

entered the spotlight in the 149 lb. weight class. E-town took the early lead, but Divitis pulled out a stunning reversal which got the crowd on the edge of their seats. At the end of the first period, the score was tied, but the momentum looked to be on the side of Divitis. In the second period, Divitis almost ended the match with a pin, but ran out of time. This increased his lead to 9-7. After a nail-biting third period, Divitis came up victorious with a 11-9 win. This put Albright on the scoreboard with three points.

But the Blue Jays strengthened their lead after a well fought battle at the 157 lb. weight class match. Joe Piccioni fell to an early take-down, and could not pick up the momentum from that point. He had strong moments where the match could have gone either way, but the opponent capitalized on take-down opportunities.

Asen Koburov was the next grappler to hit the mats at the 165 lb. weight class. After a slow moving first period, Koburov entered the second period with fire in his eyes. He got two quick points off a takedown, and followed those points with another three after a near pin.

From that point on, Koburov had total control of the match, ending with a 12-0 shut out of his opponent.

Following Koburov's victory, Damien Kirk got a win from a forfeit which heightened Albright's score to 13, leaving them only seven points away from a tie. Although Kirk did not get to wrestle in his regular weight class, he did wrestle an exhibition match after the forfeit. Kirk was obviously the stronger wrestler from the get-go. He started the match with a take-down and near pin which put him up 5-0 in the first period. His opponent only scored two points in the match, and after a few more near pins for Kirk, the match was called after Kirk led by 15 points.

The final match of the game, the 184 lb. weight class match, found Matt Goldsborough fighting for a victory. Unfortunately, he fell short of this goal. He was down 4-0 in the first period, and could not salvage a win in the next two periods.

The final score of the match was 31-13, but the score did not reflect the tone of the match. Every match was hard fought, and it proved a successful first test for the Albright wrestlers.

# Athletes honored at annual fall banquet

by Emily Wagner

On Wednesday, November 18, the 1998 fall athletic awards ceremony was held. The evening began with refreshments and the opportunity for the athletes to mingle among themselves. The evening continued with President Hurwitz's opening remarks, followed by

t h e presentation of the outstanding athletes in each fall sport.

The first awards that were given to individual M A C champions in swimming and men's tennis for their accomplishments from last year. After these

presentations, the 1998 fall athletic awards ceremony commenced.

The first presentation was by Bill Fleegler, the coach of the woman's tennis team. Coach Fleegler described bits and pieces of the team's season, and he broke the ice with some comical stories about some of his players' nicknames. Coach Fleegler awarded the team's cost outstanding women's annis player honor to "The Warrior", Andrea Dennis who earned a third place finish in the MAC championship.

Coach Diane Billman presented few special awards to some ther field hockey players best announcing the team MVPs. Senior Jen Deiter earned the Versatility Award", the "Roughhouser of the Year Award" was given to senior Denise Gillman, and senior Jen Loy rightfully was chosen for the 'Happiest Player of the Year". The field hockey team chose their own MVPs, including the outstanding offensive player, Rhiannon Manisicalco and the outstanding defensive player, Denise Gillman. The MVP honor was given to Rachel Connolly who was also named to the MAC first conference team and named the MAC conference rookie of the

The women's volleyball award was presented by coach Mike Frankhouser. Coach Frankhouser began with a rundown of the season and continued the tradition, set by Fleegler, of rattling off some comical team nicknames. After a brief introduction, coach Frankhouser announced senior Lauren Gardner as the team's most outstanding volleyball player.

The men's soccer coach, Dale Witmer, was the next presenter. Again, he began with a season summary and he continued by mentioning some of the achievements by some of the team's key players. Sophomore Sutton Smith was awarded a "Player of the Week" honor in early November, and senior Andy Shuman was named to the MAC conference first team. But

the Les Pushman Award for the team's most outstanding player for the 1998 season was Dan Bergey.

C o -coaches Harry Kline and Michelle Kline presented the women's soccer awards. They first announced that goalkeeper

Kelli Bracken had the highest percentage of saved shots in the MAC with an impressive 86 percent save rate. The team's outstanding offensive player of the year honor was given to sophomore Emily Wagner, and senior Jess "Truck" Dimond earned the outstanding defensive player of the year honor.

Following the soccer presentations, Sally Stetler recognized all the cheerleaders for their spirit and dedication.

Four football awards, named the Anthony L. Lanshe Awards, were given out at the banquet. Coach E.J. Sandusky presented these awards. Eric Nemec, who ended the season with the most receptions, earned the most outstanding offensive back award. The most outstanding offensive lineman, who was also named as a first team allconference player, was Greg Fisher. Nick Panco was named the outstanding defensive linebacker, and Bob Maro rounded out the football awards by receiving the outstanding defensive back

Coach Don Gottshall presented two awards for the men's cross country team. Mark Boyer earned the "Most Improved" honor for the season, and Mark Mango was chosen as the recipient of the George Mack Award for the team's most valuable runner. Mango finished thirteenth in the MAC conference.

Sophomore Carrie Jones earned the Thomas L. Dingel, Jr. Award for the women's cross country team's most outstanding runner. Her coach, Don Watterson, described Jones as "a coach's dream who ran every race well"



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**Eating Disorders** 

On Thursday, December 3, there will be a wellness program on eating disorders. This program, sponsored by the Student Athletic Mentors, will be held in the North Hall conference room, and it will begin at 7:00 p.m. A counselor specializing in eating disorders will be there to answer questions about eating disorders and to give useful information about the diseases. Also, a recovering anorexic will be there to talk about her disease and recovery. This is a very serious topic, and although this program is sponsored by an athletic organization and it is recommended for athletes to attend, this program is open to everyone. Many people are affected by eating disorders whether they themselves have a problem or whether it be someone they know that has an eating disorder. It is not a disorder to play around with or to waste time in treating. This program will give helpful information to all those who attend. There will also be time for discussion and questions on the issue. Please come out to this important and life saving program.

## Seeking revenge, Lions fall short to Catholic in overtime, 34-33

by Melissa Zeidler

How sweet it would have been. Too bad the ending turned the story sour, and the Albright football team suffered their sixth and final defeat at the hands of Catholic University.

Let's rewind, shall we? Last year, Catholic defeated the Lions in the last game of the regular season and they dashed Albright's hopes for a NCAA playoff berth. The Albright Lions do not forget the past.

This year, Catholic entered the game with an undefeated record, and the Lions were hoping to dash their playoff chances with an upset over the Cards. It was a good game plan, but the story faltered during the epilogue.

It was a game where the outcome was determined in the few final seconds of the game. The Lions had carried themselves into overtime with the intensity and

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Greg Fisher, '99

just could not do it.

desire to pick up a win. The score was 27-27 entering overtime, and both the Lions and the Cardinals were on a personal mission to gain the victory.

Catholic was ready to start the game explosively,

and their undefeated record was evident only moments into the game. During the first quarter, Albright fumbled the ball twice and the Cards capitalized on Albright's sluggish playing. Early in the game, the Lions found themselves in a 14-0 deficit, and their chances of spoiling Catholic's undefeated streak seemed slim.

But then, something seemed to happen to the Albright players. The returning players seemed to remember the feeling of defeat last fall after Catholic handed us the bittersweet loss.

Seniors played through injuries, running backs ran through what appeared to be solid walls, and receivers caught balls without missing a stride. Finally, the Lions' freshman quarterback seemed to sense the importance of this victory, and he played with his heart in his sleeve. The team came together, and they were ready to give Catholic a run for their money.

Running back Matty Santoro played as if he had a personal vendetta against the Cards, and he carried the ball downfield during the second quarter. Santoro rushed the ball into the end zone, and with 13:51 remaining in the first half, the Lions cut the Cards' lead in half.

The Cards responded to Albright's touchdown with some significant movement, but the Lions stuffed the Cardinals chances of scoring. Corner Bob Maro intercepted the ball in Catholic's end

zone, and half time ended with Catholic leading

The ethird quarter began, and the next few possessions turned into some very dramatic plays. The Lions' quarterback, Tom

Moon, connected with wide receiver Jackie Wise, and Wise ran the ball downfield. Wise was stopped on his own two yard line, and Moon used the opportunity for a quarterback sneak. His attempt was successful, and Albright and Catholic were wrapped in a 14-14 tie.

Catholic, however, quickly dashed Albright's spirit, as Catholic's Dan Boyle returned the kickoff for a 97-yard touchdown return. Yet, within a minute, Wise



Matt Santoro leads an offensive drive toward the endzone, before he's tackled by the Cardinals defense

responded to Catholic's touchdown, and he caught another of Moon's passes and ran into the end zone. The score was wrapped into another tie, and both teams posted 20 points after they each missed the extra point attempts.

Catholic took the lead again when their running back, Andy Notarfrancesco ran into the end zone and upped the Cardinals' score to 27 points. Albright rebutted Catholic's score with seven points of their own, as Moon found Jay Sabo in the end zone.

The two teams seemed to be deadlocked when Albright missed a key opportunity to score. Chris Billis and Bob Maro caused a Catholic turnover, and this put Albright in prime position to tack on some points.

With only 1:50 remaining in the game, Albright set up a 35-yard field goal that would have given the Lions a three-point lead. Albright's kicker, George Merill, missed the

field goal, and the regular playtime ended in a stalemate.

The teams entered overtime with a 27-27 tie, and Albright had the first opportunity to produce some points. Moon ran into the end zone during a quarterback sneak, and the Lions found themselves up by six points in overtime.

Unfortunately, Albright missed the point after attempt, and it was now the defense's turn to stuff Catholic's chances at scoring. Catholic, however, was too persistent for the Lions, and the Cardinals scored to tie the game.

The crowd seemed to quiet, and everything began to play in slow motion.

It was Catholic's turn to try the extra point. If they made it, Albright would find themselves on the losing end of the stick. Catholic's kicker, Roy Shannon, kicked the point after, and this time it was not blocked by the Lions' Jim Gilliard, as he had previously Jone in two field goal

attempts. The extra point was good, and the devastated Lions watched as their season ended with another loss to the Cards.

"It's sad that the game ended as it did," said senior captain Greg Fisher. "Catholic knocked us out of the playoffs last year, and it would have been nice to return the favor. But, we played hard and just could not do it."

Thus, the Lions' season died with a 34-33 bittersweet loss. The entire team, however, played well and they turned in some impressive statistics. Wise finished the game with 188 yards, and Santoro rushed for 77 yards.

Albright played with a sense of intensity that the school has never witnessed before. They applied pressure to the Cardinals, and the almost jeopardized Catholic's chances of entering the NCAA playoffs.

Not too shabby for the Albright team who was picked to lose by ten points.

# Lion swimmers drench Western Maryland to boost record to 2-0

by Matt Kemeny

As the pool lie still after the meet had concluded, the swimmers of Western Maryland College looked like they had been hit by a tidal wave. The women's team plastered the Green Terror, with a score of 101-58, while the men's team dominated WMC all day long winning, 96-55. The lopsided

55. The lopsided victory by both the men and women's teams of Albright College, gave the Lion swimmers an undefeated 2-0 record, and put them on a good track for their quest for a conference championship.

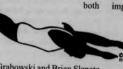
"They swam really well," gleamed Head Coach Jenis Frederick after the meet. "Once again we had a great week of practice, everyone worked hard and kept the intensity high."

"We had an extremely hard Friday practice, because Coach Fredrick wanted us to be ready for the meet," said Freshman Dave Henkel. "It paid off though, and now we're ready to go after Elizabethtown on Monday."

In a heartfelt moment, sophomore transfer from Rowan University, Megan Douglas, won the 200 meter fly race after battling, and just returning from Mononucleosis.

"We had a lot of our athletes battling sickness this week," commented Fredrick, however, they came back today and swam very well."

In an odd circumstance,



Keith Grabowski and Brian Slepetz tied in the 50 free with times of 23.57.

"You don't see that happen very often," laughed Frederick.

In one of the most exiciting moments of the day, Freshman Eric Posegay, came within one second of breaking the school record in the 200 breaststroke.

"I really thought that he was going to do it," said fellow swimmer and roommate Colin Goodreau. "It was fun to watch." To open the meet, we 400 medley relay team won we a time of 3:54.7 which was to here tenths of a second off the pool record of 3:54.4. That team included outstanding swimmers, Henkel, Posegay, Grabowski, and Ed Pearlstein.

"Everyone had a pretty good meet," said Freshman Mike DeFelice. "It was a good all around effort because just about everyone improved their times."

Assistant Coach Joann
Stockholm was elated after
the meet with the swimmers
who swam in the longer
events. "We worked so
hard this week, and got
good yardage. It was the first time
that we put some swimmers in these
long events. Yet, they pulled it off,

so that was outstanding."

All day long the crowd was into the match, flashing their Albright red and cheering on their Lions.

"We had great crowd support today," praised Frederick. "The parents were all wearing their Albright shirts and cheering like crazy."

# Come out and play the fastest racket sport in the entire world!

Albright Badminton
1998 Conference Champions

Last season, the Albright badminton team captured their conference title. This year, they look for a repeat of last year's success. The team is also looking to add depth to the team and they are searching for some fresh talent. Don't worry if you have never played the sport before, there are many experts on the team willing to teach fresh blood. If anyone is interested in joining the Albright badminton team, contact the coach, John Lim, for information. Coach Lim can be reached through e-mail at, jjsa@juno.com, or simply come to practice at 4:00 in the upstairs gym. Hope to see you there!

And remember, this ain't no backyard sport.

In our last issue, The Albrightian was remiss in recognizing the senior cheerleaders, who also gave their time and effort this fall season. Congratulations Lady Lions!