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Maier steps down as head coach amid controversy with players

by Jeremy Carrol

The Albright football team had an outstanding season. It won its first Middle Atlantic Conference Commonwealth championship, advanced to the second round of the NCAA Division III playoffs, and finished 10-2.

But despite the success, there was discontent in the locker room. During a standard postseason evaluation session with Athletic Director Sally Miller, the majority of players made it clear that they were extremely unhappy with head coach Ron Maier.

One week later the team expressed its displeasure with Maier through a petition calling for his removal, which was sent to the highest levels of the administration.

On January 14, about a month after the circulation of the petition, Maier resigned and the college formally named the team's offensive line coach, Edward "E.J." Sandusky, as the new head coach.

Sandusky, 27, graduated in 1992 from Penn State University where he played center. After stints as a graduate assistant at the University of Carolina and as an assistant coach at Western Carolina, he was hired by Ron Maier in February 1996.

Maier, who was Albright's head coach for just over one year, apparently alienated many of his players.

On December 3, at the evaluation meeting with Miller, the team voiced concerns about Maier's coaching style and discussed their troubled relationship with the first year head coach. They were extremely dissatisfied with the way he interacted with them on and off the field

"He basically treated everyone with no respect," said freshman Bill Allbrook who left Albright after the fall semester, "Flayers didn't even want to play for him and that is not how it should be. Players should be ready to play for their coach."

Allbrook, who played nose guard, said that from day one, Maier yelled at his players whenever they made the slightest mistake. He recalled an incident during preseason practice which Maier berated a freshman after he failed to complete a drill properly.

to complete a drill properly.
"Instead of trying to help you all he would
do is yell at you," he said. "He was that way
the whole year."

He said the entire team was unified in its opposition to the coach, emphasizing that "everyone disliked Coach Maier."

Junior quarterback, Bryan Snyder, believes Maier, the team's defensive coordinator from 1993 to 1995, could not make the transition from assistant to head coach.

"A head coach is different from a

coordinator," he said. "You have to present yourself in a totally different way and he didn't do that. He wasn't a good game day coach or during the week."

According to Snyder, Maier had coaching weaknesses especially on offense.

"I would say he was a good defensive coach but not good on offense," he said. "He didn't know anything at all really. He was a defensive coordinator who wasn't ready to be a head coach."

There were also reports in the Reading Eagle and Times that players were worried assistant coaches would leave the school if Maier remained the head coach.

Miller refused to comment on the specific nature of the players' complaints. She would only confirm that they discussed the problems they had with their coach at the December evaluation session, the only time the subject was addressed in a team meeting format.

Miller said that none of the players gave her any indication that something was wrong prior to that meeting. She speculated that the players kept quiet about their disenchantment with Maier because they did not want anything to detract from their success on the field.

"They were committed to winning a title, and they were not going to have any distractions that would interfere with that goal," she said.

According to Allbrook, players made attempts to rectify the problems they had with Maier during the season by telling him exactly how they felt about some of his coaching tactics. Their efforts had little impact over the long run.

"When we would talk to him about it, he would be better for a couple of days, then he would go back to his old ways again," he said.

By season's end, most of the players had had enough. They wanted the administration to hire a new head coach as soon as possible.

When the players failed to hear any news from their athletic director one week after the evaluation meeting, they became impatient.

Snyder revealed that the players, frustrated by the belief that nothing had been done about Maier in the days following their meeting with Miller, decided to take their case directly to the upper levels of the administration. They sent copies of a petition calling for Maier's removal to the top officers within the college, including President Ellen S. Hurwitz.

According to Snyder, the petition, which contained well over 50 signatures, only addressed Maier. He also said the players

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Campus-wide internet connection plan discussed

by Emily Ilana Losben

Dr. Dan Falabella and Executive Vice President of Finance Paul Gazzerro were present at SGA's monthly Organizations Senate Meeting on Sunday, February 9 to discuss a new proposal. They presented a plan to update the computer services offered by the college.

Under this new plan the school, including all the dorms, will be rewired in order to make internet access available to every student from his room, rather then the present e-mail only access connections. This would include a connection for each student, not just each room, and would hopefully be complete in the beginning of August. Falabella also said that students who live off campus will be able to benefit from the new connections by calling into the school's computer lines.

Falabella said that students will "not just get connected, but will be provided with a service." By this he was also referring to the appointment of a 24-hour computer assistant to aid students with problems at all times of the day and night. Gazerro mentioned that there will most likely be a deal with the bookstore to sell computers at a price less than retail. This new program will come with a proposed \$200 a semester technology fee.

The fee would be added onto every student's tuition beginning next year.

Also present at the meeting were students representing more than 20 different campus groups such as the Campus Center Board, the Lion Diplomats, and Beta Beta Beta Before each representative stated what their organization was going to use their allocated monies for, President of SGA Carissa Kolb stated that their were some problems with allocations. She went on to explain that due to an increase in demand for money and decrease in students for the second semester, every group's monies might have to be adjusted. (see article on page 4 for further

The new fundraising brochure was also covered in the meeting. Kolb said that the trial fundraising brochure, which was sent out in order to decrease the amount of times parents get solicited for money, was a success and that it will most likely be done again next year and will be open to all organizations. The SCA board also took an opportunity to encourage organization fundraising such as the sale of T-shirts.

The next SGA Organizations Senate meeting will be held on Sunday, March 9 in the Campus Center South Lounge.

Civil trial finds Simpson liable to victims' families

by Brett Rothweile

After nearly five months of testimony and six days of deliberations, a jury unanimously found O.J. Simpson responsible for the slayings of his ex-wife Nicole Erows Simpson and her friend Ronald Goldman. On October 3, 1995 a jury had acquitted Simpson of the slayings in one of the largest and most followed trials in American history.

In the second rial, jurors heard new evidence, including testimony from O.J. Simpson, woo had invoked his Fifth Amendment right during the criminal trial. During his two days on the stand, under que woning from plaintiffs' attorneys, apson repeatedly denied allegations that he had abused Nicole during their marriage and had stalked her after their divorce in 1992. In addition, Simpson also denied having failed a lie detector test just a few days after the murders. Simpson also denied owning a pair of Bruno Magli shoes, even after being confronted by over 30 photographs showing him wearing the same rare Italian shoes that left bloody footprints at the crime scene.

Other evidence presented for the first time at the civil trial was testimony from a phone

operator from a battered women's shelter who testified that a woman named Nicole called the shelter just a few days before the murders and expressed fear that her ex-husband was stalking her. A diary of Nicole Brown Simpson's was also entered into evidence. Included in that diary were numerous incidents of domestic violence.

Last minute problems nearly resulted in a mistrial when one of the jurors was removed from the panel after the start of deliberations. The juror was removed from the panel after it was discovered that she had lied on the jury questionnaire. Following the dismissal of that juror, the jury was instructed to start deliberations all over.

After finding Simpson liable, the jury awarded the families of the victims \$8.5 million in compensatory damages and another \$25 million in punitive damages. Simpson has stated that he will appeal.

Dr. Auerbach, the pre-law advisor on campus, remarked that the Simpson case is believed to have caused a decline in law school applications over the past two years

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Albright professsor lectures in Puerto Rico

by Shannon Nichola Stoner

During the month of January, Professor of Economics David Schwartz visited Puerto Rico to discuss environmental and economic issues present there. He discussed how environmental economics is used to deal with some of Puerto Rico's problems.

Schwartz expressed that Puerto Rico's problems partly stem from U.S. firms going there, establishing their companies, and polluting the landscape, water supply and air with toxic waste and gases. The colony's environmental laws are not strictly observed and for these companies it becomes more cost effective to pollute without having to clean up their pollution.

Schwartz's talks encouraged the awareness of Puerto Rico's environmental problems and discussed how they could be handled by regulation, taxes, and the market. The solutions discussed would make it more profitable for companies not to pollute. This could be achieved by more powerful and strict environmental laws. He suggested ways of using the market and technology to clean the environment such as the utilization of biodegradable materials.

Schwartz's talks were directed to as many as two hundred students and faculty from the



Professor Schwarz lectures in Puerto Rico

University of Puerto Rico. Two of the many active ecological groups were also present in

Schwartz was invited to speak at these discussions after publishing an article in the Winter 1996 edition of Latino Studies Journal.

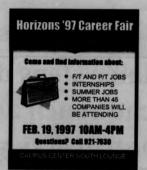
Horizons '97 career and job fair to take place

On February 19, the Office of Career Services will be hosting the Horizons '97 Career Fair. The fair will be held in the Campus Center South Lounge from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

The Office of Career Services is expecting 45 different companies to be represented in this career fair. Most of the companies will have information about full-time jobs, part-time jobs, summer jobs, and internships.

Students are advised to have several copies of their resume with them when they come to Horizons '97. This fair presents a valuable opportunity for all students to establish contact with companies that they have an interest in.

Seniors are advised to dress professionally, in addition to having several copies of their resume. Many of the companies that are attending the fair will have information about full-time job opportunities. Underclassmen are also advised to dress neatly, in order to make a good impression on



prospective employers.

If there are any questions concerning Horizons '97, call the Office of Career Services at x7630 or stop by the office in the left wing of

-supplied by Career Services staff

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Students study abroad, experience new cultures

"I lived in a mud hut." "The dormitory had armed guards." "I met Princess Anne of These are just a few of the things students had to say about their study abroad programs in Kenya, Taiwan, and England.

Jess Graham spent a year in England at the University of Bristol through Sarah Lawrence University,

"I felt the professors didn't expect as much out of the Americans," said Graham.

Although Graham studied sociology, she was often called upon to explain U.S. foreign policy as though she were a political science expert.

"When the leader of Sinn Fein (the political arm of Ireland's Republican Army) was allowed to visit President Clinton and ask for financial aid, some students became very hostile towards me and I got into several intense discussions," Graham said.

Graham also interned at the Home Farms Trust, a charity to assist disabled adults, whose patron was Princess Anne & Wales.

"Meeting Princess Anne An definitely one of the highlights of my xip," confided

Moving to the other side of the globe, Irene Ng participated an summer program with the Overseas Chenese Youth Language Training and Sody Tour to the Republic of China (Taixent), where the main requirement was "you had to be at least partly of Chinese descent, Ng said.

Classes were also supplemented with day to muscums, villages and other historical sites. But Ng discovered the program also had a political agenda.

"After every one of our trips, we were crowded into a room and shown propaganda films about the Taiwanese independence

movement," said Ng.

Ng said she was unprepared for the living conditions in Taipei, Taiwan.

"The city was dense and polluted. The students stuck together because very few knew the language well. Our dormitory had armed guards around it, but we often snuck by them to go out on the town," said Ng.

Sheara Cohen also felt her American perspectives were challenged during her emester abroad with the St. Lawrence University Kenya Semester.

"People were telling me how much nicer and more modern it must be in America, but at the same time, I was thinking about how culturally rich daily life was for Kenyans. Families seemed closer, more spiritual. Art and religion were not separated out of work and social activities," Cohen said.

Part of the trip required students to live with families in remote, but dense, agricultural

"I lived in a typical mud home with no running water or electricity. I was surprised at how well I adjusted to it and enjoyed it," Cohen related.

Cohen said the only time she felt "at risk" was when riots broke out during her studies at the University of Nairobi over the treatment of political prison

Cohen said her trip home was when she

experienced the worst culture shock, however.
"As I got on the plane, I felt like I was entering a high-tech, synthetic bubble with fake air blowing on me and Jetson-style food trays. I asked myself, 'How am I going to tell my friends what I went through?" wondered

-National Student News Service

If this sounds interesting, look in lying abroad. Albright's Study Abroa ice is located on the third floor of Teel Hall our adventure may not be as memorable experience will be worthwhile.



Upgrades around Albright SGA looking to revise Study Rooms

New Computers

by Adrienne Mitchell

The face of technology today is changing rapidly. In order to keep up, an institution must constantly update computer and information innovations. Albright is meeting this challenge by bringing its information systems into the 21st century.

Administration Computer Support Specialist, Eric Lindbeck, said, "I would like to standardize the PC [personal computer] Labs, and bring the Macintosh labs up to date."

This past summer, Albright took a step towards this goal. The school was able to add ten new Dell personal computers, available for student use in the computer labs. More recently, ten new Macintosh computers were also added. The old Macintoshes will most likely be redistributed to the academic and administration departments throughout Albright. The Computer Center is also expected to receive nine more new Dell personal computers as soon as next week.

Huge increases in professor requests and student initiated demands for computers make the necessity of more PCs ever increasing. This expanded need, coupled with the ever changing face of personal computing, also increases the need for education. Computer classes to increase computer literacy and teach complete novices will be starting soon because as Lindbeck mentioned, he would like to see an increase in computer literacy.

Editor's note The article on the front page, concerning the first SGA meeting, mentions a proposal for additional advancements in the technology available around Albright

by Adrienne Mitchell

Many changes occurred in Albright's Gingrich Library over Interim. In addition to numerous cosmetic changes to make the interior more appealing to students and visitors, new study rooms are being added. The two rooms will provide additional places for groups to study or work on projects without having to leave the upstairs floors, which are for quiet study only.

New technology has also been included in the library's many changes. The computer system has been largely transformed into the Windows 95" environment to make it more "user friendly." There have been changes made in the positioning of fiche/film machines, copiers, and computers on the first floor allowing easier access for the patrons.

Libraries have to move fast to meet the changing demands of today's students. In response to this the card catalog and an online encyclopedia will soon be available over

Rosemary Deegan, Chair of Library Sevices, has great hopes for the progress of Albright's library. "In the future, we want to be, to quote the old phrase, the academic heart of the school," said Deegan. She is currently working on a project with other libraries to make a database known as "Expanded Academic ASAP," available to students. This vould improve access to academic sources including indexing, abstracts, full text articles and images in one comprehensive resource.



allocations procedure

SGA held a meeting on Sunday, February 16 with the presidents and/or treasurers of th 73 campus organizations it funds. The meeting was held to discuss the problem with this spring's allocation and how each organization would receive their budgets. The five organizations that did not send a representative to the meeting will need to discuss whether or not they will be receiving their budgets with an SGA representative.

With 73 organizations requesting approximately \$200,000 the allocations committee was forced to cut organizations budgets because they only had \$100,000 to allocate. After careful consideration, the eboard decided to allocate each organization the lesser amount of either the spring '96 budget with a four percent inflation increase or the spring '97 allocation. This will allow each organization to maintain at least the same level of campus involvement as they had last

Throughout the coming weeks, the eboard will be meeting to discuss possible changes to the allocations procedure so that it is fair to all organizations. Warren Metzger, treasurer, stated, "We are working with the administration." Metzger then asked the representatives to assist in the development of a new funding policy. He wants concerned students to come and discuss the matter with e-board officers during their office hours, at Organizational Senate meetings, or via mail.

Jason Frame and Paul Sinclair added that anyone who is interested can voice their concern during the weekly SGA radio show. It is on Monday nights from 7-8 p.m.

The e-board has talked to faculty members and administration about the problem. One of the few suggestions offered includes increasing the student activity fee. The fee, currently \$100 per semester per student, is the only funding SGA has. SGA is also looking into the possibility of having departments fund activities. Examples of this would be rugby, hockey, etc. being funded by the Athletic Department or honor societies being funded by the associated department.

Other suggestions include better training of the presidents and treasurers in budgeting or requiring clubs to cut their expenditures through fundraising. At present time, Metzger reported that only a small percentage of organizations do this and that for additional information or suggestions to contact Cynthia

As the meeting came to a close, Carissa Kolb asked that everyone attend the Wednesday, February 19 meeting with administrators. She said that "we need support, we can't [change allocations

Football controversy

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made no suggestions within the document that they would leave Albright or quit the football team if Maier was not replaced.

Snyder believes that Miller tried to address the problems but failed to do so quickly enough to satisfy him and the rest of the team.

"She was going to address it but I don't think she had enough time," he said. "We wanted something done right away, and she couldn't do that because she has a very busy

Miller declined to comment on the actions she took immediately after the players spoke to her in early December. She did acknowledge that the situation concerned her graphy and that she did not ignore the problem.

She likewise refused to comment on the circumstances which led Maier, whose contract expires May 31, so resign as coach and to accept a position as associate athletic director in charge Cecruitment.

Miller knews itale about the duties Maier will have in this new role or where he will be

"I wally don't know a whole lot about it," she said. "It is not a position I described to has. He has not been in the office, but it may not be an office job."

The Albrightian was unsuccessful in its efforts to reach Ron Maier for comment on the criticism he received from his former players. his resignation, and the new position. He failed to return numerous phone messages left at

Things might have turned sour for Maier when he agreed to take the head coaching job in late 1995 after Kevin Keisel left to coach Division I Fairfield.

According to Allbrook, Maier did not have problems with players when he was strictly a defensive coordinator because "then he didn't have the authority.'

Allbrook, who said the problems on the footall team were one of many factors which caused him to leave Albright, conceded that Maier had skills as a coach.

'He is a good coach. I'll give him that," he said. "But he is two-faced and he is not a team leader. He belongs in the press box calling

Although the Albright football team has

had three head coaches in less than three years, Miller says there is still much stability in the program.

'The fact that we have many returning players (18 of the 22 starters from last season), that will be some of our stability," she said. "There are several assistant coaches coming back which will add to our stability, and we appointed someone within the program which lends itself to stability rather than conducting a national search and getting a completely new

Miller said that one of the reasons Albright wanted to hire someone from within the existing assistant coaching ranks was to maintain the recruiting success it has had over the past few years. She explained that they needed to know who the coach would be in time for the critical recruiting trips in January

and February.

"Most athletes I know would not commit to a school unless they knew who the coach was going to be," she said.

The players seem very happy with the man Albright College chose to succeed Ron

"I don't think they could have chosen a better man for the position," said Ed Baker, a team captain. "He is a great teacher. It is going to be exciting with him as the new coach."

"He is the greatest thing that happened to Albright footbll because of his relationship with the players, their parents, and all the students," said Snyder.

Many players were eager to sing Sandusky's praises, but were reluctant to talk about the turmoil that came before with Maier at the helm.

'That is something that is in the past and I am sure the whole team feels that way," said running back Chad Eisenhower. "We just want to move on.

> Congratulations to Takeo Konoike for receiving the Townsend Press Scholarship. He and Mrs. Lana Bird, his instructor in the English Language Center, deserve recognition for their hard work and

Scholarship Update

Altrusa International, Inc. of Reading will award two financial aid grants of \$400 to Berks County students. Must be a Berks County resident, completed one year of study at a Berks county college or university, min. GPA of 3.0, financial need. Preference given to education field candidate

DEADLINE: April 15, 1997

AICPA SCHOLARSHIPS FOR MINORITY ACCOUNTING STUDENTSup to \$5000 in competitive merit and needused awards for outstanding students. Must be declared accounting major and have overall and accounting GPA of at least 3.0, and must be enrolled as a full-time undergraduate student. Must file Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and official college transcript must be

DEADLINE: July 1, 1997

James Madison Memorial Fellowship study leading to a master's degree in history or political science; master of Arts in teaching(history or social studies); or a related master's degree in education for a concentration in history, government, social studies or political science - awards up to

Up to \$3000 in financial assistance to U.S. and Canadian citizens available through The John Gyles Education Fund. Must have a minimum GPA of 2.7.

DEADLINES: April 1, June 15, Nov. 15

\$400 scholardship for resident of East Petersburg Borough.
DEADLINE: February 28, 1997

BERKSCOUNTYMEDICAL SOCIETY AUXILIARY - \$600 scholarships to needy students who are preparing for a career in the health field. Must be a Berks County resident and attending or planning to attend a Berks County College.

DEADLINE: April 20, 1997

JOHN L. CAREY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM for liberal arts students wishing to pursue graduate accounting study for CPA certificate. Scholarships are based on academic achievement, leadership and future career interests, and are contingent upon acceptance in a graduate program. Awards are for \$5000 and can be renewed for an additional year provided satisfactory scholastic progress.

DEADLINE: April 1, 1997

SONS OF ITALY FOUNDATION grant for up to \$5000 for American Citizens of Italian

DEADLINE: February 28, 1997

Diocese of Pennsylvania Church Training and Deaconess Housescholarships of \$1000-\$3000 for women for graduate studies and/or training for religious and benevolent work pertaining to the

DEADLINE: March 15, 1997

Julia Kiene Fellowship/Lyle Manner Fellowship - awarded to women college graduates/graduating college seniors who are working toward an advanced degree relating to the use of electrical energy.

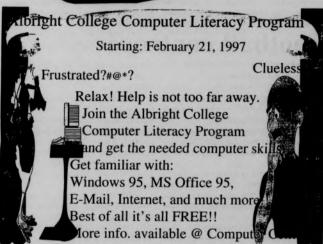
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each of the above scholarships or to find out about others available

Congratulations!!

The following Albright Students have been chosen to appear in the 1997 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges.





Conversation with Administrators

Date: Wednesday, February 19th

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Place: Campus Center Main Lounge

President Ellen Hurwitz; the Executive Vice-Presidents Ron Green and Paul Gazzerro, Jr.; and the Vice-Presidents Carolyn Brooks and Don Kirkwood will be available to address any concerns or questions students might have.

Mark Your Calendar!

Calendar of Events

February 18 -March 1



February 14 - April 11

TIMEFRAMES - make your way to the new exhibition showing in the Freedman Gallery.

Tuesday, February 18



The International Film Series presents
"Breathless" (1960, 90 mins.) by French film maker, Jean-Luc Godard. The film starts at 8:15p.m. in Klein Lecture
Hall. Free admission for students. All others \$1.00 or
\$6.00 for the series subscription.



Wednesday, February 19

Open hours at President Hurwitz's office from 2 to 4 p.m.

Modern Language Film Series presents "M." A German film based on a real case that reveals the shocking and most dreadful, deviant personalities of random killers. A Peter Lorre's film and German classic from the last days of the Weimar Republic. The film starts at 6:45 p.m. at Klein Hall.





Class of 2000 Dinner. 7-9 p.m.



Thurdsay, February 20

AAS and CCB host historian Frank Gilyard. Come find out about the role Reading played in the Underground Railroad. 6:30 p.m. CCSL

Sunday, February 23



Gospel Jubilee - come listen to gospel choirs from local churches. Experience event. 3 p.m. Chapel

Tuesday, February 25



International Film Series presents Donna Cameron from NYC. She will be at the Klein Lecture Hall to discuss her recent films. The program of short films and tapes consist of: "NYU Tonite," "Mother's Prayer," "La Crepuscule, Canvas #4 (180), Canvas #7 (Mediation for a lonely flute), Coralmation, and Lieder". The program begins at 8:15 p.m. Free for students and \$1.00 for others.



Concert: ARTISAN

Folk and pop music: love songs, social awareness, political satire, humor! Take a break from your work for a listen. 2 shows 7:00 and 9:00 p.m. CCML Experience Event!



Wednesday, February 26



Creative Dating- Dave Coleman a comedian/Dr. Ruth will be here for an evening of entertainment compliments of RSA. 8 p.m. CCML



Modern Language Film Series presents "A New Dawn." A Spanish film set in 1528, Spanish expeditionists discover an ancient Indian tribe called the Iguase. There is only one survivor left, Alvar Nunez Cabeza, who learns about a mystical and mysterious culture over eight years. Film begins at 6:45 in Klein Hall.



Friday, February 28



Dance of the Lawn Chairs - A theatrical performance sponsored by the Feedman Gallery. Perfromance by OFTHE theater group at 8 p.m. in Meridian Theatre, Experience Credit.



Saturday, March 1

RSA hosts the annual Spring formal. \$5.00 admission fee.



- Calendar of Events compiled by Jen Schestok with Kim Alber -

Editorials/Opinions

Albright's priorities questioned

Dear Editor.

Over the past three years as a student here at Albright College, I have become involved in many activities.

I play a club sport; I am Greek; I participate in different clubs, and I am on the Orientation Steering Committee. I feel I am a fairly diversified student. I have been pleased overall with my time here at Albright, but there is one thing that has been bothering me for some time now, so here I am.

The more involved I become and the more I see, the less impressed I have become with the Administration.

I have personally experienced many instances when facilities that are intended for the students' use--buildings that we pay money to use as well-are off limits because some outside party is renting them.

It seems as if Albright is more of a business than a school.

To aid in my argument I would like to present to you the mission statement of Albright College:

The mission of Albright College is based upon our traditions and is the touchstone for all that we do. We provide a strong liberal arts education that includes preprofessional programs and career exploration. Our students consider critically the best thinking of the past and present, their social obligations, and the spiritual context of our lives. Our environment is open and friendly and embraces diversity. Our United Methodist affiliation undergirds our dedication to a values-based education in an atmosphere of academic freedom for students of all racial, cultural, and religious backgrounds.

Nowhere does that mission statement

Nowhere does that mission statement read, "...to make a profit by any means necessary and to educate and provide services to some students if the time and the money allow it."

In addition to my opposition to renting out facilities to the public when students may need them (like during Orientation), I also feel that the wrong programs are being emphasized.

For example, I perform work on computers in the biology department that probably have not been updated since the early eighties and do little more than type; but yet many of our sports teams have nice new uniforms to play in.

Also, the mission statement speaks of "career exploration." How many of Albright's students know how to use the Career Service Center? I am willing to bet very few. This is no fault of the Center when the Administration cuts the staff back to one person in order to save money.

What is that saying? A student could go through four years of schooling and not be able to find a job, but he could say that we had a great football team.

This is not a personal attack on anyone. As I stated above, I am a student involved in almost every facet of campus life, but for the good of the students who pay an extremely high tuition to go to school for four years and not get the best education possible, something had to be said.

I think the members of the Administration need to revisit the mission statement and really think about why they are here at Albright!

Albright college used do be known for its academic reputation. What is it known for now, and what will it be known for in the future? Respectfully yours, Peter J. Miller

AmnestyInternational article misleading

Dear Editor.

In response to the article "Amnesty International reaches out to voice concerns for Human Rights" by Maggie Ward in the December 10, 1996 issue of The Albrightian, I need to offer some comments about the misguiding nature of the article's contents, which have been written based upon the literature of Amnesty International.

Ward states that in Turkey, "Everyday innocent civilians (men, women, and children) are subjected to unthinkable torture for minor offenses that many are not even guilty of committing."

There are several problems with this statement.

First, one of the main themes of Amnesty International's campaign in Turkey has been advertised, based upon this organization's literature, as alleviating the alleged mistreatment of detained prisoners without due legal processes.

However, it should be clarified that Amnesty International conveys Turkish prisoners as innocent civilians, when in actuality the detainees' spectrum ranges from conscientious nonviolent writers to ultraviolent political terrorists who kill men, women, and children at will.

If one of the issues of concern is the torture of prisoners, and if the cases presented by Amnesty International are thoroughly investigated, then of course the Turkish state

is completely responsible for fighting for the protection of all of their human rights.

However, generalizing to implicate in this statement that the lives of all innocent, ordinary citizens are it risk every minute of the day is especially disturbing!

Making such a comment leads the average person who doesn't know anything about Turkey to think that it is a place where people can't leave their homes without fear of being detained, and such a situation certainly does not exist!

I have been to Turkey many times and am going again this year with my family to visit our relatives there. We have a wonderful time and our safety has never crossed our minds.

Furthermore, if the lives of all people in Turkey, both citizens and noncitizens, are randomly at stake, then why do approximately eleven million tourists visit Turkey each year, including John F. Kennedy, Jr., who chose this country of all those in the world for his honeymoon?

I would also like to comment on the signs on which the Turkish campaign is being advertised.

One sign included a quote by a Turkish lawyer, who allegedly stated that it is cause for rejoicing if people come out of Turkish prisons alive.

The name of the Turkish lawyer was not included, and the quote was not dated or documented in any way. Is it legitimate to

submit a research paper for class without citing and documenting the sources of its contents?

If the answer is no, then information displayed in this way can not be regarded as valid, either.

In considering the issues of torture, military aid, and the PKK (Worker's Party of Kurdistan) that Amnesty International claims to be addressing, one needs to thoroughly study the history, economy, and sociopolitical situations in Turkey to understand these issues, instead of relying on a few pages supplied by this international organization which can make misleading statements.

Where the genuine interest in human rights stops and the political anti-Turkish campaign starts has not been well delineated.

The literature of Amnesty International provides information contradictory to credible literature by American and European sources, about topics including but not limited to the nature of the PKK, military aid, and the most recent sociopolitics of the region. These sources have been shared with Ward.

As far as the safety and security issues for an average person on the streets is concerned, I am looking forward to having a beautiful, exciting vacation in my parents' native land, which we visit almost every year. You don't have to take my word for it. Just join me!

Sincerely, Eda Ulus

Has Albright abandoned its religious roots?

Dear Editor.

As I look back over my time spent here at Albright, there have been many fun and exciting experiences. However, one of my greatest disappointments is the loss of a oncewonderful tradition here at Albright.

In December of 1993 as my first semester was coming to a close and the Christmas holiday was approaching, many upper class students I knew began talking about the Choir Christmas Candlelight Service.

I was told that it was a beautiful service and that students, parents, faculty, and community members filled the chapel for the occasion. Indeed this was the case. My parents and I attended the service, which included beautiful choir anthems, scriptures read by students, carol singing, and the traditional candle lighting service. It was a truly joyous celebration of Christ's birth.

The following year, when Dr. Williamson was retiring. The focus of the Christmas service seemed to be more directed towards it being his last year than on the birth of Christ. I figured that this was simply due to the fact that Dr. Williamson had been at Albright for so long and had contributed a great deal to the college and its music department. Therefore, as I set out to attend the Christmas service my junior year in December of 1995, I was expecting it to be the traditional Choir Christmas Candlelight Service.

However, as I sat through the service, I became increasingly more disappointed and annoyed with the "Advent Service of Lessons and Hymn" which was taking place. Not only was there no mention of Christmas or the birth of Christ, but everyone who spoke was bending over backwards to say whatever they felt was "politically correct" and would not be offensive to someone who simply came to hear the choir and may not be a Christian.

Why? I kept asking myself what Kwanzaa and Hanukkah had to do with the birth of Christ and why, at a Christian-founded, United Methodist college, could the Christians not celebrate Christmas?

As I walked out of the chapel I was hoping

to join in the traditional carol sing in the lobby, thinking that at least I could sing a few Chrisimas carols. To my great disappointment, I found that only commercialized Christmas songs were being sung. It seemed that Albright had chosen to celebrate only the commercialized Christmas.

This past fall I approached our chaplain and inquired if the Christmas service was indeed going to be a Christmas service this year. His response was that he didn't know anything about it. I found it rather unusual that the chaplain would not have anything to do with the planning of the Christmas service.

Upon attending the service, however, I immediately realized why. See Christmas service was not a service wall, but simply a Christmas concert. When I was a very nice concert and I enjoy he music, it was still very disappoin and there was no Christmas service for the Christians at

Albright to celebrate their holiday. The college, you'll recall, had already celebrated Kwanzaa and Hanukkah!

I feel that Albright's efforts to be diverse and multicultural are oppressing those students who represent the very roots of this college. Albright began as a seminary and has always maintained its affiliation with the Christian church. Today Albright is affiliated with and receives funding from the United Methodist Church.

I fear that many students are not even aware of this because of Albright's failure to acknowledge and celebrate Christian holidays such as Christmas. It seems to me that Albright is so concerned with offending someone that the college has decided to recognize only the commercialized "X-mas." I think it's time to

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Fall 1996 Discipline Summary

Alcohol Policy Violations - 47
Misuse of Telephone Service - 21
Unauthorized Use of Property - 3
Tampering with Fire Safety Equip, - 24
Harassment or Intimidation - 2
Actual or Threatened Assault - 1
Committing Any Heinous Act - 1
Inappropriate Behavior - 1

Inappropriate Behavior - 1
Failure to Comply - 2
Vandalism - 3

Drug Policy (Possession/Use of Marijuana) - 3

Disorderly Conduct - 8 Violation of Housing Agreement - 26 Incense - 2

Pets - 3 Social Gathering Policy - 15

TOTAL - 143 Individuals involved* - 123 Class Breakdown

1999 - 39 1998 - 14 1997 - 20

Location Breakdown

Crowell - 20 Krause - 21 Mohn - 5 North - 28 Smith - 10 Walton - 15 Woods - 42

*Note: an individual may have committed more than one policy violation and each violation is listed separately. Therefore, the total number of individuals is less than the number of violations.



put the "Christ" back in "Christmas!

As I prepare for graduation, I am now faced with having to accept an interfaith baccalaureate in which the college will tiptoe around and be careful not to offend anyone of

Again, I ask "why?" Christian religious celebrations here at Albright have been watered down so much that, for Christians, there is no point to them.

Albright may not be offending the non-Christian students, but it is beginning to offend its Christian students.

I feel that as a Christian I am not welcome to celebrate my religious beliefs and holidays at this "Christian" college.

I think it's time for Albright to stop trying to be so multicultural and remember its roots! Sincerely,

Carol Smith

"Simpson" continued from page 1

because of the public's negative impressions of the proceedings.

Dr. Auerbach also stated, "I'm curious as to how students will react to the civil trial verdict and how it will affect law school applications." When asked if he thought that the civil trial verdict will bring an end to the Simpson case, Dr. Auerbach stated, "O.J. Simpson was right about one thing, it is not over yet, the appeals process will take a long

Randi-Lynn Smallheer, the President of Albright's pre-law society, offered the following comments: "I think you can say that justice was done, but it is bitter-sweet justice because the kind of crime that he committed was so malicious that no amount of money could compensate the victims and, in turn, he is still allowed to walk free ... and I don't believe that the civil trial verdict makes up for it.'

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Personals, Continued

Lapp told me that if you don't cut down on your drinking, you're the one who's going to turn into a fat twinkie, mister!

--Summa

Here's to the 1997 Spring Pledge Class of Sigma Kappa! Good Luck! Make it last forever, friendship never ends! You've got a lot of SPICEGIRLS!

Sigma Love, the sisters

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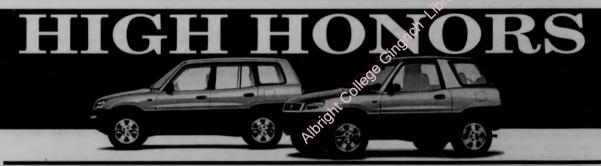
aid package and provide the financial aid information you need to know, we have mailed financial aid paperwork to your home address so your parents can begin completing your forms. Remind your parents to watch the mail for the following items:

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Class of 2000, 1999, 1998, and seniors expecting to return for teacher certification have received the above mailing. If your packet of information has not yet arrived at home, blease come to the financial aid office where we will happily give you the forms you need!

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Personals

Gwyne,

to dinner. We'll have nuggets, delicious red candies and fat free hot fudge. Yummy!

Darren,

The only reason you're being mean to me is because you're trying to hide your true feelings. We're not in 8th grade anymore.

Love, Brooke

2nd floor Krause.

We get drunk like it's our job!

Congrats! to the 12th postulant class. Would you trade all the days from that until this for just once chance of FREEDOM? You're pushin."

Congratulations Alphas - We're proud of you.

pi love The sisters of Alpha Delta Pi

Darren,

Please sleep with me, I'll pay you \$5.00. Pauline

Yeah TGD

Husband, You've lost that spoonin' feeling! -Wife

Congratulations Stacy, Jeanine, Elizabeth, Meighan, Shelly, Erin and all other new Pledges!

Love, Gretchen

Hi Allison-"the best little" I love you. love,

Brooke "big sis"

Skidapolous-

You're Greek, right? You Greeks, you like it up the ____ don't you?

Tommy, I won't sleep with you for \$5,00. Stop calling me. Pauline Where are the dummy sheets?????

Tommy, Same goes for me! Dave

Natty.

You're a Crow right? You crows, you never mind.

Puppy Dog, Do you have an update for me vet?

Jeff

You didn't let me have sh_t !!

Pat and Rachel... Work it out. Everything's gonna be alright. -anonymous

Hope-

It's all your fault!

Pauline

It was Sue Williams first semester, now you second semester, please, I'm a senior, I don't need this added B.S. at this period in time.

- Darren

Dana

How was your date at the Flyers game? Love, Apt. A1

Dear The Sisters of ADPi. Does anybody want to get married again? I'm lonely. Love, Darren

I swear I counted them!! I counted them!! They were there last week!!

To All The Girls I've Loved Before Happy Belated Valentines Day Love Shinebox

Dear Steering Committee, Stricker and Was - POP Partners in '97

"For every man there is a woman,

but for men like us, there are several."

Skiadopadopolous
-You don't have to put on the

Hey Dominoes Man— Bring us some garlic crunch crust pizza!!

Dear Hillary Rodham Clinton

-What's the word? Are you speaking at Graduation or not?

From, A Disgruntled Senior Class

Dear Shinebox.

I want to make your last semester here your most memorable.

I know I'm only a freshman, but we need love too. I'm way beyond my years in experience, if you know what I mean...

Love, Your Secret and Seductive Valentine

Burnishers are the BOMB!!

Dear Women of Albright, This is your last semester to date Mike Lapp, he's graduating in May. You better move fast because good things don't stay around forever...

Was that Mrs. Roper at the Sigma Kappa Valentine Party?

I'm bloaty.

Spanky,

Goodbye and good luck, we're going to miss you. Remember, you may be a weenie, but you're our weenie.

From, the most powerful family around

I think that Albright would be a much happier place if Scott Gleason was still around.

Dear Jessica Koffee,

-I'm really going to miss you. Please keep me in your heart and don't ever forget the good times that we could have shared

if you had only accepted my invitation to go out on a date. Love, Paul Sinclair

BEWARE! The PDA police are watching!

Personals

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If you want to say Hi to a friend or send them a silly message, then just drop them a personal in the Albrightian! Just fill out this form and drop it in the mailslot at the Albrightian office (next to the mailroom) by next Monday so it will be in the next issue.

If you lose this form, don't fret. Just write your personal on a piece of paper and put it in the door.

Have fun and use your imagination!

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Features

The Force Returns to the Silver Screen

Star Wars Blasts Into a Theater Near You

by James B. Harr III

Where can you find the most wretched hive of scum and villainy? What is the significance of Cell 2187? Why does Luke have to go to Tosche Station? What type of droid is C-3PO and can he speak the binary language of moisture vaporators? Who is Biggs Darklighter?

All these questions and more are answered in the re-release of the newly remastered hit, "Star Wars: A New Hope.

On the cold morning of January 31, 1997, around 11 a.m., I arrived at the Fox Theatre in Wyomissing, PA. As I pulled into the parking lot at the complex, I saw before me a line that stretched as far as the eve could e. In it I recognized familiar faces such as Michelle Carrara, '97, who, in her frigid hands, clenched a cardboard sign which read, "Star Wars or Bust"; Tommy Jones, '97, who commissioned me to flee to Burger King in order to buy two cheeseburgers with everything on them; and the ever-lovely Kathryn Bass, '98, who was slightly bitter about buying tickets for a bunch of people who were asleep in bed. Though those of us in line were of various race, gender, and religion, the one thing which bound all of us together was the fact that we were there for one common cause: to see the re-release of the first part of the Star Wars Trilogy.

This movie, while being a phenomenal film and a ground-breaking triumph for George Lucas, acted as a melting pot of sorts, which melded and glommed us together into one. We were an ecstatic unit as we awaited the opening of the theater doors which would symbolize the commencement of a saga in a new generation.

Time passed, with every second seeming to last ad infinitum. Finally, at noon, after a group of high school boys attempted for the ninth time to get "the wave" going down the line, the doors were swung wide open. As I

made my way through the doorway and approached the ticket booth, a rush of adrenaline hit me. I was overwhelmed with anticipation as I purchased a ticket for the

first showing, which, incidentally, began in

less than an hour. It was 12:59 p.m. The crowd was in the theater and ready, but they were getting restless. The high school boys were, once again, up to their antics as they began chanting, "We want Evita!

Suddenly, the lights dimmed and the audience was engaged tumultuous applause accompanied by screams of delight. The infamous words, "A long time ago, in a galaxy far, far away," appeared on screen and the "Star Theme" Wars (composed by John Williams) came through the speakers in digital THX sound. was such captivating moment that all my cares and worries were swept away. I felt myself forget all about the English and Philosophy classes which I was skipping.

I was at peace with myself.

The special edition of "Star Wars" underwent many alterations and additions since the last time it appeared on the big screen. For example, there are new droids and creatures at Mos Eisley Spaceport and added outdoor footage on the Yavin moon,

which seems to foreshadow the environment of Endor in "Return of the Jedi.

Small, distinctly enhanced effects can be identified by the avid Star Wars fan. For example, when the Death Star and Alderaan meet their demises, a larger, more powerful explosion can be seen along with a ring of flames which is emitted from the blast. Rear boosters on the Millennium Falcon Destroyers are more vivid in color and effect. Small bolts of electricity were added when Luke removes the restraining bolt from R2-D2. One short scene which was added allows one to view Princess Leia adjusting her breasts after R2-D2 (in characteristic Boba Fett style), the crow was in a frenzy when he appeared. The new elements made the adventure all the mo

When asked how "Star Wars: A Ne Hope" was, I replied with this colorful phras from the movie "Trainspotting": "Take the greatest orgasm you ever had and multiply by a thousand." To hear Jabba the Hutt sa "crispo Greedo," which in "Hutt" mear "fried Greedo," and "Han, mie bookie meaning "Han, my boy," created a warm ar tingly feeling inside. To see two TIE (Tw Ion Engine) fighters and one TIE intercept weaving through the cavernous Death Sta gave one the reassurance that all was right the world.

I went out into the Albright community to ask others who saw "Star Wars: A Ne Hope" what they thought of it and basical to get a little feedback about the film

Benjamin D. Watts, '98, gave me this in depth thought: "The force was strong enoug to elicit exclamatory responses from th audience." On the other hand, a more down to-earth critique came from Jennife Thalman, '98. Thalman said, "It was fun. was impressed with the sense of unity amor the crowd. It's been a long time since I have seen people this excited about a movie before cheering when people came on screen. I wavery moved by this!" Another fond fan the Star Wars frenzy, Joe Boles, '97, said, thought it was excellent, but I thought the the new part with Jabba the Hutt was chee because Jabba kissed Han's butt!"

"Star Wars: A New Hope" was, in a wor breathtaking. I returned two more times that weekend to see one of the greatest victorio in movie history. If you have not yet see "Star Wars: A New Hope," make a foray or to the Fox Theatre and watch it.

Don't forget! February 21 marks the re release of "Empire Strikes Back." See you is

Star Wars Top Ten Sexually Slanted Lines

10. "She may not look like much, but she's got it where it counts, kid." "Curse my metal body, I wasn't fast

"Look at the size of that thing."

"Sorry about the mess.

"You came in that thing? You're · braver than I thought.

5. "Aren't you a little short for a

"You've got something jammed in here real good."
3. "Put that thing away before you get here ready.

3. "Put that thing away to us all killed."

2. "Luke, at that speed do you think you'll be able to pull out in rime?"

1. "Get in there, you big furry oaf, I don't care what you smell."

on the Death Star. A big surprise in the film was the cameo appearance of the beloved character, Boba Fett. Though he said nothing

It's Coming...

Sports Night '97



Mark your calendars for March 7th and stay tuned for more details!

"Cutbacks" Isn't Just a Popular Word at Albright

In conor of the recent difficulties that SGA and many campus organizations recently had regarding spring budgeting, I couldn't resist this little piece received from the National Student News Service.

The following is a joke memo that was sent out to the faculty and staff of Bradford College after the school announced that it would be making more cutbacks.

To: Faculty and Staff

Fr: The Office of the President

Re: New cost cutting measures, travel expenditures.

Due to budget constraints, the following policies are announced regarding employees traveling on official college business. These policies are effective immediately.

Hitchhiking, in lieu of commercial transport is strongly encouraged. Luminescent safety vests will be issued to all employees prior to their departure on college business trips. Bus transportation will be used whenever possible. Airline tickets will only be authorized for purchase in extreme circumstances, and only the lowest fares will

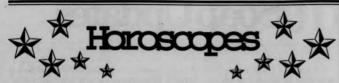
All employees are encouraged to sta with relatives or friends while on college business. If weather permits, public area such as parks and parking lots should be use for temporary lodging sites. Bridges ma provide shelter in periods of inclemen weather

Meals:

Expenditures for meals will be limited to the absolute minimum. It should be note that certain grocery chains, such as Gener Nutrition Centers and Piggly Wiggly store often provide free samples of promotion: items. Entire meals can often be obtained in this manner. Travelers should also become familiar with indigenous roots, berries and other protein sources available at their

Entertainment:

Entertainment while on travel is strongly discouraged. If such extravagances are required on alumni contacts, the alumna alumnus should be encouraged to "pick up the tab." Such actions will save the college money and also convince alumni we ar concerned about spending money on a goo product, not useless frivolities.



ARIES (March 21 to April 19): You are faced with a change in your basic life philosophy because of recent events. While change is sometimes hard for you, it's a good time to explore this. Some long-held convictions are subject to questioning. This weekend a new hobby has you fascinated.

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TAURUS (April 20 to May 20): You make financial gains through career interests this week. At the same time a co-worker is being unnecessarily obstinate and uncooperative. Perhaps the motivation is jealousy, something which shouldn't concern you. The weekend promises romance and passion.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20): There are problems on the home front, particularly concerning children this week. Romantically you and your partner are enjoying a longoverdue renaissance. This weekend, an intriguing social invitation arrives from a

CANCER (June 21 to July 22): The extra money you need becomes available to you for that pet project. An irritating event has you angry later in the week. However, as the weekend approaches, your mood improves

LEO (July 23 to August 22): It is a great time for you careerwise. Some receive a raise or a promotion, while others make a great deal of progress. Domestic matters need your attention later in the week, as do matters of the heart

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22): You are disappointed by a close friend who lets you down early in the week. Later, however, you are pleased with the progress made on collaborative ventures at work. This weekend, you're at your charming social best.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22); You make a breakthrough concerning a childhood problem that has been haunting you life. However, try not to wallow in selfity. Domestic problems confront you later

in the week, but are quickly resolved.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21): A friend is being unreasonably difficult due to a financial concern; try not to get involved. In particular, don't lend any money. In romance, everything goes your way, and a w beginning is made

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21): You're upset by the delays you encounter this week on the job. However, business contacts you make bode well for future gains. This weekend, feel free to invite friends and loved ones into your home.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19): Someone you've helped out in the past needs your aid yet again, but don't be afraid to say no. This person is using you as a crutch. Constantly coming to the rescue is not helpful in the long run.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18): It is an inconsistent week for you on the job. You are beset with setbacks followed by triumphs as you move through the week. This weekend, you're exhausted and need to catch up on your rest.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20): You find it difficult to hide your resentment of a hurtful acquaintance. It's best to let go of this anger since this person isn't worth your trouble. The weekend promises fun times.

Talent in Domino Players' **Illusion** Is No Mirage

The Domino Players Company has once again become a medium through which some of Albright's finest acting talent is displayed. The group's latest endeavor, The Illusion, is a French comedic play written by Pierre Corneille and set in the 17th Century.

The magician, Alcandre (Sid Watts), his protege (Joshua Austin) and the Amanuensis, (Adam Kreps, '99) the silent and freakish servant, create an eerie, mystical atmosphere for Pridamant (Chuck Austin) in the opening scene at the magician's cave.

Pridamant has come to the cave with the intentions of hiring the magician to help him find his long-lost son, Calisto (Paul Mischeshin). The magician agrees to help Pridamant find Calisto and subsequently conjures up series of images before him, in which Pridamant, as well as the audience, become voyeurs in Calisto's present life

Through these images, Calisto's life unfolds in front of everyone. His trials and tribulations, especially the duels with his arch nemesis Pleribo (R. S. Bryant, '00) for his true love, the essential fair maiden, Melibea (Megan Bell, are displayed. Bringing new meaning to the words "comic relief" were the sidesplitting antics and comedic gestures of Melibea's cunning, yet highly amusing servant, Elicia (Kara Morral, '97) and the hilarious lunacy of the wealthy lord, Matamore (Nathan

The audience was swept up in the father's confusion and desperation as he watched, helplessly unable to do anything to prevent his son's life from further decline. In the last of the magician's images, Calisto is killed in a battle with Pleribo and the father mourns the loss of his chance to mend his relationship with his son.

The rationale behind the title of the production was clarified with a surprising twist. Much to the father's surprise, the magician stated that although the images Pridamant had been viewing were in fact real, they had been scenes from the plays that Calisto had performed. Calisto was not dead, he was an actor!

The Illusion took the audience on a whirlwind of vicarious story-telling with its surprise ending and lesson taught, but indeed this play was not a mirage, rather, it was a reality of great acting.

Extra! Extra! Read All About It! CCB Is Accepting Applications!

The Campus Center Board (a.k.a. CCB) is now accepting applications for new members. If you are a hard worker, like to have fun and are interested in helping to plan the entertainment that comes to Albright, including Spring Fever, here's your chance!

Applications are available at the Campus Center Desk and are due back by Feb. 21. Sign up for interviews Feb. 23.

Health & Nutrition

by Judith Sheldon

There is a spate of stupidity running through the various levels of celebrity these days, and it has to do with cigars.

David Letterman let it be known that he was a cigar smoker. Ditto Madonna, Sylvester Stallone, Demi Moore and a slew of other famous folks. It would be bad enough from a health point of view if they merely smoked their stogies in private, but they seem possessed by an "in your eye" attitude that makes them want to puff away in public.

Forget those self-serving articles that say cigars are not as dangerous as cigarettes because you don't inhale. Tell that to a pathologist who sees the lungs of cigar smokers. Also, tell that to a pediatrician who has to treat the respiratory problems of a child who can't help but inhale the smoke from the burning end of an adult's cigar.

As for being glamorous, cigars yellow the teeth, sully the breath and can cause unpleasant things to happen to lip tissue.

Dr. Albee Budnitz, a pulmonologist with the Lahey Hitchcock Clinic, notes that most of the side effects of quitting, such as irritably, fatigue, insomnia, nasal drip, hunger, cravings for eigarettes, etc., lessen or disappear after three days. Some may take up to four weeks to abate

Budnitz suggests that you identify the "triggers" that set off your urge to smoke. For ome, it's that first cup of coffee in the morning. Others reach for a smoke when they get on the phone or have a drink with a friend.

Other helpful tips: Be patient with yourself. If you slip and have a smoke, consider it a mistake, not a relapse.

Be sure to exercise and get enough sleep. Keep a supply of non or low calorie substitutes for smoking such as gum, mints, mineral water, fruit or herbal teas.

Budnitz says it's not easy to quit. But remember, it gets easier as you stick to your guns. The alternative is the possibility of an early death from cancer or heart disease.

Roving Reporter

If Albright were to make a Star Wars novie, what character would you be and why?

"Luke Skywalkerk, 'cause he's the lead role, he has a light subre, and he's chillin'.
-Summer Hemphill '99

'I'd be Darth Vader because all the girls like his helmet." -Dan Belissimo '98

> "Boba Fett, Enough said." -Darren Was '97

"Luke Skywalker because his schwartz is as big as mine."

Matt Soltesz '00

"I think I'd be Obiwan, as long as I wasn't Luke because he's a weenie." -Joe Boles '97

> "I'll be C3PO if Dino will be R2D2." -J.P. Hamel '97

"I'd be Chewbacca because he's big, hairy, and doesn't speak the language." -Scott Supernowicz '00

"I'd be Boba Fett 'cause he's got a cool outfit, he shoots things, and I like him." Bryan Ricci '97

"I'd be C3PO 'cause I can do the robot like no one's business

-Brooke Blair '99

"I'd be Princess Leia because sometimes I like to dress up like a girl. No, I didn't say that... well, I said it but I didn't

-Tom "Shinebox" Jones '97

Movie Review:

Madonna a Hit in "Evita"

by Anne Marie Borrego

No one else could be Evita. Madonna and the santa patern of Argentina are so strikingly similar, her contribution to this film was laid out in her destiny from the very moment six straddled the line between sinner and saxe. Madonna has perhaps found her gresest role as a performer.

The story of Eva Peron, "Evita," chronicles the life of South America's most controversial subject. Born a bastard, Eva Duarte jumped from bed to bed, ending up in the elite circles of Buenos Aires. A mediocre actress and a mildly successful radio voice, she finally met her most prestigious suitor, the politically sparkling Juan Peron.

This sung-through style musical on film is composed of some 49 musical selections ranging from the new "You Must Love Me" to the classic "Don't Cry for Me Argentina." And though Madonna's vocal range was not originally suited for the Andrew Lloyd Webber score, she has certainly thrived under the tutelage of famed voice coach, Joan Lader. Her voice has never sounded so clean, powerful and thoughtful as it does in this film.

Certainly, the rags to riches story of Senora Peron is touching, and Madonna's maturity makes it ever more so. As the film follows Eva from a poor village to the riches of Buenos Aires and from one man to the next, the audience watches Madonna grow. No longer is she the silly, ridiculous actress

from "Who's That Girl." She is a woman now, a mother and finally, a legitimate screen

Antonio Banderas, who plays cynical and

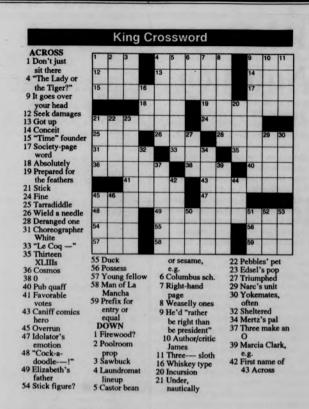
scrutinizing Che also delivers a fine performance. Though he seems a bit ridiculous at times, Banderas' vocals carry him through the film.

Because the production had the cooperation of the Argentinian government, director Alan Parker was able to shoot many scenes, including the famous balcony scene, at the palace in Buenos Aires. Everything, right down to the soft lighting and antique furniture, gives the film an aura of authenticity.

Evita is a film for a mature audience, one that can appreciate its sung-through style and lyrical quality. It does not pander to those who relish gratuitous sex or unnecessary

It is also a film for the Madonna fan. The Material Girl has finally come into her own and is a true joy on the screen. Finally, 'Evita" is a stunning film for those audiences who travel to the theater in search of nostalgia. It goes back to a time when glamour wasn't cheap and actors were sparkling stars on the screen.

-National Student News Service



Three Venues Collaborate to Explore Mystery of Time

Freedman Gallery's Timeframes Opens

Albright College's Freedman Gallery, the Freyberger Gallery at Penn State Berks Campus and the Reading Public Museum and Planetarium will mount a major exhibition titled *Timeframes*, on February 14 through April 11, 1997. This project marks.the first collaboration of these Berks County cultural institutions.

Timeframes is a group exhibition investigating various artistic concepts that probe the mystery of time. The exhibition includes work by regionally established artist Susan Crowder, as well as an array of eminent international artists: Japanese/American photographer Hiroshi Sugimoto; British/American photographer Eadweard Muybridge's 19th century groundbreaking work reinterpreted by Mark Klett; Great Britain's Hamish Fulton; American born Rebecca Horn who resides in Germany; Canada's Stan Douglas, Michael Snow and Lycia Trouton; and the Swiss team of Peter Fischli and David Weiss.

Timeframes was conceived and curated by Freedman Gallery director Christopher Youngs, in collaboration with Beverly Leviner, the director of the Freyberger Gallery and Robert Metzger, the director of the Reading Public Museum. The exhibition also includes two Penn State Berks Campus installations previously curated for the Landmarks project by Will Dexter.

Together, the selected works present imaginative and challenging concepts of time. The suggestion of time's passage is evident in the mysterious time-lapse photographs of Sugimoto and the playful sequential Poloroid works of Snow; in the active traces of Horn's kinetic work; in the progress of an English country walk by Fulton; in the gradual decomposition of a monumental garden urn by Crowder, and the inevitable decay of The Dragon's Tail, a large scale earthwork by Trouton. Timeframes will offer a magical experience through a work titled Sandman by Stan Douglas. This astonishing film environment was featured in the recent Whitney Museum Biennial and the Carnegie Museum International exhibition. Another installation, Snow's Redifice, an immense "story-board" wall of holograms, will complete this unusual

examination of the temporal.

Work in the exhibition will be distributed among three venues (the Freedman Gallery will include work by Douglas, Fulton, Snow and Sugimoto; the Freyberger Gallery and Penn State Berks Campus will exhibit work by Crowder and Trouton; and the Reading Public Museum will present Horn). As a common thread, each location will screen "The Way Things Go," Fischli and Weiss' brilliant videotape that documents a fascinating thirty-minute chain reaction of events reminiscent of Rube Goldberg, as well as an historical component devoted to the passage of time, One City/Two Visions, Klett's 1990 rephotographing of Muybridge's 1878 panorama of San Franciso.

At the Reading Public Museum's Planetarium a special program, "Once Upon a Time," will offer time-oriented lessons for children of all ages. At the Freyberger Gallery, the initial exhibition will document events leading up to the exterior installation of works by Crowder and Trouton. Subsequently, on March 21, the Nittany Lion Juried Exhibition XII, Timelines, featuring regional artists addressing the concept of time, will open at the Freyberger Gallery.

Complementing the entire exhibition will be the work of Canadian filmmaker and camera artist, Snow. Panel discussions will include a faculty dialogue on the literary, psychological, historical and scientific notions of time. Crowder, Klett, Snow and Trouton also will present supplementary programs during the exhibition.

Accompanying publications will include a major catalogue with an essay by the renowned art critic, Donald Kuspit. A free brochure including a map and calendar of events, as well as a special children's guide, will be available at all locations.

Additional financial support for the Timeframes project was received from the National Endowment for the Arts, the Institute of Museum Services, the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts, the Friends of the Freedman Gallery, the Friends of the Reading Museum and Penn State Berks Campus.

-Albright College Public Affairs Office

Soap Updates

ALL MY CHILDREN: Erica found pieces of Skye's letter which Opal tried to burn, and later found documents on blood disorders in Maria's briefcase. After confronting Skye, who said to ask Dimitri for the truth, Erica deduced that Dimitri is the father of Maria's baby. Trevor told Janet she must be a part of Amanda's life. Tanner lied to Hayley about the burn being his father, Adam blamed Laura for taking artwork that was actually stolen by Tanner. Later, Adam and Liza finally kissed. Wait To See: Erica confronts Dimitri.

ANOTHER WORLD: Gabe was shot and killed. Daniel told Carl that Vicky and Bobby are alive but Vicky needed medical attention. Cindy's confession about her ties to Grant caused Joe to suspect Jake had been set up. Nick learned Grant bribed a judge to take custody of Kirkland. When he couldn't find Kirkland, Grant assumed Carl took the children. Rachel told Amanda she's considering telling Carl of her pregnancy. Wait To See: Nick and Sofia face danger.

AS THE WORLD TURNS: Diego was shot dead. Lily was overjoyed to see Lucinda, but surprised to see Holden with her. Later, Lily asked Holden to be a part of Luke's life if she has to be sent to prison for Diego's murder. Meanwhile, as Emily pointed an imaginary pistol at Diego's photo, Margo learned the bullet could be from her missing gun, and Pilar vowed vengeance against Lily for killing her brother. As he left the funeral home, Mike heard Pilar talking to Diego, and was stunned to hear Diego's voice. Wait To See: Margo makes a disturbing discovery.

THE BOLD AND THE BEAUTIFUL:
Claudia agreed to to along with Stephanie's suggestion of pursuing Thorne who was still vulnerable after his breakup with Macy. But she told him she can't go through with their lovemaking because she knows of his feelings for Taylor. Maggie went to London to see Jessica and warned Shiela to keep away from James. Grant told Clarke it was useless to fantasize about Lauren because she's not available. Meanwhile, Lauren was stunned when Ridge confirmed Stephanie's interest in Eric. Thorne asked Taylor to go to Tahiti with him. Wait To See: Ridge gets shocking news about Grant.

THE CITY: Tess and Buck weat the day before her surgery. Meanwhile, Carla was too late to stop Tracy's weddic to Gino, and Tony was jolted out of his daydream of marrying Ally when she told him to get on with his life without her. Anxious to avoid Gino on their wedding night, Tracy pretended to have measlest only to have him come back later to find the spots were gone. Angie came out of the operating room with news for Buck. Wait To Nee: Jacob's decision about the surregacy could create a problem.

DAYS OF OUR LIVES: Bo learned is at J.L. King, the drug czar, videotaped him pocketing the wad of money. While Marlena wondered who was calling on Kristen's cell phone, (it was Susan), a nurse tried to tell John his wife was in labor, but Kristen intercepted the message, and then dashed to

the hospital. Hope was devastated when Bo told her he needed time alone. Disguised as Susan's nurse, Kristen realized Marlena saw Susan (still posing as Kristen) marry John in the delivery room, with Vivian as a witness. Later, Kristen panicked when she learned Susan may have to have a C-Section. Wait To See: Marlena faces a dilemma.

GENERAL HOSPITAL: Ned told the Quartermaines about Lois' decision to take their daughter away from Port Charles. Despite the revelation of her long-ago affair with Alan, Monica was reassured by his romantic attentions. Jax tried to get Sonny to admit he was sending gifts to Brenda. Carly became insecure as Tony and Bobbie smoothed out their post-divorce differences. Wait To See: Katherine wrestles with a decision involving Luke and Stefan.

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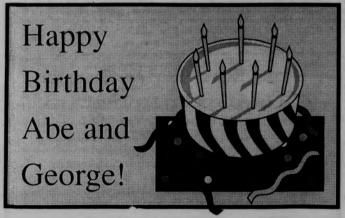
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GUIDING LIGHT: Blake and the twins were victims of a car accident, forcing Rick to make a confession as he prepared to operate on Kevin. Josh balked at Reva's request about keeping their distance from one another. Ross reacted sadly about the news about Rick being Kevin's father, and realized his life had changed. Later, Blake told a shocked Annie she no longer has a hold on her. Meanwhile, Jenna realized that she'll have to tell Buzz the truth about their son. Wait To See: The real world comes crashing down for Jenna and Buzz.

ONE LIFE TO LIVE: At Antonio's trial, Andy was forced to give damaging testimony. Tea got set to destroy her credibility. In Rio, Farinho told R.J. of Cassie and Kevin's visit to the bank. Later, after stealing a file from Farinho, the two were caught in a crowd of Carnivale revelers, and later became targets of a gun-holding stranger. Maggie's father lied about not having Eleanor's locket. Todd and Blair learned that Starr has a rare blood disease. Wait To See: Cassie and Kevin confront a shocking discovery.

SUNSET BEACH: Ben protected Annie by allowing Meg to believe she'd seen another woman in his bathroom. Eddie was upset that Paula agreed to marry Ricardo, and followed the couple home. He later kidnapped Paula. Bette and Olivia realized Del had stolen the Deschanel jewels. Annie intercepted Meg's Internet message to Ben about being "Dorothy from Kansas." After Meg found Annie very much alive, Ben said they'll all have to work together to clear her of murder charges. Wait To See: Cole makes a decision about Olivia.

THE YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS: Chris was stunned to hear Nina voice doubts about her love for Ryan. Grace fumed as she watched Tony and Victoria trying to make her jealous. Later, Cole told Victoria that he wanted more out of their marriage than sex. Sasha vowed vengeance on Phyllis. Victor was crushed when Nick told him not to visit Sharon in the hospital, and Josh took Nick's side. Dru was furious when she learned Neil told Sid she wanted fewer assignments. Wait To See: Kurt has mixed feelings for a suggestion from Ashley.



Sports

to retract misleading comment

Tuesday, Feb. 11, an article ran in the Reading Eagle detailing Albright's game against Philadelphia Pharmacy the night before. In a statement given after the game, coach Tyler commented on the reasons why sophomore Eric Moschak was no longer with the team. In this statement, Tyler made inappropriate, personal comments about Eric, mplying that Eric was no longer a part of the team because he was not meeting academic standards and not attending classes. These comments simply were not, and are not, true. Coach Tyler's statement was offensive and upsetting to Eric, to his family, o other students, and to members of the Albright administration. While a coach has he right to manage his team in the manner he sees fit, he does not have the right to publicly embarrass a young man whom he is being paid to teach.

thermore, it is always detrimental to the school as a whole for our family business to be sprawled across the pages of the Reading Eagle. It may be that coach Tyler made his comments in the heat of the moment, and upon reflecting on those comments would wish to retract them. I personally hope that is the case, and I would like to see coach Tyler write a retraction, both in the Reading Eagle and the Albrightian. Every member of the Albright men's basketball team has put their hearts and souls into this season, and I hope that this issue can be resolved before it undermines what has been an exciting and successful year.

-- Kurt Krebs, Class of 1998

Equality in sports controversy raised by feminist athlete

Kim Field, President of Student Alliance for Gender Equality, was "delightfully surprised" when 174 students and several more faculty, administration, and community visitors piled into the Campus Center South Lounge on Monday, Feb.17, to hear author, athlete, and activist, Mariah Burton Nelson

"I was actually sort of worried that because we only put up a bunch of fliers and one poster, we wouldn't generate a very large audience," Field said.

Perhaps it was the title of Nelson's presentation and latest book, The Stronger Women Get, The More Men Love Football, that drew many students to the experience event. Her book is a critique about sexism in contemporary sports, and how the "American Culture of Sports" can affect men and women even outside the playing arena.

In her presentation, Nelson addressed the misuse of Title IX, which calls for sports programs based on gender equality. Nelson also raised some controversy in the room when she spoke on the fear that many men have of strong athletic women, lesbianism, and the role of cheerleaders within sports

Nelson certainly is not new to the world of sports. She started swimming at age three and later lettered in five sports in high school. She then continued her education at Stanford University where she played four years of varsity basketball, averaging 19 points per game as the lead scorer and setting a record for rebounding which has yet to be broken. Nelson continued her basketball career after graduation, playing professionally in Europe and the United States, and was inducted into the National Girls and Women in Sports Hall

After attaining her masters in public health, Nelson decided to become a writer and subsequently wrote, Are We Winning Yet?, about the role of women in sports. In addition to writing the first nationally distributed women's sports column, Nelson has written for the New York Times, USA Today, Ms. Magazine, Glamour, and Cosmopolitan. She has received five national awards for her

Despite her busy schedule of writing and speaking, Nelson still leads a very active lifestyle. She mountain bikes, golfs, and swims, specializing in the 1500-meter freestyle.

Attention athletes, sports fans, and others: Prepare your teams for SPORTS NIGHT '97! (5 guys, 5 girls per team)

Indoor track team pleased with recent final home meet

by Maggie Ward

The men's and women's indoor track team is preparing for the close of its seaso with the MAC Championship meet less than a week away. The team's season, which started at the end of January, has been a busy one and will lead directly into the outdoor track season.

Saturday, Feb. 15., the Lions ran on their home track against a field of six teams. Strong showings among the women came with junior co-captain's Lauren Summa, in the 55 meter dash, 400 meter, and 200 meter, and Maggie Ward in the 800 meter. Junior Kristy Herring ran an impressive 400 meter along with sophomore Monica Wells in the

On the men's side, Matt Soltesz and Jeremy Wawrzonek finished first and third in pole vault, respectively. John Saldibar led the Lions in the 4x800 meter, 1500 meter, and three mile, Paul Peters and Bill Brosey in the 400 meter, and James Delp in the es and 55 meter dash.

The team was content with the results of

"I feel the hard work and effort many of the team members showed this past week paid off today," said Saldibar.

Several members of the men's and women's team have qualified for the MAC Championship meet, which will be held at Lebanon Valley on Feb. 22.

Editorial: Coach Tyler urged Sandusky replaces Maier as head coach of football team

by Jeremy Carroll

All his life E.J. Sandusky has been surrounded by football. He grew up in State College, one of the capital cities of big time college football, where the Penn State Nittany Lions play. For over a quarter century his father, Jerry Sandusky, has been the coordinator of Penn State's vaunted defense.

Through the years he has witnessed the coaching greatness of his father and of legendary head coach Joe Paterno. As a center for the team in the early 1990s, he learned how to play at a highly competitive level while working alongside teammates like Kerry Collins and O.J. McDuffie, who have since gone on to become NFL standouts. During those days he also gained some understanding of how to teach the game to

Now, at 27, he has the chance to apply the knowledge he gained from those experiences to his new position as head football coach of the Albright Lions.

Sandusky, Albright's offensive line coach since last February, became the 19th head coach in school history, replacing Ron Maier on Jan. 15. Maier resigned in the wake of complaints by the players about his coaching

The head coaching appointment came after a careful selection process by a search committee which considered several assistant coaches from last year's team, according to Athletic Director Sally Miller.

"There were many qualified candidates who were part of a very successful season last year," she said. "But the search committee decided Sandusky had the best overall package, because of his playing experience and his organizational skills, to move the program forward."

Before coming to Albright College, Sandusky had two other coaching jobs. He served as a graduate assistant at the University of Carolina from 1993-1994 and as an assistant coach at Western Carolina in 1995.

The new head football coach is ratter enthused about his promotion and is setting ambitious goals for himself and the cam.

"I'm excited about the opportunity," Sandusky said in January at S first press conference with the local nodia. "We have an excellent group of voing men who have excelled in the classroom and on the field for the last several yaxs. It will be my job to maintain that level of excellence and strive toward the compionship on a national level in acadera and football.

It sclear that Sandusky has very high expectations for his team. Playing for a winning Penn State program, where talk of a national title swirls around Pennsylvania every few years, convinces you to set high goals for yourself. But the coach has other asons to expect so much from his team and from himself this year. The Division III Lions lose only three starters from last year's squad, which had the finest season in school history, posting a 10-2 record, beating Washington and Jefferson for its first ever playoff victory, and finishing just two games from the national championship.

Sandusky is working diligently this offseason to prepare the team to play at a championship level.

The season opener may be months away



-photo provided by Sports Informa E.J. Sandusky, new head coach

but this has been and will continue to be a critical time for the new coach. The decisions he must make and the work he must do off the field will impact the upcoming season and

One of his most important tasks is to fill two key coaching vacancies. Assistant coach Mike Morrisey resigned to take the head coaching position at Emmaus High School. Defensive line coach Tom Waplinsky also left, opting to serve on Morrisey's staff. Sandusky acknowledges that the two will not be easy to

In addition, the coach must devote a lot of time now to recruiting high school athletes, as most seniors commit to colleges in the winter months. Thus far Sandusky is very satisfied with the results the recruitment efforts are generating.

With our past success we have a lot of high school athletes interested in Albright, said. "We are being looked at by a little bit higher quality of athletes

As a coach on the field, Sandusky says he will strive to be a skilled teacher who gives his players a complete football education. He also intends to be a motivator who will inspire his team to play and practice at a very high

But do not look for him to strain his vocal chords very often to get the message across to his players.

"I am not a screamer or a hollerer," he said. "I don't believe in just screaming because it doesn't accomplish anything. When you continue to shock someone, after awhile it loses its effects.

When asked if his predecessor used these fire and brimstone techniques, he conceded that Ron Maier's coaching style was "toward that side of yelling and being overly vocal. Sandusky was reluctant to elaborate further on that score, preferring to focus on the future rather than dwell on the past.

Sandusky is certain that the players are unified in their support of him and are fully prepared to go after their dreams this ye

"They are excited about what next year holds," he said. "We are very tight and I believe they are behind me 100 percent,"

Continue to support the winter sports team as they near the close of their seasons.

Swim team hopes their success | Men's basketball team still will follow them to the MAC's

The Albright swim teams have had successful seasons so far this year. The strength of the swimmers and the good teamwork they have displayed have enabled the men to post a 9-2 record and the women an amazing 11-1 record.

After soundly defeating Beaver (59-36), King's College (91-53), and Susquehanna (107-97), the men lost to Drew at home (117-77). They rebounded by winning four meets in a row, crushing Scranton (101-77), York (61-34), Misericordia (68-27), and Lycoming (108-87). Their second loss came against Widener (96-36) on Feb. 5.

The women's team is having one of its greatest seasons in Albright's history. After winning nine meets in a row, the womer suffered their first defeat at the hands of Lycoming (115-87). Their victories over Beaver (73-22), King's (119-44), Susquehanna (115-82), Drew (117-88), Scranton (112-91), York (65-69). Misericordia (54-40), Widener (107-75), and Juniata (134-69) were all spectacular displays of the skills and the strength of the women.

During interim the swimmers, accompanied by their coaches, went to train in Cocoa Beach, Florida where each team member swam 12,000 yards per day.

"It was a good training. Everyone worked really hard," said head coach Jenis Frederick

In a typical practice, the team members swim about 7000 yards. Currently, however, they are in the tapering stage of their season and are averaging 4000 yards per day. This process starts when the MAC Championship is three weeks away. The swimmers' practice yardage is slowly reduced in order to allow their bodies to recuperate from all the hard work they've done throughout the season in the hopes that this will enable the swimmers to reach their personal best times at the MAC Championship

The MAC Championship meets will be held Feb. 21-23 at Widener. Individuals qualify based on their times in the races. Eighteen women and nine men from Albright will be participating in the races. Many of these swimmers have qualified to compete in numerous events. A swimmer can either compete in three individual events and four relays or two individual events and five relays.

Coach Frederick is hoping that the mmers do well and she is "looking forward to fast times at the MAC Championship.' She also said that she is pleased with her team's performance this season.

Numerous new individual records have been set this season. Freshman Scott Long swam the 100 meter butterfly in 55.67 seconds. Freshman Mary Scianna has set two individual records by swimming the 500 meter freestyle in 5:37.92 and the 1000 meter freestyle in 11:36.51. Kelli Bracken swam the 50 meter freestyle in 26.11 seconds when Albright competed against King's College on Dec. 7. Charity Karr swam the 100 meter backstroke in 1:05.76. On Jan. 18, Nicole Houvig set the record for the 200 meter backstroke at 2:20.72.

All new relay team records were set by women. On Jan. 11, Houvig, Bobbi Butterweck, Scianna, and Amy Steffenauer set a new Albright record in the 400 meter relay with a time of 3:56.36. In the 400 medley relay on Jan. 18, Karr, Adrienne Bowman, Angie Bretz, and Bracken set a new record with a time of 4:19.42. Recently, Butterweck, Bowman, Bretz, and Bracken set a new record in the 200 medley relay with a time of 1:59.07.

As the swimmers prepare for the MAC Championship meet, the swimmers hope that the success they have had throughout the season will follow them there

Upcoming Sporting Events

Men's Basketball			Women's Basketball				
2/19	Susquehanna	A	8:00	2/19	Susquehanna	A	6:00
2/22	Lebanon Valley	Н	8:00	2/22	Lebanon Valley	H	6:00
Men's	and Women's Swimn	ning		Badmin	ton		
	3 MAC's @ Widener	-	TBA	2/19	Bryn Mawr	H	7:00
	and Women's Track			2/22	Swarthmore	A	11:00
2/22	MAC's @ Leb Val	A	11:00	2/28-3/2	Mid Atlantic Tourn.	A	TBA

Men's JV Basketball gains valuable experience for future

On a typical Saturday night the Bollman Center is packed with a couple hundred spectators as the men's basketball team pushes on toward a playoff berth. On Sunday afternoons, however, the number of spectators is only a couple dozen. The effort on the court, however, is at the same peak level as it was the night before.

Such is the situation every time the Albright men's JV basketball team takes the court. The student body may not know their names, yet, but they will. Someday, in the not so distant future, these players will take what they have learned Sunday afternoons and use it to perform on a Saturday night.

Coach Schuyler Pindar is really excited and proud of his team. While the team is only 2-7, they have led in eight of the nine games this season. Besides, a win-loss record is not what a junior varsity program is about. The program is designed to help players improve and to prepare them for the varsity level. In this aspect, coach Pindar is very pleased with his team's success this season.

Sophomore captain Andy Darlington has improved drastically over the past two years

and hopes to take the big step next season sophomore Josh Ressler, who has displayed deadly accuracy from the perimeter. Firstyear student Blaze Harper has provided the team with some versatility with his ability to score inside and outside as the swingman. Sophomore Mike Baldwin is another player a team full of shooters who can consistently knock down the triple. Possibly the biggest surprise of the season has been the emergence of B-Bop Heebner as the point guard and team leader. His toughness and competitive style has spread to his teammates

Three varsity players have run with the jv team this season. First-year students Kai Dawes and Howard Payton and sophomore Clayton Harrington have come to the jv game in order to get some extra minutes and to work on skills on which they feel they need to improve. The attitude and work ethic that they bring with them helps to inspire the players who hope to be in their shoes within next couple of years

While the team is not playing for a playoff spot, it is an exciting team to be around. They love to play the game, and it shows when they are on the court.

shooting for playoff berth



Albright's Summer Hemphill improves on last year's success

The men's basketball team was happy to see 1996 go. After struggling in a new sy last season and getting off to a slow start this season, everyone was hoping that 1997 would bring better fortune. Not only have fortunes changed, but at 6-5 in the MAC Commonwealth League, Albright is in a position to secure a playoff berth

It is hard to say exactly what turned this team around, but it is easy to say when it turned around. On Jan. 3-4, Albright hosted the Holiday Inn Winter Tournament. Albright opened against Eastern and defeated them handily, scoring a season high of 97

Beating Eastern was expected, but what next was not. Albright faced crosstown rival Alvernia in the finals. Alvernia was regionally and nationally ranked and, therefore, expected to leave with the tournament championship. Albright, led by senior Dwight Davis and first-year student Shawn Swavely, had other ideas. Davis shut

down one of the premiere centers in all of Division III, playing his way on to the alltournament team. Swavely's night was even more exceptional; he was matched up against Alvernia's leading scorer and MVP, senior Damien Hunter. Not only did Swavely hold his own against his quicker and more experienced opponent, he dominated him on both ends of the court. Consequently, it came as no surprise when Swavely was named tournament MVP. Albright won the game (87-73) and the tournament.

Davis credits the turnaround to each player making a personal effort over the winter break to re-focus himself on what had to be accomplished and what it was going to take to do that. Davis never doubted the talent of the team

"This is the most talented team I've been on in my four years here," said Davis. "As we got to know each other and learned to play with each other, our play has improved. I think we will continue to get better, and the further we go this season, the harder it will be to beat us.'

Since the restart of the season, Albright has been hot. The momentum of the tournament championship has carried over into league play, empowering Albright to win three of their last four games and put themselves into serious playoff contention. This effort has been led, as it was in the tournament, by senior captain Davis and freshman phenom Shawn Swavely. Davis is second on the team in scoring and ranks among the MAC leaders in rebounds. Swavely leads the team in scoring, shooting a blistering 47 percent from beyond the arc. Along with Davis and Swavely, sophomore Summer Hemphill has matured into a hardnosed force on the inside that gives the team a new found toughness. Despite often giving up 2-3 inches, he plays intimidating defense and is an excellent interior passer.

The stretch run culminates Feb. 22 in the Bollman Center when Albright hosts Lebanon Valley in a game that is certain to have playoff implications. Come out and cheer the men into the playoffs. Tip-off is

Despite injuries, women's basketball fights for playoffs

by Chad Sisenhower

he Albright women's basketball team a high expectations coming into the 1996-97 season, including hopes of a MAC playoff berth. Head coach Sue Stuebner was returning a solid unit of experienced leaders and a superb recruiting class. With the caliber of talent that Albright possessed, the entire eam was confident that they could obtain the playoff berth which had eluded the women's team for nearly 14 years. As the season began, the Lady Lions looked as if they would reach their goal, winning their first four league games.

However, the Lady Lions were on track only to be derailed by bad luck. As the seas progressed, the team was plagued with numerous injuries. Early on, junior guard Cathy Quigley suffered hip flexor problems. Recently, the team lost centers Tara Farkus and Leah Morgan to injuries as well. The biggest blow for the team may have come when junior standout Jarra Rusnock sidelined with a stress fracture of the foot. Rusnock was averaging 18.5 points per game and had already received MAC player of the week honors twice. With such losses many would think that any playoff hopes would be lost. However, the Lions have pulled together and have managed to keep themselves in

The starters have stepped up their play, esulting in personal bests for several players. Against a tough Moravian team, sophomore center Jennifer Houser and senior forward Jennifer Myers registered personal bests scoring 24 and 15 points, respectively. Quigley had her season high 13 points and a remarkable 5 steals against Ursinus. Highly touted freshman Rachel Connolly has also brought her play to another level, as she has settled comfortably in the point guard position. She is among the MAC leaders in three point percentage and leads the league in 3 pointers per game. She recently lit up Juniata for a career high 27 points.

With the always improving play of the Lady Lions, they definitely cannot be counted out just yet. The Lions are currently 7-4 in the MAC and 10-9 overall as they battle with Moravian and Susquehanna for that final playoff position. The strong work ethic and ality coaching of this team can certainly elp it overcome the unfortunate hand the Lady Lions have been dealt. However, regardless of whether or not this team reaches the playoffs this year, the Lady Lions have established themselves as a power in the