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## Homecoming '97: A fun time was had by all

by Dana Peterson

Oct. 17-19 marked a weekend for catching up with old friends as alumni, students, faculty and administrators joined together to celebrate the bond which keeps them united--Albright College.

This year's Homecoming Weekend carried with it the theme A Time for Champions, and indeed it was. Victories were enjoyed by the field hockey team, the men's soccer team, the cross country teams and the football team, which remains undefeated.

However, these successes were just some of the weekend's highlights.

A bonfire Friday night at the Albright Woods sponsored by the Resident Student Association (RSA) kicked off the festivities. The activities continued until 1 a.m. Sunday when the student Homecoming dance came to a close in the Bollman Gym. The gym was decorated with a skyline, trees, green gossamer and multicolored balloons to accent its "Our Secret Garden" theme.

"We were delighted with how smoothly everything ran," said Director of Alumni Relations, Pat M. Webb Clark, class of 1975.

## Students and organizations try out their green thumbs

Individual students and organizations volunteer to maintain campus gardens after the retirement of Albright's gardener.

by Jennifer Romans

With 3,000 bulbs to plant and no gardener, Albright faces a dilemma. However, the attempt to reach a solution to that dilemma has resulted in many misunderstandings and rumors.

When the school's gardener retired, the college decided that a new gardener would not be hired, and instead the responsibility of upkeeping the gardens would be turned over to volunteer students.

Many organizations and students thought that they could "adopt-a-garden," where they would upkeep an existing garden or create a new one.

Unfortunately, says head of Albright Environmental Action (AEA) Ryonne Tresler, this proposition is too impractical to be successful. "If you create 75 more gardens, then who's going to take



Reading Eagle/RON ROMANSKI

Students and alumni reunite to celebrate Homecoming. This is a time for friends to gather to remember past times.

"especially since we had only six weeks under our belt as new staff. We hope to use this Homecoming as a stepping stone for next year."

Clark, who is serving her first year as Director of Alumni Relations, and the other Alumni Relations administrators were in charge of

planning the entire weekend. The were assisted by the Lion Diplomats, the student/alumni organization on campus.

"Homecoming is a great event for the Diplomats," said Dawn Bryden, president of the Lion Diplomats. "Along with Alumni

Weekend, this is our big chance to really interact with the alumni. I couldn't have been happier with this year's Homecoming. From the halftime events to the dance, everything went off without a hitch.

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## Ship in or ship out, Woods residents given an ultimatum

by Jennifer Schestok

Last week four Albright Woods apartments were given notice that they must fill empty spaces by Oct. 24.

The residents received a letter with an ultimatum which was to have the space filled with an eligible student chosen by the residents, accept the financial responsibility for the unoccupied space, or vacate the entire apartment.

Due to disapproval of the policy by the parties involved, the housing office has agreed to postpone the matter. The contract will be up for reconsideration until next semester because the housing office wants input and suggestions from the residents.

The residents were outraged that the Woods were the only housing facilities being targeted. Many other housing facilities on campus, like the North Hall suites, have vacancies too.

In regard to the letter, Associate Dean for Student Services Patricia Martinez said "The reason why it was implemented primarily for the Woods was that it is our prime

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Thanks to volunteering students and organizations, daffodils such as these taken outside the campus center last spring will continue to bloom.

care of them this summer?" said Tresler.

Students and organizations are still encouraged to select and maintain a preexisting garden of their choice. For example, the day students planted bulbs in front of the Pine Room, and Concert Choir plans on upkeeping the garden outside the Center for the Arts building.

Other organizations who have expressed interest in maintaining the gardens on Albright's campus are RSA, Resident Student Association, SIFE, Students in Free Enterprise and Alpha Phi Omega.

"Students and organizations are strongly encouraged to help," said Tresler.

Tresler said that it is very important that interested people and

organizations contact her (ext. 6675) to avoid any confusion.

The loss of a professional gardener has an impact on what flowers will be planted on campus.

Because of the time factor involved in planting, students are putting more perennials around the campus instead of annuals which have to be replaced yearly.

The hope is that these flowers will be able to grow back year after year. Fewer annuals would most likely be less work for the students next year if there is still no gardener.

It is unlikely that a professional gardener will be hired in the near future.

Tresler said the responsibility of maintaining the gardens will probably remain with the students on a voluntary basis.



# Student and faculty teams join 26,000 to support AIDS Walk

by Jen Brightman

On Sunday, Oct. 19, students, faculty and alumni of Albright College joined forces to participate in the annual Philadelphia AIDS walk.

Albright's student team, comprised of students living in the Aids Awareness Suite and their friends, organized their involvement in the walk. This team alone raised over \$500, and the alumni/faculty team raised over \$600.

The money raised in total from the walk, which was contributed to the AIDS Fund, was approximately \$1.2 million, and more money has been contributed every day since then.

Beginning and ending at Eakin's Oval, the AIDS walk was 12 kilometers (8.3 miles) and extended along the Schuylkill River and the famous Boathouse Row. Volunteers were placed at designated points along the route where they provided walkers with water and snacks.

Various bands from all genres also volunteered their time in

entertaining the enthusiastic walkers.

The excited AIDS suite coordinator Judy Bausch said, "I thought we all rocked! We all made the whole 12 kilometers."

The team left Albright shortly after sunrise on Sunday morning and arrived in Philadelphia by 10 a.m. Registration lasted for an hour, and a gratuitous breakfast was donated by corporate sponsors of the walk.

During the time before the actual walk there was a reading over the loudspeakers of the names of the innumerable beloved people who have passed away due to AIDS.

Just prior to the walk there was a brief warm-up, and Philadelphia Mayor Edward Rendell gave a short, encouraging speech to the more than 26,000 participants.

The walkers consisted of not only people from all age groups, including children drawn in wagons, but also a multitude of pets. The day was chilly, but most people prepared by warmly bundling up.



Albrightian/EMILY LOSBEN

Sophomore Aumma Sheikh is excited and ready to join the other 26,000 participants in the Philadelphia AIDS Walk on Oct. 19. Sheikh was part of the Albright student team, which raised over \$500 for this cause.

For those who could not complete the walk, there were buses that delivered them back to the starting point in front of the Philadelphia Art Museum.

The walk was "an important and valuable thing to do," and it was also "gratifying to see the number of Albright students and alumni participants," said the

Director of Annual of Giving and Advancement, Ira Weiss, who was one of the faculty walkers.

The AIDS Awareness suite is a fledgling, first-year group on campus. Its purpose is to educate Albright students and to promote a higher awareness of AIDS. Its first organized event of the year was a free condom distribution.

In addition to the Philadelphia AIDS walk, the suite will also be taking part in the Berks' AIDS Network walk in May.

Dec. 1 is World AIDS Day, and the AIDS Awareness suite has plans to display the Names Project quilt, along with educational and preventative information, in the campus center.

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## New cafeteria policy makes it clear: no Albright student ID, no entree

**Due to what cafeteria management calls a \$48,000 loss in revenue, students will no longer have the option of providing their meal number and a dollar if they forget their student IDs.**

by Adrienne Mitchell

Students entering Albright College's cafeteria without an ID are subject to a new policy which was implemented this semester. The policy comes as a response to lost revenue and to those who were supposedly taking advantage of the old system.

In previous years, students who forgot their ID could just give their meal card number and donate a dollar to the cafeteria. This money was collected throughout the year and used off at a "beach party" in the spring.

However, this year disciplinary action is the response to students without IDs for meals.

As stated in the new "Albright College Dining Services No ID form," a person may "pay full meal price, go get [his/her] ID or secure a

replacement ID." Those not wanting to choose these options could then fill out the form itself. If a student fills out three of these forms in one semester, the reports are handed over to the Dean of Students for "appropriate action."

The future of this new policy is in question.

According to Assistant Food Service Coordinator W. Clarke Hammond, "In the future, you will have to have an ID to come in, or pay the full [meal] price."

This comes as a response to estimated lost revenue from the 1996-97 school year.

An example was given by cafeteria management. It costs 2,400 dollars a year to be on the full meal plan. If a maximum of 20 people sneak into a meal per day, that totals about \$48,000 a year in lost revenue.

However, this does not take into account the fact that not all students

go to all meals during the week.

Sophomore Heather Weber commented, "I have been to the cafeteria about two times this semester. I tried to get off the meal plan but they wouldn't let me." Weber's situation is not unusual. Rarely do students attend three meals a day.

Therefore, if the maximum amount of students that sneak in are offset by the maximum number of students skipping one

meal per day, this hypothetical revenue loss may not actually exist.

Regardless, there was enough concern to warrant the new policy.

In the case of the spring semester raffle, it will not continue unless individual groups wish to contribute money towards it. According to cafeteria management, there was some money left over from last year, but once that is gone, there will not be another raffle.

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new "Albright College Dining Services No ID form"

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## Lack of snacks: students and faculty hungry

by Amanda Folk

The vending machines on Albright's campus have been missing since this past summer and many students and faculty are wondering why.

W. Clarke Hammond, Assistant Food Service Director, said that Goodman, the vending

company, took the machines off the campus for financial reasons.

Goodman has a contract with the Pepsi Company. However, Albright is under a ten year contract with Coca Cola, who has provided the college with several new scoreboards for the athletic teams.

Goodman stayed with Albright for two years after the Coca Cola contract. Unfortunately Goodman was not making enough profit.

After looking into several other vending contractors, Albright Food Service purchased 14 vending machines at the end of

August. The funding for these vending machines came from the equipment fund and a trust recently allocated to Albright College.

Of these 14 machines, six have arrived at Albright. If the paperwork goes as planned, these six will be in the dorms within two weeks.

In approximately one month, the other eight vending machines will arrive.

Within a few months the convenience of the vending machine will again be at Albright's fingertips. This will be a relief to many busy people on campus who are looking for a quick snack before their next activity.



## Homecoming proves to be a big success

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Our members put in 110 percent effort and helped make it a great time for everyone."

Although all of the Diplomats worked to make the weekend a success, senior Diplomats Alison Carrigan and Curtis Finnegan served as Homecoming co-chairs. They were responsible for planning the dance, organizing the window painting and float contests and serving as liaisons between alumni and students. Their responsibilities were further complicated when both were elected to Homecoming Court.

However, Carrigan and Finnegan were able to handle their duties and join the other Court members for the halftime ceremonies.

The ceremonies began with the 1997 Hall of Fame inductees: James Kuhn '74, Robert Ford '81, Nancy Jo Greenawalt '78 and the members of the 1967 baseball team.

This was followed by a parade of floats and the Homecoming Court. Before the second half of the game got underway, Jason Frame and Carrigan were crowned Homecoming King and Queen.

Once the Albright Lions proved themselves victors over Widener, fans and players alike gathered in the Campus Center for the aftergame reception.

Here, awards were given for the best window paintings and floats. The winners were as follows: For window paintings, first place went to Alpha Delta Pi and the Asian American Council. Second place was given to Pi Kappa Phi/Phi Mu. Sigma Kappa and Sigma Alpha Epsilon received first place for their float with RSA and CCB finishing second.

Although the Homecoming festivities are over, it will be awhile before they are forgotten. Soon, however, plans will begin for Homecoming 1998.



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*The Albright Lions burst through a banner on their way to a Homecoming victory over Widener.*



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*Jarra Rusnock and Troy Stricker strut to the center of the football field to join the other members of Homecoming Court.*



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*Jason Frame and Alison Carrigan are crowned Homecoming King and Queen as part of the traditional halftime festivities.*



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*Sigma Kappa sorority sisters and pledges tailgate before the game.*

## College Board report shows tuition increases

The average cost of college tuition rose five percent last year, sparking new concern from student leaders about the cost of a college education.

The report, released by the College Board on September 25, indicates that the increase is again more than twice the rate of inflation.

Students advocates were not encouraged by the findings. "We know that for every one percent increase in tuition there is a corresponding decrease in enrollment," said Ed Dennis, the Executive Director for the Oregon Student Lobby.

"Many students have been forced to apply for more financial aid because of the tuition increases. As tuition increased more students are getting priced out of an education," said University of Iowa student body Vice-President Meghan Henry.

President of the College Board Donald M. Stewart, cautioned against overreacting to the number. "Startling though these figures are, we need to see them in context and remember that the majority of full-

time students attend institutions which charge less than \$4,000 for tuition and fees.

The report also shows a significant gap between the prices of four-year and two-year colleges.

\*At four-year private colleges, students now pay an average of \$670 per year more than last year (a 5 percent increase).

\*At two-year private colleges the increase to \$6,855 is \$242 more than last year (a 4 percent increase).

Students at public colleges fared slightly better:

\*At four-year public colleges, students pay an average of \$3,111, \$316 more than last year (a 5 percent increase).

\*Two-year public college students pay an average of \$1,510 (a 2 percent increase).

The gap between four and two-year colleges is the largest it has ever been. Some higher education advocates predict that more students may opt to go to two-year schools.

David Baine, Director of Government Relations at the

American Association of Community Colleges, said that many two-year colleges experienced a surge in enrollment in the early nineties due to increasing tuition at four-year schools and the economic recession.

"Although enrollment [at community colleges] has leveled off in the past couple of years, low tuition makes community colleges an attractive option for students," said Baine.

Despite the overwhelming tuition increases, Stewart pointed to a 5 percent increase in financial aid as one trend that might help balance rising tuition.

Lawrence Gladieux, Executive Director for policy analysis at the College Board, agreed. "The more than \$55 billion in total aid available in 1996-97 is 70 percent higher than a decade ago after adjusting for inflation," said Gladieux. However, the growing reliance on loan programs was responsible for two-thirds of this increase.

According to Dennis, the increased money available for financial aid should not be an excuse to let tuition soar.

--the National Student News Service

## Students in Albright Woods Apartments resist demands of Housing and Residence Life

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housing space that everyone really wants to live in. We want to take advantage of that prime space that students really want."

She continued, saying that the empty spaces in other dorms were not mentioned in the housing contract for this year. The Woods apartments were specifically mentioned in first clause under "Term" in the contract.

Some of the residents are disturbed that building I has an entire unoccupied apartment, while the other apartments have just one resident space missing. They feel that the college should worry about filling that apartment before penalizing students with singular vacancies.

Martinez said that, "there was no one who is eligible for that apartment who had expressed interest for that apartment. The college, in some sense, is eating that extra cost to that apartment. Some

students do not see that apartment appealing because it is in a building that houses a fraternity."

Presently there is no contract stating that Greeks can have houses on campus, so this also does not state that non-Greeks cannot live in the same building.

"If housing can 'eat' the cost of an entire vacant apartment then why can't the singular vacancy fees be waived for them?" said one of the effected residents.

"We will address this matter next semester so that the students have more time," said Martinez. "My hope is to be able to do it before January, because some of the students may not be here in January."

Martinez welcomes any and all suggestions on the matter.

All of the residents involved wished to remain anonymous for fear that housing will not cooperate with them in the future.



## Reading-inspired work included in Freedman Gallery exhibit of Leaf

The current solo exhibition of 29 works by June Leaf in the Freedman Gallery includes one work which resulted from a visit to Reading. It is titled *Two Clients at the Marvel Ranch Restaurant*.

Leaf divides her time between a Manhattan studio and her home in Mabou Mines, Nova Scotia. Her works are reflections of these very different locations.

Leaf's artworks examine the delicate balance between intellectual sophistication and an intuitive state of grace. In realizing her work, Leaf combines the eccentricities of an inventor with the apparent randomness of bricolage.

Leaf emerged as an artist in the '50s in Chicago in an art climate that was notoriously "a man's world." Many of her works address issues of feminism; however, instead of being self-absorbed, they portray an outgoing voyage, an affirmation of individual identity and a celebration of a creative partnership.

One such work, *Musical Instrument (for Robert)*, refers to Leaf's marriage to the renowned photographer Robert Frank.

Although 67 years old and a senior artist, the ongoing vitality and flux of Leaf's work suggests that she is really more comfortable in the company of young emerging

artists.

Several works portray the arena of the art world and the activity of art making.

Other pieces depict individuals in states of passage- death and deliverance. Whether reclining or struggling, her tiny figures are always on a quiet crusade - pilgrims without a cause - but not without a hope. In her reliefs, the figures literally emerge from the wall, taking on a life beyond their two-dimensional enclosures.

Leaf's sculptures are reminiscent of folk art weather-vanes. Somewhat crudely wrought from scraps of tin and found bits of metal, they become, in a sense, barometers of the human condition.

A modern day alchemist, Leaf renders mundane materials into poignant vignettes, and the ordinary becomes the extraordinary.

The Freedman Gallery is dedicated to exhibition contemporary art projects of regional, national and international scope.

As part of the Gallery's educational programming, a Family Art Workshop will be held on Saturday, Nov. 15 at 9:30 a.m.

The Gallery is located in the Albright College Center for the Arts. Hours are Tuesday 12-8 p.m., Wednesday through Friday 12-6 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday 12-4 p.m.

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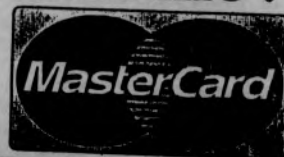
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# Features

## The Hellish History of Halloween

Rayna McKinnon

Ghosts, goblins, trick-or-treating and jack-o-lanterns? You guessed it, Halloween is right around the corner! But do you know the origin of Halloween? Do you know where and how it all began?

Many people believe that it all started with the Christian holiday of All Hallows Eve, which was created centuries ago to honor all of the Saints that had died in the past year. However, this is just a myth.

Two thousand years ago, ancient Druids, who lived in what is now England, Scotland, France and Wales, celebrated the Vigil of Samheim. Samheim was the lord of the dead. This celebration was held on the Celtic New Year's Eve, which happens to fall on October 31 of our calendar.

The Celts believed that on this day the evil spirits of the dead came back to cause madness and mayhem on the living. The holiday, as well as all of the festivities, were created to appease Samheim and the evil spirits. Halloween, as we all know it today, was established in the United States after many Irish immigrants came to America because of the potato famine of Ireland in 1846.

The traditions and symbols that we commonly associate with Halloween have roots either directly

in the Vigil of Samheim or in some other form of occult worship. For the most part, these traditions were ways to appease, fool or scare away the wicked spirits.

Millions of children partake in trick-or-treating every year, but little do they know that trick-or-treating

was originally a way to please the evil spirits. Leaving food for an evil spirit kept it away. This tradition was later adapted by the poor, who would go from house to house on October 31 begging for food. In return for food, beggars would say a prayer for any member of the household who had passed away.

Perhaps the most widely known symbol of Halloween is the jack-o-lantern. Surprisingly, the jack-o-lantern is associated closely with a story about a meeting between a man and the Devil. According to the legend, an Irish drunk named "Stingy Jack" met up with the Devil on Halloween night.

The Devil made Jack promise to agree to change his sinful ways or else the Devil would never leave Jack alone. However, Jack did not follow through with his promise and was sent to hell.

The Devil was angry that Jack did not keep his promise and forced

Jack to wander the Earth. Jack wandered in the dark for a place to rest as he ate a turnip. Then the Devil threw Jack a live coal from the flames of hell, and Jack being desperate

to find his way, put the coal inside the turnip.

Since then, as legend has it, it is believed that Jack and his jack-o-lantern are seen roaming the Earth for a place to rest whenever ghostly lights are seen in swamp areas.

Now that you know where Halloween and the traditions associated with Halloween originated, we can all have a greater appreciation for this widely celebrated holiday.



## WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO BE FOR HALLOWEEN...

A smurf singing the smurf song....Kim Marshall '99

My boyfriend and I are going to be Drew and Mimi from the Drew Carey show....Lynn McAlerr '99

The thing from Scream....Jerry Lynch '01

A monkey....Dave Armstrong '00

A doctor....Lou Garcia '00

A nurse....Dave Werner '99

Bee Bop Girl....Rebekkah Lewis '01

Fred and Barney from the Flintstones....Jessica Jones '99 and Jen Moll '99

A vampire....Heather Hitchcock '01

An M.I.B....Jason Updike '01



## Wild with Wellness

column submitted by Dr. Suzanne Nickeson

Students -- do you suffer from the four-I's disease? The symptoms are beliefs in being immune, invulnerable, indestructible and infertile.

Cutting through such denial is difficult and sometimes impossible for Albright employees who serve to educate students, as well as other employees, about the risks and consequences of certain behaviors. Most college students find it hard to believe that someday partying all night and staying awake the next day won't be an option. Or that years from now a diet consisting of Coke and pizza may have to give way to one of low fat foods and four fresh vegetables each day.

Learning about healthy living -- being Well -- is the purpose of the Wild with Wellness program. We hope to reach some students some of the time, to encourage you to think about the habits you are

learning now, to provide an opportunity to recognize the consequences of the choices before you.

In every issue of the Albrightian there will be some kind of practical wellness information--news you can use. Our purpose is to cultivate awareness and opportunities for developing the body, mind and spirit of individuals to achieve their highest levels of well-being within the Albright community.

Some topics to be covered include the following: food and performance (both intellectual and athletic), smokeless tobacco, water consumption, characteristics of healthy relationships and more. If you have ideas for columns, questions about any aspects of wellness or disagreements with what we write, please drop us a line in care of the counseling center. We will be thankful for your input.

## Book Review

by Adrienne Mitchell



"Murder, if you are going to take it seriously at all, is a religious subject...."

-- Graham Greene

So begins a chilling and redemptive tale woven by Albright College's own Paul E. Clark. The modern mystery starts with James Raven, the story's protagonist, pondering the seemingly senseless killing of an old woman. Raven should be detached or uninvolved, but a dark force draws Raven to investigate (his vocation), and something beyond explanation (the Raven to this act of foul play).

Such a connection draws the reader deep into the darkest places of a killer's mind, making the book impossible to put down. Raven searches for answers about the woman's death, but more people are killed by the same person. There is

one factor common between them--Raven himself. The murderer starts calling himself "the raven," and kills people James Raven had talked to. Driven by a haunting past and a soul seeking solace in any kind of future, Raven has to find the killer. Of course he does not want anyone else to die. But a brokenness within himself makes an ultimate confrontation with pure, unadorned evil his only road to healing. The mystery takes unexpected turns until a dark, final impasse is reached in climax. But to find out whether this brings the killer to justice, you will have to read the book.

The short chapters make the book much like a fast-paced movie. Dialogue is thick, but Paul Clark wastes no words. Almost every other chapter contains a sort of stream of consciousness chapter,

interjecting into the actual plot of the novel. Dialogue from the killer, memories of Raven and other comments from other unexpected sources lend to the suspense of the story.

I liked the fact that I could not guess the killer until the book let the reader know "who done it." The characterization is a bit vague, but it adds an uncomfortable element that many mysteries lack: apprehension. I would recommend this book to anyone who seeks the unexpected or is tired of other authors' trite attempts to create stories based on "evil." *On the Way Back* taps into the universal themes of human darkness and light in an unadulterated form, making the reader experience the story as reality. Copies of the book are available for purchase from the author himself, in Albright College's Gingrich Library.

## On the Way Back

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# Critics Corner



## Movie Review

by Lou Walters and Steve Carr

### Devil's Advocate

Have you ever seen your entire future in the blink of an eye? Have you ever thought that you knew the difference between right and wrong, good and evil? Kevin Lomax, played by Keanu Reeves, has come to just such a crossroad. Kevin is an up-and-coming defense attorney from Florida who is brought to New York City by a large corporate firm to help with a case. He impresses the firm with a decisive victory and is offered a job as a result. The head of the firm, played by Al Pacino, takes Kevin under his wing. However, things at the firm are not as they seem, or are they?

Kevin wins several cases but, contrary to his own beliefs, it is not because he is a good lawyer. It is because the head of the firm handles or takes care of key situations which make him win all of his cases. However, Kevin does not figure this out until the end. What

kind of relationship does the head of the firm have with Kevin? Well, that is something you can only understand by watching the movie.

Just when you think you have it all figured out and the end is near you realize that it has just begun.

Keanu Reeves might possibly be the worst actor of all time. We think he should have continued to make sequels to *Bill and Ted's Excellent Adventure*.

However, his lackluster performance was more than compensated for by Pacino's performance. Pacino plays the ultimate shark. He was ideal for the part. He brought vitality and a convincing identity to the character he portrayed. He was pure evil. His performance alone was reason enough to see the movie.

The movie ran about 2 hours and 15 minutes and was worth every second.

## Music Review

by Christine Dalessio

### Life of Agony

The band, Life of Agony, came to life in 1989 as an underground hard-rock band in New York City. They played in bars and local clubs, never imagining the popularity they would encounter.

In 1993, Life of Agony launched into the music scene with the release of their first album "River Runs Red." The band began to take themselves more seriously and as a result their music became more mature. This led to their second album entitled "Ugly."

Keith Caputo, the lead vocalist of Life of Agony, has a powerful voice. He sings with such emotion that any listener can feel what he is singing, rather than just hear it. Caputo's style blends so well with that of the other members, you become unaware of where his voice stops and where the music begins.

The other band members are Joey Z. (guitarist), Alan Roberts (bassist), and Dan Richardson (drummer). They share Caputo's passion for the music and lyrics they write, which is obvious by the sound of their third album "Soul of Searching."

Life of Agony's first tour to promote "Ugly" was with Ozzy Osbourne, Korn, Anthrax and Type

O Negative. This, along with the success of their first two albums, gave them the push they needed to put out their latest album, "Soul Searching Sun."

The band went on tour overseas October 1997 to promote the new album. However, due to Caputo's mental instability and lack of energy, the band was forced to postpone much of the tour. No new dates have been set as of now.

"Soul Searching Sun" is by far my favorite album by Life of Agony. Having been a loyal fan of the band since their first album, I was impressed to hear the new level of maturity their music has reached. It has lost the edge of their anger but retains all of the passion that was present in "River Runs Red."

Caputo and the other band members have outdone themselves this time. Their lyrics are more passionate, yet their music still has the hard-core edge that has made Life of Agony famous.

Without a doubt, this is a band you will want to look out for. All of their albums speak from the heart. Life of Agony's "Soul Searching Sun" is definitely one to add to your CD collection.

## Restaurant Review

by Matt Hillman



Address: 535 Canal Street, Reading; 376-4009

Hours: Mon. to Sat. 11 a.m. to 12:30 a.m.

Price Range: \$15.95 to \$22.00 (dinner entrees)

**Atmosphere:** An architecturally elegant atmosphere with twentieth century curves set in classically rich colors. The pub and restaurant provide a warm, comfortable setting. **Special Note:** The pub area is host to many musical guests. Most notably, it is a frequent stop for local favorite Dave Cullen on guitar and vocals. The talented Cullen (sometimes accompanied by a guest) pleases the audience by fulfilling their requests in the areas of jazz, blues, rock, pop, folk, etc. Cullen's masterful guitar performance will undoubtedly grab your attention and leave you hungry for more.

Located in South Reading, the newly 1995 established Canal Street Pub and Restaurant provides the diner with two filling menu options. The dimly lit restaurant and pub is anchored around the restaurant's NeverSink Brewery. The fine selection of beers is one that I would invite my knowledgeable colleagues Darren Was and Wayne Gehris to explore.

The affordable pub menu features a delightful selection of burgers and gourmet pizzas. The grilled chicken mango pizza comes with my recommendation for the hungry pub goer. Located behind the pub, the restaurant offers the diner a sophisticated menu of finely prepared entrees. Although the restaurant price range is a little steep for the student budget, I would recommend that you keep it in mind for special occasions.

Upon the recommendation of my waiter, I started my meal off with a cup of the potato carrot leek soup. This orange colored soup was livened up with a tasty hint of lemon. I found the combination to be surprisingly delicious and would recommend it to those willing to try something new. The pumpkin colored soup was accompanied by a basket of baked sun dried tomato and herb rolls that were remarkably fresh and mouth-watering.

Although I did not order an appetizer, I would highly recommend the Canal's asparagus and risotto as a starting point. This delicious beginner has grilled marinated vegetables and asparagus served over risotto (rice cooked in meat stock). For those willing to explore a little, I would recommend the

## Canal Street Pub and Restaurant

Chevre cigars. This richly delicious starter features Chevre (goat cheese) wrapped in grape leaves with sliced tomatoes on greens with baguette slices.

Upon discussing the dinner entrees with my waiter, I ordered the boneless duck platter. The duck breast, generous in its portion, was marinated and grilled in a lovely citrus barbecue sauce and served with browned potatoes, mixed vegetables and a slice of corn bread. The citrus barbecue sauce was extremely flavorful and greatly enriched the flavor of the duck. This selection comes with my highest recommendation.

Other selections that I recommend would be the herb crusted salmon, grilled chicken and fettuccine, the honey Merlot pork, jumbo shrimp and scallops and the filet mignon.

I finished my meal off with a cup of freshly brewed coffee and a lemon sorbet. This was a splendid way to end the meal. The palate refreshing lemon taste left me wanting more, yet I could not eat another bite. Other ending selections I would suggest are the chocolate mousse and the apple pie with ice cream. You simply cannot lose either way!

## "LAST CALL" Bar Review

by Darren Was and Wayne Gehris



## Ramada Inn, Spud Bar, Ronie's, Slammers

Some of the fondest memories that we have are of the people we now refer to as "Albright's Alumni." According to Webster, an "alumnus" is "a graduate or former student of a college or school." To us, "alumnus" means friends, fun, laughs, tailgating and of course, a trip to the bar. This past Homecoming weekend was a time for all of that and reminiscing about the good times. This reunion of sorts, took place in several different bars, in addition to the football game, throughout the weekend. We were there, not only to enjoy the weekend, but to critique the bars for you, the student body.

Our weekend began Friday night at the Ramada Inn lounge and bar. We were there with friends who graduated this past May. The Ramada Inn offered \$1 drafts, a live D.J. and a dance floor that was crowded all night. The crowd was young and friendly, and the atmosphere was unlike that of any other local bar. There wasn't a cloud of smoke that would imbed itself into your clothing, and the service was quick and very professional. There were also no underagers to spoil a good time, nor were there drunken fools yelling, screaming and causing havoc. This was a nice change from the typical college bar. The music was loud but not deafening, and it had a touch of class. We recommend the Ramada Inn for a different drinking atmosphere. It possesses a fun, grown up, mature setting in which to enjoy your drink.

After we left the Ramada Inn we needed our nightly fill of pandemonium, so we ventured over to the Idaho Spud Bar. Apparently this was the idea of most Albright alumni. We arrived a little after midnight and the place was the most crowded we've ever seen it. In fact,

at one point the crowd was so big they had to turn people away.

Tommy Shea, an Albright alumnus, played guitar and sang to the crowd, as people caught up on old times. All Albright students, old and new, enjoyed themselves. Whether it was at the dart board, the shuffleboard table or socializing with Keith, the head bartender, the Spud Bar was the place to be Friday night.

During the semester, Kevin Burns plays at the Spud Bar on Thursday nights, and he is something you don't want to miss. We feel that he's the best thing to happen to the Spud Bar since the potato. Thursday night's Happy Hour is between 9:30 and 11:30. Drink specials include \$4 domestic pitchers and pitchers of microbrews for \$7.25. You can also get a sour of your choice for \$1.25. In addition to these specials, there are \$1.75 Jaegermeister shots and \$9 Kamikaze shakers all day. The Spud Bar is a personal favorite, and although we prefer Thursday nights, you may find us there any night of the week. The service is friendly, and although the atmosphere isn't the greatest, the dart board and the shuffleboard table make up for it.

Our last stop during Homecoming weekend was the spot that has typically been the most popular hangout for alumni to get together, Ronie's Cafe. Alumni, as well as Albright students, were packed inside like a can of sardines on Saturday night.

However, we still do not understand why the alumni choose to go there during Homecoming because very few people go to Ronie's during the year. It doesn't have much to offer and Ronnie himself is not friendly toward Albright students in general. There

are no drink specials and the prices are average. Ronnie is known for his cheesesteaks, but quite frankly, they suck. Besides, who cares about cheesesteaks, we want atmosphere.

We were fortunate enough this week to have time to sample a new bar in the Reading metropolis. Slammers, located on South 13th and Cotton, was our destination point on Tuesday. It is located right next to an old, decrepit cemetery, which is a fitting location, because that's right where it's going to end up if it doesn't change fast. Despite having \$50 drafts and a couple of TVs, the place was lacking. The atmosphere was not very comfortable, and the people there, other than Albright students, appeared bitter, like we had invaded their territory. One Albright student was unfortunate enough to find a bug in his drink the previous night. Come on guys, bugs?

The bar was sponsored by Alpha Chi Rho for the night, but sadly, it didn't take off. We feel bad for our friends who had to sit out in the cold all night checking IDs. It actually surprised us that we didn't enjoy Slammers. The Crows have usually been pretty good at finding new hot spots in town such as Hiesters Lanes. (Remember Hiesters?! I guess you can't win them all though...sorry guys.)

Well there you have it, the second of many bar reviews to come. We're looking forward to eventually graduating and coming back to Albright during Homecoming to see some of you younger guys out at the bar. It'll be your turn to pick the hot spots and the places to go. Until then, we just want everybody to drink responsibly and know when to say when. Oh, before we forget, this is to our favorite Steelers fan, Go Redskins!

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# REAL ISSUES:

by Mark Blank

## Q. If you could change something about Albright, what would you change?

More school spirit instituted, like attendance at sports events. More activities.  
--Dave Armstrong '00

Renovations to the science building.  
--Lou Garcia '00

Change the general studies requirements (i.e. languages to 2 semesters.)  
--Chris Szagola '99

Change Mohn Hall doors to combo locks so people don't get locked out.  
--Lauren Ciccone '01

The difference in the ratio of majority to minority students and faculty.  
--Mike Brown '00

The meal plan; you should not be required to have a full meal plan while living in the residence halls.  
--Becky Kern '00

More social activities, other than parties, and better food. More variety.  
--Ron Krysiwski '00

Cafeteria hours and more social activities.  
--Leann Esposito '00



### SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)

That project you've been putting off needs your attention. You can no longer afford to wait. Others are impressed by your diligence. This weekend, don't go overboard on a shopping expedition.

### SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)

You're in a party mood, but this will have to wait until the weekend. For now, there are things to be attended to. It's a good week to speak out at group meetings and express your views.

### CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)

Avoid a tendency to let things get away from you at work. Pay particular attention to niggling details. This weekend, both shopping and family life are highlighted. Indeed, it's a nice, quiet time.

### AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18)

This is the week to be assertive and go after what you want in your career. Place your accent on initiative. Later, you can feel free to enjoy some leisure activities with good friends.

### PISCES (Feb. 19 to March 20)

A brighter financial picture has you breathing a sigh of relief. However, that doesn't mean you can go out on a wild spree. Later in the week, you handle a tough problem at work successfully.

### ARIES (March 21 to April 19)

Agreements with others are easily reached early in the week. Later, couples reach an important understanding about their relationship. This weekend, joy comes from creativity, sports and

other entertainment.

### TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)

You are looking at some type of home repair this week. Family interests and dealings with financial consultants are favored in general. This weekend, be sure you restock that emptyarder.

### GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)

You don't have to try so hard to be the life of the party. Others notice you anyway. The weekend is favored for romance and leisure activities, provided you don't go overboard.

### CANCER (June 21 to July 22)

It's a week of fits and starts for you as you're plagued with inertia. Overall, however, you manage to get done what needs to be done. Be persistent in your efforts and you'll make a career progress.

### LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22)

You won't continue to be the apple of a certain person's eye if you insist on breaking appointments. Later in the week, a mini-getaway fills the bill. Couples enjoy a weekend at a favorite romantic spot.

### VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22)

If you're looking for financial backing for something, this is the week to go after it. You have a lot of energy now and can make considerable career gains. Watch extravagance over the weekend.

### LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)

Some could be planning for a special vacation. A latter-week meeting with an advisor is fruitful. This weekend, couples share a child-rearing responsibility.

## SOAP UPDATES

**ALL MY CHILDREN:** Jake confirmed the pills Dimitri gave Edmund could cause him to act out in court. Brooke assured Laura of her continuing support. Meanwhile, Adam told Stuart he always thought Laura was trash. Jack and Erica shared a warm moment. Mateo fumed at Adam's plan to settle with TGA. **Wait To See:** Mateo uncovers the truth about the TGA crash.

**ANOTHER WORLD:** Rather than expose Amanda, Matt took the blame for creating "Hadley" and devising the scheme to destroy Rachel and Carl's marriage. Felicia fled the hospital after looking at her damaged face. She was robbed by a drug pusher and rescued by a homeless person. Shane told Vicky he still loves her. Grant warned Paulina not to reveal that Cindy gave her the diet pills. Alex vowed revenge on Carl for what happened to Felicia. **Wait To See:** Felicia faces a new crisis.

**AS THE WORLD TURNS:** Barbara warned Hal to be wary of Carly, who later felt out Hal about fatherhood. Holden was upset that Molly planned to have an abortion. Lily suggested they adopt her baby. Lucinda gave David an ultimatum: Give up Emily or be cut out of her will. Nikki thwarted Carly's plan to get Hal alone. Ben is confronted by his stalker. **Wait To See:** Lucinda gets disturbing news.

**THE BOLD AND THE BEAUTIFUL:** James persuaded Maggie to sign an annulment agreement so that he could persuade Sheila to believe he loved her. Amber comforted Maggie, saying that she'll soon have both James and the baby back with her. Brooke stunned Thorne when she said Taylor had misinterpreted what she

saw the night she found Ridge and Brooke together: Brooke and Ridge hadn't had sex for ages! Meanwhile, Taylor left a message for Ridge at Forrester's, but Thorne found it and pocketed it before Ridge could see it. **Wait To See:** The flight to Italy produces mixed emotional reaction.

**DAYS OF OUR LIVES:** Roman urged Eric not to tell Marlena his dying wish. Carrie was puzzled by her jealous reaction at seeing Mike and Debra dancing together. Kristen flipped as the poison dart toxin caused John to hallucinate that Hope was Marlena and asked her to make love to him. Susan opened her door to a "zombie." T.C. was suspicious that Abby called the new guard, "Mommy." **Wait To See:** Stefano tries to keep Hope from learning about Maison Blanche.

**GENERAL HOSPITAL:** Alexis feared Luke was getting close to the truth about Katherine and Stefan's relationship. Carly was shaken when Bobbie confronted her about her baby's due date. Alan schemed to get more pain pills. Elizabeth begged Sarah not to tell Audrey what she had done. Jax persuaded Brenda to spend time with Julia. Lonnie told Felicia and Mac how much the doll meant to his late wife. **Wait To See:** Reva reacts to Annie's boast about finding her sister.

**ONE LIFE TO LIVE:** Viki and Clint welcomed Joey home from Europe. Later, Joey and Dorian came face to face. After learning Kelly had gone to see her mother, Melinda, Dorian asked her to bring Melinda back to Llanview. Tea accused Todd of still having feelings for Blair. An uninvited guest turned up at Viki's dinner party. **Wait To See:** Dorothy learns about Joey's past.

**PORT CHARLES:** After telling Lucy he's moving out with Serena, Scott was arrested by the FBI for kidnapping. Matt realized Chris was secretly undermining his (Matt's) campaign to force Boardman to recommend him for a surgical residency. Jake was about to reveal Rex's scheme to Scott, when Rex called with a warning. Later, Jake told Rex the DNA tests proved Danielle and Dominique were sisters, which means Serena could be Danielle's daughter. **Wait To See:** Scott is arraigned.

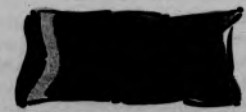
**SUNSET BEACH:** Ben explained to Meg that he kept a portrait of Maria in his home to remind him not to let another woman hurt him as she did. Caitlin opened Cole's safety deposit box and found the money. During the lie detector test, Gabi's emotional state led her to believe she really had been raped. Virginia started a fire in the cabin as Michael and Vanessa became romantic. **Wait To See:** Olivia realizes she may not be able to keep Gregory from taking Caitlin's baby.

**THE YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS:** Cole charged Victoria with damaging their marriage by her long absence. Later, Ashley urged Cole to sort out his problems with Victoria before she (Ashley) could consider a relationship with him. Ryan was arrested for shooting Nina. Chris told Danny that Brian could claim custody of Daniel if he learns he's the real father. Michael urged Phyllis to go to New York to make sure of Brian's silence. Dru worried about how Neil would react to learning she can't have any more children. Millie's long-lost daughter, Alice, called her. **Wait To See:** Veronica sees an "opportunity."

### TIRED? STRESSED? NEED TO RELAX?

Does sitting, **undisturbed**, in a *lazy-boy* while **relaxing music** plays softly in the background sound like the perfect *escape*?

**Loose your worries** at the **SERENITY ZONE** located in Selwyn Hall between the Volunteer Center and Housing. See the Dean of Students' secretary, **Mrs. Pammer**, to use the **SERENITY ZONE**.



### This Week in History

**October 28, 1886:** The Statue of Liberty was dedicated in New York Harbor.

**October 29, 1929:** The stock market crashed, marking the end of postwar prosperity and beginning the worst American depression ever.

**October 30, 1938:** Orson Welles aired his radio dramatization of The War of the Worlds, about Martians invading earth, causing widespread panic as listeners believed what they were hearing was real.

**November 2, 1963:** South Vietnamese President Ngo Dinh Diem was assassinated.

**November 1, 1979:** The federal government announced a \$1.5 billion loan-guarantee plan to aid the nation's third largest automaker, Chrysler Corp., which had reported a loss of \$460.6 million for the third quarter of 1979.



# Editorials/Opinions

## Student raises concerns about the future of Albright athletics

Dear Editor,

I sit down to write this letter as a concerned athlete. I am in my fourth year at Albright, a school I never would have heard of if it were not for athletics. I became acquainted with this school through the recruiting measures of former football coach Kevin Keisel, who convinced me of the commitment that a small school like Albright makes to its student athletes. He persuaded me to come here to play football, and although I no longer play football I do play soccer and baseball, and I am worried about the future of Albright athletics. It seems to me that there is no link between administration outside of athletics and those within the department. If there is a connection it is not apparent to me, nor does it appear as if those outside, and even inside, are very concerned with the happiness of the student athlete.

I attempted all summer long to compose the perfect letter and after many drafts I felt I had found the proper way to express my feelings. The condition of the department is not nearly the same as the one Keisel sold to me. There seems to be no stability or continuity within the department. Doesn't the administration realize that in the last four years there have been over 16 changes in head coaches? There is very little chance of a department becoming successful when there is a type of revolving door through which coaches are walking in and out.

I'm sure even first year students are aware of the troubles with last year's head football coach Ron Maier. At the season's end, the team as a whole became very verbal about their disgust with the coach. When offices outside the Athletic Director's became involved, along with the local newspaper and the public in general, the coach was quickly replaced.

Then many other athletes from other various teams spoke out about their team troubles. Nothing was made public and, consequently, nothing significant was done. These coaches kept their positions. Then there are coaches like Jeff

Schellenberger (who served as the men's soccer coach for three years) who did a lot of work for the men's soccer program but left the program because of an issue over back pay and because he was not receiving the respect he deserved from administration. Jeff was a coach who was well liked by his players, yet his own unhappiness with the situation forced him to leave his position at Albright. Then there are other coaches who are not liked or respected by their players, yet they are the ones who remain.

I feel that there is a problem with a lack of communication between the athletic department and the rest of the school's administration. The only time I hear of administrators intervening in the lives of student athletes is when they impose a rule or restriction. A small school like Albright needs to realize that student athletes are what enables this school to survive. If it were not for sports, many students would not even be here. I, for one, would not have even heard of this school. Do administrators understand this? If so, why does it seem like once administrators get student athletes here they no longer care about what is going on?

The athletic department and the entire administration needs to work together to provide an environment which satisfies students and student athletes. There cannot be an environment of individualism or separateness. There must be an increase in stability and unity in order for the athletic department to thrive and survive and to even be successful.

Administrators need to take a look around campus to see how many students are here because they are athletes. Many students would not be here if it were not for their participation in sports, and I have seen many students leave due to their disgust with Albright athletics. Don't get me wrong—I realize this is a small Division III institution and Albright's primary concern is academics. I even agree that this should be the case. However, as an institution, an institution dependent on students coming and staying here, this school must recognize the need for stability in areas that get recruits to come to Albright. If athletics disintegrated or disappeared, what would happen to Albright?

Sincerely,  
Jim Sweeney  
Class of 1998

## The saga of the 21st birthday tradition

This past week I celebrated my birthday. Lucky for me, it was my 22nd which means I got a handful of cards, a few good wishes, several shots from some friends and a pitcher of lager from my roommate. And my night was complete.

The next day I went out to celebrate the birthday of my friend...his 21st. As I entered the bar and saw him sitting there—a line of shots before him, his friends (grinning from ear to ear) on either side—I was hit with memories (what memories there are) of my own 21st birthday one year ago. And for some reason, I felt a wave of nausea come over me.

A 21st birthday is an important rite of passage because it marks the beginning of adulthood, an end to all childhood restrictions and, of course, the start of legal drinking (or the end of illegal drinking). Thus, this occasion needs to be celebrated in style. But who was it that decided on the style which has come to be a tradition in this country from the east coast to the west coast—the tradition of the 21 shots?

This practice, more than any other, illustrates to me the power of oral tradition. Think about it. When that day comes, the day which marks the last day of the 21st year of your life, you are more concerned with making it a night you'll never remember than a night you'll never forget. Your goals include the percentage of the 21 shots you throw back before you throw up as compared to those you force down after you have paid homage to the porcelain god. You spend weeks preparing for a night that you know, will probably find you passed out on the floor of a bathroom, and your only hope is that it will be your own. And why exactly do you do this? Because you're supposed to. Because it's expected of you. Because it's tradition.

You wake up the morning of your birthday feeling great. Today's the big day. You walk around campus inviting everyone to come out with you. Your friends get excited because they want to help

you celebrate. Your acquaintances get excited because now they have a good reason to go out and drink on a weeknight. Your enemies get excited because they want to buy you your 21st shot—a cement mixer.

Soon the time comes for you to leave for the bar. You walk through the door and much to your dismay the bouncer does not card you. Why? Because now, for the first time in your life, you can show him your real ID. You settle in and your best friend buys your first shot—a lemon drop to start you off. Down it goes. He grabs some paper and marks it down. One done. Boy, this is going to be easy.

Before you know it there is a line of shots sitting before you and six grinning faces looking down at you. You take a deep breath and grab the first one. "What is this?" you ask. But all you hear is laughter. "We'll tell you when it's over," someone answers.

You realize it is going to be a long night.

Nineteen shots later you look at the beer stained paper sitting in front of you. The words are a little blurry but you read Prairie Fire, Goldschalger, Jaegermeister, Three Wise Men, Tequila..., and suddenly the knowledge before you leaves you...a little queasy. You try to stand, but it is no use. Luckily someone notices that your face is turning green and pushes you out the door. You make it outside but only after throwing up on the shoe of the guy walking in at the same time. He yells something at you and it looks like he may hit you, but your friend steps in. "It's his 21st birthday," he tells the guy.

Suddenly everything is fine. The guy laughs and walks to the bar to buy you a drink. He doesn't even wipe off his shoe. You stay outside for a while heaving up everything you've put in your stomach in the last 12 hours. You want to go home. You're thinking about getting up off the sidewalk and walking there when all of a sudden you're pulled inside.

"Two more," you hear people say. Only two more. You don't know

how you will manage to do it, but you do know that you're not leaving the bar until those two last shots of alcohol are consumed. Someone places a shot glass in your hand and you gulp it down—kind of. You reach for the second, and as you put it to your lips you realize that this is it. This is what you've been waiting for for many months. Suddenly you don't feel so sick. You feel almost barbaric. You stand up and throw down the last swallow of liquor and wipe your mouth with the back of your hand. You did it, and you feel great.

"I think I can do more," you hear yourself say.

But your friends just shake their heads. "You did it," they say. "You have nothing else to prove."

You ride back home with your head out the window singing songs about kuka bears and gum trees. And you think that maybe you'll survive the night after all.

You do...barely.

How this tradition began and why we continue to practice it I will never know. But this tradition will most likely carry on for decades to come. I only hope that everyone who goes out to a bar to celebrate his or her 21st takes with them the kind of friends I took with me. The kind of friends that let you stop, no, make you stop doing shots before you reach 21 simply because they know your body can't handle it, and the kind of friends who drive you home safely and take care of you once you are there.

Twenty-first birthdays are great celebrations that do have the potential to become very dangerous nights. It's fun to look back on them and laugh at what we remember or what we are told. But we should be sure that everything that happens is something we can laugh at in the future.

Happy birthday to my three friends who turn 21 this week. Have fun. Be careful. And remember, you don't have anything to prove.

Sincerely,  
Dana Peterson  
Editor-in-Chief

## First-year student corrects the rumors about the termination of POPS and orientation

Dear Editor,

Walking around campus my first week, I had heard a number of stories concerning orientation and the termination of POPS. I immediately became concerned, and wrote a letter to President Hurwitz voicing my objection to this measure. She forwarded my letter accordingly to Ron Green, Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs, and Carolyn Brooks, Vice President for Student Services.

Fortunately, Deans Green and Brooks were already two steps ahead of me and had begun forming a council to review orientation. This new council, the Orientation Review Board (ORB) consisted of representatives from the faculty,

administration, Residence Life staff, SGA, the Steering Committee and the freshmen class.

I was contacted by Deans Green and Brooks and asked to become a representative for the freshmen class. I readily accepted in hopes to stop the ax that was looming over the POPS' heads. However, I soon discovered that there was no ax. The POPS were not in danger; orientation was not in danger.

Some changes were going to be made by the ORB, but orientation and the POPS were not about to be replaced. The Steering Committee would still run orientation, but a better structure was needed for future orientations which is why the ORB was created.

The ORB's mission is to better orient new Albright students to academic life, dorm life and social life. We have debated many issues and are still working out the kinks of our programs. At this time, we are working on many programs that will make orientation more fun and informative than it has been in past years.

Next year's orientation will be shortened to three days, running Friday through Sunday with class beginning on Monday, August 31. So, any future POPS out there get your spirit ready to raise the roof at next year's orientation.

Sincerely,  
Ted Isselmann  
Class of 2001

## Student responds to *The College Game* seminar, experience events

Dear Editor,

I am writing to you on the topic of Experience Events. Many of the events are long and boring and the students couldn't care less about them because they do not pertain to anything they like.

Here is the name of someone that students will like—Brad Hess. He is a former Albright student who has a book out on 52 ways to

succeed in college. I first learned of Brad Hess on Oct. 20 when I was able to sit in on his lecture in the Campus Center South Lounge.

I believe if Albright invites Brad back and considers his lecture an experience event, many students will learn from him.

Thank you,  
Jerry Lynch  
Class of 2001





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**Tuesday, November 4**

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**Tuesday, November 11**

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To all the students who showed up for  
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Hey guys, I can't thank you enough!  
You helped kick start a national seminar  
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our college means a lot to me. That's  
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students helping each other out and  
benefitting mutually from one another.  
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the seminar, call anytime. 921-2325.  
Wishing you continued success,  
Brad Hess, '94

Lynette -- How was school today?

Super wants to dip his nuggets in it.

Roomie,  
Did you get some while I was gone?  
Were you hooching?  
--Roomie

Maria,  
Congratulations on your engagement!  
--Kurt

Everybody watch South Park tonight.

Happy 21st Birthday Hope, Robin and  
Bobby! Luv, Dana

Alexander,  
Go to your room! Are you too good for  
your room?  
--Froggy Style

Dave Werner,  
I just want you to know that I think  
you are a hottie. Watch for more.  
--Your Secret Admirer

Students:  
Mind your business. It's my life, not  
yours.

Lynn:  
Don't worry, I'm fine. No more negative  
energy.  
--Chrissie

I think that whoever thinks that Trina is  
really hot obviously needs a thick pair  
of glasses.

D-- Wanna go to Graceland? --K

Dear Angelo S.,  
I noticed you noticing me, want to notice  
more?  
--Your Special Pumpkin

To the Queen:  
It's good to be King.

To the 3 wisemen of WXAC (Row Man,  
Melow Moy and Ma Hav):  
We suffer from short term memory loss  
but we remember the good time last night  
(10/26!)  
Love,  
M.D.'s

Rakia,  
Why won't you show us your cheeks?  
--The Residents

Hey R.T.,  
Seen any daffodils lately?  
--anonymous

Jeff,  
You were an AWESOME formal date!  
Thanks for a great time. But, can I have  
my socks back?  
Love, Brooke

To Des:  
Keep your pants up and your skirt  
down.  
Love,  
Mel and Dani

Seniors,  
I hope to see all of you at senior night!  
--Krebs

M,  
1999 is looking better than ever!

Impy,  
We love you, dude! G&A

K--How about that talk?? --D  
Your dog is a gay homosexual.  
--Carmen

Sexy Pajama Night II coming soon.

Everyone,  
Ask cheeks to show you his tatoo. Also,  
ask to see the frog dance and steal some  
of Alexander's clothes if you're ever in  
Smith.

Ian,  
I didn't forget you. Is Denise still going  
on about Barry Manilow?  
--Skidopoulos

Keep it on the down low. Nobody has  
to know.

To our mountain man:  
AAARRRR!

Bootie call on line one for Joe Boles.

Sos,  
How about another Purple Hooter?

Bilo,  
Admit it--you wanted to pass the soap.  
--the shower girls

Ladies,  
Hook up with Darren before it's too late.  
The semester is almost over. Trust me,  
it's an experience you won't want to  
miss.  
--Not Sue Williams

Curtis! I just want to fly! Love, Gi

Shade boys,  
I've said it before and I'll say it again--  
Bring It!  
--woof  
P.S. Yes, I want to hook up with all four  
of you.

Houy--Watch for the Flash!!!

Woolsey:  
Your roomie luvs you!!! Smile.

Emmy:  
Thanks for being one of the few.  
--Chrissie

F-3,  
We need to get working on that bet.

Hummer and Tim...gone but not  
forgotten!  
--Smith basement

Yes please!

Joey C,  
Thanks for having so little faith in me  
last Thursday.  
--Brooke

G,  
Remember what I told you last year  
about the theory that upperclassman get  
no play? Once again, we prove that  
theory wrong.  
--P

ANOTHER song by The Who???  
Chumbawumba Rocks!

Thank you for the secret pooper  
pumpkin, Curtis!  
Love, Amanda

Uncle Andy,  
Matt says he misses your essence. John  
says he thinks you stole his Star Wars  
figures. I thought you should know.

Pachomp, pachewie chomp, chewie  
chewie chomp.

In life I've learned there are three things  
you shouldn't share with friends no  
matter how close they are: expensive  
clothes, men and KY.

How about that football team? Those  
boys are en fuego.

It's the end of October. I think I'll start  
studying now.

Pauly,  
Where have you been hiding?? Cody  
and I want you to visit again.

To the King:  
We may have gotten off to a shaky start,  
but we sure have been making up for it  
lately...I'm exhausted.

W&L,  
"We hate f\*\*\*\*\* men."

Gwyn,  
She-could-get-it-on! Yeah!  
--B

Ooh tonight, ooh is right. Tonight  
right for love, love gravy.

Chad,  
I will never live down spilling that wa-  
will I??

A, K & B,  
Thanks for snatching my dishes.  
You know where that big ball of hair  
the drain came from? Isn't the limit the  
nights? If so, Bridget, Wendy and Kri-  
are in big trouble.  
--P

Ms. Bryden,  
Please refrain from pelting next year  
Homecoming King with M&Ms like you  
did this year. It was scary for him.  
--a disgruntled alum

Coleman,  
Sure you read it for the articles. Can  
you get sleazy tonight? Call me.  
--P-Dog

Frame J,  
Was Darren a little salty when he had  
hand over that crown? I'm pretty sure  
he was bitter.  
--a loyal subject

Chew chew chew...Bzzzzzz.

Ken,  
Try to keep the shagging to a minimum  
lock the jeep up and if I feel something  
crawling up my leg--it better be the  
ferret.  
--spot

What the mink? Oh Minky!

Aries,  
I'll admit I love you when you become  
little more compassionate.  
--Scorpio

Krebs,  
Cheer up, baby! Things can't be that  
bad. xoxoxo

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## Women's tennis team has strong stretch run

by Gina Roselli

Albright entered their last home match of the having dropped a MAC Commonwealth match to Juniata which assured that the women would not reach the team playoffs this season. With playoffs no longer a consideration, the women dug deep and finished the season playing for nothing more than respect. In addition to respect, the women's two consecutive victories to end the season may have provided a solid building block for next season.

With those two victories, the Lady Lions reached the end of their 1997-98 season and finished with a respectable 7-8 overall record. They were able to win their last three out of four matches for a strong finish to avenge a slow start.

After defeating Elizabethtown on October 8, Albright traveled to Juniata and suffered a 6-3 loss to their division opponent. On October 15, though, the women played their last home match of the season, narrowly defeating King's College by a 5-4 margin. They entered the

Lebanon Valley match high on the momentum from the victory over King's and crushed them 7-2, ending the season on an upbeat note. Albright did not reach the MAC Team Championships this year though because only the top two finishers in the League get to participate. Albright's overall MAC record was 2-5 which did not place them in either of the top two positions.

Jarra Rusnock, the Lady Lions number one singles player, finished the season with a 11-4 overall individual record. She finished out her Albright career with a 37-18 record, a .673 winning percentage. Sophomore Andrea Dennis wrapped up another strong season, ending with a 13-1 record as Albright's number 2 singles player and raising her career record to a phenomenal 28-1. The women's doubles teams, though, struggled this year. Kirsty Antosy and Marisa Fielder were the strongest pair, ending the season with a 6-3 overall record. Also successful was the team of Bethany Bajgier and Andrea Dennis who compiled a 5-4 record as the number 2 doubles team.

Even though Albright's season was not as successful as they may have hoped for, they did end the season strongly. Although the Lady Lions will be facing the loss of their team captain and steady number one player Rusnock next season, the continued success of young players like Dennis, and the strong bond that has formed between the team members, give the Lady Lions hope and strength for next season.

## Intermurals

Raquetball Tournament	Nov. 3
Bowling	Nov. 10
Indoor Volleyball	Nov. 10

## Albright men's soccer wins in sudden death

by Emily Wagner

The men's soccer team ended their losing streak in front of a large homecoming crowd. In a tense, overtime match, the Lions rewarded their fans with a 2-1 sudden death victory over Juniata.

The Lions jumped out to an early 1-0 lead over the visitors. Juniata scored the equalizer, however, and Albright soon found themselves going to overtime.

"I asked the team, 'Do you want to win, or leave it a tie?' They all said they wanted to win," commented coach Dale Witmer. "They didn't want to settle for a tie."

The victory was big in two respects for the team. First, it was a conference game which the team "needed to win" according to Witmer. Second, it was Albright's Homecoming. With these two factors combined, the team pulled out all the stops to win.

"Strategy helped us score the winning goal," stated Witmer. In

the overtime period, the team stacked their offense. "We risked losing the game with less defenders," he added.

The strategy paid off when senior Tony Omedes scored the winning goal off Andrew Shuman's assist. Shuman, a junior, had already registered a goal earlier in the game. At the Homecoming sports awards ceremony after the game, Shuman was named the game's MVP.

In the two games following the win over Juniata, the team was not so lucky. Although the Lions outplayed Misericordia, they fell short on the scoreboard 2-0. They also dropped a 4-1 match to their next competitor, Beaver College. The Lions, despite surrendering four goals in the first half, rallied to shut Beaver out in the second half. This demonstrated a great improvement, but it came just a little too late.

The men's team meets Widener in their final conference match on Wednesday, followed by their season finale on Saturday.

## Professional basketball comes to Albright's Bollman Center Gym

By Kurt Krebs

On Friday, Oct. 17 at 3 p.m., Bob Ravitz stood at a podium in the Bollman Center and made the following announcement, "I am proud to announce that professional basketball has been delivered to the city of Reading."

Not only has professional basketball been delivered to Reading, it has been delivered to Albright College as well. The Bollman Center will become the home of the Reading Fire Dogs when they begin their inaugural season in the Eastern Basketball Alliance (EBA).

This minor league is entering its second year in existence. In only its second year, it has expanded from seven to 10 teams, hailing from five different states.

League commissioner Kerry

Kiner said of Reading, "[It] will be a great asset to the league."

The Reading/Berks County area has a rich tradition of basketball. One of the reasons that Reading was awarded a team was due to its willingness to embrace its teams.

Another factor in the Fire Dogs coming to Reading was the vast amount of talent already located in this area, a fact that can be readily seen by simply looking at the Albright basketball rosters.

The local connection was one of the final factors in Reading being granted a team. The storied floor of the Bollman Center has been the sight of many memorable basketball events. Owner Representative Mike Haggerty referred to Bollman Center as, "the premiere venue that we could have asked for."

Now it is just a question of

what kind of team Reading is going to put on the court. That question will begin to be answered on Nov. 2, 9, and 16 as tryouts are held for veterans as well as free agents. Among those expected to try out for the team could be included several Albright College players.

No matter who Reading puts out there, Haggerty promises that the league provides an exciting atmosphere. "It is a high level of play," he says. "They like to run and gun, and put up a lot of points."

The birth of a new franchise is an exciting time for Reading, and Albright College in particular. In the next issue, find out more about what the Fire Dogs will bring to this community, and more about the people, on the court and behind the scenes.

## A trick is a treat for women's field hockey

### Jenn Parrish registers hat trick

by Kurt Krebs

For a freshman to make the jump transition from high school to college in any sport is difficult. For a freshman to lead a team in scoring is very unusual. Albright freshman Jenn Parrish did exactly that this season, leading the team in goals (seven) and points (15). Wednesday, in the season finale, Parrish outdid herself. In the midst of an offensive onslaught in the first half, Parrish record a hat trick, the first of her career. The hat trick was the first in recent memory by an Albright player.

Albright hosted Cedar Crest on Wednesday, and the Lions didn't disappoint a faithful crowd that has shown up to support them all season long. The women jumped out earlier, scoring five goals in the first half. In the second half, the offense and defense switched positions, and Albright added two more tallies. Two late goals by Cedar Crest made the game appear a little closer than

it actually was. Albright dominated the game from beginning to end en route to a 7-2 win. In addition to the three goals by Parrish, Rhiannon Maniscalco scored a pair of goals, and Andie Vitale and Sam Zeiser each added a goal.

"Maybe I should give them the weekend off more often," mused head coach Deb Wilkens. "It was a great way to end the season."

The season definitely ended on a positive note. The women currently have a two game home winning streak, their longest in over three years. The team also defeated Chestnut Hill on Homecoming 2-0. Amy Lincoln recorded her first career shutout in that game.

Another positive for the women as they enter this off-season is the fact that they do not lose a single player to graduation. If the team returns intact, they will be an excellent nucleus around which to build what Albright has lacked for several years—a field hockey program.

## X-Country

by Dana Peterson

Oct. 18 both the men's and women's cross country teams sealed victories over Alvernia and Beaver in the midst of Homecoming festivities.

Maggie Ward, senior captain of the women's team, finished first with a time of 20:23. She was followed by teammates freshman Kate Sheeran and Rachel Connolly, who finished second and third, respectively.

The men were also successful in securing the first three places in their race. Junior captain John Heck finished first with a time of 29:16. Freshmen Brent Hurley and Mark Mango were close behind with times of 29:27 and 29:49, respectively.

Both teams then traveled to Delaware Valley Oct. 25 where they defeated Delaware Valley and Lycoming while losing to Muhlenberg.

Ward placed first again in this race with a time of 20:47, with both Sheeran and Connolly finishing in the top six positions.

The men struggled more in this meet than they did on their home course. However, Mango and Heck managed to finish fourth and sixth, respectively.

Now the teams are preparing for the MAC Championships held at Allentown College on Nov. 1. Each team will take their top seven runners.

"I am looking forward to the MAC's," said Ward. "At the beginning of the season we were not ranked but now we are ranked fourth. We hope to place third as a team. That would be a great accomplishment."

Ward sees this goal as a possibility for this season's team.

"I think that this is the best team Albright has seen in a while," Ward said, "and with the coaching efforts of Don Watterson and the six freshmen runners it should only get better."

Heck is also pleased with his team.

"We have had a good season with only two losses," he said. "But I still don't feel we've been running up to our full potential."

Heck would like to see the men's team place in the top five teams.

## Rugby club in need of members

by Melissa Zeidler

The women's rugby team lost a heartbreaker recently at Muhlenberg College. The loss dropped the team's 1997 record to 0-3. The women, however, are learning to persevere, and are using the loss as motivation for upcoming matches.

The women's rugby team is currently in its fifth season, and the club is desperate for new members. The team has many talented and experienced players, but additional depth is needed.

Frequently, the team only has

the 15 members to play. The limited number of players who came out for this year's squad has been a disappointment, and the team feels that it has adversely affected their performance. In addition, the team has struggled to find the unity that a winning program requires.

"Our team is hurting on the field because we can play on an individual level, but we can't play as a team," said senior Gwyn Olsen, the president of the rugby club.

The women's rugby team has five matches remaining, and the team hopes to turn their season around. There is plenty of time for the team to become united and end the season on an upbeat note.

The Lady Lions will continue their hard work in the hopes that the spirit of rugby will prevail.

The team encourages new members to come out for the spring season in hopes that newcomers will rejuvenate the team.



# Sports

## Midnight Madness kicks off men's and women's 97-98 basketball seasons

At 12:01 Saturday morning, the Albright men's and women's basketball teams kicked off their 1997 campaigns.

The festivities really got under way a half-an-hour earlier when the basketball program got the student body involved. Albright students participated in a free throw contest, a dribble race, and a hot shot contest. Winners received prizes from Bagels Beans & Beignet, Jake's Place, and the Albright Bookstore.

The evening really kicked into high gear as the competitions culminated in a \$100 shot. One fan, chosen at random, had the opportunity to attempt a half court shot for a \$100 bill. Naturally, fifth year senior Darren Was. The 5-8 self proclaimed world's sexiest man had this to say about his frame of mind as he stepped to the line, "If I hit this shot..." Suffice it to say, Was was very excited about his shot. Unfortunately, Was clanged his shot off the back rim, much to the amusement of the assembled fans.

The main event of the evening got under way as the members of the 97 teams were introduced. New members of the two squads were warmly welcomed by surprisingly large crowd for a rainy Friday night. The biggest cheers of the evening, however, were reserved for some familiar faces. Seniors Charlene Stinsman, Cathy Quigly and Jarra Rusnock, juniors Summer Hemphill, Jai-T Randall, Clayton Harrington, and Andy Darlington, along with sophomore sensations Rachel Connolly, and Shawn Swavely brought many to their feet.

Finally, just after midnight, the women tipped off in a split squad scrimmage. In an entertaining showcase, everyone got an opportunity to show what they could do. Freshman Alison Proch in particular had an impressive Albright debut, hitting three field goals, including a three-pointer. The white team held on to defeat the red team 25-16.

The men took the notion of a showcase to a whole new level. During warm up, several of the men displayed a high flying arsenal that the rims in Bollman center may not be accustomed to. It seemed that everyone was getting into the act, from the power jams of Hemphill to downright surprising air time from point guard Jon Taylor. Kai Dawes and Nick Schmid also had the new element in their game on display. Even some of the freshmen gave the crowd a little showtime, as Matt Clair and Mark Moritz, Albright's two newest big men, got into the act.

When the game started, however, it was back to what was the winning formula for Albright last season. It was a wide open game, highlighted by a little showdown of "can you top that?" between James Drewery and Swavely. Taylor put an exclamation point on what had been a very entertaining evening by throwing down a breakaway in the closing seconds.

The evening was designed to be a showcase of the players, as well as getting everyone excited about the upcoming season. It was a success on both fronts.

--Albrightian sports staff



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The SAE squad celebrates their 13-9 IM football championship victory.

## SAE wins Intermural Football Championship

### SAE 40 - Eagles 18

The Eagles came out and put up 12 points in the game's first ten minutes. SAE finally got in gear in the final two minutes of the first half. They scored a pair of touchdowns that tied the game at 12 at halftime. The second half was all SAE. They outscored the Eagles 28-6 in the second 20 minutes, propelling them into the finals for the second straight year.

### Crow 25 - Sig Ep A 24

The Crows struck first, scoring on their first drive of the game. Sig Ep A answered with a score of their own with three minutes left in the first half, knotting the game at six. Crow took the ensuing kickoff and marched it down the field, retaking the lead with only 20 seconds left in the half.

Sig Ep A opened the second half scoring, tying the game at 12 on their opening drive. Crow answered, scoring a touchdown and adding what would prove to be a crucial extra-point. Sig Ep A took the ensuing kickoff and returned it the length of the field to cut the lead to 19-18. The teams would battle back and forth, both defenses holding the other team scoreless until finally Crow broke through with what appeared to be the clinching score. With less than four minutes remaining, Crow led 25-18, and Sig Ep A needed to go the length of the field. Fortunately, that's exactly what Sig Ep had in mind. In a drive that had to move quickly down the field, they looked to 5th year senior Vince Natale as the primary target. It was no surprise when with only 45 seconds left in the game, Sig Ep again looked to Natale on a pass into the end zone. Natale, fighting through two defenders, hauled in the touchdown pass, bringing them within a single point. Sig Ep A

decided to go for the two point conversion and the win. "There was no decision," stated senior Mal Maher.

Natale was again the intended receiver, but junior Jeff Mastronardo knocked the pass away, sending Crow to the IM finals.

### SAE 13 - Crow 9

SAE took the opening kickoff and marched down the field. Chris Sosinavage hit fellow sophomore Pete Penna for a touchdown. Sosinavage then found senior Matt Becker along the sideline for the extra-point.

On Crow's first play from scrimmage, Sosinavage picked off a pass and returned it for another touchdown. SAE led 13-0 less than two minutes into the game.

Two long drives by Crow were thwarted by interceptions by Penna. Crow's defense also turned it up, scoring a safety to get their team on the board. Following the free kick, Crow engineered a solid drive. The drive culminated with senior Marc Liberman hitting Jeff Mastronardo for a touchdown. Liberman ran in the conversion, cutting the lead to 13-9.

The second half was more of the same. The two defenses virtually shut down the opposing offenses. Becker hauled in SAE's fourth pick of the day. With under five minutes to play, however, Crow mounted one final drive. They had first and goal when the SAE defense clamped down. Senior Dave Miller registered a big sack that set up a fourth and goal. On Crow's final shot, junior Craig Boyer registered his fourth sack of the game. The sack ended the drive and sealed the 13-9 victory and IM championship for SAE.

--Albrightian sports staff



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Crow prepares for the kickoff



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SAE's Boyer, Penna, and Sosinavage

## Lady Lion's soccer team overcomes adversity in first season

by Emily Wagner

After the loss of 11 veteran players, the loss of the head coach, and after becoming a first-year member of the MAC, it looked like the women's soccer team was dealt a bad hand from the season's start. In viewing the team's overall record of 3-16, one would think that the envisioned bad hand became a disappointing reality.

The attitude of the team, however, showed a different side to the story.

"It was all about heart," according to junior Kim Wadsworth. "In the games we won, we all had heart."

And even in the games that the team didn't win, the girls never gave up. Not one game during the season was a total blowout, and some of the team's best games came against some of the best teams in the conference. Yet, too many times, they just seemed to fall a bit short.

In arguably their best played game of the season against Delaware Valley, the team forced the game into a sudden death 30 minute overtime period. Unfortunately, with four seconds on the clock, Delaware Valley placed the ball in the net. Despite the heart that went into that game from every member of the team, luck just wasn't on their side.

In addition to heart, freshman Marisa Yoda, the team's leading scorer with nine goals, said that the best part about the team was the close friendships.

"We were all close friends, and it was fun to be around each other," she said.

Despite the fun and dedicated atmosphere of the team, however, the fact remains that the team had its share of hardships. The team was plagued with low numbers of players and numerous injuries throughout the season. Most games, the team had only one or two substitutes. At the game against Wilkes, the bench was empty.

"There were many situations out of our control," said senior co-captain Alison Carrigan, referring to the various injuries and lack of substitutes. "One positive thing," she continued, "was that we had players willing to play 90 minutes."

There is hope for this team. The team is young. The team has a new coach, who according to Carrigan, "can take us places". But most importantly, the Albright women's soccer team has heart.



## Sportschat

### MLB

Congratulations to Jim Leyland and the Florida Marlins.

Two words - Jim Leyland.

Tony Fernandez...hero or goat?

### NFL

How old are the Dallas Cowboys???

You can't contain the Steelers, you can only hope time runs out before they get the ball back.

Thank you...now that is the Tampa Bay we all love and laugh at.

### NCAA

Congratulations to Nebraska on being the new #1...who have you played?

Notre Dame won...does anyone care?

### NHL

Paul Coffey...good player, great person.

Eric Lindros...good player, uhm...

### NASCAR

The cars on the track go round and round!

Go Mr. Trickle!

### WCW/WWE

It's time to pay the Piper.

I want a one way trip to Larry Land!

### X-treme sports

Hey lugers and mountain bikers...Pro-Rodeo is the ORIGINAL extreme sport.

Congratulations to Michale Gafney for winning the 1997 Professional Bull Riders World Championships.

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