Vanessa Carlton Concert
Singer and musician Vanessa Carlton played AU as this semester’s large act last Saturday, enthralling the crowd with a moving performance. For more about Carlton, as well as opener Maroon 5, see p. 7.

Meissner, Herrick Library get recognized
University Librarian Lana Meissner was recognized along with Herrick Library at the 36th annual membership meeting of the South Central Regional Library Council. The SCRLC, of which Alfred University is a charter member, was created “in 1967 by the Regents of the University of the State of New York for the purpose of identifying, strengthening and sharing library resources,” according to the organization’s Web site.

Meissner said that she was involved with the Council, which encompasses such varied members as school, public and hospital libraries, since 1971.

According to Meissner, she was eventually elected to the board of trustees in 1999, and ultimately asked to serve as the board’s chair.

Meissner’s three-year term as chair ended this month, according to an Alfred University press release.

“One of my goals (as chair) was to clear up some of the political issues with library agendas and to bring everyone together for the ‘common good,’ I feel I’ve made that happen,” said Meissner.

The Council praised Meissner for her “effective leadership and her commitment to furthering the goals of the organization, [including] cooperation, resource sharing and the enhancement of information availability of libraries throughout the world.”

Along with their praise, the Council presented its Special Service Award to the “whole library and library staff” at Herrick Library, according to the press release.

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The Student Newspaper of Alfred University
World AIDS Day seeks to raise awareness at AU
Originally set for Dec. 1, World AIDS Day was brought to AU by Spectrum and Peer Educators last Wednesday because most students were still on Thanksgiving break on Sunday, according to Nikol. Members of Spectrum and Peer Educators worked an information table in Powell Campus Center from 11-2 p.m.

Passersby were encouraged to stop by the table and pick up information about AIDS and safe sex, condoms and red ribbons to promote awareness about AIDS.

Located in Ade and Powell dining halls were 49 balloons, each representing a million people worldwide who have AIDS. Each balloon was facts about the spread and prevention of the disease.

“AIDS is not affected by AIDS and some young people think they are invincible,” said Resident Director Sheila Morgansmith, adviser to the Peer Educators.

Close to 70 million deaths worldwide due to the AIDS virus are estimated for the next 20 years. Medical advances that prolong life for AIDS patients and significant progress towards a vaccine for the disease give hope but there is still no cure. Education and prevention of AIDS groups and developing nations, particularly in Africa, according to CNN.com.

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by TIM INTHIRAKOTH
SCHOOL WRITER

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AIDS day provides occasion to reflect

The global issue of AIDS was brought to campus last week for World AIDS Day as Peer Educators and Spectrum came together to inform people about the horrors of AIDS.

We may not have unprotected sex, there is the possibility of getting a sexually transmitted disease such as AIDS. By having this program come to campus, we’re hoping that awareness about the issue increased substantially.

With the recent information that chlamydia has resurfaced in the Alfred area, according to the Alfred Area Health Department, it is even more imperative that students, as well as faculty, staff and community members, be aware of their sexual activities.

By offering information on AIDS and safe sex, along with free condoms and red ribbons, the two groups were really taking action to educate and help out their peers.

Unfortunately, 70% of sexually worldwide are estimated for the next 20 years, education is the best method of prevention for those who have not contracted AIDS or the HIV virus that can lead to AIDS. Without education, it will be more likely that people will contract AIDS without realizing it.

Not only was World AIDS Day important for the general public but also for students whose sexual activities are often times not planned. This is not a bad thing, but it is important to be aware of the STDs that can be transmitted when people are reckless with sex.

All in all, this program was a large step in the right direction.

We commend Peer Educators and Spectrum for bringing this incredibly important topic into the light on AU’s campus.

Décor in Powell not universal

BY ALISON SAVET
COPY MANAGER

Does anyone else feel annoyed and put off by the “holiday” décor in Powell? The so-called “holiday” décor consists of small plates with explanations of what each holiday, Christian, Christmas and Kwanzaa, mean in their respective religions, along with a manger scene.

In the world we now live in, a pine tree is representative of Christmas, and in no way can be considered non-religious. The school has stated that this tree is for anyone who wants to depict it, with the holiday spirit in mind. I find it ironically hysterical that the way in which the school is trying to avoid problems with the holiday season causes more.

The tree is supposed to be a holiday tree. I don’t really think that this is the most effective way to promote diversity; or awareness of others’ religions, on campus.

Jews don’t have a Chanukah tree, nor do African-Americans have a Kwanza tree. So why is there a tree in the middle of the second floor of the campus center as a non-denominational holiday decoration?

Also, the fact that the tree is a pine, and has lights and ornaments hampers it even more. It is definitely insensitive to other holidays such as Christmas. Maybe the school could have gone with a menorah as a less symbolic, and maybe just put up lights? Or if the tree is necessary, why not a large menorah for the Jews and a kinaran for African-Americans?

The problem really lies within the fact that the school thought to put up a Christmas tree, but no decorations that symbolize the other holidays. People will feel very overlooked, just as I do.

It is important to remember that we pay to go here, and Christmas tree can be very offensive to those who do not celebrate the holiday.

By JASON PILARZ
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Taking a down Main Street in Alfred, one can see how the landscape has changed quite a bit in the past year. D.P. Dough has taken up residence in the Village Center, while the Coffee Company will provide alternative late-night places to go and things to do. Local business owners should also realize a benefit from the new ventures, as more students will now have reasons to go downtown.

In the past, many students did not patronize local businesses, simply because they were not aware of the variety of products and services offered. A couple of years ago, AU sponsored a “distri- bution downtown” evening that was designed to make students aware of local business offerings.

The upshot in new businesses, however, has the potential to sell downtown Alfred much more. The calzone restaurant and coffee shop have created quite a buzz around campus, one that will translate into student trips to patronize the businesses.

As students are downtown, they are likely to see the other things downtown has to offer, and all businesses stand to benefit.

A side benefit of the whole situation could be improved interac- tion between students and community members as better “town/gown” relations. As long as students behave themselves in their late-night activities, it’s hard to see a downside.

A potential concern, however, is a lack of spending money for students. Many times, student meal plans are paid for in advance through the University. That means students who leave with little incentive to head downtown for a meal. Why spend the extra money when your meal is already paid for?

This is unfortunate, as students could certainly use the change of pace that downtown eateries offer.

One option that some schools employ is the use of debit dollars that could be used at downtown businesses. Just think how great it would be if we could use our dining dollars somewhere besides the Li’l Alf and Ade Express.

I would imagine, however, that this option is not viable. Besides, it is not the school’s job to broaden dining choices; this is something we can easily do ourselves.

A suggestion I have for students is to get a smaller meal plan next year, and use the money you save toward eating off-campus.

Given the high cost of dining hall meals, this would be more cost effective and provide some variety in your dining.

For those who have parents paying your food tab that might have a problem with giving you a large chunk of cash to use for food, many restaurants in town have meal plans that would allow your parents to restrict the money for eating to the amount you want.

All in all, it is exciting to see the new developments down on Main Street. It is my hope that stu- dents take advantage of the vari- ety downtown Alfred offers.
Kappa Sigma announces closing

Dear Editor:
The following letter was sent to President Edmundson to announce that Kappa Sigma has decided to cease formal operations.

Due to the unfortunate series of events that have transpired at Alfred University over the past nine months, we, the Nu-Xi Chapter of The Kappa Sigma Fraternity, have decided to cease formal operations and to surrender our charter. We can no longer function as an upright chapter without fear of individual suspension or expulsion from Alfred University. It has become impossible to recruit new members to share and expand our order at this University.

It is truly unfortunate that such a decision was forced to be made by an organization which had followed the regulations implemented by the University and had lived up to the higher standards set forth by their national leadership. We had an exemplary record throughout our history, not once requiring judicial action. Our alumni are successful in their careers, and have tried to remain as active as possible with their chapter.

We executed all necessary actions last semester which, as we were told, would help prevent the undeserved decision to eliminate our organization from this University. However, all efforts were futile, as it seems the decision to destroy the Greek system was made long before it was believed to have been made in May.

We feel that the Nu-Xi Chapter of The Kappa Sigma Fraternity has been wrongly profiled and persecuted for actions which we have had no desire to be associated with. This has left a bitter taste in all of our mouths, which returns whenever we are reminded of the opportunities for leadership, fellowship, service and scholarship of which we have been robbed.

We desired only to exist, and to spread our noble ideals of brotherhood to those who desired it most. It is difficult to describe the feeling of heart-rending sorrow when we realize that future students will be deprived of the character-building and life-changing experiences and opportunities which we have been able to enjoy.

We feel that the ideals the University has recently adopted do not reflect the moral virtues of The Kappa Sigma Fraternity, and we currently do not wish to have the pride of our organization marred any further.

If in the future, the principles of Alfred University adjust to accept and promote the bonds of fellowship which are so effectively constructed by our organization, we hope that The Kappa Sigma Fraternity will once again have the opportunity to become the pride of the Alfred University campus.

Sincerely,
The Brothers of the Nu-Xi Chapter of The Kappa Sigma Fraternity.

...AIDS Day

...Registrar

...Fiat Lux
BY LUIS VASQUEZ
BUSINESS MANAGER

Mandich will serve as both the treasurer and finance chair for next semester, said Duclair.

Patricia Dehorsfelt, director of the Powell Campus Center and Student Senate advisor, announced that her office is taking suggestions for possible events to be held during the 4 a.m. to 8 p.m. time slot on Heat Dog Day, which is scheduled for April 26, 2003.

Some senators suggested events like Laser Tag, an all-faculty Mud Olympics team, a dance party with a DJ and a karaoke night. Dehorsfelt requested that any other ideas be directed to her in person or by e-mail.

During open forum, senators brought up the issue of the still persistent Internet slowdowns on campus. Washington said that Adrian Morling, assistant director of Information Technology Services, will be visiting senate on Dec. 11 to answer all questions and complaints regarding the Internet problems.

Washington reminded senators that there will be an open forum during the Dec. 11 meeting, which will be the last meeting of the semester.

“We need pajamas, not what you sleep on,” joked Washington, during a helpful reaction for the senators.

To end the meeting on an even happier note, Washington decided to cancel the second roll call, which is always greatly appreciated.

BY BETH GREENWOOD
CONTRIBUTOR

BANNER is a new software system set to be installed in AU’s offices, could have a great impact on students and teachers. Both University Registrar Larry Casey and Banner Project Manager Diane Kirschen added. "It’s an integrative package that will connect all functional areas of the University, from registration to finance." In 1996, the Task Force on the Administrative Environment was formed in order to determine how the University could become more efficient and effective. One of their conclusions was that a new software system was needed.

The current system, Legacy, was built on campus and has been in use since the 1960s. Though it has been added to and changed since then, Casey said, the task force decided it was not filling the University’s needs and could no longer be updated or fixed.

The University needed a software package designed specifically for higher education, he said. "Banner not only allows us to integrate, but also offer more services," Kirschen added.

One effect on students is the consolidation of records, she said. Instead of having redundant information in each office on campus, each person would have one record that would stay with them from prospective student through graduate school, and even after, should the person become an AU parent or employer.

This record would contain information from admissions, financial aid, residence life, etc., so it is a student needs to change an address, for example, it would only have to be done once, saving time and energy.

Students will also eventually be able to register online, he said. In order to maintain the faculty advising system, there are two options. After meeting, the advisors could give students codes to allow them to register on their own, Casey said. The other possibility involves the advisor doing the registration themselves during the meetings with students. Casey said he prefers the first option.

Another way Banner will help students is by allowing them to register and more updated access to more information, such as account status and academic history.

The process of implementing Banner is only in its beginning stages. Kasch said they are hoping to have it up by Jan. 15 so that the programmers can begin leveraging it.

Though offices around campus have been meeting with the student workers, they are still in the beginning stages and will most likely not start until next fall.

Casey hopes that online registration will be available during the fall semester of 2004 to register for spring 2005. "It’s an ambitious goal,” he said. When the information about the project organization is finalized, there will be a link from the AU Web site for updates.

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New software to streamline data
Chlamydia breakout puts spotlight on STDs

BY RACHEL EVANS

Another rash of chlamydia is going around, according to the Allegany Health Department and students are unsure.

“[Chlamydia] is not new. It had been around, I don’t know how long,” said junior community health major Amanda Toup.

According to Kathy Chase, R.N., public health nurse at the Crandall Health Center, there are more cases in the last year than it has in the recent past.

In one college student coalition contract chlamydia, which means most students are not taking the necessary precautions needed to be used during all forms of sexual contact.

Chlamydia can infect the penis, vagina, cervix, urethra or eye and often has no symptoms. If symptomatic, they may include: discharge from the penis or vagina and painful urination. They prevent any more spreading of the infection, all partners need to be tested, according to Chase.

“Some people have no symptoms and deny they have it,” said Chase. But without testing and treatment, the STD could be re-transmitted.

Most commonly tested by doing a test using a swab from the urethra or cervical area, chlamydia is treated orally with antibiotics. It takes a minimum of a week to clear up because it takes a while for everything to be destroyed according to Chase.

“It seems like STDs could spread so fast on a campus as we have here. It’s not food, junior art and design major.

Other than being extremely careful in their personal lives, students need to have a habit out of getting tested regularly for STDs.

The hope that contends against this “enlightenment that is not enlightenment,” Atchley continued, is that an “enlightenment of enlightenment” can be reached by undoing the idea of enlightenment and its limitations, then trying to surpass them.

Atchley discussed enlightenment on a more literal level.

The most powerful martial artists in the movie are literally enlightened, having the ability to fly.

“But where’s the levity?” Atchley asked, pointing to the foot of the statue. “The good spirits, a ‘foolishly strong security chief.’”

Atchley pointed out that the security chief allows himself to become attached to others, demonstrated by his relationship with a woman in the film, and thus despite his incompetence is composed in a situation.

In fact, Atchley said that the security chief had won a sort of contest with the villain at the end, while the protagonist ends up dead and his foot is circled around by his own feelings for his feelings for her when it’s too late. “Every story seems to come despite effort, not because of it,” said Atchley.
Roving Reporter—

What are your plans for winter break?

“I’m going to Iceland to visit my boyfriend. If I say something enough, it will happen.”
— Bridgid O’Lea, Senior, Art and Design Major

“I’m going out of the country. I’m not sure where, either New Zealand or Australia. I haven’t decided yet.”
— Jasmine Brown, Junior, Graphic Design Major

“I’m going to be working and hopefully get back up here to spend New Year’s with my boyfriend.”
— Meghan Martin, Junior, Psychology Major

“I’m going to finish writing and recording and producing my album. I have no plans to eat a sandwich.”
— Skye Schieler, Sophomore, Undeclared

“I’m going to finish writing my book, and hopefully get back up here to spend New Year’s with my boyfriend.”
— Lindsay Gilbert, Sophomore, English Major

“I’m going to Vermont and there I will wreak havoc on farmers and complete my plans to take over the western hemisphere. I’m also going to go skiing — that’s afterwards.”

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“Tack [a chicken] — much like the Dog-Walking Hour at home where singles parade their poodles with their beak. After a moment, the door opened and the chicken simply described the places he’s been and the things he’s done in a humorous account. His book is that the author does not pretend to be a travel writer, but the book itself is a great thing about Herrick: you never know what will happen as Cara Black. At one point, the book begins with “The Whore’s Child and Other Stories by Richard Russo” — a collection of works from National Public Radio’s National Fresh Air Fiend by Paul Theroux

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MacNaughton Collection brings in bestselling books

BY SEBASTIAN WHITE

CONTRIBUTOR


In fact, a random survey of students reveals that the library is the place to be for budding socialites on campus from about 7:30 p.m. on weekdays. The “Book Reading Hour” itself. That’s the thing. A disenchanted mother runs off with her teenage son on a cross-country road trip to find herself. The Whore’s Child and Other Stories by Richard Russo

An ancient nun crashes a college writing class. A man questions his manhood, post-prostate operation. The Where’s Child and Other Stories by Richard Russo

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When Colin Kennard arrived at Alfred University from his hometown of Harrisville, N.H., he did not know what to expect. “I just dove in and found a real interest there was being programmed,” said Kennard of his decision to join AUTV. As AUTV’s station manager and a senior Spanish major, Kennard said he wanted to attend university and gain work experience. AU just happened to fit his needs and the campus seemed like a place he could not resist, he added.

Kennard did not get involved with AUTV until his senior year, he said. Kevin Berwald, his resident assistant during freshman year, played a big role and influenced the decision, said Kennard. Other students and faculty, according to Meissner, his real interests lie in video editing and production of AUTV’s weekly newscast. A real thrill has been watching the station take off and grow, said Kennard. The station began broadcasting in 1998 and has matured nicely in such a short amount of time, he added with limited funding, he added.

“(AUTV) is right up there with the professional broadcasts and runs on very limited resources,” said Kennard.

Kennard, a senior political science major, knows the skill in dealing with people. He does not raise his voice [and] he devotes a lot of time to studying, spending hours and even pulling all-nighters to make sure a project is finished on time,” he added.

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The best assets Kennard brings to AUTV, according to Berwald, is his patience and involvement in the Council and runs on very limited funding, he added.

“AUTV is right up there with the professional broadcasts and runs on very limited resources,” said Kennard.

Nikki Birdsall, a senior political science major, knows the skill in dealing with people. “He never raises his voice [and] he devotes a lot of time to studying, spending hours and even pulling all-nighters to make sure a project is finished on time,” she added.

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shortly after her opener, Levine was joined on stage by the other members of the band, including her brother, keyboardist, guitarist, bassist and one multi-talented musician who mainly played keyboards but also added a second guitar at times and even a muted trumpet.

The band was a pleasant addition to Carlton’s show as it really filled up her sound and gave it more of a rock feel.

One problem Carlton did have at times was her pronunciation of the songs. Being a well-known artist of lesser-known songs, it was very difficult to understand the lyrics without knowing them beforehand.

The atmosphere set up on stage also took away from the performance. The tribal-patterned sheet draped over the piano covered with candles of various shapes and sizes didn’t seem to fit the rock sound to her music at all.

Carlton was mainly made up for these setbacks in her and her band’s instrumental abilities. The musical sound completely lost me from bopping my head with the music.

Unfortunately, the rest of the crowd apparently felt differently.

It seemed Carlton was playing to a dead crowd all night whose only reason for being there was to hear her big hits, “A Thousand Miles” and “Ordinary Day.” Singing in the blanchest of voices at the start of the stage, I had a clear view of the entire audience and not once saw as much as a head bob.

Carlton even commented on the overall lameness of the crowd and restrained herself from coming off as too insulting by saying the reason for being so quiet was that the audience was very restrain.

Fortunately for Carlton, the big two were towards the end of her set. Otherwise, by the end of the show, she may have been playing to a nearly empty crowd.

Moreover, the lack of a pulse in her audience was no way to play Maroon 5’s. She put on an excellent show that could have been drawn in people of any kind of musical taste.

There was a slight buzz throughout the crowd when Carlton announced the first of her two hits, “A Thousand Miles.”

Immediately following that, she went into hit number two which she dedicated to “ordinary boys and girls.”

Much of the audience was now satisfied. We’ve heard the two songs we were to hear. And thus, the rush to the doors began.

Anyone among the first people to take off missed out on one of the best covers I have ever seen performed.

Flashing red lights timed impeccably to the beat of the music set the perfect tone for the 1966 Rolling Stones hit “Paint It Black.”

Carlton went with it and expended more energy on this rock classic than I’ve seen her do anywhere else. She even took that moment to tell everyone that they were lucky to see her cover songs like “Rolling Stone” performance.

The audience was certainly quite impressed. Carlton even commented on the reaction to her performance.

This was not only incredibly disrespectful to Carlton but also a slap in the face to all of the people from Student Activities Board and all of the student volunteer workers who sacrificed huge amounts of time to present this concert to Alfred.

It was also incredibly distracting for the few people who did want to take in the entire performance. I, along with many people around me, was incredibly annoyed with the constant confusion that completely drew my attention away from the performances. It doesn’t make any sense to leave before the show was over after paying a substantial admission. You might as well get the full money’s worth.

Even if Carlton isn’t exactly your favorite kind of music — I admit, she’s certainly not my go to artist of choice — I enjoyed the entire show and find something you enjoy listening too.

While I’m not the biggest fan of Carlton, I found myself bopping my head to the catchy rhythms and was thrilled to hear “Paint It Black.”

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Midsummer Night’s Dream proves entertaining

BY ALISON SAVETT
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The Athenian Duke Theseus and his wife Hippolyta, played by Alfred resident Keith Gregory and junior theatre major Vanessa Stipkova, celebrate after their wedding in A Midsummer Night’s Dream.

I hope that everyone got the chance to see this phenomenal play.

The whole show was performed in a comedic, dramatic and adventurous way, providing the audience with delightful entertainment for the evening.

I thought this was a very well done job, and everyone performed their roles very well.

The play was not only entertaining, but also very well written. The characters were very well developed and the plot was very well constructed.

Overall, I would say that this was a very successful performance of A Midsummer Night’s Dream.
**Punk is back in a big way with the release of **___Does This Look Infected?___, the latest Sum 41 record. This marks the third studio album that the Canadian lads have produced and rid- ing on the current of their 2001 platinum smash hit All Killer No Filler.

The record starts off with a pop-punk sound much like Blink 182 and the group is riding on the crest of a wavy wave of the current of their 2001 record. This marks the third Sum 41 hits charts with new CD

***The Heil Song*** is a very catchy, but simple song. The lyrics on this record reflect the youth of the artists and what it is like to grow up in this modern day society: “Everybody’s got their problems, everybody says the same thing to you, it’s just a matter how you solve them, and now knowing how to change the things, you can’t solve.”

***Track two, “Over My Head*** is a more truly punk song with raging guitar riffs and a great melody on this record. It reflects the listener’s future of personal gun ownership and their problems. “A.N.I.C.” is a 100 percent punk song. It is incredibly short but very violent and cautionous.

Song six has some metal influ- ences that the band admits to being influenced by their back- ground. Overall, the rest of the songs on the record have a very truly punk sound that Sum 41 is known for. **A Little Damn Rock**

If you liked Green Day and are a fan of Blink 182 or Good Charlotte you will be in for a much more meaningful thing. I’ve met the band when they were here in Alfreed with the MTV Campus Invasion Tour and they were the most down- to-earth people you could imag- ine.

Do they take themselves seriously and the fun attitude and approach that they take to life and music. I respect these four guys because they penetrated the market in spite of the climate in the music industry, which is less than ami- cable to the controversial and hardest-working band, and they broke into TRL and the mainstream of musical acceptance without becoming sellouts.

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Reviving around invasive questions about everything from personal entertainments to psychological responses, this film and the AU senior art and design major Derek De Vries have developed a provocative situation for discussion.

The movie *Captivate* is centered around an intense week in the life of Jake Wayland, who is played by Stephen Cook, a junior business administration major. Cook plays a man who has been happily married for six and a half years, but finds he gives more attention to the events he sees on television than those in his own life. Wayland's life is turned upside down when he leaves his wife alone in bed one night and returns only minutes later to find that she has suffered a fatal asthma attack. It is only after he loses his wife, who is played by senior Kathryn Sedwick, that Wayland realizes how important she is.

The plot in *Captivate* begins to unravel when local detectives, played by junior English major John Dumphry and sophomore business administration major Joshua Dye, arrive at Wayland's door and begin asking questions about a death. Everyone thought was caused by a simple asthma attack. The presence of the detectives in the movie provides some tension, but it also provide subtle comic relief. The audience is witness to the violent and confused reaction Wayland has to his wife's death and the introduction of characters like Dumphry and Dye, and it certainly made me thinking throughout the movie “where is this going?”

The true message behind *Captivate* is only entirely revealed at the end of the movie and De Vries has developed a story that includes subtle hints that reflect that intent. Scenes like the final interrogation between Wayland and the detectives, where Dye's character is eating microwave popcorn, are the type of hints that De Vries has developed in the movie. This movie is a very impressive piece done in a professional manner. De Vries has clearly developed a well thought out plot and has filled his cast with capable individuals. The only weaknesses that stuck out were minor or technical. There is part of the movie that could benefit from more greater development of one of the scenes that was almost uncomfortable to watch was an interaction between Wayland and his friend Louis, who was played by junior business administration major Robert Baynes. Baynes' performance had a somewhat comical and indifferent feel that didn't quite fit in with its necessity to the story line. *Captivate* was shown twice yesterday. You may miss the school-wide showing, you should check out the Senior Art Show on Dec. 14, in the photography space of Hurder Hall. De Vries will be exhibiting his work, which includes a substantial amount of material from the film.

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When he one day approaches the nearly gates of heaven, surely in great anticipation of a reunion with his grandfather, Wszalek hopes it is known that he at least tried.

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**AU’S CHAMBER SINGERS PERFORMED ON NOV. 23 WITH THE JAZZ BAND IN THE NIGHT CLUB DELIGHTING THEIRS PRESENT**

**PHOTO BY BRIAN TIBBENS**

**CAPTIVATE**

**PHOTO PROVIDED**
By Sarah Kierman
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Princeton University

(U-WIRE) PRINCETON, N.J. — By the time Sailer arrived at Princeton University's Chris Sailer, head coach of the women's wrestling program, a high percentage of schools are not in compliance with the law according to the standard, the Department of Education said on its Web site.

In the absence of proportionality, a school must demonstrate that opportunities for the “underrepresented sex” are continuing to expand.

Expanding opportunity can already be demonstrated of athletic scholarships offered to women.

Before Title IX, no athletic scholarships were awarded to female athletes, according to the Department of Education. Last year, 50 athletic scholarships were given to women in 1973, and a year later 50 scholarships were given to female athletes, according to the Chronicle of Higher Education.

Proponents of the law, such as Tufts University in Boston, say that women have taken advantage of athletic opportunities that were not available to them a few years ago.

“I don’t understand how you can measure interest when you don’t have the data,” Sailer said. “Since Title IX, the number of girls playing in both high school and college has increased tremendously, and that’s only happened because the opportunities are there.”

Junior Logan Quiet-Chaffee has been a part of the competition for 11 years. Her best events are the 400-, the 1,500- and the 3,000-meter races.

"While not many people would agree," Sailer recalled. "We got caught and I almost got kicked out of college."

Senior Kerry Riga has been running competitively for 11 years. Her best events are the 400-, the 1,500- and the 3,000-meter races. She said that the opportunity to compete has been great.

"It’s been a real emotional letdown."

...Track & Field

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Way of tossing you for a loss nut when you think nothing can stop you. It happened on the ground of the fourth game this past season. As he was poised to break a host of school records, Sailer broke his foot.

“I had high school teachers, friends and my high school wrestling coach out at the game," he said. "It hurt bad. I knew the pain from my broken foot."

During his years at Alfred, Raynor was some times playing the field, too. He recalls the second semester of his freshman year, when he considered his worst experience at Alfred.

“About two weeks before the end of the season, we got hold of the ECAC championship final. I was under a lot of stress because other schools approach- ing, so when I got the chance to get the final I took it. About 15 people were involved," he recalled. "We did it and Raynor said he ended up faking the course and almost got kicked out of college."

Learn he did. Raynor retook the test and passed. Raynor, a business administration major, is scheduled to receive a bachelor of science degree in May. But he may return next year for his fifth football season provided the NFL does not grant him a hardship waiver or lift his foot injury."

Whatever life has in store for John Raynor, he is already ready to accept the challenge thanks in part to some highs and lows he experienced at Alfred University.

The team will work over the break and continue with their training when they return.
Ski team looks forward to hitting the slopes

BY ALISON SAVETT
COPY MANAGER

After last year’s winning season, the AU men’s and women’s alpine ski teams are ready for another season of racing, with hopes of going to Nationals again.

The men’s team was undefeated during last year’s regular season, placed second of 10 teams at Regionals and 12th of 19 at Nationals. The women’s team, while they never came in first, placed second at three meets, and third and fourth in the other two regular season races. In post-season activity, the women’s team placed fourth of 16 teams at Regionals and 5th of 19 teams at Nationals.

“At this point it looks like both teams will be as strong as last year’s teams,” said coach Kevin Walsh, who is entering his fourth season at AU. “We must keep focused and take it a race at a time all season and not get overconfident. Keeping this in mind, both teams would advance to post-season.”

The men’s team lost three of six races due to graduation and a fourth who decided not to race this season, while the women lost all one race for various reasons.

Currently having a full team, AU will have many fresh faces on the slopes this year. The men have three freshmen, Ryan Fuller, Gabriel Goldstein and Tyler Ledget, and one sophomore newcomer, Angus Graham. All four have prior racing experience.

“I think we have the ability to maintain the competitiveness we had last year and possibly do even better,” said sophomore captain Jason Weisnair. “Even though we have a young team, a lot of people on the team have raced, so we’ll be able to build on that experience, and build on what we had last year.”

The men’s team other captain, sophomore Matt Seavey, sees a lot of potential on the team as well.

“All four of the new skiers have extensive racing experience,” he explained. “They’re all in the weight room and getting in shape for skiing with cardiovascular exercise.”

One of the fresheners, Fuller, went to Steevey’s high school, and raced with him there.

“He raced at the New York High School State Championship level and placed in the top ten,” said Seavey. “He also qualified for the High School Regional competition.”

Graham and Ledget went to a ski academy in Maine, Gould Academy, so Steavey expects great things out of them.

“Our goal is to do better than we did last year in Nationals,” Steavey said. “The youth on the team is only in terms of college racing; we all are seasoned racers.”

Walsh agrees with his captains that the lack of college level experience won’t hinder the team this season.

“All of the freshmen have plenty of race experience and should blend into the college racing with no problems,” said Walsh. “It’s all the same once you slide into the start house.”

The women have four freshmen, Emily Cracknell, Erin Knee, Morgan Lovejoy and Jennifer Powell, and one sophomore transfer who raced at State University of New York at Brockport last year, Anna Ewing.

Junior captain Kelly Farrell is pleased with her ladies thus far this year.

“It is definitely a different experience to race at the collegiate level,” she said. “But with the help of the experienced racers, and coaches, everyone should be able to catch on quickly to how things work.”

Farrell believes that the lack of experience in racing can actually be fun. Everything is new to them and they are extremely excited and optimistic about the season, she said.

“I think that we will still be able to do well in Regionals and make Nationals if we work hard enough,” said Farrell. “We are really going to have to depend on one another, not only for support, but to help one another with our skiing.”

According to Walsh, the team is quite cohesive and the returning skiers provide great leadership.

“It’s all about team [effort],” explained Walsh. “Kelly is starting her third season with the team and will be a good leader for the new girls. Matt and Jared did a great job last year and they will make it an easy transition for the new men.”

Raynor learns from life experiences

BY ALICIA DEANDREA
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If a college experience is supposed to get you ready for the cruel, hard world, Jesse Raynor’s four years at Alfred University have been a study in some of the good and a bit of the bad life can toss at you.

Jesse Raynor, a senior, is a Division III All-American football player from Fredonia, N.Y. The people who hand out such accolades are pretty stingy with the honor; All-American honors are earned.

In Raynor’s case, the moment in time that may have helped him reach All-American status took place one Saturday afternoon against Canisius College during his sophomore year. Raynor rushed for 265 yards, a school record. He scored five touchdowns, another school record, and he tallied 30 points — that’s right, one more school record.

“Everything came down to the last play I had in that game,” said Raynor recently. “That play gave me the most yards, the most points and the win. That was the biggest moment in my college career.”

Setting school records is one thing, but opening USA Today one morning and reading in the newspaper about what you did or turning on ESPN and hearing your name mentioned for your accomplishments are quite special experiences. That’s what happened this past season after Alfred’s opening game against St. John Fisher.

During the game, Raynor racked up 366 all-purpose yards. He rushed for 115 yards and three touchdowns. He caught 11 passes tying another school record and returned four kickoffs for 165 yards. He rounded out his day’s work by kicking two field goals and blocking a punt.

“I would be lying if I said that it didn’t matter to me,” noted Raynor about the USA Today and ESPN recognition. “But, I think that my parents enjoyed it the most.”

He was referring to Howard and Geraldine Raynor’s parental bragging rights.

“They talked about the game to the pool reorder,” explained Walsh. “It’s a sample of Raynor’s highs at Alfred. But, life has a Raynor learns from life experiences

BY ROBERT BAYNES
SPORTS EDITOR

The men’s and women’s indoor track season started off this past weekend on Dec. 7 at the Cornell Relays. The Saxons will not be competing again until nearly the end of winter break on Jan. 18 at Rochester.

Coach Andrew Weisnair has the workload of maintaining all running practices here at Alfred. On top of that he is also earning his MHS.

“The outlook of the season looks fairly positive, the runners look strong,” Weisnair commented.

Although the runners are looking strong, Weisnair explained that there is still some ground work, base building and fundamentals to work on over the next month.

Many of the team members also have positive hopes for the season. Freshman Elaine Heimers has a history of running the 1,500-meter in 4:54, the 3,000-meter in 11:14 and has run three miles in 19:14, which earned her a win in the J.V. Orange County Championship of Section Nine.

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