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Student access to ResNet expands

By Amanda Ewing
Staff Writer

The Residential Network, which allows students internet access from their rooms, is now available in all student residences, with the exception of the Sherwood annex.

The intent of ResNet is to give students the opportunity to become familiar with and explore technology, yet it is also another example of how information can be extracted and utilized within the confines and privacy of a student's own room.

"Whatever you want to do, you should be able to do it from ResNet," said Beng (Benny) Quah, '96 and residential network coordinator.

When asked if he thought the increased use of technology would take away from the liberal arts aspect of Albion's curriculum, Quah said he felt "it would make the liberal thing more liberal. I guess if you use it correctly you can use it to increase your audience."

Quah feels that if the full technological power at our fingertips were utilized, discussion groups or class sessions involving the entire GLCA could possibly be held.

Sarah Coburn, Toledo, Ohio senior and residential computing assistant, feels that the

ResNet could possibly effect the personal interaction of students and professors which characterizes liberal arts colleges.

"I am on a first-name basis with some of my professors, and while technology in and of itself is not bad, it could detach from the student-teacher relationship."

Regardless of whether or not it detracts from liberal arts education, the number of subscribers to the ResNet system has been increasing.

Quah feels that it will continue to gain popularity and will adapt to the needs of students on campus but right now he feels that "most people are adapting the wait-and-see theory."

Those who do subscribe to ResNet pay a \$50 a semester fee plus \$100 for the necessary hardware, which includes a network card, operation manuals and installation disks.

According to Quah, within two years the fee may possibly be incorporated into student room fees.

The ResNet system can be obtained from the academic computing office by filling out a preregistration form, which confirms that you have the necessary equipment. After paying the semester charge at the cashier's office, the network keys can be picked up.

Student misconceptions about tenure clarified

By Brian Longheier
Staff Editor

What exactly is tenure? Some say it's a job for life since a tenured professor cannot be fired. However, the concept of tenure is a bit more complex.

According to the Albion College Faculty Handbook, tenure is a form of job security in the sense that it allows for academic freedom. The handbook lists four aspects of academic freedom: (1) the faculty member is entitled to full freedom in research and in the publication of the results subject to the adequate performance of his or her other academic duties; (2) the faculty member is entitled to freedom in the classroom in discussing his or her subject and materials pertinent to it; (3) the Albion College faculty member is a citizen, member of a learned

profession, and a representative of an educational institution. When he or she speaks or writes as a citizen, he or she should be free from institutional censorship, or discipline, but he or she should also make every effort to indicate that he or she is not an institutional spokesperson; (4) and in working with students, faculty members are expected to recognize that students are also free to discuss pertinent subject matter in the classroom and to participate in public affairs.

For these reasons, tenured faculty are able to take more creative and untraditional approaches to teaching without having to worry about job security. It also affords them the luxury to do research or publish or express in some other way controversial ideas.

But tenure is not an all-en-

compassing security blanket.

According to the handbook, tenure can be broken "for adequate reasons related, directly and substantially, to the fitness of the faculty member in his or her professional capacity or to financial exigency or to the discontinuance of a department or program."

The criteria for the first reason for breaking tenure — the fitness of the faculty member — are moral turpitude, incompetence, or negligence. Financial exigency would involve a financial crisis, necessitating cut backs for cost-saving purposes.

The discontinuance of a department or program most often occurs when a department or program is no longer considered necessary. The most recent example is the home economics department, which was elimi-

nated in the early 1980s. According to Dorothy Kammer, secondary education program administrator and former part-time faculty member with the home economics department, no tenure was broken in this case since none of the professors were at that status.

According to William Sweeney, Wayne junior and student senator, tenure is a necessary aspect of academic life.

"I think tenure's important because most institutions have it. If Albion didn't have it we wouldn't attract good faculty members."

Yet Sweeney also sees disadvantages to the system. "I think there have been some professors who got tenure that are good professors, but we've also seen good professors denied tenure."



Photo by Joshua Bopp

Union Board presented Frank King, "The Slide Show Guy," Tuesday night in Norris 101. King travels around the country taking pictures of everyday signs, places and occurrences that have comical undertones. He then makes humorous captions for the images.

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Students' Choice Award Nomination Forms Available

Nomination forms for the first annual Students' Choice Award are available at the Kellogg Center Information Desk. Nominate your favorite professor!

This is the first and only award which allows the students to honor a faculty member of their choice. The only stipulation is that the professor teaches a course here at Albion.

The winner will be announced at the Honors Convocation and will be honored by a plaque which will hang in the Kellogg Student Center. Make your voice heard and recognize your favorite prof.! Nomination forms due February 28 at the Kellogg Center.

Ameritech Grant helps fund the Minority Student Program

A \$30,000 grant from Ameritech will be put to use for the Minority Student Program here at Albion College. The money will be used for programs, including the college's diversity days, the common reading experience and the recruitment of minority students.

"Ameritech's commitment to diversity makes possible innovative programs that have markedly enhanced the quality of life on campus and in the greater Albion community," said Preston Hicks, director of multicultural affairs.

Women's Wire Web Site

The women's wire web site (<http://women.com>) includes an interactive area, entitled, "Getting There: the Path to Cool Careers," especially designed for college students. Each month it highlights a different career. Also included is information pertaining to salary and educational requirements.

This information is also useful to men, not just women. The site has eight channels about various topics such as health, news and entertainment.

Jazz Ensemble Concert

The jazz ensemble will be performing at 8 p.m. Wednesday in Goodrich Chapel. The concert will be a tribute to Duke Ellington. All the songs being performed are by Duke Ellington and the show includes *Take the A Train* and *Don't Get Around Much Anymore*. "It's a lot of fun to play," said Emily Aten, Alpena sophomore. The concert is open and free to all students.



Photo by Joshua Bopp

Eryn Eff, Blissfield freshman, and other newly hired admissions tour guides attend a training session.

Recruiting the Class of 2001

By Josh Epstein
Staff Writer

Recruiting for the Class of 2001 has officially begun. Hordes of new faces have swarmed the campus, sizing up libraries and checking out the dorms.

The Admissions Staff is in the midst of its recruiting season. They start by purchasing the names of thousands of high school students with certain desirable credentials which are according to Evan Lipp, director of admissions, around a 3.0 G.P.A. and a 22 on the ACT, though these numbers are not written in stone.

From there the school sends out information and application materials. This is called a "college-initiated-inquiry." When a student contacts the school it is called a "student-initiated-inquiry." Albion places special importance on the high school students who contact Albion.

"If they call us, we consider them a hot prospect," Lipp said.

Albion's new web page has also generated interest from prospective students. The technology reaches many students that the college may miss with its initial mailings.

Albion's reputation usually

filters out a lot of the applications before they even reach campus. According to Lipp, when a student applies to Albion, chances are he or she has the credentials and the desire to go to college that are necessary to be successful at Albion.

"Families and high school counselors out there know what we're looking for," Lipp said. "In a lot of ways we are pre-selective."

Because of this, Albion has an acceptance rate of around 90 percent.

Along with its academic programs, the social programs on campus, some old and some brand new, are attracting new students.

The sports teams regularly bring in a significant portion of the freshmen class. For example, in 1995, 66 freshmen were invited to football camp, along with other players who walked on once the season began. This year 65 freshmen were listed on the pre-season team roster, according to Robin Hartman, director of sports information.

New additions to campus also make the recruiting process easier for the admissions office. The Kellogg Center is a major selling point. Also, the new ad-

missions building has allowed the staff to do its work without the inconveniences of the smaller building they worked in previously.

"The staff is much more efficient, more productive," Lipp said. He pointed out the architecture and the closeness to the rest of campus as other advantages to the new building.

The college also tried something new this year. On Saturday Jan. 22, during a visitation day, the admissions staff gave the students the opportunity to know that day whether or not they were accepted.

At the time the program was conceived, the goal was around 25 new applications. According to Lipp, the college received 75 R.S.V.P.s and over fifty students were reviewed and notified that day.

Lipp is not the only person impressed with the quality of students that Albion repeatedly recruits. Jessica Arneith, Naperville, Ill. senior and a tour guide for three years, has noticed changes in the students she has shown around.

"The quality of students has gone up in the last few years. Rarely do we see anyone below a 3.3G.P.A. I think it reflects the caliber of the school we attend."

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Career development makes changes to help students

By Amanda Ewing
Staff Writer

Career.

It's an intimidating word for some but with the assistance of the Career Development program, some of the mystique may be eliminated.

While the Career Development program has long been established on campus, it is currently undergoing many changes.

A newly created homepage on the world wide web makes its resources more readily available to students and employers, with such things as job listings, programs and workshops, internships, and spring recruiting opportunities.

"It is the mission of Career Development to do everything possible to make sure that a wide variety of choices are available," said Sherie Veramay, director of the program and acting dean of students. "It is also a primary goal to work diligently with students to help them develop themselves into the best possible candidates."

The first steps towards these ultimate goals is the responsibility of the students though.

Mary Katherine (MaryKay) Riske, Hanover freshman, recently took the interest inventory test called the SIGI Plus in preparation for planning her college and professional careers.

"I think it's going to help me now in deciding which direction to go," Riske said.

Like Riske, other students should take advantage of the

SIGI Plus and other interest inventory tests to provide direction.

Denise Zow, Canton senior, is one "product" of the program. As a premed student, Zow utilized the services to interview for graduate schools.

"I did a mock interview, and it helped me because I got all the jitters out before I did the real interview," she said.

Out of the seven schools she interviewed with, Zow was accepted by six, so "I must have done something right."

Laura Bogardus, associate director of the program said, "I am very proud of the level of professionalism that the Albion students exhibit."

Emily Burt, Grand Ledge senior, has also worked with the program, but expressed some dissatisfaction with it.

"I think they're trying really hard, but I think I expected more than I received," she said.

With a German major, Burt is searching for opportunities as an interpreter and felt that little recruiting was done in this area.

"They can give you very general information. I would tell people they need to do a lot of footwork on their own," she said.

Burt also added that she felt a lot of majors are overlooked. Zow supported this idea, saying that many of the events and correspondents are focused on economics majors.

"Maybe more connections can be made in areas other than that," she suggested.

While the program offers its



photo by Joshua Bopp

The office of career development is located in the former admissions house on Michigan Ave.

services to all students, as well as alumni, many may still be unclear as to exactly what those services are.

Revising resumes, drafting cover letters, providing job opportunities, and offering mock interviews are just a few of the provisions offered.

"There's a lot of that exploratory factor," Bogardus said.

Sara Shunk, Sault Ste. Marie freshman, has also taken advantage of the program. Undecided about her major and future career, she hopes to gain some

guidance and direction from the program.

"I just took the self-assessment test and from there, we'll see how things go," Shunk said.

For this semester, "spring recruiting season is just beginning and we are looking forward to high levels of employer contact," Bogardus said.

The decision-making process should not begin the second semester of the senior year, Veramay said. It should begin with setting goals and working continually to achieve them.

"Students who feel that a job or grad school program will just 'happen' are often disappointed," she said. "Those who recognize that they have a tremendous ability to impact, in a positive way, those choices which will become available to them, tend to be the most successful."

Students can check out upcoming Career Development events and programs on its web page, which can be accessed through the Albion College home page.

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OPINIONS

As We See It The Sacred World of Tenure

The issue of tenure has been a hot topic on our campus recently. It took two separate events to bring it to the forefront — the forced resignation of Lee Williams, former director of campus programs and organizations, while not a tenure-track position, and the denials of tenure for Teresa Stojkov, assistant professor of foreign languages and Patricia Visser, assistant professor of biology.

We have tried to clarify for our readers what exactly tenure entails and we even asked people in our photo-op for their opinions concerning tenure — now it's our turn.

We at *The Pleiad* feel that tenure is a necessity in order to attract and maintain quality professors but it also should not be abused or viewed merely as a vehicle for job security.

As our front page article explains, tenure is also about academic freedom for the professors and should not be thought of as only a "job for life." The academic handbook explains that tenure can be broken in certain circumstances. Interesting enough, according to a Faculty Affairs Committee member, no Albion professor has had his/her tenure broken within approximately the past 15 years.

Is this because all of our tenured professors truly deserve to remain at Albion? Do we not have any professors whose tenure is questionable? What would it take for students to voice their dissatisfaction with tenured professors? Is there anything we students can do about a tenured professor whom we feel does not deserve the position?

Many people think that once a professor is tenured, he/she is free to "coast" and does not have to meet any rigorous standards. This is not entirely true though since even after receiving tenure, professors are periodically evaluated for promotions, raises and bonuses. But we still feel that student input after tenure is awarded needs to be incorporated even more into post-tenure evaluations.

Students deserve professors who are truly dedicated to their jobs and who, once tenured, will continue to work hard for them.

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"What do you think about tenure?"



"As far as I know, none of my professors were up for tenure but I know a lot of people were upset about Stojkov."

Carrie Gilchrist, Clinton Township freshman



"Even though it's abused at times, it's a necessary tool for any institution of higher learning."

Kim Tunnicliff, director of the Gerald R. Ford Institute for Public Service



"In the case of tenure, many things need to be looked at and improved."

Jason Watts, Allegan junior



"It works and it's abused but it's difficult to think of a system without tenure because you would be at the threat of any administrator or trustee who disagreed with your point of view."

When I came to Albion, the heads of the departments were tenured for life and they ran the school and decided who got tenure. Students had no input. It seemed silly to have no student input since our major function was to teach. Now we have a process with student evaluations, with every member of the department evaluating the person, senate does separate evaluations and alums are also contacted. The real issue is over what you are allowed to say. I wouldn't want to be at an institution where everyone thought the same way. It wouldn't be very interesting."

James McCarley, chair and professor of economics and management



"It hasn't been my experience that a lot of professors abuse tenure. It provides the diverse atmosphere that Albion is looking for."

Brandon Selinsky, Northville sophomore

International Perspectives... Student provides a glimpse into Germany



By Heidrun Steinhaus
Munich, Germany senior

Heidrun Steinhaus is one of the six native speakers who came to Albion College for a year to give tutorials in her native language and attend classes that interest her and fit into the course of study she pursues at home.

I grew up in Munich, which is a very large city with approximately 1.5 million inhabitants. Contrary to its reputation, beer-drinking is not all that Munich is about.

It has a very rich cultural tradition on one hand, but it is also one of the meccas of technology and research within Europe. For example, BMW is based there, as are many other businesses whose products are famous for their quality all over the globe.

After World War II, most of the old monumental buildings that were destroyed were completely restored and now look "as good as new." Downtown Munich's most important characteristic is the "pedestrian zone," a large area comprising almost all of downtown where the use of cars and bikes is prohibited.

This provides an extremely pleasant environment and turns every shopping experience into a leisurely trip. There is no need to worry about transportation because the city provides an excellent—and affordable—public transportation system consisting of subways, trains, buses and streetcars.

The University of Munich is well-known and very renowned academically. Although it has two or three large main buildings, its institutes and various faculties are spread throughout the city.

Currently, the enrollment is at about 80,000. This makes academic life an important factor in the everyday Munich experience. By the way, going to college and grade-school is completely free in Germany—it is paid for by taxes.

Munich is also popular for its recreational

opportunities. Its proximity to the Alps makes it a great place to be in the winter for all who enjoy skiing and snowboarding and in the summer for those who like to hike or walk (and no, I don't yodel).

It is surrounded by forests and beautiful lakes, which of course get very crowded in the summer. The Alps provide very good drinking water for Munich. In fact, it was recently proven to be better than any water you can buy in bottles.

Munich's night life is vibrant, and trust me, you won't come across any oompa music. What probably prevails in nightclubs right now is techno and mainstream rock. (Techno is generally the trend in Europe.) However, going out is very expensive, and you can easily spend a fortune barhopping and dancing in just one night.

In many nightclubs it is hard to get through "the door" because your clothing might not meet with the bar's standards or the doorman's taste. But other than that, you won't get into any trouble because the drinking age is 16 for beer and 18 for hard liquor.

What I miss most about Germany, besides the food, the beer and my friends, is the sincerity of the people. Germans may seem unfriendly at first glance, just as Americans seem extremely friendly and generous, but in Germany you can depend on all your friends, and you know that they really mean what they say.

When they ask you how you're doing, it's because they want to know. Here, you can answer "bad," and the other person will say "great" and keep doing whatever it is they're doing simply because they didn't even hear you. This is not just my opinion but something I have heard from many Germans as well as Americans who went to Germany.

I am finding the Midwest a very hard place to make friends, a lot more so than Seattle, where I spent a year after getting my associate's degree. At this point, it is uncertain where I am going to end up. I study translation and interpretation, and I hope my future profession will enable me to travel all over the globe.

FEATURES

National Condom Day highlights need for safe sex

The American Social Health Association promotes safe sex through use of condoms

By Elizabeth Goodman
Editor in chief

National Condom Day? On what is supposed to be the most romantic day of the year? How appropriate!

This is apparently what the American Social Health Association felt when it decided to sponsor National Condom Day today. According to a Jan. 20 press release, ASHA is "reminding couples to love responsibly by protecting one another's sexual health."

"As a romantic occasion, Valentine's Day is an appropriate time to focus on the importance of safe sex," wrote Peggy Clarke, ASHA president. "We encourage sex partners to talk openly about the sensitive subject of sexual health and to use condoms to protect one another from sexually transmitted disease."

According to the Institute of Medicine, five of the top ten most frequently reported infectious diseases in the U.S. are sexually transmitted and in many cases, have no symptoms.

This is why it is so important to use condoms, because by using them, "you may avoid transmitting an infection that you don't even know you have," Clarke stated in the ASHA press release.

"The proper and consistent use of latex condoms...can greatly reduce a person's risk of acquiring or transmitting STDs, including HIV infection," states an August 1993, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention fact sheet, but only if they are used properly and with water-based lubricants. The fact sheet also recommends that "abstaining from sexual activity is the most effective HIV prevention strategy."

For those who choose not to abstain, the college's health services offers condoms at the cost of \$1 for a bag of ten or \$.10 each and personal lubricant is \$.25 for a small tube.

Ruth Ann Boyd, health services secretary, stressed that one can drop the payment for the condoms or lubricant into a can so no one knows you are buying them.

Describing the honor system method of paying, Boyd said, "It's better safe than sorry. One time we got a dollar coupon as payment!" Health services also offers birth control pills, which do not prevent the spread of any STD, at the cost of \$5 a month with a \$10 pap smear charge. The initial physical is free.

"We try hard to give students a break...anything we can do [price wise]. You're already spending a fortune to go here," Boyd explained. "Come in during any of our walk-in hours. Just walk in. You

don't need an appointment. Many students don't know this."

Health services also offers confidential STD testing as well as pregnancy testing. HIV testing is also offered at no charge. It is important to note though, that an HIV test is NOT a test for AIDS. According to a pamphlet, the HIV Antibody Test is simply a test for antibodies for the virus that causes AIDS, the human immunodeficiency virus.

A positive result is NOT a diagnosis of AIDS but only of the antibodies that fight HIV. A negative result does not necessarily mean that you do not have HIV because you may not have developed the antibodies to fight it yet.

According to a representative from CDC's National AIDS hotline, "thousands and thousands of people may be walking around not knowing they have HIV." This makes it impossible for the CDC to determine the exact number of people in the US infected with HIV, although they estimate the number to be between 650,000 and 900,000.

This same representative stated that from June 1981 to June 1996, there were 548,102 full blown cases of AIDS and 343,000 have died already. 274,192 (51%) of those affected were gay men; 137,753 (25%) were drug users of both sexes; 1980 (8%) were heterosexuals; 35,218 (7%) were gay men who also used drugs; 4,280 (1%) were hemophiliacs who obtained tainted blood.

In the recent year from June 1995 to June 1996, 72,416 people have been diagnosed and 31,379 have died of AIDS. This is why the CDC promotes the proper use of latex condoms during every sexual encounter.

According to the CDC representative, HIV particles can not fit through the pores of a latex condom but they can in a natural membrane condom. Condoms also go through rigorous tests before they are approved.

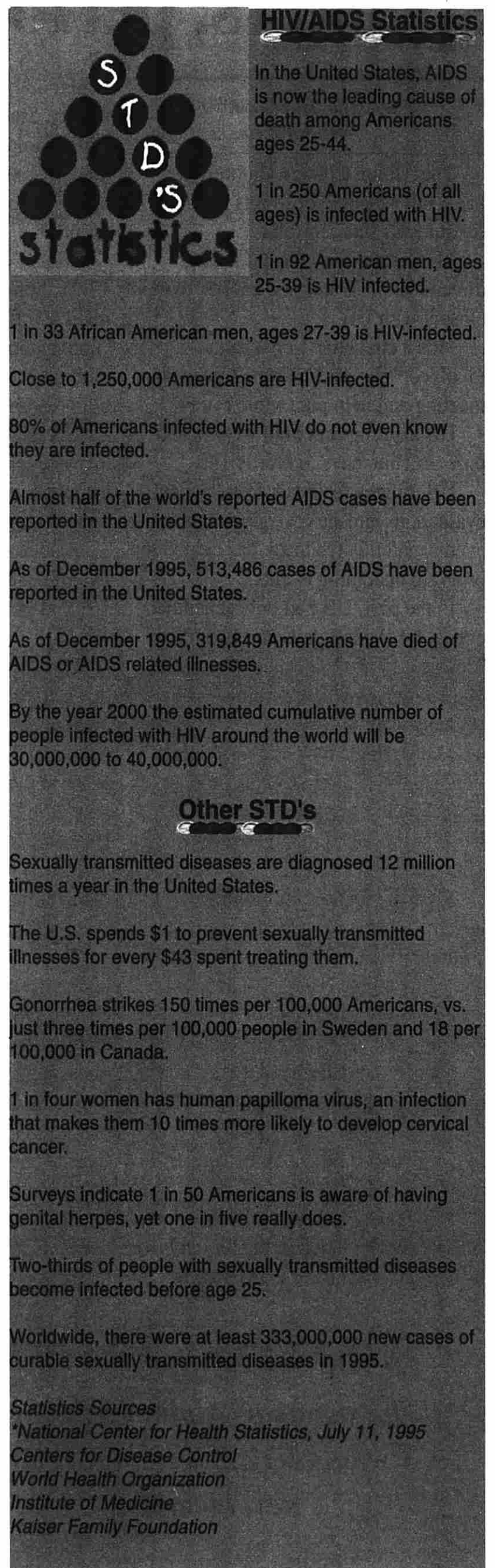
"If four condoms out of 1,000 leak, the whole batch is thrown out," stated the representative.

But just how effective are condoms at preventing HIV?

In a study from 1987 to 1991, 123 couples in which one partner had HIV used condoms effectively and every time, no partner contacted HIV.

Yet in another study among 122 couples with one partner having HIV and condoms were improperly used, 12 (10%) partners became infected.

For more information, the CDC's National AIDS Hotline can be reached 24 hours a day at 1-800-342-AIDS. The National STD Hotline is open Monday through Friday 8 a.m.-11 p.m. and can be reached at 1-800-227-8922.



HIV/AIDS Statistics

- In the United States, AIDS is now the leading cause of death among Americans ages 25-44.
- 1 in 250 Americans (of all ages) is infected with HIV.
- 1 in 92 American men, ages 25-39 is HIV infected.
- 1 in 33 African American men, ages 27-39 is HIV-infected.
- Close to 1,250,000 Americans are HIV-infected.
- 80% of Americans infected with HIV do not even know they are infected.
- Almost half of the world's reported AIDS cases have been reported in the United States.
- As of December 1995, 513,486 cases of AIDS have been reported in the United States.
- As of December 1995, 319,849 Americans have died of AIDS or AIDS related illnesses.
- By the year 2000 the estimated cumulative number of people infected with HIV around the world will be 30,000,000 to 40,000,000.

Other STD's

- Sexually transmitted diseases are diagnosed 12 million times a year in the United States.
- The U.S. spends \$1 to prevent sexually transmitted illnesses for every \$43 spent treating them.
- Gonorrhea strikes 150 times per 100,000 Americans, vs. just three times per 100,000 people in Sweden and 18 per 100,000 in Canada.
- 1 in four women has human papilloma virus, an infection that makes them 10 times more likely to develop cervical cancer.
- Surveys indicate 1 in 50 Americans is aware of having genital herpes, yet one in five really does.
- Two-thirds of people with sexually transmitted diseases become infected before age 25.
- Worldwide, there were at least 333,000,000 new cases of curable sexually transmitted diseases in 1995.

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By Jana Gray-DeVitt
Staff Writer

The Albion College Union Board has a full schedule of events planned for students this semester.

Mary-Kate Nocella, associate director of programs and events, works closely with UB.

"It's a challenge to get folks involved," she said. "Come join us at a meeting and help plan some events."

UB meetings are held weekly at 5 p.m. on Thursdays in Norris 106.

UB utilizes feedback from student evaluations and surveys given out at events, and this feedback has helped to program upcoming events.

In the past, UB had only scheduled events for Wednesdays and Saturdays. This year they are trying to change this by planning events according to what students want.

Many people have the misconception that the Kellogg Center Programming Council has taken over UB. Nocella explained that these are two separate organizations.

K.C.P.C. focuses on building specific programs geared toward the community and children, such as bingo and game nights. They also do their programming specifically for the Kellogg Center.

UB, on the other hand, focuses on planning events for college students and faculty. They also sponsor events in Norris and Baldwin Hall, aside from just the Kellogg Center.

A \$160 yearly Student Senate activity fee, included in the tuition bill, is invested into UB to plan extracur-

ricular activities for students and faculty. Student senate allocates a certain amount of money each year for these events. UB works along with an agent and outside contractors to plan events.

"Battle of the Britons" week is Feb. 17-21. Some of the events featured include inflatable sumo wrestling, "bouncy boxing," jousting, a euchre tournament, "old time photos," and a billiards tournament.

UB is sponsoring several events this weekend. Lynn Trefzger, a ventriloquist, will be performing at 8 p.m. tonight in the Stack.

Also showing is *Ghost and the Darkness*, at 10 p.m. tonight in Norris 101 and at 9 p.m. tomorrow in Norris 101.

Other big events being sponsored this semester include a bingo tournament, a billiards tournament and hypnotist Tom DeLuca, all in March. In April there is a euchre tournament, another billiards tournament, a trip to Detroit to see *Showboat*, a Clue tourney, a murder mystery and comedian Tammy Pescateli. The Jen Cohen Band will play in early May.

The Union Board office is located on the third floor of the Kellogg Center. Office hours are posted on the door for anyone who would like to make suggestions.

Union Board has a hotline at (517) 629-1298 and you can find them on the web at: "<http://www.albion.edu/fac/actv/ub/ub.htm>"

Information about upcoming events is in the display case located on the first floor of the Kellogg Center.



Photo courtesy of Union Board

Ventriloquist Lynn Trefzger and Simon, her main sidekick, are seen here. She will be performing her comedy ventriloquism act at 8 p.m. tonight in the Stack. Other characters she uses include Camelot, a lazy camel, Emily, a muppet girl and Judd Wapner, a cranky, old man. She also enjoys a lot of interaction with her audience. Trefzger brings audience members into the act and uses them as human dummies. Trefzger is a self-taught ventriloquist who writes and develops her own original routines. Her television credits include, *Good Morning America*, *The Statler Brothers Show*, *PM Magazine* and many others.

The Feb. 7 issue of *The Pleiad* made the following innacuracy:
-Kelly Garbacz's name was misspelled in the page 8 Kappa Alpha Theta ad.
The *Pleiad* regrets this error

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Senate Corner

Senate met on Monday, February 10 at 9pm in the Stack. Major issues that were taken into consideration included:

- Election of Bob Bruner and Kelli Zappas as senators
- Approval of Nicole Pontious and Chris Sanders as representatives
- Approval of recommendation to the college administration of a social tax (Student Activity Fund) exemption for off-campus students
- Tabled the amendment to the by-laws regarding the management of the Albion College Book Cooperative. This amendment would allow a member from any senate committee to serve as Manager or Co-Manager of the Book Cooperative. This position would also meet the requirements of a pet project.
- Kitt Carpenter announced his resignation as a senator and Faculty and Academic Affairs chairperson.
- There are currently two open senate seats that will be determined at the next meeting. Applications are available at the K.C. Information Desk and are due at the senate office by Sunday, February 16 at 8pm.
- The senate voted in favor of moving the meeting location back to Olin 112 for the remainder of the year due to noise in the Stack.
- Our next meeting will be Monday, February 17 at 9pm in Olin 112. ALL STUDENTS are encouraged to attend.

Hello. I'd like to take a minute of your time to introduce ourselves and our vision for the ministry God has entrusted us with for this great city. My name is Brett Hayworth and my wife is Shana. We've both been called to the ministry and have had advanced training in different areas.



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SPORTS

Sedersten aims to make physical education more respectable

By Mihaly Somers
Staff Writer

The skeleton in the corner is what grabs your attention.

"That's the 1972 Hide-and-Seek champion," Darrell Sedersten said of the plastic skeleton hanging in his office.

Sedersten, assistant professor of physical education and women's volleyball coach, came to Albion in August 1996 after a two-and-a-half year stint as a professor and coach at Edinboro University in Pa.

He began his career teaching high school in Lake Tahoe, Calif., then moved to the University of Northern Colorado where he earned his doctorate in education before moving to Edinboro and then to Albion.

"I wanted to get into college teaching," Sedersten said. "I was looking for a small school that would allow me to teach and coach."

In addition to his teaching responsibilities, Sedersten was hired as the women's volleyball coach, leading the team to a 7-20 finish for the fall season.

His goal for the team is to "make Albion proud of us."

Sedersten believes achieving that goal requires focus, an increased quality of the athlete's performance and giving the team the competitive skills needed to succeed.

Sedersten is nothing but optimistic about the team's future. He predicts that the team will make it to the NCAA in a few years and will stay there.

With much of the team graduating this

year, Sedersten is faced with training many new recruits, two of whom are six feet tall. It is a challenge he is eager to face.

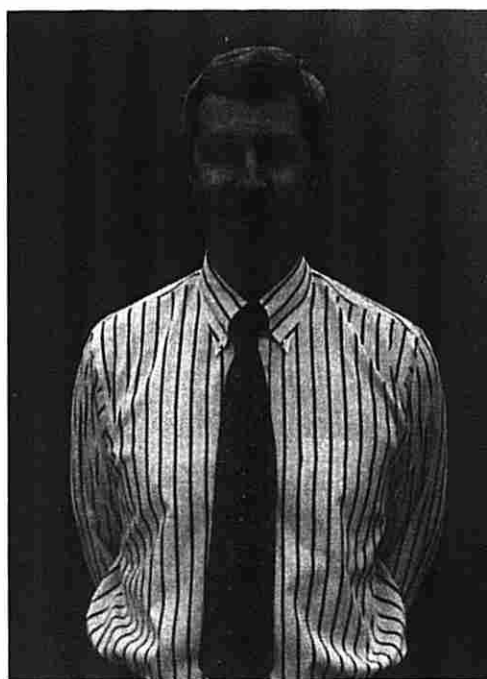


Photo by Joshua Bopp

Darrell Sedersten, assistant professor of physical education and women's volleyball coach enjoys teaching as much as he does coaching.

"My goal in life is to call a time-out and have to look up," Sedersten said.

Most important to Sedersten, though, is his role as an educator. He feels that the biggest challenge he faces is a lack of respect for his profession.

"Physical education is looked down on," Sedersten said.

He feels that physical education is seen simply as a recess activity populated by "dumb-

jock" stereotypes. He is hopeful that this will change.

According to Sedersten, his department is going through a transition from offering more than a typical physical education to offering increased athletic training education.

"There's a need for an exercise science track," Sedersten said. By teaching classes like Physical Education 211 (Anatomy and Kinesiology) and 217, 218 (Biomechanics), he feels he is working for a positive change in physical education's image.

"It's the responsibility of the department to make our own respect," Sedersten said.

"We have a bunch of really good people in this department and anyone taking our classes would benefit."

As for the future, Sedersten plans to stay with Albion "I'd love to retire from Albion," Sedersten chuckled. "If they'll have me."

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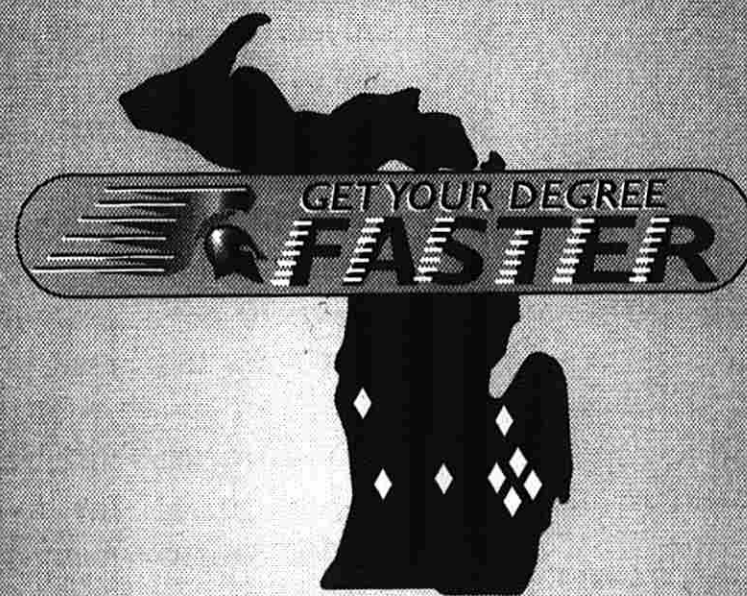
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SPORTS

Brits final efforts not enough to pull off the upset

By Zack Loeprich
Sports Editor

Albion's men's basketball team is wrapping up the '97 season in exciting fashion as they battled the league's top two teams to the final buzzer.

"I think that we played some of our best basketball in those last two games," said Mike Turner, men's head basketball coach. "We have had a much higher energy level."

Calvin entered Kresge Gymnasium with the league's second best record at 6-1 in the MIAA and 11-6 overall. Albion, out of the MIAA title picture, had hopes of revenge after Calvin defeated them in their first meeting, 82-59.

Calvin finished the first half with a five point lead, 41-36. During the second half though, Calvin started to pull away. They increased the lead to 76-62.

Albion answered with a 12-0 scoring run in the second half,

narrowed the game to a 76-74 Calvin advantage. Calvin, showing why they are MIAA title contenders, answered with two triples and solid free throw shooting down the stretch. With 32 ticks on the clock left, Calvin pulled out to a 83-79 edge.

For every Calvin basket in the final minute of play, Albion seemed to have an answer. TyQuan Lenyard, Detroit junior, tallied five of his 11 points in the final minute. He closed the gap to 83-81 with a lay up and after Calvin hit two free throws, Lenyard drilled a triple with under ten seconds to play, making the score 85-84.

Albion was out of answers though after Calvin's Brad Dykstra hit two free throws with 2.6 seconds left. Lenyard missed the a three-pointer ending the game at 87-84.

Hope College, the league's top team, came into last Saturday's game with a record of 18-2 (8-0 in the MIAA). Albion was 11-9 overall and 3-5 in the MIAA.

With relentless defense and quick ball movement, Albion jumped ahead 8-0 and kept a sizable lead for the first ten minutes of the game. Hope, ranked number one in the Great Lakes region, cut into the lead and by halftime had a 46-45 advantage. In the first half, both teams shot above 50 percent from the field.

Just as in the Calvin game, Albion found it-

self trying to come from behind in the second half. Hope jumped out to a 60-50 lead, early in the second half.

In the final five minutes of the game, Hope did not commit a single turnover. For the game, Albion had 19 turnovers to Hope's 13.

With five minutes to go in the contest, Albion started to cut into Hope's double digit lead. With 5.1 seconds on the clock, Lenyard hit a three pointer to bring Albion within two, 89-87. On the inbounds pass, Albion fouled Hope's Marc Whitford sending him to the free throw line. Whitford hit only one of two free throws, giving Albion a chance to tie with a three pointer. Bryan Sherry, Hastings senior, who went 4-6 on three pointers, missed the 22 footer, ending the contest at 90-87.

In each game, Eric DuFort, Standish senior, was the leading scorer with 25 against Hope and 23 against Calvin. Thomas (T.J.) Carnegie, Saranac senior, contributed 14 against Hope and 9 against Calvin. Sherry added eleven in each game and Lenyard added 13 against Hope and 11 in the Calvin game.

According to Turner, Lenyard has had an excellent league season. Turner also added that DuFort has had three good games in a row.

Albion has two remaining games. Olivet will play here on Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. and Albion plays at Kalamazoo on Saturday at 3 p.m.

The MIAA tournament starts on February 25. The top four teams in the conference will host play-off games.

"We want to host a play-off game instead of being on the road," Turner said.

The winner of the tournament gets an automatic bye into the division three basketball tournament.

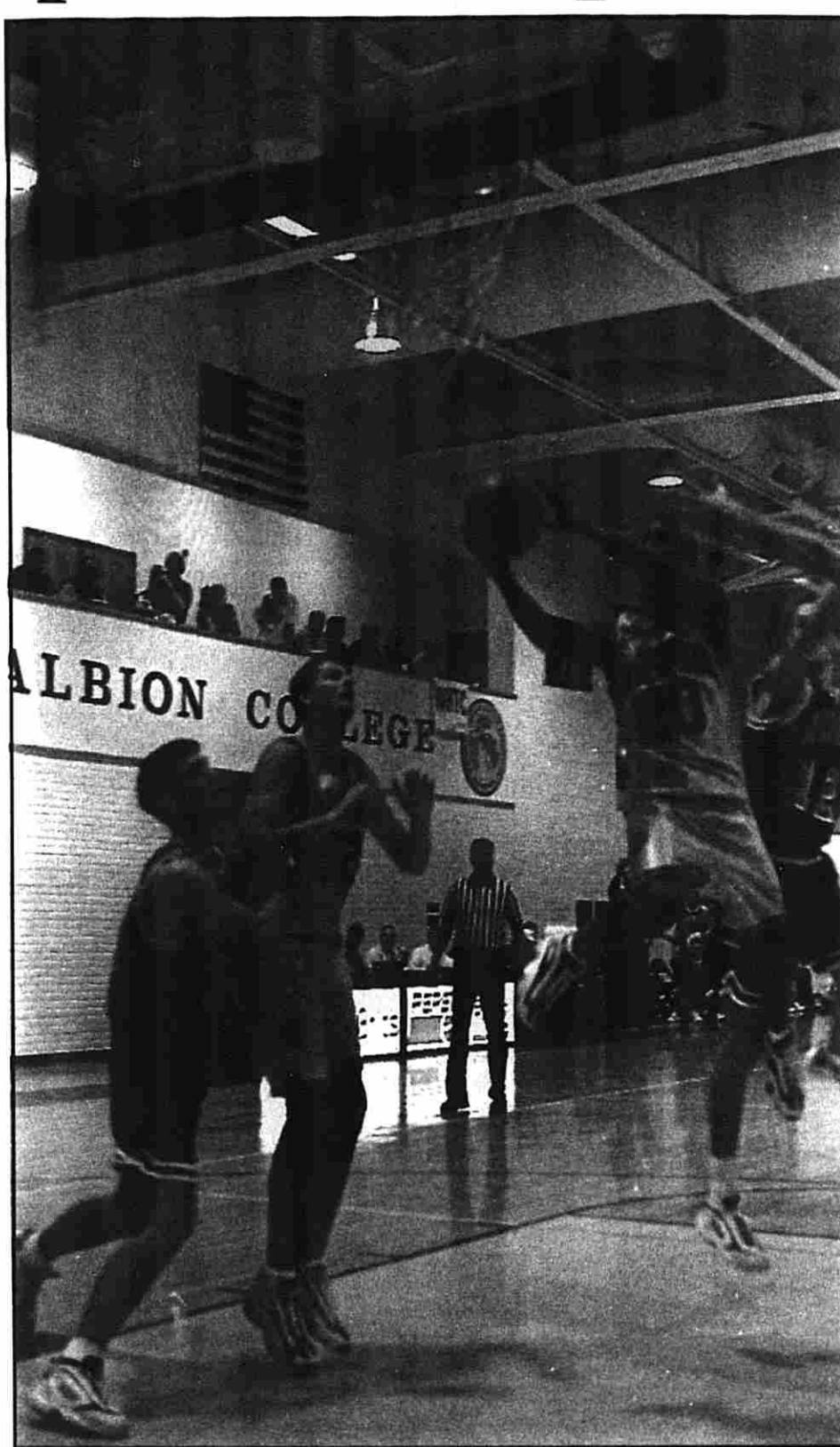


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TyQuan Lenyard, Detroit senior, takes a Hope defender to the hole to score two of his 13 points in the 90-87 loss to Hope College last Saturday. Against Hope, Lenyard went 5-7 (2-2 from three point land) from the field and lead Albion with 4 assists.



Photot by Zack Loeprich

An Albion defender goes up high to contest a shot.

This week in sports

Men's basketball:	Women's basketball:
Wed. Feb. 19 Albion vs. Olivet (home 7:30 p.m.)	Sat. Feb. 15 Albion vs. Defiance (away 3 p.m.)
Sat. Feb. 22 Albion vs. Kalamazoo (away 3 p.m.)	Wed. Feb 19 Albion vs. Olivet (away 7:30 p.m.)
Swimming/Diving: Wed. 19 - Sat. 22 MIAA Championship (at Hope College)	Sat. Feb. 22 Albion vs. Kalamazoo (home, 3 p.m.)

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