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PRESIDENTIAL TOWN HALL QUESTIONS AT THE STUDENT ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK.

SARAH SADLER
Photo Editor

There are over 467,000 students within the SUNY system. The bi-annual SUNY Student Assembly Conference works to provide and cultivate the experiences of these various students.

The most recent conference was held in Albany over this past weekend, and it gathered student leaders throughout the SUNY system to make pertinent decisions and to re-elect current positions for the 2013-14 academic year.

The conference cumulates students from across the state who serve as representatives of their student government. While at the conferences, representatives present resolutions and examples of their accomplishments throughout the semester.

One of the most significant resolutions dis-

cussed at this conference was the increase in tuition and of the student fee. Currently, students can be charged up to \$100 each semester for amenities and activities on campus that serve students. This amount can be lowered or raised by the Student Association accordingly. The student government decided that the cap amount will be raised to \$125 per semester. Fredonia charges a student fee of \$92 which will be raised to \$95.

"That's not an automatic spending increase. It's not a guarantee, it just allows student governments across the state to raise their fee up to \$25," said senior political science major Erik Coler. "This allowed student campuses to have more freedom to take control of their own activities, own costs and allowed students to have a stronger voice through their campus, including Fredonia."

The rise of the student fee will set a precedent

for the future student body and for the decisions they make.

Junior business administration management major and Student Association president Erin Dorozynski said, "It's really exciting for other schools. We're not at that point yet, so it doesn't affect us as much as other SUNY schools. It's a great way for us to support them."

A number of resolutions were passed at the conference including the removal of trays from dining areas to promote reduced waste and lower costs. In-state tuition was created in support of veterans across the country looking to attend SUNY schools. SUNY looks to provide opportuni-

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SUNY Fredonia announces tobacco free initiative

SEAN PATRICK
Staff Writer

When the atmosphere of a liberal university like that of Fredonia State is considered, one may imagine an intellectual community whose members have the freedom to do what they choose.

SUNY campuses, come Jan 2014, will implement a policy that will prohibit the use of tobacco on all SUNY campuses.

SUNY trustees hope to make campuses throughout the state healthier environments for all students.

"Tobacco use on college campuses is a known public health issue," said Chair of the University Tobacco Free Task Force Deborah Dibble. "By establishing a policy that will prohibit the use of tobacco on the SUNY Fredonia campus, we are making strides toward providing a safe, healthy, comfortable, and productive working, living and learning environment for the entire campus community."

Though Fredonia state will be tobacco free,

there are many questions up in the air. One of the primary concerns is how the policy will be enforced.

"At this time, the committee has not decided on how the policy will be enforced ... I believe that the enforcement will be similar to that of other SUNY Fredonia policies to include a warning," said Dibble. "Then a second offense would include supervisor or advisor involvement."

With this lack of enforcement, it is ambiguous as to whether or not these policies will be obeyed by the student body.

"I actually think there will be more smoking because it can't be enforced," said sophomore international studies major Claire Lunderman. "Not because of everybody being against it, but nobodies going to listen, that's their personal prerogative, and it's legal."

Smokers may be concerned as to the availability of designated smoking areas and may wonder if there are plans to set up such areas on campus.

"Possibly, but they won't be on SUNY property," said co-chair of the University Tobacco Free

Task Force Monica White.

Many student smokers approve of this policy and think that designated smoking areas would be an excellent solution and compromise.

"Having a tobacco free campus has the potential to be a good thing," said junior music business major Joshua Walker. "I used to attend the Richard Stockton College of New Jersey back in 2010-2011 ... what they did was have specified gazebos placed among campus that were used as a hotspot for students to go and have a smoke."

Walker is a smoker who supports this new policy as he recognizes the health issues that surround tobacco use. He believes a compromise is necessary to alleviate tensions between smokers and non-smokers.

SUNY Fredonia has formed the University

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Adept adjuncts

Niebel gives back to her alma mater

CARL LAM
Special to The Leader

If you have driven up Route 20, you've probably seen a little green house with a sign outside that says "Niebel Realty." Real estate doesn't really have anything to do with our university, but co-owner JoAnn Niebel is actually an adjunct professor at SUNY Fredonia.

Niebel teaches in the Department of Sociology, Anthropology, Social Work and Criminal Justice. A graduate of SUNY Fredonia, Niebel earned a degree in sociology with a concentration in social work. She went on to pursue a master's degree in social work at the University at Buffalo.

Her career in social work lasted 30 years. She then started working with the Person In Need of Supervision (PINS) program, and shortly after, she started working with the office of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities, what is now known as People with Developmental Disabilities.

"I was fortunate to be in a time when there was a big upheaval in the mental retardation developmental disability field," said Niebel. "We had a huge scandal at Willowbrook and it really changed the whole scene of the way we treat the mentally disabled in the state."

She played a part in the closing of a large facility for the mentally handicapped in Perrysburg. Niebel worked to put those people in homes rather than large hospital-like facilities. For Niebel, work became less and less about helping clients.

"I loved my work, but I got to dislike the job. It got to be so much paperwork and bureaucracy. So much time was spent doing other things other than working towards clients," she noted.

Niebel is currently a co-owner of Niebel Realty along with her husband, who upon retirement, decided to become a real estate broker. Niebel got her real estate license so she could assist her husband. She finds a similarity between working in real estate and social work.

"In a way, it can be like social work. One of the biggest investments people make is to buy a home," Niebel said. "And one of the biggest decisions is to sell it. It's kind of like working with people at a point in their life when they're making huge decisions."

In addition to her teaching position, Niebel also holds a spot on the College Council. She was appointed to the board by former Governor George Pataki in 1996 and had previously served as chair of the council for 12 years.

"It was very exciting," she said. "I was chair when [former President] Dennis Hefner first came on campus. I got to see an amazing change in the campus. I was born and raised here, so I have always seen the college as it went through different times."

Niebel said that she's seen the campus evolve

with the new addition of the science building and the renovation of the Williams Center; she says it's amazing growth for SUNY Fredonia.

Her path to teaching wasn't direct. She was asked to be an adjunct after being on the College Council. She took the opportunity and has continued to teach on a yearly basis. While she has taught other courses including the practicum and senior seminar, Niebel enjoys one class in particular.

"I found that I really wanted and like to teach Intro [to Social Work] and I like this part of it," Niebel said.

Niebel uses a textbook for her class but finds that there are alternative ways to learn about the field.

"I don't like to hear myself talk forever. You can't learn the things out a textbook that you get when you have a speaker. I like the way this is set up," she said.

Throughout the semester, Niebel brings in her former colleagues as speakers for the class. The professionals range from medical social workers to people from social services. However, Niebel does wish class sizes were a bit smaller.

"I usually end up with thirty-five to forty kids, so I don't get to know them as well as I wish I could," Niebel mentioned. "I enjoy talking to them and I like hearing their thoughts. Each time they have a speaker, they have to write me a write-up about the speaker. I get to know them kind of personally through their writing."

Niebel says that students are a part of the reason she loves teaching at her alma mater.

"I have a great respect for the students. I tell my class on the first day that people think students are here for party time but actually students have an awful lot of responsibility," said Niebel. "Carrying course work, having a part time job and belonging to club, so I have a lot of respect for the lifestyle that you lead. I love to hear what people are doing."

Niebel didn't come into college with intentions of being a sociology major. For her, it just all seemed to fall in place after a professor her dad knew suggested she take some classes in the sociology department.

She had some obstacles to overcome but has managed to do so by keeping a positive outlook on life.

"Everything doesn't always go right. You have to figure a way around it and do what you need to do. But, being in social work, you see that [there are others who] are a lot worse off than you. You get that attitude of 'I can handle this,'" she said.

Dr. Mary Carney arrived at SUNY Fredonia the same year that the social work program was being established and said that Niebel has been a part of the social work program since its inception in 1997.

"She's been an adjunct for us teaching Intro to Social Work. She's been on our advisory committee and she was instrumental with helping us with our accreditation site visits. She's been one of our biggest supporters of the program," Carney said. "And I've



COURTESY OF JOANN NIEBEL
ADJUNCT PROFESSOR JOANN NIEBEL ALSO SERVES ON THE COLLEGE COUNCIL.

been here since 1997, and I can say that we've relied on Joann's expertise. If you know her, you know she's a very giving person and she's very strong. She's very wise and I've personally gotten a lot of advice about how to see things and put things in perspective."

Frank Pagano, chair of the College Council and Niebel's successor, has high regards for Niebel and her service to the college.

"She's very effective and knowledgeable about what's going on in the college. She's been a dedicated board member to the campus and campus community," Pagano said.

After decades of experience, Niebel believes students should follow where their hearts will take them.

"They have to remember that they are important too. You can't put your whole life into a job and be careful of burnout. It was just yesterday; I was sitting right where you were sitting," Niebel said. "Life goes by pretty quick. And you really need to make the best of it. Be honest and do the work that you're meant to do."

Student Assembly conference:

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ties for veterans to get back on their feet and to promote education for all.

"It's a number of things," said Coler in regard to the conference. "It allows the students to have direct voice to the SUNY administration. We talk about real issues supporting Fredonia students."

As one of the 16th largest school systems in the nation, the SUNY Student Assembly Conference brings together those from various backgrounds and nationalities. There are various workshops that students can attend to learn about leadership and about how to improve student governments.

"It's a really great experience to be able to interact with other students from various SUNY schools," said Dorozynski. "It's a time to meet people and compare our schools to their schools and give each other ideas. It's also a really great networking experience in that sense."

Tremane Price of Elmira, NY, was elected as the SUNY Student Assembly president and is currently a graduate at the University at Albany. Price looks forward to the work he will do with his peers and the improvements he plans to make for the student experience system-wide. He wants to make sure that students' voices are heard throughout the SUNY system and state government.

Coler encouraged students to become active on campus and to speak up for what they want out of their school government.

"Get involved," said Coler. "You should learn more about where your money goes and if you're happy about it. If you aren't, you should talk to someone; make a difference. Nobody else is going to stand up for you unless you do it yourself."



COURTESY OF STUDENT ASSEMBLY FACEBOOK PAGE

SUNY Fredonia will officially be tobacco free: Continued from page A-1

Tobacco Free Task Force that has been deemed with the job of gathering student opinions, answering these previous questions and making decisions on how these policies will be applied.

“The Tobacco Free Task force was selected by Dr. Horvath,” said Dibble, “It includes members from the health center, counseling center, EAP, FSA, Residence Life, Janitorial, and three student representatives.”

Some students have met this policy with oppo-

sition. “My opinion on tobacco free is pretty negative,” said Lunderman. “I think that it’s a good idea for people who don’t smoke but designated areas for smokers is necessary because were all of age to smoke.”

The University Tobacco Free Task Force will attempt to understand these grievances and reason with smokers and non-smokers.

Students will have a chance to share their opinion with the Tobacco Free Task Force.

“Within the next week, the students, faculty and staff will be receiving a survey via email regarding SUNY Fredonia becoming a tobacco-free campus,” said Dibble. “The survey will ask questions about whether or not the person smokes or uses tobacco and inquires about what the individual might need to aid them in quitting. The survey is completely anonymous.”

The task force needs these opinions in order to make the most informed decisions possible.



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Monday April 22, 2013

Isabell Rosen, 18, was arrested for criminal possession for controlled substance in the 3rd degree. Mushrooms were in student's rooms and tested positive as a hallucinogen.



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Wednesday April 24, 2013

11:55 a.m. A wallet was found that contained two licenses. A report was filed and a traffic ticket was issued.

6:30 p.m. Bike was stolen from Reed bike rack. A report was filed.

Thursday April 25, 2013

10:40 a.m. FSA employee was being harassed by another FSA employee. A report was filed.

Friday April 25, 2013

11:59 a.m. A missing student report was filed. He was found in his room, he was fine.

Sunday April 28, 2013

4:16 a.m. Advertisements were found on vehicles in lot 11. The suspect was warned and prosecution declined.

11:10 a.m. Persons unknown used chalk on sidewalks between University Commons and Alumni Hall. A report was filed and photos were taken.

POLICE BLOTTERS

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Friday April 26, 2013

1:40 p.m. Fernando Martinez, Jr., age 22, was charged with petit larceny and criminal mischief in the 4th degree.

3:10 p.m. Zachary Tyler, age 17, was charged with petit larceny.

Saturday April 27, 2013

1:00 p.m. Katherine Husted, age 19, was issued an appearance ticket for unlawful possession of marijuana.

1:00 p.m. Chelsea Sutherlin, age 19, was issued an appearance ticket for unlawful possession of marijuana.

Sunday April 28, 2013

12:50 a.m. Nathan Jaynes, age 29, was issued an appearance ticket for open container.

Monday April 29, 2013

Lenord Pegelow, age 56, was charged with assault in the 3rd degree. He was arrested and arraigned.

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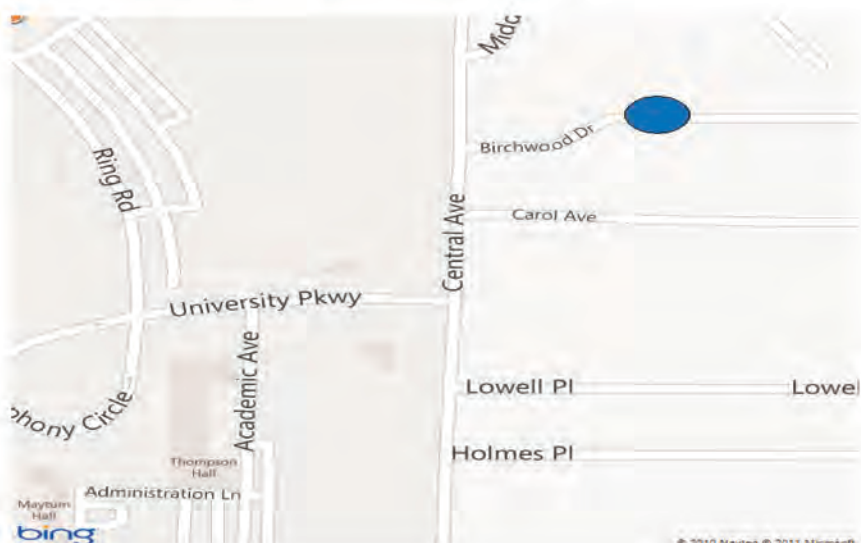
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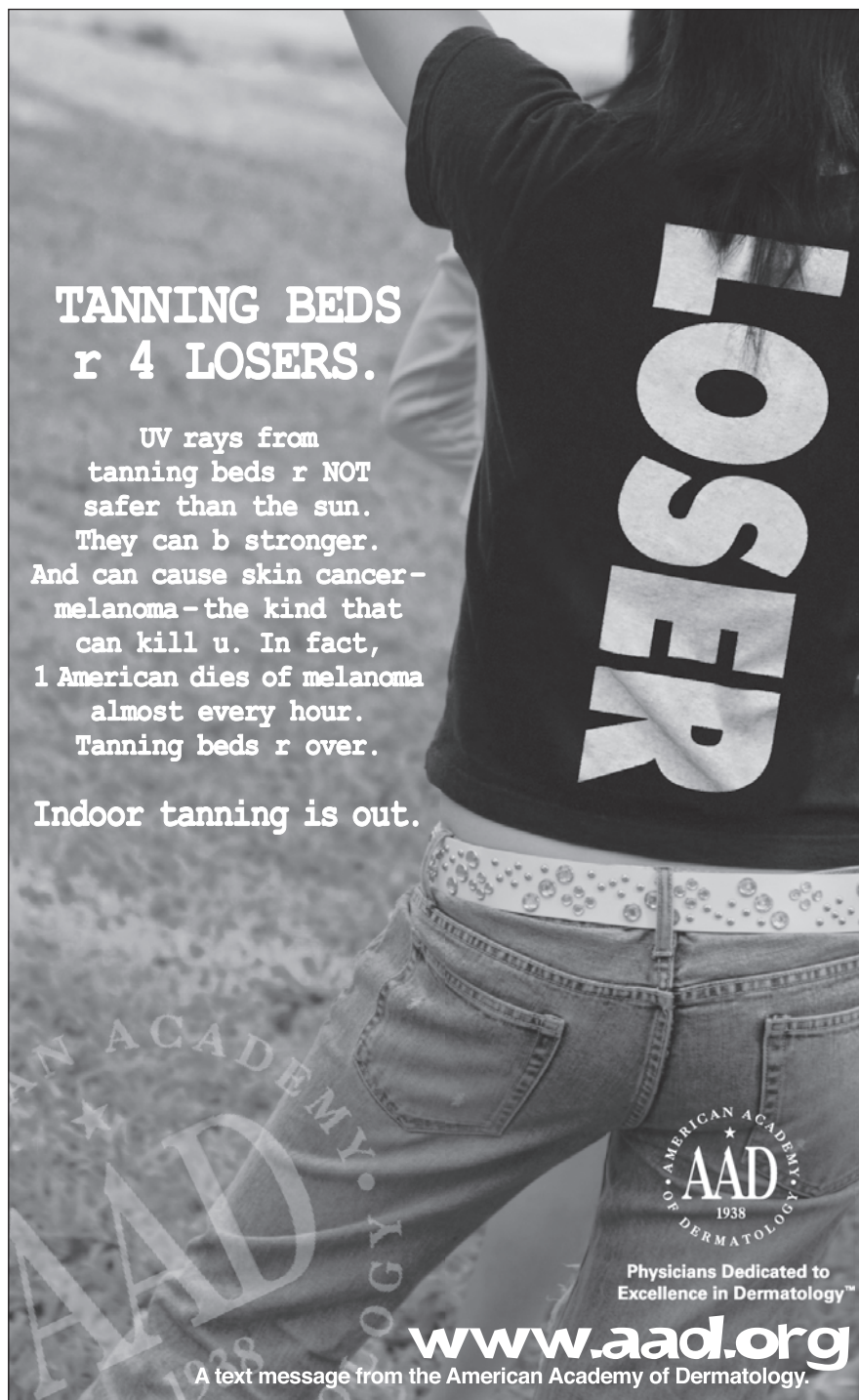
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SA wrap-up

ANDREW LENT
Special to The Leader

The second to last General Assembly meeting of the semester began at its usual time last Thursday in McEwen Hall. After a short announcement from Chelsea Patterson which described her scavenger hunt event for the student group, Enactus, which took place on Sunday, Speaker Kayleigh Cole got the meeting started by approving the consent agenda.

Both Dynamic Intonation and Psi Chi were removed from the consent agenda due to their absence. Once they were removed, the consent agenda was unanimously approved by the representatives, meaning that all groups present would be re-acknowledged or receive their requested funding.

Chief Justice Alexander Stone was next to give his report, and he announced that he will still accept letters of intent for two upcoming vacant justice positions next semester. Anyone who is interested is encouraged to contact Stone as soon as possible to secure a candidacy.

Presiding over one of her last assemblies as speaker, Kayleigh Cole quickly reminded those present that the Supreme Court Justice review is next week. While this is not normally necessary due to justices graduating, Justice Stone will remain on the court and, therefore, must have a performance review.

Cole also urged representatives to consider joining SA.

"Over the summer, push Student Association for anyone who is interested," said Cole.

Cole went on to say that new members need to be recruited from the incoming freshman class in order to fill the Student Association ranks.

Next on the agenda were a number of new statutes which were to be approved by the assembly. Last week's meeting was the first reading of the statutes. This second reading (the second time the assembly saw the statutes) traditionally consists of the verification of grammatical discrepancies and approval of the legislation. This, however, would prove to be a very non-traditional second reading.

Comptroller Chelsea Patterson presented statute F-1 to the assembly for approval, as this was the statute that had presented the most issues with wording. The wording in question was in regard to the structure of the budget statute, which stated: "Active Reserve Restricted Funds shall be deducted from available funds in the amount of no less than 7.5 percent of the fee revenue. This money will be distributed in the form of allocations and

Con and Con brought forth to the assembly during the course of the fiscal year."

Student Association General Manager Vince Gugino felt that the two words, "active reserve," in the beginning of the statute were too vague and wished to table the statute for further review.

Upon hearing this, Laura Imm was first to voice her discontent. "I'm sorry, but this is ridiculous," claimed Imm. "You had two weeks to fix this; we had two weeks. We should have figured this out beforehand."

Imm's point was that bringing up issues this late in the approval process was unacceptable. It was now clear that this was to be no normal second reading.

Laura went on to address her opinion on SA funded trips. "A lot of the schools did not allow students to use allocations funds to pay for trips that are not educational."

Imm felt that this should be considered before allowing the minimum 25 percent rule for student conferences or conventions to be struck from the final official statutes.

Chelsea Patterson responded, saying: "Groups can only request one thousand dollars, so many do pay more than the required 25 percent out of pocket for 'personal' trips."

Patterson seemed to have a valid point which rendered the rule irrelevant.

Gugino also weighed in.

"Student activity fees were meant for activities and were not necessarily meant for educational trips, so I don't entirely agree [with Laura Imm]," he said.

Gugino did, however, feel that the statutes wording in letter C, the aforementioned "active funds," should be checked. A movement was then made to unbundle the statutes, which would allow the others to pass and table the statute in question.

Justin Shanley raised his hand to speak almost immediately.

"They cannot be unbundled because they were forwarded to the committee bundled."

This meant that the entire proposed legislation would need to be tabled in order to revise the single disputed statute.

"That's not true, we've never had to do that in the past," countered Vince Gugino.

"We're looking at the entire package. Technically, when something is forwarded from committee, then we have to look at that item, nothing else," Shanley replied.

Following a prolonged period of discussion and debate among themselves, the assembly seemed to have reached an impasse. Shanley was asked to find the rule he was referencing

in writing in order to verify its existence. As he was unable to do so, thus the claim seemed to be unsubstantiated.

Cole saw her opportunity to end the stalemate. She moved quickly to unbundle the statutes, which was approved by the all voting members accept Shanley. The statutes were unbundled and the statute in question was sent back to budget rules committee for editing. The remaining statutes were then passed as the meeting breathed a collective sigh of relief that the issue had finally been resolved.

President Erin Dorozynski gave her usual address to the assembly, calling again for more involvement in SA. She went on to say that two positions will be vacant on the FSA board, which she said has "been a really great learning experience" and is an influential part of the decision making process on campus.

Dorozynski also announced that, by the end of this year, two new cabinet positions will be vacant: chair of student relations and chair of diversity relations. Dorozynski urged those interested in these positions to take action.

"Come and talk to me so we can discuss what we want to see come out of those positions in the next couple years," said Dorozynski.

Patterson gave her official report next. Patterson said that President Horvath had sent a letter approving the proposed 2012-14 SA budget. Patterson ended her report by reminding groups that next Tuesday is the meeting for constituted allocations, which eight groups will be required to attend.

Patrick Kennedy gave a short report to the assembly, saying that his survey of local businesses had been sent to the survey company to be printed.

The relatively new edition to the Dorozynski cabinet, Environmental Relations Chair Chloe Elberty, gave her report next.

Elberty began by saying, "I'm trying to put together a committee for environmentally concerned students." While it is late in the semester, Elberty hopes to get a core group established so she can hit the ground running next year. Elberty also reported that she is pushing to get a garden on campus, but has made little headway with the administration. She hopes that her committee will help her gain support for this and many other environmental issues that can be tackled on campus.

As the final order of business, Justin Dickerson was nominated for speaker of the assembly for the coming fall semester. After a series of comical nominations of graduating seniors, it was apparent that no one else was going to be nominated, which meant Dickerson will be running unopposed.

OPINION

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2012-13: Year in transition

Horvath's first year as president

When SUNY Fredonia's first female president sat down with Managing Editor Ethan Powers at the beginning of the academic year, Dr. Horvath noted two Cabinet vacancies as immediate goals to be rectified.

Horvath partly had her wish fulfilled when Stephen A. Schillo was hired as Vice President for Finance and Administration. He was formerly the Vice President for Management and Business at Duquesne University, a position he has held since 2002. Schillo will oversee an annual consolidated operating budget of more than \$103 million, as well as a variety of administrative offices such as accounting, budget, internal control, payroll and purchasing, as well as the Departments of Environmental Health and Safety, Facilities Planning, Facilities Services, the Faculty Student Association, Human Resources, Student Accounts, and University Services, which collectively employ more than 380 staff members.

Horvath and SUNY Fredonia then filled the second-highest position at the university – Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs – when Dr. Terry Brown was tied to the job. Brown has spent 24 years in the University of Wisconsin system and will oversee the Academic Affairs division, which has an annual budget of approximately \$30 million and roughly 370 faculty and staff (full-time equivalent). She will oversee the curricula and staffing of 24 academic departments. In addition, she will oversee Reed Library, Information Technology Services, Graduate Studies and Research, Lifelong Learning and Special Programs, International Education, the Learning Center, and the Registrar's Office.

Tobacco Free (announced)

Recently SUNY Chancellor Nancy Zimpher made the announcement for all of SUNY to go "Tobacco-Free"—a plan that marks SUNY as "the largest public university system in the country to adopt a comprehensive tobacco-free policy" (SUNY.edu). In the fall a committee of smokers and non-smokers will meet to discuss fair and respectful policies. SUNY Fredonia plans to be tobacco-free by Spring 2014.

Fitness Center

While initial student reaction to the highly-anticipated Fitness Center was less than spectacular (criticisms ranged from insufficient equipment to overly-cramped space), it would appear that students wishing to gain the most out of their school's athletic facilities have found an adequate balance between the two major gym areas on campus. The new Dods Fitness Center stands as a 9,000 square foot facility in the space which once housed the Dods Hall swimming pool. The area consists of a two-sided rock climbing wall with auto-belay and 107 pieces of new equipment.

Tim Hortons and the outdoor patio

An obvious aesthetic addition to campus was the patio outside of the Williams Center. The university has added chairs, couches and umbrellas in an open area where students can spend time in the sun. The patio is connected to the WNY favorite recently added to the Williams Center, Tim Hortons, and has already proven to be a prime outdoor hangout on campus.

Erie announces its closing

One of campus' most beloved dining locations is scheduled to close. This semester marks the Marketplace at Erie's last few months functioning, and its workers and frequent visitors have been forced to choose another food favorite. No more waffle Mondays, cheesy Wednesdays, painted murals or turkey dinners. The general consensus of student opinions we've collected is that Erie will surely be missed.

Trayless dining

Another major change in campus dining was Cranston's shift to trayless dining. In an attempt to reduce food and water waste, this is one step in SUNY Fredonia's efforts to be among the most environmentally friendly campuses.

Gazebo

Guided by senior class president Meagan Allers, the Class of 2013 raised the most money ever collected for a senior class challenge in the history of Fredonia. With these funds, they've added a gazebo to the patio area outside of the Williams Center which will soon display a plaque with the names of those who donated.

Maytum reopens

This fall, Maytum Hall re-opened and resumed its spot as the administrative hub of campus. Closed down for four years, students were finally able to view campus from the top floor of the tallest building in Chautauqua County.

Fred Fest headliner cancelled

This year, Fred Fest will be brought "back to its roots"—sans headliner. With \$70,000 spent each year on a headlining band, only to be followed by student complaints, the SA group decided that the funds could be best used elsewhere. This year, the event features an outdoor carnival for a more festival-like atmosphere.

What is the most notable change on campus this year?



Kayla Patrick
senior women and gender studies

"I think my favorite change is Maytum Hall opening back up. It closed my sophomore year and, as I graduate, it's nice to see everything some full circle."



Chelsea Corbett
senior social work

"My favorite change on campus has to be the Tim Hortons patio. It's an amazing outside space for enjoying the outdoors as well as events."

From the desk of...

ETHAN POWERS

MANAGING EDITOR



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Seventeen days.

It's the amount of time that SUNY Fredonia's graduating Class of 2013 now has between the publication of this article and the last step, both literally and metaphorically, of their undergraduate careers.

Naturally, this being my last "From the Desk of..." will require it to contain paragraph upon paragraph of clichéd, depressing ruminations upon the last four years I've spent at this school and how they apply in some convoluted way to the unfathomable uncertainty that lay in front of me. As much as I wanted to prevent myself against writing such a thing when I finally got to this point, I've come to the realization that hackneyed reflection is essentially all that remains when the path behind you is so trodden with life experiences, both good and bad, and the one in front is so filled with vagueness and ambiguity.

A year ago at this time, I was that person scoffing at the idea of being pensive upon graduating. I couldn't wait to be done with school and the thought of paying an institution so that I could sit in a chair for hours a day being lectured, based off a curriculum largely dictated to me by that institution, utterly repulsed me. To some degree, I still have a heavy cynicism directed at the capitalist educational system and toward the fact that it is in every regard a business, the primary concern of which is profit.

But amidst all of the other comprehensions that arrive as a result of the maturation process of becoming

a graduating senior, I'm now conscious of the fact that one's college experience is a whole lot more than tedious lecture halls, overwhelming weeks you'd like to forget and weekends you jubilantly can't remember. An education in its totality comprises more than just esoteric facts and numbers that bear little relevance to the rigors of the real world, but instead, it consists of varied concepts, philosophies, and approaches to critical thinking that remain with you long after you've closed the textbook and put the pen down.

When you come to the end of your four-year journey, even the monotonous route you take to class each day becomes an emotional trigger that initiates a recollection of deep-seated memories. You come to realize that the campus as it exists in its physical presence means more to you than brick-and-mortar boundaries. Every nook and cranny, every seemingly mundane vicinity holds greater sentimental significance depending on the eyes through which they're viewed – that classroom in Thompson where you thought about saying, "hey," but could never muster the courage, the spot in Willy C that you and your friends occupied for the better part of four years where you'd eat terrible food while laughing hysterically and forget the tribulations of your workload, or that suite room in Grissom where you slowly opened the door and locked eyes for the first time with your soul mate.

Such experiences may come to mean even more to

you when you realize that they are uniquely yours, and not yours at all. They belong to a higher collective conscious that represents the college experience as a whole, one that is shared by every student going through this same hedge maze.

We all want to know where we belong within the chaos that governs this world, whether the work we're doing now will facilitate perceived success, or whether we've chosen a path that will allow us to be remembered after we're gone.

We've all had drunken reflections during the walk home from the bar in which we've looked up at the night sky and wondered about our place amongst the infiniteness of the universe. When the pulsing of Saturday night's music has faded and when the alcoholic euphoria diminishes, we want to know who we are and become skeptical of our life situations. It's during these times that we yearn for companionship as the only antidote for the void of loneliness we feel needs to be filled. But it's worth noting that these feeling of inadequacy and underachievement are part of the human condition, and even more so, part of the college experience.

As someone who has run out of time being a "kid," with the luxury of making "dumb decisions" and chalking them up to the exuberance of childhood and the naïveté of immaturity, take it from me: relish every single moment, every single experience of the time you have left here. There is truth in the philosophy of "living for the moment." In a world that is filled with war, terrorism and disease, it's often daunting and altogether intimidating upon the thought of living in it. Yet it is this very fragility, this uncertainty that makes every moment beautiful and more importantly, worth living.

To those seeking to stay an extra semester or continue with grad school not for academic purposes, but to prolong the often lackadaisical collegiate experience or simply to treasure a few more weekends of BJ's \$1 wells or EBC's Blueberry, realize that such attempts to consume our own version of adolescent immortality are only denying the inevitable. It's our mortal nature as both humans and college students with the end always in plain sight that should be cause for appreciation for the short time we have.

I recall counting down the days until I received my diploma, and I'm now in the midst of wishing for them never to end. Absorb every second of your college existence and cherish even the crappiest of days. Time and mortality are unforgiving and indiscriminate. You will never be in this moment again.

Before you scorn the abrasive weekend warrior "bros" that live down the hall, or find insufferable the hipster intellectuals that spite them, who stay in on a Friday night to watch Italian neo-realist films, recognize and appreciate that we're all on this merry-go-round together. We simply have to have the confidence and the courage to get off when the ride stops in order to let the new riders on.



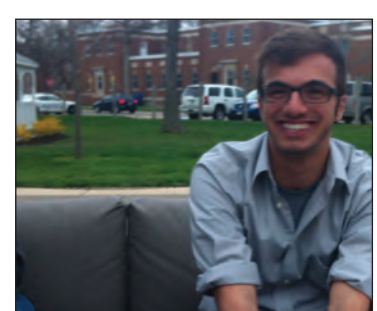
Max Woods
freshman music education

"The switch to trayless dining at Cranston has made it a task to eat there. As someone who loves to eat, it's inconvenient for me to take three trips through the crowded dining hall to get all of the food I want."



Nicole Smith
junior music business

"Campus is definitely stepping it up, with more outside areas like the patio. It just looks a lot nicer and more appealing."



Kevin Stevens
theater major

"Visually, I would say the renovations they made to the outside of Tim Hortons. In the beginning of the semester it looked like crap—just a muddy, orange, fenced-in area. And now it's actually wonderful; there's plants growing and lights and chairs and couches, and people hang out here all the time."

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African Drumming ensembles keep the beat in Rosch



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PARTICIPANTS OF THE AFRICAN DRUMMING ENSEMBLE.

JENNIFER PETERS
Staff Writer

Culture is one thing that parents always seem to say their kids do not get enough of. SUNY Fredonia certainly has its share, as last Friday night at the Rosch Recital Hall, the crowd tapped their feet to the music as the African Drumming Ensembles took the stage. These groups all brought the African culture and energy into their performances and put together fantastic music.

Tiffany Nicely, director of the African Drumming Ensembles for the last five years, has not only had the great pleasure to teach these classes but has also advised the trip to Ghana for the last two years. The trip is for three weeks of J-Term and many of her students accompanied her, though the trip is open for all students to apply.

"People experience a different type of humanity when you are in Ghana; people are so genuine and so

honest about life," Nicely said. "They don't really have as much stuff as we do. They get more caught up in friendships, so I feel it's [the Ghana trip] an opportunity to get in touch with that side of humanity, and there is no other way of doing it than actually being in another place.

"It [the classes] has so much to do with teamwork," Nicely continued. "It takes the whole group to make it work. It's also a wonderful way to touch another culture. When you are in Ghana, you get to be immersed more, but even just being in class, you're trying these rhythms from another kind of thinking."

Courtney Gfroerer, junior journalism and visual arts and new media double major, was inspired to take the beginner drumming class and learn the dancing after going on the Ghana trip.

"I wanted to study abroad somewhere I knew I wouldn't be able to do on my own," Gfroerer said. "I hope I can go back next year; I love it so much. The culture, the

people – it was amazing."

Junior music education major Katharine Van Zant has taken African Drumming for two semesters. Even though she didn't attend the trip to Ghana, she still hopes to learn more about their music and dancing through the ensemble.

"At first, it was hard picking up the rhythms because we don't read from music," Van Zant said. "We are taught by ear, but I really like the music and it's a lot of fun drumming so hopefully I'll be able to continue doing this after I graduate."

All of the different classes worked together to create unique music and entertaining dancing for the crowd. They not only brought much liveliness to the audience, but came together as a group to bring out the culture in their drumming and dancing.

Movie picks for summer kicks

SEAN LAWLER
Reverb Editor

Here we go ladies and worms, the last few weeks of glorious state schooling are upon us and it is the duty of this generation to spend its hard earned summer dollars on exorbitant movie tickets and view premium cinema. For those who have no idea where to start or are need of a little push towards the right theater, perchance this guide can be of some assistance: a numerically odd list of 11 films that should prove to be just what the director ordered.

Iron Man 3, May 3

Here to save us from the frigid banality of the winter movie season is the third movie in the Tony Stark saga and sixth in the Avengers franchise. Already garnering praise, IMDb users gave it an 8 out of 10 and Rotten Tomatoes an 89 percent, that makes it a close second to the series' inceptive picture in 2008.

The Great Gatsby, May 10

Well, it's about time. After a pre-Oscar release delay, we finally get to see Baz Luhrmann's first movie since *Moulin Rouge*. Amidst all the historical realism in movies these days,

Gatsby promises a dose of ridiculous style that should be as bright as it is refreshing.

Star Trek Into Darkness, May 17

J.J. Abrams gave himself a tough act to follow with his 2009 franchise reboot but with the addition of up and coming Brit bad guy Benedict Cumberbatch, *Into Darkness* better impress...or else face the wrath of Sean.

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Holy Schnitzel! takes stage for women's studies capstone

MAGGIE GILROY

Assistant Reverb Editor
and JAKE LESINSKI
Special to The Leader

McEwen G26 was alive with laughter Friday night as *Holy Schnitzel!* took the stage. Written, directed and designed by Nicole King, senior theatre arts major and women studies minor, the piece fulfilled King's capstone requirement for her minor.

The production was assisted by the Women Studies Program and the Performing Arts Company and featured costumes by Taylor Rae Hess and lighting by Jeremy Reimer and Meera Sinroja. Dr. Shannon McRae, director of American Studies, served as the project's faculty advisor.

King pulled from her own personal and religious background as inspiration for the play. Raised by a Jewish family, King is passionate about her background.

"I wanted to do Jewish culture because that's what I know," said King. Her curiosity for match-making was sparked by her sister's experience with a matchmaker.

"What really inspired me to do this show, I think, is my older sister ... [she] has been working with a matchmaker for the past year and a half," explained King. When she asked the matchmaker about the process behind matchmaking, the matchmaker refused to speak about it. She then called six other matchmakers who had the same reply.

"It's like some kind of secret society; matchmakers can't talk about it," said King. In addition to calling matchmakers, King joined Jewish online dating sites in order to conduct her research.

"It was so interesting, getting into the minds of all these different things and looking up research on dating itself," said King. "Going into the Torah - what does it say about dating and marriage in the Torah? How do all these other rules of Judaism play into it?"

King's research also included watching YouTube videos such as the Jewish version of the "Shit people say" video series and movies that emulate Jewish stereotypes such as *Fiddler on the Roof* and *Funny Girl*.

"I kept going to different Jewish-comedy aspects because my show's a comedy," King said. "Yes, it's educational, but it's also really funny."

The play tells the story of Rebekah Goldstein, an art student whose neighborhood matchmaker decides it's time for her to date. Rebekah (Madison Sedlor) goes on a series of equally not-so-perfect dates with the three selections from her matchmaker, Mrs. Sarah Schlein (Brittany Fischer).

Each moment of the play, Rebekah's attitude toward matchmaking never shifts from her belief that it may not be what's right for her, and the comedy just kept coming with her every line.

Luckily, Rebekah's parents are on her side the entirety of the play and offer up a great deal of comic relief throughout the production. Between a great deal of physical humor with wine and other props, there were many jokes that kept the audience laughing.

Despite the frequent laughter and witty humor, the play takes a very important look at many serious issues in Jewish culture. Rebekah's perspective on marriage and dating shows the unexpected side of matchmaking and how it can impact one's self. Any kind of arranged marriage has a negative cultural stigma in America today, so seeing the process in action can really make someone think about culture in a reflective manner.

"Each character, except for the main character Rebekah, is a hyper stereo-type of Judaism," King explained.

One scene in the play shows Rebekah's father, Dr. Shmuel Goldstein (Gregory Shepard), remi-



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REBEKAH GOLDSTEIN, PLAYED BY MADISON SEDLOR, AND DAVID BERGER, PLAYED BY JACOB SANTOS, PROFESS THEIR LOVE FOR ONE ANOTHER.

niscing of his days in matchmaking dating. The sympathy and family connection creates a positive tone throughout *Holy Schnitzel!* that changes the dynamic of the play.

Switching from a coffee shop to the family couch on set, the audience sees Rebekah in her two separate, yet equally-valued lives. The couch becomes a symbol of the togetherness of family throughout the play as many important revelations are made there. Rebekah realizes her true attraction to coffee-shop manager David Berger in a conversation after the three dates are over, and she is surrounded by her parents and Mrs. Schlein on the couch.

In certain instances, Rebekah's sister, Fraidy, also makes cameos around the couch when she is, in fact, studying abroad. Fraidy usually appeared when Rebekah opened up her laptop or cell phone and when Fraidy, played by Jane Coty, appeared from behind the curtain to read aloud the message she received from her sister. This focused on the bond siblings have when they communicate with one another and how important it can be to say things bluntly to someone you can trust. The implications of this technology in the play kept the audience on edge and expanded the emphasis on family across just one setting.

As the play drew to an uproarious close, the audience finally got to see that Rebekah happily decides to go on a date with David, played by Jacob Santos. After dating a flamboyantly self-obsessed clothing guru (Harrison Schenkel), a stingy monotone lawyer (Alexander Summerton) and a caffeine-addled young man with ADHD (Stephen Sennert), Rebekah's dating journey comes to a well-deserved halt.

The dates themselves each brought a unique flavor to the stage. They provided the audience with a variety of laughs that were enough to break the ice when the dates went south. Rebekah's strength and growth as a character showcased a phenomenal female lead who takes control of her life. The free-spirited Rebekah and her family

entertained throughout *Holy Schnitzel!* and gave quite a performance.

"I thought it was awesome," said Hannah Newman, junior dual visual arts and new media and women's and gender studies major. "It was incredibly funny and really enjoyable."

"It was definitely a different experience," said Sedlor on her work with King for her capstone. "We've been rehearsing since February so it's a very long time in rehearsal, and the show was being actually written in the process; we would change things. It was really cool because we were with the person who wrote it, so it was very different. I really liked it a lot."

The audience left the hall enlightened on Jewish culture and with a new respect for Jewish comedy.

"I think Jewish comedy is its own category from other comedy," said King. "Even though most comedians are Jewish. Let's face it, we're funny people."



THOMAS WARMBRODT/ SPECIAL TO THE LEADER
REBEKAH GOLDSTEIN, PLAYED BY MADISON SEDLOR, READING A MESSAGE FROM FRAIDY GOLDSTEIN, PLAYED BY JANE COTY, WHILE FRAIDY NARRATES IT.

Improv has new meaning after history colloquium series

COURTNEE CESTA
Special to The Leader

As the final guest of the series, Dr. Melina Esse, professor of musicology at the Eastman School of Music, presented a lecture titled, "History Repeating Itself: Poetic Improvisation and Embodied Memory in Early Nineteenth-Century Italy."

The lecture was directed toward music, theatre and art students who are interested in connections between poetic improvisation and operatic performance in nineteenth century Italy.

Esse received her degree from Berkeley University and went on to publish scholastic articles, guest lecture and present papers at conferences around the country. She is currently on scholastic leave from Eastman to finish a book on a similar topic that she presented at Fredonia.

The address highlighted the role of women improvisers in Italy and focused on the story of Corrine at Cape Miseno, a famous female improviser who celebrated Italy's greatness with lively features and animated expression in her improvisation. Women, who just stored and played back

information, represent a storehouse of knowledge, just because they were expected to have the ability.

"Within historical reasons, poetic improv is more feminine related. Men had the scientific ability but women had to have the poetic ability," said Esse.

The "improvvisatrici," as Corrine and other female improvisors were called, performed for audiences in salons and in large theatres. Their impact on culture was documented in paintings, poems and stories throughout Italian literature.

"The appealing quality of poetic improvisation is of course the female body language," said Esse. "But it is also the music and the Italian language which make the melodious poetry."

Poetic improvisation is a technique that involves memorization and a certain sense of free spirit. In a performance, the piano has a fixed accompaniment that follows a formula much like a math problem, and improvisers sing a simple, flexible melody over the top.

"I guess you could say they were the rappers of their time," joked Esse.

Esse explained how memory is important

in improvisatory poetry. Dr. Michael Markham, Fredonia School of Music professor of musicology then raised the question, "But if it's memorized, is it really improv?"

It was evident that the question of true improvisation was common for Esse, and she went on to explain how the audience looked for spontaneity in the words of the poetry, which are spoken and sung over the fixed piano line.

"It's almost like a math problem," Esse said. "The accompaniment is a slow pattern of equal phrase lengths and larger form so that it can unfold slowly and the performers have time to think."

For students who are accustomed to today's common improvisation style of scatting, it was interesting to hear that nineteenth century improvisors focused on stories of familiar myths and classic Italian stories as their basis. Accounting for the difference in content, history really is repeating itself by showing that improvisation was actually created many centuries ago.

Final PAC production takes bow in the Bartlett

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The fourth Performing Arts Company production took its final bow Sunday in the Bartlett Theatre. Entitled *Almost, Maine*, by John Ciani, it was a small piece that had a lot to say about love and the human condition.

Directed by Nicholas Gerwitz, the production featured a small cast of four BFA acting majors: Mark Diven, Brittany Bassett, Ryan Glynn and Kate Armstrong. The production also featured scenic design Cameron Caulfield and Chad Healy and lighting design by Justin Michel.

Almost, Maine tells the story of various people in the small fictional town of "Almost." While many of the characters have different backgrounds, they are all dealing with the ups and downs of love.

Each actor gave an incredibly real, raw performance that evoked a very positive response from the audience. A light, fantastical, piece the production was a wonderful way to end the PAC season.



BRITTANY GILBERT/ SPECIAL TO THE LEADER

JUNIOR BOBBY FRANTZ SWINGS FOR THE BALL AT FRIDAY'S HOME GAME AGAINST CORTLAND WHERE THE BLUE DEVILS LOST 14-3.

Movie picks for summer kicks: Continued from B-1

The Kings of Summer, May 31

The first of three youth oriented comedies to be seen this summer, *The Kings* tells the story of a group of friends who run away from home to build their own house in the woods.

Much Ado About Nothing, June 7

Two words: Joss Whedon. Need I say more? Oh, maybe that he's tackling Shakespeare the way a honey badger wrestles with a king cobra. The Bard may not be for everyone, especially when told in the original prose and shown in black and white, but with Whedon's dry sense of humor this modern recounting is worth giving a shot.

This is the End, June 12

There have been several trailers on the web for this one, including an extended red-band, and all of them left me in stitches. If the trailers do it any justice, Seth Rogen, James Franco and the rest of the guys running around Los Angeles, as themselves, during the end of the world should be one of the funniest movies to come out in recent years.

Man of Steel, June 14

After the last Superman movie flopped in 2006, I'm still weary about how director Zack Snyder and producer Christopher Nolan will handle the DC Comic icon this go around.

The Bling Ring, June 14

Here we have Emma Watson reprising her role as an American but instead of playing the troubled outcast as she did in *Perks of Being a Wallflower*, she and a group of friends galavant around L.A. thieving from Paris Hilton and her fellow brats of Hollywood. The trailer had me intrigued, maybe Watson sporting a valley girl accent will do the same for you.

Monsters University, June 21

Who didn't like *Monster's Inc.*? Unless you were born a hollow shell with ice water flowing through your veins, the first movie ranks among the best in Pixar's outstanding track record.

The Way, Way Back, July 5

The last of the three summer releases to examine the troubled lives of teenagers. This one seems to share a likeness to *The Kings of Summer*, especially with its all around quirky nature, but rather than the teen leads running away from their parents, they are forced to vacation together. This one boasts an impressive cast which includes Steve Carell, Toni Collette, Sam Rockwell, Maya Rudolph and Allison Janney.

Pacific Rim, July 12

Guillermo del Toro seems to be abandoning his trademark use of special-effect blended costuming, as seen in *Hellboy* and *Pan's Labyrinth*, for a CGI action fest. That is not to say the master of design won't do a fantastic job with the

Transformers-on-steroids story.

Those are my picks for the summer folks and my last words as editor of Reverb. Good luck out there watching excellent films, and remember, don't see a movie in a theater you don't know!



Computing a class act in Western New York



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PROFESSOR GREGORY COLE

COLIN FRANK Contributing Staff

Computer technology and software has changed the way our culture communicates, spreads information and presents media on a global scale. From MS-DOS mainframe computers to the latest 4 gigabyte internet capable mobile phones, society has experienced an exponential rise in how the its science functions.

When Steve Jobs and Steve Wozniak founded Apple Computer Inc. in the early 1980s, it gave rise to a revolutionary technology that lead to the development of an industry unlike any other. For recent college graduate and future Fredonia State adjunct professor Gregory Cole, incorporating this emerging technology into his career path would become a 30-year adventure in software, hard drives and classroom memories.

For the past five years, Cole has employed his knowledge of computer science to students of various disciplines through CS-120: Computer Science Overview. According to Fredonia State's online detailed course catalog, the course provides a "comprehensive overview of the scope and dynamics of computer science." With the catalog also recommending a background in high school level trigonometry and algebra, Cole has used its principles to engage students, mostly non-majors, in an industry which he has studied through his young adult years.

Though born in Massachusetts, Cole spent most of grade school relocating to various states on a constant basis due to his father's occupation as a hospital administrator. According to Cole, he had attended half a dozen schools by the time he was in late middle school but eventually settled with his family in Cuba, NY until his graduation from Cuba-Rushford in 1975. Afterward, Cole decided to take a nontraditional route for his education and enlisted as a part of the Army Security Agency, a branch of the Army's signal intelligence branch that was later integrated into their military intelligence component (forming the United States Army Intelligence and Security Command), despite affirmed financial support from his parents.

"I wanted to be independent and make my own life," Cole said.

Complemented by qualifying grade school test scores, Cole spent three years in writing programs for IBM 370 mainframe computers. Upon receiving top security clearance, he was stationed in Germany for his later two years of service where he used military computers to crack foreign codes and track targeted

units using these systems. After his term of duty, he returned to his hometown and worked as a local citizen until he was laid off from his company as a repercussion of Carter-era financial downfalls. His unintended extra time led him to utilize his GI bill privileges to complete his associates at Jamestown Community College in 1982.

"You just didn't have access to computers, but I knew that they needed to be learned at the time," said Cole.

He then completed his bachelor's degree at Alfred University two years later in business administration with a minor in computer science. Initially looking to pursue a career managerial finance, his plans changed dramatically when he was offered to teach computer science at the Erie II Chautauqua-Cattaraugus County BOCES school, formerly Chautauqua County BOCES, and he has been a full-time teacher since 1984. In his time, he has sought to address various advances in computer technology and how upperclassmen could most utilize its components.

His curriculum has modified from software and programming to applications and more software, shifting to hardware maintenance and networking and assessing application-based programming. Cole has made a self-described "mole mash game" similar to a whack-a-mole carnival game, a "Magic eight ball," response generator and classic style pong, all of which have been among his lesson plans.

Presently, Cole has sought to utilize GPS software to develop applications to include a "find my car" design program. Though he appreciates Apple products, having developed during his young adult years, the open source nature of android-based operating systems allows him to more frugally develop applications with students and avoid the typical licensing costs and other associated fees.

Cole adjusted his curriculum to the new era of technology seen in the 1990s while he raised his children in Western New York. He began to incorporate more physical fitness into his lifestyle, including marathon training. While keeping a morning and evening consistent gym routine, he also completed the Buffalo and Alexandria marathons from 1992-94 in content fashion.

"I wouldn't be first but always finished in the end. The events taught me about perseverance," Cole said.

In 1997, because he had to raise his third child, Cole saw a major shift in personal priorities in relation to financial security, which came through his alma mater of JCC. For the next 10 years, he made trips between the campuses as an adjunct professor in CSIT for JCC, where he taught an average of two to three courses a semester. In the fall of 2007, assistant professor Emeritus Bill Leslie recommended Cole to former department chairman Dr. Khalid Siddiqui for a teaching position in foundational courses. His CSIT-120 curriculum became a way for him to engage students and present relevant information on a higher collegiate level.

Noting that the course is not a requirement for the CSIT curriculum, Cole strived to ensure that his material can be applied with a multitude of student backgrounds.

"I was very pleased with the academic readiness of students and their discipline to do the required classwork," Cole said.

"He was a happy and genuine man who drove a motorcycle and worked in the army," said senior psychology major Joseph DeMaria, a student of Cole's from Fall 2009. "He loved to teach computer science."

Though the course is less about system mechanics and functionality, he finds it more useful to approach it from an informative standpoint and springboard for student interest.

"I teach the science of computer science. We try to keep it true to its intention and nature," said Cole.

His traditional curriculum may fulfill course objectives, but Cole has felt an obligation to keep students informed on various technology related trends and news updates. From the advances in application-based software to cloud computing and

cyber-attacks, he ensures students take note.

Aside from his new updates, Cole has attained a collection of technology related certifications and projects to keep up to date on program developments for classes. Among those collected include certified Microsoft Office Master, CompTia training cards in A+ in 2011, Network+ in 2010, current course in Security+, his department's website using Adobe Suite and Fireworks products and his use of Fredonia's ANGEL portal to organize student progress.

His concentrated emphasis on student development and personable lessons has not only gained favorable reviews from alumni students but also from educational administrations. According to a campus report archive from Fall of 2008, the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards granted Cole their official certification based on the quality of teaching standards. According to their website, by the mid 1990s, its certification was considered "the most rigorous, coveted and respected professional certification available in education."

The certification process, part of a congressionally mandated yearly report, involves multiple measures of their classroom performance, peer-reviews and blind examinations of credentials to ensure they "had successfully moved through their novice years and had reached a level of accomplishment, similar to what had existed in other major professions," as stated by the website.

As reported by *The Dunkirk Observer* in an article from February 2009, Cole became active in local government after accepting the democratic party nomination for the village of Silver Creek trustee with running mate and former trustee Anthony Borrello during that March. After being elected, Cole's party felt they would "have [had] the knowledge and expertise needed to tackle the tough sewer and water problems."

They were later voted into two-year terms. Cole received the highest of four candidates with votes in excess of 200 ballots. After his appointment, Cole said, "We want to work together with all the folks here in the community. We want to restore Silver Creek to responsible spending, positive growth, and we want to bring business back to this village."

In a later report on Nov. 26, 2011, Cole was reported to have earned the Department of Computer Science's part-time Teacher of the Year award by Chairperson Dr. Reneta Barneva, established in 2010.

"The selection is based entirely on the student evaluations of the instructor. They select their best teacher," Barneva said. The article also discusses how Cole's enthusiasm for his industry and positively memorable teaching methods in doing so is



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consistently noted by students.

The following year, Cole was once again honored with the department's teaching award at their fall open party for department students and staff, as noted in the department's annual newsletter publication. According to Barneva, Cole also fulfilled Fredonia States School Building Leadership (SBL) program, became a certified school district administrator and led local Boy Scouts in fulfilling requirements for their computer science merit badge through workshops.

"He's very supportive and cares a lot about the department. He's proud to be part of our faculty,"

Professor Gregory Cole: Continued from B-4

she said.

Combine with his memorable teaching style among teenagers and college students, locally active service has served as a way to provide a comfortably stable lifestyle for his family to flourish.

In his view, the homelife Cole often lacked while he grew up now allows him to better relate with ambivalent student situations as they arise. Being available for technological or for personal guidance allows him to connect in ways he hopes leaves a beneficial impression for student futures.

"I thought he was a great professor and helped me open up to others at a time in my life where I was nervous of other people," said senior computer science major Brian Rashty. "He is still, to this day, a good friend and a great guy to talk to."

Though he has considered helping with more department courses from his available time, upon retiring from BOCES in a few years to ensure his teacher pension funds, he is content with maintaining adjunct status.

"I intend to make more time for family, fishing, sailing and riding my motorcycle," Cole said.

Keeping current on technology certifications and instructional methods may come with some notably challenging situations but looks to a guiding motto in his endeavors: "We have to give an honest day's work for any honest day's pay and always follow the golden rule: to do unto others as you would want them to do to you."



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Fredonia seniors suffer depressing final homestand



BRITTANY GILBERT/ SPECIAL TO THE LEADER

JUNIOR BOBBY FRANTZ SWINGS FOR THE BALL AT FRIDAY'S HOME GAME AGAINST CORTLAND WHERE THE BLUE DEVILS LOST 14-3.

JOSHUA ANDRZEJEWSKI
Special to The Leader

After the cancellation of a scheduled doubleheader against D'Youville that was to be played in Fredonia, the Blue Devils had just three games last week. D'Youville's needed to make up an earlier rain-out against a division opponent and Coach Palisin's inability to find another opponent on such short notice allowed the Devils to rest up before their initial showdown with Cortland.

However, it also meant that they entered last weekend's play on a four game hiccup that likely would have been erased if they had been able to play the extremely weak D'Youville Spartans.

As Fredonia trudged to Ludwig Field last Friday, the Cortland Red Dragons arrived in much higher spirits, as they recently clinched the division title. They entered the best-of-three series as winners of 10 straight contests and emerged as winners of 13 straight by issuing demoralizing losses on Friday and Saturday.

In Friday's nine-inning game, Fredonia set the mark for their most lopsided defeat of the season for the second consecutive week. This time, they were defeated by a score of 14-3. The game featured a great deal of offense from Cortland but they received far too much help from Fredonia. The Blue Devils committed four errors to the Red Dragons, one which resulted in pitcher Sean Larson yielding six earned runs but nine total through five innings. Despite the convincing defeat, the Devils did have some bright spots, with senior Ian Gallagher going three for four with a double and two RBIs and two hits each from senior Jake Nowak and junior Conner Lorenzo.

In the doubleheader on Saturday, the Blue Devils suffered similar losses. The first game immediately got off to a bad start when Cortland DH P.J. Rinaldi hit a three-run homer at the top of the first inning. Again, the Devils helped their opponent by committing three errors, which gave the Dragons two unearned

runs. Despite the overall depressing tone of this year's Senior Day, senior Brian Sheehan accounted for two RBIs, which would prove to be Fredonia's only scoring in the first game. Fellow senior Jake Nowak, the combination pitcher and infielder, again contributed with two more hits, yet Fredonia fell with a final score of 9-2.

The final game of the series was effectively over after a five-run second inning by Cortland. However, it was scheduled for nine innings, so Cortland went on to score nine more times and had five hits go for extra bases while they gave its bench a good deal of playing time. Sheehan capped off his final appearance at Ludwig Field by going 2-3 at the plate.

At no point in any of the three games against Cortland did the Blue Devils hold a lead. Fredonia was outdone in hits – 46 to 24 – and runs – 34 to 9. Their season now depends on their ability to play mistake-free baseball against an organization that emphasizes winning over everything else. Hopefully, the fact that seniors Zach Hugg and Angelo Sciandra came away as losers of their final home starts and that the team as a whole was beaten soundly in front of its home crowd three times in a row will serve as motivation for this weekend.

Cortland (31-8) certainly has the odds stacked in their favor year after year. The Red Dragons brought 41 players to face the Blue Devils' 30. They used nine coaches and a "Director of Baseball Operations" as compared to our four and – you guessed it – zero "Directors of Baseball Operations."

Perhaps, above all else, they brought the swagger that comes from playing more baseball, having a larger pen to choose from to prevent pitcher fatigue, wearing matching cleats and having clinched the division before even facing one of their division opponents. All of this combined has given them them opportunities to obtain home-field advantage in the SUNYAC playoffs each year.

The Blue Devils (16-15) have a chance for a tune-up against Hilbert College (3-27) that will not end as of press time. It will ideally end the now seven-game losing streak and reinvigorate a

reeling team before this Friday's rematch and Saturday's second round matchup in the double-elimination tournament.

BRITTANY GILBERT/ SPECIAL TO THE LEADER
JUNIOR SEAN LARSON PITCHES AT FRIDAY'S HOME GAME AGAINST CORTLAND. THE BLUE DEVILS LOST 14-3.

Women's lacrosse looks toward SUNYAC playoffs after losses

CHRISTINA CONCEICAO
Assistant Sports Editor

Just after being ranked 14th in the nation, the highest ranking in the history of the SUNY Fredonia women's lacrosse program, the Blue Devils suffered their first season loss on Tuesday, April 23. The loss came against Brockport's Golden Eagles with a final score of 13-8.

Throughout the entire game, the Blue Devils never managed to gain the lead against the Golden Eagles. Halfway through the first half of the game, junior defender Katie Kleine came out of the game with an injury. At this point, the Blue Devils were down 4-1. With 22:31 left in the game, senior Erin Edson was able to get the score to 7-5, but that would be the closest the Blue Devils would get.

"I think that we all found it a bit disappointing," Edson said. "We had the opportunity to keep winning and, that day, it was just not in the cards."

Coming into the game, the Blue Devils were one of four remaining teams unbeaten in the

National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division III.

"I think it really helped in a way, too, though. We were able to focus on all the positive things we had done so far, and we really did have a remarkable year and are looking forward to our post-season," said senior midfielder Rachael Reinis about their first loss of the season.

The Blue Devils ended up suffering their second loss of the season on Saturday, April 27, against the Cortland Red Dragons. The loss gave the Blue Devils an overall record of 14-2 and a SUNY Athletic Conference (SUNYAC) record of 6-2. The Red Dragons improved to 16-1 overall and 8-0 in the SUNYAC.

Fredonia quickly fell behind in the game 4-0 and, early in the second half, they trailed 10-2. The Blue Devils played without their leading scorer, Katie Kleine. Kleine did not play due to a season-ending injury that she had sustained against SUNY Brockport earlier in the week.

Junior midfielder Marissa Cussins and senior

midfielder Kaila Fox were able to cut Cortland's lead down to 11-8 with 10:13 left in the game. Cortland, however, came right back and scored four straight goals. The Blue Devils lost their last regular season game 16-9. With the win, the number four ranked Red Dragons were able to claim the SUNYAC regular season title.

"I am so happy that we had a 14-2 regular season finish. It has been such a fantastic senior year, and I am looking forward to continuing it in the playoffs," said Edson.

On Friday, May 3, the Fredonia Blue Devils will take on the Geneseo Blue Knights in the SUNYAC semi-final game at 3 p.m.

"I one hundred percent believe that our team can take the SUNYAC Championship this year," said Reinis on the up-and-coming SUNYAC playoffs. "Losing Kleine is definitely a blow to our team, but we have a lot of talented players and, when we work together and pump ourselves up, we play great lacrosse."

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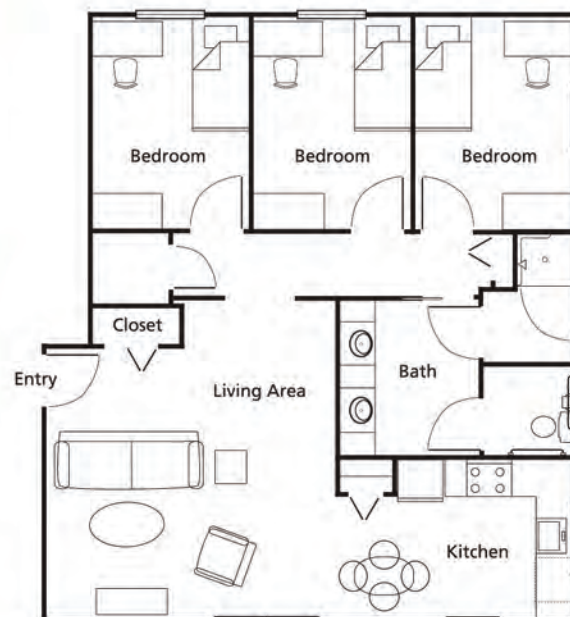
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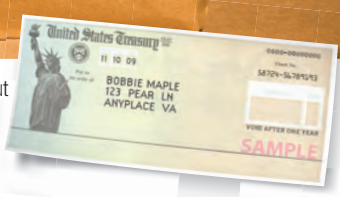
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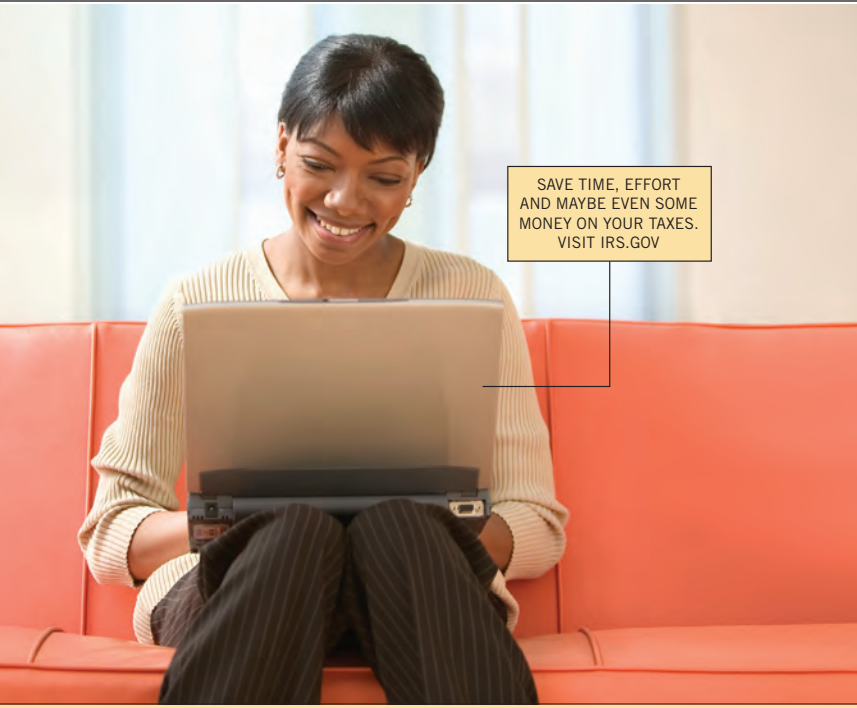


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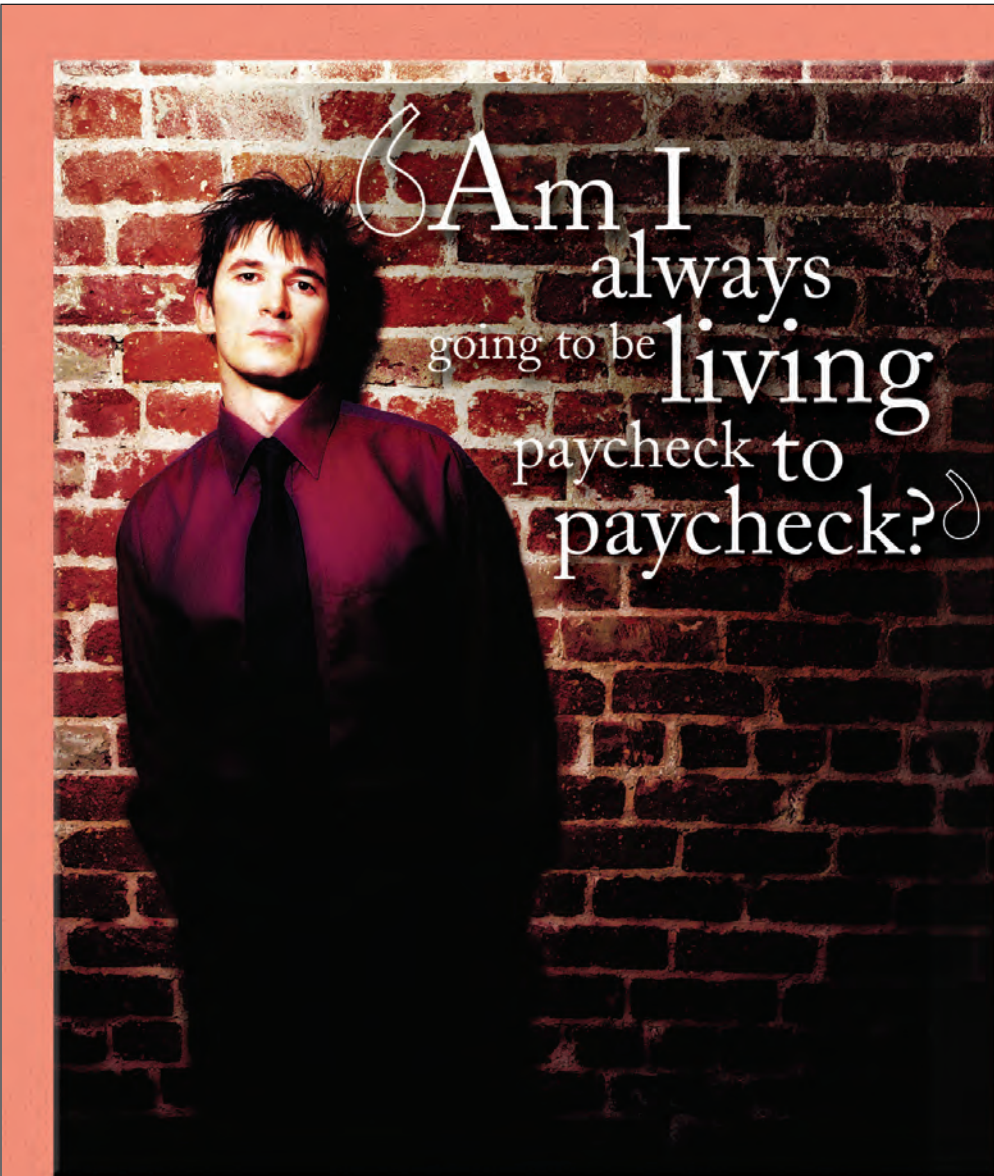
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When to say Ugg-nough to Uggs

ROBIN N STEALING
Lampoon Editor

To Ugg or not to Ugg? That is the real question facing just about everyone these days. With the weather getting warmer and then colder and then warmer and then rainy and then cold again, local Ugg enthusiasts are utterly confused.

Is there an Ugg cut-off date? When is it too warm to wear Uggs? Is it ever too warm? For those of you subscribing to an Ugg life I know you never feel you need to switch your Uggs for maybe a more breathable shoe. Sure, they look fashionable with a nice cut-off jean short, but do these typical winter boots really belong in the summer heat?

The conundrum is baffling to many. It ends up raising more questions than it could ever answer. Uggs are an essential part of living in Upstate New York. If you disagree with me, then you either:

1. Never tried a pair on
2. Are lying

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As the weather begins to change I have comprised a list of "Ugg Rules" (Hey, someone had to do it.)

1. If it's over 60 degrees, put the Uggs away
2. If it's under 60 degrees, rock those Uggs like Tyra Banks rocks a smise

It really doesn't have to be that difficult, people. Live by these fool-proof rules and you'll have happy feet for years to come.

Maybe answering the Ugg conundrum is really not that difficult. Maybe it was a matter of checking the weather before you get ready for the day or using common sense but sometimes that can be really hard. Also, what if the internet is down? Geez, we are just raising more and more questions here. So, let's leave it with this: follow the "Ugg Rules" and keep your feet happy and well ventilated.



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Hundreds of hot singles actually in Your Area, experts report

LEO FRANK
Special to The Lampoon

YOUR AREA, NY – Recent reports indicate that internet ads claiming the existence of "Hot Singles in Your Area" may ring more true than previously suspected.

"I don't know, I'd always just kind of thought that was something those pop-up ads said," one local man told us. "I thought it was just a scam, something to get you to click it and it would download a virus or something, or steal your credit card number." This sentiment was, until Monday, held by many and generally believed to be true.

A local man who asked to remain anonymous stumbled across a large colony of singles living in the woods near his home on Sunday. "I bent over to clean up after my dog and when I looked up there were maybe fifteen or

twenty hot singles kind of peeking out from behind trees and stuff," the man told reporters Monday morning.

Within mere hours, researchers from around the nation had flown in and begun running tests on the singles. Early Monday morning a team of researchers confirmed the singles were, in fact, hot, calling them "totally bang-able" and "almost all at least eights, with a decent number of total tens."

The singles seem to have been living secretly in patches of forests, storm drains and under bridges.

"They live on the fringes of civilization," one researcher said. "They seem to have been living in hiding, biding their time until the world is ready for their tight, sexy bodies."

The sidebar ads and television commercials advertising "Hot Local Singles" are, researchers now believe,

manifestations of psychic messages the hot singles have been sending out in attempts to connect with other Local Singles Like You.

We asked a team of experts for any advice they could give regarding the presence of all these hot singles in our area.

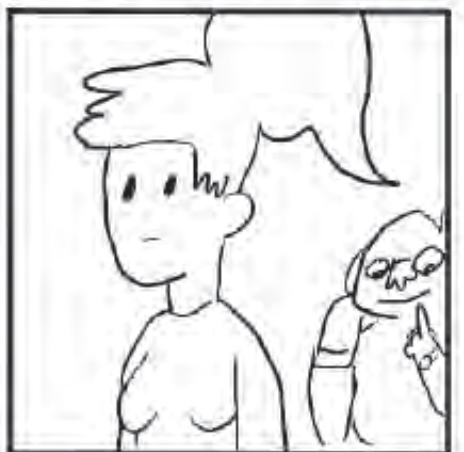
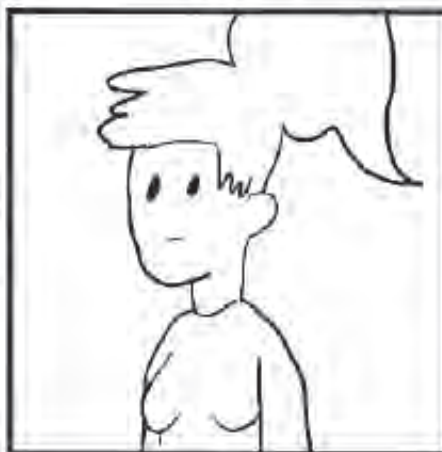
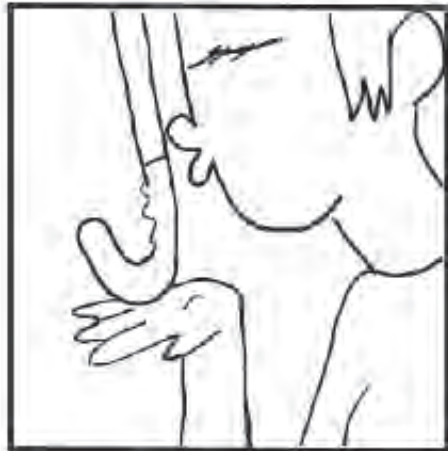
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Mason Hall:
"We should take all the assholes of the world, put them in a remote location, and tell them that they are now a country."
"That's basically Australia."

All content printed here is quoted directly from student submissions on the “Overheard at Fredonia” Facebook wall and text message submissions. All submissions are anonymous, as the names of those who have submitted and the names of the subjects are left out.