Excitement grows for Bill Nye appearance

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Three and a half hours. That’s how fast Bill Nye tickets sold out on the first day of classes. Three years ago, tickets for Yo Yo Ma’s performance at the university also sold out like hotcakes — but not in three hours.

“There was a great demand for tickets,” said Allison Barry, Ticket Office Manager.

Because of that great demand, as well as people’s excitement for the science guy, an additional 2,600 tickets went on sale (free of charge) Thursday, Sept. 4. They will continue to be available until Nye’s appearance on Sept. 18, or until they’re sold out.

According to Barry, King Concert Hall fits about 1,100 people, whereas the Steele Hall Field House will fit 4,000. The university student population is approximately 5,000 students; 4,000 seats is room for 80% of the total student population.

The convocation committee was in charge of making the decision to have additional tickets and change the location to Steel Hall Field House.

“It was a collaborative decision,” said Dawn Eckenrode, member of the convocation committee, speaking of the collaboration between the committee as well as President Horvath.

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Professional Development Day:

With just a glance at the academic calendar, many people have noticed an extra day off from classes on Wednesday, Sept. 17. See story on page A-2

Frerich’s book added to Rare Book Collection:

Shale, written by Fredonia’s Professor Timothy Frerichs of the Department of Visual Arts and New Media, has been added to the Buffalo & Erie County Public Library Rare Book Collection. See story on page B-2

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The ribbon-cutting ceremony for the University Village Townhouses, which took place on Sept. 3, could not have been held on a more beautiful day. The blue sky and sunshine complemented the pristine buildings and bright landscaping within the new complex.

“We prayed for weather last night and look what happened,” said Vice President of Student Affairs, Dr. David Herman, during his speech at the ceremony. “It’s just a gorgeous day.”

Many were in attendance including residence directors and residence assistants from the other residential buildings, faculty and students.

“I think that University Village is a huge deal,” said Jordan Holmes, a junior Spanish adolescent education major, who attended the ceremony.

“In reality, Fredonia is on the move. And the construction of the townhouses is just the latest evidence of Fredonia’s continuing pattern of being one of the top colleges in the nation in terms of student quality, outcomes, rankings and value,” said New York State Assemblyman of the 150th district, Andy Goodell.

“...and what you are sitting around is not only an attractive building complex, but one that is state-of-the-art in terms of energy efficiency and design standards.”

Besides Herman and Goodell, other speakers at the ceremony were Fredonia President Dr. Virginia Horvath; College Council Chair Frank Pagano; Student Association President Antonio Regulier; Lisa Vanstrom, who was speaking on behalf of New York State Senator Catharine Young of the 57th district; Craig Jensen from Chaintreuil Jensen Stark Architects; and Senior Director of Public Construction of the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York (DASNY) Paul Koopman.

Fredonia Mayor Stephen Keefe was also in attendance.

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**Fredonia enrollment hits low point**

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The topic of enrollment has always been a touchy subject on college campuses. With the rising cost of college and the uncertainty of the job market, many colleges are feeling the weight, or lack thereof, of their students.

Fredonia is no exception.

The University has experienced a drop in enrollment since 2009, when enrollment was at its highest at 5,775 total students. Since then the school has seen a decrease, dropping to its lowest point at Fall 2014 to 5,246, divided between 4,970 undergrads and 276 graduates. Dr. David Herman, Vice President of Student Affairs, recognizes this drop but realizes that the main factor isn’t something he can control.

“This is very a sensitive topic. You can have a slight decline in enrollment, but we knew we were going to have a slight decline in enrollment because of the demographics. There just aren’t that many graduates in Western New York,” said Herman.

While many people might see this as an alarming trend, certain faculty members see the growth within certain demographics as step in the right direction.

“With an increased emphasis at Fredonia regarding internationalization, we have now created a campus team that includes both academic and staff working hand in hand to attract and enroll more international students to Fredonia. We’re also in the midst of creating stronger ties with international agency recruiters like KORUS in South Korea along with creating new partnership agreements with top high schools in both Korea and China,” said Daniel Tramuta, Associate Vice President for Enrollment Services.

“We’ve known that these demographics were going to happen. So what accounts for these changes? Economically college is expensive. Fredonia won’t leave you in hundreds of thousands of dollars in debt, but some students do have loans. There is the mix of majors. The number of students going into education has declined, but the number of students going into the STEM field (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) has increased. If headlines say that ‘enrollment decreases,’ that’s not true, because some areas are seen as more competitive,” said Dr. Bond Benton.

To counteract this drop, Fredonia has implemented programs to attract students from other areas of New York and out-of-state.

“Our recruitment strategy within New York State is being driven by looking to grow applications in all of our downtown territories, extending from Albany east. We’ve seen an increase in both accepted and enrolled new students nationwide due to our increased Fredonia’s presence at high schools and college fair programs. We’ve also become more data driven in our strategic work with our recruitment officers in developing presentations and personalized emails to prospective students, parents, along with high school counselors in order to identify more geographic areas outside of our primary and tertiary markets that we desire to grow in as well as trying to increase our brand awareness,” said Tramuta.

While Fredonia is making strides in new areas, it has not forgotten its core.

“We are recruiting more internationally; we are trying to improve our graduate enrollment. We’re trying to get connected to the Buffalo Say Yes program. We now have 50 to 60 Say Yes students here at Fredonia. We’ve updated the Williams Center, the Fitness Center. We have a great music program, we are making some changes to the dining program and we have a great common room,” said Herman.

Even though the numbers might tell a slightly upsetting story, some find it easy to boast in the progress made.

“We feel Fredonia has become more appealing than ever, even though the numbers might tell a slightly noticeable story, some find it easy to boast in the progress made. With just a glance at the academic calendar, many people have noticed an extra day off from classes on Wednesday, Sept. 17. Labeled simply as ‘Professional Development Day,’ this day off has left much of the campus wondering what it is and why it is on the calendar to begin with. ‘This has been in the works for about five years,’ said Fredonia President Virginia Horvath. ‘The Academic Committee wanted to build a day into the calendar so that both faculty and staff would be free to have a day to come together.’

A chance for the betterment of Fredonia’s faculty and staff as a whole, Professional Development Day will consist of workshops, meetings and presentations focused on the idea of helping students succeed.

However, some people are skeptical of taking away a day of education is really of much benefit to the students. ‘I think that the nature of the academic year makes reflection and the sharing of resources among our faculty and staff a bit of a challenge,’ said Dr. Bond Benton, assistant professor of communication. ‘We’re all so busy getting our content in, grading, doing research and service on campus. We have all of these people who can share so much with each other. I think it’s wonderful that we’ll have an opportunity to do so. That knowledge will undoubtedly make for better classes and better student experience.’

In addition to the programs being held for faculty and staff, programs for students will also be available in the afternoon.

“This is the first Professional Development Day we have done at Fredonia,” said Dawn Eckenrode, Director of the Professional Development Center. ‘We are really excited to bring this opportunity to our faculty, staff and students. Our theme for the year is “Framing the Future: Teaching, Learning, Advancing.” We will have a keynote speaker and local campus experts give presentations on topics related to ways we can help our students succeed and retain the things we teach them.”

Along with Benton, the presenting Fredonia faculty and staff include Provost of Academic Affairs Dr. Terry Brown, criminal justice professor Dr. Daniela Peterka-Benton, as well as others.

Benton, alongside Peterka-Benton, will be presenting a session on international and intercultural students and education. ‘I think [the presentation] can help people better understand how the college experience is conceived of differently in different cultures and countries,” said Benton. “For example, some cultures see college as an experience where experts lecture on a topic. The interactive nature of American higher education can be a tough adjustment.”

In the Fall of 2013, 2.6% of Fredonia’s student population were international students. ‘I think that many professors are very proficient in dealing with international students,” said Bond. ‘We have a wealth of international experience at Fredonia. I think that experience can be leveraged in a way that helps international students have an even better experience on campus. I also think that more dialogue can help people with less experience with international students better understand their unique needs.”

Dr. Roxanne Cullen, the keynote speaker, is a Professor of English at Ferris State University. She has co-authored two books that focus on learner-centered education, one of the several larger topics that will be discussed during Professional Development Day.

Cullen will be giving the first morning presentation, titled “Transformative Learning Experience.”

“We are really going to focus on what we could all be doing that would help our students,” said Horvath. “We will look at how to design things, be it in student affairs, residence halls, or a classroom, to help students learn and retain the things that we teach them.”

Several presentations will be held for faculty and staff over the course of the day. Students should note that there may be limited services available for some campus offices on Professional Development Day.

**Reed Library Workshops for September**

9/2 Google Apps for Success
9/3 Using the Library Catalog
9/9 Google Sites for Web Publishing
9/10 Advanced Library Searching
9/16 Microsoft Word for Formatting Papers
9/17 Google Scholar: Finding Pearls of Wisdom
9/24 Is This Plagiarism?
9/23 Using Online Presentation Tools
9/30 Using Ebooks

check dates/times - www.fredonia.edu/library
Randy Gadikian remembers exactly where he was upon hearing the news of the Sept. 11, 2001 Terror Attacks.

“I was standing outside the library,” Gadikian said. “It was a nice, sunny day and it was windy.”

News of the attack motivated Gadikian and the library staff to organize “Meet Me in the Stairwell,” an annual event commemorating the attacks. It will resume this year on Sept. 11 at 8:30 a.m. in the Carnahan-Jackson Center Library Atrium in Reed Library.

“It was just the desire to do something, to memorialize the event somehow, memorialize 9/11 and not just treat it as another day,” Gadikian said of the inspiration for the event.

“Meet Me in the Stairwell” began on on Sept. 11, 2002, the first anniversary of the attacks. It was initially organized by Mary Lou DeWolf, Gadikian’s secretary at the time, and currently Head of Circulation, and Sandra Miller of Archives and Special Collections.

“It’s a big part of history and, even though it’s tragic, I think it’s something that should be remembered,” Miller said. “People should be remembered all the time.”

Gadikian explains that “Meet Me in the Stairwell,” was inspired by a famous phrase from the attacks. The phrase originates from a story surrounding the victims in the second tower, who were forced to exit out of a single stairwell in the core of the building. As there was only one stairwell, and it was the safest spot in the building, it became a meeting place, and the phrase “meet me in the stairwell” was common between escapees. Gadikian has pulled from his own personal experience as well, including relationships with friends and students who had lost loved ones in the attack.

“At the time, it seemed like everyone knew someone, who knew someone who lost a family member, a friend in 9/11.” Gadikian said.

Participants will assemble at 8:30 a.m., with a moment of silence at 8:45 a.m., in order to coincide with the 8:46 a.m. time that the North Tower of the World Trade Center Complex, the first tower struck, was hit by American Airlines Flight 11.

“Meet Me in the Stairwell” will open with a speech by Gadikian, followed by a moment of silence and a hand squeeze up and down the stairwell in the Carnahan-Jackson Center Atrium staircase.

A lack of publicity has caused low turnout for the event in previous years; however, Miller and Gadikian have continued to hold the event despite this. “Every once in a while you’re tempted to say ‘we didn’t get a very good turn-out; maybe we won’t do this,’” Gadikian said, “and then a student or an employee will come up to you afterward and they’ll thank you for doing it. The stories you get are amazing.”

Gadikian recalled “Meet Me in the Stairwell” from two years ago, which drew a student’s father who had served as a firefighter on Sept. 11, 2001.

“He was here in his uniform,” Gadikian explained. “That was kind of neat. Really touching.”

Past years have included a music performance as well as an art display. Gadikian emphasizes that although he gives the speech in the beginning of the program, the real work is done by Wolf and Miller.

“I hope a lot of students come,” Gadikian said of this year’s event. “Some of them will feel very removed from it, because it’s not part of their current awareness or psyche. But these things happen and I don’t think we can ever forget that.”
University

Tuesday, Sept. 2, 2014
9:00 p.m. A credit card was found in Cranston. A report was filed.

Wednesday, Sept. 3, 2014
5:30 a.m. A hockey bag was found in lot 10. A message was left for the owner.
1:30 p.m. A Samsung Galaxy player was found in Centre Pointe. A report was filed and the owner was notified.

Thursday, Sept. 4, 2014
9:30 a.m. Concrete forms were stolen from the townhouse project. A report was filed.
1:53 p.m. An LG cell phone, an iPhone 4 and an iPod Nano were found in the University Bookstore. A report was filed.
11:22 p.m. An iPhone was found in the Williams Center. A report was filed.

Friday, Sept. 5, 2014
8:00 a.m. A class ring was found in Reed Library. A report was filed.
8:59 a.m. There was a fire in the LoGrasso basement. A report was filed and the Fredonia Fire Department was notified.
11:00 a.m. Car keys were found in Houghton. A report was filed and the keys were claimed by the owner.
1:00 p.m. Formica panels were stolen from the University Village Townhouse project. A report was filed.
10:45 p.m. Keys were found at the Williams Center bus stop. A report was filed.

Saturday, Sept. 6, 2014
1:58 a.m. University Police assisted an intoxicated female on Temple Street and drove her to her home. A report was filed.
4:12 p.m. University Police assisted the Fredonia Police Department during the stripsearch of a female.
4:40 p.m. Earrings and a pendant were turned in to University Police. A report was filed.
9:06 p.m. A driver’s license was turned in to the front desk at Grissom. A report was filed.
9:44 p.m. A debit card was found at University Stadium. A report was filed.
10:31 p.m. An orange HTC phone was found in Kasling. A report was filed and the phone is temporarily being held as evidence.

Sunday, Sept. 7, 2014
3:10 a.m. Sara F. Butler was arrested on charges of criminal mischief and disorderly conduct for killing a vending machine and spraying a fire extinguisher while intoxicated. A report was filed, pictures were taken and an appearance ticket was issued.
1:07 p.m. A student vehicle was hit while parked in lot 26. A report was filed and pictures were taken at the scene.
5:36 p.m. While intoxicated, a student was coerced into having sex by another student. A report was filed, a statement was taken and the victim refused prosecution.

Fredonia

Monday, September 1, 2014
12:50 a.m. Steven R. Hamlin, age 18, was issued appearance tickets for unlawful possession of alcohol, open container and littering.
10:35 a.m. Ivan Hverta, age 18, was issued a traffic ticket for speeding.
Nicholas L. Stott, age 23, was issued an appearance ticket for violating the noise ordinance.

Wednesday, Sept 3, 2014
Daniel Flori, age 18, was issued an appearance ticket for unlawful possession of marijuana.
Eleah J. Peal, age 21, was issued an appearance ticket for unlawful possession of marijuana.
Sean Stewart, age 19, was issued an appearance ticket for unlawful possession of marijuana.
Alexander M. Wilson, age 19, was issued an appearance ticket for unlawful possession of marijuana.
10:30 p.m. Brendan Baynes, age 23, was issued an appearance ticket for unlawful possession of marijuana.
10:30 p.m. Jonathan Graham, age 23, was issued an appearance ticket for unlawful possession of marijuana.
10:30 Imoni Cole-Palmer was issued an appearance ticket for unlawful possession of marijuana.

Thursday, September 4, 2014
3:38 p.m. Emily G. Honeyman was issued a traffic ticket for passing a school bus.

Friday, September 5, 2014
1:25 a.m. Daniel G. Love, age 19, was issued an appearance ticket for disorderly conduct.
Christopher M. Wnuk, age 22, was issued an appearance ticket for open container.

Saturday, September 6, 2014
11:27 p.m. Robert P. Lyles, age 19, was in violation of the noise ordinance.
11:27 p.m. Decosta Webber-Ray, age 21, was in violation of the noise ordinance, unlawful possession of marijuana, and obstruction of government administration.
11:30 p.m. Alexandra K. Gelinus, age 18, was issued an appearance ticket for littering.
11:58 Julian J. Hernandez was issued appearance tickets for open container and underage possession of alcohol.
11:58 p.m. Christina R. Weimer, age 20, was issued an appearance ticket for underage possession of alcohol.
11:58 p.m. Patrick D. Brierly, age 20, was issued an appearance ticket for underage possession of alcohol.

Sunday, September 7, 2014
12:15 a.m. Ryan M. Hasselkus, age 22, was issued an appearance ticket for open container.
1:10 a.m. Steven Merry, age 22, was held for criminal possession of a controlled substance and resisting arrest.
5:28 a.m. Jaime Gonzalez, age 52, was held for harassment in the second degree, criminal mischief in the fourth degree and criminal obstruction of breathing.
He didn’t make a speech, but he did assist in cutting the ribbon.

“This has been a dream of the campus’s for at least all the years that I’ve been here, and I’ve been here since 2005,” said Horvath during the ceremony. “And we’ve talked about having space on campus for students to experience the joy and the education that they can get from independent living as part of their college experience in the convenience and safety of university housing.”

The dream has become a reality and both the university and the Village of Fredonia have high hopes for the effects the townhouses will have.

Even though Keefe wants to promote the Village of Fredonia and have students move into downtown housing options, he thinks competition from University Village will be beneficial. After the ceremony, Keefe explained how he hopes the creation of University Village will encourage landlords downtown to maintain the upkeep of their own units.

During his speech, Herman also explained how he hopes the creation of University Village will attract more students to the university.

“We started planning [University Village] a long time ago when we were maxed out on enrollment and we had many, many students coming from other countries,” said Herman. “We hope that [the townhouses] will help us get back to those levels.”

Throughout the different speeches, there was an emphasis on how University Village is a partnership between the students and the university. To display this relationship, not only did Regulier speak on behalf of the students and the Student Association, he also assisted in the cutting of the ribbon.

“During my four years here, Fredonia has changed significantly. First came Dod’s fitness center, then the new science building and now, the village townhouses,” said Regulier during his speech. “Believe me when I tell you, I’m just a little jealous because the freshmen and incoming will have a lot more time than I will have [with this facility].”

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Bill Nye tickets: continued from page A-1

According to Eckenrode, “Quite a few, close to 4,000 because the Steele Hall Field House can fit about 4,000 people.”

But was the committee surprised to find out that the tickets sold out that fast? “Kind of, but kind of not. I wasn’t shocked because it [Bill Nye] is a big name. People were excited about him,” said Eckenrode.

It was easy to spot students who were coming to the Ticket Office to buy Bill Nye’s ticket after the second sale began. Ji Hye Jung, a senior business marketing major, was getting a ticket at the Ticket Office.

“I didn’t even know that the ticket was on sale. But a friend of mine told me about the event and recommended that I go. I’m so excited to be there!” said Jung.

In just two days, 1,200 additional tickets were sold after the second release. The tickets are still free, but there is $3.00 processing fee per phone order. To place a ticket order by phone, call (716) 673-3501.
LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Wednesday September 10, 2014

Trashing Canadaway Creek

Canadaway Creek flows north between Chestnut and Temple Streets, a short hike from our fair campus. It is a scenic treasure and valued economic resource with headwaters in the Allegheny escarpment, eventually rolling through the ancient glacial lake plain to empty into Lake Erie near the northern terminus of Temple Street. As far back as the founding of Fredonia, in the early 19th century, it has provided the power for some eighteen mills, and some factories. The creek also serves as a pleasant venue for hikers, waders, fishermen, birders, adjacent homeowners and others who value it for its beauty and vital role in the natural ecology. Historically, Canadaway was the site of the first natural gas well in the U.S. (1821; William Harr, commemorated on a plaque where Fredonia’s Main Street (U.S. Rt. 20) crosses the creek.

Unfortunately, there exists in our community a cohort of miscreants who have abused the beauty and sanctity of Canadaway by leaving voluminous piles of trash along its bank and tossed into its waters. I refer to student revelers who carelessly scatter beer cans and bottles, other varieties of plastic bottles, bags, paper wrappers, cigarette boxes and cigar wrappers, plastic cups, and … well, you get the idea. It is also obvious from the debris stream that other stimulants anddowners besides alcohol are being consumed at parties that may start in the early afternoon and continue long through the night. Inclement weather does not slow the party fever, and parties occur during all twelve months of the year, although frequency noticeably slows during summer when most students have departed the area. As if the litter problem were not a concern in and of itself, we submit that it is only a matter of time before some intoxicated and uninhibited undergrad is swept away to their death or serious injury after diving into the mostly shallow water from a cliff, or while challenging the power of rushing high-water currents. These so-far hypothetical events would be tragic in their own right, but might also justifiably cause some lasting tarnishing of the Fredonia image.

We urge the campus community — students and administrators — to engage in a dialog concerning our obligation to care for the local, as well as state, national and world environments. Students need to acknowledge and internalize the idea that as visitors to, and residents in, our community they owe the environment of full-time village residents the same respect that they hopefully give to their home environments. Working together, we are hopeful that we can succeed in maintaining our beautiful creek in its natural state.

-JACK AND MIRA BERKLEY

CORRECTIONS FOR ISSUE ONE, SEPT. 3, 2014

- It was stated that Leo Frank was the artist of the comic on page B-8. The artist is Aaron Reslink.
- It was stated in “University Village Townhouses fail to meet recruitment goal” that Dan Goodwin is the Assistant Director and Townhouse Coordinator. He is the Assistant Director of Residence Life and Townhouse Coordinator.

Why or why not do you live in the University Village Townhouses?

Hunter Lienhart
sophomore biology

“My beliefs are that I like the peace and quiet of the Village Townhouses.”

Mikayla Mendels
sophomore music industry

“I don’t live in the townhouses because I don’t have enough credits.”
Last Saturday, I went to a casino for the second time in my entire life. The first time was about two weeks prior to that and ever since then, I haven’t been able to get slot machines out of my mind.

I’ve only been to the casino in Salamanca and I feel as though that’s one hell of a place to start out. It’s huge! (At least, I think it’s huge. I have nothing to compare it to). All the “blings,” “bloops” and flashing lights from the machines get the adrenaline going and for the few hours you’re there, you feel like you could actually win big money.

But that’s the thing. It’s only a feeling — not reality. My very first time at the casino, I won $7 and was so pissed that that was all I had managed to get out of my trip there. Granted, I got a free $20 to play with just for signing up for a membership, but still! Gambling, I decided, was just not for me.

Then one day not too long after, blings, bloops and flashing lights entered my brain and decided to take up residency. Maybe I could actually win big money...

And I downloaded a slot machine app on my tablet.

My God I am good at virtual gambling! I have thousands of tokens at my fingertips and have strategies for getting the most out of every bonus round. And last Saturday, I was on fire. I won 46,000 tokens off of a 450 token bet, and I just knew that it was my lucky day. It was time to go back to the casino.

Sam Simpson, the New Media Editor for The Leader, basically lives at the Salamanca casino with his mother over the summer. He’s one lucky dude and always seems to win big at every game he plays. Gambling is not all or nothing, I told him I wanted to try round two at the casino, so he and I met up with his mom and tried not to lose our life savings.

The thing about being 20 years old is that you’re not 21. And you need to be 21 to enjoy the full casino. But in Salamanca, there is a gated area where guests 18-and-over can play. There are only about five different types of slot machines so if one game is giving you trouble, you’re $0.10, and just have to hit the blinging, blooping bullet.

I only brought $10 with me last Saturday while Sam put in none because he’s lucky and got a promotional $5 from the casino just for being himself, (what a jerk), and his mom — who’s no joke when it comes to the casino — put in $100. While I figured the $10 would last me only a half hour, the blings and bloops were beckoning me and I headed in.

There’s nothing quite like watching your hard-earned cash being eaten by a cold-hearted slot machine and knowing deep down you’re going to lose it all.

Why do we continue to gamble? Why do we not just stop right there, keep our $10 and call it a good day? I’ll tell you why. It’s because the feel of the smooth plastic “bet” button is just too tempting and the fact that there’s a slight chance in hell that you could win the jackpot is worth losing that money.

But I’m still a college kid and $10 is a small fortune. That’s why Sam and I only bet 30 cents for 30 lines at the slot machines. As soon as I spent my first 30 cents at a flashing machine, I remembered why I swore off gambling after the first time I went to the Salamanca casino.

Off of the five dollars that the casino gave Sam for being a member, he won $30 in the first five minutes of playing. His mom, who isn’t a college kid and therefore can afford to bet $1.50 instead of 30 cents, was collecting good amounts with every play. Then there I was, winning 10 cents once in a while. After playing at that first machine, I was up about $2. Not a good start.

For the next hour, Sam played with reserve after winning his $30 while his mom was funneling money into the machines and getting money back out like a pro. I, on the other hand, who sat at just about every single machine there was hoping to get a lucky one and win some money. Spoiler alert: I didn’t.

At the end of our time at the Salamanca casino, I won 14 cents. But Sam’s mom bought us dinner so I guess I won a free meal and 14 cents. If you’re me, feeling like you could actually win money is never reality.
Blue Devils play in Clarion Classic, winning against Medaille but losing to Mount Union. See full story on page B-5.

The ribbon cutting ceremony was met with beautiful weather. See full story on page A-1.

Fredonia bounces back from a loss to Mount Saint Mary on Friday with a win against Houghton on Saturday B-4.

AmazonSmile donates .5% of customer purchases to The Lakeshore Humane Society in Dunkirk. See full story on page B-1.
COURTNEE CESTA  
Managing Editor

Supporting a local charity is as easy as buying things online. Amazon has launched a donation program they’re calling “AmazonSmile,” which supports charitable organizations at no extra cost for the customer. It’s the same online buying experience Amazon has always provided, but going through AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com) donates .5 percent of your purchase — and in some cases, an additional $5, to a select organization of your choosing.

There are several spotlight charities to choose from, including St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital, the Wounded Warrior Project and the World Wildlife Fund. A quick search, though, reveals specific charities in the area.

Karene Gora, the dog area manager at the Lakeshore Humane Society, signed the shelter up for the program earlier this year.

“It’s great to support local charities. AmazonSmile is a great way to donate without having to really give anything extra,” Gora said. “We’ve benefited a small amount from the program, but I don’t think many people know about it yet.”

A quick survey around the Fredonia campus revealed a general consensus of the lack of knowledge of AmazonSmile. It also uncovered a new way of online shopping for many students.

Liberal arts major Patricia Weaver says she shops on Amazon for everything from Christmas presents to clothes and school supplies. She’s says that although she’s never used the company’s charitable program before, it’s a great way to give back.

“.5 percent may not sound like a lot of money, and for a lot of purchases, it’s not,” Weaver said. “But as students, we often spend $200 on textbooks alone so there’s $1 right there. Imagine if everyone on the campus gave that dollar to a local charity. That adds up.”

It’s as simple as going to AmazonSmile and selecting a non-profit. Once a customer has selected an organization on their first visit, Amazon will donate from that point forward or until the customer chooses a different charity. The shopping process involves the same low prices, vast selection and select free shipping as always — the only thing to remember is to type smile.amazon.com into the browser.

AmazonSmile features about one million nonprofits nationwide, and more than 75 in the Dunkirk-Fredonia area. There is even a list specific to organizations on the Fredonia campus, including the Student Association, the Fredonia College Foundation and the Alumni Association.

According to Amazon, the online giant has donated millions of dollars to tens of thousands of charities across the country through the program.

Go to org.amazon.com to learn how to register your organization to receive donations.

What are your thoughts?

Why not? It won’t cost any more money from your pocket.

— Stephanie Tefft

“We all shop online nowadays, and it’s not like it’s some kind of inconvenience. Eventually, every little bit adds up.”

— Liza Feola

“The money’s at least going somewhere else and it’s free. It makes you feel like you’re making an impact.”

— Eann Robinson

“It’s something that should be available in all sites that have online shopping.”

— Chevon James

Volunteers at the Humane Society hope AmazonSmile will raise awareness for the organization.

Karene Gora registered the Lakeshore Humane Society for AmazonSmile earlier this year.
The sound of Italy in Rosch

KRISTEN SHULTIS
Staff Writer

Thursday night brought musicians, community members and students together in Rosch recital hall to hear the sounds of Italy.

This concert included two faculty members from the School of Music, Julie Newell and Daniel Ihasz, as well as three native Italians, Stefani Donzelli, Sandra Buongrazio and Vincenzo De Blasis, who acted as the accompanist.

All of the songs included in the program were Italian. Newell said that the students of the program was not to sit and look at a sheet of paper with translations on them, but to be able to enjoy the opportunity to see the way natives of the country portray the music.

“Most of the Italians have fun when they sing; it doesn’t matter if it’s a classical opera or folk music. And I think that students can learn this from watching and experiencing the way that we sing. In the students in the audience thought that this was a good way to learn, as well.”

“It’s very authentic, watching the language and hearing their diction from people that were born and raised in Italy,” said senior music education major Ava D’Agostino. “That is something every singer should experience.”

One thing that this concert aimed for was to help establish a new partnership between Fredonia and a conservatory in Pescara, Italy, where Buongrazio teaches and Donzelli has taught in the past. This partnership is going to be an exchange program between the two institutions.

“I think it will be a great idea. Italians may want the Americans to help them learn about musical theater, because that is something we don’t have a lot of in Italy. And the Americans may want to learn about opera, as this is the birthplace of opera,” Donzelli said.

The free Sept. 13 hands-on workshop, titled “A Morning with Kent Knappenberger,” will feature Knappenberger and his Westfield students in demonstrations of teaching techniques he has developed throughout his career. According to the Fredonia campus calendar, Knappenberger will discuss training young voices, international instrumental groups and arranging music for school ensembles. A light breakfast will be served beginning at 8 a.m., and the workshop will take place from 9 a.m. to noon in Rosch Recital Hall.
The poor-trayal of women

Gamer girls in video game media

MO SADEK
Special to The Leader

It would be incorrect to say that women are just starting to become a force in the video game industry, since they’ve been here since the beginning. Women like Carol Shaw and Roberta Williams are some of the most notable women in the industry; they are responsible for creating video games as a designer and a publisher, respectively. Since then, female involvement in video games has only increased.

The Entertainment Software Association reported earlier this year that 48% of gamers are females, proving video games aren’t just for guys.

Despite this fact, women still have not gained the same respect as male gamers, and, in many cases, are targets for verbal harassment and attacks in video games. Though the immaturity of male gamers and their hostile online egos contribute to the harassment, video game companies and advertising firms fuel the fire with commercials that portray women as “noobs” or completely oblivious to video game culture. Technology isn’t the only thing changing in the world of gaming; the community is, too.

However, this change cannot come fast enough if game companies don’t change the way that they portray women, both in the marketing of their games and through player interactions with female characters.

Sexist Advertising Doesn’t Help

It’s no surprise when you see a woman on a billboard, looking extremely artificial, being objectified while selling something trivial. The most disturbing part about this is that it is no longer unexpected. When was the last time anyone was concerned that there was too much cleavage, and when did the standards for beauty became thinner than the pages they were printed on? It’s no shock that video games have adapted to this standard in advertisements. In a promotional trailer for the second installment of the Uncharted series, Sony scorned the image of women in gaming.

In the clip, we are introduced to a gamer who tells us that his girlfriend thinks the video game he is playing (Uncharted 2) is a movie. This is done to promote how photo-realistic the video game is. Towards the end of the video, the girlfriend in question comes out of the kitchen with a bowl of popcorn ready to watch the “movie” with her boyfriend, who looks overwhelmed by her lack of understanding of video games. The entirety of this commercial promotes the video game’s looks while putting down the intelligence of the female, making her take an inactive role as a bubbly bystander. Sony makes it seems obvious that she can’t understand that he is playing a video game simply because she is a woman.

Oh, but that ad must be outdated since it’s from 2009; the gaming industry MUST have gotten the message, right? WRONG. Let’s take a look at a more recent ad for a release of one of the most family-friendly consoles around, the WiiU. One of the launch games for the console, ZombiU, has one of the most sexist campaign ads seen to date. If a user navigates to a page with the ad on it, a picture of a model shown in just her undergarments with the phrase “She’s got a body to die for” will appear, along with a prompt that encourages viewers to click on the image if they are interested in seeing more. When clicked, the woman is replaced with a heavily photoshopped and zoomed version of herself. The use of ironic sexism in the advertisement is, without a doubt, still sexism. Demographics are no excuse to exploit the image of a woman, or anyone, to sell a product.

Advertisements are no longer just shown to have “sexy” roles as objects in the game rather than having substance. Distribution of some of the main stereotypical types of females in games. She boils them down to three main types. She explains them in a way to help the audience remember, saying that “I just use their role, females end up asking are the ‘Trophy Girl’, the ‘Damsel in Distress’ and the ‘Cheerleader’.” The “Trophy Girl” is great to look at, but there is nothing there — she doesn’t add anything to the plot and her biggest contributions are her “boobs”. Yeah. The “Damsel in Distress” is basically what she sounds like; a video game’s way of saying women can’t help themselves with anything. Therefore, you have to help them. Otherwise they’ll always keep ending up in another castle.

Finally, the “Cheerleader” ends up being the character who is always supporting the player and helping him along the way without actually taking a main role in the game. She usually ends up in the way and becomes an annoyance more than a help. Elizabeth, from Bioshock Infinite, is one of the best examples of this. Her superhuman abilities to bend space and time make her extremely powerful, but most of her time is spent supporting the main character by taking out the fights and throwing health kits and money. Even the dialogue in between sequences usually becomes Elizabeth listing off things she hates or complaining about everything since the moment of her birth. There was a lot more potential in her character, but she was watered down by her own tears.

Poor female character design has been going on in video games for quite some time. Most of you will all remember having to rescue Princess Peach as Mario, or maybe Princess Zelda as Link. It seemed innocent enough at one time, but the cliché has escalated to a point where female characters in games have had their credibility taken away from them. Gamers are not able to confide in female NPCs and have carried this attitude to multiplayer and social gaming.

Stereotypical Female Character Design

Adding to the poor image provided by advertising, female characters in games aren’t known to be so great. When playing video games, players interact with non-player characters known as NPCs. These characters are programmed with artificial intelligence systems to give them a sense of depth. Most NPCs take the role alongside the player, helping him progress through the story or adding conflict to enhance the experience. Since most video games are played from the point of view of a male rather than a female, they end up showing the male opinion of female characters.

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Men’s soccer splits games in Blue Devil/Clarion Hotel Classic

TORIN O’BRIEN
Special to The Leader

After a disappointing loss to Mount Saint Mary on Friday night, Fredonia was able to bounce back against Houghton on Saturday with a 2-1 victory.

Friday’s matchup versus Mount Saint Mary was gritty and physical, to say the least. Fredonia looked in control of the ball but, in spite of that, seemed off in terms of execution and finding chances to score.

After a scoreless first half, the goose-egg tie was broken on a free kick from Mount Saint Mary Junior midfielder Ivan Dorador (70:50). The goal was a rocket from 25 yards out that was able to sneak into the bottom right corner and past sophomore goalkeeper Sammy Torrelli.

On Fredonia’s next possession, referees called for a lightning delay, which lasted for an hour before the game was finally ruled a win for Mount Saint-Mary.

The game stood because it was called after the 70 minute mark, and the Blue Devils never got a chance to make things interesting, even though there were still over 18 minutes left to play when the game was called.

Mount Saint-Mary Coach Kevin Longacre thought Friday’s match was “The game we’ve been looking for.”

And when asked about the goal said “It was just a great hit, a great free kick.”

Coach Gondek said after the game that he thought his team was “Outworked” and played with a “simplistic” style. All in all, it was an unlucky night, and a tough way for any team to tally their first loss of the season.

Saturday’s game against Houghton was a different story, with the Devils able to pull off a 2-1 win, despite being outshot 7-3.

The only thing that stayed the same from the night before was the physical mentality brought to the game by Fredonia.

While the first half was again scoreless, the first goal came early in the second, for Fredonia, on a shot from freshman forward/defensive Ryan Ross. After a throw in from the right side of the field, Ross was able to bury it from about 18 yards out, after maneuvering out of the crowd with the ball to free himself up for a shot.

Fredonia fans breathed a collective sigh of relief when they finally saw a home team goal after three halves of waiting, including Friday night’s game. Less than 10 minutes later, however, the Highlanders were able to knot the game at one after a header goal from Houghton midfielder Landon Sheaffer (56:54).

The score came off a corner kick from the left side of the goal, sent in by junior midfielder Tyler Inch.

Unlike their previous game, Fredonia showed some resolve—or maybe it was the fact that the weather allowed them to show it this time.

Less than five minutes after the Houghton goal, fans were treated to some soccer eye candy. After a nice play by sophomore midfielder Ryan Keller to keep it on Houghton’s side of the field, he passed the rock to Pat Schuber, who dished a perfect touch pass back to a cutting Keller.

After that, it was “off to the races” as they say. Keller was able to beat one defender, while in control of the ball, and then beat the opposing goalkeeper one on one, by sending in the tie breaking goal.

When asked about the play after the game, the sophomore from East Aurora said, “I knew I had one man to beat, and I wasn’t going to lose that chance. It was nice to get it.”

The Blue Devils were able to fight their way to the finish after that, through smart play and tough defense.

The only scare came on a breakaway from Houghton midfielder Jared Toth, but his shot attempt came off his foot wrong, and the ball was sent wide of the net.

Coach Gondek attributed Saturday’s win to “pure will.” And went on to call Friday’s fiasco an “anomaly that he never expects to experience again in his career.”

Overall, he was happy with his team’s turnaround between the two games.

Mount Saint-Mary went on to win the Clarion Classic by defeating Buffalo State in their game on Saturday. Ivan Dorador, the goal scorer against Fredonia, was named tournament MVP.

The Blue Devils’ next game will be this Saturday, when they will host Geneva (PA) at 1:00 p.m. at University Stadium.
Lady Blue Devils win one, lose one

HUNTER LEINHART Special to the Leader

The Blue Devils took to the field for the annual Blue Devil Clarion Classic, winning their game against Medaille on Friday night 6-0 and suffering a 2-0 loss to Mount Union on Saturday night.

On Friday night, senior midfielder Katie Kleine notched three first-half goals on route to the victory over Medaille. The other two team goals scored in the first half were scored by sophomore forward Alexis Moreland, giving the Blue Devils a 5-0 lead going into the half. Sophomore midfielder Kristie Kleine added the sixth team goal in the second half, putting the Blue Devils up 6-0 against Medaille. Junior goalkeeper Lindsey Forsness made three saves for her first ever shutout at the collegiate level.

The Blue Devils took 33 total shots, with 21 of those on goal — an impressive statistic to boast. Medaille was only allowed six shots by the Fredonia defense. This win set up Saturday’s championship game of Fredonia vs. Mount Union.

On Saturday night, the Blue Devils played a 0-0 tie game all the way until the last eight minutes of the game, when Mount Union took a series of shots on goal, eventually putting one into the net.

Only a minute and a half further into the game, Mount Union scored again on a layoff pass that was booted into the bottom corner of the net, beating the Blue Devils 2-0.

“Defensively we need to work on organization. That was our biggest struggle,” sophomore defender Kaleigh Creaden said.

The Blue Devils outshot the Purple Raiders 12-4 in the first half, and finished the game with 22-9 in attempted shots — 13 of which Fredonia managed to get on net. "Defensively we need to switch it up a bit," said senior Katie Kleine. “We need to think about where the ball is to create more spread.”

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Katalin Parent named to athletic training staff

MICHELINE HALE Special to theLeader

Katalin Parent has been named an assistant athletic trainer as well as the strength and conditioning coach at Fredonia. She now joins head athletic trainer Erin Albate and assistant athletic trainer Erin Albate.

“Traveling here [to Fredonia] with the Mount Union women’s soccer team last year and just fell in love with the campus,” Parent said.

She took a walk around campus and loved the size of the school and immediately knew that this was where she wanted to be. There are about 3,000 more students attending Fredonia than there are at Mount Union. Parent applied for the open position at Fredonia because of her familiarity with the campus, and she received the offer.

Parent will be working with women’s volleyball in the fall, women’s basketball in the winter, and softball in the spring. At Mount Union, Parent did a majority of men’s sports rather than women’s. She was the athletic trainer for women’s soccer, but also for men’s lacrosse, baseball, and wrestling at Mount Union. Here, she will be working with all women’s sports.

“It was an adjustment switching from mostly all men to women’s sports, but I love it,” said Parent. “The volleyball girls were so welcoming, and with their small team it made the adjustment that much easier.”

Along with being the assistant athletic trainer, Parent will be doing a strength and conditioning component with all sports on campus. She will train all sports teams except volleyball.

Cross Country teams dominate home meet

DYLAN FORMAN Special to the Leader

The men and women cross country teams opened their seasons on Saturday at Lake Erie State Park. Fredonia hosted the Fredonia Blue Devil Invitational, which included Mercyhurst, D’Youville, Hilbert, and Fredonia.

In the men’s race, Fredonia senior Zak Heff took first place with a winning time of 16:12 for 5K. The Blue Devils dominated the race with their top seven runners finishing in the top 10 of the race. Following Heff was junior captain Collin McAlary (second place overall) with a time of 16:27. Placing third and fourth were Jed Kovalovsky (16:29) and senior captain Chris Sherrard (16:31). Rounding out the scoring for the men was sophomore Bobby Cooper (16:38), who placed sixth overall and has shown vast improvement in just his second season of cross country.

The displacers for the men’s team were freshman Jack Erfardt and sophomore Cody Martin. Erfardt showed immense potential by opening his collegiate career with a top-seven performance in a time of 16:59.

The team scoring was just as impressive for Fredonia as the individual performances were. Fredonia won by a wide margin with just 16 points. Mercyhurst finished second with 47 points, followed by D’Youville (85) and Hilbert (109).

For the women’s team, the top runner was Paulina Rein, captain of the women’s volleyball team, and we all get along with her really nicely,” said Paulina Rein, captain of the women’s volleyball team.

Parent is a 2012 graduate of Keene State College in New Hampshire, where she double majored in athletic training and chemical dependency.

After undergrad, she attended California University of Pennsylvania and received her master’s degree in exercise science. Parent then received a graduate assistant job at the University of Mount Union where she was offered an assistant athletic training position and professor for one year.

Parent will be providing all student athletes entering the training room with maintenance, treatment, rehabilitation and education. With the addition of Parent, student athletes now have a full-time athletic trainer as well as a strength and conditioning coach.

“Katalin has been a great addition to our staff,” said Erin Abbate, assistant athletic trainer. “Her positive attitude and willingness to help will greatly benefit Fredonia Athletics!”

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Blue Devil Kaleigh Creeden says organization is key in a successful performance
Alum returns home

In the last three years, the Blue Devils women’s lacrosse team has received bids to the NCAA Tournament twice — the first was Simon’s senior year, and the second this past year. Simon will be the head coach of a few players whom she was teammates with while playing her four years at Fredonia. Seniors Marissa Cusim and Katie Glogolez and graduates Katie Kleine and Shelby Depew were all members of the team during Simon’s final season as a collegiate athlete. “I feel that there is a mutual respect between me and my past teammates, which actually made this transition easier knowing that they are good friends of mine,” Simon said.

With Simon being a familiar face to many of the girls on the team, the road to success is becoming more of a reality. The Blue Devils have won positive results in past seasons with Simon as a member. “I’m looking forward to this season with Simon as our coach,” said junior Sarah Lindowsk, who is a member of both the women’s lacrosse and soccer teams. “I think that her experience as both a player and coach can help us be extremely successful this year.”

Simon will continue to keep the same coaching strategies as Case had. She is greatly influenced by Case’s techniques because she has been around them for six years. There will be some changes made to improve the program. The incoming class will have an easy adjustment to this big change in the program. Some of the recruits coming in are going to be a big addition to the roster and will help the expectations become reality. Two incoming freshmen will join the roster and the journey to the NCAA’s.

From last year’s roster, nine out of eleven starters will be returning, making the acclimation process easier with a bigger returning class to help Simon adjust. “It will definitely be different having Simon as our coach instead of my teammate or assistant coach, but I know she will continue to give her best effort to keep our program successful,” said Kleine, a member of the women’s lacrosse and soccer teams and a former teammate of Simon’s. The season will begin with a home opener in February 2015 against the College of Wooster at University Stadium. This game will mark not only the beginning of the quest to finals, but also the beginning of another chapter in Amy Simon’s lacrosse career. I’m ready to pick up where we left off, and I can’t wait to see what this team can achieve this season,” said Simon.

The Field Hockey team faces financial issues this season as they try to acquire resources they have now — including goals, nets, and other equipment, are all unusable at this point, forcing the team to replace their supplies. The team went in rough shape to start off, but the team hoped to play on with that they had anyway. It was an unfortunate circumstance that the team found out late this summer that the equipment had been disposed of and the team was no longer able to use the nets it required. But because the team is a club team and not a varsity team, the problems are being handled all by the students themselves with others only trying to help.

In an effort to hopefully get its season underway, team member Lindsay Adams took to a crowdfunding site, called GoFundMe.com, in hopes that former alumni, students and community members would donate to their cause. So far, $785 of the team’s $3,200 goal has been raised under the account “Help Save Fredonia Field Hockey.” They’ve received 11 donations, which range from $10 to $250 dollars, all going toward the effort.

SA President Antonio Regulier said he wished he had been told about the situation earlier. “The Student Association is not at all happy with the events that happened in accordance to Club Field Hockey. However, the Student Association was not directly informed by the club which made the mishap grow into something bigger than need be,” Regulier said. “Know that the Student Association will be working with Club Field Hockey, the Athletic Department and the Office of Student Affairs to rectify this problem. The Student Association also encourages recognized groups to first contact us should an issue like this occur. We are here to represent your group’s interest and protect your groups integrity.”

The team has also reached out to President Virginia Horvath in order to receive funds, but she regretfully informed them that she was unable to purchase things for student groups but was willing to help out as much as she could at getting them help.

President Horvath then reached out to Athletic Director Greg Prechtl, who offered to use part of the Athletics and Recreation budget to try and cover half of the price of the nets and equipment.

The information was put forward to SA General Manager Vince Gugino, who stated that he would like to help, but that there will be policies and budget restrictions that will accompany the request. “For the past several years the field hockey goals have been in bad shape. I am not sure of the exact condition, but I have been told that they were no longer usable,” Gugino said. “In prior years, the club had mentioned that their goals needed to be replaced but they did not have sufficient funds. New goals can be expensive and the ones the club is looking at cost around $3,000. Megan Valentine, Assistant Athletic Director, has been helping the club find suitable new goals.”

Trouble mounted for the team since they are considered financially independent from Student Association, and while they are able to request up to $1,500 dollars from a limited pool of funds, about $1,000 of those funds go to paying for officials to come down and officiate the games that they do play. Adding more problems, these funds are also available to the other nearly 150 non-recognized clubs, since SA must treat these groups equally due to SA policies.

In order for them to request funds over the given amount, a formal request must be filed with the SA’s budget committee, who then puts it before the General Assembly for approval. The team was forced to reschedule this past weekend’s game against St. Rose University and the rest of September’s games, with October as a hopeful return date. “We are greatly appreciative for all the support that our families, friends, faculty [and] peers have already given us. It is an honor to give us,” Club Field Hockey President George Verno said. “Our gofundme account has raised a ton of money. We would also like to thank the grounds staff for everything that they do for our team and the rest of campus. Their efforts often go without recognition.”
KRISTEN SWANN
Special to The Leader

The Fredonia women’s volleyball team went 3-1 at the Golden Flyer Invitational last weekend at Nazareth.

On Friday, the Blue Devils beat Hartwick 3-0 in their opening match. Fredonia was able to control the match and work in their entire roster for a collective win.

The team finished with a hitting percentage of .348. Jessica DiChristopher had seven kills and a .462 hitting percentage. Lauren Hokaj had a huge serving match with six aces. The final set scores against Hartwick were 25-10, 25-12, and 25-20.

In the second match of the day, the Blue Devils fell short to Nazareth 3-0. Nazareth’s strong hitters caused some early set errors from Fredonia and proved to be too tough to recover from. The set scores for the Blue Devils loss were 21-25, 21-25, and 20-25. DiChristopher had another solid game with eight kills and an over .500 hitting percentage. Sara Madison had a well hitting match with nine kills.

The split matches would sum up the first night of the tournament for Fredonia. The Blue Devils came out again on Saturday to earn a pair of wins in two more difficult matches. Fredonia topped Lycoming College on Saturday 3-1, winning the first two sets 25-22 and 25-10. The Blue Devils fell short in the third set 23-25 and then came back to seal the win in the fourth 25-11.

DiChristopher had 13 kills and a .379 hitting percentage. Paulina Rein gathered 12 kills for a .278 percentage and also had a team-best 21 digs. Madison also added nine kills and Kelly Edinger finished with 38 assists.

In the final match, the Blue Devils beat Hilbert College 3-0 with set scores of 25-10, 25-8, and 25-20. Edinger collected another 38 assists and Hokaj had 19 digs. The team had a hitting percentage of .350 as well as 10 service aces. DiChristopher added 13 kills.

DiChristopher’s outstanding play was enough to earn her the honor of being named to the All-Tournament team as the Blue Devils improved their record over the weekend to 5-3 overall.

The Blue Devils are on the road this Friday to play at New Paltz.
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I don’t have any classes in the Science Center, but I decided to check it out anyway. It’s pretty cool. They don’t have a hadron collider, though, and if they can’t smash atoms apart by ramming them into one another, then I’m not sure how they plan on getting any science done. Anyway, yeah. Here’s what I found. Sorry if it’s not very exciting.

This is a small wooden box. I don’t know what this is for. There were four of these, I think. I looked at them for a while, but no one came by to do any science, so I left.

This is a little cart thing. There’s nothing on it. I asked a nice science lady if they used it to bring stuff to and from the hadron collider. She said no, and also asked if I was registered for this class and, if not, then please leave.

I was going to look in some of the classrooms, to see if maybe they were hiding a hadron collider in there, but they didn’t even have any classrooms! Instead, they had this nice picture of a classroom.

This is running water. Pretty fancy for a school that can’t afford a hadron collider...

This is some rustic wood paneling I found. While it’s a nice touch, it’s no hadron collider.

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