CHANGES IN ACADEMIC AFFAIRS LEADS TO MERGING DEPARTMENTS

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HEARTWARMING: WHEN THIS STUDENT WAS FEELING SHY AND DIDN'T WANT TO SOCIALIZE
Changes in Academic Affairs leads to merging departments

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Special to The Leader

As we all get into our new routine for this school year, various changes have also been made behind the scenes.

The division of academic affairs have applied multiple organizational changes to their system and programs. These include College of Education, Liberal Arts and Sciences, Visual and Performing Arts; School of Business, Office of International Education and Provost’s Office.

As for the College of Education, multiple departments have been merged, such as the Language, Learning and Leadership departments.

Similarly, the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences have also merged various departments to become one.

While the department of Physics and Psychology continue to be paired, after Sept. 1, the department of History and the department of World Languages and Cultures will be paired, as well as the department of Philosophy and Politics and International Affairs for 2019.

The College of Visual and Performing Arts will experience some differences considering the retirement of the department’s dean, Dr. Ralph Blasting.

With this, the School of Music, Rockefeller Arts Center and the Marion Gallery will be required to report to the Provost through 2019-2020.

The department of Visual Arts and New Media and the department of Theater and Dance are required to report to Dr. Givner, temporarily.

Interestingly, the School of Business for 2019 has become a prototype for the new organizational model for upcoming years.

In the coming weeks, a new director, associate director and faculty coordinators will all be selected for the School of Business.

Academic programs led by faculty coordinators will replace the departments of Business and Administration, Economics and Applied Professional Studies.

In regard to the Office of International Education, in the fall, Fredonia is launching its very own international ESL Pathway Program, due to the former ESL provider being purchased by another company.

As far as the provost’s office, Vice President Lisa Hunter is now working for Ad Astra Information Systems. Fredonia is in search of an interim associate provost.

With all of these changes, students may be wondering how this will affect them.

“The structure of what is required now is different than it used to be,”

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said Alyssa Pienewski. A junior education major here at Fredonia, Pienewski has been here for almost three years, studying to be a teacher. “They told me this year that I had to take another math class even though I had a credit from my high school for precalc,” said Pienewski. “There is also a new grad program available for freshmen that I wasn’t personally able to get into because I was a sophomore at the time, which stinks because I could have had my grad school done in one year instead of two, but that’s only for freshmen now.” While these changes may seem to not have a huge affect on students personally, they still surely have an impact.

My.fred aims to make itself your new home

AIDAN POLLARD
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Have you ever seen your professor scroll all the way down the Fredonia homepage to log in to their email or OnCourse account? Well now, those extra 15 seconds of class that seem to linger for a full 50 minutes could be over. There is now, in fact, a better way.

Fredonia’s web team launched the my.fred homepage this semester, and it aims to curate the day’s most important Fredonia news, as well as keep links to all of the campus community’s most important log-ins in one place.

“I think it makes sense for the school to push this homepage,” said junior computer science major Ryan Dunning. “It has a lot of useful links for students.”

The page provides links to important contacts in the university, like Academic Advising and the Career Development Office.

The page is customizable, giving the ability to favorite links to websites that will load with the homepage everytime it gets loaded up.

The page was announced in a campus-wide email from the web team earlier this semester, where students, faculty and staff were encouraged to make my.fred their personal homepage.

“A large portion of the time that I use my laptop, I am using it for school related work, so I can totally see the draw of making my.fred my homepage,” said Dunning.

The new homepage serves as an alternative to larger homepages like Google, and to the Fredonia website’s main page, which operates mostly as an advertisement for the school.

My.fred is a more efficient option than Fredonia’s main page, but it still faces the uphill battle of actually accumulating users and pulling the campus away from Google’s homepage.

“Google does such a great job of providing relevant links in the from of favorites [and] bookmarks while also maintaining a clean, simplistic look,” said Dunning. “Meanwhile, my.fred instantly fills your screen with tons of links and announcements.”

Comparing the two, my.fred clearly has the more tailored page. The audience for my.fred is small and well-defined. But Google offers a much more customizable home, where you can change the color of the page, apply skins or dark modes and look at the Doodle if there is one for that day. Not to mention, Google saves your most frequented links for you, instead of asking the user to find the sites they want easy access to and favorite them themselves.

“It would also be great to have easy access to a search engine from my.fred,” said Dunning. “For the times that you aren’t just using it for school.”
Activities Night

Students get involved on campus through Fredonia’s clubs and organizations

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POLICE BLOTTERS

UNIVERSITY

**Tuesday, September 3, 2019**

A student was followed onto campus by an unknown subject.

**Wednesday, September 4, 2019**

Suspects were found in a vehicle with marijuana.

Crosswalk signs were stolen from various areas around campus.

11:50 p.m. - Nicholas Fuller was charged with unlawful possession of marijuana.

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2:30 p.m. - Elijah Diggs was charged with criminal possession of stolen property.

**Thursday, August 29, 2019**

1:59 a.m. - Dante Davenport was charged as a result of execution of a warrant. The suspect was held.

**Friday, August 30, 2019**

01:14 p.m. - James Brennan was charged with unlawful underage possession of alcohol and open container. An appearance ticket was issued.

10:14 p.m. - Jose Garcia-Gonzalez was charged with unlawful underage possession of alcohol and open container. An appearance ticket was issued.

**Saturday, August 31, 2019**

12:41 a.m. - Ashley Halas was charged with criminal possession of marijuana. An appearance ticket was issued.

**Sunday, August 31, 2019**

12:16 a.m. - Mackenzie Terhaar was charged with unlawful underage possession of alcohol, littering and open container. An appearance ticket was issued.

12:16 a.m. - Arianna Zaccaur was charged with unlawful underage possession of alcohol, littering and open container. An appearance ticket was issued.

12:50 a.m. - Michael Strachan was charged with open container and littering. An appearance ticket was issued.

12:18 a.m. - Evan Tanner was charged with open container and unlawful underage possession of alcohol. An appearance ticket was issued.

12:18 a.m. - Jeremy Marszalek was charged with unauthorized use and possession of a license, unlawful underage possession of alcohol and open container. An appearance ticket was issued.

12:18 a.m. - Connor McMillan was charged with open container. An appearance ticket was issued.

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**Wednesday, August 28, 2019**

5:18 p.m. - Timothy Raynor was charged with physical harassment and trespassing. An appearance ticket was issued.

8:00 a.m. - Casey Crane was charged as a result of execution of a warrant. An appearance ticket was issued.

9:00 a.m. - Dominic Bellanti was charged with disobedience of a mandate. An appearance ticket was issued.

12:18 a.m. - Evan Tanner was charged with open container and unlawful underage possession of alcohol. An appearance ticket was issued.

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10:14 p.m. - Jose Garcia-Gonzalez was charged with unlawful underage possession of alcohol and open container. An appearance ticket was issued.

**Saturday, August 31, 2019**

12:41 a.m. - Ashley Halas was charged with criminal possession of marijuana. An appearance ticket was issued.

**Sunday, September 1, 2019**

7:30 a.m. - Scott Nixon was charged with trespassing.

10:00 a.m. - Tessa Couvertino was charged with littering. An appearance ticket was issued.

**Tuesday, September 3, 2019**

4:40 p.m. - Erika Deshaun Bess was charged with physical harassment and criminal trespassing. An appearance ticket was issued.

**Wednesday, September 4, 2019**

10:00 a.m. - Danielle Butts was charged with physical harassment and criminal trespassing. An appearance ticket was issued.

10:00 a.m. - Alexis Brown was charged with physical harassment and criminal trespassing. An appearance ticket was issued.

**Sunday, September 8, 2019**

11:38 p.m. - Gregory Miller was charged with aggravated unlicensed operation of a vehicle.

12:43 a.m. - Jace Elderkin was charged with disorderly conduct. An appearance ticket was issued.

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MADDIE LITTLE
Special to The Leader

The impact of a school shooting on students is huge. They mourn; even months after the tragedy, they struggle mentally and emotionally while trying to figure out how to deal with what's happened in their school.

Cameron Kasky is a survivor of the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School shooting and this year's Convocation speaker.

“When students have to mourn classmates, as Kasky and his peers at Parkland still do — when students have to participate in live shooter drills in schools — the gun violence debate has a real impact on them,” said Jennifer Hildebrand, convocations committee chair. “It is not responsible or fair to exclude them from these discussions, no matter what our motivation may be.”

Kasky has turned his traumatizing experience into a form of advocacy.

He travels on the “Road to Change” tour, a gun-control movement, and tells his survival story.

Each year, Fredonia holds a Convocation during which students get to hear from speakers who want to make a change. The speakers are chosen by the Convocation Committee based on the theme that is chosen for that specific year.

Kasky's presentation is titled “Be the Change: Tools for a Movement.”

“Kasky's title actually grew out of the theme that the Convocation Committee selected,” said Hildebrand. “We selected ‘Be the Change’ as the theme for this year's discussions and events based on a quotation that is commonly attributed to Mohandas Gandhi: ‘Be the Change that you wish to see in the world.’ It complements Kasky's activism and advocacy, but it also provides a meaningful theme for our campus to engage with beyond Kasky's visit.”

Kasky has been successful in his tour, but has faced some problems along away.

He often found it difficult when it came to others not agreeing with his viewpoint.

Although Kasky's ideas will deal with gun-control, the hope of the Convocation Committee is that his speech will encourage change.

“I hope that we can emphasize the importance of the discussion and engagement across ideas and opinions,” said Hildebrand.

The Convocation will be held on Sept. 18 in King Concert Hall at 3 p.m. The event is free, but ticketed. ID is required.
Local horror film set at Dunkirk Lighthouse premiers Friday, Sept. 13

ERIKETA COST
Life & Arts Editor

An indie horror thriller movie is coming to Fredonia for Friday the 13th.

More than that, it was filmed at the Dunkirk lighthouse.

The film, “Widow’s Point,” will premiere at the Fredonia Opera House on Sept. 13 at 7:30 p.m.

“Widow’s Point” is based off a novel by Richard Chizmar, who co-wrote the novel with his son, Billy.

Filmmaker Gregory Lamberson had always had a close working relationship with Chizmar.

“Rich has invested in some of my previous films, and we’ve been looking for something to do together,” said Lamberson. “He sent me an advance copy of the book, and in it I saw an opportunity to direct some scenes reminiscent of Salem’s Lot, Dark Shadows and Peter Straub’s Ghost Story — projects I’ll never get a chance to do otherwise.”

The film is about an author who wants to pull a stunt and spend a weekend in a haunted house.

He does this for inspiration for his next book, but becomes prey for evil forces.

One of Lamberson’s biggest inspirations to start filmmaking? “Star Wars.”

“I knew after seeing it [Star Wars] that I wanted to direct movies.

“Widow’s Point” is the eighth film I’ve directed, but I’ve worked on others, and along the way I wrote 14 books, which I’ll be selling at the Fredonia screening,” he said.

His interest narrowed more towards thriller after watching Dan Curtis films throughout his childhood.

“When I lived on Central Avenue, I saw television more than anything else. A movie Curtis directed called ‘Trilogy of Terror’ terrified me when I was in second grade,” he said.

His advice for students who may want to get involved in film — whether it’s score-writing, directing or filmmaking — is to never give up.

“If you want to do the work, do it, don’t talk about it. Parties and concerts and video games have to take a backseat. Make short films, hone your craft, learn from your mistakes, then make new mistakes from which to learn,” he said.

Lamberson has enjoyed the journey filming a project so close to home.

“My family spent several nights at the college apartments on Brigham Road, and it was sort of surreal waking up home again,” he said.

“The theater where we’re screening is called the Fredonia Opera House now, but it was cinema I when I grew up, and I saw a lot of movies there with my friends.”

One of Fredonia’s music industry professors, Armand Petri, has contributed to the film as a score composer.

Fredonia students taking his course HAIL! Fredonia Records have been involved in the promotional aspect of the film.

“The course allows music industry students to directly work with local artists.

“We have been involved by working with the director of the movie and organizing promotional/marketing plans on how to widespread this showing,” said senior music industry major Sophia Auteri, and project manager for promotions. “We are in constant contact with clubs throughout campus as well as radio stations off campus. We also flyer around on and off campus to get the word out as much as we can.”

Panelists at the talkback will include Lamberson, Petri, film co-star Kaelin Lamberson and Dunkirk Lighthouse’s Dave Briska.

A portion of the proceeds will go to the Dunkirk Lighthouse.

Tickets are $10 for adults and $7 for seniors and students.

They will be available at the door only.
New Martha Colburn exhibition at Marion Art Gallery offers stop-motion animation films

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Special to The Leader

The Marion Art Gallery is starting this season with an exhibition from Martha Colburn — an internationally renowned, award-winning artist.

She is known for her experimental stop-motion animated films that are created in a homemade and self-described “Frankenstein” style.

The exhibition, “Imagined Histories,” features five stop-motion animated films and will be open to the public from Sept. 3 to Nov. 22.

The exhibition reception is Oct. 18, 6 p.m to 9 p.m, and is also free and open to the public.

Martha Colburn, born in Gettysburg PA, currently lives and works out of Amsterdam and Los Angeles.

Colburn has produced a total 70 films since beginning in 1995.

She is a self-learned filmmaker who first began by manipulating existing footage that she would cut, splice and tamper with to produce her final result.

Colburn eventually went on to produce her own animated films with a Super 8mm camera.

Many of her initial films in the collage-style serve as music videos for groups that she and her friends played in. The films are fast moving with lots of political and social content.

Backgrounds for her films are elaborate landscapes that she painted or even placed parts of vintage puzzles and toys in.

In a recent interview with Dazed.com, Colburn explains her films and these landscapes act as a backdrop for her homemade puppets to act out stories that often reflect popular “culture, consumerism, politics and sexuality.”

These puppets are, as artist Leonor Faber-Jonker puts it, “Protagonists of Captivating Tales” that take the form of “historical figures, wriggly insects, fantastical creatures, spirits and animals.”

Barbara Räcker, director of the Marion Art Gallery, said, “She’s always covering current issues, things she sees on the news.”

At the exhibition, there is a large focus on dictators; the “Dolls vs Dictators” section of the exhibition features landscapes with many different dictators mashed with pop culture figures, such as Charlie Chaplin and the Power Rangers. The film features Kim Jong-un and is an interesting examination of the dictator that shows Kim as a “Hungry Caterpillar” puppet, growing in size until a soldier cuts him down and he shrinks.

“I bet we would see a lot of images of Trump ... and the Hong Kong protests if she was creating work right now,” said Räcker.

Galley hours are Tuesday through Thursday: noon to 4 p.m; Friday and Saturday: noon to 6 p.m and Sunday: noon to 4 p.m.

If you have any questions, contact Räcker at barbara.racker@fredonia.edu

Photos of exhibit Tessa Covello/Special to The Leader
Mentoring program and meet and greet offered for transfer students

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Special to The Leader

You may know there are new transfer students on campus, but did you know that there’s a Transfer Mentoring Program?

The program was created a few years back, disappeared and is now making a comeback to help new transfer students ease into the environment on campus.

“We want transitioning students to become comfortable with Fredonia ... one of the outcomes that I would like is for mentors to build a trusting relationship with mentees, so they feel comfortable enough to reach out in regards to where resources are on campus,” said Josh Croxton, the assistant transfer academic advisor and the primary advisor for the Transfer Mentoring Program. “I wanted them to have that opportunity to have a peer to go to — not necessarily an adult because it can be scary ... So really getting a student comfortable enough to ask questions with someone who had a similar experience.”

This fall semester, 14 mentors are helping a wide range of new transfer students.

They assist with sending out weekly emails to their mentees, answering questions and being a person for them to reach out to as well.

On Sept. 12 from 6 p.m.-8 p.m., there will be a meet & greet event hosted by the Transfer Mentoring Program in the William Center, room S204B.

This is a chance for the mentees to meet their mentors.

It’ll be an opportunity for mentees to ask questions, meet other transfer students and enjoy a few snacks. Who doesn’t love free snacks?

There will be materials handed out to the mentees with valuable information during the event.

“We’re going to be building a resources guide for students. So in the event that students are having a mental healthcare issue, they can be referred, they can look and refer themselves to the counseling center here on campus,” said Croxton. “They’ll also recognize the fact that if they’re looking to do an internship, they’ll know where the Career Development office is on campus, as well amongst a wide variety of other resources that we are going to include on that resources guide.”

Out of the 14 mentors, there’s a few of them that are also interns for the program, in addition to doing their normal duties as a mentor. They will also assist with event planning and help to develop the program into something greater.

“One of the things that I’m really excited about is working with the interns, to really develop this program, because I feel like it’s the transfer students that will bring the ideas to the table and really create something that’s going to be unique for transfer students,” said Croxton.

If you have any questions, contact Croxton at joshua.croxton@fredonia.edu.
BJ’s Fredonia presents Fernway, Ever Elsewhere and Young Animals

JESSICA MEDITZ
Special to The Leader

If live music, good food and a night away from homework sound good to you — look no further.

BJ’s Fredonia and Last Call Entertainment will be holding a show starring three bands: Fernway, Ever Elsewhere and Young Animals.

The show will take place on Wednesday, Sept. 11 from 10 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Each band in the lineup has a different musical vision, with genres varying from pop punk to twinkly emo.

Young Animals, a band from St. Louis, MO, will be bringing that newish genre to Fredonia.

Another new thing that the band will be presenting is their latest song, “Dibs,” written by the band’s vocalist, Olivia Schulte.

“It has a ton of energy, and we are all collectively proud of it. Super fun to play, too,” she said. “I wrote it about my personal battles with my mental health in hopes that others can connect to it, give them hope and realize they are not alone.”

Fernway, from Buffalo, revealed that they will also be playing their newest single, titled “Half-Life.”

Band member Brett Robertson said that all of their songs have significant meanings.

“Any moment in time that allows us to perform means the absolute world to us all,” he said.

In addition to sharing new music, all three bands hope to connect to the crowd, play some well-known material and expose a unique hybrid of sounds and vibes.

Eleanor Grace, drummer and vocalist for Canadian band Ever Elsewhere said, “Of our released material, our single ‘Momentary’ is always a high point. It’s the song people most often know us by, and one we all really love playing.”

“Momentary” currently has over 95,000 streams on Spotify.

She added that Ever Elsewhere’s guitarist, Mike Bielawski, has played at BJ’s in the past and that the rest of the band is looking forward to experiencing it for themselves.

Schulte of Young Animals said that they are excited to be playing in Fredonia as well.

“We heard it was a cool college town; our friends in Wait and Shackle suggested it to us. Last Call Entertainment hooked us up with a show at BJ. We were stoked when they got back to us,” she said.

If you like what you hear, each band’s music can be found on all major streaming platforms such as Spotify and Apple Music.

Tickets to the show are to be purchased at the door — $1 for those 21+ and $5 for 18+.
Community Service Fair to provide volunteer opportunities for students

ERIKETA COST
Life & Arts Editor

For students looking to get involved in the community, a fair is being offered by the Volunteer and Community Services.

Next Wednesday, Sept. 25 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the William Center MPR, students will have the opportunity to walk around and meet several different volunteer representatives.

They will get a chance to talk, sign up and learn more about each group's mission.

Some of the participating volunteer services include Red Cross Blood Drive, Boys and Girls Club, American Cancer Society, St. Columbans Greystone Nature Preserve, Fire Department, WCA Home, Chautauqua Center and Habitat for Humanity.

Joyce Smith is the volunteer services coordinator who has helped organize the event.

“It is important that students engage in the community,” said Smith. “Volunteering does make a difference, and it’s a way to give back to the community.”

Emily Staniszewski is a service chair for Alpha Phi Omega, a national service fraternity.

“This is my second year being involved with the fair,” she said. “This opened my eyes to so many opportunities locally.”

She has participated in many events throughout the year, including Feeding Fredonia and various blood drives.

“One pint of blood can save up to three lives,” Staniszewski said.

Senior English major Lucas Butchko is another student who has taken advantage of service opportunities the community has to offer.

“I’ve always found that offering service to the local community has been a great way to make the community appreciative of the student body here, and the community service fair is a fantastic way to find a service opportunity that you’re truly interested in,” he said.

Other upcoming community service events involve a beach sweep and a blood drive.
Lately, I’ve been reflecting a lot on the idea of moments in life that are fleeting.

Moments that you cherish when you’re in them, but feel a pit in your stomach the minute you realize you’ll never have them back.

For example, a few weeks ago I took a walk with my dad through my grandparents’ house.

Only it was empty; all the furniture was gone.

My grandparents had spent all summer trying to sell their three-story Greek revival — a house complete with four bedrooms, two man-made ponds in the backyard and a kitchen with wooden cupboards.

I walked through the house one last time just to soak in all the memories that I had known my whole life.

As I walked, I imagined every object that used to be in its usual spot, year after year.

The bird feeder that was always the center of attention on summer days.

The fake flowers my grandma always had resting on the front hall table.

The tuna cans that my grandpa filled with fish food and placed on shelves in the basement.

The small bells that used to hang from a wooden mantel outside my grandparents’ bedroom.

I said goodbye to all the ghosts of everything. I knew I’d have to say goodbye to, someday.

As we go through life, we say goodbye to moments, people and places every day.

Then, we carry leftover emotions and nostalgia that keep us up at night.

It only recently dawned on me that all the physical places I hold in my heart aren’t truly gone.

They manifest in memories I can share with family; stories I tell in conversations and pictures I have in my collection.

All we can do is look forward to new memories, new moments and new experiences.

This idea translates to almost everything else in life: friends and jobs that come and go, chapters that are closed and new books opened.

It makes me think of the quote in the film “Forrest Gump” — “Life is like a box of chocolates. You never know what you’re gonna get.”

You never know what’s going to come next.

Now, my grandparents are living in a cute little apartment that’s less work for them and so much safer.

It’s only about a minute drive for my grandma to visit Gertrude Hawk for her weekly chocolate run.

In fact, after my first few visits to their new apartment, I think I already have a new tradition: my grandma and I stop at Gertrude Hawk and pick out chocolate together.

So if one door in your life closes, fear not.

Another one is sure to open.

With this mindset it’s easier to surrender to the universe and the “flow” of things.

For me, it’s like that box of Gertrude Hawk chocolates.
"If you could only use one social media for the rest of your life, which would you choose and why?"

Brittney Cranmer, sophomore music education major
“Instagram, since everyone would choose Snapchat.”

Desi VanDyke, sophomore dance major
“Snapchat, for the filters.”

Keegan Herriman, sophomore graphic design major
“Tumblr, no questions asked. It is just the best form of social media.”
NFL week one takeaways

DANTE LASTING
Assistant Sports Editor

Football is back!

With 14 games in the books, there is a lot to talk about. This week, some things were good, some things were bad and some things were just plain ugly.

Note: Analysis does not include Monday night games.

The GOOD

The Kansas City Chiefs picked up where they left off. They put up 40 points against the Jacksonville Jaguars who thought to return to their 2017 form, but did not look like it.

Down in Miami, Lamar Jackson spoiled the Dolphins’ home opener by scoring five touchdowns and leading his team to a 59-10 victory. In a press conference after the game, Jackson called out his critics saying, “Not bad for a running back.”

The Dallas Cowboys showed up and showed out against the New York Giants. Quarterback Dak Prescott had a perfect passer rating of 158.3, threw for 405 yards and four touchdowns.

As the New England Patriots lowered another Super Bowl banner, they also looked unstoppable Sunday night. Tom Brady threw for three touchdowns and led his team to a 33-3 victory over the Pittsburgh Steelers. It did not look like they needed him, but the Patriots will also have Antonio Brown on the team from now on.

The BAD

Former Super Bowl MVP Nick Foles got injured at his first game with his new team. The Jacksonville quarterback suffered a broken clavicle in the first quarter of the game versus the Chiefs. He will likely be put on injured reserve and it is unclear when he will be able to return to the team. It is not clear who will replace him going forward as the Jaguars have sixth-round pick rookie Gardner Minshew who took over in the game. Jacksonville also traded a 2020 fifth-round pick to the Pittsburgh Steelers for quarterback Josh Dobbs. They will compete for the starting job until Foles is healthy enough to return.

The Houston Texans gave up a 24-6 lead against the Arizona Cardinals in the fourth quarter of the game. First overall pick Kyler Murray brought the team back with two late touchdowns to force overtime. Neither team would come out of overtime with a win as it ended in a tie.

The Atlanta Falcons did not show up in the game against the Minnesota Vikings. They were outscored 28-0 through three quarters and only scored 12 points in the fourth. Falcons quarterback Matt Ryan threw two interceptions, and the whole team looked flat.

The UGLY

Cancel the parade! The Cleveland Browns offseason hype train came to a crashing halt. The Browns got crushed by the Tennessee Titans, outscoring the Browns by a score of 43-13. Browns quarterback Baker Mayfield threw three interceptions and took five sacks. The ugly part about this loss is the fact that the Browns committed 18 penalties for 182 yards. That is the most committed penalties since the Bears had 21 in 1951. The worst penalty that was called was on offensive tackle Greg Robinson when he kicked Titans safety Kenny Vaccaro in the face. Robinson was ejected from the game and was not able to return.

After the Dolphins terrible loss, multiple players called their agents and told them they wanted out of Miami. The team only had 21 rushing yards and less than 200 passing yards in the game. With talks of tanking down in Miami, many of the players are not happy and it’s only been one week. Next week, the Patriots come to town, and we could see them put 100 points on the Dolphins if they play the same way they did in this game.

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Fredonia sports update

ANTHONY GETTINO
Special to The Leader

This past week saw quite a bit of action from our teams here at Fredonia. The men’s and women’s cross country teams each had their first meet Aug. 31. Other teams that competed were the men’s and women’s soccer teams, as well as the women’s tennis and volleyball teams.

The men’s soccer team began competition last Friday, Aug. 30, with a 2-2 tie game at Hunter College. The game went to double overtime.

Leading the Blue Devils in scoring was third year player Jackson Retzer, who scored both goals of the day. The first goal was assisted by junior Conrad Rathbun. His second was on a free kick in the 52nd minute.

The team then went on to win their next game on Aug. 31 at Baruch in a final score of 1-0. The lone goal of the game came again by Jackson Retzer, but was assisted by sophomore Matt Cullen.

The Blue Devils play again on Sept. 14 at home versus Grove City.

As for the women’s soccer team, they started their season off at John Carroll University with a 2-3 loss. Freshman Jordan Barrett started off the scoring for the Blue Devils off an assisted pass by junior Erin Pratt. The second goal of the day came from sophomore Sophia Richiusa off of a corner kick by junior Melanie Minotti.

As for the second game they played this season, it was a tough match for the Fredonia squad as they lost to Case Western Reserve University in a score of 0-8.

Their next competition is slated for Sept. 11 at home versus Alleghany.

The women’s tennis team has started off the season strong, going 2-0 with a third matchup against SUNYAC rival Geneseo being postponed for weather.

In the first set of matches, the Blue Devils faced off against D’Youville and won outright 7-0. In doubles, Anna Chiacchia and Sarah Bunk won 8-3, Jane Chiacchia and Taylor Marelli won 8-4 and Avril King and Anna Clark won 8-2.

For singles, Anna Chiacchia won in two sets with scores of 6-4 and 6-4. Sarah Bunk won both sets without losing a game with 6-0 and 6-0 being the final scores. Jane Chiacchia won both sets with scores of 6-0 and 6-1, and Taylor Marelli won both sets with scores of 6-2 and 6-2. Avril King also won both sets with scores of 6-2 and 6-2, and Anna Clark won both of her sets in scores of 6-0 and 6-3.

The tennis team nearly completed its second sweep against Penn State Behrend on Wednesday, Sept. 4, winning with a score of 8-1.

The Blue Devils took two of three doubles matches, with Anna Chiacchia and Sarah Bunk winning 8-3 and Jane Chiacchia and Taylor Marelli winning 8-1. Avril King and Emma Nortney fell just short of the win, losing in a score of 8-7.

As for the singles matches, each person on the team won their sets, with Anna Chiacchia and Avril King both posting scores of 6-0 and 6-0 in their matches. Sarah Bunk won 6-3 and 6-0, Jane Chiacchia won 6-1 and 6-3, Taylor Marelli won 6-2 and 6-1 and Dominique Martello won in her first action of the season in scores of 6-1 and 7-5.

The Blue Devils tennis team travels to Houghton on Thursday and Brockport Saturday for their first conference match of the season.

The women’s volleyball team started off the season by heading to the Cortland Red Dragon Classic, where they played in four separate games and came out with a record of 1-3.

The first match was a 0-3 loss to Baldwin Wallace. Emma Booth led the team in kills with eight. The second matchup was against SUNY Canton, where the Blue Devils got their lone win of the tournament 3-0, with set scores of 25-19, 25-18 and 25-16. Booth again led the team with nine kills, but Emily Jones had seven kills and Makenna Kallin had six.

The third match resulted in a 2-3 loss to St. Lawrence in scores of 25-19, 16-25, 23-25, 25-21 and 15-8. Booth and Jones led the team in kills with 13 and 12, while Eleanor Clarke had seven kills.

In the fourth and final match, Fredonia fell to Lebanon Valley 0-3 in scores of 25-27, 16-25 and 20-25. Booth had nine kills and Jones had eight.

The Blue Devils volleyball team will play at home against Penn State Behrend on Wednesday, Sept. 11.

The men’s cross country team participated in their first invitational of the season on Saturday, Aug. 31, placing second of four teams in the Fredonia Invite 6k race. Leading the Blue Devils was senior Aidan Pollard in sixth place overall in a time of 20:48, followed by freshmen Anthony Ruiz and Collin Barmore at times of 20:55 and 20:57 in eighth and 10th respectively.

Rounding out the scoring five were sophomores Noah Watkins and Matthew Erman. The team heads to the Yellow Jacket Invitational at the University of Rochester on Sept. 14.

As for the women’s cross country team, they placed third of three teams in the Fredonia Invite, coming in behind Cortland and Oswego. Leading the Blue Devils was sophomore Elena Davis with a 14th place finish in the women’s 4k race. The other scorers for the team in order went junior Mary Clare Haseley, sophomore Morgan Ashton, freshman Elizabeth Ramsey and junior Sarah Buckley rounding out the top five.

They, too, will be traveling to the University of Rochester for the Yellow Jacket Invitational on Saturday, Sept. 14.
The US Open has ended, two people have been crowned champions and history has been made.

The women’s final concluded on Saturday with underdog Bianca Andreescu beating Serena Williams. The 19-year-old won her first Grand Slam title and is the first Canadian to win a major. She beat Williams 6-3, 7-5 and had the momentum throughout the entire match. She gets to 8-0 against top 10 players this year, beating Karolina Pliskova, Caroline Wozniacki, Kiki Bertens, Elina Svitolina, Angelique Kerber (twice) and Williams. On top of her championship trophy, she also won the US Open Series Breakout Performer. She sported both trophies at The Top of the Rock in New York City. She is the first teenager to win a major since Maria Sharapova in 2006 and the first person to win born in the 2000s. With this US Open win she moves up from being ranked No. 15 to No. 5.

The men’s final finished a little differently on Sunday. Rafael Nadal beat Daniil Medvedev in a five set match, 7-5, 6-3, 5-7, 4-6 and 6-4. This is Nadal’s 19th single’s title and now is only trailing Roger Federer’s all-time grand slam record wins by one. This is Nadal’s fourth US Open title and is one shy of Federer’s five. For Medvedev, this was his first grand slam appearance. He just came up short in the finals after posting a comeback to put him back in the match. Nadal, age 33, has 84 career titles and earned gold medals in the 2008 and 2016 Summer Olympics.
Heartwarming: When this student was feeling shy and didn’t want to socialize, this heroic RA forced them to do icebreakers

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Get out your tissues, this one’s a tear jerker!

Julia Freedman, a shy freshman just starting at Fredonia, wasn’t really in the mood to socialize and just wanted to get the hall meeting over with.

But the heroic RA of Nixon Hall, Patricia Stronghold, decided she was going to force everyone to do bingo ice breakers.

Louise sat there, terrified, after hearing the RA say, "MEETING ISN’T OVER UNTIL YOU GET A BINGO, HAS TO BE FROM DIFFERENT PEOPLE. AFTER YOU’RE DONE, I’LL APPROVE!"

Wow, that’s a hero if I’ve ever seen one.

Some students, scum that they are, decided to write random initials to get a bingo. But Stronghold thought ahead. She had a list of every student in the hall, and would check to make sure all initials were real. Now THAT’S heroic!

Stronghold was glad to be interviewed.

“I just did what any RA would do,” Stronghold said, standing with a cape she bought for herself to look extra heroic. “If I didn’t, who knows what could’ve happened. Young Freedman could’ve been alone in her room watching Netflix or something. Instead, I heightened her senses and forced her to yell out, ‘ANYBODY HATE THE BEACH?’ and hope somebody would come and sign their initials.”

If you see your heroic RA, remember to thank them for their service to our country and our school.

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'We're ignorian Dorian'
Trump puts the hurricane in time out

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As we enter the month with the largest number of hurricanes on average, tropical storms become stronger and stronger. This includes the first ever hurricane to reach Category 5, according to President Trump.

In September 2017, Hurricane Irma hit the US, the first of four Category 5 hurricanes to hit the US since Trump took office. Also in September 2017, Maria hit Puerto Rico, an island that Anita would like to remind you is in America now. In October 2018, Hurricane Michael hit Florida. Dorian marks the fourth Category 5 hurricane to hit the US during Trump's term in office.

Here at the Scallion, we turned to our resident weather expert, Autumn Storms, with news on the current Dorian situation.

"Well, I told you before and I'll tell you again, no one has ever heard of a flippin' Category 5 Hurricane. Until today, no one even knew they existed. Especially Trump, who's mentioned them no fewer than five times in the past three years," said Storms. "These are unheard of storms. Unthinkable, really. I think Trump did the right thing sending this one to Alabama. It needs some time to mellow out in the hot Alabama sun. No one should get to party that hard in Florida. The destruction these storms cause is really something terrible. If you've ever seen pictures of Hurricane Katrina's aftermath, it's like that. But I don't think Katrina was even a Category 5. Sure it was huge, devastating, even, but nothing this bad."

It's no question that Category 5 hurricanes have become more and more prevalent in recent times, but NOAA, the EPA and every single one of the many oil executives relying on polluting the atmosphere to make a profit urges you to remember that no one has ever successfully made a direct link to so called climate change and the increased severity of these storms. The rising sea levels might change where they impact, but they assure you, Trump is right. Alabama will be hit by Dorian, and no one has anything to worry about.

Once Dorian gets out of time out, it is free to hit wherever it wants. For the sake of Trump's accuracy, Dorian is duty-bound to go to Alabama. The devastation it could cause by throwing this tantrum is unacceptable. An extended time-out is possible if Dorian doesn't shape up and behave itself, but until then, we're ignorian Dorian.
If you're going to start a fight, wear sneakers. You're going to need to run.

The world seems like it's against you, but that's just because you need to turn around.

People say you're two-faced, but that's not true. You're such a backstabber. Even you know you're three-faced.

Don't get it.

Now is the time for reckless acts.

The inner you is coming out. Embrace it. Free your bones.

It's all about balance. If you eat pizza for breakfast, make sure you drink orange juice for dinner.

Good things are coming. Do not try to stop them.

Start training. Aries is going to be wearing sneakers, and you'll need to catch up.

It's fall, make sure you have plenty of Candy Corn.

You're not a water sign, and for that I will never forgive you.

1/4 cup mayonnaise
2 tablespoons honey
1 tablespoon yellow mustard
2 teaspoons Dijon mustard
2 teaspoons freshly squeezed lemon juice
2 tablespoons BBQ sauce
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