Add/drop plan to be reviewed

BY SUDHANSHU SARIYA
Staff Writer

The add/drop system and other aspects of the registration process could change as early as April 2002, bringing some of the benefits of paper registration to the online process.

Facility Council Chairman Stanley Seltzer, associate professor of mathematics and computer science, said review of the registration process started when Peter Bardaglio, provost and vice president for academic affairs, came to the college.

"We had gotten used to what was going on," Seltzer said. "When [Bardaglio's] fresh eyes took a look at the situation, he just said, "Well, we can make it better."

The proposal aims to shorten the add/drop period after the first day of classes each semester to one week instead of two. It would also freeze registration for one week immediately after the two-week registration cycle and allow students to enlist electronically in a waiting list for courses they could not get into, Bardaglio said.

The changes would address a major faculty concern stemming from the initiation of online registration in Fall 2000. The current process does not supply the administrators with enough information to capture student demand for courses, Bardaglio said.

Under the paper registration system, professors used a demand tally to see how many, and which, students had requested a class. The information was used to add or change sections as well as add the students who most needed the class.

The proposed policy would be more efficient, Seltzer said, as it would allow faculty to allot those seats immediately instead of after the weekend freeze.

"This would allow the department chairs and deans to sort out the situation and decide if new sections need to be opened or canceled or students added to sections," Seltzer said.

Registrar Christopher Knauer said the two-week period is unnecessary with online registration.

"The reason in the past it was two weeks was because we had the heavy-duty paper process," he said. "But because of it being online and you having 24/7 access to make these changes, I don't think it's very difficult or hard to accept the [shorter add/drop period]."

Seltzer said the current add/drop period caused problems for both faculty and students.

"All of a sudden, after a week and half of class, you'd suddenly have a new student in there," he said. "That was troublesome to faculty."

The proposal re-emphasizes the importance of the first day of class, Seltzer said. If students are absent without prior consent, the system allows the professor to assume they have dropped the course and reassign their seats.

"A fair number of the people who are not there the first day are never going to be there and by doing this, it then frees up those seats right away," he said.

Freshman Zulla Getahun said she See CHANGES, Page 4

CONCERNED STUDENTS PROTEST the potential war on Iraq with a die-in Tuesday in the Pub.

The die-in is the latest in a series of anti-war events on campus.

BY EMILY PAULSEN
Assistant News Editor

Diners encountered a slew of "dead bodies" upon arriving at the Pub for lunch Tuesday.

About 20 students dressed in black and wearing signs saying "NO to WAR on IRAQ" lay on the floor at a die-in held to protest U.S. policies toward Iraq.

At the event, which was held in coordination with International Human Rights Day, some students distributed information about human rights, U.S. policies and events in Iraq.

Senior Michael Mena, who participated in the die-in, said it was organized by several concerned students and not supported by a campus organization.

The intent of the event, he said, was to get the attention of the many people eating lunch or passing through the area.

"If it makes them interested," he said, "They'll want to know what it's about, what's going on."

Sophomore Brett Miller, another participant, said he acknowledges the limits of what the See DINERS, Page 4

Community members press for full-time LGBT counselor position

BY KATE SHEPPARD
Staff Writer

Students, faculty and staff are lobbying the college administration to make the coordinator of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender outreach, education and services a full-time position.

One year after Lisa Maurer first filled the 20-hour-per-week position, students submitted a proposal to the board of trustees in October asking for her promotion. The resolution stated, "The mere retention of one disillusioned LGBT student for another year at IC would cover the cost related to elevating the position to full-time."

Seniors Daniel Baker and Ryan Prosser and junior MK Sullivan authored the proposal. If approved, the proposal claims, Maurer could better serve the Ithaca Community.

"We view an increase in the position of coordinator for this program from part-time to full-time as an important step for the college to continue as a leader on issues of diversity, acceptance and pluralism," the proposal's introduction states.

A full-time position would further advance the college's Institutional Plan, according to the proposal.

In November, the Student Government Association and Residence Hall Association passed resolutions supporting a full-time LGBT coordinator. The two resolutions were sent to President Peggy R. Williams and the college's vice presidents.

Roger Richardson, assistant vice president for student affairs and campus life, who oversees the LGBT center, said the students' proposal was well-written and will be reviewed by the board of trustees. He said a decision will be announced in February with other budget measures, but added that a change is unlikely.

The college has made a decision, in terms of having a part-time position, two years ago," Richardson said. "When students first pushed for the creation of the center, they requested two full-time staff members, said Baker, president of Created Equal. Instead, they got one part-time coordinator and are now petitioning for the change.

Senior Jennifer Addonizio, Student Government Association vice president of campus affairs, was on the steering committee when students first requested the center and a coordinator.

"We have an unusually large population of LGBT students on campus," she said. "I think that the administration giving us the part-time position was a huge step, but there certainly is a need for a full-time [commitment]."

Sophomore Sarah Jeffers, assistant professor of English, said there is the possibility

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Iraq sends arms declaration to the U.N.

The 12,000-page arms declaration Iraq submitted to the United Nations offers no new evidence to support Iraq's contention that it destroyed biological and chemical weapons in the 1990s, a top adviser to President Saddam Hussein said Sunday night.

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Radio host to talk about media activism

BY SARAH HOFIUS
Staff Writer

Amy Goodman, award-winning journalist and host of the radio talk show "Democracy Now!" will share her work in alternative media with the Ithaca College community on Friday. Her speech, titled "Independent Media in the Time of War," will take place in Ford Hall on the campus of Ithaca College. The event starts at 7 p.m. Students who attend the speech will learn how to go to alternative media activism.

BY KELLI B. GRANT
News Editor

Despite a potential war with Iraq and other pressing world events, now percentage of students are getting involved with political organizations, according to a national survey by Harvard University’s Institute of Politics. The survey, which analyzed responses of 1,200 college students nationwide, reported that only 14 percent of students have participated in a government, political or issues-related organization, and 20 percent have participated in a political rally or demonstration.

Representatives for Ithaca College’s student political organizations were not surprised. Junior Lucas Shapiro, president of the Ithaca College Democrats, said the 14 percent involvement rate is, unfortunately, consistent with other surveys he has read.

"By and large, even though there are encouraging signs, we have a fairly apathetic student culture in the U.S.,” Shapiro said.

STUDENTS MARCH TO the Office of Admission in Job Hall during December 2000 in protest of the college's contract with food provider Sodexho Marriott, whose parent company held stock in private prisons. The campus group Young Democratic Socialists sponsored Buchanan's speech last April.

BY JOE PASTERIS
THE ITHACAN

Many students aware but inactive

Harvard survey examines undergraduates' attitudes toward politics

AMY GOODMAN, host of the radio program "Democracy Now!," will speak to Ithaca College students on Friday at 7 p.m. in Ford Hall.

"Politics is the realm of the public," he said. "In the end, you need to know."
Changes to help faculty open up seats in class

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is reluctant to give away an entire add/drop period so much as a time to try out a class and decide whether you want to keep it,” Seltzer said. “That’s asking quite a bit, I think.”

Richard Chandler, director of administrative systems in the Office of Information Technology, said the office did not anticipate any problems with altering the program to accommodate the new procedures. However, Knauer said the proposal might take time to put in place because it needs to be discussed further among members of the college community.

“I’d like to see it in effect next fall, but I’m being optimistic,” he said.

Center unable to handle high volume of weekly calls

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tial for a large number of students at the college to seek Maurer’s services, Jefferis believes that 10 percent of the people in any population are LGBT, meaning at least 600 students have the potential to request the resource center’s services.

“We have a part-time person to respond to, help educate, enlighten, support, love, challenge and care for the potential of 600 students plus their straight allies,” Jefferis said. “She’s a treasure, and I would hope that the college could recognize that. I think this place could be better for students, faculty and staff with a full-time position.”

Maurer said that some weeks she receives between 200-300 contacts by e-mail, drop-in or phone calls. The proposal said an average of 81 of these contacts go unanswered each week because Maurer is busy with administrative commitments, volunteer training and campus outreach.

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Diners chow down among ‘victims’

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We know that us lynching isn’t going to stop a war … We just want people to stop eating their lunches and think for a minute.”

— BRETT MILLER

Sophomore

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Junior Alexandra Laufer, who was eating lunch with friends when the protesters entered, said the die-in was unwanted each week because Maurer is busy with administrative commitments, volunteer training and campus outreach.

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City reinstates clothing sales tax

BY ELIZABETH A. CROWLEY
Managing Editor

Students buying “Ithaca is Gorges” T-shirts from The Commons will pay a little more starting in March 2003.

The City of Ithaca Common Council voted 9-0 Nov. 20 to reinstate the clothing sales tax after the county reinstated its share Nov. 19. That 4 percent tax will affect clothing and shoes $110 or less.

The vote comes after the Tompkins County Board of Representatives chose to bring back the tax instead of raising property taxes above 13.44 percent.

Alderman Patricia Vaughan, D-3rd Ward, voted in favor of reinstating the sales tax.

“This gives us a chance to spread the pain to a much, much larger group,” she told The Ithaca Journal.

The tax was originally repealed in March to make the county more competitive with surrounding areas that do not have sales tax on clothing and shoes costing $110 or less.

“We usually get a lot of people here because our clothes are cheap but nice,” Jackson said.

Joan Romm, owner of Easy Street, a clothing store in Center Ithaca on The Commons, said customers will be inconvenienced by the tax, but doesn’t anticipate fewer customers.

“We usually get a lot of people here because our clothes are cheap but nice,” Jackson said.

“It’s not realized the tax was originally repealed. She said she would like the county to raise money through means other than sales and property taxes.

Sophomore C. J. Glass, who is also an Ithaca resident, said the reinstated tax will not keep him from shopping in the city. “The downtown needs local support, so we should give them a helping hand because it’s just honest people trying to make a living,” Glass said.

“Anyone who goes away and leaves a house unattended is potentially a target,” said Sgt. Joan Russell of the Ithaca Police Department.

“Use common sense,” she said. “Don’t let mail and newspapers pile up. Lock doors and windows on all stories and don’t leave valuables in front of windows.

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Students from India seek U.S. education

BY ELIZABETH QUAL
Staff Writer

Right now, there are more students from India studying at American institutions of higher education than from any other country, according to The Chronicle of Higher Education.

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Select Public Safety Log Incidents

Nov. 25
- Suspected circumstance
Location: Hill Center
Summary: Caller reported a person had fallen and was unconscious. Upon officer's arrival, it was discovered that person had sustained a bump to the head, which caused the fall. Ambulance transported person to CMC. Patrol Officer Donald Lyke.

- MVA
Location: Tower Road
Summary: Caller reported a vehicle off the road. Ambulance crew checked, treated and released driver. Officer issued subject a uniform traffic ticket for speeding not related to the conditions and no proof of insurance. Patrol Officer Bruce Holmstock.

Dec. 1
- Conduct code violation
Location: College Circle Apartment 2
Summary: Caller reported a person had fallen and was unconscious. Upon officer's arrival, it was discovered that person had sustained a bump to the head, which caused the fall. Ambulance transported person to CMC. Patrol Officer Donald Lyke.

- MVA
Location: Cercance Center
Summary: Fire alarm due to activated smoke detector. Activation caused by dust from grinding a sculpture. System reset. Patrol Officer Bruce Holmstock.

Dec. 2
- Medical assist
Location: H.I.C. Center
Summary: Caller reported a person sustained a knife injury while playing basketball. Ambulance transported person to CMC. Fire Protection Specialist Enoc Perkins.

- Trespass
Location: Garden Apartment 39
Summary: Caller reported that unknown persons entered apartment Nov. 22. Case under investigation. Patrol Officer Bruce Holmstock.

Dec. 3
- Conduct code violation
Location: Garden Apartment Road
Summary: Driver was issued one campus summons for failing to stop at stop sign and one for reckless driving. Officer was also referred for judicial action for reckless action. Patrol Officer Robert Hightchew.

- Accidental property damage
Location: Tower Road
Summary: Caller reported that a vehicle was damaged when it slid into a ditch. Patrol Officer Frederick Thomas.

- MVA
Location: A-lot
Summary: Caller reported a two-car MVA with property damage. Patrol Officer Robert Hightchew.

- Follow-up investigation
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- Larceny
Location: Campus Center
Summary: Caller reported unknown persons had stolen a box of items bearing the Class of 2003 logo sometime Dec. 3-4. Investigation to continue. Sgt. Ronald Hart.

- Suspected odor
Location: Terrace 6
Summary: Caller reported the odor of marijuana. Investigation to continue. Patrol Officer Bruce Holmstock.

- Fire alarm
Location: Bogart Hall
Summary: Fire alarm due to activated smoke detector. Reason for activation is unknown. No fire or smoke. System reset. Patrol Officer Bruce Holmstock.

Dec. 4
- Fire alarm
Location: Cercance Center
Summary: Fire alarm due to activated smoke detector. Activation caused by dust from grinding a sculpture. System reset. Patrol Officer Bruce Holmstock.

- Criminal mischief
Location: O-lot
Summary: Caller reported that unknown subjects let the air out of a parked car's tire. Case under investigation. Patrol Officer Bruce Holmstock.

- MVA
Location: Coddington Road
Summary: Caller reported a two-car MVA with property damage. Reported to the TCSD, ask officer of Public Safety to take report. Patrol Officer Bruce Holmstock.

- MVA
Location: Circles parking lot
Summary: Caller reported a two-car MVA with property damage. Patrol Officer Bruce Holmstock.

- Medical assist
Location: H.S. Center
Summary: Caller reported a person sustained a knee injury while playing basketball. Ambulance transported person to CMC. Fire Protection Specialist Enoc Perkins.

Dec. 5
- Medical assist
Location: H.I.C. Center
Summary: Caller reported that a person sustained a broken finger during dancing class. Person was transported to the Health Center. Patrol Officer William Kerry.

- Criminal mischief
Location: Holmes Hall
Summary: Officer reported unknown persons had caused damage to the west window entrance door on the ground floor. Investigation to continue. Patrol Officer Robert Hightchew.

- Conduct code violation
Location: Landon Hall
Summary: Officer reported odor of incense. Investigation to continue. Security Officer Maria Parente.

- Harassment
Location: Whaler Center
Summary: Caller reported harassment, investigation to continue. Patrol Officer William Kerry.

- Computer crimes
Location: Rowland Hall
Summary: Caller reported a computer on the college network illegally sharing copyrighted materials. One referred for judicial action for violating federal law. Investigation to continue. Patrol Officer Thomas Dunn.

- Major traffic
Location: Boothroyd Hall
Summary: Caller reported illegal-related/ho/homophobic graffiti written in permanent marker on restroom's door. Investigation to continue. Patrol Officer Bruce Holmstock.

- MVA
Location: O-lot
Summary: Walk-in reported a two-car MVA with property damage. Patrol Officer Bruce Holmstock.

- Larceny
Location: West Tower
Summary: Caller reported theft of cash. Investigation to continue. Patrol Officer Bruce Holmstock.

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- Follow-up investigation
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Dec. 6
- Unlawful possession—marijuana
Location: Holmes Hall
Summary: Caller reported unknown person was in another dorm room. Patrol Officer Bruce Holmstock.

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Location: O-lot
Summary: Caller reported a vehicle off the road. Ambulance crew checked, treated and released driver. Officer issued subject a uniform traffic ticket for speeding not related to the conditions and no proof of insurance. Patrol Officer Bruce Holmstock.

- Medical assist
Location: Circle 1
Summary: Caller reported a person had sustained a cut to the foot. Person transported to the Health Center. Patrol Officer Richard Curtiss.

- Medical assist
Location: Dillingham Center
Summary: Caller reported person with bad tooth pain. Person transported to the Health Center. Patrol Officer William Kerry.

- Larceny
Location: O-lot
Summary: Caller reported unknown persons had stolen cash sometime Dec. 7. Investigation to continue. Sgt. Ronald Hart.

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- Conduct code violation
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Location: Yavits Field
Summary: Caller reported unknown persons stole two cell phones within the last two days. Investigation to continue. Sgt. Ronald Hart.

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KEY
CMC—Cayuga Medical Center
DWD—Driving while intoxicated
IPD—Ithaca Police Department
MVA—Motor vehicle accident
RC—Resident assistant
TCSD—Tompkins County Sheriff's Department
V&T—Vehicle and traffic violation
A damaging policy
Residence hall destruction must be investigated

The system for charging on-campus students for damages in common areas of residence halls has resulted from broken furniture to excessive trash — is an unfair solution that does little to deter future destruction.

Residential Life has found a slight improvement in the new actual cost system, which means charges will definitely cover damages instead of moving into a general repair fund. This should lead to repairs being completed more quickly.

Nevertheless, there is an inherent flaw in the policy of damage billing because many students and their parents are still paying the financial penalty for the irresponsible actions of others. While it is clear that distributing the charges across the entire on-campus population would be unfair, distributing them across an entire floor or a single dorm is not enough.

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I See It

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Haunting fetishes
Friday night's fetish ball at The Haunt produced some scary sights.

BY STACEY COBURN
Staff Writer

Driving down a new four-lane road with traffic on either side, you scan a row of shopping centers and stores. Beyond green strips of carefully landscaped trees and bushes and see people walking and biking along the side of the road. You turn into the entrance for a new 400,000-square-foot plaza and try to find a parking spot.

This may sound like any suburban town in the United States — except Ithaca, N.Y. The city's Common Council approved a site plan just like this in September. For years, some residents opposed development, but just recently there has been a rapid influx of chain stores in the area. And as soon as the builders address the council's remaining concerns about the new building plan, the Benderson Complex will be moving in along the west side of Elmira Road, behind Knmat.

Another complex, the Widewaters development, will soon be under construction across from Buttermilk Falls. This complex, which will include a Home Depot, three other retail stores and two restaurants, was granted preliminary approval by the City of Ithaca Planning and Development Board in 2000 and may be constructed by summer of 2003.

Graduate occupational therapy student Anna Ehrlich said that if big box stores come to Ithaca, she'll move away when she graduates. The term "big box" refers to the identical architecture characterizing many large-chain stores. Ehrlich said that stores like this do not have strong social or environmental values.

"It's nice to have a choice, but I think human rights and the environment are more important than having 15 choices of what type of socks to buy," Ehrlich said. "I'll settle for having two choices and buying locally.

On the other hand, Ithaca College junior Kate Clark said that the complex is better than the current structures in Ithaca. "I'm not against big box stores, such as Elmira, Syracuse, Corning or Rochester, where big box stores exist," Clark said big box stores provide cheaper prices and a better selection for consumers.

"Nobody is considering the quality of life," Clark said. It's all, "What do we want to look at when I look out my window?"

Mayor Alan Cohen said that Benderson will be more aesthetically pleasing than Wegmans, which is already an improvement over Knmat. He said while Wegmans' parking lot has 5 percent landscape coverage, Benderson will have 12 percent.

"We're expecting very attractive development to happen as a result of this development," Cohen said. "People go elsewhere, but they'll come here." Clark said that the complex is going to "raise the bar." But Cohen said the new development is "going to raise the bar." A Common Council member, and that retail stores are what commerce today demands. "I think a lot of these stores are the reality of modern American life," said Blumenthal, a Democrat. "People want inexpensive goods, so you're going to see a lot of the country going through this process of devolution and reorganization." Common Council member Deb Logan, a Green Party member, said intellectual bias is becoming evident in the discussion. Big box stores fulfill a need of development and new people in the city.

The naysayers are happy to argue.

"I hope it's able to be the planned city downtown," Logan said. "But I also conclude that without this development, we will have no downtown businesses, that's disenfranchising, suffering from the number of people who come to Ithaca as tourists. If it didn't happen, it would not be sustainable, it would not be good service, it should be a wise choice."

Ithaca College professor, Ithaca College assistant professor of economics, said that the developers make it possible because of economies to provide less expensive goods for people with lower incomes, and because the downtown does not offer many practical, inexpensive goods. However, she said that these stores typically don't provide high wages or secure jobs.

"We should increase the incomes of people in Ithaca so that they don't feel like they have to get the cheapest thing," Ehrlich said. "I think we should increase the incomes of people."

Toni Barron, a co-chair of the Citizens Planning Alliance, said the environmental impact of the big box stores also a concern. Traffic is already congested on Route 13 and the Benderson complex is likely to make it worse.

"Overall, it doesn't seem the city is really ahead of the game in terms of anticipating and making traffic manageable," Barron said.

Blumenthal said on council looked at these concerns while formulating the Regional Environmental Impact Statement.

"We looked at a range of issues relating to traffic, pollution and contamination," Blumenthal said. "We took this in to account before we approved the plan.

Now that this has been approved, Barron said, debate should be focused on how to best minimize damage to the downtown rather than the value of big box stores coming to Ithaca.

"We've paid that," Barron said. "It's going to happen."
French film festival revitalizes theater

BY EMILY BROWN
Assistant Accent Editor

Fall Creek Cinema isn’t usual­ly open in the afternoon on a week­day. But at 3 p.m. Tuesday, Lynne Cohen was already hard at work behind the concession counter, rat­ting off movie times to callers, pump­ing butter onto buckets of popcorn and assuring customers that, yes, the movie did have subtitles.

The theater was open for a screening of “Le Battement D’Ailes du Papillon” (“Happen­stance”), the second film in the yearlong French film festival. Cohen and Richard Szanyi used to own the Cinemapolis and Fall Creek theaters. But three years ago, when the theaters were on the brink of bankruptcy, they decided to go nonprofit. Now the theaters are owned by 7th Art Corporation.

“So that’s it, they don’t make money,” said Jodi Cohen, president of 7th Art and associate professor of speech communication at Ithaca College. “But they really care about bringing good independent films to the community.”

The French film festival, which is sponsored in part by Ithaca College, is one way that 7th Art is trying to reach out to members of the commu­nity, especially high school stu­dents, and keep the theaters open.

“We feel like high school stu­dents are very well-marketed to by commercial films and are very well-aware of what’s going on at the mall, but it’s hard for art films to get started with high school students,” Lynne Cohen said.

The idea for the festival came when Nelly Furman, a French pro­fessor at Cornell University, received a grant from the French Embassy to bring French cinema to Ithaca.

They chose “Happenstance” because it was marketed as a love sto­ry starring Audrey Tautou, who starred in the French hit “Amélie.” But “Happenstance” is actually more about chaos theory than about relationships. It tells the story of more than 10 different people and the way their random decisions and missed chances affect one another’s fates.

“It’s one of those ‘butterfly flaps, its wings in Australia and someone gets in a car accident in Canada thing,’” Jodi Cohen said.

Lynne Cohen said she thought the film’s quirky plot would appeal to young people. She said they are sometimes put off by the slow pace and subtitles of French films.

The first film in the festival was “Le Frèrehood of the Wolf,” a film that was so much racier than the second flick that Cohen con­sidered requiring permission slips from high school students — but decided against it.

At Tuesday’s screening, the high school students didn’t arrive until the last minute, as their school day ended. A few college students and a group of Longview residents came as well.

A man in a New York Yankees baseball cap wandered in and asked Jodi Cohen, who was directing people to the right theater, “What’s this chaos theory? I thought it was something political.”

She said she didn’t know that much about it and that’s why she in­vited an Ithaca High School algebra teacher to lead a discussion on it af­ter the film. The teacher, Severin Dix, showed up with a tote bag full of the kind of toys that are sold in sci­ence stores to demonstrate that there is actually order in chaos.

He explained that the idea behind chaos theory was that small changes in a system could have huge and unpredictable ramifications.

After the film, most of the high school viewers left, but about 30 peo­ple remained for the discussion. Ithaca College senior Hitoshi Nakamura said he normally likes the calm tone of French films but was a little disappointed in “Hap­penstance.”

“Even though there are so many characters and the connections are so interesting, all the people seemed so shallow,” Nakamura said.

Benjamin Schumway, 13, was one high school student who hung around until the end. He said he liked the discussion afterward.

“It definitely got me interested,” he said.

The next film in the festival is “La Cité des Enfants Perdu” (“City of Lost Children”), which is playing on Feb. 11 at 3 p.m. at Fall Creek Cinema.
ITHACA RESIDENT EMILY WILMOTT becomes an exotic work of art as artist Erick Downey spray paints her body.

SYRACUSE RESIDENT ALEXIS KAS-SAN snaps her partner, Ithaca resident Jason Maligh, with a snap of her whip.

CORNING COMMUNITY COLLEGE student Luke Brown and dog Frank get all decked up for the costume competition but don't take home the prize.

ITHACA RESIDENT JOE MORGAN makes a fashion statement while lounging at the bar.

The fifth annual fetish ball lit up The Haunt Friday starting at 9 p.m. as a parade of proud deviants marched in the doors. The debauchery began at 11 p.m., with whipping, candle waxing, bondage and body painting among other imaginative pleasure pursuits.

The costume contest pitted participants against each other, leaving little to the imagination. Vendors were hawking their wares, which included handmade leather masks, and a variety of performers acted out their fantasies for the crowd, which included some Ithaca College students.

FRESHMAN MARGAUX LUSHING winks suggestively as she works the dance floor.

DEBORAH BROWN, otherwise known as Mistress Deborah (kanté), instructs a fellow participant on the art of her particular fetish with the willing participation of the scantily clad David Witslaw.

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**Latest Bond thriller lacks punch**

BY MICHAEL MERLOB

Staff Writer

Watching "Die Another Day," I couldn't help but think that I had seen most of it before. Granted, the partial appeal of the James Bond series is its undeniable familiarity, but many of the action sequences in "Die Another Day" are at least plain dull and are so over the top that they become ridiculous and lose to the blood flowing. Some good acting and an impossibly set piece or two is all that saves it from complete mediocrity.

Pierce Brosnan reprises his role as James Bond, and he fills the role like a glove. Surely the finest Bond since Connery, Brosnan never takes the character's seri­ously yet emits just enough mis­cermism to keep the whole thing from descending into parody.

This time around, the requisite opening sequence, featuring a de­cent chase scene involving hover­craft, takes place in North Korea, where Bond is captured while try­ing to bring down a villain. He is then tortured to death finally Madame's longest song blurs a slimyly over the credits.

The plot takes place in locations spanning from Cash to Iceland and involves an evil (diamond industri­alist) (Toby Stephens) and a super­weapon that can, of course, destroy the world. Halle Berry makes her debut as a Bond girl, playing the role of Jinx, another sexy spy.

"Die Another Day," while not as bad as "The World Is Not Enough," is nowhere near as ex­citing as the excellent "Golden­Eye" and falls short of "Tomorrow Never Dies," as well. It does have some strong scenes, however, in­cluding a great performance by Ste­phanie, who plays Jinx (Jillian Yune), the omnipresent sidekick to the villain, is the best character of the movie. Jinx makes him both memorable and formidable, and audiences will not be able to look at his face without wincing.

Halle Berry is merely OK as the girl. She is saddled with too many bad guips to be truly memorable.

As far as action sequences go, most of them are unimpressive. Wish the exception of a fantastic sword-fighting scene, every oth­er stunt and hit of computer-en­hanced excitement is ultimately forgettable. Low points include a ridiculous surfing scene that is hampered even further by awful special effects, and the hilarious sight of Berry diving off a cliff that appears to fake that I actually laughed out loud. The sword-fight­ing scene, however, is so good that it actually raises the movie by half a star, and a car chase on ice is ef­fective but would have been even better had the commercials not revealed the best parts.

The film was directed by Lee Tamahori, and while he is sure­handed enough to make most of the film work, his decision to use a fast-moving camera in some of the action scenes was irritating and did not fit in with the tone of a Bond film. Nor really fit much su­ited to something like the god­awful "XXX." There is no doubt that Tamahori has talent, having previously directed "Once West Warriors" and "The Edge," but fel­low New Zealander Martin Campbell did a superior job in "GoldenEye" that has yet to be matched by subsequent directors of the Bond series.

Overall, "Die Another Day" was a rather bland experience, marred by mostly boring action se­quences. Despite some good per­formances and a great scene or two, it did not live up to most of the pre­vious Bond films. You certainly won't die if you wait another day to see it.

"Die Another Day" was directed by Lee Tamahori, written by Neal Purvis and Robert Wade and pro­duced by Michael G. Wilson. The film stars Pierce Brosnan.

## Painter's life draws an unpleasant picture

BY ANDREW DIGNAN

Staff Writer

Had Frida Kahlo lived to see the film made about her life, she prob­ably would have spit in disgust and called it "horrible, bourgeois twaddle. The Marxist artist partisan it up with some of the most promi­nent Communist of the first half of the century, had affairs with both Leon Trotsky and Josephine Baker and is considered one of the most influential female artists of the last hundred years. Imagine her shock, then, at her life has been turned into a by-the-numbers, tragedy-of-the­week bore.

Salma Hayek plays Kahlo as the 25-year-old Kahlo, years from her foppish youth, to rebellious young adult to somber bed-confined cripple all be­fore her death at the age of 47. "Frida" jumps from one important event of Kahlo's life to another like tracks on a greatest hits collection. All the favorites are present and accounted for: the tragic trolley-car accident that broke Kahlo's back and killed her, her flirtatious but infidelity-ridden marriage to muralist Diego River­a (in a glorious showboat of a performance by Alfred Molina), and her ill-fated tour of America with Rivera. And more than any­thing, it features scene after scene of Kahlo's peers, standing around and talking, scenes the only brilliant painter she supposedly is.

The greatest hit of "Frida" is that it fails to justify its own exis­tence. Why was Frida Kahlo im­portant, and why should a film be made in her honor? The majority of the film focuses on Kahlo's turbu­lent relationship with Rivera and not her art. "Frida" makes a strong case for Rivera's legacy as a painter yet keeps Kahlo in the shadows.

Hayek invests enormous energy and courage into the role of Kahlo, but the film's weak script prevents the actress from truly in­habiting the role. The camera), screen and holmes, but that's not quite the same thing as having a — to borrow a title from another great­artist film — "lust for life."

Artists are supposed to inspire, yet this film is incapable of doing that. It should have been the story of a great artist and the turbulent events of her life. "Frida," howev­er, ends up being the story of yet an­other put-upon-artist — who occa­sionally painted.

"Frida" was written by Rodrigo Garcia, directed by Julie Taymor and produced by Liz Speed. The film stars Salma Hayek and Alfred Molina.

**Salma Hayek stars as legendary painter Frida Kahlo in the new biopic, "Frida." Alfred Molina co-stars as her husband, Diego Rivera.**
"A New Day At Midnight" is surprisingly not an overly depressing album. Through it all, the joy of life is constantly present. Gray is aware that his life will never be the same again, but he takes solace in the happiness that still exists. In songs such as "Caroline" and "Be Mine," he sings about love, and these moments allow the darker moments in the record to exist out because overpowering.

The album concludes with the first single, "Shut Up." The opening chords of "Pussy Galore." Though the la delivery of Black Thought's rhythm like a stray $20 bill. His intense delivery and poignant rhymes about America's sex-crazed consumer culture struck a note with the audience. The opening act, the surprisingly finicky and active group, Radical Afrobeat Orchestra, will be featured on their leader's genre-crunching steel pedal gui- ter work and possessed on-stage dancing. Radical's screeching drums recalled a cracked-out and flashy style. Berg's voice recalled a cracked-out and flashy style. Berg's voice
Event of the week
Sons of Pitches will be performing at the State Theatre on Saturday at 7 p.m.

Weekly Calendar of Events

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YDS Teach-In — 12:05 to 1:10 p.m. in Textor 101.

REACT — 12:15 to 1 p.m. in Williams 221.

French Club — 6 to 7 p.m. in Conference Room, Campus Center.

Sign Language Club — 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. in Friends 201.

Insight — 8 to 9 p.m. in Williams 317.

Fireside Chat — Informal discussion and highly time-sponsored by the Catholic Community and Newman Foundation. 8 to 9:30 p.m. in Muller Chapel.

Symphonic and Concert Bands — 8:15 p.m. in Ford Hall, Whalen Center.

Friday

Last day of classes

CPR/AED Training — 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Hill Center 35.

Public Debate — IC Republicans and Students for a Just Peace will debate about the war on Iraq. Noon to 1 p.m. in Emerson Suite C. Sponsored by Phi Rho Psi Delta.

IC PT Club Rub-a-Thon — 1 to 4 p.m., Conference Room, Center for Health Sciences.

Habitat for Humanity — 6 to 8 p.m. in Friends 210.

Dungeons and Dragons — 6 to 11:30 p.m. in Conference Room, Campus Center.

Shabbat Services — 6 p.m. in Muller Chapel.

Protestant Community Holiday Party — 7:30 to 11 p.m. in Klingenstein Lounge, Campus Center.

Amy Goodman — Lecture/speech by award-winning journalist at 7 p.m. in Ford Hall, Whalen Center.

Sunday

Catholic Mass — 1 and 9 p.m. in Muller Chapel.

IC Habitat for Humanity — 4 to 6 p.m. in North Meeting Room, Campus Center.

Dungeons and Dragons Game — 6 to 11:30 p.m. in Conference Room, Campus Center.

Protestant Worship Service — 7 p.m. in Muller Chapel.

Community Skate with Santa — 2:30 to 5 p.m. at Cass Park.

Micawber’s — Steve Morgan and Chris Merkley from 6 to 9 p.m.

Sons of Pitches — 7 p.m. at the State Theatre.

CPR/AED Training — 8:30 a.m. in Smiddy 111.

Guitar Club — 9 to 10 p.m. in Williams 222.

Midnight Mass — 11:55 p.m. in Muller Chapel.

Monday

Final exams begin

Students Against Destructive Decisions — 8 p.m. in Friends 205.

Living Water — 6:30 p.m. in South Meeting Room, Campus Center.

Guitar Club — 9 to 10 p.m. in Williams 222.

Midnight Mass — 11:55 p.m. in Muller Chapel.

Tuesday

Final examinations

IC Toastmasters Club — 11 a.m. in Klingenstein Lounge, Campus Center.

Delta Mu Delta — 12:10 to 1 p.m. in Smiddy 111.

Students for Life — 9:30 p.m. in Friends 302.

Wednesday

Final examinations

Eucharist for Peace and Healing in the Celtic/Anglican Tradition — 12:10 p.m. in Muller Chapel.

RHA Assembly — 8 p.m. in North Meeting Room, Campus Center.

Not all Ithaca College events are listed in the calendar. Send information to Calendar Manager Christine Lomb at 274-1565 for more information, call Calendar Manager Christine Lomb at 274-2945 or fax at 274-1565.

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**How long 'career day'? Kids these days are afraid of work.**
BY JACK KENO

It is never easy to lose an All-American to graduation. This year, the Bombers will have to fill the void that was left with the graduation of Jocelyn Genoa, who earned All-America honors last season. The Blue and Gold will have 16 women returning from last year's squad, including senior co-captains Heidi Sanderson and Andrea Cunningham. Both women were consistent top finishers in the vault last season.

Sanderson was also consistent in a top-place finisher on the uneven bars, while Cunningham was a strong competitor on the balance beam. In addition, the Bombers have added four freshmen to their roster.

Coach Rick Suddaby, who will be entering his 17th year as the Bombers' head coach and has led the Blue and Gold to 16 consecutive national championship appearances, believes this year's team has had a great preseason and is ready to compete.

"Unfortunately, you can't replace a girl like Jocelyn," Suddaby said. "She was our toughest loss, but we have a good group of returnees and a range of competitors to compete for us."

Junior Leslie Gelatt is another standout who will be an important part of this year's squad. She was ranked No. 1 in the country in the floor exercises for most of last year. Junior Rachel Edelson was also ranked in the top five nationally on the floor exercise. At one point, Gelatt and Edelson were ranked first and second respectively.

Other letter-winners who will be returning include junior Elena Dequesada, junior Lindsay Troilo and junior Teri Nelson. Senior Carly O'Brien added that the Bombers' depth will take them far. "We have a lot of depth in every event," said O'Brien. "We have a very strong core of girls who are back and a few really good freshmen that are coming up."

O'Brien cited freshman Stephanie Smith, who does floor exercises and the balance beam, as someone who should be a key to the Bombers' success.

The other three freshmen who should successfully contribute to the Bombers' season are Krystal Kaminski, Lindsey Montana and Jessica Rosenberg.

Junior Sue Lawall, who was a third-place finisher in the uneven bars at last year's ECACs, also expects good things to come. "Our expectations are higher than ever before," she said. "We have four great freshmen and four great seniors to lead us. Everyone from last year has also improved dramatically."

Ithaca, who expects to be one of the top competitors in the state as well as the nation, will have the same tough matchups as in years past. The Bombers will once again compete closely with rival Cortland. Ithaca and Cortland have split the last two meetings over the last two years. Cortland also placed ahead of the Bombers at nationals last season, finishing second, while the Blue and Gold took fifth.

"We have been going back and forth with Cortland for years," Suddaby said. "They will be a tough opponent for us this year, and down the road at nationals, [Wisconsin-Lacrosse] will be the team to beat."

Lacrosse has won the previous two national championships. After a sixth-place finish in 2001 and a fifth-place finish in 2002, the Bombers will try to improve and win their first title since 1998. Their first competition will be on Jan. 18 at the MIT Invitational in Massachusetts.

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MAINTAINING A BALANCE

LAUREN ANN LIGHTBOYD/THE ITHACAN

SENIOR CAITLIN WORTH works on the uneven bars Friday in practice.

That's the key to Ithaca overcoming the loss of All-American Jocelyn Genoa.

"Our expectations are higher than ever before."

—SUE LAWALL

Junior

Gymnastics

2003 SCHEDULE

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SOPHOMORE DEVON MALCOLM practices on the balance beam.
Wrestlers' successes slide under the radar

As the new year approaches, there are a few certainties at Ithaca College that will come with the calendar change. New year's resolutions are coming back, will complain about a variety of subjects, including dining hall food, the lack of places to party and the chilly temperatures outside.

Ithaca's annual rise in tuition will cause an uproar among the student body for approximately three hours until everybody realizes they are too deep in the hole financially that it's not worth the (some think) matter for them that their parents will pay for tuition.

The Ithaca will give a gross amount of coverage to the basketball teams, and when the aurasomes team go for their 7,654 consecutive state title, we'll be there to cover that too. Pretty soon we'll have to spend our time whining about on-camera.

We've outdone ourselves this season.
**Unrested Blue and Gold soak Saxons**

Sophomore Steve Barnes wins three times as Ithaca competes two days after three-day meet

**BY NORIA LITAKER**

Staff Writer

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Ithaca works overtime to beat Red Dragons

BY BRAD TIEDE
Staff Writer

There is a reason why teams shoot hundred of foul shots in practice: Production to convert the "freebies" down the stretch. That age-old adage proved applicable Thursday night as Cortland (1-6) handed the Bombers an early Christmas present, dropping the hotly contested affair, 72-70.

"He was impacting the game very significantly," Mullins said. "He was having his way inside, and they were hurt when they lost him.

"With Roth on the sidelines, junior Tyler Schulz was able to pop it up on Powers, earning two trips to the foul line in the final minute and a half of overtime. He responded by connecting on three of four attempts, the last of which gave the Bombers a two-point lead."

"Tyler doesn't always put up the big points, but he does everything else," sophomore guard Jesse Roth said. "He takes charges, diverts on the floor for loose balls, grabs rebounds and plays tough defense."

Schulz finished with 16 points and eight rebounds in 36 minutes. If not for poor offensive execution in their half-court set throughout the first half — resulting in a measly 26.8 field-goal percentage — Ithaca may have avoided the tension-filled second half.

"I just think the percentages caught up on us," Mullins said. "One of the things we are a concern for us is that we rely too much on the outside shot. We were 2-for-12 in the first half, but that trend turned around significantly in the second half as we ended up shooting the ball very well from the arc."

Yet it was Cortland who started hot in the second half, opening play on a 16-5 run.

Powers took control for the Red Dragons, knocking down a pair of 17-footers. He recorded a double-double with 12 points and 10 rebounds. Cortland's defense, however, gave the Bombers fits.

“We were really slowed down by their zone,” Roth said. “It was getting us out of our game because they were controlling the pace.” Fortunately, the Bombers managed to find their stroke at the right time.

Junior guard Aaron Horstma sparked a 12-0 spurt at the 10-minute mark as the Blue and Gold connected on four consecutive long-range trifectas.

Senior Jason Wallen followed with a baseline three-pointer before Roth answered with two more crossovers to narrow the gap to three, 41-38.

But he does do everything else,” sophomore guard Jesse Roth said. "My job is to bring a spark to the team," and he said, "We known well we were better [than Cortland], but we weren’t playing good and started to get really frustrated."

The contest featured six ties and six lead changes in the final 6:20 of regulation.

The Bombers had seemingly seized control when junior guard Sean Clifford increased the lead to three, 58-55, with 28 seconds remaining in regulation. But Cortland immediately struck back, as sophomore guard Steve Esposito nailed a three-pointer with 7.9 seconds remaining on the clock.

Afer a timeout, Schulz regained the lead for Ithaca, scoring off a set-in bounds shot from Roth at half court with 5.5 seconds left. The Bombers then suffered a major defensive lapse as Cortland guard Frank Rursi took the ball coast-to-coast for an uncontested layup that forced the extra session.

JUNIOR SEAN CLIFFORD, right, works around a Cortland defender Tuesday night.

REBECCA GARDNER/ITHACA
The Bombers finished sixth out of 13 teams at the Franklin and Marshall Invitational behind three seventh-place fin-
sishes from their relay teams.

Friday night, Ithaca's top finish was sev-
enth, by the 800-yard medley relay team of
junior Jessica Hughes, sophomore Craig
Dolan (1:59.06) and freshman资产评估
Steve Barnes.

Kavanaugh also placed 11th in the 100-
yard individual medley with a time of
4:26.09 and was followed by teammate fresh-
men Peter Rafter, who finished 18th in
4:33.11.

Saturday, Kavanaugh started the day off
with a sixth-place finish (2:00.66) in the 200-
yard individual medley, less than a second
behind winner Craig Dolan (1:59.06).

In the 500-yard freestyle race, Barnes
swam to eighth place, while senior Mikel
Escobedo came in 17th. Escobedo
placed 15th in the 200-yard individual med-
ley, less than a second
backstroke, placing 15th.

Tri-captains Mike Thor and Orser cap-
turing ninth and 10th respectively in the 100-
yard breaststroke.

On the third day of competition, junior
snowboarder Guadalupe Zuniga placed 11th
in the 500-yard freestyle and 18th in the 200-
yard freestyle. Bennett placed sixth in the
year event finishing 12th ahead of Kavanaugh.

The Bombers also had two top-20 per-
fomers in the 200-yard breaststroke as
Orser placed 14th with a time of 2:21.66 while
freshman Bill Starks came in 20th. Escobedo
did not place in the 100-
yard breaststroke, landing in 15th place.

In the 200-yard freestyle relay of Kavanaugh, Cisne, Orser and Kavanaugh took seventh in the time of
3:15.67.

Women’s aquatics
Friday-Sunday

Ithaca finished fifth out of 14 schools at the
Franklin and Marshall Invitational over the weekend, facing Division II and III competition.

The Bombers, whose winning 800-yard medley relay team provisionally qualified for nationals, placed at least one swimmer in the top 10 in all but one event. Ithaca accumulated 771 points, 11 less than champion College of New Jersey.

The Bombers were led by backstroker of ju-
niors Sarah Bond, Katie Centrella, Molly Keller and junior Michaela Kuznezov, who was
clocked at 7 minutes, 48.69 seconds, setting a
meet record.

At South Hill swimmers placed well in individual events, including freshman Stacey Boway, who was busy all weekend—swimming in six events for the Bombers. She recorded fifth-place finishes in the 50- and 100-yard freestyle races, and also helped out on three relay
teams. In the 100-yard freestyle, Boway even helped her All-American teammate Hughes as Hughes placed sixth.

Although sophomore Ashley Ellis did not qualify for nationals, she did bring home Itha-
ca’s highest individual finishes, placing third in both the 100- and 200-yard breast-
stroke competitions. Both women who beat
Ellis in the 200-yard breaststroke posted
NCAA provisional qualifying times.

Yellin also put in a fifth-place showing in the 200-yard breaststroke, while Hughes was fifth in the 200-yard individual medallion.

Men’s basketball
Sunday

Craig Avalone and Will Morris scored 17 points apiece as fifth-ranked Carroll (Washington, D.C.) defeated Ithaca
90-56.

The Bombers (1-3 overall, 0-0 Empire 8) managed to stay close throughout the first 10
minutes of the game, trailing 21-20, before
the Cardinals (7-0) increased their lead to 14 with a 9-4 run before halftime.

A three-pointer by junior guard Sean Clift
narrowed the gap to ten, at 48-38 early
in the second half before the Cardinals re-
sponded with an 11-0 spurt to seal the vic-
ory. Ithaca was outscored 42-16 in the paint
and continued in careless offensive play with
25 turnovers. The Bombers averaged 19
turnovers a game coming into the contest.

Sophomore guard Jesse Booth scored 12 points off the bench to lead Ithaca in scor-
ing. Clift added 12 of his own and senior
Tyler Schultz recorded a team-high 12 rebounds.

The Blue and Gold shot 32.8 percent from the floor (22-of-67) and just 30 percent (9-of-
29) from behind the arc.

Women’s basketball
Saturday

The Bombers dismantled William Smith, 77-57, in front of more than 140 fans Saturday.

Junior Kelly Gawsowski led the Bombers in scoring with 16 points. She and junior Jennie Swinford led the squad with ten-
equivalent box each. Sophomore Stephanie
Clarke added 14 points and senior Ker-
ri Brown added 13.

Ithaca (2-2) dominated William Smith throughout the game by a margin of 48-20 early in the first half. The Herons were able to chip away at the Bombers’ 22-point lead late in the first half and create a 15-point game
by halftime. However, the Bombers never let the Herons come within less than six points as they destroyed William Smith’s opening
day at Bristol Gym.

Last season, the Bombers defeated the Herons 68-61. Saturday’s performance should give the Bombers some confidence heading into the crux of the season.

Men’s indoor track
Saturday

Two relay teams qualified for both the state and ECAC meet as the Bombers com-
peted in the All-Empire 8 dual to start the season.

The 1,600-meter relay team of seniors
Jim Raven and Brandon Mallette, and sopho-

croes Rob Pickles and Adam Lang finished third in 3 minutes and 24.30 seconds for second place. The 3,200-meter relay team of
Ravener, Mallette, and juniors Jon Barnes and
Shaun Fyffe also finished second with a time of 7:55.81.

Individually, senior Drew Davidson and junior Mike Styczynski both met qualifying standards for the NYSSCT meet and
ECAC meet. Davidson took fourth place in the 35-pound weight class with a weight of
15.37 pounds. Styczynski placed third in the 3,000 meters with a time of 8:55.90.

Junior Greg Hobbs and Chris Ryer posted qualifying times for the NYSSCT meet. Hobbs placed third in the 60-met-
ner hurdles with a time of 8.69, while Ryer ran the 60-meter dash in a time of 7.16 to take eighth place.

The Blue and Gold next compete on Jan.
11 in the Cornell Kickoff Invitational.

JUNIOR CHRIS RYER ran an NCAA provisionally qualifying time of 7.16 seconds in the 60-meter dash at the Cornell Relays Saturday.

Field hockey players earn all-region honors

Sophomore midfielder Brooke Aitch and sophomore right back Kay Bostrom were named to the National Field Hockey Coaches Association North Atlantic all-region second team. Adrich was the team’s second-leading
scorer with 18 points and started every game.

Bostrom was named Most Valuable Player of the NYSSCAIA tournament. 13 from football team
picked by Empire 8

Three Bombers were named for the inaugural Empire 8 all-star team.

Freshman quarterback Josh Fe-
lion, a senior, and team selection, was
also named rookie of the year.

Junior tackle Tarit Ahmad, senior punter Brian Bicher, junior running back Pete Celebre, sophomore line-
backer Jocelyn Colon, senior co-captain Justin Daly, senior tackle Eric Fedrizzi, junior center Matt McMa-
hon, senior defensive end Dan Puckhaber and sophomore defensive end Bryan Steele were all-first team
selections.

Senior safety Tommy Kenney, senior wide receiver Pete McCarthy, junior linebacker Robert Trunam and Felicetti were named to the second

Women’s soccer team
putts on state squad
Five Bombers were placed on the NYSSCAIA all-star team.

Junior Becca Berry (forward, Liz
Bishop (goalie), Dawn Rathbone
(back), Taysi Reptil (midfielder)
and senior Kate Petrocci (midfielder),
received the honors after leading
the team to a 3-3-2 record.

Carroll congratulated with state team pick

Junior Meghan Carroll of the ten-
sis team was named an honorable mention to the NYSSCAIA all-star

Carroll posted a 9-4 record in first-team singles and was undefeat-
ed in Empire 8 singles play.

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A balancing act

The gymnastics team is working on a repeat performance of last year's top-five finish at nationals.

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A HOPE ...

Junior Kerri Brown and the Bombers kept shooting Tuesday — and missing. But they came away with a 51-45 victory.
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