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DIVISION II VOLLEYBALL

SEAWOLVES WIN EIGHTH STRAIGHT

Stony Brook beats Albany in first round of Seawolves Classic

Stony Brook, NY - Stony Brook (26-7) defeated Albany (14-7) 15-13, 15-13, 15-11 in the first round of the Seawolves Classic Friday night at the Sports Complex.

Jessica Serrano (So., Ridge, NY/Longwood HS) led the way for the Seawolves with 19 kills and nine digs. Sarah Boeckel (Jr., Williamsville, NY/Sweet Home HS) posted 38 assists and 18 digs.

In the other first round match, Binghamton swept East Stroudsburg 15-7, 15-13, 15-13.



UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY
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**UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY AND NEW YORK GIANTS ARE IN AGREEMENT
TO CONTINUE FOOTBALL TRAINING CAMP THROUGH 2000**

Albany, N.Y. -- The University at Albany and the New York Football Giants, Inc. have mutually agreed to continue the National Football League organization's summer training camp in the Capital Region for the next three years President Karen R. Hitchcock announced today.

"The University and the New York Giants have agreed to continue the existing five-year contract," said Hitchcock, who provided the leadership in attracting the camp to the area in the spring of 1996. "My thanks to John Mara, Giants' Executive Vice President, and Tim White, Times-Union Publisher, for their diligent work in continuing a partnership that has proven to be extremely successful."

The New York Giants have conducted their training camp at the University at Albany the past two summers, and with this continuing agreement will return each July through 2000.

The University and the Giants signed a five-year summer training camp deal in March 1996 with Governor George E. Pataki's assistance and support from the entire Capital-Saratoga business and government communities.

Prior to their arrival in Albany, the New York Giants trained at Fairleigh Dickinson University in Madison, New Jersey from 1988-95 and Pace University in Pleasantville, New York from 1975-87.



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SPORTS NEWS

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**UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY ANNOUNCES FIVE-YEAR AGREEMENT
WITH SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY IN MEN'S BASKETBALL**

ALBANY, N.Y. -- The University at Albany and Syracuse University have committed to a five-year series in men's basketball, beginning with the 1999-2000 season, as Director of Athletics Dr. Milton E. Richards announced today.

The agreement's terms state that Albany will travel for the first two years to Syracuse for early-season dates in the Carrier Dome. The Orangemen will come to the Capital Region, and play in Pepsi Arena in 2001. The Great Danes will make two more trips to Syracuse in 2002 and 2003. All dates in the five-year deal will be scheduled in November or December. An announcement on specific scheduling will come at a later time.

"We are pleased that our University's first Division I men's team will have an opportunity to play one of the premier programs in college basketball," Richards said. "I am grateful to Pepsi Arena General Manager Bob Belber and Albany County officials for making their facility available for our home date in this series."

The first year of the agreement coincides with Albany's first NCAA Division I campaign. The Great Danes, members of the New England Collegiate Conference, are currently competing at the Division II level. President Karen R. Hitchcock announced last spring the University's decision to upgrade its entire 19-sport intercollegiate athletics program for men and women to Division I.

Syracuse has sponsored a men's basketball program since 1900-01, and joined the Big East Conference in 1979. The Orangemen have made 23 NCAA tournament appearances, and reached the Final Four on three occasions. Head coach Jim Boeheim, who has guided two SU teams to the Division I championship final, is among the winningest coaches in college basketball history with a 501-170 career record over 21 years. The 1996-97 squad finished with an 18-11 record. Syracuse's non-conference slate this season includes Louisville, Colgate, Buffalo, UNC-Greensboro and UNC-Asheville.

Albany coach Scott Hicks, a former Syracuse assistant on Boeheim's staff, is in his first year with the Great Dane program. He replaced Richard "Doc" Sauers, who retired last March with 702 career victories. Hicks, who posted an 87-56 record in five seasons as Le Moyne College's head coach, has four starters returning from last year's 17-10 Albany team.

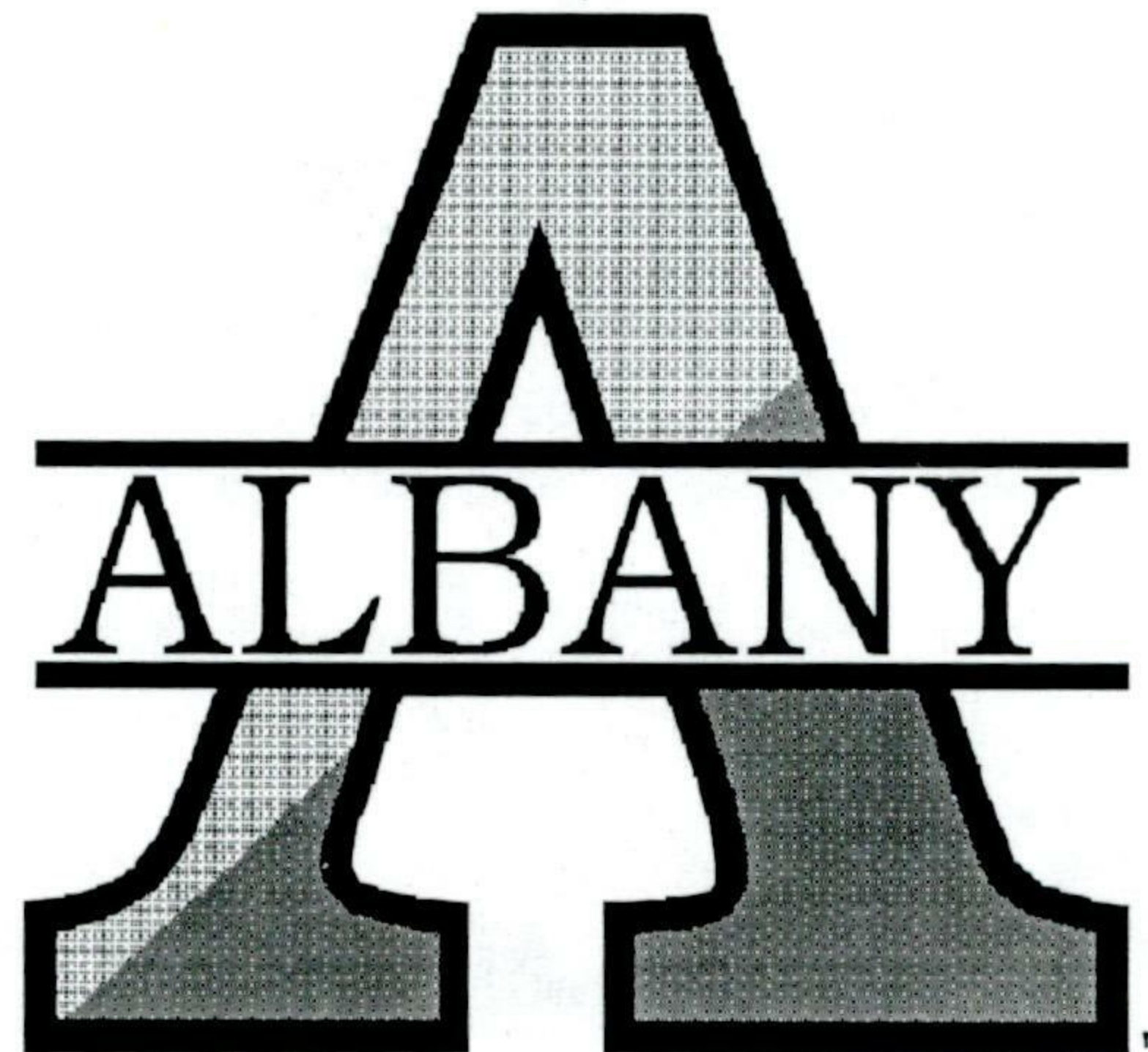
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1997-98
Basketball
Media Luncheon

Thursday, October 30, 1997
Recreation and Convocation Center
Athletic Hall of Fame Room

12:30 p.m.

Scott Hicks (men's coach), Mari Warner (women's coach) and selected players will be made available for interviews.

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Comments: College Sports (Men's Soccer, Basketball)

ALBANY MEN'S AND WOMEN'S HOOP CAPTAINS ANNOUNCED

Albany, N.Y. -- The University at Albany has selected its men's and women's basketball captains for the 1997-98 season. Andre Duncan, Tom McGoldrick and Darrin Jahnel (Schalmont) will serve as tri-captains for first-year head coach Scott Hicks. Kelly Paolino (Schalmont) and Kerry Ochal (Amsterdam) are co-captains for women's coach Mari Warner.

Duncan, a second-team all-New England Collegiate Conference choice last year, led the Great Danes in scoring (14.3 ppg) and rebounding (6.4 pg). McGoldrick, a 6-foot-5 forward, averaged 14.0 points and 5.8 rebounds. Jahnel, a senior guard, scored at an 11.6 clip, and established a single-season record with 83 three-point field goals. Albany was 17-10 overall last season, and placed fifth in the conference with a 10-8 mark.

The Great Danes host Concordia University, of Montreal, Quebec, in an exhibition game on Sunday, November 2. Tip-off is 2:30 p.m. at the Recreation & Convocation Center. Admission is free, and open to the public.

Paolino, a junior point guard, averaged 5.4 points, 2.8 assists and 2.2 steals last season. She led the Great Danes to a 19-9 record and a spot in the NECC championship final, and was chosen to the all-tournament team. Ochal, a 5-foot-9 senior, was a starter in 25 of 28 games played one year ago, and averaged 4.2 points and 4.0 rebounds. Albany opens its 1997-98 schedule at home against Merrimack on Friday, November 14.

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Albany Sports 2-2-2-2

(Men's Soccer)

Albany, N.Y. -- Albany and Keene State battled to a scoreless tie in a non-conference match halted by darkness with four minutes and 56 seconds elapsed in overtime on Wednesday afternoon at Varsity Field.

Mike Cooper had five saves for the Great Danes, who were playing their final home contest of the season, and are now 10-5-1 overall. Matt Andrulot stopped six shots for Keene State (13-2-1).

-agate-

Albany 0, Keene State 0 (OT)

Keene State (13-2-1)	0	0	0	-	0
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Albany (10-5-1)	0	0	0	-	0
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Keene State -- No Scoring, Saves: Matt Andrulot 6. Albany -- No Scoring, Saves: Mike Cooper 5.

*****match halted by darkness at 94:56*****

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Comments: College Sports

(Women's Volleyball)

Albany, N.Y. -- Senior outside hitter Rafaela Nikas, playing in her final home match, had nine kills and 10 digs to lead Albany to a 15-5, 15-7, 15-4 victory over Union on Wednesday evening at University Gym.

Freshman setter Melissa Anchundia added 21 assists for the Great Danes, who improved to 14-6. Union falls to 8-21 on the season.

-agate-

Albany def. Union, 15-5, 15-7, 15-4

(Football)

East Rutherford, N.J. -- The University at Albany climbed to third in this week's Lambert/Meadowlands Division II Football Poll. New Haven, ranked third nationally, is in the top spot with a 7-1 record, while Slippery Rock, also 7-1 overall, is second.

Albany (7-1), which travels to Stonehill for a 12 noon kickoff on Saturday, is among the NCAA's Division II statistical leaders. The Great Danes are eighth in scoring (37.9 ppg), seventh in scoring defense (10.8 ppg), and third in pass defense with a 75.0 rating.

***Lambert-Meadowlands Poll: 1. New Haven (7-1), 30; 2. Slippery Rock (7-1), 27; 3. Albany (7-1), 23; 4. Shippensburg (5-2), 22; 5. Bloomsburg (5-2), 17; 6. Kutztown (5-2), 16; 7. West Chester (4-4), 9; 8. American International (5-2), 7; 9. (tie) Southern Connecticut State (6-2), Millersville (4-3), 4.

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JON BRAINARD CHOSEN NECC ROOKIE OF THE WEEK IN SOCCER

Rindge, N.H. -- University at Albany's Jon Brainard has been selected as the New England Collegiate Conference Rookie of the Week (Oct. 20-26) in men's soccer as announced today by the conference office.

Brainard, a freshman midfielder, scored three goals, his first as a collegian, in last Saturday's 5-2 victory at Stony Brook. He tallied twice within a five-minute stretch of the first half to reverse a 1-0 deficit, and recorded the first "hat trick" by Albany player since September 1994.

Brainard is the third Great Dane to win the NECC's weekly rookie award in 1997, as Kirt MacNeill and Bryan Grabon were honored earlier this season.

Albany (10-5, NECC 5-2) is ranked eighth in this week's Northeast Region Division II Poll.

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(Men's Soccer)

Oakdale, N.Y. -- Senior midfielder Gustavo Guerrero scored in the 70th minute of play to lead Dowling to a 1-0 non-conference victory over Albany on Sunday afternoon at LaSalle Center.

Albany, which had a three-match win streak snapped, falls to 10-5 overall, and plays its final home contest against Keene State on Wednesday at 3:30 p.m. Dowling, ranked 21st in the latest Division II national poll, improves to 10-6 on the season.

(Football)

Centerville, Mass. -- University at Albany's Matt Caliandro has been chosen as the ECAC North Division II Defensive Player of the Week for his performance in Saturday's 22-6 Eastern Football Conference victory at Massachusetts-Lowell. Caliandro, a junior defensive end, had eight tackles, including two sacks for minus-18 yards and two other hits for 11 yards in losses. He also caused one fumble and had one pass deflection.

Senior quarterback Joe Savino was named to the ECAC Honor Roll, as he completed 11 of 22 passes for a season-high 231 yards and one touchdown. Albany is 7-1 overall, and has a seven-game win streak for the first time since 1977.

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Comments: College Sports

(Women's Field Hockey)

North Andover, Mass. -- Tovah Atwell and Jen Cordes scored in each half to lead Albany to a school-record 15th victory of the season with a 2-0 decision over Merrimack on Friday afternoon at Warrior Field.

Atwell, a sophomore, deflected a pass from Chrissy Bradt (Shenendehowa) inside the far post for her 17th goal of the year with 24:23 remaining in the first half. Cordes added an insurance goal early in the final period for the Great Danes.

Albany (15-2), which ends its regular-season schedule at Massachusetts-Lowell on Saturday, held the opposition scoreless for the eleventh time this fall. Goalkeepers Leia Shick and Cathi Burek combined to make five saves. Merrimack's Jen Conway had six saves in the cage, while starter Lori Baden turned away two shots.

-agate-

Albany (15-2)	1	1	-	2
Merrimack	0	0	-	0

Albany -- Scoring: Tovah Atwell 1-0, Jen Cordes 1-0, Chrissy Bradt 0-1, Liz Peck 0-1, Saves: Leia Shick 3, Cathi Burek 2. Merrimack -- No Scoring, Saves: Lori Baden 2, Jen Conway 6.



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**GALLAGHER DRISCOLL SELECTED MEN'S ASSISTANT BASKETBALL COACH
AND RON CICCHINELLI NAMED AS A WOMEN'S CAGE ASSISTANT**

ALBANY, N.Y. -- **Gallagher Driscoll** has been chosen as a part-time assistant men's basketball coach at the University at Albany as head coach Scott Hicks announced today. Women's head basketball coach Mari Warner also named **Ron Cicchinelli** as a part-time assistant.

Driscoll, a four-year starter at the College of St. Rose, served as an assistant coach on Hicks' staff at Le Moyne College the past two seasons. He was responsible for recruiting, scouting and conditioning for a program which made two NCAA Division II tournament appearances during his tenure. Previously, Driscoll was the boys' junior varsity head coach and varsity assistant at West Genesee High School in Syracuse for three years.

Driscoll, 27, earned honorable mention All-America honors and was all-New York Collegiate Athletic Conference as a point guard at St. Rose. A three-time captain, he led the Golden Knights to four consecutive 20-plus win campaigns, and a '92 NCAA tournament bid. Driscoll, who received a B.S. in political science, is the school's all-time assists (878) and steals (359) leader. He attended Bishop Ludden High School in Syracuse, where he was a two-time all-state and all-Central New York choice, and led his club to the 1987 Class A state final.

Cicchinelli has coached on the collegiate and high school scene for nearly 20 years. Last year, he was a boys' varsity assistant at Shenendehowa High School, but previously was the head boys' coach at both Troy (1990-95) and Rensselaer (1983-87) high schools. Cicchinelli, one of two coaches in New York state history to win sectional titles in the boys' and girls' division, directed Rensselaer to the Section II Class C and Patroon League championships. As the girls' head coach at Notre Dame-Bishop Gibbons High from 1978-83, he guided the program to three Class A and three Big 10 League crowns.

An Albany men's assistant under Richard "Doc" Sauers for one season in 1988, Cicchinelli has also coached at the Empire State Games. His Adirondack Region boys' team won one gold medal, while his girls' squad captured two silvers.

Cicchinelli, 44, received his B.S. in sociology from Siena College in 1973, and has a master's degree in public administration from Russell Sage College.

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see attached basketball release

(Cross Country)

Albany, N.Y. -- The University at Albany will host the New England Collegiate Conference men's and women's cross country championships on Saturday, October 25 on campus. The women's 5,000-meter race begins at 12 noon, while the men's 8,000-meter event is scheduled for 1:00 p.m.

Sophomore Ben Wright (Averill Park H.S.) and Shawn Higgins (Shaker H.S.) lead an Albany team which finished second in last year's conference championship. Junior Brad Klinedinst, who was fourth in the 1996 meet, is the top runner for defending champion Massachusetts-Lowell.

Andrea Viger (Granville Central) and Jenn Dott (Colonie) have placed one-two in several races this fall for the Albany women, who were third in last October's competition. Massachusetts-Lowell has won two consecutive NECC women's titles, while Southern Connecticut State's Sara Titus was the conference runner-up one year ago.

(Women's Soccer)

Albany, N.Y. -- Alana Boyles drilled a 10-yard shot just under the crossbar with seven minutes and 57 seconds elapsed in overtime to lift Rensselaer to a 1-0 non-conference victory over Albany on Wednesday afternoon at Varsity Field.

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Boyles, a freshman striker, tallied her fifth goal of the season to break the scoreless deadlock. Goalkeeper Laura Gregor recorded her fifth shutout with four saves for Rensselaer (8-6), which has won four of its last five starts.

Heather McDougal, a freshman who played in the field just two weeks ago, stopped a career-high 24 shots for Albany (3-13).

-agate-

Rensselaer (8-5)	0	0	1	-	1
Albany (3-13)	0	0	0	-	0

Rensselaer -- Scoring: Alana Boyles 1-0, KT Mitchell 0-1, Saves: Laura Gregor 4. Albany -- No Scoring, Saves: Heather McDougal 24.

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Comments: College Sports

(Women's Volleyball)

Albany, N.Y. -- Sophomore Cara Convery had 12 kills and Rafaela Nikas added 10 kills and 10 digs to lead Albany to its fifth straight win with a 12-15, 15-10, 15-9, 15-10 victory over St. Rose on Wednesday evening at University Gym.

Junior setter Lisa Greiner contributed 30 assists and five service aces for the Great Danes, who improved to 12-4. St. Rose (4-13) has dropped 11 consecutive matches.

-agate-

Albany def. St. Rose, 12-15, 15-10, 15-9, 15-10



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(Field Hockey)

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HARTZ' GOAL PUSHES ALBANY PAST SIENA, 1-0

LOUDONVILLE, N.Y.--Senior forward Shannon Hartz (Deposit, N.Y.) scored a goal on a penalty shot just 85 seconds into the contest as the University at Albany Great Danes defeated the Siena College Saints 1-0 Tuesday afternoon at Siena Field. The loss drops Siena to 0-11 overall while Albany improves to 14-2 overall.

Siena fell behind 1-0 when Hartz scored off a penalty corner that was set up by sophomore forward Torah Atweil (West Winfield, N.Y.) and freshman forward Katie Cunningham (Depew, N.Y.). Albany sophomore goalkeeper Leia Shick (Webster, N.Y.) made one save and was rarely tested in the contest as the Great Danes outshot the Saints 13-1.

Freshman goalkeeper Sara Mendez (Branchville, N.J.) stopped five shots for Siena, which played its final home contest of the regular season.

Siena returns to action Saturday when it travels to Rider University for a 2:00 p.m. matchup.

GAME SUMMARY

ALBANY	1	0	--	1
SIENA	0	0	--	0

ALBANY: Shannon Hartz (Tovah Atweil, Katie Cunningham) 1:25

SHOTS ON GOAL: ALBANY (13), SIENA (1)

FOULS: ALBANY (76), SIENA (92)

PENALTY CORNERS: ALBANY (20), SIENA (5)

GOALKEEPING: ALBANY: Leia Shick 70 minutes, 1 save, 0 goals allowed

SIENA: Sara Mendez 70 minutes, 5 saves, 1 goal allowed

DEFENSIVE SAVES: ALBANY (0), SIENA (0)

PENALTY STROKES: ALBANY (0), SIENA (0)

##Sienna College##

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Comments: College Sports

ALBANY RANKED 10th IN NCAA NORTHEAST REGION POLL

Overland Park, Kan. -- The University at Albany made its first appearance this season in the NCAA Division II Northeast Region Football Poll on Monday. The Great Danes, who are 6-1 overall and 5-0 in the Eastern Football Conference, are rated No. 10. New Haven is first in the rankings, while Grand Valley State (Mich.) and Slippery Rock (Pa.) follow in the order.

Albany, which is in first place in the Eastern Football Conference's Atlantic Division, and has a six-game winning streak for the first time since 1979, also moved into a tie for fourth with American International in this week's Lambert/Meadowlands Division II Poll. New Haven (6-1) is ranked first, while Slippery Rock (6-1) and Bloomsburg (5-1) are second and third, respectively.

Sophomore linebacker Mike Grever has been selected to the ECAC Division II Honor Roll after posting a career-high 17 tackles, including 11 solo hits, in Saturday's 30-23 victory over Stony Brook. Grever's total was the most by an Albany defender since Chris Locci had 19 tackles against Union in 1994.

GRABON NAMED NECC ROOKIE OF THE WEEK IN SOCCER

Rindge, N.H. -- University at Albany's Bryan Grabon has been selected as the New England Collegiate Conference Rookie of the Week (Oct. 13-19) in men's soccer as announced today by the conference office.

Grabon, a freshman forward, scored two goals in Saturday's 3-1 victory over regionally-ranked New Haven. He ranks sixth among the NECC's top scorers at 1.62 points per game, and has a team-leading 10 goals this year. Albany is 9-4 (NECC 4-2).

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Comments: College Sports (NECC Tennis, W. Soccer)

(Women's Tennis)

Albany, N.Y. -- Sophomore Julie Bliss (Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake) captured the Flight I singles title for the second consecutive year in leading Albany to its third straight New England Collegiate Conference women's tennis championship on Sunday at University Courts. The Great Danes, who scored 35 points, finished ahead of Stony Brook (27) and Sacred Heart (26).

Bliss, who was selected the tournament's most outstanding singles player, was 6-2, 6-0 winner over Franklin Pierce's Carolyn Knight. She lost just two games during the three-day tourney, and improved to 10-5 on the season. Darcy Wheeler, a junior from Colonie High, won the Flight II title with a 6-1, 6-1 decision over Jamie Keller of Stony Brook.

Albany, led by three other area scholastic standouts, garnered the Flight II and Flight III doubles championships. Jennifer Hahn (Bethlehem Central) and Erinn Langford (Bishop Maginn) upended Franklin Pierce's Kerrie Rowe and Ali Smith, 6-1, 6-3. Lauren Hargett (Guilderland Central) and Kate McCarthy defeated Joanna Rychlik and Karen Wright of Stony Brook, 7-5, 6-2.

-agate-

NECC Women's Tennis Championships

TEAM: 1. Albany 35, 2. Stony Brook 27, 3. Sacred Heart 26, 4. Franklin Pierce 17, 5. Massachusetts-Lowell 10, 6. New Haven 3.

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Championship Finals

(Singles)

Flight I: Julie Bliss (A) def. Carolyn Knight (FP), 6-2, 6-0

Flight II: Darcy Wheeler (A) def. Jamie Keller (SB), 6-1, 6-1

Flight III: Jennifer Galizia (SH) def. Jennifer Hahn (A), 6-2, 6-0

Flight IV: Kerrie Rowe (FP) def. Kelly Quinn (SH), 6-2, 5-1 (ret.)

Flight V: Jessica Magri (SH) def. Dequin Gong (SB), 7-6 (7-4), 6-3

Flight VI: Belvin Gong (SB) def. Sarah Molloy (SH), 6-2, 6-3

(Doubles)

Flight I: Laura Higgins-Jamie Keller (SB) def. Julie Bliss-Darcy Wheeler (A), 7-5, 6-2

Flight II: Jennifer Hahn-Erinn Langford (A) def. Ali Smith-Kerrie Rowe (FP), 6-1, 6-3

Flight III: Lauren Hargett-Kate McCarthy (A) def. Joanna Rychlik-Karen Wright (SB), 7-5, 6-2

Consolation Finals Winners

(Singles)

Flight I: Beth Saucier (New Haven), Flight II: Ruth Butz (Franklin Pierce)

Flight III: Joanna Rychlik (Stony Brook), Flight IV: Marissa Tuchband (Albany)

Flight V: Dena Reinisch (Albany), Flight VI: Lauren Hargett (Albany)

(Doubles)

Flight I: Carolyn Knight-Ruth Butz (Franklin Pierce)

Flight II: Jennifer Galizia-Desiree Bulone (Sacred Heart)

Flight III: Lauren MacPhee-Kara Kelly (Sacred Heart)

Most Outstanding Singles Player: Julie Bliss, Albany

Most Outstanding Doubles Team: Laura Higgins-Jamie Keller, Stony Brook

(Women's Soccer)

Albany, N.Y. -- Senior midfielder Bernadette Kennedy scored twice, including her team-leading 13th goal of the season, to lead unbeaten Adelphi to a 3-0 non-conference victory over Albany on Sunday afternoon at Varsity Field.

Kennedy found the net on a header to the near post at the 33:02 mark, and added her second goal with 13 minutes elapsed in the final period. Goalkeeper Karen Gazzano made one save en route to her sixth shutout of the year. Adelphi, ranked third nationally in this week's Division II poll, upped its record to 12-0.

Heather McDougal, making her third start of the season, had 13 saves for the Great Danes, who fall to 3-12.

-agate-

Adelphi (12-0)	2	1	-	3
Albany (3-12)	0	0	-	0

Adelphi -- Scoring: Bernadette Kennedy 2-0, Laura Martin 1-0, Joanna Concilio 0-1, Karen Campbell 0-1, Jesseca Ericksen 0-1, Saves: Karen Gazzano 1. Albany -- No Scoring, Saves: Heather McDougal 13.

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Comments: College Sports (Soccer, Tennis, Cross Country, Field Hockey)

(Men's Soccer)

Albany, N.Y. -- Freshman Bryan Grabon scored twice in the first half to lead Albany to a 3-1 victory over New Haven in a New England Collegiate Conference match on Saturday at Varsity Field.

Grabon tallied at the 11:58 mark off Jon Brainard's indirect kick, and then added his team-leading 10th goal of the season 25 minutes later for a 2-0 lead. Charlie Justino increased the Great Danes' advantage with two minutes and six seconds elapsed in the second half.

Dave Welch and Mike Cooper combined on six saves in the Albany net, while Josh Farris stopped six shots for New Haven (9-5, NECC 2-4). The Great Danes improve to 9-4 overall and 4-2 in the conference.

-agate-

New Haven (9-5, 2-4)	0	1	-	1
Albany (9-4, 4-2)	2	1	-	3

New Haven -- Scoring: Patrick McHayle 1-0, Omar Castillo 0-1, Saves: Josh Farris 6. Albany -- Scoring: Bryan Grabon 2-0, Charlie Justino 1-0, Jon Brainard 0-1, Kevin Koscielniak 0-1, Brad Greenwood 0-1, Saves: Dave Welch 4, Mike Cooper.

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Albany Sports 2-2-2-2

(Women's Soccer)

Albany, N.Y. -- Junior striker Alycia Kowal and Jessica Kmiecjak scored a pair of first-half goals as visiting New Haven captured 2-0 New England Collegiate Conference victory over Albany at Varsity Field.

Kowal placed a shot over Albany goalkeeper Heather McDougal's head with three minutes and 27 seconds gone in the contest. Kmiecjak added her fourth goal of the year later in the period.

McDougal had seven saves for Albany (3-11, NECC 1-6), while Beth Bailey turned back three shots for New Haven (3-8-2, NECC 2-3-2).

-agate-

New Haven (3-8-2, 2-3-2)	2	0	-	2
Albany (3-11, 1-6)	0	0	-	0

New Haven -- Scoring: Alycia Kowal 1-0, Jessica Kmiecjak 1-0, Kristen Miller 0-1, Saves: Beth Bailey 3. Albany -- No Scoring, Saves: Heather McDougal 7.

(Field Hockey)

Albany, N.Y. -- Tovah Atwell tallied twice in the opening 20 minutes, and set a single-season record for goals scored as Albany routed Franklin Pierce, 8-0, on Saturday at Albany Field.

Atwell dribbled into the circle and fired a shot to the right of goalkeeper Alison Davis just one minute and 52 seconds into the first half. The sophomore gave Albany (13-2) a 4-0 lead midway through the period with her 16th goal of the season.

Shannon Hartz, playing in her final regular-season home game, added two goal and two assists for the Great Danes. Alison Davis and Jodi Burns combined to make 30 saves for Franklin Pierce (2-8).

-agate-

Franklin Pierce (2-8)	0	0	-	0
Albany (13-2)	7	1	-	8

Franklin Pierce -- No Scoring, Saves: Alison Davis 15, Jodi Burns 15. Albany -- Shannon Hartz 2-2, Tovah Atwell 2-1, Erin Glass 2-0, Liz Peck 1-0, Katie Cunningham 1-0, Chrissy Bradt 0-3, Saves: Leia Shick 0, Cathi Burek 0.

(Women's Cross Country)

Allentown, Pa. -- Andrea Viger (Granville Central H.S.) ran 19.01.8 to finish fourth as Albany was seventh among 33 team in the final standings at the Allentown College Invitational. Bloomsburg won the team title with 56 points, and was followed by Moravian (98) and East Stroudsburg (101).

Albany's Jenn Dott, a freshman from Colonie High, placed 27th on the 3.1-mile course in 19:57.9, while Liz Hamilton was 36th in 20:21.0 in a field of 233 runners.

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Albany Sports 3-3-3-3

-agate-

Allentown College Women's Cross Country Invitational

TEAM: 1. Bloomsburg 54, 2. Moravian 98, 3. East Stroudsburg 101, 4. Trinity 140, 5. Wheeling Jesuit 213, 6. Ithaca 215, 7. Albany 218, 8. Mary Washington 224, 9. Lock Haven 254, 10. College of New Jersey 257 ...

INDIVIDUAL: 1. Tara Wartman (Moravian), 18:30.4.

Albany Finishers: 4. Andrea Viger, 19:01.8; 27. Jenn Dott, 19:58.9; 36. Liz Hamilton, 20:21.0; 63. Samantha Cohen, 20:43.8; 89. Erica Viger, 21:15.7; 110. Marlene Tebus-Briales, 21:46.3.

(Women's Tennis)

Albany, N.Y. -- Albany, led by four players from area high schools, has the second-day lead at the New England Collegiate Conference women's tennis championships. The Great Danes, who are two-time defending champions, have 27 points, and are followed by Stony Brook and Sacred Heart, each with 22.5. Championships will be conducted in six singles and three doubles flights on Sunday at University Courts.

Sophomore Julie Bliss (Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake) is among three Albany players to reach Sunday's singles finals. Bliss, a 6-0, 6-0 winner over Massachusetts-Lowell's Catherine Jones in the semi-final round, meets Carolyn Knight of Franklin Pierce, in the Flight I championship.

Darcy Wheeler (South Colonie) and Jennifer Hahn (Bethlehem Central) reached the Flight II and Flight III singles finals, respectively. Wheeler defeated Lauren MacPhee of Sacred Heart, 6-3, 6-2, in her semi-final battle, while Hahn upended Franklin Pierce's Alison Smith, 6-2, 6-4.

All three Albany doubles teams advanced to the championship match, as Lauren Hargett (Guilderland) and Kate McCarthy beat Sacred Heart's MacPhee and Kara Kelly in the Flight III semifinal, 6-1, 6-3.

-agate-

**New England Collegiate Conference Women's Tennis Championships
(after second day)**

TEAM: 1. Albany 27. 2. Stony Brook and Sacred Heart 22.5, 4. Franklin Pierce 17.5, 5. Massachusetts-Lowell 10, 6. New Haven 3.5.

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(Men's Cross Country)

Bronx, N.Y. -- Sophomore Ben Wright (Averill Park H.S.) placed 16th to lead Albany to a third-place finish at the IC4A Cross Country University Division Championships at VanCortland Park on Friday afternoon. The Great Danes scored 134 points in the 29-team field, and followed behind champion Manhattan (72) and Monmouth (105).

Wright, who was second at last weekend's Albany Invitational, raced the five-mile course in 26:19.7. Manhattan's Sean Lynch won individual honors among the 198 runners with a time of 25:18.6. Albany's Ryan Osborn was 21st in 26:27.1, while Shawn Higgins (Shaker H.S.) took 23rd in 26:32.7. Brendan Howell (35th) and Mike Kiernan (39th) were also among the top-40 finishers.

-agate-

1997 IC4A University Division Championships

TEAM: 1. Manhattan 72, 2. Monmouth 105, 3. Albany 134, 4. Colgate 184, 5. East Stroudsburg 224, 6. Lehigh 242, 7. George Washington 245, 8. Delaware 246, 9. Rutgers 250, 10. St. Francis, Pa. 259, 11. Towson State 265, 12. Buffalo 298, 13. Marist 305, 14. St. John's 313, 15. Maryland-Baltimore County 344, 16. Fairfield 348, 17. Fordham 351, 18. Rider 404, 19. Columbia 431, 20. Drexel 558, 21. New Haven 610, 22. West Chester 627, 23. Fairleigh Dickinson 634, 24. St. Peter's 637, 25. Stony Brook 659, 26. Wagner 749, 27. St. Francis, N.Y. 774, 28. Niagara 786, 29. New York U. 859. ***more***

Albany Sports 2-2-2-2

(Men's Cross Country)

INDIVIDUAL: 1. Sean Lynch (Manhattan), 25:18.6; 2. Zach Chupa (Delaware), 25:34.9; 3. Geoffrey Howard (Manhattan), 25:36.6; 4. Dave Geesaman (Delaware), 25:42.8; 5. Stephen Maxey (St. Francis, Pa.), 25:52.9.

Albany Finishers: 16. Ben Wright, 26:19.7; 21. Ryan Osborn, 26:27.1; 23. Shawn Higgins, 26:32.7; 35. Brendan Howell, 26:44.2; 39. Mike Kiernan, 26:50.5; 105. Todd Weiss, 28:13.8; 130. Rob Naughtner, 28:46.9.

(Women's Volleyball)

Albany, N.Y. -- Rafaela Nikas had 10 kills and Lisa Greiner added 28 assists as head coach Patrick Dwyer recorded his 500th career victory in Albany's 15-5, 15-8, 5-15, 2-15, 15-8 victory against Mercy on Friday evening at University Gym. Dwyer, who is in his 19th season as the Great Dane mentor, has a 500-217 career record.

Nikas, senior outside hitter, totaled 17 kills and 17 digs in a 10-15, 15-5, 15-12, 15-9 decision over C.W. Post. Albany improved to 11-4 on the season. Mercy falls to 21-8, while C.W. Post is 7-7.

-agate-

Albany def. C.W. Post, 10-15, 15-5, 15-12, 15-9

Albany def. Mercy, 15-5, 15-8, 5-15, 2-15, 15-8

(Women's Tennis)

Albany, N.Y. -- -agate-

1997 New England Collegiate Conference Championships

(University at Albany) Singles -- Opening Round

Flight I: Catherine Jones (Mass.-Lowell) def. Audra Breton (Sacred Heart), 6-4, 6-3; Laura Higgins (Stony Brook) def. Beth Saucier (New Haven), 6-2, 6-0.

Flight II: Jamie Keller (Stony Brook) def. Erin Gaffney (Mass.-Lowell), 6-4, 6-2; Laura MacPhee (Sacred Heart) def. Paulette Dixon (New Haven), 6-1, 6-0.

Flight III: Alison Smith (Franklin Pierce) def. Joanna Rychlik (Stony Brook), 6-3, 6-1; Alison Jean (Mass.-Lowell) def. Leighanne Merigan (New Haven), 7-6 (7-4), 6-2.

Flight IV: Isabella Rychlik (Stony Brook) def. Kerri Rowe (Franklin Pierce), 6-1, 6-1; Jennifer Lee (Mass.-Lowell) def. Melissa Blayman (New Haven), 6-4, 6-1.

Flight V: Delquin Gong (Stony Brook) def. Richelle Clini (New Haven), 6-0, 6-0; Caitlin Orroth (Mass.-Lowell) def. Amy Spencer (Franklin Pierce), 1-6, 6-2, 6-0.

Flight VI: Belvin Gong (Stony Brook) def. Tutah Greenaway (New Haven), 6-0, 6-0; Sarah Molloy (Sacred Heart) def. Stacey Rochelle (Franklin Pierce), 7-5, 6-2.

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Comments: College Sports

(Field Hockey)

Colchester, Vt. -- Senior Meg Rowe scored two second-half goals to lead St. Michael's to a 2-1 victory over visiting Albany on Wednesday at Doc Jacobs Field.

Rowe found the cage twice with a two-minute stretch midway through the final period, while goalkeeper Nicki Collette turned in a 15-save effort. Albany's Tovah Atwell scored her 14th goal of the season with 2:50 remaining to slice the Lady Knights' lead in half.

Leia Shick had eight saves for Albany (12-2), which had won 17 of its previous 18 contests. St. Michael's improves to 7-5.

-agate-

Albany (12-2)	0	1	-	1
St. Michael's (7-5)	0	2	-	2

Albany -- Scoring: Tovah Atwell 1-0, Saves: Leia Shick 8. St. Michael's -- Scoring: Meg Rowe 2-0, Kara McDonough 0-1, Seanna Poelaert 0-1, Saves: Nicki Collette 15.

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Albany Sports 2-2-2-2

(Women's Volleyball)

Albany, N.Y. -- Tashi Campbell-Tulloch recorded 15 kills and setter Diana Nick added 33 assists and four service aces in Albany's 15-0, 15-9, 15-6 victory over Russell Sage on Wednesday evening at University Gym.

The Great Danes, who improve to 9-4 on the season, host C.W. Post and Mercy on Friday at 4:00 p.m. Russell Sage falls to 3-18.

-agate-

Albany def. Russell Sage, 15-0, 15-9, 15-6

(Women's Tennis)

Albany, N.Y. -- Sophomore Julie Bliss (Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake H.S.) won in three sets at first singles, and Darcy Wheeler (South Colonie) rallied in her three-set match at second singles to lead Albany to a 8-1 victory over SUNY-New Paltz.

Bliss improved to 8-5 overall with a 6-4, 3-6, 6-0 triumph over Simone Rahe, while Wheeler earned her 10th victory this season by rallying to beat Denise Carola, 4-6, 6-1, 6-1. Albany is 8-2, while New Paltz drops to 7-6.

-agate-

Albany 8, SUNY-New Paltz 1

Singles: Julie Bliss (A) def. Simone Rahe (NP), 6-4, 3-6, 6-0; Darcy Wheeler (A) def. Denise Cariola (NP), 4-6, 6-1, 6-1; Jennifer Hahn (A) def. Lori Clark (NP), 6-3, 2-6, 6-4; Marissa Tuchband (A) def. Lindsay Hartman (A), 6-0, 6-0; Jennifer Faro (NP) def. Lauren Hargett (A), 8-6; Dena Reinisch (A) def. Kate Snow (NP), 10-6.

Doubles: Bliss-Wheeler (A) def. Colleen Isherwood-Rahe (NP), 8-0; Erinn Langford-Hahn (A) def. Vanessa Marino-Cariola (NP), 8-5; Kate McCarthy-Hargett (A) def. Faro-Snow (NP), 8-4.

Records: Albany (8-2), SUNY-New Paltz (7-6).

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Comments: College Football

ALBANY MOVES TO FIFTH IN LAMBERT DIVISION II POLL

East Rutherford, N.J. -- The University at Albany climbed one spot to fifth place in this week's Lambert/Meadowlands Division II Football Poll as announced today. New Haven (6-0) is in the top spot, and is followed by Bloomsburg, Slippery Rock and Southern Connecticut State.

Albany (5-1, EFC 4-0) is tied for first place in the Eastern Football Conference's Atlantic Division, and hosts Stony Brook (3-2, EFC 3-1) at University Field on Saturday at 2:00 p.m. The Great Danes have won five straight for the first time since 1985, and are averaging 45.0 points in that stretch. Albany leads the conference in five categories, including scoring offense and scoring defense. Senior quarterback Joe Savino is first in total offense (186.0 yards/game) and is second in pass efficiency with a 152.1 rating.

-agate-

Lambert/Meadowlands Division II Poll: 1. New Haven (6-0), 30; 2. Bloomsburg (4-1), 25; 3. Slippery Rock (5-1), 21; 4. Southern Connecticut State (5-1), 19; 5. Albany (5-1), 15; (tie) 6. Millersville (3-1), American International (4-1), 13; (tie) 8. Shippensburg (3-2), Indiana, Pa. (2-3), 10; 10. Kutztown (3-2), 7.

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Comments: College Sports

(Men's Soccer)

Albany, N.Y. -- Bryan Grabon and Kirt MacNeill scored a pair of goals in the second half to lead Albany to a 2-0 victory over Sacred Heart in a New England Collegiate Conference match on Sunday at Varsity Field.

Grabon, a freshman from East Aurora, N.Y., broke a scoreless deadlock at 52:37, when he fired in an eight-yard shot for his team-leading eighth goal of the season. MacNeill added an insurance goal at 71:29 off a crossing pass from midfielder Tom Mason.

Albany goalkeepers Dave Welch and Dean deFreitas combined on four saves to record the shutout. Scott Glibowski had 10 saves for Sacred Heart (3-9-1, NECC 1-2). The Great Danes are 8-4 overall, and 3-2 in the conference.

-agate-

Sacred Heart (3-9-1, 1-2)	0	0	-	0
Albany (8-4, 3-2)	0	2	-	2

Sacred Heart -- No Scoring, Saves: Scott Glibowski 10. Albany -- Scoring: Bryan Grabon 1-0, Kirt MacNeill 1-0, Tom Mason 0-1, Saves: Dave Welch 3, Dean deFreitas 1.

(Women's Tennis)

Albany, N.Y. -- Freshmen Jennifer Hahn (Bethlehem Central) and Erinn Langford (Bishop Maginn)

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Albany Sports 2-2-2-2

(tennis - cont.)

teamed to win the consolation doubles final at the New York State Division I-II tournament on Sunday at Capital Region Tennis & Fitness Club.

Hahn and Langford, who were playing together for the first time this season, defeated Dowling's Marybeth Knockenhauer and Sheriu Wilson, 6-4, 7-5. The Albany duo knocked off Stony Brook's Karen Wright and Joanna Rychlik, 6-4, 6-3, in the consolation semifinal.

Darcy Wheeler (South Colonie) reached the consolation final in singles, but lost to Katie Umekubo of Columbia in three sets, 4-6, 6-0, 6-1. Wheeler, a junior, is 9-5 in singles play this season.

(Women's Soccer)

Fairfield, Conn. -- Sophomore Michelle Majeski scored two unassisted goals as Sacred Heart upended Albany, 2-0, in a New England Collegiate Conference match-up at Campus Field.

Majeski tallied in each half, and goalkeepers Sarah Hanna and Carlin Guarneri totaled three saves in posting the shutout. The Pioneers improved to 7-3-1 overall, and 3-1-1 in the conference.

Freshman Genevieve Holdridge stopped 11 shots for Albany (3-10, NECC 1-5).

-agate-

Albany (3-10, 1-5)	0	0	-	0
Sacred Heart (7-3-1, 3-1-1)	1	1	-	2

Albany -- No Scoring, Saves: Genevieve Holdridge 11. Sacred Heart -
- Michelle Majeski 2-0, Saves: Sarah Hanna 2, Carlin Guarneri 1.

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Comments: College Sports (Cross Country, Men's Soccer, Field Hockey)

(Cross Country)

Albany, N.Y. -- The University at Albany men captured the New England Collegiate Conference championship at the University at Albany course. The men were led by sophomore Ben Wright (Averill Park H.S.) who captured the mens individual title by finishing the course in a time of 25:38. University at Albany coach Kevin Williams was elected as coach of the year for the conference.

In the Womens race, the team title was taken by Southern Connecticut State University while the University at Albany finished in fourth place. The womens individual title was won by Sara Titus of Southern Connecticut who finished the course in a time 18:36.

-agate-

1997 North Eastern Collegiate Conference Championship

Mens Team: 1. University at Albany 25, 2. Massachusetts-Lowell 50, 3. Southern Connecticut State 109, 4. Sacred Heart University 120, 4. University of New Haven 120, 6. University at Stony Brook 122, 7. New Hampshire College 222, 8. Franklin Peirce College 238.

Mens Individual: 1. Ben Wright (Albany) 25:38, 2. Bradford Klinedins (UMass-Lowell) 25:57, 3. Dustin Blair (Southern Connecticut State) 26:14, 4. Brenden Howell (Albany) 26:21, 5. Shawn Higgins (Albany) 26:23, 6. Gavin O'Donohughe (Stony Brook) 26:26, 7. Mike Keirnan (Albany) 26:32, 8. Doug Karl (Albany) 26:37, 9. James Johnson (Umass-Lowell) 26:41, 10. Rob Naughtner (Albany) 26:48, 11. Ryan Osborn (Albany) 26:56, 12. Todd Weiss (Albany) 26:57.

Womens Team: 1. Southern Connecticut State University 43, 2. Massachusetts-Lowell 62, 3. Sacred Heart University 66, 4. University at Albany 70, 5. University at Stony Brook 103, 6. New Hampshire College 192, 7. University of New Haven 197.

Womens Individual: 1. Sara Titus (Southern Connecticut) 18:36, 2. Nicole Herring (UMass-Lowell) 18:38, 3. Lauren Saul (Southern Connecticut) 19:11, 4. Andrea Viger (Albany) 19:18, 5. Tara Sullivan (Stony Brook) 19:22, 6. Jean Dott (Albany) 19:24, 7. Kelly Rhatigan (Southern Connecticut) 19:27, 8. Heather Stockton (Sacred Heart) 19:30, 9. Jaime Gleason (UMass-Lowell) 19:30, 10. Carrie Demirgian (Sacred Heart) 19:38.

(Men's Soccer)

Stony Brook, NY - Jon Brainard scored three goals to lead the University at Albany to a 5-2 victory over the University at Stony Brook in a New England Collegiate Conference men's soccer game Saturday afternoon.

The Seawolves took a 1-0 lead when Jackie Younghans drilled home a pass from Ryan Jinks at 24:54.

Brainard scored the games next two goals, one off an assist from Charlie Justino at 30:36 and another on an assist from Russell DiBenedetto at 35:55 to give the Great Danes a 2-1 halftime lead.

The Great Danes (10-4, 5-2) wasted no time scoring in the second half as Kirt MacNeil scored off a Brad Greenwood assist at 46:07. Justino and Brainard added goals as the visitors increased their lead to 5-1.

Chris Salge scored an unassisted goal at 85:08 for Stony Brook's (0-14-1, 0-6) second goal.

Albany 5, Stony Brook 2

Albany	2	3	5
USB	1	1	2

First Half: 1, USB, Younghans (Jinks), 24:54; 2, UA, Brainard (Justino), 30:36; 3, UA, Brainard (DiBenedetto), 35:55.

Second Half: 4, UA, MacNeill (Greenwood), 46:07; 5, UA, Justino (Bishop), 61:02; 6, UA, Brainard (Rosamilia), 70:22; 7, USB, Salge (unassisted), 85:08.

Saves: UA, Cooper (71 minutes) 2; Bamel (14 minutes) 1; deFreitas (5 minutes) 1. USB, Adelsberg, 0.

Shots: UA 11, USB 7.

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(Women's Field Hockey)

Lowell Massachuset -- Jen Cordes tallied two goals as the University at Albany feild hockey team improved their record to 16 - 2. Cordes scored her first goal with 34:16 remaining in the first half after recieving a pass from Tovah Atwell off of the opening touch. Jen Cordes then scored her second goal unassisted with 17:41 left in the first half. Kelly Ward scored a goal in the second half to bring the UMass Riverhawks to within one. Leia Shick recorded 6 saves for the victorious Danes.

-agate-

Albany (16-2)	2	0	-	2
Umass (14-4)	0	1	-	1

Albany-- Scoring: Jen Cordes 2-0, Tovah Atwell 0-1, Saves: Leia Shick 6.
UMass-- Scoring: Kelly Ward 1-0, Kathy Linnehan 0-1, Anne Perriello 0-1,
Saves Diana Melnyk 4, Jen Anderson 7.

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Comments: College Sports

Albany, N.Y.-- The Albany men's cross-country team took second place while the Albany women's team finished sixth in the 31st Annual Albany Cross Country Invitational. The mens team was led by sophomore Ben Wright (Averill Park) who crossed the 8,000 meter course finish line with a time of 25:39 to finish second overall. The womens team was led by sophomore Andrea Viger (Granville) who finished fourth overall with a time of 18:45.

Saint Lawrence won both the mens team competition and the individual competition led by Lawton Redman (25:09). Middlebury College also captured both the team and individual competitions in the womens race. Middlebury was led to victory by the running of Katy Massalam who completed the 5,000 meter course in 18:16.

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31st Annual Albany Invitational

(Men's R.K.Munsey Varsity Team)

1. St. Lawrence 45, 2. Albany 52, 3. Massachusetts-Lowell 61, 4. R.I.T 83, 5. Middlebury 202, 6. Southern Connecticut State 204, 7. Oswego 223, 8. New Haven 241, 9. St. Micheal 247, 10. Johnston State 291, 11. Union 301, 12. Adelphi 340, 13. Siena 357, 14. Clarkson 369, 15. Lyndon State 380, 16. Hobart 405, 17. N.Y.U. 496, 18. Mercy 506.

(Top Individuals-8,000 meters)

1. Lawton Redman (St. Lawrence) 25:09, 2. Ben Wright (Albany) 25:39, 3. Brad Klinedinst (Massachusetts-Lowell) 25:44, 4. Rich Neilly (R.I.T.) 25:47, 5. Russ Warren (R.I.T.) 25:48, 6. James Johnson (Massachusetts-Lowell) 26:16, 7. Gary Mello (Middlebury) 26:18, 8. Graham Baird (St. Lawrence) 26:19, 9. Jeffrey Cann (St. Lawrence) 26:20, 10. Brendon Howell (Albany) 26:21, 11. Ryan Osborn (Albany) 26:22, 12. Dustin Blair (Southern Connecticut) 26:23, 13. Andy Crawford (St. Lawrence) 26:28, 14. Eli Enman (Middlebury) 26:34, 15. Max Carbonell (Queensbury) 26:35, 16. Vergil Hammonds (Massachusetts-Lowell) 26:38, 17. Micheal Kiernan (Albany) 26:39, 18. Shawn Higgins (Albany) 26:40, 19. Mark George (St. Lawrence) 26:42, 20. Steve Langis (Massachusetts-Lowell) 26:50, 21. Derrick Jones (R.I.T.) 26:56, 22. Mike Liddell (Massachusetts-Lowell) 26:58, 23. Jeromie Schumacher (Southern Connecticut) 26:59, 24. Burt Courtemanche (Massachusetts-Lowell) 27:01, 25. Todd Weiss (Albany) 27:02.

(Womens Varsity Team)

1. Middlebury 56, 2. Southern Connecticut State 90, 3. Buffalo 97, 4. Springfield 115, 5. Massachusetts-Lowell 141, 6. Albany 146, 7. Smith 204, 8. Oswego 247, 9. St. Lawrence 267, 10. St. Michaels 305, 11. Union 311, 12. C.W. Post 318, 13. Massachusetts-Dartmouth 334, 14. Plattsburgh 391, 15. St. Rose 404, 16. Siena 431, 17. New Haven 477, 18. Lyndon State 508, 19. Queens 545, 20. Mercy 545.

(Top Individuals-5,000 meters)

1. Katy Massalam (Middlebury) 18:16, 2. Nicole Herring (Massachusetts-Lowell) 18:37, 3. Jessica Blake (Middlebury) 18:40, 4. Andrea Viger (Albany) 18:45, 5. Kasie Wallace (Middlebury) 18:47, 6. Sara Titus (Southern Connecticut) 18:50, 7. Pam Maryanski (Smith) 18:51, 8. Jaime Gleason (Massachusetts-Lowell) 18:56, 9. Barb Swallow (Springfield) 18:57, 10. Eileen Rose (Buffalo) 19:02, 11. Lauren Saul (Southern Connecticut) 19:04, 12. Sara Fasulo (Springfield) 19:05, 13. Christine Whitmore (Oswego) 19:06, 14. Jen Folckemer (Buffalo) 19:07, 15. Moriah Reid (Southern Connecticut) 19:11, 16. Laura Folckemer (Buffalo) 19:12, 17. Cheryl Carey (C.W. Post) 19:15, 18. Kate Irvin (Middlebury) 19:17, 19. Kelly Rhatigan (Southern Connecticut) 19:18, 20. Sarah Thrall (Springfield) 19:20, 21. Maura McDonald (Massachusetts-Dartmouth) 19:22, 22. Marguerite Beznica-Vitobel (C.W. Post) 19:24, 23. Amy Schroyer (Johnston) 19:28, 24. Jennifer Dott (Albany) 19:31, 25. Amy Uile (St. Michaels) 19:32.

Other Local Finishers: 39. Erica Viger (Albany) 19:54, 91. Kari Casey (Albany) 22:04.

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(Field Hockey)

New York, N.Y. -- Sophomore Jen Cordes scored with 22:45 remaining in the second half to break a scoreless tie, and Albany went on to post a 3-0 victory over Columbia on Thursday evening at Baker Field. The Great Danes, who have won 17 of their last 18 contests, improved to 12-1 overall.

Cordes tallied her third goal of the season off a pass from Chrissy Bradt (Shenendehowa H.S.). Tovah Atwell and Katie Cunningham added a pair of goals in the final three minutes.

Albany's Leia Shick had three saves to record her fifth shutout this fall. Whitney Weems stopped eight shots for Columbia (1-8).

-agate-

Albany (12-1)	0	3	-	3
Columbia (1-8)	0	0	-	0

Albany -- Jen Cordes 1-0, Tovah Atwell 1-0, Katie Cunningham 1-0, Chrissy Bradt 0-2, Saves: Leia Shick 3. Columbia -- No Scoring, Saves: Whitney Weems 8.

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(Men's Soccer)

Manchester, N.H. -- Richard Walker headed in a crossing pass with five minutes and 10 seconds remaining to lift New Hampshire College, the nation's fourth-ranked team in Division II, to a 1-0 victory over Albany in a New England Collegiate Conference match on Wednesday evening.

Walker, a freshman from Johannesburg, South Africa, broke the scoreless tie with his team-leading eighth goal of the season. Albany (7-4, NECC 2-2) nearly drew even with just over three minutes left, but NHC goalkeeper Ante Cop deflected a point-blank shot by Charlie Justino just over the cross bar.

Sophomore goalkeeper Dave Welch recorded eight of his 11 saves in the second half for the Great Danes. The Penmen improved to 9-1 overall and 3-0 in the conference.

-agate-

Albany (7-4, 2-2)	0	0	-	0
New Hampshire College (9-1, 3-0)	0	1	-	1

Albany -- No Scoring, Saves: Dave Welch 11. NHC -- Richard Walker 1-0, Ulf Karlsson 0-1, Saves: Ante Cop 1.

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31st Annual Albany Cross Country Invitational Scheduled for Saturday

The 31st annual Albany Cross Country Invitational will be held this Saturday, October 11 at the University at Albany's campus course. Schools scheduled to compete in the 21-team men's competition include Siena, Union, Southern Connecticut State and New Haven. The women's event, which has 19 squads entered, includes these same schools along with St. Rose and Buffalo.

The R.K. Munsey Men's Purple Race, a varsity 8,000-meter competition, is slated for 12 noon, while the Women's Purple Race will be contested over 5,000 meters at 1:30 p.m.

The Albany men are led by sophomore Ben Wright (Averill Park H.S.), who finished fifth at the Stony Brook Fall Classic and seventh at the Fordham Invitational in September. Andrea Viger (Granville Central H.S.) is the top Albany women's runner, and placed ninth at Penn State University's Spiked Shoe Invitational on Sept. 27.

31st annual Albany Invitational

10:00 a.m.	--	Adirondack USAT&F Open/Alumni
11:15 p.m.	--	Men's Gold "B" Race (8K - 2-year colleges, junior varsity)
12 noon	--	R.K. Munsey Men's Purple Race (8K - varsity)
12:45 p.m.	--	Women's Gold "B" Race (5K - 2-year colleges, junior varsity)
1:30 p.m.	--	Women's Purple Race (5K - varsity)

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Todd Weiss Receives R. Keith Munsey Scholarship

Sophomore Todd Weiss, a 1996 graduate of Shaker High School, is the first recipient of the Coach R. Keith Munsey Men's Cross Country Scholarship. The award is a tribute to Munsey, who coached the University at Albany's cross county and track programs for three decades from 1956-85. The scholarship will be presented at the University's Cross Country/Track & Field Banquet on Saturday evening at the Desmond Hotel.

Weiss, a Presidential Scholar, has a 3.88 cumulative grade point average in accounting with a double minor in business administration and computer science. He was Albany's outstanding freshman cross country athlete one year ago, when he placed ninth at the New England Collegiate Conference championships with a time of 26:23.70. Weiss was also seventh at the Collegiate Track Conference meet, and led the Great Danes to the team title.

Weiss earned Section II and Suburban Council all-star recognition as a scholastic senior, and received the Albany Sports Foundation's Scholar-Athlete Award.

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Comments: College Sports (Women's Field Hockey)

Albany, N.Y. -- Tovah Atwell scored a school-record three goals, and established another mark for single-season scoring in leading Albany to a 3-1 victory over Assumption at Albany Field.

Atwell, a sophomore, found the cage twice in the first half, and then converted a penalty stroke for her 12th goal of the season with 18 minutes and 11 seconds remaining in the final period. The 5-foot-7 forward broke her own scoring standard, and has 30 points (12 goals, 6 assists) this fall.

Albany (11-1) has captured 16 of its last 17 contests, and improved its home winning streak to 12 straight. Michelle Daley had 10 saves for Assumption (9-4), which had won its previous six starts entering the contest.

-agate-

Assumption (9-4)	0	1	-	1
Albany (11-1)	2	1	-	3

Assumption -- Scoring: Melissa Shamgochian 1-0, Saves: Michelle Daley 10. Albany -- Scoring: Tovah Atwell 3-0, Saves: Leia Shick 2, Cathi Burek 5.

(Women's Soccer)

Manchester, N.H. -- Lotta Thunberg and Katie Sugrue each netted two goals to lead New Hampshire College to a 6-0 New England Collegiate Conference victory over Albany.

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**Albany Sports 2-2-2-2
(soccer)**

The Penwomen, who are ranked 11th in the latest Division II national poll, improved to 8-2 overall and 2-1 in the conference. Albany (2-9, NECC 1-4) has dropped six straight.

Thunberg, who added one assist, scored twice within a three-minute span in the opening period for a 3-0 lead. Goalkeeper Sussi Johansson made one save en route to her fourth shutout this season. Albany's Genevieve Holdridge stopped 11 shots.

-agate-

Albany (2-9, 1-4)	0	0	-	0
New Hampshire College (8-2, 2-1)	3	3	-	6

Albany -- No Scoring, Saves: Genevieve Holdridge 11. New Hampshire College -- Scoring: Lotta Thunberg 2-1, Katie Sugrue 2-0, Sophia Odre 1-0, Jaime Marquis 1-0, Jen Riley 0-1, Michelle Boudreau 0-1, Michelle Fish 0-1, Saves: Sussa Johansson 1.

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Comments: College Sports (Football & Soccer)

SAVINO NAMED CO-CONFERENCE OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Waltham, Mass. -- Senior quarterback Joe Savino has been chosen as the Eastern Football Conference's Co-Offensive Player of the Week. He shared the award with Bentley's Mark DeBrito, a sophomore wide receiver.

Savino, who received the ECAC top offensive player honor on Sunday, accounted for 200 yards in total offense and four touchdowns in Saturday's 42-3 victory over Merrimack. He leads all EFC quarterbacks in pass efficiency with a 150.4 rating, and is fourth in total offense at 185.6 yards per game.

ALBANY MOVES UP TO NO. 6 IN LAMBERT POLL

East Rutherford, N.J. -- University at Albany moved up to sixth in this week's Lambert-Meadowlands Division II Football Poll as announced today. The Great Danes, who are 4-1 overall and 3-0 in conference play, were 10th in the Sept. 29th poll.

-agate-

Lambert-Meadowlands Division II Football Poll

1. New Haven (4-0), 39; T2. Bloomsburg (3-1) and Slippery Rock (4-1), 25; 4. Millersville (3-1), 20; 5. Southern Connecticut State (5-0), 15; 6. Albany, N.Y. (4-1), 14; 7. American International (3-1), 13; 8. Indiana, Pa. (2-2), 12; T9. Kutztown (2-2) and Shippensburg (2-2), 5.

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Albany Sports 2-2-2-2

MacNEILL NAMED NECC ROOKIE OF THE WEEK IN SOCCER

Rindge, N.H.. -- Freshman midfielder Kirt MacNeill has been selected as the New England Collegiate Conference Rookie of the Week (Sept. 29-Oct. 5) in men's soccer.

MacNeill, of Danvers, Mass., scored his first goals as a collegian, both game-winners, in a pair of victories over American International and Massachusetts-Lowell. He broke a scoreless deadlock in the second half at AIC, and found the net on a header in a 3-2 NECC victory against Mass.-Lowell on Saturday.

Albany (7-3, NECC 2-1) plays at New Hampshire College, the nation's No. 5 team in Division II, on Wednesday evening.

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Comments: College Sports (Men's Soccer & Football)

North Andover, Mass. -- Jim Machado scored twice within a 30-second span in the second half as Merrimack rallied for a 4-2 non-conference victory over Albany at Warrior Field on Sunday afternoon.

Albany (7-3) took a 2-1 lead with 30 minutes and 36 seconds remaining in the contest on a goal by freshman Charlie Justino, but Machado tallied twice unassisted to put his team in front. His second goal found the net with 12:19 remaining, and the Warriors improved to 7-3 overall. Merrimack goalkeeper Adam Fay had five saves, while Dave Welch stopped 13 shots for the Great Danes.

-agate-

Albany (7-3)	0	2	-	2
Merrimack (7-3)	1	3	-	4

Albany -- Scoring: Bryan Grabon 1-0, Charlie Justino 1-0, Brad Greenwood 0-1, Saves: Dave Welch 13. Merrimack -- Scoring: Jim Machado 2-0, Gabe Lortie 1-0, Mark Quinlan 1-0, Matt Johnson 0-1, Saves: Adam Fay 5.

Centerville, Mass. -- Senior quarterback Joe Savino has been selected today as the ECAC Division II North Offensive Player of the Week for his performance in Saturday's 42-3 victory against Merrimack.

Savino completed 9 of 12 passes for 154 yards and two touchdowns, and rushed for 46 yards and two scores. For the fourth time in his career, the 5-foot-9 signal-caller accounted for four or more TDs in a game. He also established his 16th school record with his 56th career touchdown (43 passing, 13 rushing).

COLLEGE SPORTS

Saturday, October 4

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(Football)

Albany, N.Y. 42, Merrimack 3

Albany, N.Y. -- Senior quarterback Joe Savino passed for two touchdowns and ran for two more, and Troy Rhett returned an interception 71 yards for a touchdown as Albany routed Merrimack, 42-3, in an Eastern Football Conference contest on Saturday evening at University Field.

Albany (4-1, EFC 3-0), which has won four straight since an opening-game loss at Central Connecticut State, jumped out to a 21-0 lead in the first quarter. Savino, who completed 9 of 12 passes for 154 yards, and rushed six times for 46, hit split end Dan Gmelin on 32-yard pass-and-run TD on his team's first possession.

Rhett, a junior cornerback, picked off a pass, which went off the hands of Merrimack receiver Adam DeSanctis, and raced 71 yards down the left sideline to the end zone. Rhett's return was the fourth longest in school history, and gave his club a 13-0 lead. The Great Danes scored again on their next series, when Savino scored from four yards out on an option run. His two-point pass to flanker Greg Butryn completed the 21-point blitz.

Albany, which has outscored the opposition, 124-0, in the first half over the last four weeks, reached paydirt on its opening three possessions after the intermission. Savino scored on a 24-yard option run, before tossing a five-yard TD pass to Gmelin. The senior wideout caught five passes for 135 yards, and became the school's all-time leader in receiving yardage with 1,622. Fullback Ben Kelcey's one-yard plunge gave his club a commanding 42-0 cushion with 5:41 left in the third stanza.

"Our defense has been outstanding," said Savino, who set another school record with his 56th career touchdown (43 pass, 13 rush). "They have given us great field position, and we've been able to convert. The offensive line has stepped up their play, and have allowed no sacks the last two games."

Merrimack (1-3, EFC 1-3) managed a 31-yard field goal by Russell Noto late in the fourth quarter. Quarterback Ryan Polley completed just 9 of 22 passes for 73 yards, and was intercepted three times. Willie Edwards carried 10 times for 64 yards to lead the ground attack.

Albany tailback Greg Garrett led all rushers with 68 yards on 10 attempts.

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Comments: College Sports (Men's Soccer)

Albany, N.Y. -- Kirt MacNeill's header midway through the second half proved to be the winning goal as Albany won a 3-2 decision over Massachusetts-Lowell in a New England Collegiate Conference contest on Saturday at Varsity Field.

Albany (7-2, NECC 2-1) scored twice in the opening period, as freshmen Bryan Grabon and Jason Warshaw each tallied within a five-minute span. MacNeill, a freshman midfielder, recorded his second goal of the season off Mike Vogt's indirect kick at 59:55 for a 3-0 advantage.

Massachusetts-Lowell (3-6, NECC 0-3) answered with a pair of goals two minutes and 34 seconds apart. Michael Cancado delivered his fifth goal of the year, and then found Matthew Schoolcraft with a crossing pass at the 68:50 mark.

Goalkeepers Mike Cooper and Dave Welch turned aside 10 shots in the Albany net, while UML's Chris Harrington and Michael White combined to post 10 saves.

-agate-

Mass.-Lowell (3-6, 0-3)	0	2	-	2
Albany (7-2, 2-1)	2	1	-	3

Mass.-Lowell -- Scoring: Michael Cancado 1-1, Matthew Schoolcraft 0-1, Saves: Chris Harrington 3, Michael White 7. Albany -- Scoring: Bryan Grabon 1-0, Jason Warshaw 1-0, Kirt MacNeill 1-0, Brad Greenwood 0-2, Mike Vogt 0-1, Saves: Mike Cooper 7, Dave Welch 3. ***more****

Albany Sports 2-2-2-2

(Women's Soccer)

Albany, N.Y. -- Freshman Jackie MacLean scored the game's lone goal with eight minutes and 51 seconds gone in the second half to lead visiting Massachusetts-Lowell to a 1-0 New England Collegiate Conference victory over Albany on Saturday at Varsity Field.

MacLean netted her 16th goal of the season, when she beat Albany goalkeeper Genevieve Holdridge to the far post off a crossing pass from midfielder Donna Hovey.

UML goalkeeper Heather Ross had 13 saves to post her third shutout this season, while Holdridge stopped 12 shots for the Great Danes.

Albany (2-8, NECC 1-3) dropped its fifth straight, while the River Hawks improved to 5-4-1 overall and 2-1-1 in conference play.

-agate-

Mass.-Lowell (5-4-1, 2-1-1)	0	1	-	1
Albany (2-8, 1-3)	0	0	-	0

Mass.-Lowell -- Scoring: Jackie MacLean 1-0, Donna Hovey 0-1, Saves: Heather Ross 13. Albany -- No Scoring, Saves: Genevieve Holdridge 12.

(Field Hockey)

Millersville, Pa. -- Sophomore Tovah Atwell scored the game-winner with one minute and 42 seconds elapsed in overtime to lift Albany to a 2-1 victory over Millersville at Brooks Field.

Atwell drew Millersville goalkeeper Kris Sokoloski to the top circle, and then beat her to the left to find an empty cage with her seventh goal of the season in the extra period.

Chrissy Bradt (Shenendehowa H.S.) gave the Great Danes a 1-0 lead early in the second half, before Jessica Hoenich tied the score on a scramble in front off a penalty corner.

Albany (10-1) has won 15 of its last 16 contests dating back to last October 22nd. Millersville falls to 4-7 overall.

-agate-

Albany (10-1)	0	1	1	-	2
Millersville (4-7)	0	1	0	-	1

Albany -- Scoring: Tovah Atwell 1-0, Chrissy Bradt 1-0, Saves: Leia Shick 3. Millersville -- Jessica Hoenich 1-0, Gina Morgan 0-1, Saves: Kati Kubinak 3, Kris Sololoski 2.

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Albany Sports 3-3-3-3

(Women's Tennis)

Albany, N.Y. -- Sophomore Julie Bliss (Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake) was a winner at both first singles and first doubles to lead Albany to a 6-3 victory over Franklin Pierce on Saturday.

Bliss won in straight sets over Carolyn Knight, 6-0, 6-0, and teamed with Jennifer Hahn (Bethlehem Central) for an 8-1 pro-set decision in doubles. Albany is 7-2 overall.

-agate-

Albany 6, Franklin Pierce 3

Singles: Julie Bliss (A) def. Carolyn Knight (F), 6-0, 6-0; Ruth Butz (F) def. Darcy Wheeler (A), 7-6, 6-7, 6-4; Jennifer Hahn (A) def. Emily Haining (F), 6-1, 6-0; Marissa Tuchband (A) def. Ali Smith (F), 6-1, 6-3; Kerrie Rowe (F) def. Erinn Langford (A), 7-6 (8-6), 6-1; Lauren Hargett (A) def. Tina Eramo (F), 6-0, 6-0.

Doubles: Bliss-Hahn (A) def. Knight-Butz (F), 8-1; Smith-Rowe (F) def. Lindsay Colman-Langford (A), 8-5; Hargett-Kate McCarthy (A) def. Haining-Stacey Rochelle (F), 8-0.

Records: Franklin Pierce (2-4), Albany (7-2).



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RICHARD SAUERS NAMED UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY'S WOMEN'S GOLF COACH

ALBANY, N.Y. -- **Richard "Doc" Sauers**, who retired as head men's basketball coach after more than four decades in the position last March, has been chosen as the University at Albany's head women's golf coach as Director of Athletics Dr. Milton E. Richards announced today.

Sauers, whose squad will play its schedule in the fall and spring, is no stranger to collegiate golf. He coached the University's men's team for 19 seasons from 1962-79, before the program was discontinued. During his tenure, the Great Danes had an 80-77-3 dual-match record, and finished ninth at the 1963 NCAA championships.

Sauers, 67, finished his basketball coaching career with a 702-330 record in 41 seasons as Albany's coach. He is one of 11 coaches in the history of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) to reach the 700-career win mark. Coach Sauers, who posted just one losing campaign, guided the Great Danes to nine NCAA tournament appearances, four NAIA tournament invitations, and two Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) championships in 1978 and 1989. Sauers, the '85 NCAA Division III Coach of the Year, was inducted into the New York State Basketball Hall of Fame in 1992.

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(Men's Soccer)

Springfield, Mass. -- Tom Mason, a junior midfielder, scored twice in the second half as Albany upended American International, 2-0, in a non-conference contest.

Mason broke a scoreless deadlock with 10 minutes and 23 seconds gone in the final period, and added his team-leading eighth goal of the season at the 79:18 mark.

Goalkeeper Mike Cooper posted his first shutout this fall with a seven-save effort. Freshman James Flaherty totaled 17 saves for American International (1-7). Albany, which has won five of its last six matches, upped its overall record to 6-2.

-agate-

Albany (6-2)	0	2	-	2
American International (1-7)	0	0	-	0

Albany -- Scoring: Tom Mason 2-0, Bryan Grabon 0-1, Saves: Mike Cooper 7. AIC -- No Scoring, Saves: James Flaherty 17.

(Field Hockey)

Albany, N.Y. -- Tovah Atwell and Katie Cunningham scored one goal apiece in leading Albany to a 2-0 victory over visiting Western New England on Wednesday at Albany Field. The Great Danes have won 14 of their last 15 contests, and improve to 9-1 on the season. ***more***

Albany Sports 2-2-2-2

(field hockey - continued)

Atwell tallied her eighth goal of the year with six minutes and 29 seconds elapsed in the first half on an eight-yard shot in the middle of the circle. Cunningham added an insurance goal, when she slapped in a rebound midway through the final period.

Freshman goalkeeper Cathi Burek made two saves to record her first collegiate shutout. Natalie Pisarcik stopped 17 shots for Western New England (1-5).

-agate-

Western New England (1-5)	0	0	-	0
Albany (9-1)	1	1	-	2

Western New England -- No Scoring, Saves: Natalie Pisarcik 17.
Albany -- Tovah Atwell 1-0, Katie Cunningham 1-0, Saves: Cathi Burek 2.

(Women's Soccer)

Albany, N.Y. -- Sandra Greenman scored the game-winner with nine minutes and 22 seconds remaining in the first half to lead St. Rose to a 2-1 non-conference victory over Albany at Varsity Field.

Greenman, a freshman, netted a header off a corner kick by midfielder Christine Ginty to break a 1-1 tie. Albany (2-7) took a 1-0 lead midway through the opening period on Tara Ford's first goal of the season. St. Rose (4-4) drew even five minutes later when Amber Cringle chipped a ball over UA goalkeeper Genevieve Holdridge's head.

Erica Smith totaled 10 saves in the St. Rose net, while Holdridge turned aside seven shots for the Great Danes.

-agate-

St. Rose (4-4)	2	0	-	2
Albany (2-7)	1	0	-	1

St. Rose -- Scoring: Amber Cringle 1-1, Sandra Greenman 1-0, Christine Wright 0-1, Christine Ginty 0-1, Saves: Erica Smith 10. Albany -- Tara Ford 1-0, Irene Eliea 0-1, Saves: Genevieve Holdridge 7.