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#### **CROSS COUNTRY**

Palo Alto, Calif. – University at Albany's **Jessica Walton** (Fonda-Fultonville H.S.) placed 22nd overall to lead the Great Danes to a ninth-place finish at the 28th Stanford Invitational.

Walton, a sophomore, covered the 4,000-meter layout at the Stanford Golf Course in 14:07. **Laura Kearns** (Saratoga Springs) was 52nd in 14:47. Stanford's Alicia Craig was first among 127 runners, and the Cardinal took the team title.

In the men's competition, UAlbany was 14th in a 28-team field. Freshman **Andy Allstadt** was the top finisher in 51st place with a time of 26:38 over 8,000 meters. **Joe Pienta** (Ichabod Crane) was 69th among 198 competitors. Utah's Teren Jameson was the individual winner, while Stanford captured the team championship.

-agate-

## Stanford Invitational

#### WOMEN

1. Stanford 40, 2. Brigham Young 53, 3. Wisconsin 69, 4. Hawaii 128, 5. Simon Fraser 199, 6. Fresno Pacific 207, 7. San Jose State 211, 8. Sonoma State 218, 9. Albany 239, 10. Iowa 244, 11. California 246, 12. CS-San Marcos 313, 13. San Diego 346, 14. UC-Riverside 366, 15. UC-Davis 374, 16. CSU-Los Angeles 394, 17. UC-San Diego 431, 18. San Francisco 463, 19. Ventura 567.

INDIVIDUAL – 1. Alicia Craig (Stanford), 12:40. Top UAlbany Finishers: 22. Jessica Walton, 14:07, 52. Laura Kearns 14:47, 57. Megan Roeder, 14:53, 58. Zerlinda Martinez, 15:53, 62. Meghan Howell, 14:58, 84. Theresa Juva, 15:28, 102. Sarah Scoville, 15:58.

#### MEN

1. Stanford 30, 2. Utah State 58, 3. UC-Santa Barbara 78, 4. Utah 118, 5. UC-Davis 137, 6. Chico State 177, 7. Southern Utah 235, 8. CSU-Fullerton 254, 9. Fresno State 297, 10. Simon Fraser 304, 11. UC-Riverside 323, 12. CS-San Marcos 332, 13. Long Beach State 357, 14. Albany 410, 15. UC-Irvine 439, 16. Alliant International 439, 17. San Diego 447, 18. UC-San Diego 525, 19. Azusa Pacific 532, 20. Concordia 542, 21. Pomona Pitzer 660, 22. CSU-Los Angeles 671, 23 Occidental 685, 24. Hawaii-Hilo 698, 25. La Verne 783, 26. San Francisco State 789, 27. Cal Tech 799, 28. Holy Names 866.

INDIVIDUAL – 1. Teren Jameson (Utah), 24:35. Top UAlbany Finishers: 51. Andy Allstadt, 26:38, 69. Joe Pienta, 27:00, 103. Adam Rice, 27:55, 106. Rob Caracciolo, 28:00, 115. Sam Gonzalez, 28:16, 126. Justin Block, 28:42, 147. Ian French, 29:19.

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**COLLEGE SPORTS** 

#### **WOMEN'S SOCCER**

Albany, N.Y.— Freshmen **Casey Fagan** and **Tami Coyle** each scored during a three-goal second half, as Rider upended Albany, 3-1, in a non-conference match at Varsity Field on Saturday.

Albany (1-5) jumped out to a 1-0 lead at the 28:37 mark when forward **Becky Heiberg** fed a pass that found fellow freshman **Sara Rickard** seven yards out on the right side of the goal.

Fagan tied the game for Rider (4-5) when she put home an unassisted score off a deflection just over three minutes into the second stanza. Coyle scored her unassisted goal eight minutes and twenty seconds later, and it held up to be the game-winner. Sophomore **Colleen Evans** closed out the scoring at 86:54 with the Broncs' third unassisted goal.

The Great Danes will travel to Burlington, Vermont for a matchup with America East opponent Vermont on Thursday, Oct. 4. Game time is 3:00 p.m. -agate-

Rider (4-5)

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**Albany** (1-5)

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Albany: Scoring—Sara Rickard 1-0, Becky Heiburg 0-1; Goalkeeper(s)—Beth Spinelli (90:00, 6 saves, 3 GA).

Rider: Scoring—Casey Fagan 1-0, Tami Coyle 1-0, Colleen Evans 1-0;

Goalkeeper(s)—Erin Wolleon (90:00, 7 saves, 1 GA).

#### **CROSS COUNTRY**

Bronx, N.Y. – University at Albany's **Jamie Rodriguez** (Christian Brothers Academy) finished 31st in a 283-runner field at the Paddy Doyle Iona Meet of Champions on Saturday afternoon at Van Cortlandt Park.

Rodriguez, a senior, ran the 8,000-meter course in 25:47.4. Dartmouth's **Tom McArdle** was first across the finish line in 24:42.9, and was two seconds faster than Cornell's **Max King**.

In the women's race, freshman **Nicole Susser** (Colonie Central) was UAlbany's top finisher, as she placed 150th with a time of 23:47.2. **Trista Neinast** and **Erin Goddard** were 178th and 182nd, respectively, among 283 competitors.

### College Football.

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#### Albany 28, Stony Brook 18

Albany, N.Y. – Split end **Chris Phillis** caught a 29-yard touchdown pass to give his team the lead for good early in the fourth quarter, and Albany went on to post a 28-18 Northeast Conference victory over Stony Brook on Saturday afternoon on Hall of Fame Day at University Field.

Stony Brook (0-2, NEC 0-2) tied the contest at 18 apiece, when **Ken Lockhart** capped a 67-yard drive with a four-yard dash through the middle. **Michael Soto's** extra point sailed wide left. Albany (4-0, NEC 3-0) came right back on its next possession, when quarterback **Ryan Roeder** hit Phillis in the end zone with what proved to be the winning score. Phillis hauled in eight passes for 145 yards, and became the second receiver in school history to reach the 100-career reception mark (105).

After the Seawolves were forced to punt, Roeder, who completed 10 of 23 passes for 194 yards, directed the Great Danes on an 11-play scoring drive. **Bryan Bagstad's** 24-yard field goal, his second of the day, handed his club a 28-18 cushion.

"Every time you win, take it, because it is hard to beat anyone," said Albany coach Bob Ford. "At the same time we did not play as well as we are capable. We struggled to get a run game going, but Phillis and (Jay) McFarlane made big plays in the second half. Winning today was the sign of a veteran team; I am not sure we would have won this game last year."

Albany grabbed a 10-6 advantage in the second quarter, when fullback **Jon George** scored on a one-yard run with 4:11 remaining. The Seawolves took a 12-10 halftime lead on their next series, as quarterback **Scott Bard** reached paydirt on an 18-yard draw play.

The Great Danes went back in front, 18-12, as backup quarterback **Marcus Rotondi**, who passed for 66 yards and ran for 55 more, led an eight-play drive. Rotondi connected with Phillis three times, including a 37-yarder, to key the scoring sequence. George ended the drive with a one-yard run, before Rotondi passed to tailback **Brian Manigault** for the two-point conversion.

Bard, a 6-foot junior, accounted for 252 total yards, as he completed 20 of 38 passes for 196 yards and added 56 on the ground. Lockhart led all rushers with 100 yards on 15 attempts.

Senior flanker **Jay McFarlane** had a career-high 108 receiving yards on four catches for the Great Danes, who have won their opening four games for the first time since 1996.

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### (Men's Soccer)

Albany, N.Y. – **Taj Alvaranga** scored the game-winning goal with 13 minutes and 17 seconds elapsed in overtime, as Howard rallied for a 3-2 non-conference victory over Albany on Friday afternoon at Varsity Field.

Albany (3-3) built a 2-0 lead early in the second half. **Nick Southworth** (Maple Hill H.S.) scored his third of the season midway through the opening period, before **Greg Chevalier** converted a penalty kick.

Sophomore striker **Ronald Goodlett** tallied a pair of goals 13 minutes apart to force overtime. **Nasir Wade** stole a goal kick in the Albany backfield, and Goodlett scored from in front at the 75:45 mark to draw Howard (1-5) even at two apiece.

In the extra period, Alvaranga found an empty net from **Courtney James**, after he eluded both defender **Tim Roty** and goalkeeper **Trevor Serraro** just inside the scoring box.

Serraro finished with a season-high 11 saves, while the Bison's **Nigel Burgess** stopped three shots.

-agate-

Howard (1-5) 0 2 1 - Albany (3-3) 1 1 0 -

Howard – Scoring: Ronald Goodlett 2-0, Taj Alvaranga 1-0, Nasir Wade 0-

1, Courtney James 0-1; Goalkeeper(s): Nigel Burgess (103:17, 3 saves, 2 GA).

Albany – Scoring: Nick Southworth 1-0, Greg Chevalier 1-0; Goalkeeper(s): Trevor Serraro (103:17, 11 saves, 3 GA).

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#### **UALBANY HOSTS NATIONAL "TAKE A KID TO THE GAME" PROGRAM**

Albany, N.Y. – Local Capital Region youth will have an opportunity to experience NCAA Football and the college game-day atmosphere when the University at Albany hosts NCAA Football's annual "Take a Kid to the Game" program on Saturday, September 29. Children will receive a free ticket with the purchase of a full-priced adult ticket to watch the Great Danes take on Stony Brook at University Field. Kickoff is 1:00 p.m.

TAKG is entering its seventh year in the promotion of NCAA Athletics and fourth for NCAA Football. The Take a Kid to the Game program saw a record number of schools (181) participate last year in this campaign, which is focused on attracting more of the nation's youth to college games.

"The Kids Zone" will also be at the game on Saturday with various activities, including The Amazing Mr. Twisty, Bouncey Bounce, Cheek Cheers / Face Painting and the American Football Coaches Association National Identification Kit Giveaway.

In addition, the local preliminaries of the **NFL Gatorade**, **Punt**, **Pass and Kick** contest begin at 11:00 a.m. on the University's Western Avenue Practice Fields. The contest is open to boys and girls ages 8-15 to compete separately against their peers in punting, passing and place-kicking skills.

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COLLEGE SPORTS (Women's Volleyball)

#### VOLLEYBALL

Chestnut Hill, Mass.— Freshman outside hitter **Katie Anderson** totaled nine kills, 11 digs and three service aces to lead Boston College to a 30-20, 30-15, 30-17 win over Albany on Wednesday night at Power Gym.

Boston College (8-3), which did not have a player with more than nine kills, won the match with a well-balanced team effort. The Eagles served 11 aces and hit an outstanding .359 in the match, while defensively the team totaled 12 blocks and 46 digs. Freshman setter **Jessica Brizzolara** recorded a match-high 28 assists.

Albany (2-7) was led by freshman **Fallon Hearst**, who had 10 of the Great Danes' 24 kills and added eight digs. But the team posted negative hitting percentages in the final two games and hit -.056 overall.

The Great Danes, who have played six of their first nine matches on the road this season, now begin a stretch of four consecutive home dates. They host Northeastern in the program's first-ever America East Conference match on Tuesday, Oct. 2 at 7:00 p.m.

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Boston College (8-3) def. Albany (2-7), 30-20, 30-15, 30-17

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#### FIELD HOCKEY

Boston, Mass.— Forwards **Felicia Cappabianca** and **Whitney Peabody** scored two goals apiece as Boston University outgunned Albany, 5-1, in an America East Conference matchup on Tuesday night at Harvard University's Jordan Field.

Boston U. (2-4, AE 2-1), the conference champion and a NCAA tournament participant last season, scored three times in a nine-minute span to take a 3-0 lead with 13:14 remaining in the first half. Peabody, Cappabianca and freshman **Meredith Long** each scored during the run.

Albany (3-6, AE 1-2) got on the scoreboard when **Angie Stegel** (Johnstown H.S.) scored an unassisted goal, her second of the season, with 5:45 remaining in the first half.

But the Terriers put the game away by scoring twice in the second half, beginning with a penalty stroke from senior Cappabianca with 18:50 left to play. Peabody, a sophomore, added her second tally three minutes and thirty seconds later to close out the scoring.

The Great Danes begin a three-game America East homestand when they host Vermont on Tuesday, October 2 at 4:00 p.m.

-agate-

**Albany** (3-6, AE 1-2) 1 0 - 1 **Boston University** (2-4, AE 2-1) 3 2 - 5

Albany: Scoring –Angie Stegel 1-0; Goalkeeper(s)—Elaine Sullivan (26:35, 1 save, 3 GA), Megan Akstin (43:25, 12 saves, 2 GA).

Boston University: Scoring—Felicia Cappabianca 2-0, Whitney Peabody 2-0, Meredith Long 1-0, Dalinda Banuelos 0-1, Jane Rogers 0-1; Goalkeeper(s)—Susan Harrington (57:33, 2 saves, 1 GA), Jodie Gardner (12:27, 1 save, 0 GA).



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## Albany Tops Siena in Men's Soccer Thriller

Greg Chevalier scores with less than five minutes left to lead Danes

LOUDONVILLE, N.Y. - Greg Chevalier scored off a free kick with just under five minutes remaining to lift Albany over Siena 2-1 Tuesday afternoon.

Albany (3-2) dominated the first half but was unable to score until early in the second half when Lucas Machado took advantage of a Siena turnover and broke in uncontested to beat Saints goalle Ryan Jordan.

The Saints (1-4-1) responded quickly. Vinny Russo (Staten Island, N.Y./Marymount International) lofted a ball into the box that Paul Clovacco (Poughkeepsie, N.Y./Arlington) headed home for his first goal of the season.

Albany outshot Siena 15-8. Danes goalle Trevor Serraro made two saves in the victory while Jordan (Monroe, N.Y./Manhattan College) stopped six shots in defeat.

Siena hosts Fairfield on October 3<sup>rd</sup> in a MAAC matchup.

Albany 0 2 2 Slena 0 1 1

A-Lucas Machado 49:25 8-Paul Clovacco (Russo) 58:43 A-Greg Chevaller 85:30

Goalles

A-Trevor Serraro (1 GA, 2 SV) S-Ryan Jordan (2 GA, 6 SV)

Shots: Albany -15, Siena-8

Corner Kicks: Albany-7, Siena-5

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#### **UALBANY RANKED AMONG TOP FIVE IN TWO NATIONAL POLLS**

Albany, N.Y. – UAlbany remains fourth in the Football Gazette NCAA I-AA Mid-Major Top 20 Poll and fifth in The Sports Network I-AA Mid-Major Top 10 Poll. Both national college football rankings were released today.

The Great Danes, who are off to a 3-0 start for the first time since 1998, won on the road against Northeast Conference-rival Wagner, 35-30, last Saturday. Albany (3-0, NEC 2-0) hosts Stony Brook at University Field on Saturday, Sept. 29 on Hall of Fame Day. Game time is 1:00 p.m.

Duquesne, Dayton and Jacksonville hold down the top three spots in both polls. The top two teams will meet in Pittsburgh this weekend.

## Sports Network I-AA Mid-Major Top 10 Poll

1. Duquesne (3-0), 262, 2. Dayton (3-0), 248, 3. Jacksonville (2-0), 199, 4. Sacred Heart (2-0), 198, 5. Albany (3-0), 165, 6. San Diego (2-0), 125, 7. Drake (2-1), 101, 8. Davidson (2-1), 71, 9. Monmouth (2-0), 70, 10. LaSalle (2-0), 33.

## Football Gazette NCAA I-AA Mid-Major Top 20 Poll

1. Duquesne, 2. Dayton, 3. Jacksonville, 4. Albany, 5. Sacred Heart, 6. Drake, 7. San Diego, 8. Davidson, 9. St. Peter's, 10. Fairfield.

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#### (Women's Golf)

Hamilton, N.Y. – Freshman **Jill Friedman** shot an eight-over-par 80 to lead Albany to victory in a triangular match with Cortland and Colgate on Sunday at Colgate University's Seven Oaks Golf Course.

Friedman was two strokes better than Cortland's Laura Prestopnik. UAlbany's Diane Onofry fired an 86 to finish third. The Great Danes, who scored 351, were five shots ahead of Cortland, while Colgate was third with 418.

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#### (Women's Soccer)

Durham, N.H. – Sophomore forward **Ana Tobon** tallied three goals as Maine upended Albany, 5-1, in an America East Conference match on Sunday afternoon at Lewis Field.

New Hampshire (2-2-3, AE 1-1-1) quickly grabbed the lead as Farrell Swain found the far-left post one minute and 23 seconds into the contest. Albany (1-4, AE 0-2) tied the match at one apiece when freshman midfielder Julie Hirsh earned her first goal as a collegian off a direct kick from 20 yards out at the 20:05 mark. The Wildcats responded scoring twice over the next six minutes as Tobon began her offensive barrage and led her team into the intermission with a 3-1 advantage.

UNH, who outshot the Great Danes 23-9, added two early second-half strikes during a 45-second sequence. Sarah Sargent volleyed the ball into the net off a Jacquelyn Kendall pass at 50:19. Tobon finished the scoring when Christy Smagula and Chiara Best, who finished with two assists, fed her on the left side. Freshman goalkeeper Beth Spinelli made 10 saves for the Albany, who dropped its four straight match. Kristen Ouellette and Elizabeth MacKay each stopped a shot for the Wildcats.

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Albany (1-4, AE 0-2) 1 0 - New Hampshire (2-2-3, AE 1-1-1) 3 2 -

Albany – Scoring: Julie Hirsh 1-0; Goalkeeper: Beth Spinelli (90:00, 10 saves, 5GA). New Hampshire – Scoring: Farrell Swain 1-0, Ana Tobon 3-0, Sarah Sargeant 1-1, Chiara Best 1-1, Jacquelyn Kendall 0-1, Christy Smagula 0-1; Goalkeeper(s): Kristen Ouellette (59:32, 1 save, 1GA), Elizabeth MacKay (30:28, 1 save, 0GA).

#### (Women's Tennis)

West Point, N.Y. – UAlbany's Lori Barsel and Ilissa Strolovitz dropped a pro-set decision to Connecticut's Colleen Connors and Natalie Tirapelli in the quarterfinals of the Eastern Collegiate Championships at Lichenberg Tennis Center. Connors and Tirapelli prevailed by an 8-6 score.

In No. 2 doubles, Albany's Lisa Fund and Erin Kolakoski were eliminated in the consolation bracket's quarterfinals by Vermont's Susannah O'Brien and Alie Taylor, 8-2.

Alex Berley (Shenendehowa) lost in straight sets, 6-1 and 6-1, in her fourth singles consolation quarterfinal match. Violeta Petijevic was beaten, 6-4 and 6-1, by Howard's Tatiana Okpala in the first singles consolation quarterfinal round. -30-

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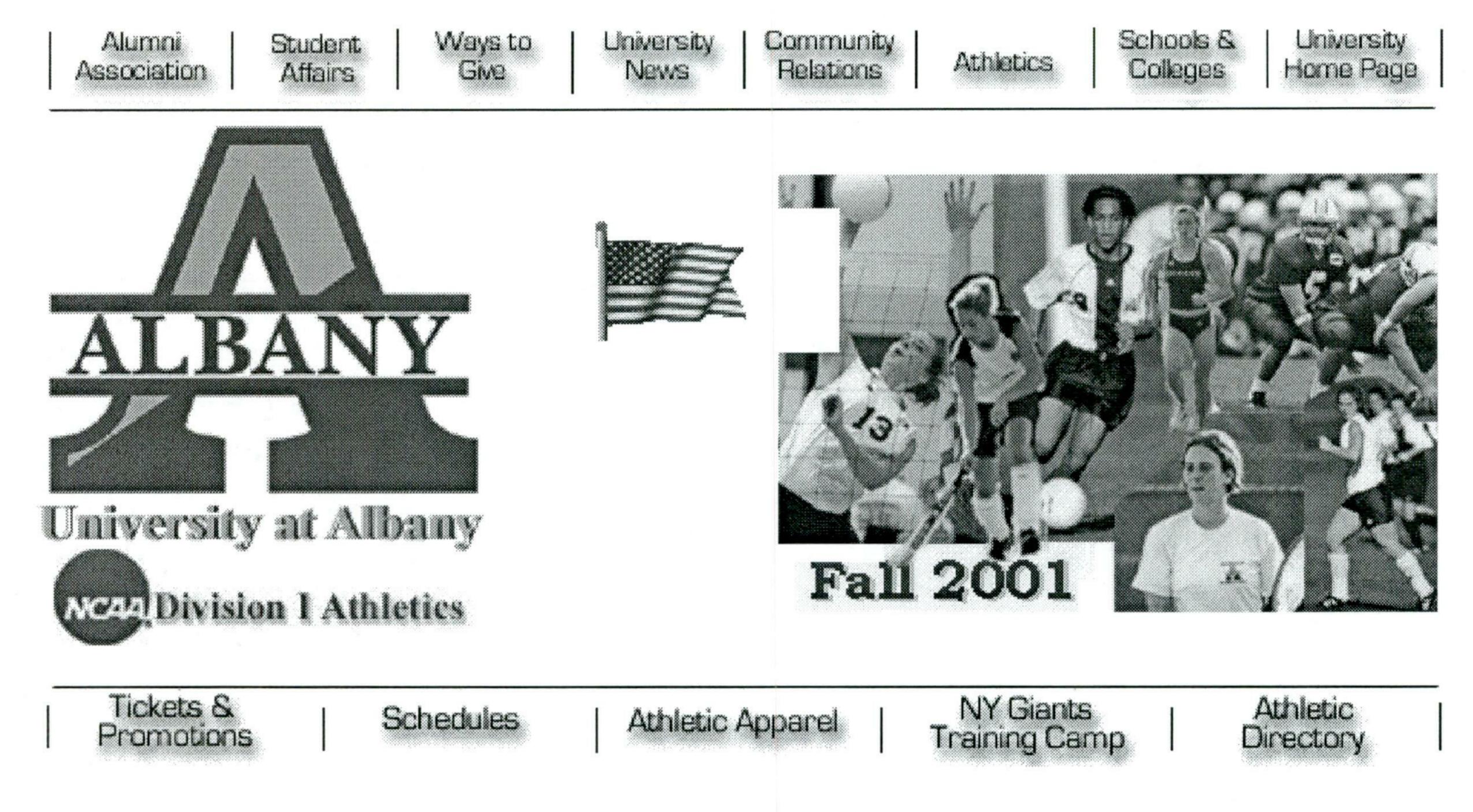
**COLLEGE SPORTS (Women's Tennis)** 

#### **WOMEN'S TENNIS**

West Point, N.Y.—University at Albany seniors **Ilissa Strolovitz** and **Lori Barsel** defeated Stony Brook's team of **Oleysa Ianovitch** and **Alyssa Schnell**, 8-5, in a second-round, flight-one doubles match at the Eastern Collegiate Women's Tennis Championships.

The Great Dane pairing later fell in the quarterfinal round to Connecticut's **Colleen Connors** and **Natalie Tirapelli** by a score of 8-6.

In singles play, junior **Violeta Petijevic** dropped a 6-1, 6-1 decision to third-seeded Carissa Sommerlad of Rutgers in flight one, while freshman **Marisa Berley** (Shenendehowa H.S.) fell at second singles 6-0, 6-0 to George Washington's **Nazli Genscoy**. Berley later lost her quarterfinal consolation match to fifth-seeded **Ali Rohr** of Army, 6-2, 6-1.

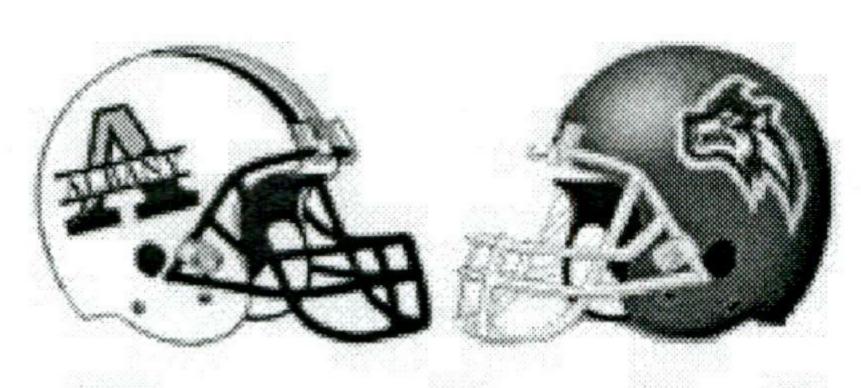


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#### Albany vs. Stony Brook Hall of Fame Game Saturday, Sept. 29 University Field 1:00 p.m.

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#### **ALBANY GREAT DANES SPORTS HEADLINES**

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### FOOTBALL DEFEATS NEC-RIVAL WAGNER, 35-30

Staten Island, N.Y. – Ryan Roeder passed for 241 yards and three touchdowns, and Albany survived a late rally in a 35-30



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Northeast Conference victory over Wagner on Saturday, Sept. 22 at Wagner Stadium.

Albany (3-0, NEC 2-0) snapped a 21-21 tie in the second half behind Roeder, who completed 12 of 19 passes, in his first action since returning from knee surgery. He fired a 15-yard scoring pass to Matt Crudo with 4:49 left in the third quarter, and then hit split end Chris Phillis down the middle of the Wagner defense with a 43-yard strike early in the final period.

Wagner (0-2, NEC 0-2) rallied to beat the Great Danes last year, and threatened again this time around. Following a safety, reserve quarterback Chris Spina flipped a seven-yard touchdown pass to close the gap to 35-30 with 59 seconds left.

After Wagner recovered the ensuing onside kick, Spina, who completed 20 of 42 passes for 276 yards and three touchdowns, marched his team to the Albany 21-yardline. However, Albany cornerback Fred Frese picked off an errant throw to thwart the comeback bid.

"That was a thrilling college football game," said Albany coach Bob Ford. "There were long runs and passes and great defensive plays. They gave us everything we wanted, but we were able to come up with just enough to get the win today."

The Great Danes took a 14-7 lead in the second quarter when tailback Brian Manigault, who rushed for 114 yards, scored on an 80-yard run down the left sideline. Spina's 14-yard TD pass to Lou Simone drew his team even with 2:57 left in the period.

Albany reached paydirt on its next possession to forge a 21-14 halftime lead, when Roeder finished off a seven-play drive with a 25-yard pass to Phillis, who caught nine passes for 163 yards.

Wagner's Daryn Plummer hauled in Spina's lob pass from eight yards out to knot the game at 21 apiece in the third stanza. Plummer, a tight end, totaled eight receptions for 105 yards and three scores.

"It was very hot and both teams were breathing hard," said Phillis, who broke Dan Gmelin's all-time record with his 18th career touchdown reception. "With everything that has happened over the last two weeks, we're happy to get a victory."

#### **UALBANY WINS COLGATE GOLF TRIANGULAR**

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#### **MEN'S SOCCER**

Albany, N.Y. – Senior midfielder **Nick Southworth** (Maple Hill H.S.) scored his first goals of the season as Albany routed Binghamton, 4-1, in a non-conference game on Saturday afternoon at Varsity Field. The Bearcats will join the America East Conference in men's soccer next fall.

Albany (2-2) scored three first-half goals to seal the win. Southworth registered both of his strikes over the opening 25 minutes of action. **Jarvin Skeete**, who added one goal and one assist, dribbled past BU goalkeeper **Jon Locitzer** and found Southworth on the right side with an open net. Southworth later knocked home his second score from 15 yards out. **Steven Procknal** tallied his second goal of the season at the 37:47 mark when **Greg Chevalier** delivered a pin-point right cross giving the Great Danes a 3-0 lead at the intermission.

Binghamton (0-6) got on the scoreboard 20 minutes into the final stanza as **Matt Ryan** converted on a scramble in front of the goal off a direct kick. Albany finished the scoring at 80:16 with **Jarvin Skeete** finding the lower-left corner from an **Ashtian Holmes** play-through. Holmes increased his scoring total to 10 points (4 goals and 2 assists) this season.

Albany goalkeeper **Trevor Serraro** made nine saves for the Great Danes, who travel to local rival Siena on Tuesday.

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Binghamton (0-6) 0 1 - 1 Albany (2-2) 3 1 - 4

Binghamton: Scoring – Matt Ryan 1-0; Goalkeeper: Jon Locitzer (90:00, 9 saves, 4GA). Albany: Scoring – Nick Southworth 2-0, Steven Procknal 1-0, Jarvin Skeete 1-1, Greg Chevalier 0-1, Ashtian Holmes 0-1; Goalkeeper: Trevor Serraro (90:00, 9 saves, 1GA)

#### **ALBANY SPORTS 2-2-2-2**

#### FIELD HOCKEY

Albany, N.Y. -- Junior defender **Amy Hammer** scored on a long drive late in the first half and goalkeeper **Elaine Sullivan** made five second-half saves as Albany held on to win its first-ever America East Conference game, 2-1, over Hofstra on Saturday at Albany Field.

Senior forward **Angie Stegel** (Johnstown H.S.), who missed the team's last four contests with a broken nose, opened the scoring for Albany (3-5, AE 1-1) when she put in a rebound following a goalkeeper save with 13:26 left in the opening stanza. The Great Danes outshot the Pride 18-3 in the period, and maintained the 1-0 advantage until Hammer's unassisted goal with just 1:32 remaining in the half.

Hofstra (4-4, AE 0-1), coming off an impressive 3-1 victory over 17th-ranked Temple on Thursday, finally got on the board with 10:40 remaining in the contest when senior midfielder **Allison Barnett** tucked a shot into the lower left corner of the goal from five feet away. Albany's goalkeeper Sullivan made three key saves in the final seven minutes to help preserve the victory for the Great Danes.

Albany will play Boston University on Tuesday, Sept. 25 in Cambridge, Mass. Game time is 7:30 p.m.

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**Hofstra** (4-4, AE 0-1) 0 1 - 1 **Albany** (3-5, AE 1-1) 2 0 - 2

Hofstra: Scoring - Allison Barnett 1-0; Goalkeeper(s)-Christine Hickey (70:00, 13 saves, 2 GA).

Albany: Scoring-Angie Stegel 1-0, Amy Hammer 1-0; Goalkeeper(s)-Elaine Sullivan (70:00, 7 saves, 1 GA).

#### WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

Binghamton, N.Y. – Freshman outside hitter **Michelle Heck** had 13 kills and eight digs in leading Binghamton to a 3-0 non-conference victory over Albany on Saturday afternoon at East Gym. The Great Danes, who dropped to 2-6 overall, lost the match, 30-24, 30-24 and 30-25.

Binghamton (2-6) snapped a five-match losing skid as sophomore middle blocker Allison **Beard** recorded eight kills and added seven blocks.

Albany held a 22-20 advantage in the third game before the Bearcats reeled off eight straight points and went on to seal the match. Freshman **Fallon Hearst** tallied 14 kills, while teammate **Alissa Gibbs** (Shenendehowa H.S.) added 11 kills for the Great Danes. -agate-

Binghamton def. Albany, 30-24, 30-24, 30-25.

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### (Women's Soccer)

Orono, Maine – Sophomore midfielder **Jen Buckley** scored the game-winning goal eight minutes into the first half and **Allison Kelly** added two assists as Maine defeated Albany, 3-0, in the America East Conference opener for both schools on Friday afternoon at Alumni Field.

Maine (2-1-1, AE 1-0-0) used two first-half goals to seal the victory. Buckley opened the scoring for the Black Bears when she knocked in a rebound off a Kelly corner kick at the 8:58 mark. Nearly 14 minutes later, **Maija Kaldro** tallied an unassisted score, tapping in a rebound off Albany freshman keeper **Beth Spinelli**. Maine, who outshot the Great Danes 17-2 in the contest, didn't allow an Albany shot attempt in the opening stanza.

Annie Hamel recorded her second goal of the season at 71:25 with a high lob over Spinelli, who finished with eight saves and halted two penalty kicks in her first start as a collegian. Naomi Welsh secured her third shutout of the year and stopped two shots in the final stanza for Maine.

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Albany (1-3, AE 0-1-0) 0 - 0 Maine (2-1-1, AE 1-0-0) 2 1 - 3

Albany – Scoring: None; Goalkeeper: Beth Spinelli (90:00, 8 saves, 3GA).

Maine – Scoring: Jen Buckley 1-0, Maija Kaldro 1-0, Annie Hamel 1-0,

Allison Kelly 0-2; Goalkeeper: Naomi Welsh (90:00, 1 save, 0GA).

## UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY ENSHRINES FOUR INTO ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

For Immediate Release Thursday, September 20, 2001

ALBANY, N.Y. -- The University at Albany will enshrine four former athletes into its Athletic Hall of Fame on Saturday, September 29 at the 18th annual HOF Dinner and Induction Ceremony. A reception for the Athletic Hall of Fame inductees begins at 5:00 p.m. with the dinner and ceremony to follow in the Recreation and Convocation Center (RACC) on campus. The event is preceded by UAlbany's Northeast Conference home football game with Stony Brook at 1:00 p.m.

The new inductees and their sports: **Debbie August** '96, lacrosse; **Don Mion** '75, football/wrestling; **Lynda Nealis** '94, basketball and **Wilfredo Rodriguez** '00, track & field.

With this year's class, there are 89 former athletes, coaches, and administrators who have been inducted into the University's Athletic Hall of Fame.

**Debbie August (1993-96)** -- One of the top attackers in the history of women's lacrosse at UAlbany, August led the Great Danes to four winning seasons, a combined 32-17 record and two ECAC tournament appearances.

August finished her career as the school's all-time leading scorer with 164 points (132 goals, 32 assists), and is the only player to record back-to-back 60-point seasons. She scored 49 goals and 13 assists for 62 points in 1996, a UA single-season record.

As a senior, August placed among the NCAA Collegiate Lacrosse scoring leaders in rankings for both Division I and II players. She was sixth in both points per game (5.17) and goals per game (4.08) for an offense that ranked third nationally in scoring. August led the Great Danes to an 8-4 record and ECAC championship appearance in the program's inaugural Division II campaign. She tallied a career-high seven goals against Le Moyne, and recorded four-plus goals in nine games. August was chosen as the 1995-96 University Female Athlete of the Year.

A native of Rye, N.Y. (Rye H.S.), August earned Brine/ IWLCA Division III All-America honors, and was a second-team NYSWCAA all-star selection in 1995. At the time, she established single-season records with 50 goals and 10 assists for 60 points. August netted six goals in two contests, and scored five times against two opponents. Her squad posted a 9-4 record and reached the ECAC Division III Mid-Atlantic Regional.

August, who also played on the school's first varsity field hockey squad in 1994, is still the UAlbany career leader with 132 goals. She is second in scoring, sixth in assists and is among the top-five with 227 ground balls.

August earned a B.S. in human biology, and then went on to receive her master's degree in sports administration from Georgia State University. She is presently the Director of Alumni at Green Farms Academy in Westport, Connecticut, where she handles alumni relations and development.

August lives in Port Chester, N.Y. with her husband,

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Jean-Claude Doornick, who played lacrosse for the Great Danes in the early 1990s.

**Don Mion (1972-75)** -- Mion, a two-sport athlete in football and wrestling, is one of the school's all-time tackles leaders, and was a member of the football program's only undefeated squad in 1974.

A 6-foot, 200-pound linebacker, Mion totaled 140 tackles, five interceptions and three fumble recoveries as a senior. He was named to the *Albany Times Union's* All-Metroland Team. The Great Danes' 4-4 defense limited opponents to 9.6 points and 225.3 total yards per game en route to a perfect 9-0 season. Mion established a singlegame record with 24 tackles in a 7-6 victory over Alfred on Sept. 28 at University Field.

In 1973, Mion made 131 tackles and intercepted four passes, as Albany posted a 7-2 record in the program's inaugural varsity campaign. He and his defensive mates allowed 8.5 points per game and 183.9 total yards.

A native of Colonie, N.Y. (Colonie Central H.S.), Mion ranks fifth on the school's all-time tackles list with 271 and is tied for tenth in career interceptions (9). He also started at linebacker in 1972 when Albany competed at the club level and fashioned a 6-1-1 campaign.

Additionally, Mion wrestled for UAlbany Hall of Fame coach and former athletic director Joe Garcia. The Great Danes registered a pair of top-25 finishes at the NCAA Division III Championships in 1974 and 1975.

Mion is in his fifth season as a defensive line coach on Bob Ford's Albany staff. He previously was a scholastic head coach for 11 years, and guided Shaker High School in Latham, N.Y. to four Section II playoff appearances. Prior to being installed as head coach in 1986, he was an assistant at Shaker for six years. In addition, Mion was a UAlbany graduate assistant in the mid-1970s and an assistant coach at both Syracuse and Mohonasen high schools. He also served as head wrestling coach at Syracuse and Shaker.

Mion received his B.A. in social studies with a minor in education from Albany in 1975, and went on to earn his master's degree in the same discipline. He and his wife, Sharon, reside in the Clifton Park with their three daughters, Katie (14), Sara (12) and Emily (7).

Lynda Nealis (1990-94) -- One of the top scorers in UAlbany history, Nealis led the basketball program to three winning seasons and an NCAA Division III Tournament appearance in 1992.

Nealis is one of six players in school history to score 1,000 or more points, and is currently fifth on the career chart with 1,071. She also ranks eighth in steals (195), 11th in assists (201) and 13th in rebounding with 423. She is among the all-time leaders with a career .712 free throw

percentage.

As a senior co-captain, Nealis was named to the NYSWCAA All-State Team and received honorable mention All-America recognition by *Basketball Gazette*. She averaged 15.8 points, 5.0 rebounds, 2.9 assists and 3.3 steals in leading the Great Danes to a 15-9 record and a New York State Tournament appearance. Nealis scored 20-plus points on four occasions, including 22 against both Union and Wilkes. For her efforts, she was voted the 1993-94 University Female Athlete of the Year.

Nealis averaged 12.4 points, 2.7 assists and 2.7 steals as a junior, when her team reached the state tournament. As a sophomore, she scored at a 10.2 clip, as the Great Danes posted a 22-5 record and reached the NCAA Division III Tournament's East Regional.

A native of Kings Park, N.Y. (Kings Park H.S.), Nealis graduated cum laude with a B.S. in human biology. She later would earn an associate's degree in nursing from Piedmont Community College in Roxboro, N.C. Nealis was a member of UAlbany's Delta Zeta Sorority, and served on the Intercollegiate Athletics Advisory Board (IAAB).

Nealis, who was inducted into the Kings Park High School Hall of Fame in 1996, currently is employed by Stony Brook University Hospital in the Infection Control Department. She also works in a part-time nursing staff position with the emergency room, surgical intensive care unit and burn unit. From 1996-98, she was a medical surgical staff nurse at Long Beach Medical Center.

Wilfredo Rodriguez (1989-92) -- An All-America track and field athlete, Rodriguez won two national titles in the 400-meter intermediate hurdles and is one of the most decorated performers in the program's history.

Rodriguez set a school record that still stands today when he sprinted 51.50 seconds to capture the 1990 NCAA Division III 400-hurdles championship in Naperville, Illinois. He won his second consecutive outdoor national title the following year in Berea, Ohio, and placed second in the same event in 1992.

As a junior, Rodriguez also led the 4x400-meter relay to a sixth-place finish at the NCAA outdoor championships. UAlbany's relay squad posted top-five finishes at the NCAA indoor meet in three consecutive years, including a third-place showing in 1990.

Rodriguez's performances also helped UAlbany place in the top 10 at the NCAA outdoor championships twice, including seventh in 1991. The Great Danes also tied for sixth at the 1992 NCAA indoor national ompetition.

From 1989-92, Rodriguezwon four New York State 400-meter hurdles titles, plus took sixth at the prestigious IC4A championships. He led his team to three outdoor New York State and three Collegiate Track Conference crowns, and was the 1990 CTC decathlon champion.

Rodriguez, who was both the '89 Puerto Rican junior national champion and '90 national champion in the 400-hurdles, also helped set an existing school standard in the indoor distance medley relay. The record time of 9:57.66 was established at the 1992 IC4A meet.

A native of Brentwood, N.Y. (Brentwood H.S.), Rodriguez graduated from UAlbany in the spring of 2000 with a degree

in computer science and mathematics. He is presently pursuing a master's in teaching at Plattsburgh State University, and has been a classroom instructor at Knolls Atomic Laboratory in West Milton, N.Y. since 1994. Rodriguez and his wife, Carrie, reside in Saratoga Springs with their sons, Wilfredo (6), Damien (5) and Therren (3).

#### **UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES**

**1984:** Gerald Amyot '36 (Basketball/Baseball), Edith Cobane (Athletic Staff), Merlin Hathaway (Athletic Staff), Gary Holway '59 (Basketball), Peter Telfer '53 (Basketball/Soccer).

1985: Donald Cohen '61 (Basketball/Tennis), Warren Crow '67 (Wrestling), Joseph Garcia (Athletic Staff), Carlton Maxson '58 (Soccer), Thomas Robinson '65 (Cross Country).

1986: Clem Crow '62 (Wrestling), Karl Gerstenberger '62 (Soccer), Richard Margison '69 (Basketball), Joseph Pizzillo '66 (Baseball/Cross Country), J. Ralph Tibbetts (Honorary).

1987: Carlo Cherubino '76 (Cross Country/Track), Richard Crossett '65 (Basketball), Charles Kruzan (Athletic Staff), William Lindberg '54 (Soccer), Larry Mims '75 (Wrestling). 1988: John Bertuzzi '76 (Football), Eugene Monaco '65 (Wrestling), James Shrader '80 (Track & Field), Leslie Siegel (Athletic Staff).

1989: Deborah Rohrmiller-Baranowski '79 (Cross Country/ Track), Robert Burlingame (Athletic Staff), Thomas Hesiter '72 (Lacrosse/Football), Victor Herman '83 (Wrestling), John Leahy '73 (Baseball), Vincent Reda '74 (Cross Country), Suzanne Stern '82 (Track & Field).

1990: Paul Feldman '79 (Tennis), Vernita McCormick '78 (Track & Field), Richard Odorizzi '65 (Baseball), James Oppedisano '63 (Basketball), Arnold Will '76 (Football).

1991: David Averill '85 (Wrestling), Barry Cavanaugh '79 (Basketball), Lisa Denenmark '81 (Tennis), John Dieckelman '83 (Basketball), Thomas Jacobs '85 (Football), Andrew Seras '86 (Wrestling).

1992: David Cerny '86 (Lacrosse), Elizabeth Rosentel-Insley '83 (Volleyball), Terrance Kenny '74 (Baseball), Wilhelmena Lesane Gooney '87 (Basketball), Peggy L. Mann (Athletic Staff), Gary Penfield '63 (Soccer), Thomas Schmitz '86 (Tennis), Philip Van Orden, M.D. (Honorary).

1993: Daniel Croutier '85 (Basketball), John Donnelly '86 (Football), Scott James '82 (Cross Country/Track), Marc Mercurio '85 (Track & Field), Peter Spina '61 (Baseball).

1994: Thomas DeBlois '77 (Football), Heidi Grunwald '88 (Volleyball), Byron Miller '74 (Basketball), Roger Plantier '79 (Baseball), Adam Ursprung '87 (Basketball).

1995: Carlos Arango '78 (Soccer), Winsome Foderingham-Herard '88 (Track & Field), Johnny Rolando '77 (Soccer), Karen Smiley '90 (Softball), George Webb '69 (Baseball).

**1996:** Jim Canfield '83 (Football), Kevin Quinn '74 (Baseball), Regina Richardson '90 (Basketball), Morrison Teague '89 (Basketball), Dr. William Moore (Athletic Administrator), Howard Woodruff '63 (honorary).

1997: Glenn Carlin '88 (Football), Jeff O'Donnell '74 (Lacrosse, Football, Soccer), John Quattrocchi '73 (Basketball).

1998: Nick Ascienzo '73 (Baseball), Frank Sarcone '88 (Football), Frank Selca '79 (Soccer), David Theleman '86 (Baseball). 1999: Rob Clune '81 (Basketball), Jason Graber '94 (Basketball), Frank Villanova '76 (Football), Wendy Williams '86 (Softball).

2000: Jack Jordan '72 (Basketball), Pat Ryder '90 (Football), Jeffrey York '96 (Track & Field).

2001: Debbie August '96 (Lacrosse), Don Mion '75 (Football, Wrestling), Lynda Nealis '94 (Basketball), Wilfredo Rodriguez '00 (Track & Field).

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### (Women's Soccer)

Albany, N.Y. – Sophomore midfielders **Lindsay McSharry** and **Vicki Fenley** each scored in the second half in leading Siena to a 2-0 non-conference victory over Albany on Wednesday afternoon at Varsity Field.

After a scoreless first half of play, Siena (1-4) got on the scoreboard at the 60:02 mark after McSharry's 25-yard direct kick forced Albany goalkeeper **Michelle Talviste** to jump into the air and land one foot over the goal plain. Albany (1-2) was unable to capitalize, as the offense was limited to three second-half shot attempts. The Saints, who outshot the Great Danes, 14-9, sealed the outcome with ten seconds remaining as Fenley tapped in a rebound off a **Michelle Fraser** strike.

Freshman goalkeeper **Noel Cox** earned her first career shutout while recording six saves. Talviste stopped eight shots for Albany, who begins America East Conference play on Friday at Maine.

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Siena (1-4) 0 2 - 2 Albany (1-2) 0 0 - 0

Siena – Scoring: Lindsay McSharry 1-0, Vicki Fenley 1-0; Goalkeeper: Noel Cox (90:00, 6 saves, OGA).

Albany – Scoring: None; Goalkeeper: Michelle Talviste (90:00, 8 saves, 2GA).

### (Women's Tennis)

Albany, N.Y. – Whitney Simcik and Barbara Schomsky won in straight sets at second and third singles to lead Connecticut to a 6-1 victory over Albany in the season opener for both teams at University Courts.

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The Huskies' Simcik and Schomsky were also involved in pro-set wins at first and third doubles. **Violeta Petijevic** picked up the Great Danes' lone point, as she rallied for a three-set victory at No. 1 singles. Petijevic, a junior, won the second and third sets in a tiebreaker.

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Connecticut 6, Albany 1

Singles: Violeta Petijevic (A) def. Trinell Russel (C), 4-6, 7-6 (7-4), 7-6 (7-4); Whitney Simcik (C) def. Marisa Berley (A), 6-0, 6-0; Barbara Schomsky (C) def. Kristen Harris (A), 6-0, 6-0; Colleen Connors (C) def. Krita Babiarz (A), 6-3, 6-0; Jennifer LoRusso (C) def. Alex Berley (A), 6-1, 6-0; Natalie Triapelli (C) def. Erin Kolakoski (A), 6-0, 6-0.

Doubles: Russel-Simcik (C) def. Petijevic-Harris (A), 8-1; Connors-Tirapelli (C) def. M. Berley-Babiarz (A), 8-0; Schomsky-LoRusso (C) def. A. Berley-Stacy Kaminski (A), 8-0.

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**COLLEGE SPORTS (Field Hockey)** 

#### FIELD HOCKEY

Orono, Maine—Junior midfielder Jen Johnstone scored back-to-back goals in a two-minute span late in first half, as Maine handed Albany a 5-1 loss in the program's first-ever America East Conference game on Tuesday at Morse Field.

With the score tied 1-1, Maine (2-3, AE 1-0) closed out the first half with three goals during a seven-minute stretch. Morgan Brady's unassisted tally with 10:36 on the clock started the flurry, and Johnstone scored the first of her two goals five minutes later. Her second goal came on a penalty shot with just 3:33 remaining in the opening stanza, as the Black Bears led 4-1 at the break.

The lone score for Albany (2-5, AE 0-1) came almost six minutes into the contest when junior forward Ali Mann put home her third goal of the season off a pass from defender Amy Hammer.

The Great Danes host America East opponent Hofstra on Saturday, Sept. 22 at 1:00 p.m.

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**Albany** (2-5, AE 0-1) 1 0 - 1 **Maine** (2-3, AE 1-0) 4 1 - 5

Albany: Scoring – Ali Mann 1-0, Amy Hammer 0-1; Goalkeepers—Elaine Sullivan (56:32, 7 saves, 5 GA), Megan Akstin (13:28, 0 saves, 0 GA).

Maine: Scoring—Jen Johnstone 2-0, Morgan Brady 1-2, Tara Bedard 1-0, Karyn Magno 1-0, Kim Leo 0-2; Goalkeepers—Jaye Lance (66:17, 5 saves, 1 GA), Colbey Smith (3:43, 0 saves, 0 GA).

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## MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR FORMER UALBANY BASKETBALL CAPTAIN STEPHEN MULDERRY SCHEDULED FOR SATURDAY

ALBANY, N.Y. – A memorial service for former University at Albany basketball captain **Stephen Mulderry**, who is among the missing in the World Trade Center tragedy of September 11th, is scheduled for Saturday, September 22 at St. Teresa of Avila Church, 435 New Scotland Avenue in Albany, at 10:00 a.m.

Mulderry, a Bishop Maginn High School graduate, was a co-captain on the 1989-90 UAlbany squad which posted a 20-9 record and reached the NCAA Division III East Regional Tournament. He averaged 11.5 points, 5.7 assists, 2.4 rebounds and 2.4 steals as a senior. Mulderry, a two-year starter for head coach Richard "Doc" Sauers, also led the 1988-89 team to an ECAC Upstate New York championship and a 20-8 mark. As a junior, he contributed 8.0 points and 4.5 assists per game.

A backup guard in high school on Jerry Connelly's Bishop Maginn clubs, Mulderry worked his way into the UAlbany starting lineup after trying out for the team as a freshman. He played on the junior varsity squad his first year, before seeing limited action off the bench at the varsity level as a sophomore. Mulderry, a self-made backcourt player, finished his college career seventh on the school's all-time assists list with 325, and fourth in assist average at 4.27 per game.

Mulderry, who was popular among his teammates, and affectionately known as "Zipper", graduated with a B.S. in economics in 1990. For the last five years, he worked as vice president of equity trading for Keefe, Bruyette & Woods, an employee-owned investment banking firm.

He is survived by his parents, William and Anne of Albany, by four brothers -- Andrew of Boston, Peter of New York City, Daniel of San Francisco and Bill of Verona, New Jersey, and by three sisters -- Amy of New York City, Nell of New York City and Darra of Cambridge, Massachusetts.

The family has established a trust in memory of Stephen for educational scholarships and donations to inner-city athletic leagues. Contributions should be made payable to, "The Stephen Mulderry Memorial Fund", and sent to: The Stephen Mulderry Fund, c/o Andrew Mulderry, The Thomas H. Lee Company, 75 State Street, 26th Floor, Boston, MA 02109.



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**COLLEGE SPORTS** 

#### (Men's Soccer)

New Britain, Conn. – Freshman forward **Renson Haynes** scored two goals in leading Central Connecticut State to a 4-2 non-conference victory over Albany on Monday afternoon at Balf-Savin Fields.

Haynes opened the scoring for the Blue Devils at the 19:31 mark as he stole the ball from a Great Dane defender and found the net. Albany (1-2) responded with two goals during a sixminute stretch late in the first period. Steven Procknal and Lorrenzo Henry came off the bench, each tallying their first goals of the season as the Great Danes carried a 2-1 advantage into the intermission.

Central Connecticut State (3-2) regrouped in the final stanza registering three unanswered goals. The Blue Devils tied the contest at two early in the half, when Robert Magarino fired home a shot from 20 yards out. John Pilkington recorded the eventual gamewinning strike off a Kahseim Outlaw pass at the 75:21 mark. Haynes added an insurance score off a rebound with nearly ten minutes to play.

**Jeff Brunetti** made 13 saves for CCSU, who was outshot by the Great Danes, 27-17. Albany freshman goalkeeper Sander Gossard totaled seven saves in his first match as a collegian.

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Albany (1-2) Central Conn. State (3-2)

Albany – Scoring: Steven Procknal 1-0, Lorrenzo Henry 1-0, Ryan Bombard 0-1; Goalkeeper: Sander Gossard (90:00, 7 saves, 4GA).

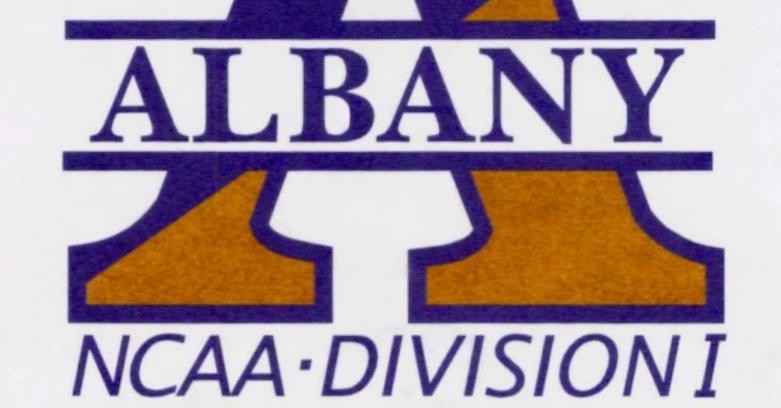
Central Connecticut State – Scoring: Renson Haynes 2-0, Robert Magarino 1-0, John Pilkington 1-0, Kahseim Outlaw 0-1; Goalkeeper: Jeff Brunetti (90:00, 13 saves, 2 GA).

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## UALBANY NAMES SHANNON COTTON WOMEN'S ASSISTANT BASKETBALL COACH, CATHY ARNETTE WOMEN'S ASSISTANT VOLLEYBALL COACH AND LAURA REMIA MEDIA RELATIONS INTERN

ALBANY, N.Y. – University at Albany Director of Athletics and Recreation Lee McElroy announced today the hiring of **Shannon Cotton** as women's assistant basketball coach, **Cathy Arnette** as women's assistant volleyball coach and **Laura Remia** as media relations intern.

Cotton, 24, previously served as a graduate assistant coach at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse. She coordinated the program's recruiting efforts and videotape exchange, and was responsible for the perimeter players' skill development. Cotton, a native of Bellows Falls, Vt., also assisted with preseason conditioning and strength training and had office management duties with regard to team travel. In addition, she was a University instructor in exercise and sports science. Cotton, who is certified by the American Red Cross in CPR, first aid and water safety instruction, earned a B.S. in fitness and cardiac rehabilitation and exercise science at Ithaca College in 1999. She captained the basketball team as a senior. Cotton recently received a M.S. in exercise and sports science from Wisconsin-La Crosse.

Arnette, 22, is a recent graduate of the University of Virginia, where she was a tri-captain on the women's volleyball team as a senior. She played in all 31 matches, averaged 1.26 assists and 1.71 digs, and was third on the team with 21 service aces. The Cavaliers advanced to the third round of the Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC) Tournament. As a junior, she played under current UAlbany head coach Kelly Sheffield.

A native of Chesapeake, Va., Arnette originally attended Villanova University, where she played for two seasons. As a freshman in 1997, she led the Big East Conference in assists per game for league matches. She ranks fifth on the school's career list with 1,803 assists. Arnette earned her bachelor's degree from Virginia in biology. She was selected to the ACC Academic Honor Roll and was a two-time Big East Academic All-Star at Villanova.

Remia, who hails from Hewitt, N.J., received her B.S. in television and radio with a minor in sport studies from Ithaca College in May 2001. She produced "The Gridiron Report" on the school's television station. The program received a regional Mark of Excellence Award by the Society of Professional Journalists. Remia also was a technical production intern with MSNBC in the summer of 2000.

Remia, 22, was a three-time NFCA Softball All-American at first base, and led Ithaca to three appearances in the NCAA Division III College World Series. She was named the 2001 Honda National Player of the Year, when she batted .493 with 53 runs and 63 RBI. Remia, the school's career home run leader with 49, was a second-team member of the 2001 Verizon College Division Softball Academic All-America Team.

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#### (Field Hockey)

Albany, N.Y. – Sophomore **Lisa Burline** had three goals and one assist to power Albany past St. Francis, Pa., 7-0, in the Great Danes' home opener on Sunday at Varsity Field.

Burline scored twice in the opening 16 minutes of play, as Albany (2-4) took a 3-0 lead. She fired a shot into the far corner to begin the scoring at 32:55, and then found the cage after St. Francis goalkeeper **Erin Hobbs** made two of her 29 saves.

Freshman **Alexis Johnson** totaled two goals and one assist while **Sara Gonzalez** added two assists for the Great Danes, who open America East Conference play at Maine on Tuesday, Sept. 18. The Red Flash dropped to 0-3 overall.

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St. Francis, Pa. (0-3)

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St. Francis, Pa. – No Scoring; Goalkeeper(s): Erin Hobbs (70:00, 29 saves, 7GA).

Albany – Scoring: Lisa Burline 3-1, Alexis Johnson 2-1, Ali Mann 1-0, Amber Greiner 1-0, Sara Gonzalez 0-2, Amy DiMicco 0-1; Goalkeeper(s): Elaine Sullivan (35:00, 0 saves, 0GA), Megan Akstin (21:53, 1 save, 0GA), Jennifer Kessler (13:07, 2 saves, 0GA).

### (Women's Volleyball)

Albany, N.Y. – Junior outside hitter **Alissa Gibbs** (Shenendehowa) had 19 kills and eight digs to lead Albany to a 3-1 victory over Vermont in the second round of the Albany Invitational on Sunday. The Great Danes, who improved to 2-5, won the match, 30-16, 29-31, 30-20 and 30-15 at University Gymnasium.

Freshman **Susan Spierre** (Averill Park) recorded a season-high 13 kills, while **Fallon Hearst** totaled 10 kills and 18 digs. Vermont's **Chelsea Molloy** led her club with 10 kills and seven digs. The Catamounts slipped to 0-6 overall.

Colgate's **Michelle Mahaney**, the tournament's MVP, led her team to a 3-0 win over Vermont earlier in the day. UAlbany's Gibbs and Hearst were on the all-tournament squad. -agate-

Albany def. Vermont, 30-16, 29-31, 30-20, 30-15.

Colgate def. Vermont, 30-20, 30-21, 30-25

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#### **ALBANY SPORTS 2-2-2**

#### (Cross Country)

Boston, Mass. – UAlbany's **Adam Rice** finished fourth in the men's race, and **Jessica Walton** (Fonda-Fultonville) placed eighth in the women's competition at the Boston University Meet at Franklin Park.

**Jochen Dieckfoss**, of Boston U., was first in the men's event, as he posted a time of 25:14.83 over 8,000 meters. Colgate's **Louis DiNuzzo** (25:18.31) was second and Maine's **Michael Lansing** (25:21.22) took third. Rice followed with a time of 25:24.35 on a course that will host the NCAA Northeast Regional in November.

In the women's 5,000 meters, Walton finished in 18:49.30, while teammate **Laura Kearns** (Saratoga Springs) was 12th in 19:24.76. Vermont's **Michele Palmer** was first across the line in 17:52.39.

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**MEN** – Boston U. 27, Maine 49, Albany 75, Colgate 90, Southern Connecticut State 132, Vermont 151.

Individual: 1. Jochen Dieckfoss (Boston U.), 25:14.83, 2. Louis DiNuzzo (Colgate), 25:18.31, 3. Michael Lansing (Maine), 25:21.22, 4. Adam Rice (Albany), 25:24.35, 5. Liam Revell (Boston U.), 25:26.18. Other Top Albany Finishers: 11. Andy Allstadt, 25:51.84; 13. Joe Pienta, 25:57.11, 14. Sam Gonzalez, 25:57.95.

WOMEN - Boston U. 20, Maine 61, Albany 75, Vermont 86

Individual: 1. Michele Palmer (Vermont), 17:52.39, 2. Bolpar Vinh (Boston U.), 17:56.55, 3. Rachel Felton (Boston U.), 18:12.02, 4. Jennifer Kehoe (Boston U.), 18:17.35, 5. Lauren Matthews (Boston U.), 18:24.74. Top Albany Finishers: 8. Jessica Walton, 18:49.30, 12. Laura Kearns., 19:24.76, 17. Meghan Howell, 19:41.39, 21. Megan Roeder, 19:46.59, 23. Theresa Juva, 19:53.10.

#### (Women's Golf)

Richmond, R.I. – Hartford's **Christy Finlayson**, the tournament medalist, shot a two-under-par 69 on the second day of competition to lead her team to the Bryant Invitational title on Sunday at Beaver River Golf Club. Albany finished second in the 10-team tournament, while freshman **Diane Onofry** placed second behind Finalyson.

Hartford shot 696 as a team for 36 holes, and was 33 strokes better than the Great Danes. Finlayson's two-round score of 149 (80-69) beat Onofry (80-78—158) by nine shots, as the two players were tied following the first round. UAlbany's **Jill Friedman** (92-90) placed 13th, while teammates **Katie Wachtl** (16th) and **Anne Lyons** (17th) were also among the top-20 finishers.

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#### Bryant Invitational (Final Standings – 36 holes)

Team: 1. Hartford 696, 2. Albany 729, 3. Mount Holyoke 741, 4. Boston U. 788, 5. Bryant 811, 6. Kutztown 840, 7. St. Lawrence 845, 8. Wellesley 851, 9. Babson 931, 10. Franklin Pierce 940.

Individual: 1. Kristy Finlayson (Hartford) 80-69--169, 2. Diane Onofry 80-78—158, 3. Erin Leigh (Mount Holyoke) 82-84--166, 4. Leah Johnson (Boston U.) 87-84—171, 5. Audry Longo (Mount Holyoke) 87-87—174.

Other UAlbany Finishers: 13. Jill Friedman 92-90—192, 16. Katie Wachtl 95-98—193, 17. Anne Lyons 97-99—196, T24. Lauren Bruce 104-108—212.

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### (Women's Volleyball)

Albany, N.Y. – Freshman Elizabeth Aron had 18 kills and 17 digs to lead Colgate to a 3-1 non-conference victory over Albany on Saturday evening at University Gymnasium.

Amanda Routman and Michelle Mahaney each had 14 kills for Colgate (2-6). Outside hitter Alissa Gibbs (Shenendehowa) led the Great Danes with 17 kills, while setter Jill Dombrowski added 30 assists. Albany (1-5) hosts Vermont on Sunday at 2:00 p.m.

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Colgate def. Albany, 26-30, 30-23, 30-25, 30-24.

## (Women's Golf)

Richmond, R.I. – University at Albany's **Diane Onofry** shares the first-round lead of the Bryant College Invitational after firing a nine-over-par 80 on Saturday at the Beaver River Golf Course. Onofry, a freshman, is tied with Hartford's Kristy Finalyson. The 36-hole tournament concludes on Sunday.

Hartford holds a two-stroke advantage over Albany, 362-364, after the first day in the 10-school competition. The Great Danes' Jill Friedman is 11th overall with an 18-hole score of 92, while Katie Wachtl is tied for 15th with a 95. -agate-

## **Bryant Invitational (First Round)**

Team: 1. Hartford 362, 2. Albany 364, 3. Mount Holyoke 371, 4. Boston U. 385, 5. Bryant 405, 6. Kutztown 417, 7. St. Lawrence 436, 8. Wellesley 443, T9. Babson and Franklin Pierce 467.

Individual: T1. Diane Onofry (Albany) and Kristy Finlayson (Hartford) 80, 3. Erin Leigh (Mount Holyoke) 82, 4. Amy Niven (Bryant) 86, T5. Audry Longo (Mount Holyoke), Leah Johnson (Boston U.) and Jessi Koller (Bryant) 87.

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Attached is an update on this weekend's event for UAlbany athletic teams.

### Postponed or Cancelled UAlbany Athletic Events

Sat., Sept. 15, Football @ Central Connecticut State

Sat., Sept. 15, Women's Soccer - Governor's Cup Tournament

Sat., Sept. 15, Volleyball @ Sacred Heart

Sun., Sept. 16, M. Soccer @ San Diego State

Sun., Sept. 16, Women's Soccer - Governor's Cup Tournament

Sun., Sept. 16, Volleyball vs. Maine (Fairfield, Conn.)

### Scheduled Events (not postponed)

Sat., Sept. 15, Men's & Women's Cross Country @ Boston U. Meet

Sept. 15-16, W. Golf @ Bryant College Invitational

### Added Events to Athletic Schedule

Sat., Sept. 15, Volleyball vs. Colgate, 7:00 p.m.

Sun., Sept. 16, Volleyball vs. Vermont, 2:00 p.m.

Sun., Sept. 16, Field Hockey vs. St. Francis, Pa., 1:00 p.m.

Mon., Sept. 17, M. Soccer @ Central Connecticut State, 4:00 p.m.

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#### MORE SCHEDULE CHANGES FOR UALBANY ATHLETIC TEAMS

Albany, N.Y. -- Due to Tuesday's national tragedy, the University at Albany has announced more changes to its fall athletic schedules.

Postponements include an away tennis match with Skidmore and a women's soccer road game with Syracuse on Thurs., Sept. 13. Friday's home field hockey contest with Maryland-Baltimore County has been cancelled.

This weekend's Governor's Cup women's soccer tournament has been cancelled. The field included Siena, St. Peter's and Sacred Heart.

Saturday's field hockey contest with St. Francis, Pa. has been moved to Sunday, Sept. 16 at 1:00 p.m. Additional changes will be announced as the information becomes available.

### Postponed UAlbany Athletic Events

Thurs., Sept. 13, W. Soccer @ Syracuse

Thurs., Sept. 13, W. Tennis @ Skidmore

Fri., Sept. 14, M. Soccer @ San Diego

Fri., Sept. 14, Field Hockey vs. Maryland-Baltimore County

Sat., Sept. 15, Football @ Central Connecticut State

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Sun., Sept. 16, M. Soccer @ San Diego State

Sun., Sept. 16, Women's Soccer - Governor's Cup Tournament

Sun., Sept. 16, Volleyball vs. Maine (Fairfield, Conn.)

## Scheduled Events (not postponed)

Sat., Sept. 15, Cross Country (M & W) @ Boston University meet

Sept. 15-16, W. Golf @ Bryant College Invitational

Sun., Sept. 16, Field Hockey vs. St. Francis, Pa.

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#### **UALBANY ANNOUNCES CHANGES TO FALL ATHLETIC SCHEDULE**

Albany, N.Y. -- Due to Tuesday's national tragedy, the University at Albany has announced changes to its fall athletic schedules. The Northeast Conference football game with Central Connecticut State on Saturday, Sept. 15 has been postponed. A make-up date has not been announced.

NEC member institutions were given full autonomy to make their own decisions regarding the resumption of athletic play. Central Connecticut State chose to cancel all athletic activities through Sunday.

Other UAlbany postponements include a home volleyball contest with Central Connecticut State on Wed., Sept. 12 and an away tennis match with Skidmore on Thurs., Sept. 13. In addition, the men's soccer team's trip to southern California has been cancelled. The UAlbany squad was to have played both San Diego (Sept. 14) and San Diego State (Sept. 16).

Thursday's women's soccer game at Syracuse will be played. Game time is 7:00 p.m. If necessary, additional changes will be announced on Thursday.

## Postponed UAlbany Athletic Events

Wed., Sept. 12, Volleyball vs. Central Connecticut State

Thurs., Sept. 13, W. Tennis @ Skidmore

Fri., Sept. 14, M. Soccer @ San Diego

Sat., Sept. 15, Football @ Central Connecticut State

Sun., Sept. 16, M. Soccer @ San Diego State

## Scheduled Events (not postponed)

Thurs., Sept. 13, W. Soccer @ Syracuse

Fri., Sept. 14, Field Hockey vs. Maryland-Baltimore County

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## Northeast Conference Issues Statement On Athletic Competition For Week Membership Given Autonomy To Make Own Decisions On Resuming Play

Piscataway, NJ -- In light of the national tragedy that befell our nation on Tuesday, NEC Commissioner John Iamarino announced that each Northeast Conference member institution will be given full autonomy to make its own decision regarding the resumption of athletic play this week.

"After consulting with our administrators and other conference commissioners, we believe the decision to play athletic events this weekend is best left up to individual Northeast Conference institutions," said lamarino.

"We will respect and honor the decision of any institution or program that chooses not to compete, based upon personal loss, travel logistics or any other reason. But a number of administrators I have spoken to have also expressed their desire to return to a normal situation for their student-athletes.

"Those institutions that do compete over the weekend are asked to conduct a moment of silence prior to the event to pray for the victims and their families of this week's tragedy."

A number of football games this coming weekend have already been postponed. Non-conference games involving Wagner (at Georgetown), Stony Brook (vs. Siena) and Sacred Heart (vs. Canisius) will not be played. Two NEC contests, St. John's at St. Francis (PA) and Albany at Central Connecticut State have also been postponed. These games may or may not be rescheduled. A decision has yet to be made on the status of one other NEC game, Robert Morris at Monmouth.

As with football, the decision to compete or postpone events for the remainder of the week in the NEC's six other fall sports (men's and women's cross country, men's and women's soccer, women's volleyball and field hockey) will rest with each member.

Three NEC institutions - Central Connecticut State, Sacred Heart and Wagner - have already postponed all athletic events through the weekend.

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## UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY NAMES WILL BROWN AND FRANK ROSS ASSISTANT MEN'S BASKETBALL COACHES

ALBANY, N.Y. – University at Albany head basketball coach Scott Beeten announced today the hiring of **Will Brown** and **Frank Ross** as assistant coaches. Brown has coached on the collegiate level since 1995, while Ross recently worked in the business world following a professional basketball career.

Brown served as the head coach at Sullivan County Community College in Loch Sheldrake, New York for the last three years. He led the Generals to a 30-2 record and an appearance in the National Junior Collegiate Athletic Association (NJCAA) championship last season. He was chosen as the Mid-Hudson Conference and District V coach of the year. During his tenure, SCCC posted a combined 90-10 record, and captured two district and two regional titles.

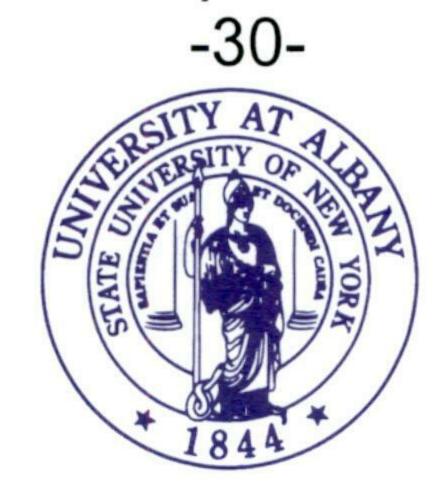
At Sullivan County C.C., Brown also worked as associate athletic director and as an adjunct professor of sports management. From 1995-98, he was an assistant basketball coach on Brian Beaury's staff at The College of Saint Rose. In that period, the Golden Knights won three New York Collegiate Athletic Conference (NYCAC) titles, two Northeast Regional crowns, and reached the NCAA Division II "Elite Eight" Tournament twice.

Brown, 29, was a two-time all-NYCAC performer at Dowling College, where he scored more than 1,000 points and is the school's all-time assists leader. He received an undergraduate degree in marketing and has a master's in management.

Ross, a fifth-round draft pick by the NBA's Philadelphia 76ers, was a high-scoring guard from 1983-87 at American University in Washington, D.C. He played professionally in the Continental Basketball Association and overseas in West Germany.

Ross, a two-time All-Colonial Athletic Association selection, is currently fourth on American's career scoring list with 1,921 points. He also ranks in the top five in assists (350) and steals (203). He averaged 25.2 points per game as a senior, and was eighth among the nation's leading Division I scorers.

Since 1990, Ross, 35, has worked in the business world with Team Air, Inc., a Rainbow Vacuum distributorship and cleaning system as well as a member of the Arlington County Police Department in Virginia. He received his B.A. in public communications from American in 1987.



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**COLLEGE SPORTS (Field Hockey)** 

#### FIELD HOCKEY

Ithaca, N.Y.—Junior midfielder **Sarah Rosenbaum** had three goals, including two in a four-goal first half, as Cornell downed Albany 6-1 in a non-conference matchup at Schoellkopf Field on Monday.

Rosenbaum, who also had one assist in the contest, scored twice in the final 12 minutes of the first half to give Cornell (2-1) a 4-1 advantage at the break. She opened the second-half scoring by putting home a pass from junior **Annie O'Rourke** with 20:03 remaining.

Albany (1-4) managed just nine shots against sophomore goalkeeper **Kaitlin Tierney**, who made five saves. Great Dane junior **Amy Hammer** connected on passes from **Amy DiMicco** and **Christina Costello** off a defensive corner for Albany's lone tally as time expired in the opening period.

UAlbany begins its home schedule with two games this weekend. The Great Danes take on Maryland-Baltimore County on Friday, Sept. 14 at 4:00 p.m., and host St. Francis, Pa., the following day at 1:00 p.m.

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**Albany** (1-4) 1 0 - 1 **Cornell** (2-1) 4 2 - 6

Albany: Scoring – Amy Hammer 1-0, Amy DiMicco 0-1, Christina Costello 0-1; Goalkeeper—Elaine Sullivan (26:40, 3 saves, 3 GA), Megan Akstin (43:20, 1 save, 3 GA).

Cornell: Scoring—Sarah Rosenbaum 3-1, Lindsay Grace 1-2, Ashleigh Snelson 0-2, Carissa Mirasol 1-0, Annie O'Rourke 0-1, Sam Ade 1-0, Jamie Woolsey 0-1; Goalkeeper—Kaitlin Tierney (70:00, 5 saves, 1 GA).

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### ASHTIAN HOLMES NAMED AMERICA EAST PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Boston, Mass. – University at Albany's Ashtian Holmes has been selected as the Adidas America East Conference Player of the Week in men's soccer, as announced today by the conference office.

Holmes, a junior midfielder, totaled four goals and one assist in two matches last week. He had two goals, including the game-winner with less than six minutes remaining, and added one assist in a 3-2 victory over Iona on Sept. 7. Both of his goals in a 4-3 loss to Marist came within a two-minute sequence late in the first half.

Holmes, who had three career goals entering this season, leads the conference in scoring at 4.50 points per game.

### **UALBANY MOVES UP IN TWO NATIONAL FOOTBALL POLLS**

Albany, N.Y. – UAlbany moved up to fourth in the Football Gazette NCAA I-AA Mid-Major Top 20 and climbed to fifth in The Sports Network I-AA Top 10. Both national college football polls were released today. The Great Danes, who beat St. John's 31-6 in their Northeast Conference opener last Saturday, were positioned sixth in both polls last week. Duquesne, Dayton and Jacksonville hold down the top three spots in both rankings. Albany (2-0, NEC 1-0) travels to conference-rival Central Connecticut State on Saturday, Sept. 15.

Sports Network I-AA Top 10 Poll

1. Duquesne (22) 309, 2. Dayton (9) 296, 3. Jacksonville (1) 223, 4. Sacred Heart 221, 5. Albany 196, 6. San Diego 109, 7. Drake 101, 8. Davidson 90, 9.

Monmouth 74, 10. Robert Morris 52.

Football Gazette NCAA I-AA Top 20

1. Duquesne, 2. Dayton, 3. Jacksonville, 4. Albany, 5. Sacred Heart, 6. Drake, 7. San Diego, 8. Davidson, 9. Robert Morris, 10. Valparaiso.

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**COLLEGE SPORTS (Field Hockey)** 

#### FIELD HOCKEY

Fairfield, Conn.—Freshman **Sara Gonzalez** scored her first collegiate goal, a game-winner, midway through the second half as Albany defeated Sacred Heart, 3-2, in a non-conference contest at Campus Field on Saturday.

Albany (1-3) jumped out to a 1-0 lead when **Ali Mann** scored off a pass from Gonzalez less than ten minutes into the contest. Sophomore **Lisa Burline**, playing in her first game of the season after recovering from a broken thumb, slapped in **Amy DiMicco's** pass at the 14:01 mark to give the Great Danes a 2-0 advantage.

Sacred Heart (1-3) got on the scoreboard five minutes into the second half with an unassisted goal by **Kristen Van Buskirk**. However, Gonzalez regained her team's two-goal advantage with 25:58 remaining. Goalkeeper **Elaine Sullivan** recorded 13 saves for the Great Danes, while **Robyn Breer** had 11 for the Pioneers.

UAlbany travels to Cornell for a 5:00 p.m. game on Monday, Sept. 10.

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**Albany** (1-3) 2 1 - 3 **Sacred Heart** (1-3) 2 - 2

Albany: Scoring – Sara Gonzalez 1-1, Ali Mann 1-0, Lisa Burline 1-0, Amy DiMicco 0-1; Goalkeeper –Elaine Sullivan (70:00, 13 saves, 2 GA).

Sacred Heart: Scoring—Kristen Van Buskirk 1-0, Julie Messenger 1-0, Meghan Tucker 0-1; Goalkeeper—Robyn Breer (70:00, 11 saves, 3 GA).

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#### Albany 31, St. John's 6

Albany, N.Y. – Senior quarterback **Marcus Rotondi** passed for three touchdowns and the Albany defense held St. John's to 41 net rushing yards, as the Great Danes posted a 31-6 victory on Saturday afternoon in the Northeast Conference opener for both teams at University Field.

Rotondi, who threw for a career-high 177 yards, hit **Jonathan Garrick** on the right sideline, and the flanker raced 76 yards to paydirt to get Albany (2-0, NEC 1-0) on the scoreboard. **Bryan Bagstad** added a 21-yard field goal in the second quarter for a 10-0 lead.

St. John's (0-1, NEC 0-1) closed the gap, when freshman quarterback **Kyle Lauver** hooked up with fullback **Derek Jones** on a 54-yard scoring pass with 4:20 left in the period. The point-after attempt missed wide left.

Rotondi, who completed 12 of 20 pass attempts, then directed his team on a 13-play march. He capped off the drive with a five-yard touchdown throw to split end **Chris Phillis** on a third-and-goal play, and the Great Danes held a 17-6 lead with 27 seconds remaining before intermission.

Albany's offense rolled up 404 yards on the day, and reached the end zone on its first possession of the third quarter. Rotondi fired a 32-yard TD strike to Garrick, their second scoring connection on the day, with 9:12 remaining in the stanza.

Meanwhile, the Albany defense limited St. John's to just 85 total yards in the final half, and recorded eight sacks for minus-53 yards. Defensive end **John Bolt** sacked the quarterback on three occasions. The Great Danes, who like the visitors did not commit a turnover, completed the scoring in the fourth quarter. Reserve quarterback **Justin Kozlowski** threw a 45-yard touchdown pass to **Matt Crudo**.

"Moving (John) Bolt from tight end to defensive end has paid big dividends," said Albany coach **Bob Ford**, whose program has won 12 of 16 conference games since joining the NEC in 1999. "The defense's intensity rose as the game progressed and continues to play well as group. However, I am still concerned about our offense, because have not established the run early in the season."

Garrick finished with three receptions for 116 yards and two touchdowns, while tailback **Brian Manigault** led all rushers with 65 yards on 13 carries. The Red Storm's Lauver, playing in his first game as a collegian, finished with 226 passing yards on 13 of 21 attempts. St. John's dropped an season-opening contest for the first time since 1995.

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### (Women's Volleyball)

Albany, N.Y. – **Alissa Gibbs** (Shenendehowa H.S.) posted a career-high 29 kills, as Albany ended an eight-match losing with a 30-24, 13-30, 28-30, 30-27, 15-6 victory over Iona on Friday evening at University Gym.

Albany (1-3) rallied in the fourth and fifth games to win for the first time since last November 1. Gibbs, a junior outside hitter, added five digs and one block. Freshman **Fallon Heart** totaled 12 kills and 10 digs, while setter **Jill Dombrowski** had 45 assists.

Junior outside hitter **Kathy Kunah** had 23 kills and nine digs for the Gaels, who fell to 2-3.

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Albany def. Iona, 30-24, 13-30, 28-30, 30-27, 15-6

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### (Men's Soccer)

Albany, N.Y. – **Ashtian Holmes** netted the game-winning goal with five minutes and 17 seconds remaining, as Albany posted its first victory of the season with a 3-2 non-conference win over Iona on Friday afternoon at Varsity Field.

Holmes, a junior midfielder, touched in a crossing pass from defender **Greg Chevalier**, who broke clear from the lona defense when hauling in a served ball from teammate **Tim Roty**.

Albany (1-1) grabbed a 2-1 lead with 3:13 left in the opening half, as Holmes, who had two goals and one assist, hit the lower right corner of the net from five yards away. Iona (0-4) drew even at two apiece less than two minutes later on an unassisted goal by senior midfielder **Paul Nobile**, his second of the game.

Goalkeeper **Trevor Serraro** had four saves for the Great Danes, who travel to southern California next weekend to meet San Diego and San Diego State. The Gaels' **Patrick McAllen** and **Robert Dolle** combined on six saves. -agate-

## Albany 3, Iona 2

Iona (0-4) 2 0 - 2 Albany (1-1) 2 1 - 3

Iona – Scoring: Paul Nobile 2-0, Michael Murphy 0-1; Goalkeeper(s): Patrick McAllen (45:00, 2 saves, 2 GA), Robert Dolle (45:00, 4 saves, 1 GA).

Albany – Scoring: Ashtian Holmes 2-1, Lucas Machado 1-0, Jahao Scamarone 0-1, Greg Chevalier 0-1; Goalkeeper(s): Trevor Serraro (90:00, 4 saves, 2 GA).

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### (Men's Soccer)

Albany, N.Y. – Senior midfielder **Joseph Crespo** scored the game-winning goal with less than five minutes remaining as Marist notched a 4-3 come-from-behind non-conference victory over Albany in the Great Danes' season opener on Wednesday afternoon at Varsity Field.

Marist (2-1), who trailed 2-0 at halftime, used a four-goal flurry in the final stanza. Crespo, the MAAC Preseason Player of the Year, put the Red Foxes ahead for good following an Albany goal kick. Marist controlled the kick off a header and **Steven Murk** was able to cross the ball left to right, catching Albany goalkeeper **Trevor Serraro** out of position. Crespo slid in, touching the ball into the lower right corner of the net.

The Great Danes opened the game's scoring with two late first-half strikes from junior midfielder **Ashtian Holmes**. Both goals occurred two minutes apart.

Marist quickly regrouped with consecutive goals over the opening two minutes of the final stanza. **Brian Garofola** and **Christopher Zitkevitz** both found the net from 18-yard distances. The Red Foxes registered their third unanswered goal and first lead of the match on **Patrick Safino's** score off a Crespo right-cross pass. Albany briefly halted Marist's momentum tying the match at three apiece, when **Brandon McLaren** split a pair of defenders and tapped in a five-yard shot from the center.

Goalkeepers Carlos DeBrito and Mike Valenti combined for 12 saves in the winning effort.

-agate-

Marist (2-1) 0 4 - 4 Albany (0-1) 2 1 - 3

Marist – Brian Garafola 1-1, Joseph Crespo 1-1, Christopher Zitkevitz 1-0, Patrick Safino 1-0, Steven Murk 0-1; Saves: Carlos DeBrito (45:00, 7 saves, 2GA), Mike Valenti (45:00, 5 saves, 1GA).

Albany – Ashtian Holmes 2-0, Brandon McLaren 1-0; Saves: Trevor Serraro (90:00, 5 saves, 4GA).

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### (Women's Soccer)

West Point, N.Y. – Senior forward **Randee Farrell** registered three goals and junior forward **Abby Rollman** added two assists in leading Army to a 4-1 non-conference victory over Albany on Tuesday evening at Clinton Field.

Farrell scored her first goals of the season over the opening 35 minutes of play for Army (1-1-1). She found the upper corner of the net from 20 yards out at the 4:41 mark off a Rollman pass. The duo teamed up again later in the first stanza on a breakaway.

Laura Schreoder would add an insurance goal with a 20-yard blast two minutes later at 37:43. Farrell recorded her third score of the match early in the second half.

Freshman midfielder **Sara Rickard** scored Albany's lone goal, her second of the season, at the 61:49 mark. Goalkeeper **Michelle Talviste** recorded nine saves for the Great Danes, who dropped to 1-1 overall.

-agate-

Albany (1-1) 0 1 - 1 Army (1-1-1) 3 1 - 4

Albany – Sara Rickard 1-0; Saves: Michelle Talviste (61:49, 9 saves, 4GA), Beth Spinelli (28:11, 1 save, 0GA).

Army – Randee Farrell 3-0, Laura Schroeder 1-0, Abby Rollman 0-2, Molly Harrington 0-1; Goalkeepers: Sara Johnson (45:00, 1 save, 0GA), Marietta Squire (45:00, 1 save, 1GA).

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#### ALBANY'S BROWN & KOZLOWSKI RECEIVE WEEKLY CONFERENCE AWARDS

Albany, N.Y. – University at Albany's **Samson Brown** has been selected as the Northeast Conference Defensive Player of the Week, as announced today by the conference office. Quarterback **Justin Kozlowski** was picked as the NEC's Rookie of the Week.

Brown, a junior free safety, spearheaded an Albany defense that forced six turnovers in a 14-10 victory over Towson last Saturday. Brown totaled two interceptions, the first of his career, one fumble recovery, one pass break-up and four tackles. The Great Danes yielded 10 points against a Towson team that averaged more than 27 per game last year and was picked to finish second in the Patriot League.

Kozlowski, a redshirt freshman, made the decisive play in the fourth quarter after starter Marcus Rotondi went down with a first-degree concussion. Kozlowski hit split end Chris Phillis with a 16-yard touchdown pass with 1:40 remaining on a third-and-goal play. Kozlowski, who completed 2 of 4 passes for 46 yards in the final period, had never taken a snap as a collegian. UAlbany's victory provided the NEC with the conference's first win over a Patriot League opponent.

#### **UALBANY CLIMBS TO SIXTH IN SPORTS NETWORK TOP 10 POLL**

Hatboro, Pa. – UAlbany leaped to sixth in this week's Sports Network I-AA Mid-Major Top 10 poll, the first of college football's regular season. The Great Danes, who knocked off Patriot League foe Towson last Saturday, were unranked in the preseason.

Duquesne, who posted an impressive 41-18 victory over VMI in its season opener, is No.1 and accumulated 14 of 22 first-place votes. Dayton is second, while Davidson is third.

## The Sports Network I-AA Mid-Major Top 10 Poll

- 1. Duquesne (14) 211, 2. Dayton (3) 191, 3. Davidson (3) 182, 4. Robert Morris (2) 142,
- 5. Sacred Heart 126, 6. Albany 79, 7. Wagner 68, 8. Jacksonville 47, 9. Drake 36, 10. San Diego 33.

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**COLLEGE SPORTS (Field Hockey)** Comments:

Storrs, Conn.—Sophomore forward Amy Marland pumped in three goals, including the gamewinner early in the second half, to lead Connecticut to a 6-1 victory over Albany in the second round of the Husky Classic at George J. Sherman Family Sports Complex on Sunday.

Connecticut (2-1), who finished last season as the nation's seventh-ranked team, went up 1-0 with 28:46 remaining in the first half when Lauren Henderson connected off a pass from **Kelly Stolle**. Albany (0-3) answered seven minutes later on an unassisted goal by senior Amy DiMicco. All three UAlbany losses have come against Big East Conference opponents.

Marland put the Huskies ahead to stay six minutes into the second half with two goals in a span of one minute and 25 seconds, the second coming unassisted. Her third goal was scored with 9:07 remaining when she put in a pass from Henderson. Abby Ostruzka and Kelly Stolle also found their way into the scoring column.

The Great Danes travel to Sacred Heart on Saturday, Sept. 8.

-agate-

Albany Connecticut

Albany: Scoring – Amy DiMicco 1-0; Goalkeeper – Elaine Sullivan (50:00, 13 saves, 3 GA), Megan Akstin (20:00, 0 saves, 3 GA).

Connecticut: Scoring – Lauren Henderson 1-1, Amy Marland 3-0, Abby Ostruzka 1-0, Kelly Stolle 1-1, Megan Ware 0-1; Goalkeeper – Maureen Butler (66:26, 7 saves, 1 GA), Pam Berchtold (3:34, 0 saves, 0 GA).

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#### Albany 14, Towson 10

Albany, N.Y. – **Justin Kozlowski** came off the bench to throw a 16-yard touchdown pass to **Chris Phillis** with one minute and forty seconds remaining, as Albany rallied for a 14-10 non-conference victory over Towson in the season opener for both teams at University Field on Saturday afternoon.

Kozlowski, a redshirt freshman, connected with Phillis crossing in the middle of the end zone on a third-and-goal situation. He entered in the fourth quarter after starter **Marcus Rotondi** was knocked out of the game when two Tiger defenders cut him down on an option play.

"The play was designed for (Brian) Manigault," said Kozlowski, who had never taken a snap as a collegian prior to today. "I saw Chris crossing, and just threw the pass where the defender could not get in front of it. I knew we could still kick a field goal if it was incomplete."

"Quarterbacks are like tea bags, you never know what you are going to get until you put them in water," said Albany coach **Bob Ford**, who recorded his 180th career victory at the collegiate level. "That was a heckuva play. But our defense was probably the best we've played in a long time."

Towson, a highly regarded Patriot League squad, trailed throughout the second half, but regrouped to take a 10-7 lead with 2:30 left. Reserve quarterback **Jay Amer**, who released the ball just before being hit by a blitzing linebacker, found **Mike Starke** with a 17-yard scoring pass to give his team the lead. Amer, a sophomore, completed 14 of 29 passes for 253 yards.

The Tigers, who accounted for 458 yards on the day, were befuddled by six turnovers. Albany safety **Samson Brown** posted two interceptions and his teammates came up with three fumbles. However, Towson was able to take a 3-0 lead with 3:37 remaining in the second quarter, as **Ed Kulic** nailed a 27-yard field goal.

Albany, a Northeast Conference member, reached paydirt on their next possession with a nine-play drive following **Dustin Wilson's** 49-yard kickoff return. Senior tailback **Brian Manigault** scored a 16-yard scamper with eight seconds on the clock before halftime.

Manigault finished with 81 yards on 19 carries.

Towson tailback **Noah Read** led all rushers with 119 yards on 28 attempts, while Starke caught six passes for 81 yards. Starting quarterback **Val Troiani** hit on just 10 of 24 passes for 86 yards with one interception. Albany's Phillis accounted for 101 all-purpose yards, including three receptions for 53.

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COLLEGE SPORTS (Volleyball, Field Hockey)

#### (WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL)

Syracuse, N.Y.—Senior outside hitter Joanne Saunders had 17 kills and 14 digs as Fairfield defeated Albany 30-24, 30-7, 31-29 in the second round of Syracuse's Orange Invitational Tournament at Manley Fieldhouse on Saturday. It was the second match of the day for the Great Danes, who earlier lost to Kent State 30-20, 30-15, 30-21.

Freshman setter Sarah Cashen posted 37 assists for Fairfield (2-0), while Kristin Anderson totaled 10 kills. Setter Jill Dombrowski had 24 assists and six digs for the Great Danes, who fell to 0-3 overall.

Sarah Kutschinski recorded 10 kills and seven digs and Stephanie Doran chipped in with 34 assists for Kent State (2-0) in the day's opening matchup. Albany was led by Alissa Gibbs (Shenendehowa H.S.) with six kills.

The Great Danes are next in action on Friday, Sept. 7 at 7:00 p.m. for their home opener against lona.

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#### Match 1

Kent State def. Albany, 30-20, 30-15, 30-21

#### Match 2

Fairfield def. Albany, 30-24, 30-7, 31-29

#### (FIELD HOCKEY)

Storrs, Conn.—Junior midfielder Courtney Dow had one goal and one assist to lead Providence to a 4-1 opening-round victory over Albany at the Husky Classic on Saturday.

Stefanie Suehnholz put Providence (1-0) up at the 21:04 mark in the first half with the game's first score. Albany (0-2) answered back with a goal from freshman Alexis Johnson, the first of her career, with 5:13 left in the first half.

But Maggie Hoffman scored the game-winner with 1:41 remaining in the first half off

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a pass from Dow on a corner. Dow put the Friars up 3-1 when she scored unassisted midway through the second half and **Melissa Kroslak** closed out the scoring with just 13 seconds remaining in the game.

The Great Danes will face host school Connecticut on Sunday, Sept. 2 at 11:30 a.m. -agate-

Albany 1 0 - 1 Providence 2 2 - 4

Albany: Scoring – Alexis Johnson 1-0; Goalkeepers – Elaine Sullivan (57:53, 14 saves, 3GA), Jennifer Kessler (12:07, 0 saves, 1 GA).

Providence: Scoring – Courtney Dow 1-1, Stefanie Suehnholz 1-0, Maggie Hoffman 1-0, Melissa Kroslak 1-0, Amy Phillips 0-1; Goalkeeper – Meaghan Moran (70:00, 2 saves, 1 GA).