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TRACK & FIELD

Raleigh, N.C. – University at Albany's **Jessica Walton** (Fonda-Fultonville) led the women's 4x800-meter relay to a fifth-place finish with a school-record performance at the 2001 Adidas Raleigh Relays on Saturday afternoon at North Carolina State's Paul H. Derr Track. In addition, **Jamie Rodriguez** (Christian Brothers Academy) and **Ronald Edmundson** posted IC4A-qualifying marks in the men's 5,000 meters and triple jump, respectively.

Albany's 4x800 relay was timed in a school-record 9:09.40. The squad of Walton, **Jessica Burger** (Granville Central), **Diane Matthews** and **Megan Roeder** shattered a mark (10:02.48) set in 1999, and in the process qualified for the ECAC championships later this spring.

Rodriguez, a junior, placed 19th among 150 competitors with a personal-best 14:34.60 in the 5,000. His time also qualified him for May's IC4A championship meet. Edmundson will join Rodriguez at IC4As, as he finished eighth in the triple jump with a leap of 47-feet, 10-inches.

UAlbany assistant track coach **Jeffrey York** (Troy), who competed unattached, won the 110-meter high hurdles event in 13.68 seconds. More than 2,000 athletes, representing nearly 110 collegiate and club teams, were entered in the two-day meet.

MEN'S LACROSSE

Amherst, Mass. – Sophomore attackman **Doug Moses** scored twice, including the go-ahead goal in the fourth quarter, and added one assist to lead Vermont to a 10-8 victory over Albany on Saturday afternoon at the University of Massachusetts' Richard F. Garber Field.

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Moses broke a 7-7 deadlock with 8:19 remaining in the final period, when he came from behind the cage. He gave Vermont (5-2) a two-goal advantage three minutes later with a sidearm shot.

Albany (1-3) rallied from a 6-4 deficit in the third quarter behind the play of junior attackman **Jim Lindsay**, who totaled three goals and four assists. Lindsay fired a shot inside the far post to draw his team even at seven apiece with 12:22 to play.

Freshman **Chris Legare** had two goals and one assist, while goalkeeper **Ed Burns** stopped 10 shots for the Catamounts.

Goalkeeper **Mike Arnone** had 14 saves for the Great Danes, who have moved their home opener on Tuesday, April 3 against Butler to Union's Frank Bailey Field at 12 noon.

-agate-

Albany (1-3) 2 2 2 - 8 Vermont (5-2) 3 1 3 3 - 10

Albany – Scoring: Jim Lindsay 3-4, Sal Massa 2-0, Michael Solazzo 1-0, Jeremy Smith 1-0, Jon Smith 1-0, Sean Donnellan 0-1; Goalkeeper(s): Mike Arnone (59:13, 14 saves, 10 GA), Chris Gill (0:47, 0 saves, 0 GA).

Vermont – Scoring: Doug Moses 2-1, Chris Legare 2-1, Brendan Ginty 1-1, Kip Edwards 1-0, Lowell Thompson 1-0, Jeff Fauci 1-0, Ian Hopper 1-0, Phil McKnight 1-0, Cody Casserley 0-1; Goalkeeper: Ed Burns (60:00, 10 saves, 8 GA).

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UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY BEGINS SPRING FOOTBALL PRACTICE ON MARCH 31 Head Coach Bob Ford Welcomes Back 41 Letterwinners

ALBANY, N.Y. – University at Albany head football coach **Bob Ford** will have 41 letterwinners returning, including 17 starters, when the Great Danes begin spring football practice on Saturday, March 31. The 15-session schedule continues through Saturday, May 5.

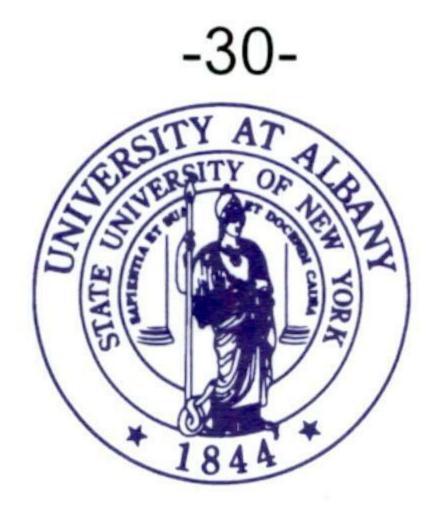
Albany posted a 5-6 record in its second NCAA Division I-AA season last fall, and finished fourth in the Northeast Conference. The Great Danes will have eight starters back on an offense that ranked 14th nationally in rushing at 215.2 yards per game and averaged 31.1 points. Nine starters return on defense, including **Josh Bazan**, the *Football Gazette* Division I-AA Mid-Major Linebacker of the Year.

"There are several things we need to address during the spring," said Ford, who has a 170-108 record in 28 seasons with the UAlbany program. "We need to establish a defensive line, and have already made personnel adjustments at the tackle and end positions. I am concerned about our secondary depth, plus we are going to look at some younger players in the offensive line and receiving positions."

Brian Manigault, a second-team All-NEC tailback, established the school's single-season rushing record with 1,041 yards in 2000. He also set school standards with 15 rushing touchdowns and 90 points. All-Conference split end **Chris Phillis** (Saratoga Springs) hauled in 49 passes for 856 yards and eight touchdowns, but will sit out spring drills following off-season surgery. Quarterback **Ryan Roeder** improved greatly over the final month of the season, and completed 87 of 147 pass attempts for 1,132 yards and nine TDs. **Alex Argulewicz**, a 6-foot-1, 290-pound sophomore, who earned All-NEC recognition at left guard, and center **Regan Jones** (6-0, 265) will anchor the offensive line.

Bazan, an inside linebacker, and free safety **Samson Brown** were first-team all-conference selections as sophomores. Bazan led the Great Danes in total tackles (109), hits for a loss (18), sacks (6.0), fumbles recovered (4) and fumbles forced (4). Brown, at 6'1" and 200 pounds, made 82 tackles and broke up four passes. Bishop Maginn graduate **Jelani Dandles** (44 tackles, 2 interceptions) is a two-year starter at cornerback. In their first season as starters, roverback **Ryan MacLean** (86 tackles) and linebacker **Tim Campe** (75 tackles) were solid contributors.

The Great Danes open their 2001 schedule at home on Saturday, September 1 against non-conference opponent Towson.



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BASEBALL

Riverdale, N.Y. – Reliever **Adam Castoldi** pitched three scoreless innings in the nightcap to pick up his first victory of the season, as Albany split a non-conference doubleheader with Manhattan on Wednesday afternoon at Van Cortlandt Park. The Great Danes won the second game, 3-1, but lost the opener, 4-1.

Albany (4-12) trailed 1-0 in the second inning, but rallied when **Jake Toms** belted a solo homer, his third of the year, in the second, and **Eddie Scott** singled and scored in the third. In relief of starter **Shawn Walsh**, Castoldi allowed one hit over the middle three innings. **Tommy Greene** added a RBI single in the seventh for insurance.

In the first game, right-hander **Wendell Anderson** scattered six hits and struck out nine en route to his second victory. **Michael Lorento**, who went 2-for-4 at the plate, gave Manhattan (7-8) a 2-0 lead in the third with a RBI single. Anderson led off the fourth with a double and later scored to help his own cause.

Tom Turner recorded his fourth save this season, when he got Albany's Michael Oliva to fly out to centerfield with the bases loaded to end the game.

-agate-

(Game 1)

Albany 000 000 1 - 1 6 1 Manhattan 101 200 x - 4 9 0

Adam Kroft, Craig Straus (4) and Tommy Greene.

Wendell Anderson, Tom Turner (6) and Josh Greco.

(Game 2)

Albany 011 000 1 - 3 5 0 Manhattan 100 000 0 - 1 6 1

Shawn Walsh, Mike Burke (3), Adam Castoldi (4), Mike Jorgensen (7), Marty Pincar (7) and Tommy Greene.

Ryan Darcy and Paul Pulidore.

ALBANY SPORTS 2-2-2

WOMEN'S TENNIS

Albany, N.Y. – **Erinn Langford** (Bishop Maginn H.S.) won in three sets at second singles to lead Albany to a 5-2 victory over Sacred Heart on Wednesday afternoon at the University Bubble.

Langford, a senior playing in her final home match, defeated Jeanne Sampson, 7-6, 6-7 and 6-3. She also teamed with **Violeta Petijevic** for a pro-set victory at first doubles. **Lori Barsel**, **Ilissa Strolovitz** and Petijevic also posted wins in singles play. -agate-

Albany 5, Sacred Heart 2

Singles: Violeta Petijevic (A) def. Jessica Magri (S), 6-4, 6-0; Erinn Langford (A) def. Jeanne Sampson (S), 7-6 (7-2), 6-7 (8-6), 6-3; Lori Barsel (A) def. Sonia Jalli (S), 6-2, 6-4; Ilissa Strolovitz (A) def. Kerin Bellis (S), 7-5, 7-6 (9-7); Patricia Dacey (S) def. Alex Berley (A), 6-4, 6-4; Tiffany Paul (S) def. Sonia Lindell (A), 6-3, 4-6, 6-1.

Doubles: Petijevic-Langford (A) def. Magri-Sampson (S), 8-3; Strolovitz-Barsel (A) def. Bellis-Dacey (S), 9-8 (7-3); Kristin Harris-Berley (A) def. Chantal Jansen-Paul (S), 8-4.

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UALBANY NAMES PETER ROSSOMANDO OFFENSIVE LINE COACH AND KEVIN GALUSKI NEW YORK GIANTS TRAINING CAMP LIAISON

ALBANY, N.Y. – Director of Athletics and Recreation Lee McElroy announced today that **Peter Rossomando** has been named offensive line coach on head football coach Bob Ford's staff. Head equipment manager **Kevin Galuski** will also take on additional duties as the University's operations liaison with regard to New York Giants summer training camp.

Rossomando was the offensive coordinator and offensive line coach at SUNY-Cortland last year, where he handled weekly game plans, coached the kickoff return and field goal special teams, and recruited New York City and Long Island. He previously coached the offensive line at Division I-AA Northeastern University in 1999.

Rossomando, 28, coached at the University of New Haven from 1994-99. He worked with the offensive line and was academic coordinator his first three seasons with the program, before serving two years as defensive line coach and special teams coordinator. The Chargers reached the NCAA Division II playoffs on two occasions during his tenure, and won the Lambert Cup Trophy in 1995 and 1997.

From 1990-93, Rossomando played on the offensive and defensive lines at Boston University, where he earned a B.S. in clinical exercise physiology. The Terriers won the 1993 Yankee Conference championship with an undefeated record. A native of Staten Island, N.Y., Rossomando received All-America and all-state recognition and was the '89 Staten Island Player of the Year.

Galuski, 28, is in his first year as UAlbany's head equipment manager. He will handle all operational aspects of the New York Giants summer training camp. The Giants have trained on campus since 1996, and recently reached an agreement with the University to remain in the Capital Region through 2003.

A native of Waterford, N.Y., Galuski was previously the head equipment manager with the Arena Football League's Carolina Cobras. He also worked in the same position with the Albany Firebirds from 1995-99.



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WOMEN'S LACROSSE

Riverdale, N.Y. – Junior attack **Rory Maguire** had three goals and two assists to lead Manhattan to its first victory of the season with a 9-7 win over Albany on Tuesday afternoon at Gaelic Park.

Albany (2-3) took a 4-3 lead in the opening half on **Irit Gross'** unassisted goal. Manhattan (1-5) responded by scoring three straight times to go ahead for good. **Elizabeth Tiffany** tied the contest with 9:59 left in the period, before Maguire followed with back-to-back goals for a 6-4 halftime advantage.

Melissa Medina, the Lady Jaspers' leading scorer, added three goals and one assist, and goalkeeper **Maegan Cosgrove** made 12 saves. Albany's Gross scored a pair of goals, while sophomore **Andrea Esposito** (Saratoga Springs) totaled three assists.

-agate-

Albany (2-3)

4 3 - 7

Manhattan (1-5)

6 3 - 9

Albany – Scoring: Irit Gross 2-0, Alexis DiDomenico 1-0, Maria Ferrucci 1-0, Dawn DiMicco 1-0, Amanda Heller 1-0, Andrea Esposito 0-3; Goalkeeper: Liz Gress-Byrd (60:00, 8 saves, 9 GA).

Manhattan – Scoring: Rory Maguire 3-2, Melissa Medina 3-1, Elizabeth Tiffany 2-0, Alana Fevola 1-0, Maureen Tiffany 0-2; Goalkeeper: Maegan Cosgrove (60:00, 12 saves, 7 GA).

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WOMEN'S LACROSSE

Troy, N.Y. – Sophomore attack Maria Ferrucci scored three goals and Dawn DiMicco added two goals and two assists to lead Albany to a 10-6 victory over Niagara on Sunday afternoon at Rensselaer's Harkness Field.

Albany (2-2) reversed an early 1-0 deficit with four consecutive goals. DiMicco, a senior midfielder, netted her 100th career goal to put her team on top for good, before she set up Ferrucci in transition for a 4-1 lead with 11:27 remaining in the period.

The Great Danes, who maintained a three-goal halftime advantage, pushed out to a 9-3 lead, when Andrea Esposito (Saratoga Springs H.S.) scored on a backhanded shot with 15:06 left in the contest. Esposito finished with two goals and one assist.

Sophomore Sandra Gallegos led Niagara (2-3) with two goals and one assist, while goalkeeper Jennifer Cavaretta made 11 saves. -agate-

Niagara (2-3)

Albany (2-2)

Niagara – Scoring: Sandra Gallegos 2-1, Ashley Grosso 1-0, Laurie Haefner 1-0, Julie Simme 1-0, Belinda Patterson 1-0, Allison Coomey 0-1; Goalkeeper: Jennifer Cavaretta (60:00, 11 saves, 10 GA).

Albany – Scoring: Maria Ferrucci 3-0, Dawn DiMicco 2-2, Andrea Esposito 2-1, Amanda Heller 2-0, Allison Beagle 1-0; Goalkeeper: Liz Gress-Byrd (60:00, 11 saves, 6 GA).

ALBANY SPORTS 2-2-2

BASEBALL

Hempstead, N.Y. – Junior **Gerald Auth** fired a five-hit shutout in the opener to lead Hofstra to a non-conference doubleheader sweep over Albany on Sunday afternoon at University Field. The Pride won the first game, 8-0, and the second, 3-1.

Auth, a 6-foot-6 left-hander, struck out seven and walked two en route to his first victory of the season. Catcher **Kevin Reinking** went 3-for-3 with two runs to lead a 12-hitt attack. Hofstra (5-8) took a 2-0 lead in the third on **Eric Creaney's** RBI double and a run-scoring single by **Joe Farley**.

In the nightcap, Albany (3-11) went ahead 1-0, as shortstop **Mike Grasso** (Bishop Maginn) singled and scored in the first. The Pride, who extended their winning streak to five straight, rallied behind **Joe Torres**' two-run double in the bottom of the inning.

Michael Oliva and **Mike Kuebler** each had three hits on the day for the Great Danes, who are scheduled to play their home opener on Tuesday, March 27 against Northeastern.

-agate-

Albany

(Game 1)

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Hofstra 002 420 x - 8 12 0 Ryan Pitt, Craig Straus (5) and Tommy Greene.

Gerald Auth and Kevin Reinking.

(Game 2)

Albany 100 000 0 - 1 7 Hofstra 210 000 x - 3 3

Mike Burke and Tommy Greene.

Nelson Villalobos and Kevin Reinking.

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BASEBALL

Easton, Pa. – Second baseman Eddie Scott totaled nine runs, seven hits, four stolen bases and six RBI to lead Albany to a doubleheader sweep over Lafayette on Saturday afternoon at Metzger Fields. The Great Danes won the twinbill, 16-10 and 22-14.

Albany (3-9) reversed a 6-5 deficit in the opener, when Jeff Rossiter and Michael **Tecklenburg** led off the third inning with back-to-back home runs. Lafayette (2-10) would later close within 10-9 on Matt Tambellini's three-run homer, but the Great Danes pulled away in the fifth on a two-run blast over the center-field fence by Jake Toms.

In the nightcap, Albany trailed 7-5 in the fourth, but rallied with a 10-run inning. Scott, who homered and scored six runs in the contest, had a two-run double, while Michael Oliva plated two runs in the frame with a single and double. Oliva, a senior center fielder, finished with six runs, five hits and five RBI on the day.

Shortstop Mike Grasso (Bishop Maginn) tripled twice, doubled and scored four runs in the two-game set.

-agate-

(Game 1)

Albany Lafayette

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Adam Castoldi, Bryant Alvarado (2) and Tommy Greene.

Kevin Swords, Frank Biele (4), Paul Fischetti (6) and Craig Alexander.

(Game 2)

Albany

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Lafayette

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(game halted by darkness with no outs in seventh)

Shawn Walsh, Mike Jorgensen (6) and Tommy Greene.

Joe Saporetti, Jeff Zambrano (4), Tom Soldan (5) and Jon Kline.

ALBANY SPORTS 2-2-2

WOMEN'S LACROSSE

New Britain, Conn. – **Maria Ferrucci** scored five goals and **Andrea Esposito** (Saratoga Springs) added three goals and two assists to lead Albany to a 16-5 victory over Central Connecticut State on Saturday afternoon at Arute Field.

Albany (1-2) raced to a 7-1 halftime lead. Senior midfielder **Dawn DiMicco** and **Alexis Esposito** (Niskayuna) each netted a pair of goals in the opening period. DiMicco finished with three goals and one assist, while Esposito also scored three times.

Tracey Uellendahl was one of five Blue Devils to find the cage. Central Connecticut State falls to 0-2 on the season. The Great Danes will host Niagara at Rensselaer's Harkness Field on Sunday at 1:00 p.m.

-agate-

Albany (1-2) 7 9 - 16 Central Conn. State (0-2) 1 4 - 5

Albany – Scoring: Maria Ferrucci 5-0, Andrea Esposito 3-2, Dawn DiMicco 3-1, Alexis Esposito 3-0, Alexis DiDomenico 1-1, Theresa Masse 1-0, Erin Pemrick 0-1; Goalkeeper(s): Liz Gress-Byrd (60:00, 6 saves, 5 GA).

Central Conn. State – Scoring: Tracey Uellendahl 1-0, Patricia Manley 1-0, Nicole Bennet 1-0, Samantha Valder 1-0, Erin Sacharko 1-0; Goalkeeper(s): Carolyn Ives (60:00, 11 saves, 15 GA).

SOFTBALL

Lewisburg, Pa. – Reliever **Sarah Maida** pitched three scoreless innings in the opener, as Albany split a doubleheader with Bucknell on Saturday afternoon at Bucknell Field. The Great Danes won the first game, 2-1, but dropped the nightcap, 12-4.

Albany (8-11) scored twice in the first inning, as shortstop **Valerie Terry** (South Glens Falls) scored on **Liz Weiboldt's** RBI grounder and **Chelsey LaRue** added a runscoring double. Maida, a junior right-hander, came on in the fifth, and allowed just one hit to improve to 4-7 this season.

In the second game, **Kathleen Zeevalk** and **Barbara Wood** each singled twice, scored a pair of runs, and had two RBI to lead Bucknell (7-6-2). **Kristen Potts** keyed a six-run fourth inning, when she cleared the bases with a triple to right field. Albany's Terry finished with two runs and three stolen bases in the twinbill.

-agate-(Game 1)

Albany 200 000 0 - 2 4 2 Bucknell 000 100 0 - 1 3 0

Amy Hawk, Sarah Maida (5) and Lynnette Bohannon.

Brandi Porter and Angela Stackhouse.

(Game 2)

Albany 003 01 - 4 5 3 Bucknell 113 61 - 12 13 1

(game ended with two outs in fifth inning by eight-run rule)

Sarah Maida, Kristin Couris (4) and Stacy Kowal.

Lauren Potente and Kathleen Zeevalk.

ALBANY SPORTS 3-3-3

WOMEN'S TENNIS

Albany, N.Y. – **Violeta Petijevic** and **Erinn Langford** (Bishop Maginn) won in straight sets at first and second singles and teamed for a victory at first doubles to lead Albany to a 7-0 victory over Marist on Saturday at the University Bubble.

Petijevic defeated **Kara Bliss** (Burnt Hills), 6-1, 6-0, while Langford **upended Kristy Salloum**, 6-4, 6-3. Petijevic and Langford posted an 8-4 pro-set victory in doubles play. **Alex Berley** (Shenendehowa) also won in straight sets at No. 5 singles, while **Sonia Lindell** (Columbia) was victorious in three sets at No. 6 singles. -agate-

Albany 7, Marist 0

Singles: Violeta Petijevic (A) def. Kara Bliss (M), 6-1, 6-0; Erinn Langford (A) def. Kristy Salloum (M), 6-4, 6-3; Lori Barsel (A) def. Jennifer Edwards (M), 6-3, 6-1; Ilissa Strolovitz (A) def. Kate Szymanski (M), 4-6, 7-5, 6-3; Alex Berley (A) def. Brianne Douglas (M), 6-0, 6-0; Sonia Lindell (A) def. Katherine McCann (M), 3-6, 6-4, 6-2.

Doubles: Petijevic-Langford (A) def. Bliss-Salloum (M), 8-4; Barsel-Strolovitz (A) def. Edwards-Szymanski (M), 8-4; Douglas-McCann (M) def. Berley-Lindell (A), 8-6. Records: Marist 3-5, Albany 4-8.

MEN'S LACROSSE

Chestnut Hill, Mass. – **Sal Massa** and **Jon Smith** each had four goals, as Albany posted its first victory of the season with a 15-9 victory over Boston College on Saturday afternoon at Alumni Stadium.

Junior attackman **Jim Lindsay** tied a career-high with six assists, and added one goal for the Great Danes, who improved 1-2 on the season. Senior goalkeeper Mike Arnone made 23 saves, while Michael Solazzo scored three times.

Boston College (0-4) was led by **Andy Koch**, who had two goals and one assist. Senior midfielder **Taylor Whitman** scored a pair of goals for the Eagles.
-agate-

Albany (1-2) 6 4 3 2 - 15 Boston College (0-4) 5 1 3 0 - 9

Albany – Scoring: Sal Massa 4-2, Jon Smith 4-1, Michael Solazzo 3-0, Sean Donnellan 2-0, Jim Lindsay 1-6, Jerry Smith 1-2; Goalkeeper(s): Mike Arnone (59:40, 23 saves, 8 GA), Mike Shelli (0:20, 0 saves, 1 GA).

Boston College – Scoring: Andy Koch 2-1, Taylor Whitman 2-0, Mike Adair 1-0, John Cella 1-0, Ted Cella 1-0, James Garth 1-0, Rory Smith 1-0, Nick Hayman 0-1, Bryan Albano 0-1, Kevin Dunphy 0-1.

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MARTIN & DIMICCO NAMED TO VERIZON ALL-DISTRICT I ACADEMIC TEAM

Jamaica, N.Y. – University at Albany's **Mariah Martin** and **Amy DiMicco** have been named to the Verizon District I Academic All-America University Division Women's Fall-Winter At-Large Team, as chosen by the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA). Both athletes were first-team selections. The District I team will advance to the national ballot, and the results of the voting will be announced on April 19.

Martin, a senior forward on the field hockey team, has a 3.94 cumulative grade point average in business administration. She scored four goals and six assists in leading the Great Danes to a 10-8 record in its second season as a Division I program. Martin is a member of the school's Intercollegiate Athletics Advisory Board (IAAB), and has served an internship with the Albany County Bar Association.

DiMicco, a junior midfielder on the field hockey squad, has a 3.77 GPA in communication. She was second on the squad in scoring with 11 goals and four assists last fall, and anchored an offense that was ranked 16th in scoring among the Division I leaders. DiMicco, who had totaled 35 goals and 13 assists during her career, is vice-president of UAlbany's Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, and is currently working for WNYT-TV as a sports department intern.

VERIZON ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICA TEAM

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VERIZON ACADEMIC ALL-DISTRICT TEAM 2000-01 WOMEN'S FALL/WINTER AT-LARGE - DISTRICT I

First Team - University Division

Name Florencia Battilani (field hockey)	School Columbia	Yr. Sr.	Hometown Buenos Aires, Argentina 3.7179		Major Psychology	
Danielle Burke (field hockey)	Maine-Orono	Grad	Canaan, Maine 3.80 g/3.56 ug		Communications/ Public Relation	
Amy DiMicco (field hockey)	Albany	Jr.	South Salem, N.Y.	3.77	Communication	
Laura Fitzpatrick (field hockey)	Syracuse	Sr.	Dalton, Pa.	3.764	Nursing	
Michelle Harley (gymnastics)	New Hampshire	So.	Collegeville, Pa.	3.91	Mathematics	
Amy Herz* (field hockey)	Connecticut	Sr.	Willow Grove, Pa.	3.765	Physiology/Neurobiology	
Mariah Martin** (field hockey)	Albany	Sr.	Riverhead, N.Y.	3.94	Business Administration	
Sara Mastropole*** (swimming)	Syracuse	Sr.	Milford, Conn. 4.00		Communicative Sciences & Disorders	
Vanessa McGowan (cross country)	Maine-Orono	Grad	Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario	4.0 g/3.83 ug	Zoology	
Erin O'Grady (soccer)	Syracuse	Sr.	Glastonbury, Conn.	3.613	Inclusive Education	

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BASEBALL

Old Westbury, N.Y. – First baseman Ryan Nevins homered, singled twice and drove in four runs to lead New York Tech to an 11-7 non-conference victory over Albany on Sunday afternoon at Presidents' Field.

Albany (1-9) took a 5-3 lead in the sixth inning. Center fielder Michael Oliva, who totaled three runs and three hits, singled and scored in his team's atbat. New York Tech (3-3) rallied with five runs in the bottom of the frame. Tom Merkle's RBI single put the Bears on top for good, before Wayne Seder plated a pair of runs with a pinch-hit single.

The Great Danes closed within 8-7 in the eighth, as third baseman Mike Kuebler lined a RBI double and Mike Steinberg added a run-scoring single. However, Nevins belted a three-run homer over the right-field fence in the same inning to seal the outcome.

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Ryan Pitt, Craig Straus (6), Mike Jorgensen (6), Marty Pincar (7), Mike Muller (8) and Tommy Greene.

Ed Gillespie, Tom Park (5), Brandon Kurz (7), Dan Britton (8), Karl Steingruebner (8), Ismael Almonte (9) and Vin Galea, Steve Zydowky.

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BASEBALL

Old Westbury, N.Y. – **Ryan Nevins** and **Brian Goldberg** each drove in five runs, as New York Tech swept a New York State Baseball Conference doubleheader from Albany on Saturday afternoon at Presidents' Field. The Bears won the first game, 8-7, and the second contest, 8-4.

In the opener, New York Tech (2-3, 2-0) used a four-run sixth inning to rally from a 5-4 deficit. Goldberg tied the game with a sacrifice fly, before Nevins belted a three-run homer over the right-field fence. Albany (1-8, 0-2) closed within 8-7 in the eighth on **Tommy Greene's** sacrifice fly and a RBI single by **Eddie Scott**. The comeback attempt was thwarted in the ninth, when **Michael Tecklenburg** grounded into a double play with two runners aboard.

The Bears, who like the visitors had not played since March 3, broke a 4-4 deadlock in the nightcap's seventh with four runs. Goldberg, who went 3-for-4 at the plate, put his team ahead with a two-run double into the left-field gap.

Albany's **Jake Toms** doubled twice, singled, scored a pair of runs and added three RBI on the day.

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(Game 1)

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Adam Castoldi, Mike Jorgensen (7) and Tommy Greene.

Rob Taormina, Brandon Kurz (8), Tom Park (9) and Steve Zydowky.

(Game 2)

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Shawn Walsh, Mike Jorgensen (7), Craig Straus (7) and Tommy Greene. Kyle Patten, Wayne Seder (5), Ismael Almonte (6) and Steve Zydowsky.

MORE

ALBANY SPORTS 2-2-2

MEN'S LACROSSE

Amherst, Mass. – Senior attackman **Rich Kunkel** scored four goals and sophomore midfielder **Chris Fiore** added two goals and two assists, as seventh-ranked Massachusetts posted a 19-6 victory over Albany on Saturday afternoon at Graber Field.

Massachusetts (3-0) leaped to a 7-0 lead in the second quarter, as Kunkel netted a pair of goals in the opening stanza. The Minutemen, who led 10-3 at halftime, put the game away with an eight-goal third period. Fiore and **Dusty Smith** each scored twice in that stretch.

Albany (0-2) travels to Boston College next Saturday.

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Albany (0-2) 0 3 2 1 - 6 Massachusetts (3-0) 5 5 8 1 - 19

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UALBANY'S E.J. GALLUP NAMED SECOND-TEAM ALL-INDEPENDENT

Edinburg, Texas – University at Albany's E.J. Gallup (Gloversville H.S.) has been chosen to the 2000-01 Division I All-Independent men's basketball squad. Gallup, a second-team selection, earned the honor in voting by the school's head coaches and sports information directors.

Gallup, a 6-foot-4 guard, led the Great Danes in scoring at 17.4 points per game. He also averaged 3.4 rebounds, 1.6 assists and 1.9 steals, and is ranked eighth among the NCAA Division I leaders in three-point field goals made (3.3 per game). Gallup totaled the most points (487) by a freshman since Gary Holway in 1955-56. His 93 three-point field goals were one off the school's single-season record.

Gallup, who also had the 11th-best single-season point total in UA history, ranked sixth among the Independent scoring leaders. He reached double figures in 25 of 28 games, and scored 20 or more points on nine occasions. Gallup netted a season-high 31 points against Army on Feb. 3, the highest total by a freshman since 1976.

2000-01 Division I All-Independent Men's Basketball Team

First Team

Wes Burtner, Belmont Leon Brisport, Stony Brook Michael Hicks, Texas A&M-Corpus Christi Ronnie McCollum, Centenary Brian Merriweather, Texas-Pan American

Second Team

John Braxton, Texas-Pan American Mire Chatman, Texas-Pan American Kwasinda Curtis, Texas-Pan American E.J. Gallup, Albany Adam Sonn, Belmont

Player of the Year: Michael Hicks, Texas A&M-Corpus Christi

Coach of the Year: Nick Macarchuk, Stony Brook

Newcomer of the Year: Mire Chatman, Texas-Pan American

Defensive Player of the Year: Mire Chatman, Texas-Pan American MORE

ALBANY SPORTS 2-2-2

MEN'S LACROSSE

Hanover, N.H. – Sophomore **Jake Dwyer** scored four goals, including three in the first half, to lead Dartmouth to a 14-5 victory over Albany on Wednesday afternoon at Scully-Fahey Field. The loss spoiled the debut of Albany head coach **Scott Marr**, who spent the previous six years as an assistant at Maryland.

Dwyer netted back-to-back goals in the second quarter, as Dartmouth (2-0) jumped out to an 8-0 lead. **Georges Dyer** also scored three times in the opening half. The Big Green, who opened with a 6-2 win over Colgate on March 3, led 10-3 at the intermission.

Junior attackman **Jim Lindsay** led Albany with two goals and one assist. Goalkeeper **Mike Arnone** made 21 saves for the Great Danes, who play at Massachusetts, ranked seventh nationally, on Saturday.

-agate-Albany (0-1) 0 3 1 1 - 5 Dartmouth (2-0) 4 6 3 1 - 14

Albany – Jim Lindsay 2-1, Michael Solazzo 1-2, Jon Smith 1-0, Alan Beach 1-0, Sal Massa 0-2; Goalkeeper(s): Mike Arnone (60:00, 21 saves, 14 GA).

Dartmouth – Jake Dwyer 4-0, Georges Dyer 3-1, Chris O'Hara 2-1, Scott Roslyn 2-0, Schuyler Minert 1-1, Casey Burlage 1-0, Lucas Ballet 1-0, Justin Weinstein 0-2, Starke Mueller 0-1, Lucas Robertson 0-1; Goalkeeper(s): Mike Gault (53:00, 11 saves, 4 GA), Scott MacArthur (6:30, 2 saves, 1 GA).

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Hicks, Macarchuk, Chatman Big Winners in Independent Men's Basketball Awards

EDINBURG, TEXAS – Michael Hicks was named Player of the Year, Nick Macarchuk was named Coach of the Year and Mire Chatman was named both Newcomer of the Year and Defensive Player of the Year, in the Independent Men's Basketball Awards, announced on Friday.

Hicks, who also was the 1999-2000 Independent Player of the Year, received eight of the 10 first place votes to outdistance Centenary's Ronnie McCollum. Hicks averaged 26.3 points, 7.0 rebounds, 2.5 assists and 2.0 steals per game for the Islanders this season. TAMUCC finished it's second season as a provisional Division I school with a 14-14 record. McCollum finished second in the voting, while UTPA's Brian Merriweather and Belmont's Wes Burtner tied for third.

Macarchuk led Stony Brook to the third best turnaround in the NCAA this season, as the Seawolves went 17-11 this year after posting a 6-23 record during the 1999-00 season. Macarchuk edged out UTPA's Bob Hoffman, who led the Broncs to 12 wins in his second year in Edinburg.

Chatman, a junior from Garland, Texas, garnered both the Newcomer of the Year and Defensive Player of the Year awards for his play this season for UT Pan American. Chatman averaged 18.0 points, 4.3 rebounds, 2.6 assists and 2.8 steals per game for the Broncs. His 2.8 steals per game is currently ranked 10th in the NCAA. He was a deadly shooter from anywhere on the court, hitting on 53.6% of his shots from the floor, 43.5% of his shots from three-point range and 70.5% of his free throws. Chatman edged out Stony Brook's Leon Brisport and Belmont's Adam Sonn for the Newcomer of the Year honor. He edged Brisport by just one vote and Sonn by just two votes.

Hicks was one of five players named first-team All-Independent. Burtner, Brisport, McCollum and Merriweather were also named to the first team. Butner, Hicks, McCollum and Merriweather were all first team All-Independent selection last season as well.

Chatman led three Broncs on the second team. John Braxton and Kwasinda Curtis joined Chatman on the second team for UTPA. Also earning second team honors were E.J. Gallup of Albany and Sonn of Belmont.

The awards were selected by a vote of Independent Coaches and Sports Information Directors.

2000-01 Independent Awards

Player of the Year: Michael Hicks, Texas A&M-Corpus Christi

Coach of Year: Nick Macarchuk, Stony Brook

Newcomer of the Year: Mire Chatman, UT Pan American Defensive of the Year: Mire Chatman, UT Pan American

All-Independent

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SOFTBALL

Towson, Md. – Sophomore first baseman **Stacey Smith** had three hits, drove in four runs and blasted a home run, while teammate **Kathleen O'Hara** pitched 4.2 innings of scoreless relief in the second game as Towson came from behind twice and swept a doubleheader from Albany on Sunday afternoon. The sweep ended Albany's five-game winning streak.

After picking up a 5-1 win in the opener, the Tigers (4-7) rallied from a 4-1 deficit and won the nightcap, 6-4. **Jessica Kostenblatt's** double scored two and capped off a four-run third inning for Albany (7-10). Smith tied the game with a three-run homer over the left-field fence in the bottom half of the frame. **Sarah Foster's** two-run double in the sixth gave Towson the lead for good.

In the opener, **Beth Miller** and **Julie Hughes** combined on a three-hitter. The Great Danes took an early lead as **Valerie Terry** (South Glens Falls H.S.) singled, stole second and scored on **Liz Wieboldt's** RBI-groundout. Towson would tally five runs over the fourth and fifth innings, highlighted by Smith's RBI double and run scoring singles by **Ruth Wilson** and **Brooke Clyde**.

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(Game 1)

Albany (7-9) 100 000 0 - 1 3 4 Towson (3-7) 000 230 X - 5 8 1

Sarah Maida and Stacy Kowal.

Beth Miller, Julie Hughes (7) and Emily Klein.

(Game 2)

Albany (7-10) 004 000 0 - 4 7 1 Towson (4-7) 103 002 X - 6 9 2

Amy Hawk and Stacy Kowal.

Beth Wilcox, Kathleen O'Hara (3) and Julia Cappelli.

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SOFTBALL

Hampton, Va. – Junior pitcher **Sarah Maida** tossed a three-hitter in leading Albany to a 4-1 victory over Hampton in the championship game of the Hampton Tournament on Saturday afternoon. The Great Danes defeated Maryland-Eastern Shore, 12-0, in the semifinal contest earlier in the day.

Albany (7-8), winners of five straight, jumped out to a 1-0 lead when shortstop **Valerie Terry** (South Glens Falls H.S.) opened the first inning with a double and later scored on **Liz Wieboldt's** RBI-groundout. Terry gave the Great Danes their second run in the third frame as she singled and would eventually steal second and home base. **Amy Hawk's** RBI-double in the fourth gave Albany an insurance run. Maida walked three and struck out six over seven innings.

In the semifinal round, Albany used a 10-run fourth inning to oust Maryland-Eastern Shore. **Jessica Kostenblatt**, who tallied four RBI, blasted a three-run homer in the outburst. Terry went 3-for-3 with a triple, two RBI and three stolen bases. **Kristin Couris** struck out a season-high 12 batters and lost her perfect game bid in the fourth, allowing a single to **Vicki Gay**.

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Sarah Maida and Stacy Kowal.

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SOFTBALL

Hampton, Va. – Junior pitcher Amy Hawk tossed a one-hitter to lead Albany to an 11-1 victory over Maryland-Eastern Shore on Friday afternoon. Earlier in the day, Valerie Terry (South Glens Falls H.S.) belted a solo home run, scored three runs and stole four bases as the Great Danes defeated Delaware State, 6-3.

Hawk, a right-hander, had a perfect game until the fourth inning, when she issued her lone walk and then gave up a RBI-double to Sarah Whitfield. Hawk, who earned her first victory of the season, finished with 12 strikeouts, fanning the side in the third, fourth and fifth frames. Catcher Stacy Kowal had two doubles and two RBI for the Great Danes, who improved to 5-8 overall. Terry, Lynnette Bohannon and Stacy Gitlin added three hits apiece.

In the first game, Albany jumped out to a 6-0 lead and never looked back. Sarah Maida earned the win as she surrendered two hits over four innings, including five strikeouts. Hawk recorded a two-run single in the third inning and Liz Wieboldt posted a RBI-double in the fourth. -agate-

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Christine Cariello and Patty Brown.

Sarah Maida, Kristin Couris (5) and Stacy Kowal.

(Game 2)

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(game-ended by 10-run rule)

Vicki Gay and Tamika Jackson.

Amy Hawk and Celine Adams.

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UALBANY'S RASHEED BONNER WILL RECEIVE MEDICAL HARDSHIP

Albany, N.Y. – **Rasheed Bonner**, a forward on the University at Albany men's basketball team, will receive a medical hardship waiver with the intent of not participating in the future, as Director of Athletics and Recreation Lee McElroy announced today.

A 6-foot-8, 230-pound forward, Bonner has suffered through nearly two years of injuries. As a freshman in 1999-2000, he missed the entire season following mid-November surgery to repair a stress fracture in his lower left leg.

Bonner played in Albany's opening two contests in 2000-01, and averaged 3.0 points and 2.5 rebounds in 17 minutes per game off the bench. However, he ruptured a patella tendon in his left knee and did not play in the final 26 games.

Bonner averaged 12.0 points and 8.0 rebounds as a scholastic senior at University Heights High School in Ohio. He was an All-Lake Erie League, All-Cuyahoga County and All-Area standout.

OLIVA AND CHECKSFIELD NAMED CONFERENCE CO-PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

Pleasantville, N.Y. – UAlbany's **Michael Oliva** and **Steve Checksfield** have been named New York State Baseball Conference Co-Players of the Week (Feb. 27-March 4) as announced today by the conference office.

Oliva, a senior center fielder, hit .652 during Albany's seven-game stretch in Florida. The Elmsford, N.Y. native also totaled seven runs, five RBI, five walks, three doubles, two stolen bases and one triple. Oliva is the school's all-time leader in doubles (40), triples (7) and stolen bases (51).

Checksfield, a senior right fielder from Hurley, N.Y., went 11-for-24 (.458) at the plate with nine RBI, seven runs, four walks, three doubles, three stolen bases, two home runs and one triple. He has established school standards in four offensive categories – total hits (176), RBI (141), runs (138), and home runs (32).

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UALBANY'S LIZ TUCKER NAMED FIRST-TEAM ALL-INDEPENDENT

Edinburg, Texas – University at Albany's Liz Tucker has been named to the 2000-01 Division I All-Independent women's basketball squad. Tucker, a first-team selection, earned the award in voting by the school's head coaches and sports information directors.

Tucker, a 5-foot-10 senior from Plaistow, N.H., led the Great Danes in scoring (13.0 ppg), rebounding (6.4 pg), assists (3.1 pg) and steals (1.9 pg). She shot 45.5 percent from the field and 70.3 percent from the free throw line. Tucker scored in double figures in 21 of 27 games, including a season-high 27 points in a 57-56 victory over Navy.

A second-team All-Independent choice in 1999-2000, Tucker is the only player in school history to combine for 1,000 points, 600 rebounds, 300 assists and 200 steals in a career. She finished third on the school's all-time scoring list with 1,188 points, and was third in rebounds (701), fourth in assists (346) and seventh in steals (207).

2000-01 Division I All-Independent Women's Basketball Team

First Team

Deetra Johnson, Texas A&M-Corpus Christi Sherry Jordan, Stony Brook Tara Montgomery, Belmont Cheveron Terry, Texas-Pan American Liz Tucker, Albany

Second Team

Natalie Brown, Belmont Jean Clark, Texas A&M-Corpus Christi Jill George, Stony Brook Alexandra Gravel, Texas-Pan American Kristin Rogers, Texas A&M-Corpus Christi

Player of the Year: Sherry Jordan, Stony Brook

Coach of the Year: Karin Nicholls, Texas-Pan American Newcomer of the Year: Sherry Jordan, Stony Brook

Defensive Player of the Year: Jessica Burch, Stony Brook

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INDOOR TRACK

Boston, Mass. – University at Albany's **Ronald Edmundson** finished eighth in the triple jump with a school-record effort at the IC4A/ECAC Indoor Track and Field Championship on Sunday afternoon at the Reggie Lewis Center.

Edmundson leaped 48-feet, 00.50-inches to break a record he previously established at the 1998 New England Collegiate Conference championships. George Mason's Allen Simms won the competition with a mark of 51-11.

In the women's 4x800-relay event, the Great Danes were seventh in 9:12.62 behind champion Pittsburgh (8:49.38). Freshman **Jessica Walton** (Fonda-Fultonville) helped Albany set a school record in qualifying with a time of 9:08.42. Walton, who ran a leadoff leg of 2:16.2, **Diane Matthews**, **Jessica Burger** (Granville Central) and **Megan Roeder** shaved more than 13 seconds off the previous UAlbany standard.

Junior **Jamie Rodriguez** (Christian Brothers Academy) placed ninth in the men's 5,000-meter run, and was clocked in a season-best 14:35.58. **Alix Rodriquez** tied for sixth in the 60-meter dash semifinals, and did not qualify for the final.

WOMEN'S LACROSSE

Baltimore, Md. – **Ashley Staines** had five goals and one assist and **Shannon Gallup** scored four times and totaled four assists to lead Maryland-Baltimore County to a 25-3 non-conference victory over Albany on Sunday afternoon at UMBC Stadium.

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Albany Sports 2-2-2

The Retrievers, the defending Northeast Conference champions, jumped out to a 10-0 lead in their season opener. Staines and **Lauren Traber** each had three goals in that outburst.

Maria Ferrucci, Alexis Esposito (Niskayuna H.S.) and Theresa Masse were the goal scorers for the Great Danes, who fell to 0-2 overall. Goalkeepers **Dawn DiMicco** and **Liz Gress-Byrd**, who combined for 25 saves, were peppered with 55 shots.

-agate-

Albany (0-2) 2 1 - 3 Maryland-Baltimore County (1-0) 15 10 - 25

Albany – Scoring: Maria Ferrucci 1-0, Alexis Esposito 1-0, Theresa Masse 1-0; Goalkeeper(s): Dawn DiMicco (14 goals, 8 saves, 23:00), Liz Gress-Byrd (11 goals, 17 saves, 37:00).

UMBC – Scoring: Ashley Staines 5-1, Shannon Gallup 4-4, Jamie Gerhart 3-1, Lauren Traber 3-1, Wendy Ison 3-0, Amanda Eldridge 2-1, Jen Dragoni 2-1, Beth Milani 1-2, Kim Brown 1-1, Renee Tirocchi 1-0, Molly Buzdygon 0-1; Goalkeeper(s): Amy Jagoda (2 goals, 4 saves, 30:00, Courtney Stringer (1 goal, 4 saves, 30:00).

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BASEBALL

Homestead, Fla. – Brad Rea and Darrin Lenhart each homered and drove in four runs to lead Pittsburgh to a 21-10 victory over Albany on Saturday afternoon at Homestead Sports Complex.

Pittsburgh led 7-6 in the third inning, but then exploded with a six-run frame. Rea, a 6-foot-4, 250-pound All-Big East Conference first baseman, singled to drive in a pair of runs, before Lenhart belted a two-run homer. Rea added another tworun blast when the Panthers scored eight times in the fifth.

Senior outfielder Steve Checksfield led Albany (1-6) with four RBI, as he hit his second home run of the season in the fourth, and added RBI singles in the first and second. Center fielder Michael Oliva tripled, walked and scored twice.

Pittsburgh's Brant Colamarino totaled three RBI and two runs with a home run and a double.

-agate-

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(game ended by 10-run rule)

Shawn Walsh, Adam Harriman (3), Craig Strauss (5), Mike Hammond (5) and Tommy Greene.

Matt Irvin, T.J. Gornatti (4), Scott Schultz (6) and Mike Zambriczki.

INDOOR TRACK

Boston, Mass. – University at Albany's Alix Rodriques advanced in 60-meter dash qualifying at the 80th annual IC4A Indoor Track & Field Championships on Saturday at the Reggie Lewis Center.

MORE

Albany Sports 2-2-2

Rodriques sprinted 6.94 seconds to finish second in his preliminary heat, and will move on to Sunday morning's semifinal round. Chaz Clemons, of Lincoln University, had the best time of the day, and was timed in 6.80. Rodriques failed to advance in his 200-meter dash heat and was third in 22.43.

Albany will have several athletes in action on Sunday, including **Jamie Rodriguez** (Christian Brothers Academy) in the 5,000-meter run, and **Marlon Monroe** and **Ronald Edmundson** in the triple jump.

WOMEN'S LACROSSE

Towson, Md. – Junior attack **Kat Brady** had three goals and three assists to power Towson past Albany, 18-2, on Saturday afternoon at Minnegan Stadium. The visiting Great Danes were opening their 2001 schedule.

Kristyn Krastel added three goals and one assist for the Tigers, who began their season with a 16-3 loss at Georgetown on Thursday. **Nicole Wittelsberger**, who did all of her scoring in the first half, and **Portia Gotwalt** each netted three goals.

Andrea Esposito (Saratoga Springs H.S.) and Alexis DiDomenico had one goal apiece for the Great Danes, who play at Maryland-Baltimore County on Sunday.

-agate-

Albany (0-1) 1 1 - 2 Towson (1-1) 11 7 - 18

Albany – Scoring: Andrea Esposito 1-0, Alexis DiDomenico 1-0; Goalkeeper(s): Dawn DiMicco (11 goals, 5 saves, 30:00), Liz Gress-Byrd (7 goals, 4 saves, 30:00).

Towson – Scoring: Kat Brady 3-3, Kristyn Krastel 3-1, Nicole Wittelsberger 3-0, Portia Gotwalt 3-0, Melissa Garner 1-2, Jaime Neave 1-1, Melissa Raszewski 1-0, Amy Middleton 1-0, Sam Scher 1-0, Merri Adamicki 1-0, Cheryl Back 0-1, Krista Bowerman 0-1, Corey Crawford 0-1; Goalkeeper(s): Autumn Lundgren (1 goal, 1 saves, 30:00, Jessica O'Connell (0 goals, 3 saves, 25:00), Maryanne Jones (1 goals, 1 save, 5:00).

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BASEBALL

Homestead, Fla. – **Nick Catucci** cleared the bases with a double into the left-field gap in the 11th inning, as Mount St. Mary's (Md.) posted a 16-13 victory over Albany on Friday evening at Homestead Sports Complex.

Mount St. Mary's (1-3) took a 13-10 lead in the tenth frame on a pair of sacrifice flies by **Jeff Koenig** and **Chris Staub** and **Burt Stormes'** RBI single. Albany (1-4) rallied with two outs in bottom of the inning, when **Michael Tecklenburg** delivered a two-run single.

The Great Danes sent the four-and-one-half-hour marathon to extra innings by scoring twice in the eighth. **Michael Oliva's** groundout plated one run, before **Jake Toms** drew his team even at 10 apiece with a single.

Catucci, who drove in five runs for the Mountaineers, doubled twice and singled. Koenig went 4-for-5 at the plate with three doubles. Albany's Tecklenburg totaled four hits, three runs and two stolen bases, while catcher **Tommy Greene** added three RBI.

-agate-

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Brian Santo, Robert Taylor (7), Matt Linz (7), Blake Smith (7), Robert Tiffany (8) and Chris Staub.

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SOFTBALL

Fort Myers, Fla. – **Lynnette Bohannan** singled twice, doubled, and drove in two runs to lead Albany to a 7-0 victory over Clarion on Thursday at Lee County Sports Complex. The Great Danes complete their Florida trip with a 3-8 record.

Bohannon, a junior catcher, lined a two-run single, as Albany scored four times in its first at-bat. **Stephanie Strauss** added a sacrifice fly in the frame. Shortstop **Valerie Terry** (South Glens Falls H.S.) singled, doubled and scored a pair of runs to help pace the Albany attack. Freshman **Jessica Kostenblatt** belted a solo home run in the sixth.

Right-hander **Sarah Maida** picked up her first victory this spring. She struck out nine and walked three in posting her fifth career shutout. **Jennifer Reis**, who had two of her team's six hits, led Clarion (6-3).

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