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UALBANY VOLLEYBALL DEFEATS BINGHAMTON, 3-0 IN A-EAST OPENER

Albany, N.Y. – Three players tallied double-digit kills to lead UAlbany to a 3-0 victory over Binghamton in the America East opener for both squads on Tuesday, Oct. 5 at University Gymnasium. **Ashley Hunter** led the Great Danes with 15 kills on 26 attempts for a .500 hitting percentage. UAlbany posted scores of 30-26, 30-22 and 30-17.

Shelby Goldman totaled 14 kills and **Ashlee Reed** chipped in with 12 for UAlbany, who won its seventh straight match. **Ashley DeNeal** led the Great Danes defensively with nine digs, while **Blair Buchanan** amassed 45 assists. **Eileen Nicole Rodriguez** scored two aces and now needs 17 to break the NCAA career record.

For Binghamton (9-10, 0-1 AE), **Jen Smith** registered nine kills and 14 digs, while **Ashley Meffert** tallied 25 assists.

The Great Danes (13-5, 1-0) take to the road for conference matches on Friday at 7 p.m. at Hartford and on Saturday at 7 p.m. at Northeastern.

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University at Albany (13-5, 1-0) def. Binghamton University (9-10, 0-1), 30-26, 30-22 and 30-17.

SYRACUSE SHUTS OUT GREAT DANES, 6-0

Syracuse, N.Y. – **Joanne Lombard** scored four goals in the first half to lead Syracuse over UAlbany 6-0 in non-conference action.

Lombard opened up scoring with 25:01 remaining on an unassisted shot past Great Dane goalkeeper **Barbara Czaplinski**. Lombard then went on to tally three straight shots, including two in under a minute.

Paige Sullivan scored with 13:02 remaining in the game off an assist by **Brittany Carriero**. **Lindsay Peirson** closed out scoring with 7:06 left on the clock to set the score at 6-0.

Syracuse (8-4) outshot UAlbany 11-8. Goalkeeper **Betsy Wagner** made five saves in the cage for the Orange while Czaplinski combined with **Jessica Montmarquet** for three saves in the net for the Great Danes.

UAlbany (5-6, 1-0 AE) will be back in action on Saturday, Oct. 9 as they host Northeastern in American East competition at 4 p.m.

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UAlbany (5-6)	0	0	-	0
Syracuse (8-4)	4	2	-	6

UAlbany—Scoring (G-A): None; Goalkeeper: Barbara Czaplinski (65:39, 3 saves, 6 GA), Jessica Montmarquet (4:21, 0 saves, 0 GA).

Syracuse—Scoring (G-A): Joanne Lombard (4-0), Lindsay Peirson (1-2), Paige Sullivan (1-0), Meg Ryan (0-2), Brittany Carriero (0-1); Goalkeeper: Betsy Wagner (70:00, 5 saves, 0 GA).



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BLAIR BUCHANAN NAMED ECAC CO-PLAYER OF THE WEEK IN VOLLEYBALL

Centerville, Mass. – University at Albany's Blair Buchanan has been chosen as the ECAC Division I Co-Player of the Week in women's volleyball. Buchanan, a sophomore setter, also earned the America East Conference's weekly award on Monday.

Buchanan, an all-around contributor, tallied 141 assists and 16 kills, as the Great Danes completed a 4-0 week that included winning the Brown Invitational title. Buchanan averaged 12.82 assists per game and finished second on the squad with 34 digs. She posted a career-high 65 assists against Boston College and fell one shy of the school's single-game record.

Buchanan leads America East in assists at 11.73 per game. UAlbany (11-5) hosts non-league opponent Iona on Friday at 7:00 p.m.

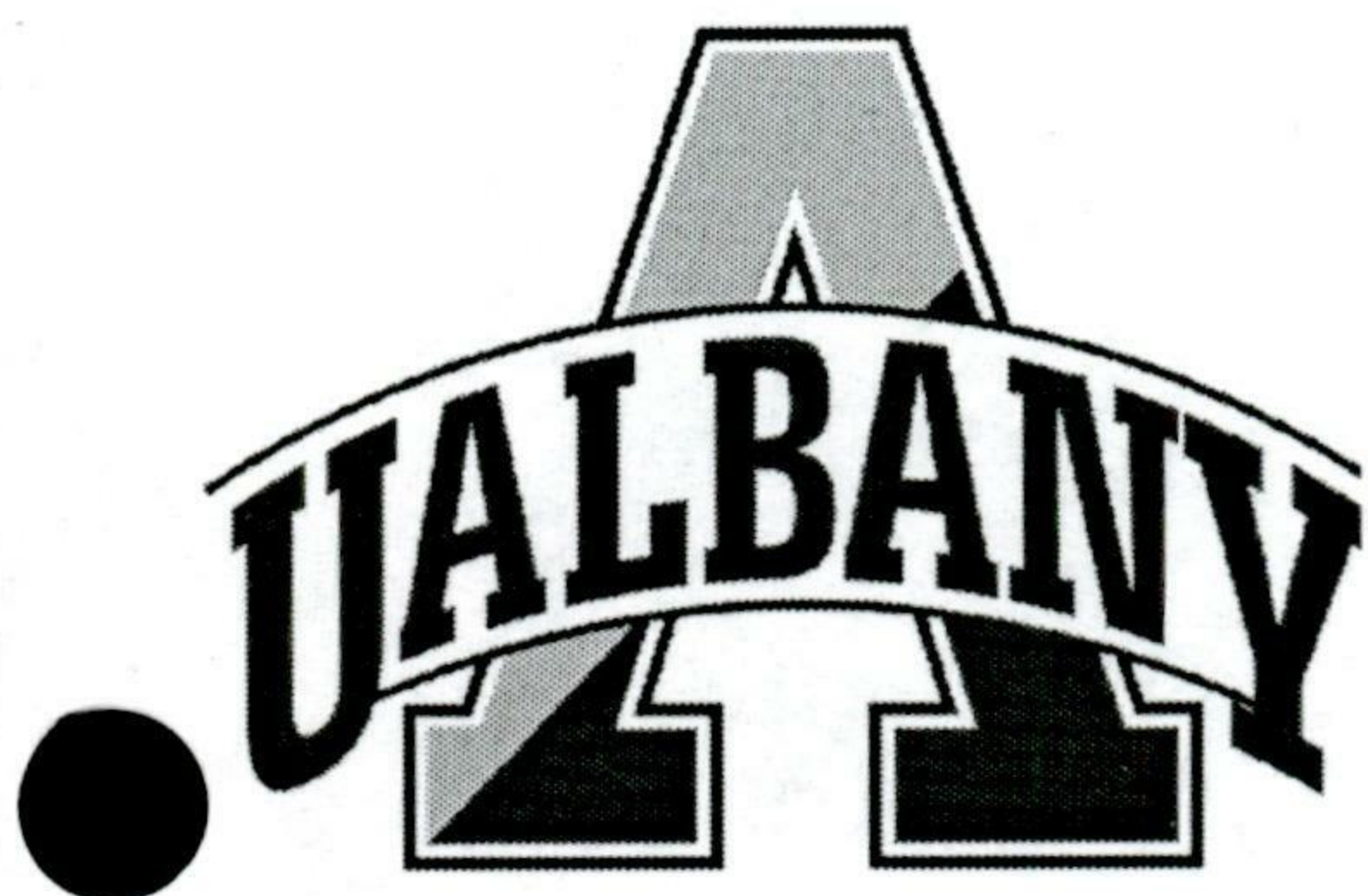
COLIN DISCH NAMED ECAC DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK IN FOOTBALL

Centerville, Mass. – University at Albany's Colin Disch has been selected as the ECAC Division I-AA Defensive Player of the Week in football. Disch was honored earlier this week by Football Gazette and the Northeast Conference for his performance in last Saturday's 23-6 Northeast Conference victory over Sacred Heart. Disch tied a career-high with 13 tackles, including seven unassisted and two for losses. A redshirt freshman linebacker from North Plainfield, N.J., Disch snuffed out two first-quarter scoring threats with an interception and a fumble recovery.

MEN'S SOCCER RANKED FOURTH IN NSCAA NEW YORK REGION POLL

Albany, N.Y. – UAlbany has climbed to fourth in this week's NSCAA/adidas New York Region rankings. The Great Danes, who own a 6-1-1 record, trail St. John's, Hartwick and Binghamton in the regional poll.

Senior goalkeeper Bouna Coundoul, who has six shutouts this season, is fourth among the NCAA Division I leaders with a 0.24 goals against average. UAlbany meets America East-rival Northeastern at Varsity Field on Saturday, Oct. 2 at 1:00 p.m.



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HUNTER GUIDES UALBANY VOLLEYBALL TO 3-2 WIN OVER SYRACUSE

Syracuse, N.Y. – **Ashley Hunter** belted 24 kills to lead UAlbany to a 3-2 victory over Big East Conference rival Syracuse on Tuesday, Sept. 28 at Manley Fieldhouse. The Great Danes and Orange traded wins in the first four games before UAlbany won the decisive fifth game, 15-12.

Shelby Goldman registered 17 kills and **Ashley Green** chipped in with 10. **Blair Buchanan** tallied 64 assists, marking the third time in her last four matches that she has recorded at least 60 helpers. **Ashley DeNeal** amassed a match-high 30 digs, while the UAlbany team totaled 11 team blocks.

For the Orange (13-4), **Kelly Duan** and **Kristen Conway** each finished with 18 kills. The loss snapped a perfect 6-0 start for the Orange at home this season.

The Great Danes (11-5), winners of five straight matches, will be back in action on Friday at 7 p.m. when Iona visits University Gymnasium.

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University at Albany (11-5) def. Syracuse University (13-4), 34-32, 25-30, 33-31, 28-30, 15-12.



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UALBANY PARTICIPATES IN 7th ANNUAL LACROSSE FOR LEUKEMIA EVENT

Albany, N.Y. – Two-time defending America East Conference champion University at Albany will be among 14 college lacrosse teams competing at the Seventh Annual Price Modern “Lacrosse for Leukemia” Fall Invitational Tournament. The round-robin tournament will be held on Saturday, October 2, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., at McDonogh School in Owings Mills, Md. Syracuse, the 2004 National Champion, and Final Four participant Johns Hopkins are also in the field.

Other schools competing are Loyola, Md., Towson, UMBC, Georgetown, Air Force, Rutgers, Penn State, Quinnipiac, Colgate, Washington College and Villanova.

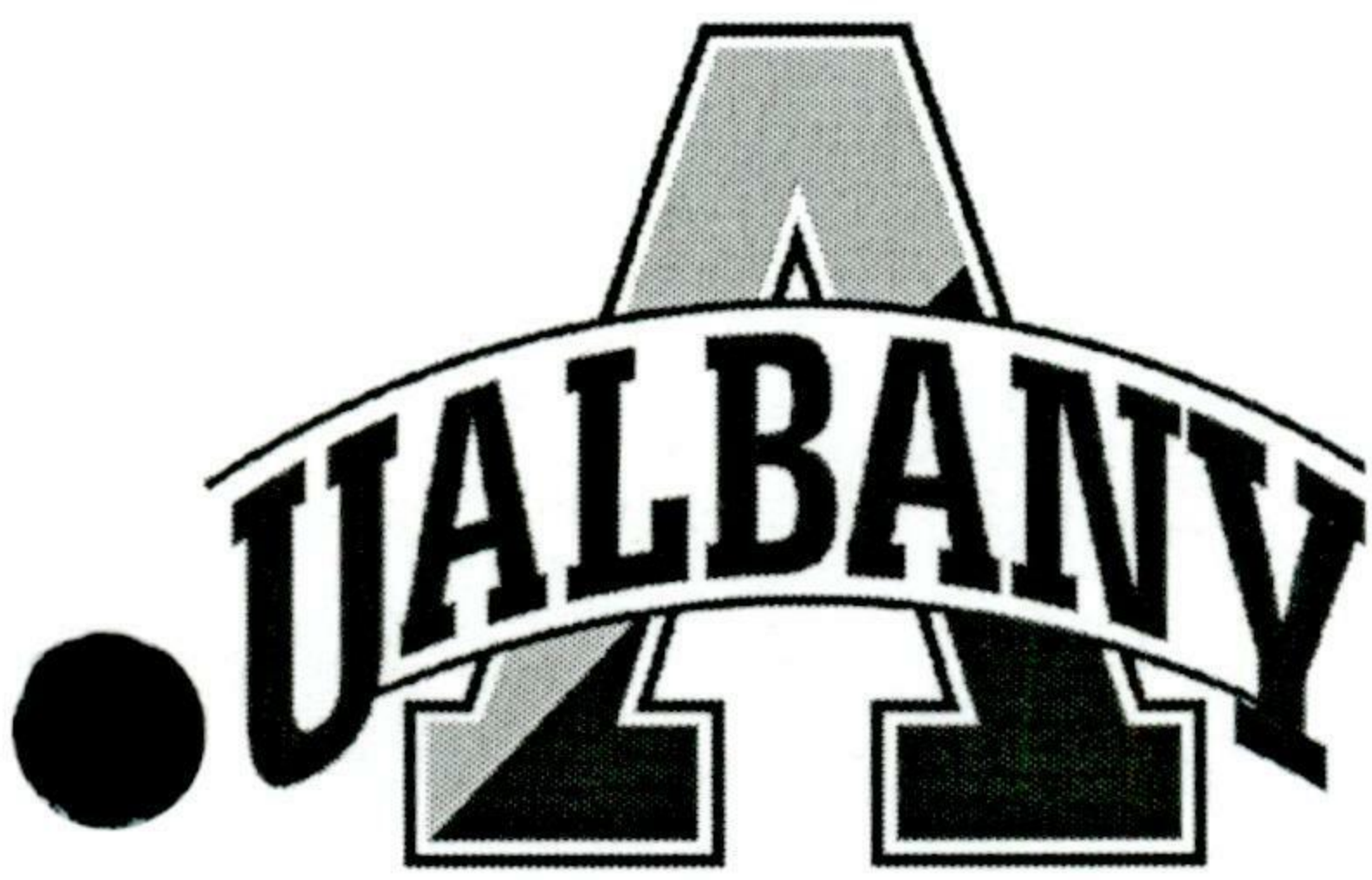
All proceeds from the tournament will benefit the Maryland Chapter of The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, whose mission is to cure leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin’s disease and myeloma and improve the quality of life of patients and their families. The event has raised more than \$650,000 for research and patient services since its inception in 1998.

UAlbany is scheduled to face Air Force at 10:00 a.m., and then meet Penn State at 12 noon. The Great Danes, who are coming off their second consecutive NCAA tournament appearance, posted a 10-6 record last year.

Senior Luke Daquino, a two-time first-team All-America East attackman, heads the list of UAlbany returnees. Merrick Thomson, the 2004 America East Rookie of the Year, ranked 10th nationally in scoring with 47 goals and 12 assists. Senior goalkeeper Kevin Rae, who posted a .578 save percentage last season, has twice been on the all-conference squad.

COLIN DISCH NAMED FOOTBALL GAZETTE DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Westmont, Ill. – University at Albany’s Colin Disch has been chosen as the Football Gazette I-AA Mid-Major National Defensive Player of the Week for his performance in last Saturday’s 23-6 Northeast Conference victory over Sacred Heart. Disch tied a career-high with 13 tackles, including seven unassisted and two for losses. A redshirt freshman linebacker from North Plainfield, N.J., Disch snuffed out two first-quarter scoring threats with an interception and a fumble recovery. He leads the NEC in tackles with a 12.2 average (49 overall), plus has 7.5 hits for a loss.



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COLIN DISCH NAMED NEC DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK IN FOOTBALL

Somerset, N.J. – University at Albany's Colin Disch has been selected as the Northeast Conference Defensive Player of the Week for his performance in last Saturday's 23-6 victory over Sacred Heart, as announced today by the conference office.

Disch, a redshirt freshman, tied a career-high with 13 tackles, including seven unassisted and two for losses. UAlbany's inside linebacker snuffed out a pair of first-quarter scoring threats with an interception and a fumble recovery. Disch, who also plays on special teams, helped his team force four turnovers and hold Sacred Heart to 286 total yards.

Disch, who leads the NEC in tackles with 49 this season, earned the conference's rookie of the week award two weeks ago with another 13-tackle effort against Fordham. UAlbany (1-3) travels to No. 21 Lehigh (2-1) on Saturday, Oct. 2. Kickoff is 1:00 p.m.

BLAIR BUCHANAN EARNS AMERICA EAST VOLLEYBALL AWARD FOR SECOND TIME

Boston, Mass.- University at Albany's Blair Buchanan was named the America East Conference Setter of the Week in women's volleyball for the second consecutive week as announced today by the conference office.

The sophomore setter tallied 141 assists and 16 kills as the Great Danes completed a perfect 4-0 week that included winning the Brown Invitational. Buchanan averaged better than 12.82 assists per game and finished second on the squad with 34 digs. Her 65 assists against Boston College set a new career high and fell one shy of UAlbany's single-game record.

Buchanan leads the Great Danes with 563 assists and her 11.73 assists per game average ranks first in America East. An all-around contributor, Buchanan has recorded 68 kills, 116 digs and 11 total blocks.

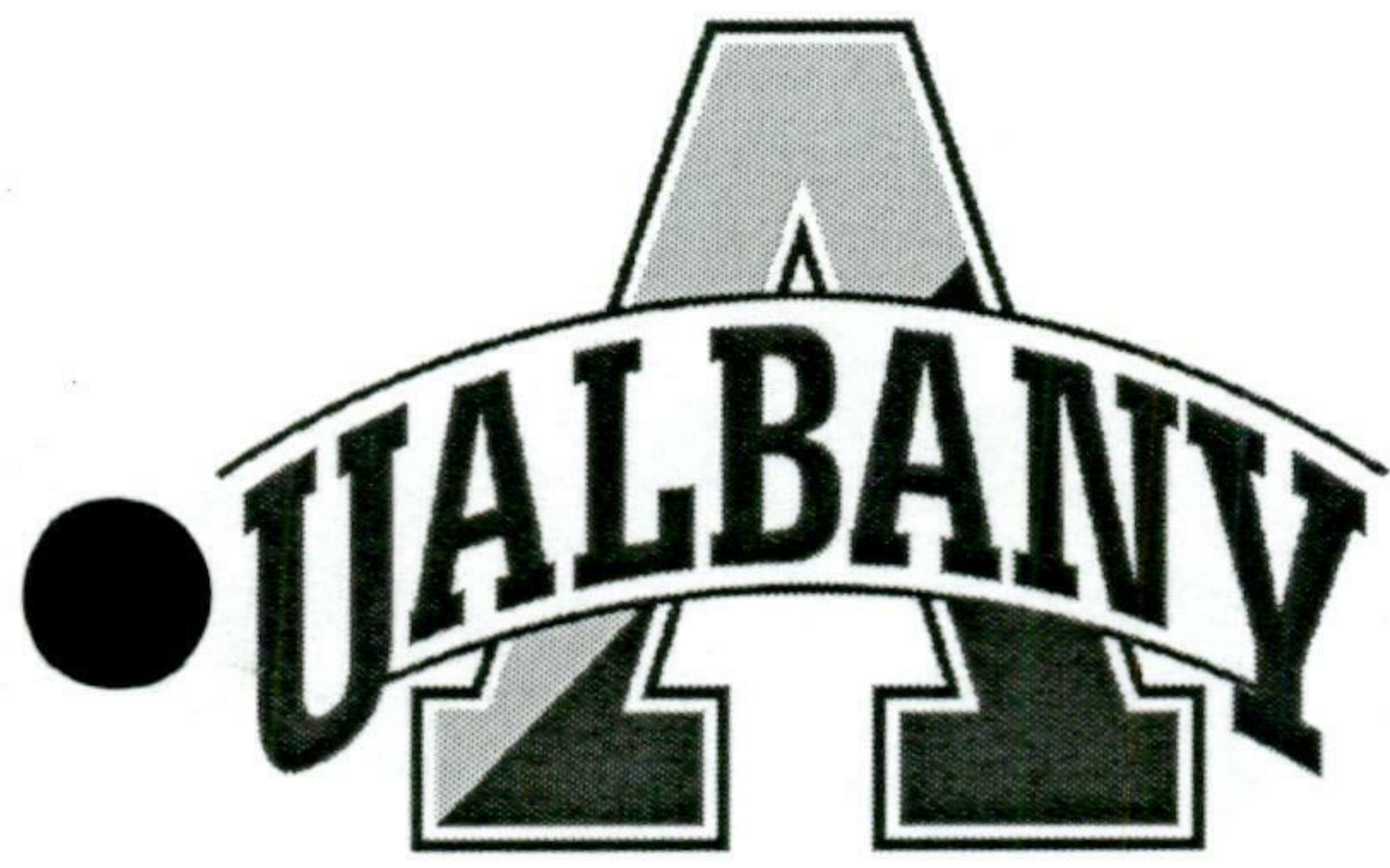
UAlbany (10-5) returns to the court on Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. at Big East Conference opponent Syracuse.

KRISTEN HOLDER EARNS AMERICA EAST CO-ROOKIE OF THE WEEK AWARD

Boston, Mass. -- UAlbany freshman Kristen Holder was named America East Conference Co-Rookie of the Week award in field hockey as announced today by the conference office.

Holder scored the game-winning goal in the Great Danes' 2-1 victory over Providence on Sunday, Sept. 26. The forward, who has started five games in her first season at UAlbany, is currently third on the team in scoring with three goals for six points. Holder is also ranked in the top ten in goals per game in the America East.

Holder shared the award with Boston University's Pam Spuehler. UAlbany (4-5) returns to action on Saturday, Oct. 2 against America East-rival UMBC at 2:00 p.m.



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WOMEN'S SOCCER FALLS TO SYRACUSE, 2-0, IN NON-LEAGUE PLAY

Albany, N.Y. - Junior **Brooke DeRosa** and senior **Talia Andrews-Rankin** each netted their first goal of the season, as Syracuse downed UAlbany, 2-0, in a non-league match on Sunday afternoon at Varsity Field.

DeRosa scored the game-winning goal at 14:48 when her chip shot went through the hands of UAlbany junior goalkeeper **Kate Lawler**. Andrews-Rankin gave the Orange (6-2-1) a two-goal lead with four minutes left before halftime when she stole the ball from a Great Dane defender and scored from 15 yards away.

Syracuse outshot UAlbany in the match, 23-3. Junior **Emily Kowalczyk** made one save for her first blanking of the season. Lawler recorded five of her eight saves in the second half for the Great Danes, who are 2-9 overall.

UAlbany will open America East Conference play on Sunday, Oct. 3 at 1:00 p.m. against Stony Brook.

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Varsity Field - Albany, N.Y.

Syracuse (6-2-1) 2 0 - 2

UAlbany (2-9) 0 0 - 0

UAlbany -- Scoring: None; Goalkeeper: Kate Lawler (90:00, 8 saves, 2 GA)

Syracuse -- Scoring: Goals-Assists: Talia Andrews-Rankin 1-0, Brooke DeRosa 1-0;

Goalkeeper: Emily Kowalczyk (90:00, 1 save, 0 GA)

Shots: Syracuse 23, UAlbany 3; Corner Kicks: Syracuse 7, UAlbany 2.

FRESHMAN AIMEE KERN COMPLETES THREE-WIN WEEKEND FOR UALBANY

Albany, N.Y. - Freshman **Aimee Kern** won her third singles match of the weekend in day two of the UAlbany Tennis Invitational on Sunday, Sept. 26 at University Courts. Kern defeated Siena's **Brooke Fisher**, 6-0, 6-1.

The Great Danes notched two doubles victories, with one coming when **Courtney Michels** teamed with Kern for an 8-3 win over **Denisa Hluchova** and **Karina Davis** of Siena. Then freshmen **Christina Suarez** and **Amanda Hall** defeated Fisher and **Meghan Slenkamp** of Siena, 8-4.

UAlbany returns to the courts on Oct. 9-10 at the Binghamton Invitational.

UAlbany vs. Siena

Singles:

- #1 Denisa Hluchova (SC) def. Courtney Michels (UA), 3-6, 6-4, 10-5.
- #2 Julia Lebedev (SC) def. Christina Suarez (UA), 6-3, 6-0.
- #3 Karina Davis (SC) def. Amanda Hall (UA), 7-6 (4), 6-4.
- #4 Aimee Kern (UA) def. Brooke Fisher (SC), 6-0, 6-1.
- #5 Meghan Slenkamp (SC) def. Kim Westcott (UA), 6-3, 7-6 (7-4).
- #6 Anita Pudusseri (SC) def. Amanda Brown (UA), 6-1, 7-6 (4), 10-5.

Doubles:

- #1 Michels/Kern (UA) def. Hluchova/Davis (SC), 8-3.
- #2 Suarez/Hall (UA) def. Fisher/Slenkamp (SC), 8-4.
- #3 Lebedev/Sugam Langer def. Westcott/Levis (UA), 9-7.

Siena vs. Montreal

Singles:

- #1 Denisa Hluchova (SC) def. Catherine Ouimet (UM), 6-3, 6-3.
- #2 Julia Lebedev (UA) def. Maude Page (UM), 6-0, 6-1.
- #3 Karina Davis (SC) def. Catherine Rode (UM), 5-7, 6-2, 10-6.
- #4 Brooke Fisher (SC) def. Karine Touzin (UM), 3-6, 6-2, 10-6.
- #5 Megan Slenkamp (SC) def. Perrine Huss (UM), 6-4, 1-6, 11-9.
- #6 Sugam Langer (SC) def. Zara Villani (UM), 6-0, 6-1.

Doubles:

- #1 Hluchova/Davis (SC) def. Ouimet/Page (UM), 8-4.
- #2 Fisher/Slenkamp (SC) def. Huss/Rode (UM), 8-5.
- #3 Paiment/Marie-Andree Vigneault (UM) def. Lebedev/Langer, 8-5.

UALBANY WOMEN'S GOLF FINISHES FIFTH AT MT. HOLYOKE INVITATIONAL

South Hadley, Mass. – UAlbany's **Jill Friedman** placed ninth overall with a two-day score of 164 to lead the Great Dane golf team to a fifth place finish at the Mt. Holyoke Invitational. The tournament was held at The Orchards, host of the 2004 Women's U.S. Open.

Friedman shot two rounds of 82 over 36 holes to tie her with McDaniel's **Garnett Pumphrey** for ninth place individually.

Diane Onofry finished with a score of 164 (83-84) to finish tied for 13th overall for the Great Danes, while **Anne Lyons** shot a 185 (95-90) to place 38th.

McDaniel's **Kelly Cramp** took the individual championship with a score of 154 (80-74). Wellesley's **Susan Choi** was second (79-76—155) while Mt. Holyoke's **Audry Longo** finished third (78-80—158). **Jaclyn Sanders** of St. John's (81-79—160), Hartford's **Juliana Carrilo** (81-80—161) and St. John's **Brittany Lambertson** (82-79—161) rounded out the top five.

With three players in the top ten and all six players in the top fifteen, St. John's claimed the team championship with a two-day score of 645 (329-316). Hartford was second in team scoring (337-338—675) while McDaniel (345-350—695), Boston University (343-354—697) and UAlbany rounded out the top five.

Lauren Bruce (40th, 99-89—188) and **Maggie Taylert** (47th, 99-95—194) also competed for UAlbany.

The Great Danes will be back in action on Saturday, Oct. 2 as they compete against crosstown-rival Siena along with Fairfield and Hartford in Altamont, N.Y.

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Mt. Holyoke Invitational
(The Orchards – South Hadley, Mass.)

TEAM: 1. St. John's, 329-316—645 2. Hartford, 337-338—675 3. McDaniel, 345-350—695 4. Boston U., 343-354—697 **5. UAlbany, 359-345—704** 6. Amherst, Mt. Holyoke, 355-355—710 8. CCSU, 370-351—721 9. Wellesley 385-347—732 10. Fairfield, 385-364—749 11. Holy Cross, 381-375—756 12. St. Lawrence, 376-395—771.

INDIVIDUAL

1. Kelly Cramp, McDaniel, 80-74—154, 2. Susan Choi, Wellesley, 79-76—155, 3. Audry Longo, Mt. Holyoke, 78-80—158, 4. Jaclyn Sanders, St. John's, 81-79—160, 5. Juliana Carrillo, Hartford, 81-80, Brittany Lambertson, St. John's 82-79—161, 7. Brenna Gibson, Boston U. 84-79, Christen Thomson, St. John's, 86-77—163, **9. Jill Friedman, UAlbany, 82-82**, Garnett Pumphrey, McDaniel, 79-85—164.

OTHER UALBANY SCORES

13. Diane Onofry, 83-84—167, 38. Anne Lyons, 95-90—185, 40. Lauren Bruce, 99-89—188, t47. Maggie Taylert, 99-95—194.

UALBANY FIELD HOCKEY DEFEATS PROVIDENCE, 2-1 IN NON-CONFERENCE ACTION

Durham, N.H. – **Kristen Holder** capitalized on a pass from **Alexis Johnson** late in the second half to score the gamewinning goal, leading UAlbany to a 2-1 victory over Providence on Sunday, Sept. 25.

Providence took an early lead on an unassisted shot by **Jessica Weinstein** at 11:24. The Friars held onto their one goal lead until late in the second half when UAlbany senior **Kristi Clausi** converted a penalty shot past Providence goalkeeper **Meredith Jones**.

Great Dane goaltender **Barbara Czaplinski** made nine saves in the cage for UAlbany while Jones stopped eight shots for the Friars.

UAlbany outshot Providence 18-14 in the game. The teams were tied with six penalty corners apiece.

The Great Danes will be back in action on Saturday, Oct. 2 as they travel to UMBC to open up the America East slate with a 2 p.m. game.

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Memorial Field (Durham, N.H.)

UAlbany (4-5)	0	2	-	2
Providence (4-7)	1	0	-	1

UAlbany—Scoring (G-A): Kristi Clausi (1-0), Kristen Holder (1-0), Alexis Johnson (0-1); Goalkeeper: Barbara Czaplinski (70:00, 9 saves, 1 GA).

Providence—Scoring (G-A): Jessica Weinstein (1-0); Goalkeeper: Meredith Jones (70:00, 8 saves, 2 GA).



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ASHLEY HUNTER SPARKS UALBANY VOLLEYBALL TO VICTORY

Providence, R.I. – Junior **Ashley Hunter** amassed 32 kills as UAlbany defeated Boston College, 3-2, in the second day of the Brown Invitational on Saturday, Sept. 25 at the Pizzatola Center. The Great Danes and Eagles split the first four games of the match before UAlbany captured the decisive fifth game, 15-12.

Sophomore setter **Blair Buchanan** established a new career high with 65 assists, surpassing her previous best of 56 set earlier this year. **Shelby Goldman** added a season-best 20 kills, while **Ashley Green** chipped in with 11 kills, one solo block and three block assists. **Ashley DeNeal** registered a career-best 27 digs to spur the defensive effort.

Katie Andersen led the Eagles (7-7) with 13 kills, with **Alison Shepp** adding 11.

In their second match of the day, the Great Danes defeated host Brown 3-0 to claim the Invitational Championship.

UAlbany, who defeated the Bears with scores of 30-20, 30-25, 30-28, was led by Goldman with 14 kills. Hunter continued her impressive play for the Great Danes, recording 11 kills in the match. **Susan Spierre** added seven kills along with her team-high three block assists.

Buchanan registered a match-high 37 assists as well as nine digs. DeNeal, who was named to the All-Tournament team along with teammate Hunter, was also strong defensively, recording nine digs of her own.

Rikki Baldwin led Brown with 10 kills while **Elvina Kung** made 21 defensive digs for the Bears. **Leigh Martin** recorded 29 assists for Brown.

UAlbany (10-5) returns to the court on Tuesday at 7 p.m. at Syracuse.

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University at Albany (9-5) def. Boston College (7-7), 30-28, 28-30, 30-18, 28-30, 15-12.

University at Albany (10-5) def. Brown University (2-6), 30-20, 30-25, 30-28.

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GREAT DANES HOST MONTREAL AND HOLY CROSS AT UALBANY INVITATIONAL

Albany, N.Y. - Freshmen Amanda Hall and Aimee Kern won both of their singles matches on the first day of play as the Great Danes hosted the UAlbany Tennis Invitational on Saturday, September 25, on University Courts.

Hall defeated Maude Page of the University of Montreal 6-0, 3-6, 14-12 in her first match of the day and followed up with an 8-1 victory over Meredith Bacon of Holy Cross. Kern claimed her first win of the day over Montreal's Sophie Paiment, 6-1, 6-4, while defeating Holy Cross' Amy Garrity 10-6 later in the day.

Albany's Christina Suarez was also victorious in both matches, claiming a 2-6, 6-4, 13-11 victory over Montreal's Catherine Oumet and an 8-2 win over Katie Irwin of Holy Cross.

In doubles action, UAlbany's Courtney Michels joined Kern for two notches in the win column over Paiment and Katrine Touzin of Montreal and Kerry Trimmer and Amy Garrity of Holy Cross. Suarez and Hall combined to split victories on the day, falling to Oumet and Marie-Andree Vigneault of Montreal, 8-1 while defeating the Crusaders' Irwin and Meg Moran 9-7.

Michels fell to Vigneault in singles action before beating Trimmer 10-5.

Tournament play resumes on Sunday at 9 a.m. at University Courts.

UAlbany vs. Montreal

Singles:

#1 Marie-Andree Vigneault (UM) def. Courtney Michels (UA), 6-3, 4-6, 10-6.

#2 Christina Suarez (UA) def. Catherine Oumet (UM), 2-6, 6-4, 13-11.

#3 Amanda Hall (UA) def. Maude Page (UM), 6-0, 3-6, 14-12.

#4 Aimee Kern (UA) def. Sophie Paiment (UM), 6-1, 6-4.

#5 Karine Touzin (UM) def. Kim Westcott (UA), 7-5, 6-4.

#6 Catherine Rode (UM) def. Amanda Brown (UA), 6-0, 6-0.

#7 Zara Villani (UM) def. Kerry Levis (UA), 6-2, 6-3.

#8 Perrine Huss (UM) def. Priya Patel (UA), 6-1, 6-1.

Doubles:

#1 Oumet/Vigneault (UM) def. Suarez/Hall (UA), 8-1.

#2 Michels/Kern (UA) def. Paiment/Touzin (UM), 8-1

#3 Page/Villani (UM) def. Westcott/Levis (UA), 8-5.

#4 Rode/Huss (UM) def. Brown/Patel (UA), 8-4.

Holy Cross vs. Montreal

Singles:

#1 Kerry Trimmer (HC) def. Marie-Andree Vigneault (UM), 8-2.

#2 Catherine Oumet (UM) def. Katie Irwin (HC), 8-1.

#3 Maude Page (UM) def. Meredith Bacon (HC), 8-4.

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#4 Amy Garrity (HC) def. Sophie Paiment (UM), 8-3.

#5 Meg Moran (HC) def. Karine Touzin (UM), 8-2.

#6 Catherine Rode (UM) def. Kristen Foley (HC), 8-0.

#7 Diana Mahoney (HC) def. Zara Villani (UM), 10-5.

#8 Perrine Huss (UM) def. Ginnene Sartoro (HC), 10-3.

Doubles:

#1 Trimmer/Garrity (HC) def. Ouimet/Vigneault (UM), 8-5.

#2 Paiment/Touzin (UM) def. Irwin/Moran (HC), 9-8 (5).

#3 Page/Villani (UM) def. Bacon/Foley (HC), 8-2.

#4 Rode/Huss (UM) def. Sartoro/Mahoney (HC), 8-3.

UAlbany vs. Holy Cross

Singles:

#1 Courtney Michels (UA) def. Kerry Trimmer (HC), 10-5.

#2 Christina Suarez (UA) def. Katie Irwin (HC), 8-2.

#3 Amanda Hall (UA) def. Meredith Bacon (HC), 8-1.

#4 Aimee Kern (UA) def. Amy Garrity (HC), 10-6.

#5 Meg Moran (HC) def. Kim Westcott (UA), 8-5.

#6 Kristen Foley (HC) def. Amanda Brown (UA), 10-3.

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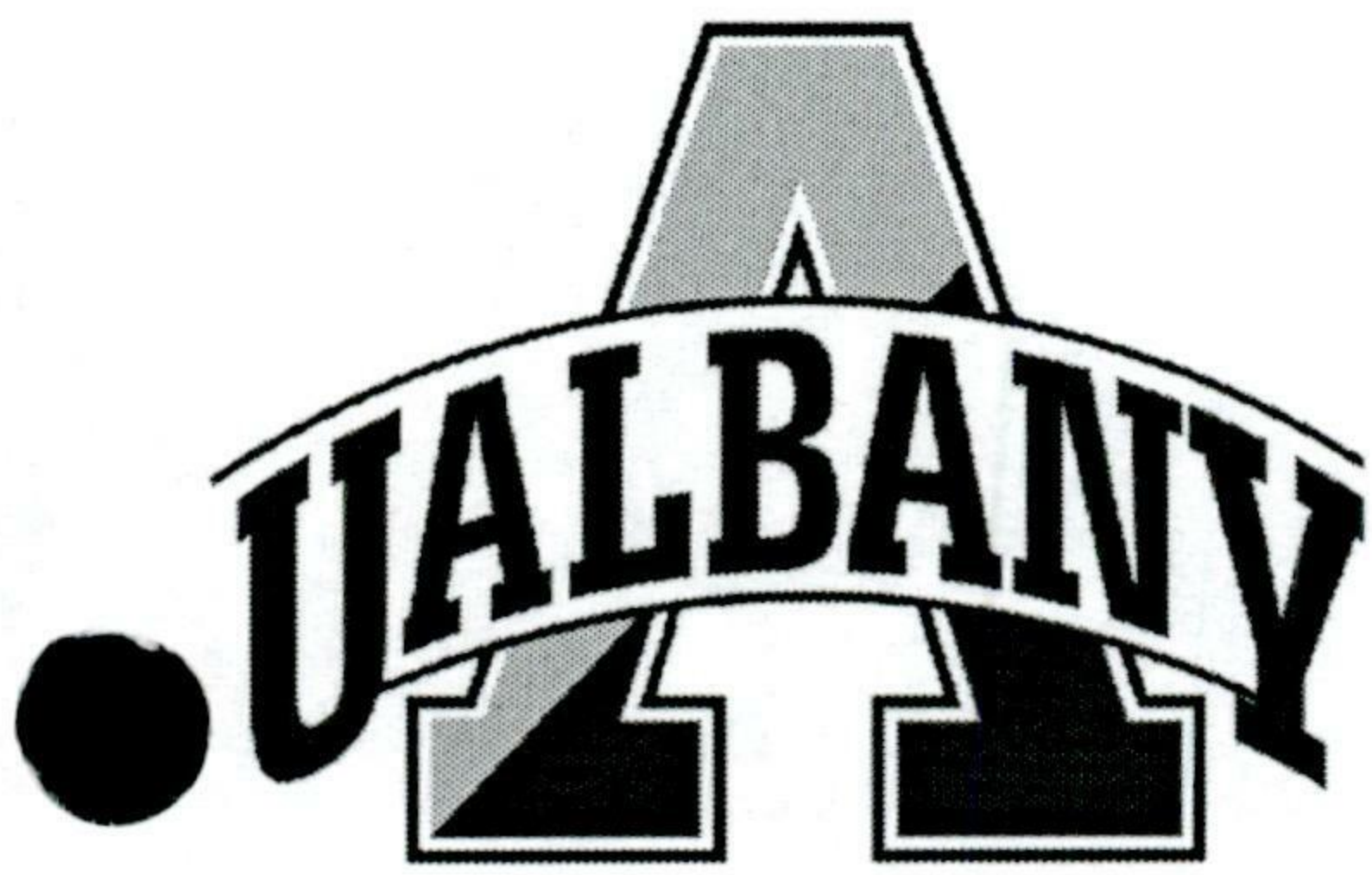
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#1 Michels/Kern (UA) def. Trimmer/Garrity (HC), 8-4.

#2 Suarez/Hall (UA) def. Irwin/Moran (HC), 9-7.

#3 Westcott/Levis (UA) def. Bacon/Foley (HC), 8-5.

#4 Sartoro/Mahoney (HC) def. Brown/Patel (UA), 8-4.



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UALBANY EDGES UMBC IN AMERICA EAST OPENER, 1-0

Albany, N.Y. – **Yan Gbolo** netted the game's lone goal early in the second half as UAlbany defeated UMBC, 1-0, in both team's America East Conference men's soccer opener on Saturday. It was the third game-winning goal of the season for the sophomore forward.

Gbolo took the shot from 20-yards out on the right side and slipped it past UMBC junior goalkeeper **Andy Marchica** in the near lower corner at the 48:41 mark. Junior forward **Jonathan Stroud** and freshman midfielder/forward **Eric Zekiroski** recorded assists on the goal.

The Great Danes edged the Retrievers in shots, 13-12. UAlbany senior **Bouna Coundoul** notched his sixth shutout of the season as he stopped three shots. Marchica made four saves in the contest for UMBC (4-1-1, AE 0-1). Coundoul, who is currently ranked fifth in the nation in goals against average, now has 12 shutouts in his Great Dane career.

UAlbany (6-1-1, AE 1-0) hosts Northeastern on Saturday, Oct. 2 at 1:00 p.m. in America East Conference action.

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Varsity Field -- Albany, N.Y.

UMBC (4-1-1, AE 0-1)	0	0	-	0
UAlbany (6-1-1, AE 1-0)	0	1	-	1

UAlbany--Scoring: Yan Gbolo 1-0, Jonathan Stroud 0-1, Eric Zekiroski 0-1; Goalkeeper: Bouna Coundoul (90:00, 3 saves, 0 GA)

UMBC--Scoring: None; Goalkeeper: Andy Marchica (90:00, 4 saves, 0 GA)

Shots: UAlbany 13, UMBC 12; Corner Kicks: UMBC 4, UAlbany 1.



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ASHLEE REED CARRIES UALBANY VOLLEYBALL TO 3-0 VICTORY

Providence, R.I. – **Ashlee Reed** tallied 12 kills and three total blocks to lead UAlbany to a 3-0 defeat of St. Peter's in the opening round of the Brown Invitational on Friday, Sept. 24 at the Pizzatola Center. All three games were close, with the Great Danes posting scores of 32-30, 30-27 and 30-27.

Shelby Goldman also registered double-digit kills with 11, while **Susan Spierre** managed eight kills and nine digs. **Jill Dombrowski** and **Blair Buchanan** shared time at setter and finished with 18 and 13 assists, respectively. **Eileen Nicole Rodriguez** amassed eight service aces and is now 29 shy of the NCAA career record.

Valeria Kovaleva led four players with double-digit kills for St. Peter's (1-8).

The Great Danes (8-5) resume tournament action on Saturday at 10 a.m. against Boston College before taking on host Brown at 7 p.m.

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University at Albany (8-5) def. St. Peter's College (1-8), 32-30, 30-27, 30-27.

WOMEN'S SOCCER EDGED AT IONA, 2-1

New Rochelle, N.Y. - Sophomore **Sara Monarch** scored on a free kick as time expired at the end of the first half and her deciding goal held up, as Iona downed UAlbany, 2-1, on Friday afternoon at Mazzella Field.

Monarch placed the free kick into the opposite top corner past UAlbany junior goalkeeper **Kate Lawler** from 35 yards out. The Gaels opened the scoring at the 19:07 mark when freshman **Tiffany Lucas** scored on a rebound off of a corner kick. The Great Danes drew even at 27:53 when senior **Sara Rickard** scored her fourth goal of the season from in front of the goal. Junior **Nicole Hercules** and freshman **Uju Ogbuawa** picked up assists on the play.

Iona (4-4-1) outshot UAlbany in the match, 22-8. Freshman goalkeeper **Jessica Martin** made two of her four saves in a scoreless second half for the Gaels. Lawler turned away 10 shots for the Great Danes.

UAlbany (2-8) will host Syracuse on Sunday afternoon, with match time at 1 p.m.

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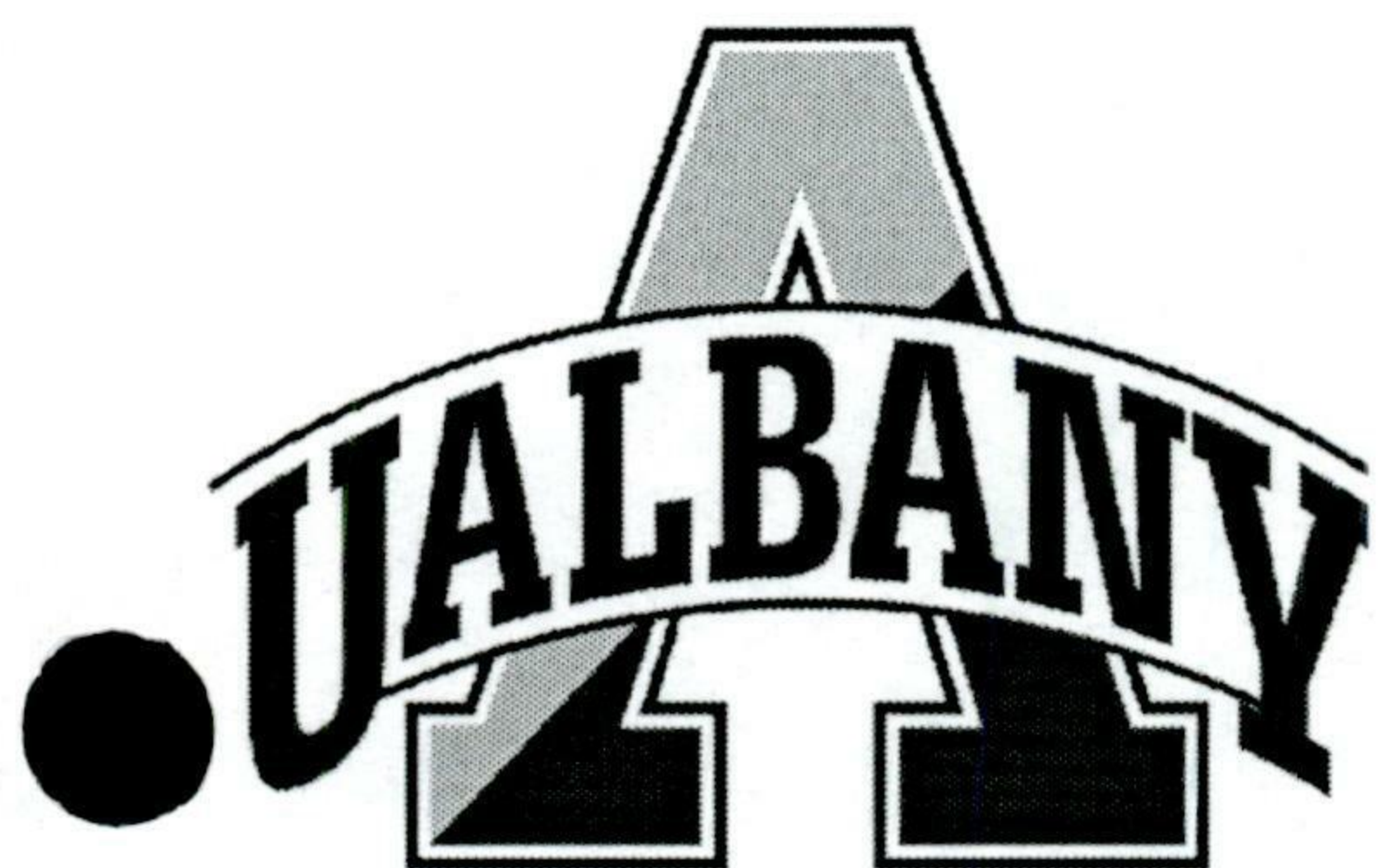
Mazzella Field - New Rochelle, N.Y.

UAlbany (2-8)	1	0	-	1
Iona (4-4-1)	2	0	-	2

UAlbany--Scoring: Sara Rickard 1-0, Nicole Hercules 0-1, Uju Ogbuawa 0-1; Goalkeeper: Kate Lawler (90:00, 10 saves, 2 GA)

Rider--Scoring: Goals-Assists: Tiffany Lucas 1-0, Sara Monarch 1-0, Eleri Earnshaw 0-1; Goalkeeper: Jessica Martin (90:00, 4 saves, 1 GA)

Shots: Iona 22, UAlbany 8; Corner Kicks: Iona 4, UAlbany 0.



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SQUEGLIA'S GOAL LIFTS UALBANY PAST SYRACUSE, 1-0

Albany, N.Y. – Sophomore **Peter Squeglia** (Mohonasen) scored the game's lone goal as UAlbany defeated Syracuse, 1-0, on Wednesday afternoon at Varsity Field. The Great Danes have won two matches in a row since a, 1-0, setback to Colgate on Sept 15.

Squeglia followed sophomore **Yan Gbolo's** shot that hit the post and blasted it past Orange junior goalkeeper **Rich Scheer** for his first goal of the season at the 16:26 mark. Gbolo and senior **Rodrigo Marion** picked up assists on the play. Syracuse's best chance to tie the game was with just over 13 minutes left, but the shot went wide by junior **Alejandro Nuno**.

The Orange outshot the Great Danes in the match, 10-8. UAlbany senior **Bouna Coundoul** made two saves in the contest for his fifth shutout of the season. Scheer turned away two shots for Syracuse, who are now 2-4 on the season. UAlbany (5-1-1) begins America East Conference play on Saturday, Sept. 25 at 1 p.m. against UMBC.

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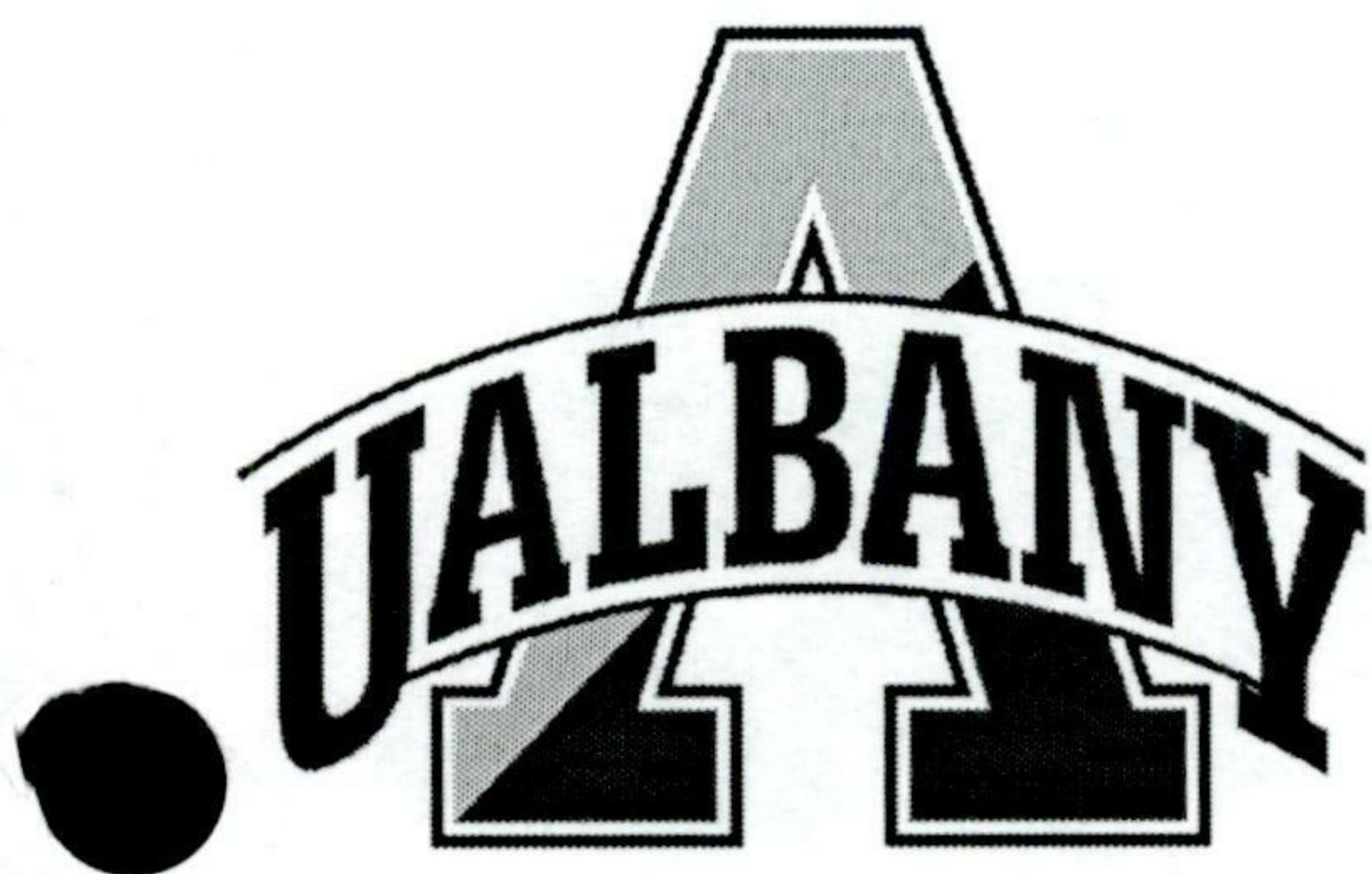
Varsity Field -- Albany, N.Y.

Syracuse (2-4)	0	0	-	0
UAlbany (5-1-1)	1	0	-	1

UAlbany--Scoring: Peter Squeglia 1-0, Yan Gbolo 0-1, Rodrigo Marion 0-1; Goalkeeper: Bouna Coundoul (90:00, 2 saves, 0 GA)

Syracuse--Scoring: None; Goalkeeper: Rich Scheer (90:00, 2 saves, 1 GA)

Shots: Syracuse 10, UAlbany 8; Corner Kicks: UAlbany 4, Syracuse 4.



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UALBANY VOLLEYBALL SWEEPS CROSSTOWN-RIVAL SIENA, 3-0

ALBANY, N.Y. – **Shelby Goldman** recorded a game-high 12 kills to lead the UAlbany volleyball team to a 3-0 sweep of crosstown-rival Siena on Tuesday, Sept. 21.

Ashlee Reed tallied 11 kills along with four digs for the Great Danes, who won convincingly in straight sets, 30-14, 30-10, 30-19. Setter **Blair Buchanan** recorded a game-high 26 assists along with a perfect hitting percentage, converting three kills on three attempts. **Susan Spierre** notched eight kills for UAlbany, adding four digs and two block assists.

Eileen Nicole Rodriguez, with six service aces on the night, needs only 37 more to move ahead of Casie Alexander for the NCAA career service ace record.

Christie Gustafson led Siena with four kills and four digs. **Liz Hubbard** and **Nadiege Honore** each chipped in four kills, while **Jessica Hackett** led the Saints defensively, tallying seven digs.

The Great Danes will be back in action on Friday, Sept. 24 as they face St. Peter's on the first day of the Brown Tournament.

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University at Albany (7-5) def. Siena College (3-8), 30-14, 30-10 and 30-19.



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UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY ENSHRINES FOUR INTO ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

Albany, N.Y. – Four former athletes will be enshrined into the University at Albany Athletic Hall of Fame on Friday, October 15 at the 21st annual HOF Dinner and Induction Ceremony. A reception for the Athletic Hall of Fame inductees begins at 6:00 p.m., with the dinner and ceremony to follow in the Recreation and Convocation Center (RACC) on campus. Hall of Fame Weekend includes Saturday's home football game with Northeast Conference-rival Monmouth at 1:00 p.m., and a women's volleyball match with Maine at 4:00 p.m. Cross Country's 38th Albany Invitational, scheduled for the UAlbany campus course, features the men's race at 10 a.m. and the women's event at 11 a.m.

The new inductees and their sports: **Xiomara Davila Diaz** '99, track & field; **Peter Pedro** '90, football; **Bill Vanos** '94, cross country/track; and **Kimberly Toone** '95, track & field (deceased).

With this year's class, there are 103 former athletes, coaches, and administrators who have been inducted into the University's Athletic Hall of Fame.

Xiomara (Davila Diaz) Van Deirse (1996-99) -- Davila Diaz was one of UAlbany's top hurdlers and sprinters during the women's track and field program's Division II era in the late 1990s. She shared the school's Female Athlete of the Year award in the 1998-99 academic year.

A native of Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico, Davila Diaz had an amazing senior campaign, when she was voted the athlete of the meet at both the 1999 ECAC Division II and New England Collegiate Conference indoor championships. The Great Danes captured both team titles. At the ECAC meet, Davila Diaz won the 55-meter hurdles, placed second in two other events, and was a member of the winning distance medley relay. She was a double-winner in the 55-hurdles and 55-dash at NECC indoors, and anchored the first-place 1,600-meter relay.

As an outdoor competitor, Davila Diaz qualified for the 1999 ECAC Division I championships in both the 100- and 400-meter hurdles. She also led the 1,600-meter relay to the women's program's first-ever Penn Relays title with an event- and school-record performance of 3:53.23.

In 1997, she competed at the NCAA Division II championships in the 100- and 400-hurdles and as a member of the 4x100 relay. Davila Diaz placed fifth in the 400-hurdles with a time of 1:00.70, and was named to the All-East squad by Eastern Track Magazine. She also took sixth in the 100-hurdles and helped UAlbany finish 12th overall in the team standings. At the national indoor championships, Davila Diaz placed fourth in the 55-hurdles and seventh in the 55-dash, as UAlbany tied for 15th as a team.

During her career, Davila Diaz established school records in the indoor 400- and 500-meter dashes, plus the outdoor 400-hurdles and 800-meter run. She was a member of six UAlbany record-setting relay teams, including the indoor 4x400 relay and the outdoor shuttle hurdle relay.

Davila Diaz received her undergraduate degree in biology with a Spanish minor. She then attended Albany Medical College, where she obtained a cytotechnology license, before earning her M.A. in sports administration from Xavier University. Davila Diaz, who also became the Puerto Rican national champion in the 100-meter hurdles, is in her second year as a running back for the Cincinnati Sizzle, a women's professional football franchise. Davila Diaz and her husband, Christian Van Deirse, are the parents of a two-year old son, Drelyn, and reside in Erlanger, Ky.

Peter Pedro (1986-90) -- One of the top fullbacks in the UAlbany football program's history, Pedro is among the school's all-time rushers by incorporating a combination of speed, vision and balance in head coach Bob Ford's wishbone offense.

Pedro, a 5-foot-7, 185-pound runner, currently ranks fourth among the program's career rushing leaders with 2,612 yards. He became a starter immediately as a freshman, and went on to average 5.4 yards per carry and score 22 career touchdowns. Pedro is also eighth among UAlbany's all-time leaders in career all-purpose yards (2,618) and is both ninth in total offense and scoring with 132 points.

Pedro, who hails from Lynn, Mass. (Lynn Classical H.S.), led the Great Danes in rushing as a sophomore and junior with 800-plus yards in both seasons. He gained 829 yards on the ground and scored seven touchdowns in 1987, when he was named Pizza Hut honorable mention All-American and received the team's top offensive back award. He ran for a career-high 186 yards

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on 18 carries in a 35-19 victory over Norwich and was chosen to the ECAC Division III Honor Roll.

As a sophomore, Pedro rushed for 815 yards and eight touchdowns, plus led the team in scoring with 48 points. He topped the 100-yard mark on three occasions, including a 140-yard performance in a 30-17 win at Rensselaer. Additionally, he was one of four captains on the 1989 squad when he earned his fourth varsity letter. Pedro, who averaged 5.2 yards per attempt and reached the end zone four times, recorded one of the longest runs in school annals, when he rumbled 78 yards for a touchdown against Western Connecticut.

Pedro received his undergraduate degree in sociology with a minor in business administration from UAlbany in 1990. He is presently Senior Vice President for Sales and Marketing and a full partner with The Bostonian Group. The Boston-based company serves more than 200 corporate clients, in both the public and private sector, as an employee benefits consultant. Pedro and his wife, Michelle, have three children, Alex (6), Olivia (3) and Amelia (1).

Pedro is the son of "Pistol" Pete Pedro, who is still one of the top rushers in West Texas A&M University (formerly West Texas State) history and a member of the school's Hall of Champions. Mr. Pedro, who was enshrined into the Hall in 1988, rushed for 2,167 yards and 33 touchdowns from 1961-63, and played on the 1962 Sun Bowl championship squad. He was drafted by the NFL's Boston Patriots in 1964.

Kimberly Toone (1994-96) -- An All-America track athlete in the mid-1990s, Toone is being inducted into UAlbany's Athletic Hall of Fame posthumously. She died, at the age of 22, in a tragic auto accident on March 6, 1996 while returning to campus from New York City. Toone was about to begin final preparations for the NCAA Division II indoor track and field championships in Indianapolis, Indiana.

A native of St. Albans, N.Y., Toone would have been a competitor in both the long jump and 55-meter hurdles at the NCAA championships. She captured the ECAC long jump title in her last meet, and was a member of the winning 4x200-meter relay that set a school record with a time of 1:45.46. Toone also won the Collegiate Track Conference (CTC) long jump and 55-hurdles events in February. In a triangular on January 13 at the Recreation and Convocation Center, she established UAlbany's indoor long jump standard, and qualified for nationals with a leap of 19-feet, 2-inches.

Toone did not compete on the high school level in track and field at Bronx High School of Science, and became a collegiate track athlete as a junior in 1994. Under the supervision of UAlbany coach Roberto Vives, she qualified for both the national indoor and outdoor championships the following season in the school's final year of NCAA Division III competition. Toone was a three-event CTC outdoor champion in the long jump, 100-meter hurdles and 400-hurdles in 1995. In addition, she set a meet record in the long jump at the Albany Invitational with a mark of 18-9.25 and won the 400-hurdles. Toone claimed the conference's indoor long jump and 55-hurdles crowns, and was member of the winning mile relay. She also was first in the long jump and second in the pentathlon at the NYSWCAA indoor championships.

A two-time track captain, Toone was an outstanding student who received her undergraduate degree in criminal justice with a minor in business administration in 1995. She competed as a graduate student the following year while working on her master's in the same discipline.

Toone earned an ECAC Merit Medal as the school's top senior female student-athlete during the 1995-96 academic year. She posted a 3.76 cumulative grade point average as an undergraduate, and was chosen to the GTE/CoSIDA Academic All-America District I At-Large Team. A Presidential Scholar and Phi Beta Kappa student, she had planned to attend law school.

Toone, who is survived by her parents, Gwendolyn and Walter, and her sister, Kira, served as a tutor in the TOPS program for difficult behavior children and was a member of the Golden Key National Honor Society.

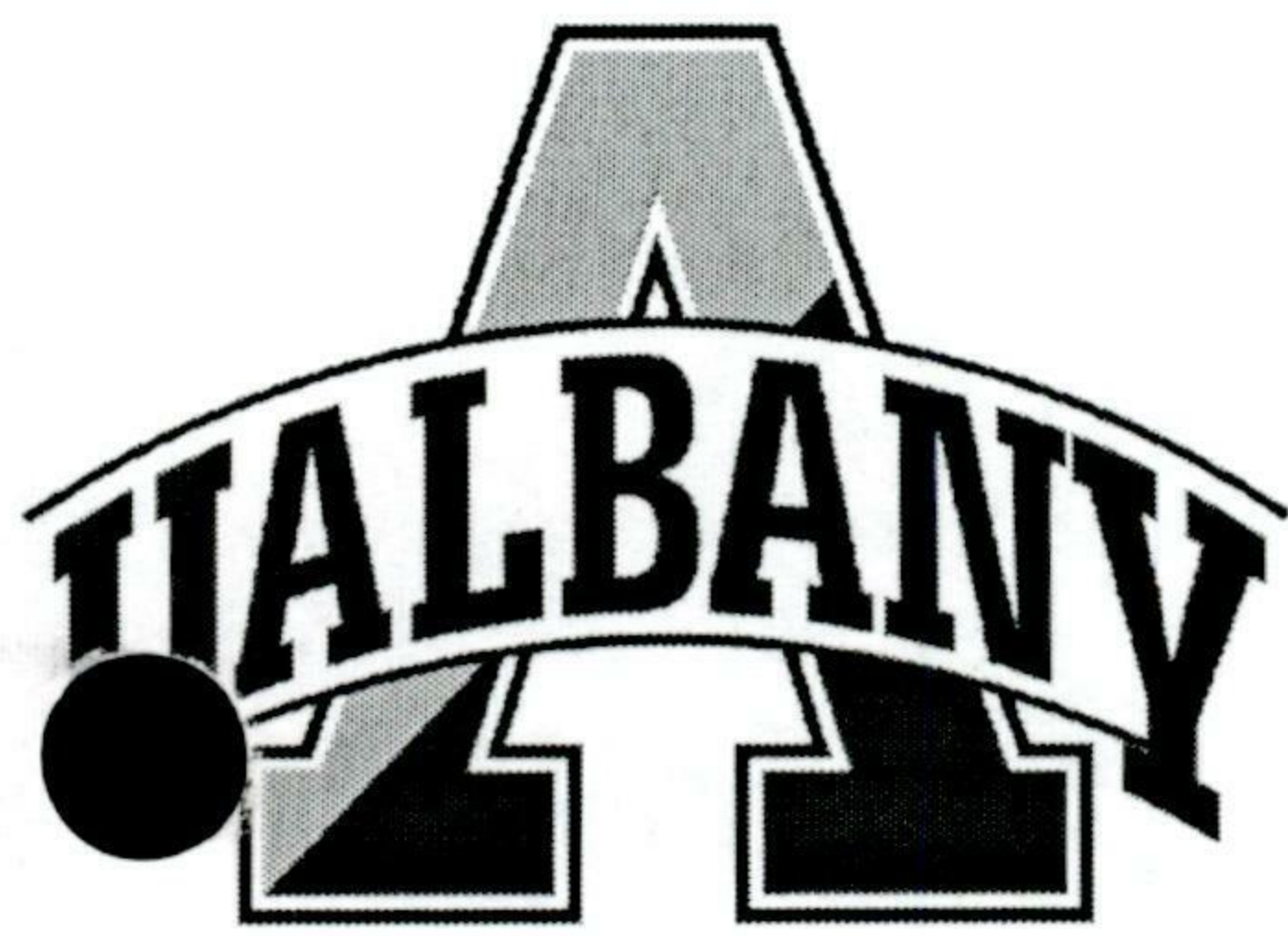
Bill Vanos (1990-94) -- A two-time track All-American and accomplished cross country competitor on the NCAA Division III level, Vanos is one of the top distance runners in UAlbany history.

In 1994, Vanos finished second in the 10,000-meter run at the NCAA Division III outdoor track and field championships and was sixth in the 5,000-meter run at the NCAA national indoor meet. He also qualified for the NCAA outdoor 5,000, where he placed 12th in the competition. Vanos still holds school records in the outdoor 5,000 (14:19.37) and outdoor 10,000 (30:22.3), and owns the second-fastest 3,000-meter steeplechase time (9:09) in the program's history.

As a senior, Vanos went on to become the New York State champion in the 1,500 and 5,000, and captured the Collegiate Track Conference (CTC) title in the 3000m steeplechase. He also placed third in the Penn Relays' College Division 5,000m race, and was the 1994 Albany Invitational 5,000 champion.

Vanos, who received a combined 12 varsity letters as a distance runner, participated in the 1991, 1992 and 1993 NCAA Division III cross country championships, and recorded two top-35 finishes as an individual. He led the Great Danes to a pair of third-place finishes at nationals, plus a tie for sixth at the 1991 meet. In 1993, UAlbany won the New York regional title in Rochester, as Vanos was ninth overall with a time of 26:16.99.

A native of Brooklyn, N.Y. (Canarsie H.S.), Vanos earned a B.S. in economics with a minor in business administration from the University at Albany. He went on to receive his Juris Doctor from the University of North Carolina in 1999. He currently is a Senior Associate in the Orlando, Fla. law firm of Lowndes, Drosdick, Doster, Kantor & Reed, P.A., where he practices in the area of commercial real estate. He is a member of The Florida Bar and Orange County Bar Association, and works with the Junior Achievement of Central Florida.



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BUCHANAN NAMED AMERICA EAST SETTER OF THE WEEK

Boston, Mass. - Sophomore **Blair Buchanan** was named the America East Conference Setter of the Week in women's volleyball as announced by the conference office on Monday, Sept. 20.

The tri-captain finished last week with 148 assists and 18 kills as the Great Danes turned in a 3-1 record during that span, with the only loss coming to No. 15 Arizona. Buchanan averaged better than 11 assists per game and registered a team-best .333 hitting percentage. She was named to the American University all-tournament team, which marked the second time in three weeks she has earned all-tournament honors.

A member of the America East's all-rookie team in 2003, Buchanan leads the Great Danes and the conference with 422 assists and an 11.41 assists per game average so far this season. She also has notched 52 kills and a team-high .336 hitting percentage.

UAlbany (6-5) returns to the court on Tuesday at 7 p.m. when crosstown-rival Siena visits University Gymnasium.

UALBANY WOMEN'S GOLF FINISHES 11th AT DARTMOUTH INVITATIONAL

Hanover, N.H. – UAlbany's **Diane Onofry** shot a two-day total of 164 to finish in a tie for 19th at the Dartmouth Women's Golf Invitational on Friday, Sept. 18 and Saturday, Sept. 19 at the Hanover Country Club. The Great Danes finished with a team score of 692, placing them in 11th overall.

Onofry, one of four seniors on the UAlbany squad, shot an 83 on the first day, followed by a second-round 81 over the par-72, 5,803-yard course.

Yale's **Cindy Shin** won the individual championship with a two-day score of 154, while leading the Bulldogs to the team title. Teammate **January Romero** was second overall with an 11-over total of 155.

Great Dane senior **Anne Lyons** finished tied for 28th overall with a score of 167 (83-84) while senior **Jill Friedman** was 49th with a two-day total of 172 (86-86). Freshman **Maggie Taylert** (98-94) made her first appearance for the Great Danes, while senior **Lauren Bruce** (95-101) also competed for UAlbany.

St. John's finished second in the team standings with a two-round total of 647. Harvard took third place, while host Dartmouth and Brown rounded out the top five in the team standings.

The UAlbany women's golf team will be back in action on Saturday, Sept. 25 at the Mt. Holyoke Invitational. The Orchards Golf Club, site of the 2004 U.S. Women's Open, is the host club.

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Dartmouth Women's Invitational

(Hanover Country Club – Hanover, N.H.)

TEAM: 1. Yale 320-309—629, 2. St. John's 326-321—647, 3. Harvard 334-316—650, 4. Dartmouth 333-326—659, 5. Brown 337-326—663, 6. Rutgers 337-329—666, 7. Siena 338-336—674, 8. Boston College 332-347—679, 9. Bucknell 342-341—683, 10. CCSU 348-342—690, **11. UAlbany 347-345—692**, 12. Fairfield 351-350—701, 13. Amherst 349-356—705, 14. Boston U. 349-358—707, 15. Hartford 359-349—708, 16. Mt. Holyoke 352-362—714, 17. Middlebury 368-349—717, 18. Wellesley 362-362—724, 19. Sacred Heart 378-366—744, 20. St. Lawrence 371-375—746.

INDIVIDUAL

1. Cindy Shin, Yale, 79-75—154, 2. January Romero, Yale, 75-80—155, 3. Susan Choi, Wellesley, 80-77, Mary Stewart, Rutgers, 79-78, Jaclyn Sanders, St. John's, 79-78, Jeen-Joo Kang, Harvard, 78-79—157, 7. Ellie Brophy, Yale, 82-76—158, 8. Brenna Gibson, Boston U., 80-80, Teri Schlang, Bucknell, 80-80, Laura Woolgar, Siena, 84-76—160. 11. Audry Longo, Mt. Holyoke, 83-78, Christin Thomson, St. John's, 83-78, Annie Daher, Dartmouth, 80-81—161.

OTHER UALBANY SCORES

19. Diane Onofry, 83-81—164, 28. Anne Lyons, 83-84—167, 49. Jill Friedman, 86-86—172, 92. Maggie Taylert, 98-94—192, 99. Lauren Bruce, 95-101—196.



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UALBANY DOWNED BY SACRED HEART IN SECOND ROUND, 3-2

Albany, N.Y. – Sophomore **Lisa Burbige** had one goal and one assist as Sacred Heart defeated UAlbany, 3-2, on Sunday, Sept. 19 in the second round of the Governor's Cup.

The Pioneers got on the board at the 15:27 mark when Burbige put in a rebound off the shot of freshman **Lisa Nowakowski**. Sacred Heart would make it 2-0, when senior **Jasmine Urbas** scored on a shot from 25 yards out at 17:38.

Senior **Sara Rickard** got the Great Danes on the board she chipped a shot over the head of sophomore goalkeeper **Ashley Mocarski's** head at the 33:30 mark. A minute later, Sacred Heart made it a two-goal lead again when senior **Christel Kalweit** finished off a corner kick.

Rickard scored the lone goal of the second half when her shot went off the hands of Pioneer freshman reserve goalkeeper **Kathleen Mulhearn**. Rickard had a chance with a minute left to tie the game, but her shot went high. Rickard and freshman **Uju Ogbuawa** were named to the all-tournament team. Columbia sophomore **Shannon Munoz** and freshman **Cathleen Cimino** were named offensive and defensive most valuable players, respectively.

Mocarski and Mulhearn did not make a save for the Pioneers (2-5), while junior **Kate Lawler** made seven saves for the Great Danes (2-7). Sacred Heart outshot UAlbany in the match, 26-8.

In the first match of the second round, Columbia Munoz and sophomore **Lucie Kroening** tallied first-half goals as the Lions defeated Siena, 2-0, to capture the 2004 Governor's Cup and improve to 5-2. Munoz scored the game's opening goal at the 25:58 mark on a pass from sophomore **Emma Judkins** and Kroening added the insurance goal at 40:08 from junior **Courtney Nasshorn**. Freshman goalkeeper Allison Vespa turned away three Saints' shots, while **Noel Cox** stopped one shot for Siena (2-5).

UAlbany travels to Iona for a 3 p.m. match on Friday.

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Game 2

Varsity Field -- Albany, N.Y.

Sacred Heart (2-5)	3	0	-	3
UAlbany (2-7)	1	1	-	2

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UAlbany--Scoring: Goals-Assists: Sara Rickard 2-0, Nicole Hercules 0-1, Uju Ogbuawa 0-1;
Goalkeeper: Kate Lawler (90:00, 7 saves, 3 GA)

Columbia--Scoring: Goals-Assists: Lisa Burbige 1-1, Jasmine Urbas 1-0, Christel Kalweit 1-0,
Orlagh Cullen 0-1, Lisa Nowakowski 0-1; Goalkeeper: Ashley Mocariski (75:00, 0 saves, 1
GA); Kathleen Mulhearn (15:00, 0 saves, 1 GA)
Shots: Sacred Heart 26, UAlbany 8; Corner Kicks: Sacred Heart 6, UAlbany 6

Game 1

Varsity Field – Albany, N.Y.

Columbia (5-2)	2	0	-	2
Siena (2-5)	0	0	-	0

Columbia—Scoring: Shannon Munoz 1-0, Lucie Kroening 1-0, Emma Judkins 0-1, Courtney
Nasshorn 0-1; Goalkeeper: Allison Vespa (90:00, 3 saves, 0 GA)

Siena—Scoring: None; Goalkeeper: Noel Cox (90:00, 1 saves, 2 GA)

Shots: Columbia 9, Siena 4; Corner Kicks: Columbia 4; Siena 3

2004 Governor's Cup Final Standings

1. Columbia (2-0), 2. Siena (1-1)*, 3. Sacred Heart (1-1)*, 4. UAlbany (0-2)

*-Siena finished second based on victory over Sacred Heart, 1-0, in first round

2004 Governor's Cup All-Tournament Team

Offensive MVP: Shannon Munoz, Columbia

Defensive MVP: Cathleen Cimino, Columbia

Columbia

Rachel Biondolillo
Eva Gudbjornsdottir
Meghan Hurlbut
Courtney Nasshorn

Siena

Katie Goodwin
Erin Morine
Corry Silon

Sacred Heart

Lisa Burbige
Alyssa Long

UAlbany

Uju Ogbuawa
Sara Rickard

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GBOLO NETS GAMEWINNING GOAL TO GIVE UALBANY WIN OVER MARIST, 2-1

Poughkeepsie, N.Y. – **Yan Gbolo** scored both UAlbany goals, including the gamewinning tally, to lead the Great Danes to victory over non-conference opponent Marist, 2-1 on Sunday, Sept. 19.

Gbolo opened scoring just 17 minutes into the game on an unassisted shot past Marist goalkeeper **Mike Valenti**. Marist's **Keith Detelj** responded for the Red Foxes with a goal of his own at the 32:25 mark.

Gbolo netted the gamewinner at 72:40 off a **Trevor Elmo** assist.

UAlbany netminder **Bouna Coundoul** made nine saves in the goal for the Great Danes, while Valenti turned away three shots for Marist (1-3).

UAlbany (4-1-1) will be back in action on Wednesday, Sept. 22 as they host BIG EAST opponent Syracuse on Varsity Field at 4 p.m.
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Leonidoff Field -- Poughkeepsie, N.Y.

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

UAlbany--Scoring: (Goals-Assists) Yan Gbolo (2-0), Trevor Elmo (0-1); Goalkeeper: Bouna Coundoul (90:00, 9 saves, 1 GA)

Marist--Scoring: Keith Detelj (1-0); Goalkeeper: Mike Valenti (90:00, 3 saves, 2 GA)

Shots: Marist 20, UAlbany 13; Corner Kicks: Marist 5, UAlbany 4.



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UALBANY VOLLEYBALL EARNS SPLIT AT DAY TWO OF TOURNAMENT

Washington, D.C. – Sophomore **Shelby Goldman** registered 17 kills as UAlbany defeated American, 3-0, in the second day of action at the American University Tournament at Bender Arena. The Great Danes swept the match by scores of 30-17, 30-25 and 30-21.

UAlbany's defense stood tall, as the Great Danes tallied 10 total team blocks, paced by junior **Ashlee Reed** with seven block assists. That marked the best blocking effort by the Great Danes since last Sept. 19 when they recorded 10.5 total blocks versus Long Island.

Sophomore **Blair Buchanan** notched 37 assists and four block assists, while junior **Ashley Hunter** chipped in 10 kills. Cutrina Bidduph managed a team-best nine kills for the Eagles (3-4).

In their second match of the day, UAlbany dropped a hard-fought match to No. 15 Arizona, 3-1. The Great Danes lost the first two games, 30-20 and 30-18, but rebounded to win game three, 30-26 before finally falling in game four, 30-28. Goldman again sparked UAlbany with season-high 18 kills, while Hunter added a season-best 14 kills. **Ashley Green** and **Susan Spierre** each managed five block assists.

For Arizona (8-2), **Jennifer Abernathy's** 21 kills led four Wildcats in double-digits. Arizona also amassed 12.5 total team blocks, compared to UAlbany's seven.

Goldman and Buchanan were each named to the all-tournament team for the Great Danes. UAlbany (6-5) returns to action on Tuesday at 7 p.m. against Siena at University Gymnasium.

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University at Albany (6-4) def. American University (3-4), 30-17, 30-25 and 30-21.

No. 15 University of Arizona (8-2) def. University at Albany (6-5), 30-20, 30-18, 26-30, 30-28.

UALBANY CROSS COUNTRY TEAMS TAKE FIRST AT FORDHAM

Bronx, N.Y. – University at Albany sophomore **Alyssa Lotmore** (Bishop Maginn) took first place overall in a time of 19:14.30 to lead the Great Dane women to a first-place finish at the Fordham Fiasco on Saturday, Sept. 18. Freshman **Ryan Gaedje** (Shenendehowa) finished second overall in 26:23.05 for the UAlbany men while **Robbie Freeman** finished third in a time of 26:32.67 as they all took team championship honors with 29 points.

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Lotmore was joined in the top ten by teammates **Nicole Susser** (4th, 19:52.91), **Jessica Oehlke** (5th, 20:13.05) and **Theresa Juva** (9th, 20:39.04). Also placing in the top 20 for the UAlbany women were **Maureen Brown** (11th, 20:48.40), **Natasha Torres** (12th, 20:54.50), **Jenny Boshco** (16th, 21:14.15), **Natalie LeBron** (17th, 21:15.74) and **Danielle Trimpop** (18th, 21:19.08). **Anisha Andrews** (34th, 23:10.82), **Adanna Andrews** (39th, 23:27.72) and **Ali Wiederhold** (40th, 23:36.19) also made appearances for the Great Danes.

Ricardo Estremera (6th, 27:06.95), **Andy Allstadt** (8th, 27:16.00) and **Chris Pierson** (10th, 27:22.47) also finished in the top ten for the UAlbany men, while **Sam Gonzalez** (15th, 27:43.02) added a top 20 placing. Also running for the Great Danes were **Bryant Cherry-Woode** (22nd, 28:06.52), **Tom Scahill** (23rd, 28:10.59), **Gered Burns** (39th, 29:36.65), **Richard Villanueva** (60th, 30:50.07) and **Eric Zorilla** (69th, 31:43.66).

Travis Gale took the men's championship for Southern Connecticut State, while teammate **Scott Richnavsky** placed fourth, leading the Owls to a second-place team finish with 55 points. Host Fordham finished third as a team with 67 points behind **Matt Flynn's** fifth place individual run. Rhode Island placed fourth as a team with 107 points while New Haven rounded out the top five teams with 142 points.

On the women's side, Fordham took second in the team standings with five team members finishing in the top ten. Led by a third-place finish by **Kristen Dolan**, the Rams scored 34 points as a team. Bryant and C.W. Post tied for third with 109 points while St. John's took fifth in the team standings with 121. **Alissa Von Schmidt** of New Haven finished second overall, running the five mile course in 19:46.36.

The UAlbany cross country teams will be back in action on Friday, Oct. 1 at the Great American Championships in Cary, N.C.

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2004 Fordham Fiasco

MEN

1. UAlbany 29, 2. Southern Connecticut 55, 3. Fordham 67, 4. Rhode Island 107, 5. New Haven 142, 6. Bryant 158, 7. C.W. Post 164, 8. Concordia 260, 9. Molloy, INC.

Individual

1. Travis Gale (SCSU) 26:14.83, **2. Ryan Gaedje (UAlbany) 26:23.05**, **3. Robbie Freeman (UAlbany) 26:32.67**, 4. Scott Richnavsky (SCSU) 26:40.22, 5. Matt Flynn (Fordham) 26:57.56, **6. Ricardo Estremera (UAlbany) 27:06.95**, 7. Chris McCormack (SCSU) 27:11.17, **8. Andy Allstadt (UAlbany) 27:16.00**, 9. David Tickmer (New Haven) 27:17.41, **10. Chris Pierson (UAlbany) 27:22.47**.

Other UAlbany Finishers

15. Sam Gonzalez 27:43.02, 22. Bryant Cherry-Woode 28:06.52, 23. Tom Scahill 28:10.59, 39. Gered Burns 29:36.65, 60. Richard Villanueva 30:50.07, 69. Eric Zorrilla 31:43.66.

WOMEN

1. UAlbany 30, 2. Fordham 34, 3. Bryant, C.W. Post 109, 5. St. John's 121, 6. New Haven 147, 7. Molloy 199, 8. Concordia 249.

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Individual

1. **Alyssa Lotmore (UAlbany) 19:14.30**, 2. Alyssa Von Schmidt (New Haven) 19:46.36, 3. Kristen Dolan (Fordham) 19:48.36, 4. **Nicole Susser (UAlbany) 19:52.91**, 5. **Jessica Oehlke (UAlbany) 20:13.05**, 6. Melissa Salerno (Fordham) 20:21.85, 7. Tracey LaFrano (Fordham) 20:24.66, 8. Caitlin Doherty (Fordham) 20:33.73, 9. **Theresa Juva (UAlbany) 20:39.04**, 10. Stephanie Luther (Fordham) 20:43.00.

Other UAlbany Finishers

11. Maureen Brown 20:48.40, 12. Natasha Torres 20:54.50, 16. Jenny Boshco 21:14.15, 17. Natalie LeBron 21:15.74, 18. Danielle Trimpop 21:19.08, 34. Anisha Andrews 23:10.82, 39. Adanna Andrews 23:27.72, 40. Ali Wiederhold 23:36.19.



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UALBANY FOOTBALL DROPS THIRD STRAIGHT, FALLS AT BROWN, 35-7

Providence, R.I. – Sophomore quarterback **Joe DiGiacomo** threw a pair of touchdown passes and **Nick Hartigan** ran for two scores, as Brown opened its season with a 35-7 non-league victory over UAlbany on Saturday afternoon at Brown Stadium.

DiGiacomo, who was making his first start as a collegian, hooked up with tight end **David Turner** on a 43-yard touchdown pass to begin the game. In a third-and-six situation, Turner beat a UAlbany defender on the left sideline and raced untouched to the end zone.

UAlbany (0-3) answered with a 14-play, 76-yard drive on its first possession. Senior quarterback **Nicholas Bazan** led a march in which the Great Danes converted on third down three times. Bazan scored on a two-yard option around left end.

The Bears, who won four of their last five to end the 2003 campaign, would take a 14-7 lead midway through the second quarter. DiGiacomo, who connected on 14-of-20 through the air for 245 yards, guided his team on an eight-play drive. He hit **Jarret Schreck** on third-and-12 for 25 yards to keep the go-ahead march alive. Turner then hauled in a diving, one-handed 13-yard touchdown reception.

Brown took control in the third quarter by scoring on its opening two possessions. Hartigan, who ran 26 times for 93 yards in the rain and mud, capped a five-play sequence with a two-yard blast over right tackle. The 21-7 lead was set up by a 26-yard reception from DiGiacomo to Turner, who finished with six catches for 136 yards.

Hartigan, who led the nation in rushing as a sophomore last year, then capped an 11-play drive with a three-yard run over right guard. The key play on Brown's fourth touchdown came when DiGiacomo connected with Carson Brennan on a third-and-3 near midfield.

"I thought the early part of the game was even, but things began to unravel," said UAlbany coach Bob Ford, whose team has lost its opening three games for the first time since 2000. "I thought he (DiGiacomo) showed poise and made a couple of great throws. However, we are still searching for our identity. We need to find better continuity in both our quarterback and rushing attack, and need to take better advantage of the opportunities we are given."

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Brown's **Brandon Markey** completed the scoring with a five-yard TD run in the final period. UAlbany's Bazan rushed for a team-high 53 yards and completed 9-of-12 for 36 more.

"This team has to come together and play together as one," UAlbany linebacker Brian Becker commented. "We made a number of defensive mistakes. We overpursued, had bad breaks on balls and at times were even covering the wrong man."



UALBANY FALLS IN FIRST ROUND OF GOVERNOR'S CUP

Albany, N.Y. – Columbia scored one goal in the first half and added two in the second as the Lions defeated UAlbany, 3-0, on Friday, Sept. 17 in the first round of the Governor's Cup.

Columbia got on the board at 11:48 when sophomore **Shannon Munoz's** shot was deflected into the net by UAlbany defender **Ahkita Madyun**. Freshman **Gudrun Finnsdottir** gave the Lions a two-goal lead when she converted a pass from Munoz at the 60:38 mark. Sophomore **Emma Judkins** concluded the scoring when her shot went through the hands of Great Danes junior goalkeeper **Kate Lawler** at 71:52.

Senior goalkeeper **Erissa Aronson** turned away five shots for the Lions, while Lawler made five saves for the UAlbany (2-6). Columbia (4-2) outshot the Great Danes in the match, 17-7.

In the opening match of the Governor's Cup, Siena freshman **Kara Sefcik** scored the game's lone goal at the 12:26 mark when she headed in a crossing pass from sophomore **Kristen Turner** as the Saints defeated Sacred Heart, 1-0. Senior goalkeeper **Noel Cox** made five saves for the Saints (2-4), while sophomore **Ashley Mocariski** stopped three shots for the Pioneers (1-5).

The Governor's Cup second round begins on Sunday with Columbia taking on Siena at 2 p.m. and UAlbany faces Sacred Heart in the final match of tournament at 4 p.m.

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Game 2

Varsity Field -- Albany, N.Y.

Columbia (4-2)	1	2	-	3
UAlbany (2-6)	0	0	-	0

UAlbany--Scoring: None; Goalkeeper: Kate Lawler (90:00, 5 saves, 3 GA)

Columbia--Scoring: Goals-Assists: Gudrun Finnsdottir 1-0, Emma Judkins 1-0, Rachel Biondolillo 0-1, Lindsey Knowles 0-1, Shannon Munoz 0-1; Goalkeeper: Erissa Aronson (90:00, 5 saves, 0 GA)

Shots: Columbia 17, UAlbany 7; Corner Kicks: Columbia 9, UAlbany 4

Game 1

Varsity Field – Albany, N.Y.

Sacred Heart (1-5)	0	0	-	0
Siena (2-4)	1	0	-	1

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Sacred Heart—Scoring: None; Goalkeeper: Ashley Mocariski (90:00, 3 saves, 1 GA)

Siena—Scoring: Kara Sefcik 1-0, Kristen Turner 0-1; Goalkeeper: Noel Cox (90:00, 5 saves, 0 GA)

Shots: Sacred Heart 14, Siena 6; Corner Kicks: Sacred Heart 7; Siena 1

Second Round – Sunday, Sept. 19

Columbia vs. Siena, 2 p.m.

Sacred Heart vs. UAlbany, 4 p.m.

JOHNSON LEADS UALBANY FIELD HOCKEY PAST ST. FRANCIS, 3-0

Lock Haven, Pa. – Senior tri-captain **Alexis Johnson** scored two goals and added an assist to lead the UAlbany women’s field hockey team to a 3-0 non-league victory over winless St. Francis (Pa.) on Friday, Sept. 17.

Fellow senior **Amber Greiner**, who led all players with six shots, scored the first goal of the game 14 minutes into the first half off Johnson’s assist during a penalty corner. The second Great Dane tally came at 47:37 as junior **Tina Bryson** made a quick pass in front of the cage to connect with Johnson for the goal. The UAlbany forward followed up with an unassisted goal, her fifth of the season, at 54:25 during a scramble in front of the cage.

The Great Danes outshot St. Francis, 17-2. UAlbany goalkeeper **Barbara Czaplinski** recorded her second career shutout, making two saves in the cage. St. Francis goaltender **Kristen Onto** stopped 10 Great Dane shots for the Red Flash (0-6).

UAlbany (3-5) returns to action on Sunday, Sept. 26 as they take on Providence in Durham, N.H. at 1 p.m.

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Charlotte Smith Field (Lock Haven, Pa.)

UAlbany (3-5)	1	2	-	3
St. Francis (Pa.) (0-6)	0	0	-	0

UAlbany—Scoring (G-A): Alexis Johnson (2-1), Amber Greiner (1-0), Tina Bryson (0-1); Goalkeeper: Barbara Czaplinski (70:00, 2 saves, 0 GA).

Lock Haven—Scoring (G-A): None; Goalkeeper: Kristen Onto (70:00, 10 saves, 3 GA).

UALBANY VOLLEYBALL SWEEPS TEMPLE AT AMERICAN TOURNAMENT

ALBANY, N.Y. - Junior **Ashley Hunter** and sophomore **Shelby Goldman** each tallied 10 kills as University at Albany swept Temple, 3-0, in the opening round of the American University

Tournament on Friday, Sept. 17 at Bender Arena. The Great Danes won by scores of 30-25, 30-15 and 30-15.

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Blair Buchanan tallied a match-high 33 assists, while **Ashley DeNeal** led all players with 13 digs for UAlbany. The Great Danes amassed six total team blocks, with **Ashley Green** and **Susan Spierre** each managing three block assists. **Zhen Jia Liu** paced the Owls (2-5) with nine kills, while **Jessica Waybrant** managed 10 digs.

UAlbany (5-4) continues tournament play on Saturday at 12 p.m. against American before facing Arizona at 4:30 p.m. in the nightcap.

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University at Albany (5-4) def. Temple University (2-5), 30-25, 30-15 and 30-15.

UALBANY TENNIS COMPETES AT EASTERN COLLEGIATE INVITATIONAL

West Point, N.Y. - Freshman **Amanda Hall** advanced to the quarterfinals as the University at Albany tennis team opened its first day of action at the Eastern Collegiate Invitational at Army on Friday, Sept. 17.

Hall advanced out of the opening round with a hard-fought 7-6, 6-3 win over **Lensey Dixon** (UNH). **Mary Ford** (Army) then got the better of Hall, 7-5, 6-4 in the quarterfinals.

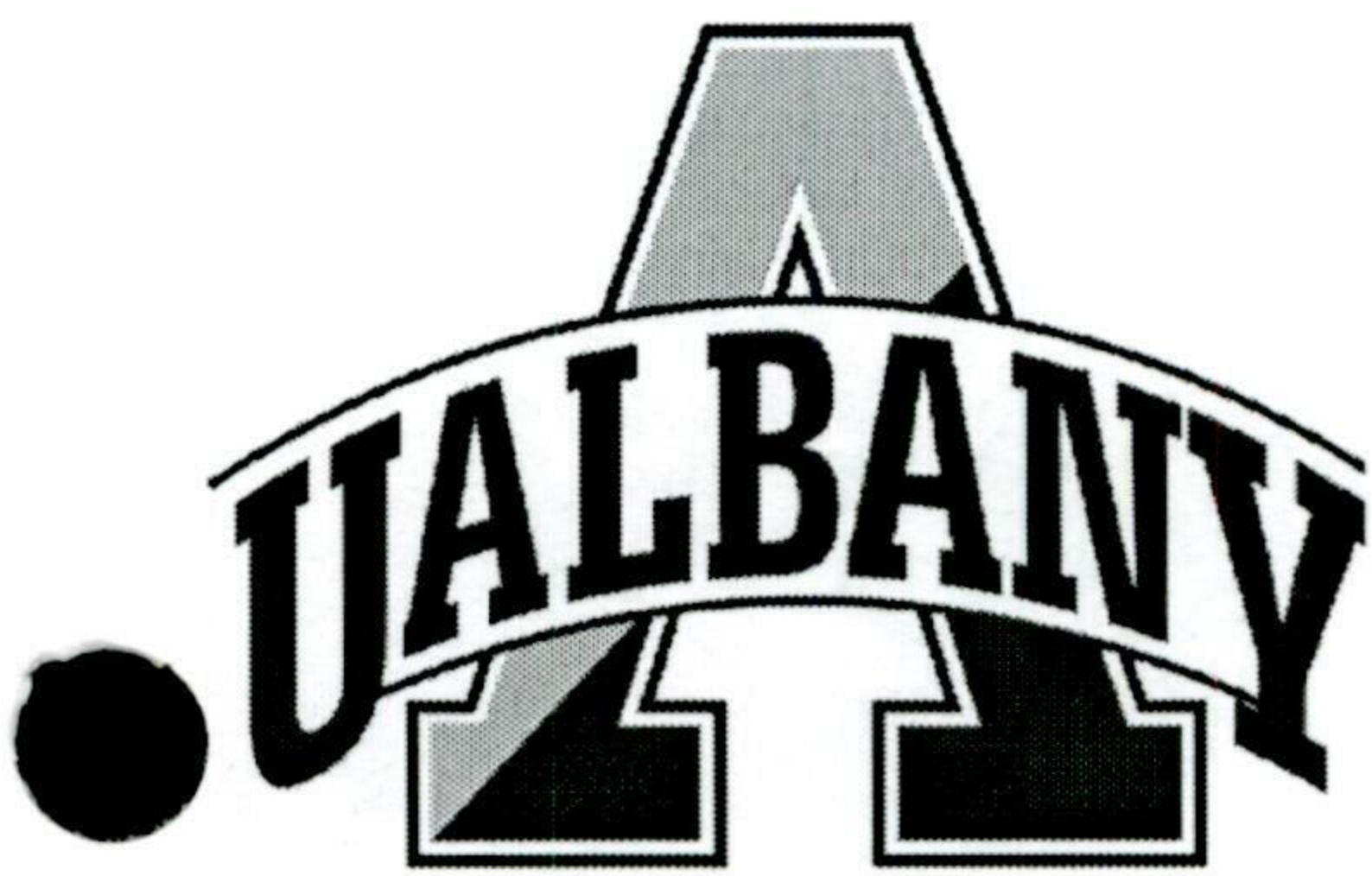
Courtney Michaels advanced to the consolation semifinals with an 8-3 victory over **Tiffany Heineman** (UNH). Michaels rebounded after dropping her first match to **Joann Lee** (LU), 6-3. She will face **Erika Reggiani** (Hofstra) in the consolation semifinals on Saturday.

Christina Suarez received a bye in her first match and then fell to **Allison Davidson** (SJU), 6-3, 6-0 in the winners bracket. Then she faced **Diana Perachio** (Marist) in a consolation match and dropped an 8-3 decision.

In another flight, **Aimee Kern** was seeded eighth and suffered a 6-1, 6-0 setback to **Jessica Porter** (UNH) in the championship bracket. She then dropped an 8-5 match to **Chelsea Mills** (Bucknell) in the consolation round.

In doubles play, **Kerry Levis** and **Kim Westcott** fell to a duo from LIU, 8-4, in the quarterfinals. Levis and Westcott dropped into the consolation round and lost an 8-2 match to a pair from Binghamton.

Amanda Brown and **Kyle Steller** paired for UAlbany in the other doubles flight and lost an 8-1 match to Army in the championship round and an 8-4 decision to Niagara in the consolations.



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Lock Haven Defeats UAlbany Field Hockey, 4-0

Lock Haven, Pa. – **Kellie Kulina** scored the final two goals of the game within a five-minute stretch in the second half , as unbeaten Lock Haven field hockey team to a 4-0 victory over UAlbany on Thursday, Sept. 16.

Great Dane **Tina Bryson** led the team with two shots, while **Amber Greiner**, **Alexis Johnson**, **Amber Morris** and **Kristi Clausi** all added one apiece. The Lady Eagles outshot UAlbany, 19-6.

Mandy Daschbach scored the first goal of the game on a **Nicole Deardon** pass from 20 yards out. **Rebecca Steffen** rebounded a Kulina shot to score the second of Lock Haven's goals just seven minutes into the second half.

UAlbany goalkeeper **Barbara Czaplinski** played all 70 minutes in the cage for the Great Danes, making eight saves. Lock Haven's **Melissa Stubblefield** stopped two shots on goal for the Lady Eagles.

The Great Danes (2-5) had their two-game winning streak halted, which started with a 2-0 victory over crosstown-rival Siena on Sept. 8. Lock Haven improved to 7-0 on the season.

UAlbany will be back in action on Friday, as they take on St. Francis (Pa.) in Lock Haven at 2 p.m.

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Charlotte Smith Field (Lock Haven, Pa.)

Albany (2-4)	0	0	-	0
Lock Haven (7-0)	1	3	-	4

Albany—Scoring (G-A): None; Goalkeeper: Barbara Czaplinski (70:00, 8 saves, 4 GA).

Lock Haven—Scoring (G-A): Kellie Kulina (2-0), Mandy Daschbach (1-0), Rebecca Steffen (1-0), Nicole Dearden (0-1), Katie Stewartz (0-1), Sarah Huber (0-1); Goalkeeper: Melissa Stubblefield (70:00, 2 saves, 0 GA).



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COLGATE HANDS UALBANY FIRST LOSS OF THE SEASON

Albany, N.Y. – Senior **Peter Bourquin** scored the game's lone goal on a crossing pass from freshman **Eric Anton** as Colgate defeated UAlbany, 1-0, on Wednesday afternoon at Varsity Field. The Great Danes had their four-match unbeaten streak to start the season snapped.

Bourquin received the pass from about 10 yards out and slipped the ball into the lower right corner by UAlbany senior goalkeeper **Bouna Coundoul** at the 11:13 mark. The goal ended Coundoul's personal best 426-minute streak of not allowing a goal. The Great Danes, who are 3-1-1 overall, had two solid opportunities to tie the game, but shots by senior **Savvas Theofilou** and sophomore **Yan Gbolo** each hit the crossbar.

The Great Danes outshot the Raiders in the match, 10-8. Sophomore **Doug Litvack** made one save before leaving the game due to an injury at the 24:09 mark. Freshman **Josh Cohen** made three stops for Colgate (3-1) in relief. Coundoul turned away four shots for UAlbany, who travel to Marist on Sunday for a 4 pm match.

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Varsity Field -- Albany, N.Y.

Colgate (3-1)	1	0	-	1
UAlbany (3-1-1)	0	0	-	0

UAlbany--Scoring: None; Goalkeeper: Bouna Coundoul (90:00, 4 saves, 0 GA)

Colgate--Scoring: Peter Bourquin 1-0, Eric Anton 0-1; Goalkeeper: Doug Litvack (24:09, 1 saves, 0 GA), Josh Cohen (65:51, 3 saves, 0 GA)

Shots: UAlbany 10, Colgate 8; Corner Kicks: UAlbany 4, Colgate 3



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UALBANY VOLLEYBALL OPENS HOME SCHEDULE WITH SWEEP OF SETON HALL

ALBANY, N.Y. – Junior **Ashley Hunter** registered a season-best 11 kills as the University at Albany defeated Seton Hall, 3-0, in its home opener on Tuesday, Sept. 14 at University Gymnasium. The Great Danes turned in scores of 30-23, 30-28 and 30-20 in earning their third sweep of the season.

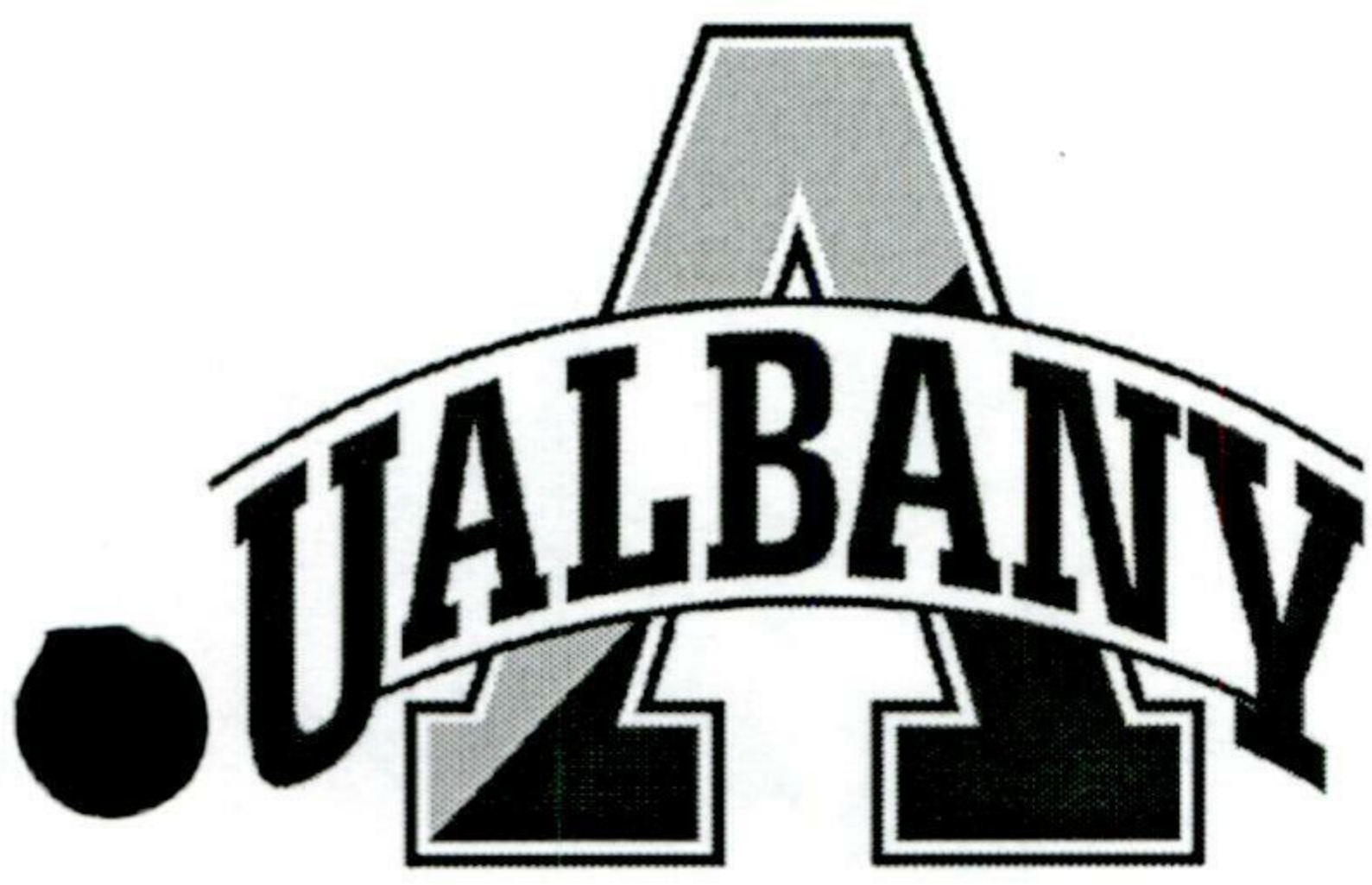
Ashlee Reed and **Shelby Goldman** tallied 10 kills apiece for UAlbany, while **Blair Buchanan** tallied 36 assists. **Ashley DeNeal** led the defensive effort with eight kills. For the game, the Great Danes recorded a .302 hitting percentage (53 of 116).

For the Pirates (3-5), **Alex Dyer** managed a team-high eight kills, while **Jessica King** chipped in with six kills.

UAlbany (4-4) returns to action on Friday at 5 p.m. against Temple in the American University Tournament.

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University at Albany (4-4) def. Seton Hall (3-5), 30-23, 30-28 and 30-20.



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UALBANY TO HOST GOVERNOR'S CUP ON SEPT. 17TH AND 19TH

Albany, N.Y. – The University at Albany will host the fifth annual Governor's Cup women's soccer tournament on Friday, Sept. 17 and Sunday, Sept. 19 at Varsity Field. Joining the hosts in the tournament field are Columbia University, Sacred Heart University and Siena College.

In the first match on Friday, Sacred Heart will play Siena at 2:30 p.m. In the nightcap of the first round, UAlbany faces Columbia at 5:00 p.m. The second round will take place on Sunday, with UAlbany hosting Sacred Heart at 4 p.m., following the Columbia-Siena match, scheduled for 2 p.m.

Sacred Heart will be participating for the fourth time in the tournament, as they have competed in 2000, 2002 and 2003. Siena, in its third appearance in 2004, won the championship in 2000, while Columbia is making its Governor's Cup debut.

UAlbany (2-5) is led on offense by freshman forward **Uju Ogbuawa** with three goals and six points, while junior forward **Nicole Hercules** has two goals and four points. Junior **Kate Lawler** started the first five matches as goalkeeper and freshman **Catherine Nicholson** (Voorheesville) has played every minute in goal the last two contests for the Great Danes. The two players have combined for a goals against average of 1.81.

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2004 Governor's Cup Schedule (Varsity Field – Albany, N.Y.)

Friday, September 17

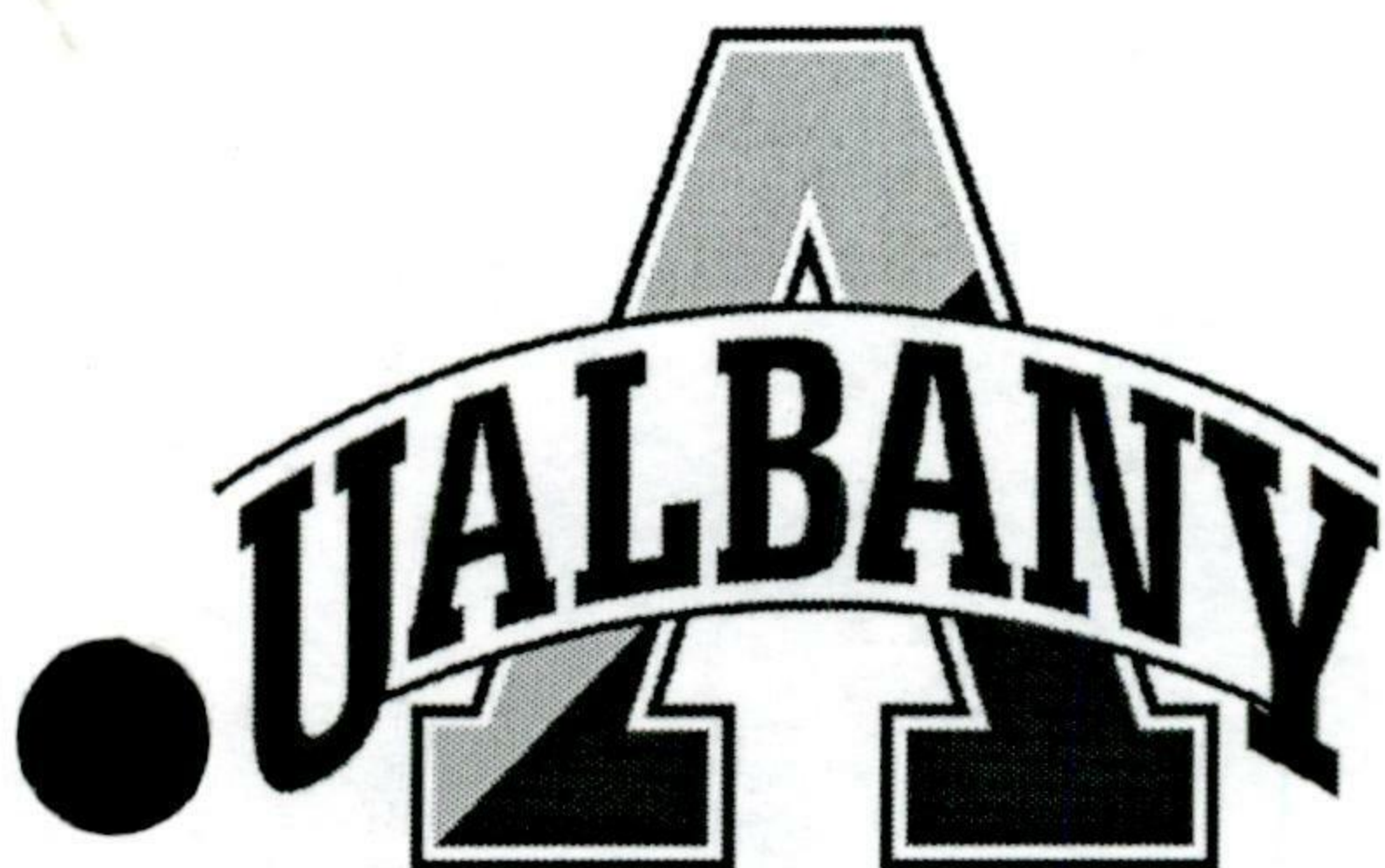
Sacred Heart vs. Siena, 2:30 p.m.

Columbia vs. UAlbany, 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, September 19

Columbia vs. Siena, 2:00 p.m.

Sacred Heart vs. UAlbany, 4:00 p.m.



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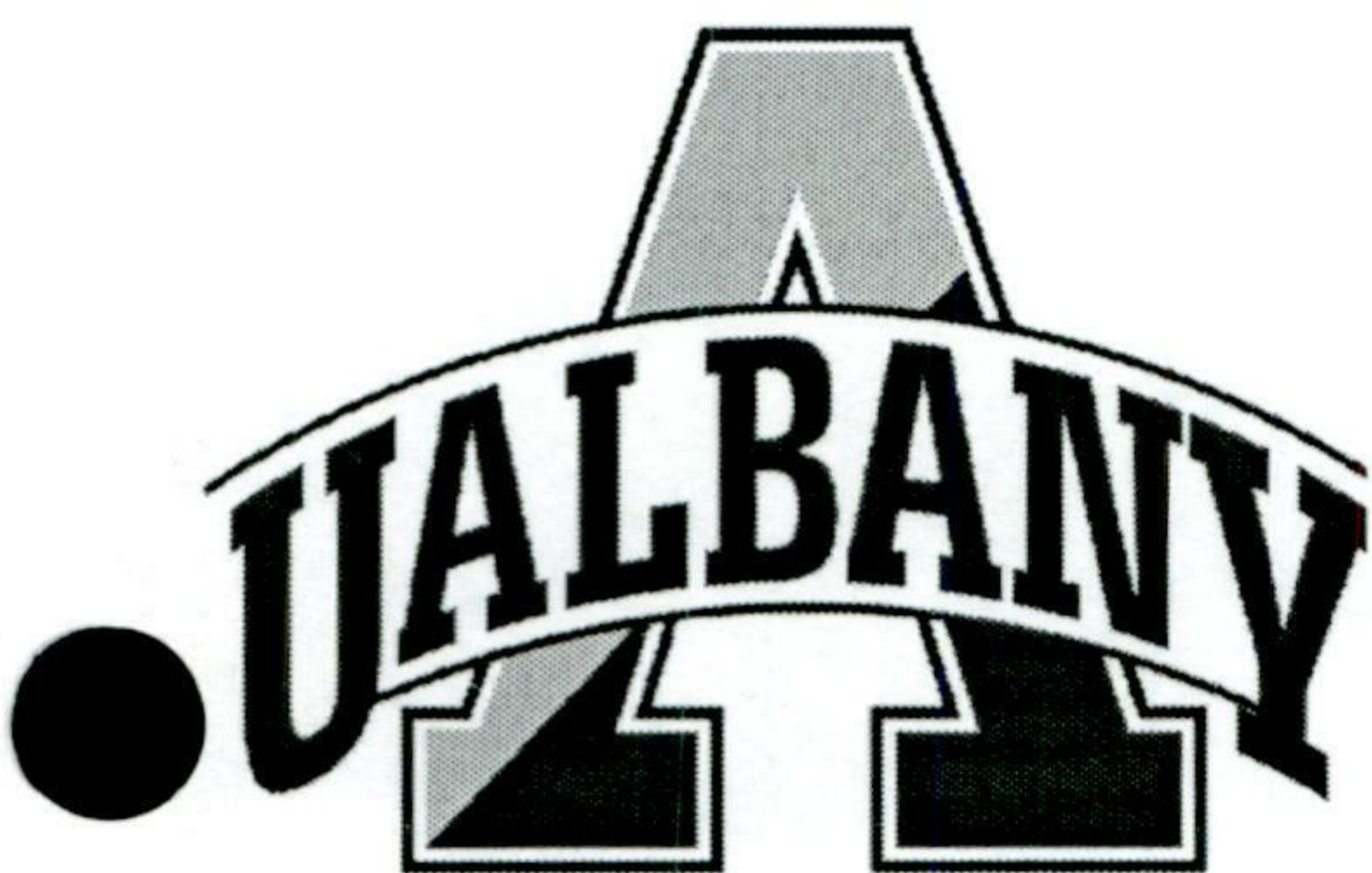
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UALBANY'S COLIN DISCH NAMED NEC ROOKIE OF THE WEEK IN FOOTBALL

Somerset, N.J. – University at Albany's **Colin Disch** has been chosen as the Northeast Conference Rookie of the Week in football, as announced by the conference office on Monday afternoon.

Disch, an inside linebacker, totaled a game-high 13 tackles, including four unassisted and 1.5 for losses, and added a half sack. Disch, a redshirt freshman from North Plainfield, N.J., led a solid defensive effort in his team's 14-0 loss to Patriot League foe Fordham. The Great Danes held the visitors to 207 total yards, including 30 through the air. Both of Fordham's scoring drives started inside UAlbany territory.

Disch, whose brother was a starting linebacker on last year's Colgate squad that reached the Division I-AA national championship game, also had 10 tackles in the opener against Hofstra.



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WOMEN'S SOCCER DOWNED BY RIDER, 2-0

Lawrenceville, N.J. – Senior **Tami Coyle** scored the game-winning goal midway through the first half as Rider (2-1) defeated UAlbany, 2-0, on Sunday afternoon. The Great Danes will host Columbia on Friday afternoon at 5 p.m. in the first round of the Governor's Cup.

Coyle netted the opening goal on a header from senior **Casey Fagan** at the 25:47 mark. Junior **Jen Marcella** would give the Broncos a two-goal advantage when she scored on a direct kick from 30 yards out at 42:44.

Rider outshot the UAlbany in the match, 22-6. Broncos freshman goalkeeper **Kim Carter** stopped three shots, while Great Danes (2-5) freshman goalkeeper **Catherine Nicholson** turned away seven shots.

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Soccer Field – Lawrenceville, N.J.

UAlbany (2-5)	0	0	-	0
Rider (2-1)	2	0	-	2

UAlbany--Scoring: None; Goalkeeper: Catherine Nicholson (90:00, 7 saves, 2 GA)

Rider--Scoring: Goals-Assists: Tami Coyle 1-1, Jen Marcella 1-0, Casey Fagan 0-1;

Goalkeeper: Kim Carter (90:00, 3 saves, 0 GA)

Shots: Rider 22, UAlbany 6; Corner Kicks: Rider 5, UAlbany 2

College Football

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Fordham 14, UAlbany 0

Albany, N.Y. – Sophomore tailback Jamaal Hunte rushed for 105 yards and one touchdown in leading Fordham to a 14-0 non-league victory over UAlbany on Saturday evening in the Great Danes' home opener.

The Rams, who rebounded from a one-point loss to Rhode Island in their opening game, took advantage of good field position to score on their fourth possession. Quarterback Derric Daniels converted a third-and-11 situation with a 14-yard pass over the middle to flanker Steve Porco. Tailback Jonte Coven then rumbled 26 yards through the left side to the Albany 10. Daniels finished off the seven-play series with a three-yard touchdown toss to wide receiver Darrell Taylor in the back of the end zone.

The Great Danes, who are off to an 0-2 start for the first time in four years, had an opportunity to draw even midway through the second quarter when outside linebacker Chris Stellato picked off a Daniels' pass and raced down the left sideline to the Fordham 13. However, UAlbany's offense failed to advance the ball, and freshman Chris Lynch missed a 30-yard field goal following a bad snap from center.

Both defenses dominated the action throughout, as Fordham held a 207 to 186 advantage in total yards. Early in the final period, UAlbany quarterback Nicholas Bazan fumbled a snap from center at his own 21-yard line and linebacker Patrick Orah made the recovery. The Rams took five plays to reach paydirt. Hunte powered his way over left guard from one yard out for a 14-0 lead with 9:43 remaining.

UAlbany threatened later in the period, when Uli Delgado, who rotated in a two-quarterback system, engineered a drive with five consecutive completions. But the march stalled out on the Fordham 10, when Delgado's fourth-down pass went off Topher Davey's fingertips in the end zone.

"There were two excellent defenses out there tonight," said Albany coach Bob Ford, whose team suffered its second consecutive shutout for the first time since 1990. "You can't beat yourself in a game like that, and we failed to consistently move the ball."

The Great Danes' two quarterbacks combined to complete just 14 of 39 passes for 105 yards. Daniels also did not enjoy much success, as the sophomore connected on five of 16 attempts for 30 yards and was sacked twice.

"Our defense gave a great effort," commented Fordham's Ed Foley, a former UAlbany assistant who picked up his first win as a college head coach. "We had the benefit of playing Rhode Island, an option team, in the first game, and that helped us prepare for this game. The defense did what we expected them to do, while our offense grows up."



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UALBANY CROSS COUNTY RACES AT WILDCAT INVITATIONAL

Durham, N.H. – University at Albany freshman **Ryan Gaedje** placed twelfth and helped the Great Danes' men's cross country team finish fourth at the Wildcat Invitational at the University of New Hampshire on Saturday, Sept. 11. Sophomore **Alyssa Lotmore** paced UAlbany's women's squad with an eighth-place finish, while the team came in eighth.

Host New Hampshire captured the men's competition as **Timothy Perry** and **Anthony Truax** finished second and third, respectively for the Wildcats. The leading men's finisher was **Alasdair McLean-Foreman** of Harvard.

In the women's competition, New Hampshire also placed first in the team standings. UConn's **Kristin Meyer** crossed the finish line first with a time of 18:06.66.

Robbie Freeman was the second finisher for the UAlbany men (17th, 25:48.92), with **Andy Allstadt** (24th, 26:16.93) and **Ricardo Estremera** (29th, 26:32.58) also placing in the top 30. For the Great Dane women, **Nicole Susser** (Colonie Central) placed 36th with a time of 19:26.62.

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2004 Wildcat Invitational

MEN

1. New Hampshire 53, 2. Harvard 65, 3. Maine 96, 4. UAlbany 120, 5. Connecticut 126, 6. Stony Brook 150, 7. Boston College 157, 8. Bentley 230, 9. Holy Cross 233, 10. Binghamton 242, 11. Central Connecticut State 282.

Individual

1. Alasdair McLean-Foreman (Harvard) 24:56.71; 2. Timothy Perry (UNH) 25:04.83; 3. Anthony Truax (UNH) 25:04.90; 4. Reed Bienvenu (Harvard) 25:07.16; 5. Dale Summerville (Stony Brook) 25:18.06; 6. Peter Mullen (Harvard) 25:20.73; 7. Jeffrey Caron (Maine) 25:32.57; 8. Will Melofchik (UConn) 25:35.17; 9. Peter Hewins (UNH) 25:36.95; 10. Kirby Davis (Maine) 25:37.17.

Other UAlbany Finishers

12. Ryan Gaedje 25:44.71, 17. Robbie Freeman 25:48.92, 24. Andy Allstadt 26:16.93, 29. Ricardo Estremera 26:32.58, 39. Gered Burns 26:59.09, 41. Bryant Cherry-Woode 27:01.57, 42. Chris Pierson 27:02.11, 58. Sam Gonzalez 27:29.63.

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WOMEN

1. New Hampshire 55, 2. Binghamton 84, 3. Stony Brook 100, 4. Connecticut 104, 5. Harvard 138, 6. Boston College 141, 7. Massachusetts 169, 8. UAlbany 191, 9. Maine 202, 10. Holy Cross 228, 11. Bentley 316, 12. Central Connecticut State 334.

Individual

1. Kristen Meyer (UConn) 18:06.66; 2. Erica Angell (Binghamton) 18:08.80; 3. Megan Hepp (UNH) 18:11.97; 4. Caitlin Hayes (UNH) 18:15.50; 5. Stacy Kramer (Binghamton) 18:21.00; 6. Leonora Joy (Stony Brook) 18:21.69; 7. Sarah Beresford (Stony Brook) 18:28.75; 8. Alyssa Lotmore (UAlbany) 18:32.65; 9. Kathryn Murnane (Binghamton) 18:33.62; 10. Dana Hastie (Stony Brook) 18:35.97.

Other UAlbany Finishers

36. Nicole Susser 19:26.62, 44. Theresa Juva 19:47.66, 45. Jessica Oehlke 19:48.46, 59. Natasha Torres 20:12.65, 63. Jenny Boshco 20:18.66, 65. Maureen Brown 20:25.16, 89. Natalie LeBron 22:00.04.

UALBANY VOLLEYBALL DOWNS NEW MEXICO, 3-0, IN DELAWARE TOURNAMENT

Newark, Del. – **Shelby Goldman** recorded 12 kills as the University at Albany volleyball team defeated New Mexico, 3-0, in the second day of action at the Delaware Tournament on Saturday, Sept. 11. UAlbany posted scores of 30-22, 30-26 and 30-17.

Eileen Nicole Rodriguez spurred the Great Danes' defensive effort with 19 digs, while **Susan Spierre** tallied nine kills, one solo block and two block assists. UAlbany registered one of its best hitting matches of the season, managing 47 kills on 101 attempts (.307), highlighted by a 15-for-25 (.520) showing in game three.

For New Mexico (3-3), **Nicole Ryan** and **Jennifer Heasty** led the way with 10 and nine kills, respectively.

UAlbany (3-4) opens its home portion of the schedule on Tuesday at 7 p.m. when Seton Hall visits University Gymnasium.

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University at Albany (3-4) defeated New Mexico (3-3), 30-22, 30-26, 30-17.

GREAT DANES FIELD HOCKEY DEFEATS RHODE ISLAND, 2-1

Schenectady, N.Y. – Senior **Alexis Johnson** delivered the game-winning goal with 28 minutes remaining in the game as the University at Albany field hockey team defeated Rhode Island, 2-1, on Saturday, Sept. 11 at Frank Bailey Field at Union College.

During a scramble in the circle, Johnson broke away with the ball and sent a shot sailing past Rams' goalkeeper **Jen Perry** with 28:06 left to play.

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The Great Danes started the scoring as **Danielle Costello** found **Kristen Holder** on a penalty corner and Holder netted her second goal of the season with 23:53 remaining in the opening half.

Rhode Island (0-3) tied the score early in the second as **Meredith Bunce** notched an unassisted tally at 30:19.

UAlbany goalkeeper **Barbara Czaplinski** turned away three shots, while Perry finished with 10 saves for the Rams. The Great Danes out-shot Rhode Island 23-7 in the contest.

UAlbany (2-4) returns to action on Thursday at 4 p.m. at Lock Haven.

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UAlbany 2, Rhode Island 1

(Frank Bailey Field, Schenectady, N.Y.)

Rhode Island: Scoring – Meredith Bunce (1-0); Goalkeeper Jen Perry (70:00, 10 saves, 2 GA).

UAlbany: Scoring – Alexis Johnson (1-0), Danielle Costello (0-1), Kristen Holder (1-0); Goalkeeper Barbara Czaplinski (70:00, 3 saves, 1 GA).



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UALBANY VOLLEYBALL EARNS SPLIT AT DELAWARE TOURNAMENT

Newark, Del. – The University at Albany volleyball team defeated George Washington, 3-1, and fell to Delaware, 3-1, in the first day of action at the University of Delaware Tournament on Friday, Sept. 10.

Delaware's **Valarie Murphy** led all players with 17 kills, helping to lead the Blue Hens to a victory in four games with scores of 30-24, 29-31, 30-26, 30-26. **Allison Lutz** recorded 54 set assists while **Taylor Govaars** and **Claire McCormack** were strong for the Blue Hens (2-2) defensively, notching 15 and 13 digs respectively.

Sophomore **Blair Buchanan** notched a career-high 56 assists for UAlbany. Offensively for the Great Danes, **Shelby Goldman's** 16 kills led the way, while **Ashley DeNeal** and **Ashley Green** each added 14. **Ashley Hunter** chipped in 10 kills. **Eileen Nicole Rodriguez** led UAlbany defensively with 17 digs while DeNeal added 11 to complete her double-double for the match.

In the second game of the tournament, the Great Danes downed George Washington by scores of 30-11, 24-30, 30-24 and 30-23. Three Great Danes posted double-digit kills paced by Goldman with 16, followed by **Ashlee Reed** with 14 and Green with 11. Reed also led UAlbany with 18 kills in recording the team's only double-double of the match.

For George Washington (0-6), **Juliene McLaughlin** registered a match-high 21 kills on 54 attempts.

UAlbany returns to action on Saturday at noon against New Mexico in the second day of action at the Delaware Tournament.



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Yan Gbolo Nets Gamewinner in Overtime to Lead Great Danes to a 1-0 Win Over Siena

Albany, N.Y. – Sophomore **Yan Gbolo** headed a pass from Eric Zekiroski over the Siena goalkeeper with just over two minutes left in the first overtime to give the UAlbany men’s soccer team a 1-0 victory over crosstown-rival Siena on Friday, Sept. 10.

In an excitement filled match which included several cards and an ejection, Siena (0-2) outshot the Great Danes 16-13, but UAlbany goalkeeper **Bouna Coundoul** was able to extend his shutout streak to 415 minutes, turning away six of the Saints’ shots on goal.

Siena’s **Tom Santoro** led all players with four shots, while Saints goalkeeper **Patrick Henry** made just one save in the net.

UAlbany (3-0-1) returns to action on Wednesday, Sept. 15 when they host Colgate on Varsity Field at 4 p.m.

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UAlbany (3-0-1)	0	0	1	-	1
Siena (0-2)	0	0	0	-	0

UAlbany--Scoring: Goals-Assists: Yan Gbolo (1-0), Eric Zekiroski (0-1); Goalkeeper: Bouna Coundoul (97:07, 6 saves, 0 GA)

Siena--Scoring: Goals-Assists: None. ; Goalkeeper: Patrick Henry (97:07, 1 saves, 1 GA)

Shots: Siena 16, UAlbany 13; Corner Kicks: Siena 5, UAlbany 5

UAlbany Women’s Soccer Suffers 2-0 Setback to Non-League Opponent Fairleigh Dickinson

Madison, N.J. – **Michelle DeCoursey** scored two goals, one in each half, to lead Fairleigh Dickinson to a 2-0 non-conference win over UAlbany on Friday, Sept. 10.

Ana Moniz and **Jennifer Tarvin** each recorded an assist for the Knights, who posted their first shutout of the season against the Great Danes.

Freshman **Uju Ogbuawa** had two shots for UAlbany, while freshman goalkeeper **Catherine Nicholson** made four saves in the net in her first collegiate start. Fairleigh Dickinson goalkeeper **Andrea Maston** turned away three shots for the Knights, who improved to 2-3 overall.

UAlbany (2-4) will be back in action at Rider on Sunday, Sept. 12.

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Fairleigh Dickinson (2-3)	1	1	-	2
UAlbany (2-4)	0	0	-	0

UAlbany--Scoring: Goals-Assists: None; Goalkeeper: Catherine Nicholson (90:00, 4 saves, 2 GA)

Fairleigh Dickinson--Scoring: Goals-Assists: Michelle DeCoursey (2-0), Ana Moniz (0-1), Jennifer Tarvin (0-1);

Goalkeeper: Andrea Maston (90:00, 3 saves, 0 GA)

Shots: Fairleigh Dickinson 9, UAlbany 5; Corner Kicks: Fairleigh Dickinson 8, UAlbany 1



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UALBANY ANNOUNCES MEN'S & WOMEN'S BASKETBALL SCHEDULES FOR 2004-05

Albany, N.Y. – University at Albany Director of Athletics and Recreation Lee McElroy announced today the school's men's and women's basketball schedules for the 2004-05 season. The Great Danes are entering their fourth year of America East Conference competition.

The America East schedule for the men begins on Jan. 2 against Boston University at the Recreation and Convocation Center. The season concludes with the America East Conference Tournament on March 4, 5, 6 and 12. Binghamton University's Events Center will host the first round, quarterfinals and semifinals.

The Great Danes' non-conference schedule is highlighted by a pair of Big East Conference teams in Syracuse and Villanova. The Orangemen finished 23-8 last year and reached the NCAA Phoenix Regional Sweet Sixteen. UAlbany also faces Villanova, a 2004 NIT quarterfinalist, on Dec. 22, and meets crosstown-rival Siena on Nov. 23 at Pepsi Arena. Albany has an 11-game home schedule that includes a date with defending America East champion Vermont on Feb. 16.

UAlbany will have a different look than in past seasons with all five starters back and **Jamar Wilson**, the 2003 America East Rookie of the Year, returning from injury. **Levi Levine**, eighth among the league's scoring leaders last year, and **Jon Iati**, the conference's top rookie in 2004, averaged 14.3 and 14.0 points, respectively. Wilson, who missed last season following knee surgery, finished second in the league in scoring at 18.9 points per game as a freshman in 2002-03. **Lucious Jordan**, who led Loyola, Md. in scoring with a 13.2 average before transferring to the UAlbany program, is set to make a significant contribution this year. Head coach **Will Brown** is in his fourth season.

The UAlbany women's program opens its schedule on Nov. 19 at Morgan State, and then begins America East Conference play against New Hampshire on Jan. 5. The conference tournament is slated for March 9-12 at The Chase Family Arena in West Hartford, Conn.

The Great Danes are entered in Northern Arizona's Thanksgiving Tournament on Nov. 26-27 and Virginia's Cavalier Classic on Dec. 28-29. UAlbany will face Northern Arizona in the first round, while Air Force and New Mexico State are also paired. The Great Danes will meet an Atlantic Coast Conference school for the first time, when they tangle with Virginia. James Madison and American are matched up in the opening round. An 11-game home schedule features a first-ever matchup with Syracuse on Dec. 7.

Head coach **Trina Patterson** led the Great Danes to a fourth-place finish in the America East standings and a postseason tournament semifinal appearance in her second season. UAlbany's 13-16 record represented a five-win improvement over the previous campaign. Four starters return, including first-team all-conference center **Danielle Hutcheson**, who was among the league's leaders in scoring (12.7 ppg) and rebounding (9.6 rpg). **Becky Ayers** and **Alicia Learn** also scored in double figures at 12.2 and 10.0 points per game, respectively. **Maree Jones**, a 6-foot-1 senior, averaged 7.4 points and 6.9 rebounds.

Two home doubleheaders are scheduled in February, while one twinbill is slated for Jan. 12 against Binghamton. New Hampshire visits the Capital Region for Big Purple Growl, the University's Winter Homecoming, on Feb. 5. America East-rival Maine is the opponent for the men and women on Feb. 12.

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2004-05 University at Albany Men's Basketball Schedule

November

19 (Fri.), at Sacred Heart, 7:00; 23 (Tue.), at Siena (Pepsi Arena), 7:00; 27 (Sat.), at Wagner, 2:00; 30 (Tue.), at Lehigh, 7:00.

December

6 (Mon.), at Army, 7:00; 8 (Wed.), **Long Island**, 7:00; 18 (Sat.), at Hartford*, 2:00; 22 (Wed.), at Villanova, 7:30; 28 (Tue.), at Syracuse, 7:00; 30 (Thu.), **Dartmouth**, 7:00.

January

2 (Sun.), **Boston U.***, 2:00; 6 (Thu.), at New Hampshire*, 7:00; 8 (Sat.), **Northeastern***, 2:00; 12 (Wed.), **Binghamton***, 7:00; 16 (Sun.), at Maine*, 1:00; 19 (Wed.), at UMBC*, 7:00; 22 (Sat.), at Vermont*, 1:00; 27 (Thu.), **Hartford***, 7:00; 29 (Sat.), at Boston U.*, 1:00.

February

2 (Wed.), **Stony Brook***, 7:00; 5 (Sat.), **New Hampshire***, 7:00+; 9 (Wed.), at Binghamton*, 7:00; 12 (Sat.), **Maine***, 7:00; 16 (Wed.), **Vermont***, 7:00; 19 (Sat.), **UMBC***, 2:00; 24 (Thu.), at Stony Brook*, 7:00; 27 (Sun.), at Northeastern*, 1:00.

March

4, 5 & 6, America East Conference Tournament (Events Center, Vestal, N.Y.); 12 (Sat.), America East Conference Championship^, 11:30 a.m.

*America East Conference Opponent

+Big Purple Growl

^At Highest Remaining Seed's Home Arena

2004-05 University at Albany Women's Basketball Schedule

November

19 (Fri.), at Morgan State, 7:00; 26 (Fri.), at Northern Arizona Thanksgiving Tournament (vs. Northern Arizona), 9:30; 27 (Sat.), at Northern Arizona Thanksgiving Tournament (vs. Air Force or New Mexico State), 7:00 or 9:30.

December

1 (Wed.), at Fairleigh Dickinson, 5:00; 4 (Sat.), **Bucknell**^, 5:00; 7 (Tue.), **Syracuse**, 7:00; 11 (Sat.), at Colgate, 1:00; 28 (Tue.), at Cavalier Classic (vs. Virginia), 7:00; 29 (Wed.), at Cavalier Classic (vs. James Madison or American), 4:30 or 7:00.

January

5 (Wed.), at New Hampshire*, 7:00; 8 (Sat.), at Northeastern*, 1:00; 12 (Wed.), **Binghamton***, 5:00; 15 (Sat.), ^at Maine*, 2:00; 19 (Wed.), **UMBC***, 7:00; 22 (Sat.), **Vermont***, 2:00; 26 (Wed.), **Hartford***, 7:00; 29 (Sat.), **Boston U.***, 2:00.

February

2 (Wed.), at Stony Brook*, 7:00; 5 (Sat.), **New Hampshire***, 5:00+; 8 (Tue.), at Binghamton*, 7:00; 12 (Sat.), **Maine***, 5:00; 16 (Wed.), at Vermont*, 7:00; 19 (Sat.), at UMBC*, 7:00; 23 (Wed.), **Stony Brook***, 7:00; 26 (Sat.), **Northeastern***, 2:00.

March

2 (Wed.), at Boston U.*, 7:00; 5 (Sat.), at Hartford*, 2:00; 9, 10, 11 & 12, America East Conference Tournament (Chase Family Arena, West Hartford, Conn.).

*America East Conference Opponent

^Troy, N.Y. (Hudson Valley Community College)

^^Portland, Maine (Cumberland County Civic Center)

+Big Purple Growl



UAlbany Field Hockey Records First Win in 2-0 Victory Over Crosstown-Rival

Schenectady, N.Y. – Freshman **Kristen Holder** scored unassisted midway through the second half, as UAlbany posted its first victory of the season with a 2-0 non-league win over crosstown-rival Siena on Wednesday evening at Union College's Frank Bailey Field.

UAlbany (1-4) won for the first time under head coach **Phil Sykes**, who previously worked at Cornell and Towson before his appointment last March.

Holder broke up a scoreless deadlock with 20:46 remaining, when in a two-on-one situation she carried the ball through the middle, dodge a defender, and fired a shot into the back of the cage. **Tina Bryson** added her third goal of the season for insurance with exactly one minute left off a scramble in front.

Sophomore goalkeeper **Barbara Czaplinski** made one save in recording the first shutout of her collegiate career. The Great Danes dominated the action with a 22-2 shot advantage. Siena's **Kristen Heyde** registered double-figure saves for the second consecutive game with 13. The Saints are 0-2 overall.

The Great Danes, who are playing their entire 2004 home schedule on Union's campus, host Rhode Island on Saturday, Sept. 11 at 1:00 p.m.

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UAlbany 2, Siena 0

(Frank Bailey Field, Schenectady, N.Y.)

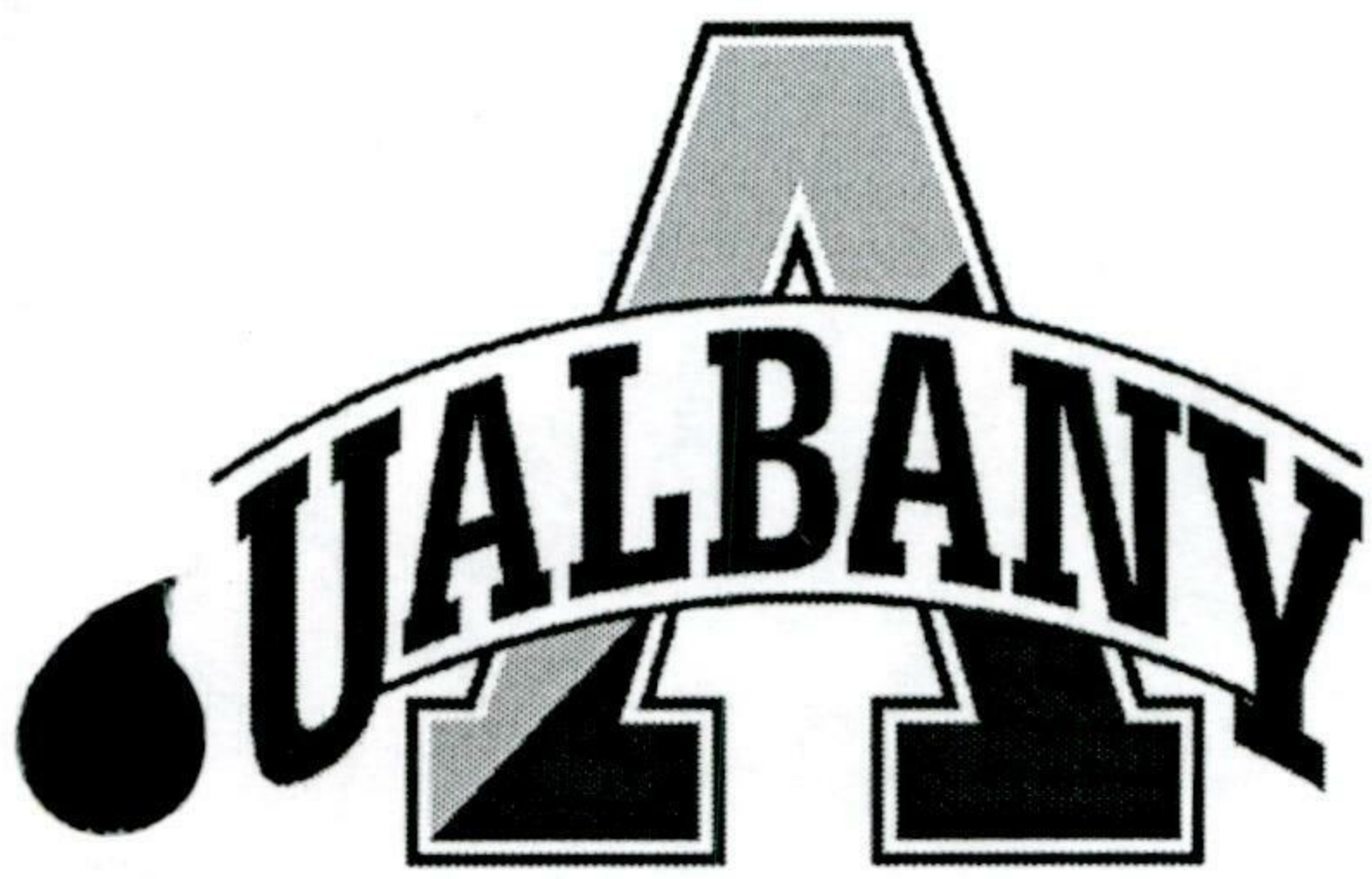
Siena (0-2) 0 0 - 0

UAlbany (1-4) 0 2 - 2

Siena – No Scoring; Goalkeeper(s): Kristen Heyde (70:00, 13 saves, 2 GA).

UAlbany – Scoring: Kristen Holder 1-0, Tina Bryson 1-0; Danielle Costello 0-1;

Goalkeeper(s): Barbara Czaplinski (70:00, 1 save, 0 GA).



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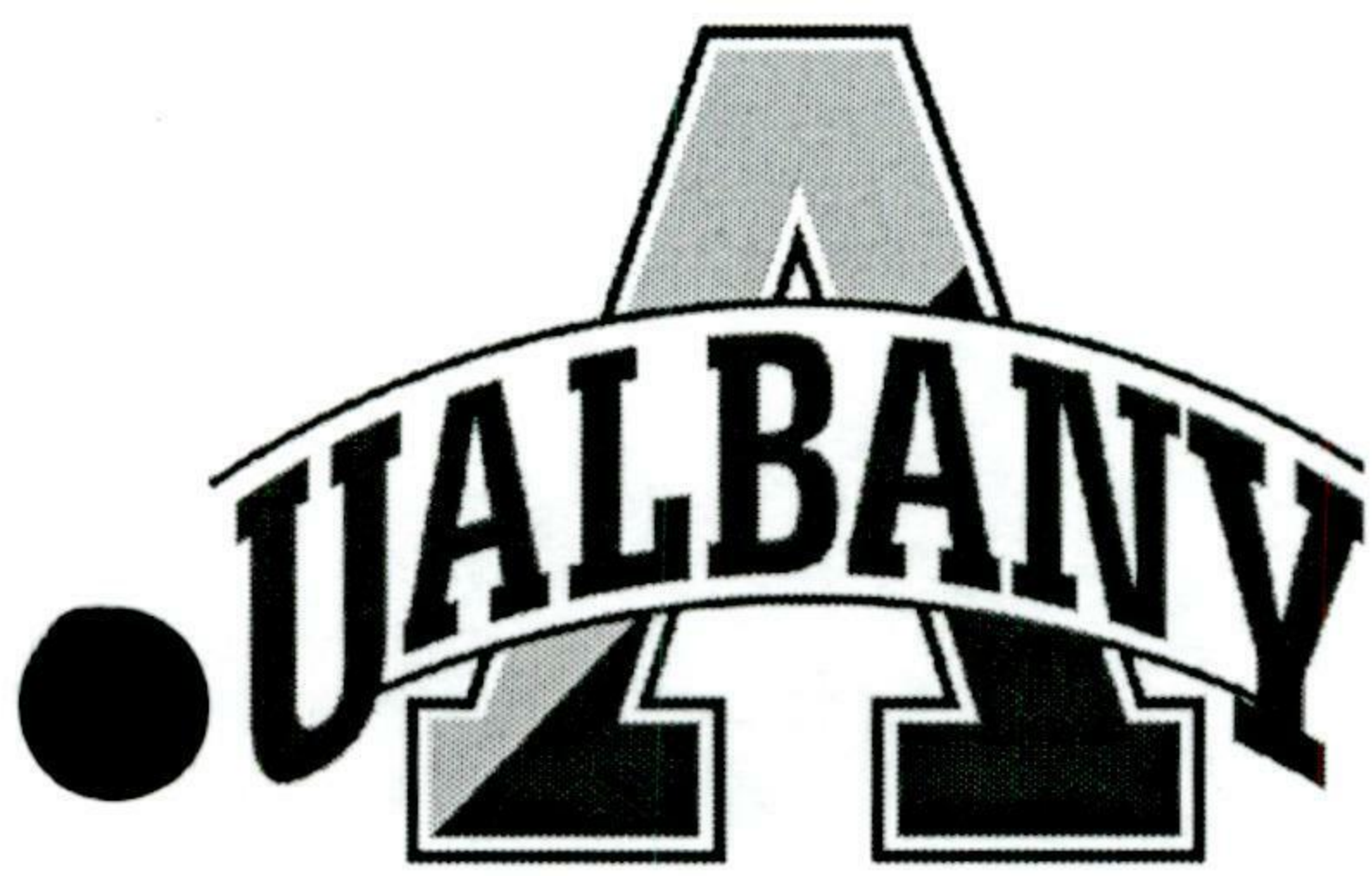
UALBANY ATHLETE NAMED AMERICA EAST SOCCER PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Boston, Mass. – Senior goalkeeper **Bouna Coundoul** was named America East Conference Player of the Week in men's soccer, as announced by the conference office on Tuesday, Sept. 7.

Coundoul has played all of the University at Albany's 290 minutes this season and has not allowed a goal. He was named the Most Valuable Player of the Duquesne Invitational on Sept. 5. Against Duquesne in the first round, he stopped 11 shots in the Great Danes' 1-0 win. His 11-save performance was the most saves in a game since last Oct. 1 against UMBC. Against Robert Morris in the second round, he posted another blanking in a double-overtime match.

The tri-captain has made 15 saves this season and has a scoreless streak of 318 minutes dating back to last season. Along with his play at Duquesne, Coundoul made one save in a 1-0 win over Oneonta State on Sept 1.

UAlbany is 2-0-1 in three matches, its best start since becoming a Division I program in 1999. The Great Danes host cross-town rival Siena on Friday at 4 p.m.



UALBANY WINS DUQUESNE INVITATIONAL WITH 0-0 TIE, COUNDOUL NAMED MVP

Pittsburgh Pa. – Senior goalkeeper **Bouna Coundoul** recorded his third consecutive shutout, as UAlbany played Robert Morris to a 0-0 tie in double overtime in the second round of the Duquesne Invitational on Sunday afternoon at Rooney Field. The Great Danes earned the tournament title after defeating Duquesne, 1-0, on the first day. Philadelphia University and the host school split their two matches over the weekend.

Coundoul was named the Duquesne Invitational MVP as he recorded three saves in the tie with Robert Morris. He stopped 14 shots in the two-day tourney, and has now set a career best shutout streak of 318 minutes, dating back to last November. Joining Coundoul on the all-tournament team from UAlbany were sophomore **Stephan Hall**, who scored the game-winner against Duquesne, and seniors **Ousmane Toure** and **Lucas Machado**.

Sophomore **Tomer Chencinski** turned away four shots for Robert Morris (0-2-1). UAlbany outshot the Colonials in the contest, 22-13.

UAlbany (2-0-1) are unbeaten after three matches for the first time since moving to the Division I level in 1999.

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Pittsburgh, Pa. (Rooney Field)

UAlbany (2-0-1)	0	0	0	0	-	0
Robert Morris (0-2-1)	0	0	0	0	-	0

UAlbany -- Scoring: None; Goalkeeper: Bouna Coundoul (110:00, 3 saves, 0 GA)

Robert Morris -- Scoring: None; Goalkeeper: Tomer Chencinski (110:00, 4 saves, 1 GA)

Shots: UAlbany 22, Robert Morris 13; Corner Kicks: UAlbany 5, Robert Morris 4.

WOMEN'S SOCCER FALLS TO COLGATE, 3-1 IN NON-LEAGUE PLAY

Albany, N.Y. – Freshman **Franny lacuzzi** scored two goals, one in each half, as Colgate defeated UAlbany, 3-1, on Sunday afternoon at Varsity Field. The Great Danes travel to Fairleigh Dickinson on Friday afternoon for a 4 p.m. start.

Junior **Lindsay Pirozzi** scored her first career goal for the Great Danes at 63:35 when she gathered a loose ball from 30 yards out and chipped the ball over the head of goalkeeper **Carly Sousa**. Colgate (3-1) opened the scoring at 6:42 into the contest when lacuzzi beat two defenders and slipped a shot by UAlbany junior goalkeeper **Kate Lawler**. lacuzzi finished off a cross at the 55:53 mark from junior **Kelly Kuss** for a two-goal advantage. Less then four minutes later, Warhaftig scored on a cross from sophomore **Kelly Niland** off a restart for a 3-0 lead.

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Colgate outshot UAlbany in the contest, 28-3. Sousa made one save in the victory for the Raiders, while Lawler turned away eight shots for the Great Danes, who are 2-3 overall.

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Varsity Field -- Albany, N.Y.

Colgate (3-1)		1	2	-	3
UAlbany (2-3)	0	1	-	1	

UAlbany--Scoring: Goals-Assists: Lindsay Pirozzi 1-0; Goalkeeper: Kate Lawler (90:00, 8 saves, 3 GA)

Colgate--Scoring: Goals-Assists: Franny Iacuzzi 2-0, Carolyn Warhaftig 1-0, Kelly Kuss 0-1, Kelly Niland 0-1; Goalkeeper: Carly Sousa (90:00, 1 saves, 1 GA)

Shots: Colgate 28, UAlbany 3; Corner Kicks: Colgate 3, UAlbany 3

UALBANY VOLLEYBALL DOWNS SOUTHEAST MISSOURI STATE, 3-0

Muncie, Ind. – Three Great Danes finished with double-digit kills as UAlbany posted its first victory of the season with a 3-0 defeat of Southeast Missouri State in day two of the Ball State Active Ankle Classic at Worthen Arena. **Ashley Green** set the tone for the offense with 13 kills, followed by **Shelby Goldman** with 12 and **Ashlee Reed** with 11.

Great Dane sophomore **Blair Buchanan** continued her strong tournament play with a match-high 46 assists to go along with her seven kills and 15 digs. Sophomore **Ashley DeNeal** tallied nine kills and 12 digs and earned all-tournament team honors after amassing 29 kills and 41 digs in three matches.

Jessica Koepfer paced Southeast Missouri State with 13 kills, while Jill Miller added nine kills and 12 digs.

UAlbany (1-3) takes to the court again on Friday in the University of Delaware Tournament with matches against Delaware at 2 p.m. and George Washington at 4:30 p.m.



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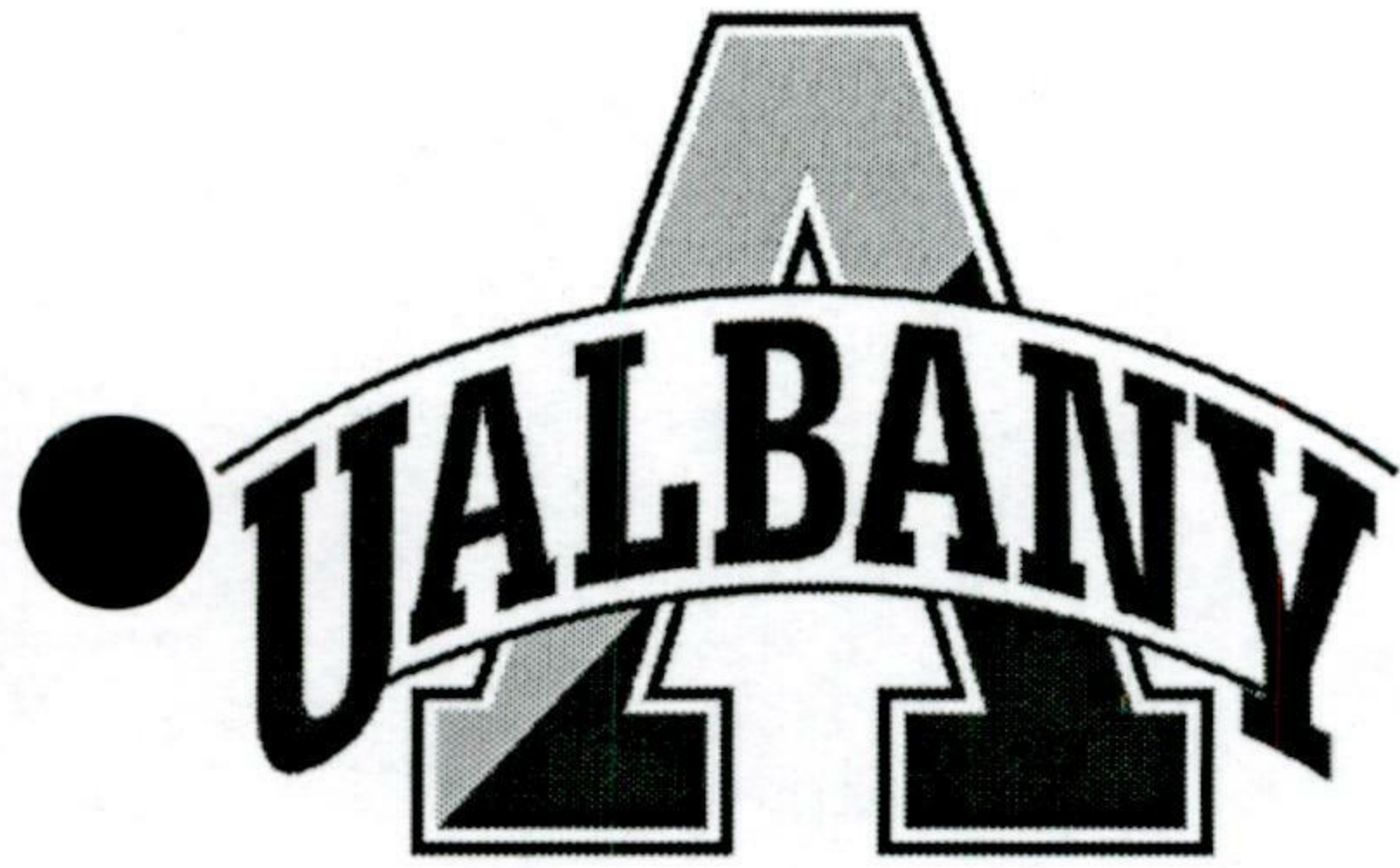
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UALBANY VOLLEYBALL DEALT 3-0 SETBACK BY VALPARAISO

Muncie, Ind. – **Ashley DeNeal** and **Shelby Goldman** each tallied 11 kills, but it was not enough as UAlbany suffered a 3-0 loss to Valparaiso in the second day of action at the Ball State Active Ankle Classic on Saturday. The Crusaders won by scores of 30-21, 30-22 and 33-31.

UAlbany's **Eileen Nicole Rodriguez** tallied a team-high 20 digs, while **Blair Buchanan** registered 16 helpers. For Valpo, **Lauren Moulton** led the way with 10 kills, with **Amy Palash** and **Jessi Novak** each adding eight.

UAlbany (0-3) takes to the court again on Friday in the University of Delaware Tournament with matches against Delaware at 2 p.m. and George Washington at 4:30 p.m.



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Men Capture Second, Women Finish Fourth at CCSU Blue Devil Cross Country Invitational

New Britain, Conn. – UAlbany's **Ryan Gaedje** (Shenendehowa) finished second to lead the Great Danes to a second-place finish at the 16th annual Blue Devil Invitational, hosted by Central Connecticut State at Stanley Quarter Park, on Saturday, Sept. 4. **Alyssa Lotmore** (Bishop Maginn) finished third overall, leading the UAlbany women's team to a fourth-place showing.

Syracuse captured the overall men's title, led by men's champion **John Graham**. UConn earned first place in the women's competition, as **Kristin Meyer** crossed the finish line in 18:13.

Robbie Freeman finished second for the Great Dane men, placing eighth overall in a time of 26:53. **Ricardo Estremera** also placed in the top ten for the men, covering the 8,000-meter course in a time of 27:44. **Andy Allstadt** (11th, 27:54), **Bryant Cherry-Woode** (15th, 28:32), Fonda-Fultonville's **Sam Gonzalez** (17th, 28:46) and Guilderland's **Gered Burns** (38th, 30:30) rounded out the UAlbany runners.

Lotmore was joined in the top ten by **Nicole Susser** (Colonie Central), who placed 10th overall. **Jessica Oehlke** finished 18th, while **Natasha Torres** (21st), **Maureen Brown** (27th), **Theresa Juva** (28th) and **Jenny Boshco** (32nd) all finished in the top half of the field.

Holy Cross finished third as a team, while New Haven and host Central Connecticut rounded out the top five men's teams. Northeastern followed UConn in the women's team standings, followed by Syracuse, Albany and Holy Cross.

The UAlbany cross country teams will be back in action on Saturday, Sept. 11 as they travel to the New Hampshire Invitational.

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16th Annual Blue Devil Invitational

MEN

1. Syracuse 38, **2. UAlbany 46**, 3. Holy Cross 92, 4. New Haven 113, 5. Central Connecticut State 135, 6. Northeastern 166, 7. Fairfield 167, 8. Hartford 178.

INDIVIDUAL

1. John Graham (Syracuse) 26:44; **2. Ryan Gaedje (Albany) 26:53**; 3. David Wishart (Syracuse) 27:00; 4. Matthew Lawson (Syracuse) 27:03; 5. Christopher Blacki (New Haven) 27:09; 6. Juha Vesala (CCSU) 27:12; 7. John Nieskins (Holy Cross) 27:23; **8. Robbie Freeman (Albany) 27:32**; 9. James Beaubrun (New Haven) 27:42; **10. Ricardo Estremera (Albany) 27:44**.

OTHER UALBANY SCORES

11. Andy Allstadt 27:54, 15. Bryant Cherry-Woode 28:32, 17. Sam Gonzalez 28:46, 38. Gered Burns 30:30.

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WOMEN

1. Connecticut 28, 2. Northeastern 69, 3. Syracuse 70, **4. UAlbany 79**, 5. Holy Cross 129, 6. Central Connecticut State 181, 7. Fairfield 195, 8. New Haven 229, 9. Hartford 233.

INDIVIDUAL

1. Kristin Meyer (UConn) 18:13; 2. Elizabeth Cufari (Syracuse); **3. Alyssa Lotmore (Albany)**; 4. Amy Hicks (Northeastern); 5. Jillian Sullivan (UConn); 6. Allison Croft (UConn); 7. Niamh Cunningham (UConn); 8. Stephanie Morrison (Northeastern); 9. Julie LaFrano (UConn); **10. Nicole Susser (Albany)**.

OTHER UALBANY SCORES

18. Jessica Oehlke, 21. Natasha Torres, 27. Maureen Brown, 28. Theresa Juva, 32. Jenny Boshco, 52. Natalie Lebron, 95. Trista Nienast.

Ivanyushchenko's Goal Leads Men's Soccer to 1-0 Victory Over Duquesne

Pittsburgh Pa. – Senior midfielder **Vadim Ivanyushchenko** scored the game's lone goal midway through the second half in leading UAlbany to a 1-0 victory over Duquesne on Saturday afternoon at Rooney Field. The Great Danes will meet Robert Morris on Sunday at 12 noon in the Duquesne Invitational's second round.

Ivanyushchenko received a pass from freshman **Trevor Elmo** and found the back of the net at the 68:20 mark. The Great Danes were out shot by the host Dukes, 19-5, but senior goalkeeper **Bouna Coundoul** blanked the opposition for the second straight contest with 11 saves. Coundoul, who registered his eighth career shutout, posted his highest save total in nearly one year. Duquesne's **Zach Varga** turned away two shots, as his team was playing in its season opener.

UAlbany (2-0) has won its opening two matches for the first time as a Division I program. The Great Danes moved up to that level in 1999.

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Pittsburgh, Pa. (Rooney Field)

UAlbany (2-0)	0	1	-	1
Duquesne (0-1)	0	0	-	0

UAlbany--Scoring: Vadim Ivanyushchenko 1-0, Trevor Elmo 0-1; Goalkeeper: Bouna Coundoul (90:00, 11 saves, 0 GA)

Duquesne--Scoring: None; Goalkeeper: Zach Varga (90:00, 2 saves, 1 GA)

Shots: Duquesne 19, UAlbany 5, Corner Kicks: Duquesne 11, UAlbany 3.



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Great Danes Fall to Brown, 7-0 in Non-Conference Action

Providence, R.I. – **Brooke Townsend** scored two goals to lead Brown to a 7-0 non-conference win over UAlbany in the Bears' season opener on Saturday, September 4.

Alexis Johnson and **Danielle Costello** had three shots apiece for the Great Danes, who fell to 0-4 on the season.

Tess Belmont led the Bears in points, scoring one goal and chipping in with two assists. **Samantha Lloyd** scored the first goal of the game, while **Lindsay Boris**, **Stacy Gugliotta** and **Tracy Dungo** all tallied goals in the second half of play.

UAlbany goalkeeper **Barbara Czaplinski** make three saves in the cage during the first half, while reliever **Jessica Montmarquet**, in her first collegeiate action in goal, stopped three shots in the second. The Bears' **Kathryn Noe** played all 70 minutes, making two saves.

The Great Danes will be back in action on Wednesday, Sept. 8, opening the home schedule against Siena at 7:30 p.m. The non-league game will take place on the campus of Union College in Schenectady, N.Y.

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Warner Roof (Providence, R.I.)

Albany (0-4)	0	0	-	0
Brown (1-0)	3	4	-	7

Albany—Scoring (G-A): None; Goalkeeper: Barbara Czaplinski (35:00, 3 saves, 3 GA), Jessica Montmarquet (35:00, 3 saves, 4 GA).

Brown—Scoring (G-A): Brooke Townsend (2-0), Tess Belmont (1-2), Samantha Lloyd (1-0), Lindsay Boris (1-0), Stacy Gugliotta (1-0), Tracy Dungo (1-0), Julia Kelderman (0-1), Elizabeth Fritz (0-1); Goalkeeper: Kathryn Noe (70:00, 2 saves, 0 GA).

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UAlbany Falls to Crosstown-Rival Siena, 2-1

Clifton Park, N.Y. –**Katie Ferry** shot the gamewinner with just under five minutes left to play to lead Siena to a 2-1 victory over crosstown-rival UAlbany in Clifton Park on Friday evening.

Great Dane freshman **Uju Ogbuawa** tied the game at one-all early in the second half off an **Ahkita Madyun** assist. Siena's **Jen Kies** opened the scoring just four minutes into the game on a **Corry Silon** pass.

Junior goalkeeper **Kate Lawler** made nine saves in the net for the Great Danes while **Noel Cox** only needed to stop one for the Saints.

UAlbany returns to action on Sunday, Sept. 5, hosting Colgate at 1 p.m. on Varsity Field.

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Clifton Commons (Clifton Park, N.Y.)

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

Albany—Scoring: Uju Ogbuawa (1g), Ahkita Madyun (1a); Goalkeeper: Kate Lawler (90:00, 9 saves, 2 GA).
Siena—Scoring: Jen Kies (1g), Katie Ferry (1g), Corry Silon (1a), Sarah Hopkins (1a); Goalkeeper: Noel Cox (90:00, 1 saves, 1 GA).



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UALBANY VOLLEYBALL DROPS 3-0 MATCH TO BALL STATE

Muncie, Ind. – **Sarah Obras** fired 16 kills to lead Ball State to a 3-0 defeat of UAlbany in volleyball action on Friday in the first day of the Ball State Active Ankle Classic at Worthen Arena. The Cardinals posted scores of 30-16, 30-23 and 30-19.

Ashley DeNeal fueled the Great Dane attack with nine kills to along with 16 digs. **Shelby Goldman** registered eight kills, while **Blair Buchanan** tallied 28 assists. For Ball State (2-0), **Rachel Refenes** hit double digits with 10 kills in addition to one solo block and seven block assists.

UAlbany (0-2) resumes tournament action on Saturday at 10 a.m. against Valparaiso followed by a 5:30 p.m. match against Southeast Missouri State.



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Great Danes Fall to Hofstra 45-0 in Season Opener

Hempstead, N.Y. – Quarterback **Bobby Seck** passed for four touchdowns and ran for another in leading Hofstra to a 45-0 non-league victory over Albany in the season opener for both teams on Thursday evening at Shuart Stadium.

Hofstra put together a pair of 80-yard scoring drives in the first quarter to take a 14-0 lead. Seck, who completed 26-of-38 passes for 424 yards, led the Pride to its first score, when **Terry Crenshaw** scored on a three-yard run over left guard. Seck then finished off a 14-play march, as he tossed a two-yard touchdown pass to **Devale Ellis** with 2:27 left in the first period.

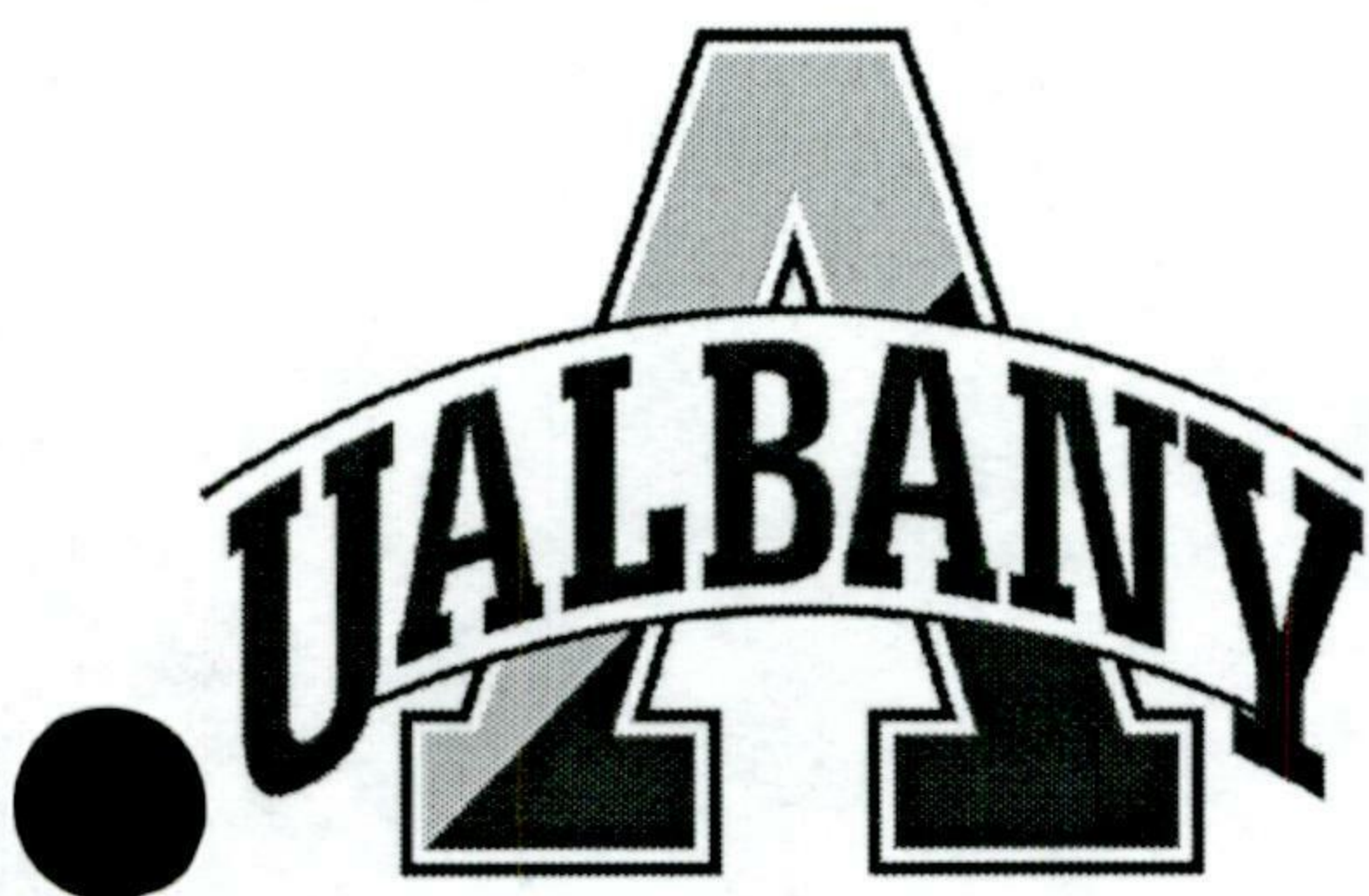
The Pride exploded for 24 points in the second quarter. Seck reached paydirt from one yard out on a quarterback sneak for a 21-0 lead. His 55-yard pass to **Ellis** was the key play in the scoring sequence. On his team's next possession, Seck fired a 58-yard strike to **Isaac Irby**, as he connected with the 5-foot-9 receiver over the middle in beating the blitz. The Pride added a 35-yard field goal by **Chris Onorato** and Seck's 38-yard scoring throw to **Charles Sullivan** following an Albany turnover.

In the third quarter, Hofstra completed the scoring, when Seck threw his fourth touchdown pass of the game, a 34-yarder to **Irby**. The Great Danes, who dropped their third consecutive season-opening game, had two chances to break up the shutout in the second half. The second opportunity was wiped out when reserve quarterback **Tom Banach** fumbled the snap on a fourth-and-one play at the Hofstra 14.

“Part of what happened tonight is that we stepped up in the level of opponent, but failed to come to that level,” Albany coach **Bob Ford** said. “There is enough blame to go around, but we’ll get it squared away. We need to get it turned around in a hurry with a quality opponent like Fordham up next week.”

Albany quarterback **Nicholas Bazan** led his team with 86 rushing yards in his first start as a collegian. However, Bazan completed just 5-of-16 passes for 44 yards, and fumbled twice. **David Fantell** added 11 carries for 68 more yards on the ground. Hofstra's **Irby** led all receivers with eight receptions for 168 yards and two touchdowns.

“It was rough out there,” Bazan commented. “It felt good to be playing and get the kinks out. I finally calmed down and felt more comfortable in the fourth series and started to throw the ball a little better.”



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UALBANY DROPS NON-CONFERENCE CONTEST TO PACIFIC, 3-1

Syracuse, N.Y. –UAlbany's **Alexis Johnson** scored a second half goal to attempt a late comeback, but the Great Danes were unable to capitalize, falling 3-1 to non-conference opponent Pacific in Syracuse, N.Y. on Thursday afternoon.

The Tigers were led by **Megan Haas**, who tallied two goals in the contest. **Vianney Campos** added a goal and an assist for Pacific.

Great Dane goalkeeper **Barbara Czaplinski** made seven saves in the cage for UAlbany, while Pacific's **Kim Myers** stopped four shots.

UAlbany will be back in action on Saturday, Sept. 4, at Brown at 4 p.m.

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Pacific 3, UAlbany 1 (Syracuse, N.Y.)

Albany – Scoring: Alexis Johnson (1); Goalkeeper: Barbara Czaplinski (70:00, 7 Saves, 3 GA).

Pacific – Scoring: Megan Haas (2), Vianney Campos (1); Goalkeeper: Kim Myers (70:00, 4 Saves, 1 GA).



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UAlbany Volleyball Falls to IPFW 3-1 in Season Opener

Muncie, Ind. – The University of Albany fell 3-1 to Indiana Purdue Fort Wayne in women's volleyball action on Wednesday, Sept. 1 at the Hilliard Gates Center. The Great Danes captured the first game 30-26, but lost the next three, 27-30, 26-30, 29-31.

UAlbany sophomore **Shelby Goldman** led the Great Danes with 13 kills, while fellow sophomore **Ashley DeNeal** added 11 kills and led all players with 23 digs. Sophomore **Blair Buchanan** recorded a game-high 50 assists in Albany's season-opening match, while also chipping in 10 digs and eight kills. **Eileen Nicole Rodriguez** provided 18 digs for the Great Danes (0-1).

The Mastadons' **Fabiana Souza** led all players with 23 kills while adding 16 digs and four block assists. **Cynara Martins** led IPFW (1-0) with 17 digs, while **Ashlee Roth** recorded 31 assists.

The Great Danes return to action this weekend at Ball State in the Active Ankle Classic. UAlbany will play host Ball State on Friday at 6:30 p.m. and then face Valparaiso and Southeast Missouri State on Saturday.



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THEOFILOU NETS GAME-WINNING GOAL IN UALBANY'S 1-0 WIN OVER ONEONTA STATE

Albany, N.Y. – Senior **Cagdas Bayram** tapped the ball to fellow classmate **Savvas Theofilou** who scored on a low shot from 25 yards out at the 70:46 mark in the second half to lift UAlbany to a 1-0 victory over Oneonta State in men's soccer action on Wednesday afternoon. It was the season opener for both squads.

The Great Danes (1-0) outshot the Red Dragons, 17-7, in the match. Senior **Bouna Coundoul** made one save in the victory, while freshman **Timothy Melia** turned away 4 shots for Oneonta State (0-1).

UAlbany travels to Pittsburgh, Pa. this weekend to play in the Duquesne Invitational. The Great Danes play host Duquesne at 12 p.m. on Saturday and Robert Morris at 12 p.m. on Sunday.

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Varsity Field -- Albany, N.Y.

Oneonta State (0-1)	0	0	-	0
UAlbany (1-0)	0	1	-	1

UAlbany--Scoring: Goals-Assists Savvas Theofilou (1-0), Cagdas Bayram (0-1); Goalkeeper: Bouna Coundoul (90:00, 1 save, 0 GA)

Oneonta State--Scoring: None; Goalkeeper: Timothy Melia (90:00, 4 saves, 1 GA)

Shots-Cornerkicks: Oneonta State -- 7-3; UAlbany 17-7



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UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY ANNOUNCES 2004-05 WOMEN'S LACROSSE COMMITMENTS

ALBANY, N.Y. – University at Albany women's lacrosse coach Dennis Short announced today that eight student-athletes have made commitments to play for the Great Danes in 2004-05. The UAlbany program recently completed its third year as a member of the America East Conference.

"I am excited about this class because they all come from winning programs that have been extremely competitive within the state of New York," said Short, who is heading into his fourth season as head coach. "That kind of winning tradition should continue to help us elevate our program's level in both the America East Conference and Division I. We are physically bigger and have added depth in the midfield which should provide more options and allow us to be more improved in the area of draw controls."

Katie DeJoseph, the second-leading scorer in Section II at Scotia-Glenville High School, was an honorable mention U.S. Lacrosse high school All-American. DeJoseph, who was named to the *Albany Times Union* All-Area first team, totaled 103 goals and 17 assists in leading her team to the Division II sectional title.

Attacker **Jane Bush** was picked to the *Syracuse Post-Standard's* All-Central New York third team. Bush ranked fifth in goals (52) and third in assists (37) among the Section III Class B leaders as a senior. She also earned first-team All-Onondaga League honors. **Brittany Scott** also made All-Onondaga League as an honorable mention choice in Division A-1, as she had 17 goals and 12 assists as a senior midfielder. She led her squad to a 13-6 record and a No. 12-ranking among Class A state teams.

Jackie Davren is a two-time All-Rockland County first-team midfielder, as chosen by the *Journal News*. Davren accounted for 25 goals and 21 assists as a senior, as her Nanuet High squad place No. 19 in the state's Class B poll. Defender **Angela Moyer** led Northport High to the Long Island championship. Her team finished 18-3 overall and fourth in the final Class A state rankings.

Mel Brasor, **Kristin Cioffi** and **Stacey Brown**, a trio of midfielders, were all significant contributors on their Suffolk County scholastic teams on Long Island. Brasor netted 31 goals as a senior in leading her team to the county final. Cioffi scored 25 times in earning All-League I honors for the second straight year.

2004 University at Albany Women's Lacrosse Newcomers

Name	Pos.	Ht.	Hometown (High School)
Mel Brasor	Mid.	5-2	Rocky Point, N.Y. (Rocky Point)
Stacey Brown	Mid.	5-7	East Islip, N.Y. (East Islip)
Jane Bush	Att.	5-7	Jordan, N.Y. (Jordan-Elbridge)
Kristin Cioffi	Mid.	5-7	Medford, N.Y. (Patchogue-Medford)
Jackie Davren	Mid.	5-6	Pearl River, N.Y. (Nanuet)
Katie DeJoseph	Mid.	5-8	Schenectady, N.Y. (Scotia-Glenville)
Angela Moyer	Def.	5-5	East Northport, N.Y. (Northport)
Brittany Scott	Mid.	5-6	Baldwinsville, N.Y. (C.W. Baker)