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Comments: College Sports (Men's Lacrosse, Baseball)

(Men's Lacrosse)

Albany, N.Y. – Senior attackman **Dan Small** had four goals and two assists, and netted his 100th career goal to lead Albany past Wagner, 24-1, on Sunday at Varsity Field.

Albany (4-5) raced to a 9-0 lead in the first quarter. Small totaled two goals and one assist in that outburst. **Jim Lindsay**, who also finished with four goals and two assists, scored twice in the period.

Small, who has 100 goals and 35 assists as a collegian, reached the century mark with 8:51 remaining in the third quarter off a pass by Lindsay from behind the cage. Eighteen players found the scoring column the Great Danes, who recorded their highest offensive output this spring. Freshman **Jon Smith** added a season-high four goals.

Goalkeeper **Chris Gerlach** made 22 saves for Wagner, who ended its season with a 0-13 record.

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Wagner (0-13) Albany (4-5) 0

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Wagner – Scoring: Dave Goughnour 1-0, Mike Lynch 0-1; Goalkeeper: Chris Gerlach (60:00, 22 saves, 24 GA).

Albany – Scoring: Dan Small 4-2, Jim Lindsay 4-2, Jon Smith 4-0, Sunny Singh 2-0, Sean McConaghy 1-1, Sean Donnellan 1-1, Adam Gelman 1-0, Kris Bremer 1-0, Tim Shea 1-0, Sal Massa 1-0, Alan Beach 1-0, Jeremy Smith 1-0, Matt Rogers 1-0, Bill Pitta 1-0, Andrew Poplinger 0-4, Matt Duball 0-2, Emil Bove 0-2, Bobby Gabriel 0-1; Goalkeeper(s): Mike Shelli (15:00, 1 save, 0 GA), Mike Arnone (45:00, 13 saves, 1 GA).

(Baseball)

Albany, N.Y. – Right fielder **Steve Checksfield** belted a grand slam in the opener, as Albany split a doubleheader with Buffalo on Sunday at Varsity Field. The Great Danes won the first game, 11-4, but dropped the nightcap, 15-0.

Albany Sports 2-2-2-2

Albany (15-16-1) trailed 4-3 in the fourth, but regrouped with a seven-run rally. Checksfield launched his ninth home run this season down the left-field line with the bases loaded. **Michael Tecklenburg**, who homered twice in the opener, later added a two-run blast. Tecklenburg, who drove in three runs and scored three times, hit a solo shot in the sixth.

Buffalo (11-30) got revenge in the second game, as pitcher **Tyler Balentine** threw a five-hit shutout to improve to 4-2. The right-hander struck out six and walked three. Freshman **Bryan Sanchez**, who scored four runs, belted a pair of solo homers. **Kevin Nesteruk** had a two-run double in the first, as the Bulls crossed the plate six times in the opening frame.

-agate-

(Game 1)

Buffalo 201 100 0 - 4 4 1 Albany 021 701 x - 11 10 6

Scott Tower and Rob Ryan.

Anthony Puccia, John Sullivan (4) and Kyle Swiatocha (4) and Scott Mruczek.

(Game 2)

Buffalo (11-30) 600 521 1 - 15 15 0 Albany (15-16-1) 000 000 0 - 0 5 1

Tyler Balentine and Brandon DiCesare.

Shawn Walsh, Mike Jorgensen (1), Jeff Fernandez (4), Bobby Scamardella (5) and Dave Mykel.

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Comments: College Sports (Baseball, Track, Softball, W. Lacrosse, M. Lacrosse)

(Baseball)

Albany, N.Y. – Freshman shortstop **Mike Grasso** (Bishop Maginn H.S.) totaled three hits, three walks and three runs to lead Albany to a doubleheader sweep over Buffalo on Saturday at Varsity Field. The Great Danes won the twinbill, 8-5 and 6-1.

Leadoff hitter **Eddie Scott** snapped a 2-2 tie in the opener with a two-run single to right field in the fourth inning. **Jeff Rossiter**, who had three RBI, drove in two more runs with a single to center field in the sixth. **Adam Harriman** improved to 3-4 overall by scattering eight hits and striking out six.

In the nightcap, **Jason Trufant** threw six scoreless innings en route to his fourth win of the spring. The senior right-hander allowed five hits and struck out eight. **Steve Checksfield** belted his eighth home run this season, a two-run blast in the first inning, and **Mike Kuebler** added a RBI double in the fifth.

Shortstop **Adrian Daniels** had four hits on the day for the Bulls, who have dropped seven of their last eight. Albany (14-15-1) hosts Buffalo (10-28) in another noon doubleheader on Sunday.

-agate-

(Game 1)

Buffalo 000 201 2 - 5 8 0
Albany 101 222 x - 8 12 3

Tom Januchowski and Scott Mruczek.

Adam Harriman and Rob Ryan.

(Game 2)

 Buffalo (10-29)
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 Albany (14-15-1)
 220 110 x - 6 5 0

Nark McMahon and Brandon DiCesare.

Jason Trufant, David Schrepper (7) and Rob Ryan, Dave Mykel (3).

Albany Sports 2-2-2-2

(Track & Field)

Philadelphia, Pa. – University at Albany's **Ronald Edmundson** placed fifth in the college eastern triple jump at the 106th Penn Relays Carnival on Saturday at Franklin Field.

Edmundson's best mark in the competition was 47-feet, 7.25-inches. Navy's Josh Stewart won the title with a leap of 49-04.25, while Chavous Nichols, of Penn State, went 49-00.25 to take second.

UAlbany graduate **Samantha Cohen**, a captain on last year's team, was fourth in the Olympic Development 5,000-meter racewalk with a time of 24:31.76.

(Softball)

Buffalo, N.Y. – Left fielder **Stephanie Strauss** had five hits, including her first home run of the season, and drove in four runs to lead visiting Albany to a doubleheader sweep over Buffalo on Saturday at UB Softball Stadium. The Great Danes won the pair of games, 5-4 and 12-2.

In the opener, Albany (27-8) snapped a 4-4 deadlock in the seventh, when **Stacy Kowal** delivered a sacrifice fly with the bases loaded. **Kara Faraone**, who scored six runs and had four hits on the afternoon, singled to start the inning, and came home with the winning run.

The Great Danes rallied from an early 3-0 deficit. Shortstop **Valerie Terry** (South Glens Falls H.S.), who combined for four hits, four runs and four RBI in the two games, hit a two-run homer in the third to lead the comeback. Strauss added a solo blast in the same inning.

Albany jumped out to a 5-0 lead in the nightcap, as Kowal cleared the bases with a double into the left-field gap in the first. Strauss, who raised her batting average to .410, had a two-run single in the fourth, and Terry lined a two-run double in the fifth to pace a 14-hit attack.

Third base Kim Lawrence doubled and singled twice for Buffalo (5-33).

-agate-

(Game 1)

Albany 013 000 1 - 5 5 3 Buffalo 300 010 x - 4 6 4

Sarah Maida and Stacy Kowal.

Jessica Kensy and Kelly Malone.

(Game 2)

Albany (27-8) 320 34 - 12 14 1 Buffalo (5-33) 011 00 - 2 6 3

(Game Halted by 10-run Rule)

Jessica Hansen and Stacy Kowal.

Andrea Sage and Kelly Malone.

(Women's Lacrosse)

Albany, N.Y. – Senior midfielder **Anne Currier** had four goals and one assist, and **Kate Manzella** scored four times to lead visiting Colgate to a 20-6 victory over Albany on Saturday at Varsity Field.

Albany Sports 3-3-3-3

Colgate (8-5) jumped out to a 9-1 lead in the opening 20 minutes, and was never threatened. Manzella, who has 47 goals this spring, found the net three times in that outburst, while Currier added a pair of goals.

Junior attack **Kristen Bailey** had two goals and two assists for the Red Raiders, who have won six of their last seven starts, and host Ohio State on Sunday. Goalkeeper **Jane Murray** made nine saves.

Albany (8-6) was led by freshman **Maria Ferrucci**, who had two goals, including her 47th of the season.

-agate-

Colgate (8-5) 10 10 - 20 Albany (8-6) 3 3 - 6

Colgate – Scoring: Anne Currier 4-1, Kate Manzella 4-0, Kristin Bailey 2-2, Heather Smith 2-1, Mary Waligunda 2-1, Lauren Moll 2-0, Monique Sheridan 1-1, Liz Brown 1-1, Kelly Darrow 1-0, Shawn Mattson 1-0, Caitlin Houck 0-2; Goalkeeper: Jane Murray (60:00, 9 saves, 6 GA).

Albany – Scoring: Maria Ferrucci 2-0, Dawn DiMicco 1-0, Erin Pemrick 1-0, Alexis Esposito 1-0, Erin Finnigan 1-0, Audrey Dafoe 0-1; Goalkeeper(s): Kim Martini (42:59, 15 saves, 17 GA), Michelle Romanofski (17:01, 3 saves, 3 GA).

(Men's Lacrosse)

Burlington, Vt. – Vermont's **Kip Edwards** scored five of his six goals in the first half to lead his team to a 17-9 win over Albany on Saturday at Centennial Field.

Edwards, a sophomore attackman, netted three goals to stake his team to a 6-4 lead after one period. He scored his club's first two goals of the second quarter, and the Catamounts went on take a 10-5 halftime advantage.

David Moses had three goals and two assists, as Vermont (5-8) avenged last year's one-goal loss to the Great Danes. Goalkeeper **Brendan Hall** made 16 saves.

Albany (3-5) was led by sophomore **Jim Lindsay**, who had two goals and three assists. **Sean McConaghy** (Columbia H.S.) recorded his 100th career point in the contest, and had 63 goals and 37 assists as a collegian.
-agate-

Albany (3-5) 4 1 1 3 - 9 Vermont (5-8) 6 4 3 4 - 17

Albany – Scoring: Jim Lindsay 2-3, Dan Small 2-1, Sal Massa 2-0, Jeremy Smith 1-0, Andrew Poplinger 1-0, Rich Angel 1-0, Sean McConaghy 0-1, Joe Goldsmith 0-1; Goalkeeper(s): Mike Shelli (45:00, 15 saves, 13 GA), Mike Arnone (15:00, 3 saves, 4 GA).

Vermont – Scoring: Kip Edwards 6-0, David Moses 3-2, Joe Sheehan 1-1, Kyler Spivey 1-1, Eric Smith 1-0, Andrew Reed 1-0, Bradley Knapp 1-0, Jessie McCarthy 1-0, J.D. Moyer 1-0, Dave Hudascsko 1-0, Matthew Dias 0-2, Brendan Hall 0-1, Cody Casserly 0-1, William Grant 0-1, Jeff Fauci 0-1; Goalkeeper(s): Brendan Hall (52:31, 16 saves, 7 GA), Dan Talbert (7:29, 2 saves, 2 GA).

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(Track & Field)

Philadelphia, Pa. – University at Albany's **Luis Soto** finished eighth in the college eastern long jump, and **Andrea Viger** (Granville Central H.S.) set a school record in the women's 10,000 meter run at the 106th annual Penn Relays Carnival at Franklin Field.

Soto, the school's record-holder in this event, posted a mark of 23-feet, 1.75-inches. **Rob Tyson**, of Wheaton College, was first with a leap of 24-01.50.

Viger placed 27th in the 10,000, but set an Albany standard with a time of 36:52.81. Tonya Dodge held the old record, when went 36:55.94 at the 1997 Albany Invitational. Georgia's **Judy Johnson** won the Penn Relays title in 34:41.30.

Ronald Edmundson will compete in Saturday's men's triple jump on the final day of meet.



Albany-Colonie Diamond Dogs

1999 Northern League Champions



For Immediate Release Contact: Kevin Forrester April 28, 2000

Diamond Dogs and Mueller Settle on Deal

University at Albany Coach to Return to Dogs Lineup for 2000 Season

The Albany-Colonie Diamond Dogs agreed to terms with Designated Hitter Jon "Bam Bam" Mueller for the 2000 season. Mueller, 29, will return to the Dogs lineup for his third season in Albany-Colonie and his sixth season professionally. The Stillwater native is also the Head Baseball Coach for the University at Albany's Division I program. Mueller posted a .290 average with 14 homeruns and 43 RBIs for Albany-Colonie in 1999. His homeruns and RBIs were second on the team despite missing six weeks of the season due to a wrist injury. Mueller returned to the lineup and added a much needed boost to the Diamond Dogs lineup, belting 8 homeruns and knocking in 33 RBIs over the final month on the season, helping Albany-Colonie clinch its fifth consecutive playoff spot.

Mueller, who was named the Head Baseball Coach at University at Albany in midseason, would save his best however for the Northern League Playoffs. His two run single in Game 5 of the Divisional Playoff Series versus the Adirondack Lumberjacks advanced the Diamond Dogs to the Northern League East Championship Series (NLECS). Mueller would go 6-17 in the NLECS against the New Jersey Jackals, winning the series MVP award and helping the Dogs reach the next step, the Northern League Championship Series (NLCS).

In the NLCS, Mueller kept his hot streak going. Mueller would hit a long homerun of Winnipeg reliever Jake Viano in the seventh inning of Game 1 that would tie the game at 6. The Diamond Dogs would go on to take Game 1 by a score of 7-6. Mueller would get hit twice by Goldeyes pitchers in Game 2 but would have the final say when the series moved to Winnipeg. In Game 3, Mueller would hit the biggest homerun in Diamond Dogs history. With Albany-Colonie down 6-3 in the eighth and in danger of going down in the series 2-1, Mueller would hit an opposite field grand slam that would silence a sell crowd at Can West Global Park. The homerun would give the Diamond Dogs the win and momentum in the series. The Diamond Dogs would win the Northern League Championship the following day and Mueller was once again named series MVP (5-15, 2 HR, 7 RBls).

A Northern League Championship and two MVPs were not all Jon had to show at the end of the 1999 season. On July 27th, Mueller was named Head Baseball Coach for the University at Albany's Division I team. Mueller replaced Doug O'Brey, whom he acted as a Volunteer Assistant Coach during the 1998-99 season. The Great Danes are currently 12-15-1 in their first year of Division I.

For more information on Jon "Bam Bam" Mueller's return to the Albany-Colonie Diamond Dogs, please contact the Dogs front office at (518) 869-9234.

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(Baseball)

Staten Island, N.Y. – First baseman Jeff Rossiter delivered a two-run single in the tenth inning, and reliever Jason Trufant came on to earn his second save of the season in leading Albany to a 14-13 victory over Wagner on Thursday.

Wagner (14-25-1) used a six-run eighth inning to rally from an 11-6 deficit. Jamie Scholz keyed the frame with a two-run homer over the right-field fence. Albany (12-15-1) tied the game at 12 apiece in the ninth, when Michael Tecklenburg belted a two-out home run, his second of the season.

Rossiter, who had three hits and scored twice, broke the tie in extra innings, as he singled up the middle to hand the Great Danes a 14-12 lead. Wagner's **Bobby Weiss** added a pinch-hit RBI single in the tenth, before Trufant struck out Bryan Distefano with the tying run aboard to end the game.

Leadoff hitter Eddie Scott totaled three hits, including a double, and three RBI for the Great Danes. Wagner's Kevin Rugg homered twice and drove in six runs. -agate-

Albany (12-15-1)

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Wagner (14-25-1) 020 010 360 1 - 13

Mark Zacharczyk, Craig Straus (7), Mike Jorgensen (8), Adam Castoldi (9) and Jason Trufant (10) and Rob Ryan.

Joe Kraljev, Chris Pariseau (7) and Gil Barkman (10) and Kevin Rugg.

(Women's Lacrosse)

Burlington, Vt. – Freshman Erin Pemrick (Saratoga Springs H.S.) scored 39 seconds into sudden-death overtime to lift Albany past Vermont, 18-17, on Thursday.

Vermont (3-9) rallied from a 16-11 deficit with 11:05 to play in regulation to force the first overtime period. Junior attack Liz Lundgren netted three of her five goals in that stretch. Courtney Keefe scored unassisted to complete a string of six unanswered goals, and put the Catamounts ahead, 17-16, in the first extra session.

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Albany Sports 2-2-2-2

Albany's **Maria Ferrucci** tied the contest with 2:09 left to get her club into the second overtime. Ferrucci had five goals, including her 45th of the season, and added one assist. Pemrick decided the outcome in sudden death, when she converted a fastbreak opportunity against goalkeeper **Rachael Kaplan**.

Dawn DiMicco had four goals, while **Andrea Esposito** (Saratoga Springs H.S.) and **Jess Spadafora** each added two goals and two assists. The Great Danes, who have won three straight, improved to 8-5 overall.

-agate-

Albany 18, Vermont 17 (2 OT)

Albany (8-5) 12 4 1 1 - 18 Vermont (3-9) 4 12 1 0 - 17

Albany – Scoring: Maria Ferrucci 5-1, Dawn DiMicco 4-0, Andrea Esposito 2-2, Jess Spadafora 2-2, Erin Pemrick 2-0, Katie Cunningham 1-0, Amanda Heller 1-0, Alexis Esposito 1-0; Goalkeeper(s): Kim Martini (57:22, 9 saves, 12 GA), Michelle Romanofski (9:17, 3 saves, 5 GA).

Vermont – Scoring: Liz Lundgren 5-0, Courtney LaMere 3-0, Shannon Croce 2-1, Courtney Keefe 2-0, Kate Flanagan 1-2, Katie Dyer 1-1, Alex Cardasis 1-0, Kate Anderson 1-0, Anne Visser 1-0; Goalkeeper: Rachael Kaplan (66:39, 10 saves, 18 GA).

(Women's Softball)

Burlington, Vt. – Pinch-hitter **April Kuryluk** (Albany H.S.) singled home the winning run in the eight inning of the nightcap, as Albany swept a doubleheader from Vermont on Thursday. The Great Danes won the second game, 4-3, and the opener, 2-1.

Albany (25-7) trailed 3-2 in the fifth, but tied the score on a RBI single by **Audrey White**. Left fielder **Stephanie Strauss**, who had five hits, including two doubles, on the day, singled to leadoff the eighth, and later scored on Kuryluk's base hit.

In the first game, sophomore **Sarah Maida** fired a two-hitter to pick up her 12th victory this spring. The Great Danes took an early 2-0 lead. **Stacy Kowal** and **Valerie Terry** (South Glens Falls H.S.) each singled and scored in the second and third, respectively.

Erin Barney and Maggie Tieman each had a pair of hits in the twinbill for Vermont (7-28).

(Game 1)

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Sarah Maida and Stacy Kowal.

Angie Totaro and Tara Connor.

(Game 2)

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Jessica Hansen and Stacy Kowal. Erin Barney and Amanda Collis.

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Comments: College Sports (Softball)

Albany, N.Y. – Senior outfielder **Kara Faraone** singled in the go-ahead run in the opener, as Albany split a doubleheader with lona on Wednesday at Albany Field. The Great Danes won the first game, 8-5, but dropped the nightcap, 6-4.

Albany (23-8) rallied from a 5-2 deficit in the first contest. **Amy Hawk** walked with the bases loaded in the fifth to tie the score, before Faraone singled her home. **Stacy Kowal**, who had three hits on the day, added a two-run single for insurance in the sixth.

In the second game, Albany's **Denise Chisholm** gave her club a 4-0 lead with a two-run double in the second. However, Iona (10-23) regrouped to go in front, 5-4, in the fifth. **Leslie Rippon** singled across two runners to draw her team even, and then **Laurie Lawler** followed with a RBI single to left field. Reliever **Amy Burdette** picked up her sixth victory on the mound by allowing one hit over five-plus innings.

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(Game 1)
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Albany 200 222 x - 8 9 2
Jen Goerge, Kate Haase (4) and Laurie Lawler.
Sarah Maida and Stacy Kowal.
(Game 2)
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lona (10-23) 002 030 1 - 6 9 0 Albany (23-8) 040 000 x - 4 5 2

Kate Haase, Amy Burdette (2) and Laurie Lawler. Jessica Hansen and Stacy Kowal.

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In the second game, Maida held off a comeback attempt by the Bonnies in the seventh inning to preserve the win for starter **Jessica Hansen**. After **Angela Scalzo's** two-run single closed the gap to 7-6, **Sarah Pastecki** lined out to third base to end the contest.

Shortstop Valerie Terry (South Glens Falls H.S.), who had three hits and scored three runs in the nightcap, helped Albany (22-7) build a 7-1 lead in the fourth. Freshman April Kuryluk (Albany H.S.) added a two-run single in the third.

In the opener, **Audrey White**, who went 3-for-6 on the day with three runs and three RBI, walked and scored in the fifth, as the Great Danes took a 7-4 lead. St. Bonaventure (13-24) sliced the deficit in the sixth, as **Dawn Setter**, who drove in three runs, had a RBI single and later scored. Maida hung on in the seventh with the tying run aboard to improve to 11-4 overall.

-agate-

(Game 1)

Albany 203 020 0 - 7 7 4 St. Bonaventure 011 202 0 - 6 8 1

Sarah Maida and Stacy Kowal.

Brianne Prince and Jennifer Kulig.

(Game 2)

Albany (22-7) 104 200 0 - 7 9 2 St. Bonaventure (13-24) 201 010 2 - 6 8 2

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(Baseball)

Albany, N.Y. – Third baseman **Pat Storz's** two-run double in the seventh inning put his team ahead for good, as St. Rose rallied for an 8-6 victory over Albany on Monday at Varsity Field.

St. Rose (23-10-1) trailed 6-2 in the seventh, but regrouped with a five-run frame. **Mike Wilson** (Colonie Central) belted a three-run homer over the center-field fence, before Storz doubled over the right fielder's head. **Dave Benyo** singled in another run for insurance in the eighth.

Albany (11-15-1) built its early lead behind the play of **Mike Kuebler**, who totaled two hits and three RBI. Kuebler had a sacrifice fly in a three-run third, and scored two runners with a single in the sixth.

Reliever **Matt Duquette** picked up his second win of the season, while Wilson was 3-for-5 at the plate with four RBI.

-agate-

St. Rose

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Albany

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Dan Gamache, Matt Reid (4), Matt Duquette (6), Jason Burns (7), Dan Vogl (7) and Mike Wilson.

Scott Tower, David Schrepper (7), Neil Hagin (8) and Rob Ryan.

(Softball)

St. Bonaventure, N.Y. – Third base **Dawn Setter** had three hits and drove in four runs to lead St. Bonaventure to a doubleheader sweep over visiting Albany on Monday at McGraw-Jennings Field. The Bonnies, who snapped a four-game losing streak, won the pair of games, 2-1 and 6-1.

Albany Sports 2-2-2

St. Bonaventure (13-22) took a 2-0 lead in the opener on a RBI groundout by Setter, and Leslie Baker's run-scoring single. Albany (20-7) sliced the deficit in the sixth, when Audrey White homered over the left-field fence. However, pitcher Emily Hart, who struck out four, did not allow a hit the rest of the way for her seventh win this spring.

Tricia Hildebrand fired a two-hitter in the nightcap with four strikeouts and three walks. Setter lined a RBI double into the left-field gap to begin a three-run fifth inning. Sarah Pastecki and Karen Cunningham produced the other runs with a double and triple, respectively.

Freshman catcher **Stacy Kowal** had three hits on the day for the Great Danes, who had their five-game win skein halted. The two teams play another doubleheader on Tuesday.

-agate(Game 1)

Albany 000 001 0 - 1 7 0

St. Bonaventure 000 110 x - 2 8 0

Sarah Maida and Stacy Kowal.

Emily Hart and Jennifer Kulig.
(Game 2)

Albany 000 001 0 - 1 2 1

St. Bonaventure 100 032 x - 6 8 1

Jessica Hansen and Stacy Kowal.

Tricia Hildebrand and Justalene Olson.

(Women's Lacrosse)

Burlington, Vt. – Today's game between Albany and Vermont was postponed due to poor field conditions. A make-up date has not been scheduled.

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(Men's Lacrosse)

Poughkeepsie, N.Y. – Senior attackman Dan Small had three goals and one assist to lead Albany to back-to-back wins for the first time this season with a 16-9 victory over Marist on Saturday at Leonidoff Field.

Albany (3-4) erased a 2-1 deficit with five unanswered goals to go ahead for good. Defenseman John Gilson (Shenendehowa) drew his team even, before freshman Jon Smith put the Great Danes in front. Small had two goals and assisted on another in leading Albany to a 9-5 halftime advantage.

Neil Crescenti and Ryan McCue, who each had two goals, led Marist (5-7). Paul Donohue, the nation's sixth-leading scorer in Division I, was held to one goal and two assists.

Albany's Jim Lindsay scored twice and had three assists, while Sean McConaghy (Columbia) added one goal and three assists. Goalkeeper Mike Shelli (Shenendehowa) made 16 saves.

-agate-

Albany (3-4) 5 4 4 3 - 16 Marist (5-7) 2 3 2 2 - 9

Albany – Dan Small 3-1, Jim Lindsay 2-3, Matt Duball 2-0, Jon Smith 2-0, Andrew Poplinger 2-0, Sean McConaghy 1-3, Sal Massa 1-2, Kevin Liddiard 1-1, John Gilson 1-0, Matt Rogers 1-0, Kris Bremer 0-2, Bobby Gabriel 0-1, Sean Donnellan 0-1; Goalkeeper: Mike Shelli (60:00, 16 saves, 9 GA).

Marist – Neil Crescenti 2-0, Ryan McCue 2-0, Paul Donohue 1-2, Jim Mekovetz 1-1, Joe Aniano 1-1, Jaak Leino 1-0, Christopher LaRose 1-0; Goalkeeper(s): Brian Schumeyer (21:00, 4 saves, 7 GA), Ben Gildea (39:00, 13 saves, 9 GA).

(Women's Lacrosse)

Niagara University, N.Y. – Senior attack Jess Spadafora scored a career-high six goals, including four in the second half, and added one assist, as Albany posted a 16-13 victory over Niagara on Saturday in a steady rain at Niagara Field. ***MORE***

Albany Sports 2-2-2-2

Albany (7-5) snapped an 8-8 halftime tie with three goals in the opening five minutes of the final period. **Maria Ferrucci**, who had three goals, gave her club the lead for good with 27:39 to play, before Spadafora scored twice.

Niagara (7-7) rallied to within 13-12 with 8:02 remaining on **Allison Coomey's** third goal of the day. The Great Danes put the game away two minutes later, when Spadafora scored a pair of goals 23 seconds apart.

Ashley Grosso had five goals for the Purple Eagles, who had their five-game win streak halted. Ferrucci established Albany's freshman single-season scoring record in the contest, and has 40 goals and four assists this spring.

-agate-

Albany (7-5) 8 8 - 16 Niagara (7-7) 8 5 - 13

Albany – Scoring: Jess Spadafora 6-1, Maria Ferrucci 3-0, Laura Walls 2-2, Dawn DiMicco 2-2, Theresa Masse 2-0, Andrea Esposito 1-0, Amanda Heller 0-1; Goalkeeper(s): Kim Martini (45:48, 14 saves, 11 GA), Michelle Romanofski (14:12, 3 saves, 2 GA).

Niagara – Scoring: Ashley Grosso 5-0, Allison Coomey 3-0, Mary Cutia 2-0, Colleen Coleman 1-2, Megan McNerney 1-2, Julie Gallegos 1-1; Goalkeeper: Kara Grooms (60:00, 11 saves, 16 GA).

(Softball)

Albany, N.Y. – Today's softball doubleheader between Albany and Buffalo, scheduled for 3:00 p.m. at Albany Field, was postponed due to rain. A make-up date has not been announced.

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(Women's Lacrosse)

St. Bonaventure, N.Y. – Senior attack **Jess Spadafora** established the school's single-game scoring record with five goals and five assists to lead Albany to a 16-5 victory over St. Bonaventure on Friday in muddy conditions at Charlie Major Field.

Spadafora broke a mark that was set just three weeks ago, when teammate **Maria Ferrucci**, a freshman midfielder, totaled nine points (6 goals, 3 assists) against Siena on March 31.

Albany (6-5) sprinted to a 4-0 lead in the opening eight minutes, as Spadafora tallied one goal and assisted on two others. The Great Danes led 8-4 at halftime with Ferrucci scoring four of her five goals in the period.

Shannon Moreland had four goals, while **Katy Jensen** made a season-high 29 saves for St. Bonaventure (0-9). **Andrea Esposito** (Saratoga Springs H.S.) scored twice for the Great Danes, who play at Niagara on Saturday. **Dawn DiMicco** added one goal and five assists.

-agate-

Albany (6-5) 8 - 16 St. Bonaventure (0-9) 4 1 -

Albany – Scoring: Jess Spadafora 5-5, Maria Ferrucci 5-0, Andrea Esposito 2-0, Erin Pemrick 2-0, Laura Walls 1-0, Dawn DiMicco 1-5; Goalkeeper(s): Michelle Romanofski (30:00, 4 saves, 4 GA), Kim Martini (30:00, 4 saves, 1 GA).

St. Bonaventure – Scoring: Shannon Moreland 4-0, Emily Lilyea 1-1; Goalkeeper: Katy Jensen (60:00, 29 saves, 16 GA).

(Softball & Baseball)

Albany, N.Y. – Today's scheduled softball doubleheader between Albany and Syracuse was postponed due to rain. No make-up date has been set. In addition, the baseball team's twinbill at Pace was washed out by the weather. Albany and Pace will try again on Thursday, May 4.

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(Track & Field)

Albany, N.Y. – Junior distance runner **Jeffrey Brooks** (Guilderland H.S.) won two events, including a come-from-behind victory in the 1,500 meters, to lead Albany past Syracuse in a men's dual meet on Thursday at University Field. The Great Danes also won the women's competition, as **Sarah Best** (Granville Central) set a school record in the pole vault.

Brooks ran down Syracuse's **Mickey Bush** in the stretch to win the 1,500 in 4:03.26, and won the 5,000 with a time of 15:48.70. Albany totaled 119 points, while the Orangemen had 57.

Tony Davidson was first in the 200-dash (22.71), and anchored the winning 4x100 relay (3:23.21). Freshman **Max DeSieno** (Guilderland) was victorious in the hammer throw.

In the women's meet, **Seidah Abu-Bakir** (100-dash, 400-hurdles) and **Nierria Jones** (100-hurdles, long jump) were double-winners for the Great Danes, who outscored Syracuse, 115-48. Best, a freshman, went 9-feet, 6-inches to establish a UA standard in the pole vault.

Alicia Crowd (Greenwich Central) sprinted 55.07 to win the 400-dash for the Orangewomen. Albany's **Andrea** and **Erica Viger** (Granville Central) won the 3,000 meters and 3,000 Steeplechase, respectively.

-agate-

WOMEN: Albany 115, Syracuse 48.

INDIVIDUAL: **100** – Seidah Abu-Bakir (A), 12.95; **200** – Michelle Lapointe (S), 25.40; **400** – Alicia Crowd (S), 55.07; **800** – Tammy Freeman (A), 2:20.80; **1,500** – Michelle Lapointe (S), 4:47.42; **3,000** – Andrea Viger (A), 10:07.25; **5,000** – Liz Hamilton (A), 19:22.42; **100-Hurdles** – Nierria Jones (A), 16.02; **400-Hurdles** – Tamirah Haywood (A), 1:06.28; **3,000 Steeplechase** – Erica Viger (A), 11:59.10; **4x100 Relay** – Albany (Abu-Bakir, Freeman, Randall, Hutcherson), 49.46;

MORE

Albany Sports 2-2-2-2

4x400 Relay – Syracuse, 3:51.77; **High Jump** – Seidah Abu-Bakir (A), 4-11.75; **Pole Vault** - Sarah Best (A), 9-06; **Long Jump** – Nierria Jones (A), 16-04.50; **Triple Jump** – Latoya Redden (S), 38-08.75; **Shot Put** – Shannon Daniels (S), 37-05.00; **Discus** – Flavia Cass (A), 114-07; **Hammer** – Shannon Daniels (S), 151-02; **Javelin** – Stacy Kupcheni (A), 100-02.

MEN: Albany 119, Syracuse 57.

INDIVIDUAL: **100** – Jonathan Garrick (A), 11.14; **200** – Tony Davidson (A), 22.71; **400** – Gene Giles (S), 50.18; **800** – Isaiah Cherry (A), 2:01.80; **1,500** – Jeffrey Brooks (A), 4:03.26; **5,000** – Jeffrey Brooks (A), 15:48.70; **110-Hurdles** – Charles Young (A), 15.50; **400-Hurdles** – Courtney Bonham (A), 55.72; **3,000 Steeplechase** – Adam Rice (A), 9:38.39; **4x100 Relay** – Albany (Edmundson, Morris, Soto, Garrick), 43.50; **4x400 Relay** – Albany (Bonham, Cherry, Petersen, Davidson), 3:23.21; **High Jump** – Matt Trahan (S), 6-03.25; **Pole Vault** – Graig Lundy (S), 14-00; **Long Jump** – Luis Soto (A), 23-02.50; **Triple Jump** – Rich O'Riley (A), 45-01.75; **Shot Put** – Jason Jaconetti (A), 45-04.25; **Discus** – Tim Biever (S), 149-00; **Hammer** – Max DeSieno (A), 110-06; **Javelin** – Samuel Prescod (S), 174-04.

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(Softball)

Hamilton, N.Y. – Sophomore **Sarah Maida** fired a four-hit shutout, her fourth of the season, in the nightcap to lead Albany to a doubleheader sweep over Colgate on Wednesday at Eaton Street Field. The Great Danes, winners in 10 of their last 11 starts, won the twinbill, 3-2 and 2-0.

Maida improved to 10-3 overall with one strikeout and one walk, and faced just 25 batters. **Stephanie Strauss**, who had three hits on the day, delivered a two-run single in the fourth inning.

In the first game, shortstop **Valerie Terry** (South Glens Falls H.S.) snapped a 2-2 tie in the fifth with a RBI single to center field. Terry went 4-for-6 in the two games with two runs and two stolen bases. Colgate (18-20) had grabbed a 2-1 lead in the fourth, when **Amanda Brickell** stole third and scored on a throwing error.

Right-hander **Jessica Hansen** picked up her ninth victory with a two-strikeout, nowalk effort for Albany (20-5).

-agate-

(Game 1)

Albany 100 020 0 - 3 6 0 Colgate 100 100 0 - 2 7 1

Jessica Hansen and Stacy Kowal.

Beth Haas and Lisa Belcher.

(Game 2)

Albany (20-5) 000 200 0 - 2 6 0 Colgate (18-20) 000 000 0 - 0 4 1

Sarah Maida and Stacy Kowal.

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SOFTBALL TO COME

(Men's Lacrosse)

Albany, N.Y. – **Dan Small** and **Sean McConaghy** each scored twice in an eight-goal first quarter, and Albany went on to post a 22-5 victory over Siena on Wednesday at Varsity Field.

Albany (2-4) jumped out to a 6-0 lead in the opening eight minutes, as freshman **Sean Donnellan** tallied one of his three goals in transition. The Great Danes would eventually take a 13-1 halftime lead. **Jeremy Smith**, who also had three goals, scored twice in the second quarter.

The Great Danes had 14 players reach the scoring column en route to their highest offensive output this season. Small finished with three goals, including his 16th of the year, while **Jim Lindsay** added two goals and two assists.

Pete Aitkin led Siena (1-10) with three goals and one assist. Goalkeeper **Dave Mazzotta** recorded 12 saves.

-agate-

Siena (1-10) Albany (2-4) 1 0 8 5 1 3

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Siena – Pete Aitkin 3-1, Bryan Lynch 1-1, Chris Callaghan 1-0; Goalkeeper: Dave Mazzotta (60:00, 12 saves, 22 GA).

Albany – Dan Small 3-0, Sean Donnellan 3-0, Jeremy Smith 3-0, Jim Lindsay 2-2, Sean McConaghy 2-0, Jon Smith 2-0, Kevin Liddiard 2-0, Sal Massa 1-2, Rick Frederick 1-0, Mike Shannon 1-0, Rich Angel 1-0, Steve Bamel 1-0, Matt Duball 0-1, Brian Vanderlofske 0-1; Goalkeepers: Mike Shelli (15:00, 3 Saves, 1 GA), Mike Arnone (41:02, 8 saves, 3GA), Steve Bamel (3:58, 0 saves, 1 GA).

Albany Sports 2-2-2 (Baseball)

Fairfield, Conn. – Third baseman **Mike Kuebler** had three hits and scored two runs in the nightcap, as Albany earned a doubleheader split with Sacred Heart on Wednesday at Harbor Yard. The Great Danes won the second game, 8-2, but lost the opener, 1-0.

Albany (11-14-1) erased a 1-0 deficit with a six-run second inning. **Eddie Scott** keyed the uprising with a two-run single, while Kuebler added an RBI single. **Rob Ryan** (Shenendehowa) and **Chris Robilotti** (Colonie Central) each had run-scoring singles in the frame.

Right-hander **Jason Trufant** threw his third complete-game of the season and scattered seven hits to even his record at 3-3 overall.

In the first game, pitcher **Brian Sheehy** won for the first time this spring with a four-hit shutout. **Ryan Flaherty** scored the game's lone run on an RBI single **by Rob Noonan**. Sacred Heart improved to 9-27.

-agate-

(Game 1)

Albany 000 000 0 - 0 4 0 Sacred Heart 010 000 x - 1 4 1

Adam Harriman and Rob Ryan.

Brian Sheehy and Rob Noonan.

(Game 2)

Albany (11-14-1) 060 000 2 - 8 8 1 Sacred Heart (9-27) 100 001 0 - 2 7 1

Jason Trufant and Rob Ryan, Dave Mykel (4).

Justin Liberman, Carlos DeJesus (7) and Rob Noonan.

(Women's Lacrosse)

West Long Branch, N.J. – Junior attack **Heather Bryan** had six goals and two assists, as Monmouth won its sixth straight with a 20-5 victory over Albany on Wednesday.

Monmouth (10-2) leaped to a 7-0 lead, as Bryan and **Kristen Hall** each scored twice. The Hawks, who have reached the 10-win mark for the fifth consecutive season, led 15-2 at halftime.

Rachel Tringali tied the school's single-game record with seven assists. Hall finished with four goals, and Stephanie La Grassa scored three times.

Dawn DiMicco had two goals, while **Andrea Esposito** (Saratoga Springs) had one goal and two assists for Albany (5-5).
-agate-

Albany (5-5) 2 3 - 5 Monmouth (10-2) 15 5 - 20

Albany – Scoring: Dawn DiMicco 2-0, Andrea Esposito 1-2, Theresa Masse 1-0, Jess Spadafora 1-0; Erin Pemrick 0-1; Goalkeepers: Kim Martini (18:42, 7 saves, 11 GA), Michelle Romanofski (41:18, 6 saves, 9 GA).

Monmouth – Scoring: Heather Bryan 6-2, Kristen Hall 4-0, Stephanie La Grassa 3-1, Lisa Cherill 2-1, Rachel Tringali 1-7, Meg Brown 1-2, Cheri Brooks 1-1, Marisa McCormick 1-0, Megan Kenney 1-0, Rebekah Murphy 0-1; Goalkeepers: Stacy Makris (30:00, 5 saves, 2 GA), Emily Brugger (30:00, 3 saves, 3 GA).

Albany Sports 3-3-3-(Track & Field)

Centerville, Mass. – University at Albany's **Jonathan Garrick** has been selected as the ECAC Division I Track Athlete of the Week, while teammate **Luis Soto** was chosen as ECAC's Field Athlete of the Week.

Garrick scored 24 points in last Saturday's five-school meet with Buffalo, Holy Cross, Colgate and Binghamton. He won the 100-meter dash, anchored the winning 4x100 relay, and placed third in the long jump.

Soto was first in the long jump with a season-best mark of 24-feet, one-inch, and also ran the third leg as a member of the first-place 4x100 relay.

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Kathryn Hemlock Signs to Play with Albany Basketball Program

Albany, N.Y. – University at Albany head women's basketball coach **Mari Warner** announced today that **Kathryn Hemlock** has signed a national letter of intent to play basketball in 2000-2001. Hemlock is a 5-foot-3 point guard from Great Falls, Va. (Langley H.S.).

The Great Danes inked three players during the early signing period in November. The list includes **Nicole Johnson**, a 5'10" forward from Avenel, N.J. (Colonia H.S.), **Teryn O'Bannon**, a 5'11" forward from Maple Plain, Minn. (De La Salle H.S.), and **Sarah Sweetland**, a 5'8" guard from Burlington, Mass. (Burlington H.S.).

Hemlock averaged 16.4 points and 5.5 assists as a senior, and led her team to a Liberty District title, the second round of the Northern Virginia AAA regional, and a 20-6 record. An honorable mention All-Metro selection by the *Washington Post*, Hemlock was a three-time first-team All-Liberty and all-regional standout.

Albany finished with a 12-15 record in its first season as a Division I program in 1999-2000. The late recruiting period continues through May 15.

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(Softball)

Fairfield, Conn. – Freshman catcher **Stacy Kowal** had four hits and four RBI and pitchers Sarah Maida and Jessica Hansen each allowed one run as Albany swept a doubleheader from Sacred Heart on Sunday at Pioneer Park. The Great Danes, who have won eight of their last nine contests, posted a 4-1 victory in the first game, and took the nightcap, 6-1.

Maida fired a two-hitter and walked one en route to her eighth victory of the season. Albany scored three times in the first inning on Stephanie Strauss' two-run single and Kowal's RBI single. Strauss finished the day with four RBI.

In the second game, Kowal drove in three runs and Audrey White went 3-for-4 with a RBI double. The Great Danes scored twice in the first, third and fifth innings. Hansen improved to 8-2 on the mound scattering five hits for Albany, who holds an 18-5 record. Sacred Heart falls to 7-24.

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(Game 1)

Albany 300 010 000 010 0 - 1 Sacred Heart

Sarah Maida and Stacy Kowal

Stacey Garrity, Michele Walker (2) and Karyn Fortier.

(Game 2)

Albany (18-5) Sacred Heart (7-24) 010 000 0

Jessica Hansen and Stacy Kowal Ann Snellinger and Karyn Fortier.

Albany Sports 2-2-2

(Baseball)

Rochester, N.Y. – Junior pitcher **David Schrepper** earned a save in both games with scoreless relief work to lead Albany to a doubleheader sweep over Buffalo at Frontier Field, the professional Triple A Red Wings stadium. The Great Danes won the twinbill, 7-5 and 9-8 in eight innings.

Albany (10-13-1) rallied from a 7-2 deficit in the nightcap. Shortstop **Mike Grasso** (Bishop Maginn H.S.), who had three hits and three runs on the day, had an RBI triple and scored to closed the gap to 7-6 in the sixth, before **Dave Mykel's** sacrifice fly drew his team even in the seventh. The Great Danes went ahead, 9-7, as **Mike Steinberg** doubled and scored in the eighth.

Buffalo (8-21) mounted a comeback attempt in its last at-bat, as **Brian Zelasko** walked and scored on an error. Schrepper came out of the bullpen to strand two runners by striking out two of the three batters he faced.

In the opener, the Great Danes took a 4-0 lead in the first inning on a pair of tworun homers by **Steve Checksfield** and **Jeff Rossiter**. The Bulls would rally to within, 6-5, in the sixth, as second baseman **Kevin Brown** closed the gap with a two-run single.

Rossiter singled in an insurance run in the seventh, before Schrepper sent Buffalo down in order in its last chance. Starter **Scott Tower** improved to 2-2 with six strikeouts in 5.1 innings pitched.

-agate-

(Game 1)

Albany 420 000 1 - 7 10 1 Buffalo 000 005 0 - 5 7 0

Scott Tower, Shawn Walsh (6), Adam Castoldi (6), David Schrepper (6) and Rob Ryan.

Tyler Balentine, John Sullivan (5) and Mark Vogel.

(Game 2)

Albany (10-13-1) 020 202 12 - 9 10 3 Buffalo (8-21) 304 000 01 - 8 10 3

Mark Zacharczyk, Jeff Fernandez (4), Craig Straus (5), Michael Tecklenburg (6), David Schrepper (8) and Dave Mykel.

Anthony Puccia, Matt Rogan (4), Kyle Swiatocha (6), Jeff Robertson (7), Frank Occhiogrosso (8) and Mark Vogel.

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BASEBALL TO COME

(Track & Field)

Albany, N.Y. – **Andrea Viger** (Granville Central H.S.) won two events, and ran the second-fastest 800-meter time in school history to highlight Albany's performances in a five-school meet on Saturday at University Field. The Great Danes finished second to Buffalo in both the men's and women's competition.

Viger ran 2:16.57 to win the 800 by more than three seconds, and was first in the 1,500 with a time of 4:44.12. Albany's 4x100 relay was first across the line in 48.35 seconds. Buffalo's **Sarah Fletcher** won four field events, including the shot put, discus, hammer and javelin.

Albany had five individual winners in the men's meet. **Jonathan Garrick** won the 100-meter dash, placed third in the long jump, and anchored the winning 4x100 relay. **Jamie Rodriguez** (Christian Brothers Academy) and **James Sawtelle** (Greenwich Central) were first in the 5,000 and 3,000 Steeplechase, respectively. **Luis Soto** went 24-feet, one-inch in the long jump, and **Ronald Edmundson** leaped 47-09.25 in the triple jump.

Buffalo finished ahead of the Great Danes by 26 points in the team standings. **Brian Williams** (100-hurdles, 400-hurdles) and **Adam Smith** (shot put, discus) were double-winners for the Bulls.

-agate-

WOMEN

Team: Buffalo 220, Albany 171, Binghamton 140, Holy Cross 92, Colgate 45

Individual: **100** – Yanby Brenes (C), 12.82; **200** – Aniecia Modeste (B), 25.82; **400** – Aniecia Modeste (B), 57.41; **800** – Andrea Viger (A), 2:16.57; **1,500** – Andrea Viger (A), 4:44.12; **3,000** – Eileen Rose (UB), 10:39.69; **5,000** – Marcia Flaherty (HC), 18:30.50; **100-Hurdles** – Sarah Kranzler (UB), 15.44; **400-Hurdles** – Katie Scott (UB), 1:02.90; ***MORE***

Albany Sports 2-2-2-2

4x100 Relay – Albany (Abu-Bakir, Freeman, Randall, Hutcherson), 48.35; **4x400 Relay** – Buffalo, 3:54.42; **High Jump** – Chrissy Matthews (UB), 5-06.50; **Pole Vault** – Alison Lebeau (HC), 10-01.25; **Long Jump** – Sarah Kranzler (UB), 18-00.50; **Triple Jump** – Biaunca McFarland (UB), 38-04; **Shot Put** – Sarah Fletcher (UB), 40-08.75; **Discus** – Sarah Fletcher (UB), 141-09; **Hammer** – Sarah Fletcher (UB), 176-02; **Javelin** – Sarah Fletcher (UB), 111-08.

MEN

Team: Buffalo 213, Albany 187, Holy Cross 133, Binghamton 97, Colgate 33.

Individual: **100** – Jonathan Garrick (A), 11.35; **200** – Pete Otovic (UB), 23.23; **400** – David Monk (UB), 48.54; **800** – Mike Commisso (UB), 1:56.47; **1,500** – Matt Dresser (B), 3:59.74; **5,000** – Jamie Rodriguez (A), 15:09.43; **110-Hurdles** – Brian Williams (UB), 15.49; **400-Hurdles** – Brian Williams (UB), 53.11; **3,000 Steeplechase** – James Sawteller (A), 9:51.58; **4x100 Relay** – Albany (Edmundson, Morris, Soto, Garrick), 42.34; **4x400 Relay** – Buffalo, 3:19.56; **High Jump** – Steve Esler (UB), 6-09; **Pole Vault** – Jason Gianotti (B), 14-09; **Long Jump** – Luis Soto (A), 24-01; **Triple Jump** – Ronald Edmundson (A), 47-09.25; **Shot Put** – Adam Smith (UB), 49-02.50; **Discus** – Adam Smith (UB), 148-03; **Hammer** – Rashidi Greene (UB), 186-00; **Javelin** – Brian Lundy (UB), 175-08.

(Men's Lacrosse)

Albany, N.Y. – Sophomore attackman **Brian Hunt** had four goals and five assists to lead Yale to its third straight win with a 16-9 victory over Albany on Saturday. The contest was the second game of a college double-header on Lacrosse Youth Day at Varsity Field.

Yale (6-4) snapped a 4-4 deadlock in the second quarter by scoring four consecutive times. **Chris McIntyre**, who had four goals and one assist, gave his team the lead for good with 9:43 left in the stanza.

Hunt had a hand in his team's following six goals by scoring twice unassisted and adding four assists for a commanding 11-4 lead midway through the third period. Albany (1-4) closed within 12-8, when **Sean McConaghy** (Columbia H.S.) scored his third goal of the day with 11:09 remaining in the fourth quarter.

The Bulldogs closed the door with four unanswered goals over the next seven minutes, including an extra-man goal by McIntyre. Yale goalkeeper **Eric Wenzel** had 12 saves in his second start of the season. Albany's **Mike Shelli** (Shenendehowa) stopped a career-high 23 shots.

-agate-

Yale (6-4) 4 4 3 5 - 16 Albany (1-4) 3 1 2 3 - 9

Yale – Scoring: Brian Hunt 4-5, Chris McIntyre 4-1, Tucker Foote 2-1, Marko Lujic 2-0, Mike Scaglione 2-0, Mike Morris 1-1, Patrick Moylan 1-0, Ryan Floyd 0-2; Goalkeeper: Eric Wenzel (60:00, 12 saves, 9 GA).

Albany – Scoring: Sean McConaghy 3-1, Dan Small 2-0, Sean Donnellan 1-1, Andrew Poplinger 1-1, Jeremy Smith 1-0, Sal Massa 1-0, Jim Lindsay 0-2, Matt Duball 0-1; Goalkeeper: Mike Shelli (60:00, 23 saves, 16 GA).

MORE

Albany Sports 3-3-3-3

(Women's Lacrosse)

Albany, N.Y. – Freshman midfielder **Maria Ferrucci** tied the school's single-game record with seven goals, as Albany upended Manhattan, 20-12, on Saturday at Varsity Field on Lacrosse Youth Day.

Albany (5-4) led 12-8 early in the second half, but then tallied seven unanswered goals to take control. Ferrucci, who matched a UA record set by Debbie August (1996) and Dawn DiMicco (1998), and has 32 goals this season, scored three times in that stretch. The Great Danes' game-breaking run included three goals in a 38-second span.

Senior attack **Jess Spadafora** had four goals and one assist, and did all of her scoring in the opening period to stake Albany to a 10-4 halftime lead. **Dawn DiMicco** added a season-high four goals, while **Andrea Esposito** (Saratoga Springs) added six assists.

Lori Graham, the nation's third-leading scorer, had five goals for Manhattan (5-4). Elizabeth Tiffany and Rory Maguire each had two goals and one assist.

-agate-

Manhattan (5-4) 4 8 - 12 Albany (5-4) 10 - 20

Manhattan – Lori Graham 5-0, Rory Maguire 2-1, Elizabeth Tiffany 2-1, Amy Kirkby 1-1, Erica St. Lucia 1-0, Maureen Moore 1-0, Moira Muthig 0-1; Goalkeeper: Maegan Cosgrove (60:00, 16 saves, 20 GA).

Albany – Maria Ferrucci 7-0, Jess Spadafora 4-1, Dawn DiMicco 4-0, Amanda Heller 2-0, Theresa Masse 1-2, Laura Walls 1-0, Erin Pemrick 1-0, Andrea Esposito 0-6; Goalkeepers: Michelle Romanofski (45:03, 6 saves, 9 GA), Kim Martini (14:57, 3 saves, 3 GA).

(Women's Tennis)

Worcester, Mass. – **Ilissa Strolovitz** won at fourth singles and second doubles to lead Albany to a 5-4 victory at Holy Cross on Saturday in the Great Danes' final match of the spring. Albany finishes with an 11-9 record.

Strolovitz took her singles match in straight sets and teamed with **Jennifer Hahn** (Bethlehem Central) for an 8-6 pro-set doubles triumph. **Violeta Petijevic** and **Emily Gonzales** each posted three-set victories at first and fifth singles, respectively. -agate-

Albany 5, Holy Cross 4

Singles: Violeta Petijevic (A) def. Amy Crump (HC), 6-2, 1-6, 6-3; Erica Fugelsang (HC) def. Erinn Langford (A), 6-3, 6-1; Sara Spain (HC) def. Jennifer Hahn (A), 6-1, 7-6 (7-5); Ilissa Strolovitz (A) def. Erin Hylka (HC), 6-3, 6-2; Emily Gonzales (A) def. Meredith Majesty (HC), 6-7 (7-5), 6-3, 6-3; liona Nagy (HC) def. Marissa Tuchband (A), 7-5, 6-4.

Doubles: Nicole Leber-Spain (HC) def. Petijevic-Langford (A), 8-6; Hahn-Strolovitz (A) def. Crump-Hylka (HC), 8-6; Gonzales-Tuchband (A) def. Fugelsang-Nagy (HC), 8-5.

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(Softball)

Albany, N.Y. – **Debbie Hodge** drove in three runs in the nightcap, as Albany earned a double-header split with Colgate on Friday at Albany Field. The Great Danes won the second game, 7-2, but dropped the first, 3-1 in 10 innings.

Albany (16-5) scored three times in the first inning of the nightcap on **Audrey White's** RBI double and a two-run single by Hodge. **Michelle Mausteller** keyed a fourrun third by driving in two runners with a single to right field. **Sarah Maida** improved to
8-3 on the mound by scattering seven hits with four strikeouts.

In the opener, Colgate's **Amanda Brickell** broke a 1-1 tie in the tenth with a RBI single. Pitcher **Katie Mitsui**, who allowed one hit in six innings of relief work for her fifth win this season, tripled in another run for insurance.

Stephanie Scott and Lisa Belcher each had three hits on the day for Colgate (17-15). Albany's Stacy Kowal singled twice and scored three runs in the twinbill. -agate-

(Game 1)

Colgate 000 000 001 2 - 3 5 1 Albany 000 000 001 0 - 1 4 1

Amy Ross, Katie Mitsui (5) and Lisa Belcher.

Jessica Hansen and Stacy Kowal.

(Game 2)

Colgate (17-15) 001 100 0 - 2 7 0 Albany (16-5) 304 000 x - 7 6 1

Heather Lee, Beth Haas (3) and Laura Chaussee, Tina Scharf (3).

Sarah Maida and Stacy Kowal.

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UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY ANNOUNCES 2000 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

ALBANY, N.Y. – A seven-game Northeast Conference slate, the first football meeting with St. John's, and the appearance of Hofstra, a NCAA Division I-AA playoff team last year, highlight the University at Albany's 2000 football schedule, as Interim Director of Athletics Gail Cummings-Danson announced today.

The Great Danes open their 28th season on Saturday, September 9 with Atlantic 10 Conference member Northeastern in Boston, Mass. This is the first meeting between the programs, and Albany's first with an Atlantic 10 school since 1977.

Albany concludes its 11-game schedule at Hofstra on Nov. 18. The Flying Dutchmen, who have posted 28 victories over the last three seasons, reached the Division I-AA quarterfinals and finished with an 11-2 record in 1999.

Other non-conference opponents are St. John's (Oct. 14) and Rowan (Sept. 16). St. John's is coming off a 7-4 campaign as a I-AA independent, while Rowan played for the NCAA Division III national championship last year. In addition, the Great Danes will travel to defending NEC champion Robert Morris on Nov. 11.

The home schedule begins on Sept. 23 against Wagner, coached by former Albany assistant Walt Hameline. Kickoff for the Northeast Conference opener is 6:00 p.m. Albany's Homecoming and Family Weekend date is Oct. 28 against Central Connecticut State, while Hall of Fame Day is slated for Oct. 7 versus St. Francis, Pa.

The Great Danes completed their first I-AA season last fall with a 7-2 record, and placed second in the NEC standings with a 6-1 mark.

2000 Albany Football Schedule

Sept.	9	(Sat.)	at Northeastern	12:30
Sept.	16	(Sat.)	at Rowan	1:30
Sept.	23	(Sat.)	Wagner* (Fireworks Night)	6:00
Sept.	30	(Sat.)	at Stony Brook*	12:30
Oct.	7	(Sat.)	St. Francis, Pa.* (Hall of Fame Day)	1:00
Oct.	14	(Sat.)	at St. John's	TBA
Oct.	21	(Sat.)	at Sacred Heart*	1:00
Oct.	28	(Sat.)	Central Connecticut State* (Homecoming)	1:00
Nov.	4	(Sat.)	Monmouth*	1:00
Nov.	11	(Sat.)	at Robert Morris*	1:30
Nov.	18	(Sat.)	at Hofstra	TBA

*Northeast Conference Opponent

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2000 Football Schedule Announced – See Release

(Baseball)

New Britain, Conn. – Left-hander **Adam Harriman** threw a four-hit shutout in the opener, and Jason Trufant and Neil Hagin combined on a two-hitter in the nightcap to lead Albany to a doubleheader sweep over Central Connecticut State on Thursday at Balf-Savin Field. The Great Danes, who ended a five-game losing streak, won the twinbill, 8-0 and 9-1.

In the first game, Harriman scattered four singles and struck out five en route to his second win of the season and his first career shutout. Albany (8-13-1) snapped a scoreless tie with a seven-run sixth inning. First baseman Jeff Rossiter, who drove in four runs, cleared the bases with a triple to right field. Freshman Mike Steinberg capped his team's at-bat with a solo home run over the left-field fence.

Trufant improved to 2-3 overall by allowing one single over five innings on the mound in the second game. Hagin came on to pitch two innings of scoreless relief. Second baseman Chris Robilotti (Colonie Central H.S.) went 3-for-4 at the plate with two doubles, two runs and three RBI. Shortstop Mike Grasso (Bishop Maginn H.S.) tripled and scored in the first, and added a RBI groundout in the second.

Central Connecticut State, who had won three of its previous four starts, falls to 12-19-1.

-agate-

(Game 1)

Albany 000 007 1 - 000 -Central Conn. State 000

Adam Harriman and Rob Ryan.

Matt Nelson, Seth Borden (6) and Ryan Holleran.

(Game 2)

Central Conn. State (12-19-1) 001 000 0 - 9 Albany (8-13-1) 131 310 0

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Jason Trufant, Neil Hagin (6) and Dave Mykel.

Donald Crossman, Chris Piryk (5), Nick Macellaro (6) and Hector Carrion.

(Women's Lacrosse)

Philadelphia, Pa. – Senior midfielder **Leah Weldon** scored two goals, including the game-winner in the second half, as Drexel held off Albany, 8-7, on Thursday at Drexel Field.

Drexel (4-6) scored four times in the opening 10 minutes of the final period to break a 4-4 halftime deadlock. **Wendy Gallagher** put her team ahead for good on a feed from **Alison Kreiger**, who had one goal and two assists. Weldon, who tallied her 14th goal of year, scored what proved to be the winning goal for an 8-5 lead with 20:33 remaining.

Albany (4-4) closed within one goal with 4:01 left, when **Jess Spadafora** found the net with her 18th this season. **Maria Ferrucci**, who scored three times, and **Andrea Esposito** each misfired with game-tying opportunities in the final minute. -agate-

Albany (4-4) 4 3 - 7 Drexel (4-6) 4 4 - 8

Albany – Scoring: Maria Ferrucci 3-0, Dawn DiMicco 1-2, Laura Walls 1-1, Jess Spadafora 1-0, Amanda Heller 1-0; Goalkeeper(s): Kim Martini (38:52, 9 saves, 7 GA), Michelle Romanofski (22:06, 5 saves, 1 GA).

Drexel – Scoring: Leah Weldon 2-0, Alison Kreiger 1-2, Jaime Connahan 1-1, Katrina Rand 1-1, Cindy Arnold 1-0, Wendy Gallagher 1-0, Penny Santos 1-0, Lauren Kernaghan 0-1; Goalkeeper: Michelle Geist (60:00, 6 saves, 7 GA).

LACROSSE YOUTH DAY ON SATURDAY, APRIL 15

Albany, N.Y. -- The University at Albany will host Lacrosse Youth Day on Saturday, April 15 at Varsity Field on campus. The event is sponsored in conjunction with WXXA-TV (FOX 23), the Gazette Newspapers, and the Albany Attack professional lacrosse team. Admission is free.

The day's activities feature a Division I men's and women's college lacrosse doubleheader. The Albany women face Manhattan at 10:30 a.m., while the men tangle with Yale at 1:30 p.m. The Capital Region's newest professional sports team, the Albany Attack, will be available from 12:30 to 1:30 for a photograph and autograph session.

All area high school coaches and players as well as local community youth groups are welcome to attend this event. For more information, contact the University's athletic marketing and corporate sales office at 518-442-3318.

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(Women's Lacrosse)

Hamden, Conn. – Senior attack **Jess Spadafora** had three goals and one assist and **Maria Ferrucci** scored three times to lead Albany to a 13-8 victory over Quinnipiac on Tuesday at Braves Field.

Quinnipiac (5-5) led 5-3 with 18:45 left in the opening period on back-to-back goals by **Marta Waldron** and **Jesse Rowley**. However, Albany (4-3) responded with eight unanswered goals to take control. Ferrucci, who netted her 22nd goal of the season, did all of her scoring in that stretch, while Spadafora tallied twice.

The Great Danes defense held Quinnipiac to one goal over the game's final 25 minutes, as goalkeeper **Kim Martini** made 15 saves. Albany's **Laura Walls** added two goals and one assist.

Colleen Dooley led the Braves with four goals, while Megan Matthews turned aside a season-high 26 shots.

-agate-

Albany (4-3)

11 2 - 13

Quinnipiac (5-5)

5 3

8

Albany – Scoring: Jess Spadafora 3-1, Maria Ferrucci 3-0, Laura Walls 2-1, Dawn DiMicco 2-0, Amanda Heller 2-0, Theresa Masse 1-0, Andrea Esposito 0-1, Erin Pemrick 0-1; Goalkeepers: Michelle Romanofski (5:29, 0 saves, 2 GA), Kim Martini (54:31, 15 saves, 6 GA).

Quinnipiac – Scoring: Colleen Dooley 4-0, Jesse Rowley 2-1, Marta Waldron 2-0; Goalkeeper: Megan Matthews (60:00, 26 saves, 13 GA).

(Baseball)

Chestnut Hill, Mass. – Senior right-hander **Jaime Quiros** fired a three-hit shutout in the first game to lead Boston College to a doubleheader sweep over Albany on Tuesday at Shea Field. The Eagles won the opener, 1-0, and the second contest, 4-1.

Albany Sports 2-2-2

Quiros recorded 11 strikeouts with one walk in posting his first victory this season, and worked out of a bases-loaded jam in the second inning. **Eric Olson** doubled in the game's lone run in the second.

In the nightcap, Boston College (20-11) scored four times in its first at-bat. **Mike Gambino** led off the inning with a solo home run, his second of the season. **Joe Keatley** added a RBI double.

Third baseman **Mike Kuebler** went 3-for-6 in the twinbill for Albany (6-13-1). **Jarett Mendoza** had a pair of doubles and drove in a run for the Eagles, who have won eight of their last 10 starts.

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-agate-
(Game 1)

Albany 000 000 0 - 0 3 1

Boston College 010 000 x - 1 3 2

    Scott Tower and Rob Ryan.
    Jaime Quiros and Jeff Mackor.

(Game 2)

Albany (6-13-1) 010 000 0 - 1 7 2

Boston College (20-11) 400 000 x - 4 4 2

    Mark Zacharczyk and Rob Ryan.
    Jed Rogers, Matt Duffey (5) and Chris Rosado.
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Sean McConaghy (Columbia H.S.) and John Gilson (Shenendehowa H.S.) lead a group of six local players on the Albany men's team. The women's squad features six area high school standouts, including Erin Pemrick and Andrea Esposito, of Saratoga Springs H.S., and goalkeeper Michelle Romanofski (Guilderland H.S.). Both Albany lacrosse programs are competing at the Division I level for the first time this season.

WEATHER FORCES SOFTBALL SCHEDULE CHANGES

Albany, N.Y. -- The women's softball doubleheader at Syracuse, scheduled for Monday, April 10, has been cancelled due to snow. Tuesday's twinbill at St. Bonaventure has also been postponed.

The Great Danes have added two doubleheaders with St. Bonaventure to the schedule. The two teams will meet in Olean, N.Y. on Mon., April 24 at 3:00 p.m. and Tues., April 25 at 2:00 p.m.

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(Softball)

New Rochelle, N.Y. – Sophomore pitcher **Sarah Maida** fired a three-hit shutout in the opener to lead Albany to a doubleheader sweep over lona on Saturday at Pinebrook Field. The Great Danes, who have won six of their last seven starts, posted a 2-0 victory in the first game, and took the nightcap, 4-2.

Maida tied a season-high with nine strikeouts and walked two en route to her seventh victory of the season. **Debbie Hodge** and **Stacy Kowal** each had RBI singles. **Audrey White** doubled twice, and scored in the sixth inning.

In the second game, shortstop **Valerie Terry** (South Glens Falls H.S.) went 3-for-3 at the plate with a double and a sacrifice hit. Terry had a bunt single and scored in her team's four-run third frame. **April Kuryluk** (Albany H.S.) had a run-scoring single and Kowal added a sacrifice fly in the inning.

Jessica Hansen improved to 7-1 on the mound by scattering four hits for Albany, who improved to 15-4 overall. Iona falls to 9-13.

-agate-(Game 1)

Albany 000 101 0 - 2 7 1 lona 000 000 0 - 0 3 3

Sarah Maida and Stacy Kowal.

Jessica Service and Laurie Lawler.

(Game 2)

Albany (15-4) 004 000 0 - 4 7 2 lona (9-13) 010 001 0 - 2 4 4

Jessica Hansen and Stacy Kowal. Jen Goerge and Annette Pepe.

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(Men's Lacrosse)

Albany, N.Y. – Senior attackman Dan Small scored a career-high seven goals as Albany posted its first win as a Division I program with a 15-9 victory over Boston College on Saturday at Varsity Field.

Albany (1-3) led 9-8 late in the third quarter, but then reeled off six unanswered goals. Sal Massa dodged an Eagle defender and ripped a shot past goalkeeper Tom Gallagher to start the run with 2:25 left in the period.

The Great Danes, who had not played since March 25, scored three times within a one-minute-and-23-second span early in the fourth stanza. Small tallied his seventh of the game, the most by an Albany player since 1992, for an 11-8 advantage, before Rich Angel and Adam Gelman found the net en route to a five-goal cushion.

Boston College (1-5) rallied from a 4-1 first-quarter deficit to take a 6-5 lead on an extra-man goal by Tom Smith. The Great Danes still trailed 7-6 with 11:17 remaining in the third, but Small scored two of the game's next three goals to put his team ahead for good.

Albany's Jim Lindsay had two goals and five assists, while goalkeeper Mike Shelli (Shenendehowa H.S.) made 14 saves. Jason Wren led the Eagles with four goals, while Andy Koch had two goals and two assists. -agate-

Boston College (1-5)

15

Albany (1-3)

Boston College - Scoring: Jason Wren 4-0, Andy Koch 2-2, Tom Smith 2-0, Dan Hayden 1-2, James Garth 0-2, Taylor Whitman 0-1; Goalkeeper: Tom Gallagher (60:00, 21 saves, 15 GA).

Albany – Scoring: Dan Small 7-0, Jim Lindsay 2-5, Sal Massa 2-0, Kris Bremer 1-0, Rich Angel 1-0, Adam Gelman 1-0, Jeremy Smith 1-0, Andrew Poplinger 0-1, Sean Donnellan 0-1; Goalkeepers: Mike Shelli (56:00, 14 saves, 9 GA), Mike Arnone (4:00, 2 saves, 0 GA).

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Albany Sports 2-2-2

(Track & Field)

Albany, N.Y. – **Luis Soto** and **Ronald Edmundson** won the long jump and triple jump, respectively, and each athlete was a member of the winning 4x100-meter relay, as Albany won the men's competition in a five-school meet on Saturday at University Field. Vermont was first in the women's team standings.

The Great Danes won seven individual events and had two first-place relays. Head coach **Roberto Vives** recorded his 300th career win in dual-meet competition, and has a 301-78 record in his 15th season.

Soto went 23-feet, 9.50-inches in the long jump, while Edmundson's best mark in the triple jump was 48-01.25. They ran the first and second legs on the 4x100 relay, which was clocked in 42.96 seconds. **Tony Davidson** sprinted 49.66 to win the 400-dash, and was a member of the first-place 4x400 relay.

Jeffrey Brooks (Guilderland H.S.) won the 5,000 in 15:57.19, and freshman **Rob Garren** (Fonda-Fultonville H.S.) was first in the pole vault (11-11.75). **Mark Sutter** (discus) and **Charles Young** (110-hurdles) were the other Albany winners.

Ashley Couper (800, 1,500) and Regan Coffey (100, 200) each won two events to lead Vermont to the women's team title. Albany's Onieka Randall was first across the line in the 400-dash with a personal-best 57.03. Tamirah Haywood and Sarah Best (Granville Central H.S.) posted victories in the 400-hurdles and pole vault, respectively. The Great Danes were also first in 4x100 relay.

MEN

TEAM: Albany 208, Williams 200, Vermont 111, Colgate 69, Hartford 45.

INDIVIDUAL: **100** – Jake Galbreath (V), 10.69; **200** – Jake Galbreath (V), 22.14; **400** – Tony Davidson (A), 49.66; **800** – Jay Slowik (W), 2:00.18; **1,500** – George Deane (V), 4:04.94; **5,000** – Jeffrey Brooks (A), 15:57.19; **10,000** – Dusty Lopez (W), 33:23.86; **110-Hurdles** – Charles Young (A), 15.10; **400-Hurdles** – Ed Rossier (W), 56.19; **3,000-Steeplechase** – Karl Remsen (W), 10:01.23; **4x100 Relay** – Albany (Edmundson, Soto, Garrick, Morris), 42.96; **4x400 Relay** – Albany (Bonham, Alicea, Morris, Davidson), 3:23.46; **High Jump** – Eric Williams (C), 6-06; **Pole Vault** – Rob Garren (A), 11-11.75; **Long Jump** – Luis Soto (A), 23-09.50; **Triple Jump** – Ronald Edmundson (A), 48-01.25; **Shot Put** – Troy Wright (W), 48-11.50; **Discus** – Mark Sutter (A), 135-07; **Hammer Throw** – Matt Campanelli (W), 168-08; **Javelin** – Matthew Price (V), 184-08.

WOMEN

TEAM: Vermont 245, Williams 174, Albany 166, Colgate 82, Hartford 11.

INDIVIDUAL: **100** – Regan Coffey (V), 12.00; **200** – Regan Coffey (V), 24.84; **400** – Onieka Randall (A), 57.03; **800** – Ashley Couper (V), 2:16.30; **1,500** – Ashley Couper (V), 4:38.00; **3,000** – Jonnie Vasse (W), 10:30.55; **5,000** – Lauren Krisko (W), 18:30.05; **10,000** – Joya Tetreault (V), 40:05.77; **100-Hurdles** – Rita Forte (W), 14.70; **400-Hurdles** – Tamirah Haywood (A), 1:07.05; **2,000-Steeplechase** – Justine Morrison (V), 7:43.74; **4x100 Relay** – Vermont, 48.21; **4x400 Relay** – Albany (Haywood, Randall, Freeman, Knight), 3:57.01; **High Jump** – Beth Pratico (V), 5-04; **Pole Vault** – Sarah Best (A), 8-06; **Long Jump** – Kate Goodchild (V), 18-09; **Triple Jump** – Elaina Coutrayaer (V), 37-00.25; **Shot Put** – Sara Lovell (V), 43-11.75; **Discus** – Cheryl Miller (V), 140-09; **Hammer Throw** – Rebecca Brooks (W), 155-11; **Javelin** – Regan Steverman (V), 136-00.

Albany Sports 3-3-3-3

(Women's Tennis)

Stony Brook, N.Y. – **Kinga Polonska** won at first singles and first doubles to lead Stony Brook to a 5-4 victory over Albany on Saturday afternoon.

Polonska defeated **Samantha Kramer** in straight sets at No. 1 singles, and teamed with **Esther Forrester** for a 9-8 pro-set triumph in doubles play. Albany's **Violeta Petijevic** and **Ilissa Strolovitz** earned wins at second and fifth singles, respectively. Stony Brook improves to 7-4, while Albany stands at 10-9. -agate-

Stony Brook 5, Albany 4

Singles: Kinga Polonska (S) def. Samantha Kramer (A), 6-4, 6-3; Violeta Petijevic (A) def. Esther Forrester (S), 6-4, 6-2; Delquin Gong (S) def. Erinn Langford (A), 6-2, 6-2; Carmie Zink (S) def. Jennifer Hahn (A), 7-6(11-9), 6-0; Ilissa Strolovitz (A) def. Deanna Ghozati (S), 3-6, 6-1, 6-2; Rebecca Sparacin (S) def. Emily Gonzalez (A), 6-3, 3-6, 6-4.

Doubles: Polonska/Forrester (S) def. Kramer/Petijevic (A), 9-8 (7-5); Langford/Strolovitz (A) def. Gong/Zink (S), 8-6; Hahn/Gonzalez (A) def. Ghozati/Sparacin (S), 8-3.

Records: Albany (10-9), Stony Brook (7-4).

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COLLEGE SPORTS (Baseball)

Pleasantville, N.Y. – Designated hitter **Mike Bohlander** had three hits and three RBI as Pace tallied a six-run first inning to post an 11-4 victory over Albany on Thursday at Finnerty Field. Albany has lost three straight games.

The Setters (6-16) crossed the plate six times in the first frame on two hits and two Great Dane errors. Albany starter **Shawn Walsh** was unable to record an out as he walked three hitters and threw two wild pitches along with a hit batsman.

Albany (6-11-1) had its chances to recover, but stranded runners on base in seven of the nine innings. **Steve Lizza** had two hits and a RBI, while **Jim Lovett** (Colonie H.S.) added a RBI single.

Pace starter **Dan Macom** earned the victory, allowing one earned run on five hits with seven strikeouts in seven innings. **Trevor Mosley** hit a two-run home run in the eighth inning and **Frank Siano** added a double and a triple for the winners.

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Albany (6-11-1)

100 100 020 - 4 7 3

Pace (6-16)

600 111 02x - 11 12 3

Shawn Walsh, David Schrepper (1), Adam Castoldi (6) and Rob Ryan Dan Macom, Joe D'Ascoli (8) and Joe Stefania.

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(Baseball)

New Britain, Conn. – Albany's doubleheader with Central Connecticut State was rained out. The twinbill has been rescheduled for Thursday, April 13 at 12 noon.

(Men's Lacrosse)

Albany, N.Y. – Albany's scheduled game with Wagner on Wednesday (April 5) has been postponed due to poor field conditions at Varsity Field. The contest will be played on Wed., April 26 at 3:30 p.m.

(Softball)

Stony Brook, N.Y. – University at Albany's **Valerie Terry** (South Glens Falls H.S.) has been selected as the Division I Independent Player of the Week in softball (Mar. 27-Apr. 2).

Terry, a sophomore, drove in the winning run in both games of a doubleheader with Stony Brook on March 31. Her infield single scored the goahead run in the first game, while her two-run double into the left-field gap decided the nightcap.

Terry is batting .313 overall with 10 runs, 11 RBI and nine stolen bases in 17 starting assignments at shortstop. Albany is 13-4 this season.

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(Track & Field)

West Point, N.Y. – University at Albany's **Jonathan Garrick** finished second in the long jump, tied for fifth in the high jump, and ran on the second-place 4x100-meter relay to highlight his team's performance at the West Point Open, which was held at Army's Shea Track Stadium.

Garrick, a wide receiver on the Albany football team, went 22-feet, 5.25-inches in the long jump, and was one-half inch behind Army's **Wes Wilhite**. He posted a height of 6-01.25 in the high jump, and ran the second leg on the 4x100 relay that was clocked in 43.12 seconds. Other relay members were **Christian Bloomer** (Ballston Spa H.S.), **John Morris** and **Tony Davidson**.

In the women's competition, **Onieka Randall** was third in 400-meter dash with a time of 57.68 seconds, and ran the leadoff leg on the winning 4x100 relay. Albany's relay squad, which included **Tammy Freeman**, **Seidah Abu-Bakir**, **and Tameka Hutcherson**, ran 49.48.

Tamirah Haywood was second in triple jump with a mark of 34-08.50, and tied for fifth in the 400-hurdles (1:06.74). Other top-finishers were **Ed Fotiades**, who tied for second in the men's high jump (6-03.25), and **Nierria Jones**, who placed third in the women's triple jump (34-03.50).

(Baseball)

Stony Brook, N.Y. – Senior catcher **Chris Ansman** had two home runs, two doubles and four RBI to lead Stony Brook to a doubleheader sweep over Albany on Sunday at Seawolves Field. The Seawolves won the twinbill, 11-1 and 10-8, snapping Albany's five-game winning streak.

In the opener, Stony Brook (15-5) jumped out to a 3-0 first-inning lead. **Matt Salmon** and **Christopher Manna** had RBI singles to key the scoring. The Seawolves would explode for a five-run fifth, highlighted by **Gregg Foster's** grand slam. Pitcher **Christopher Flinn** fired a three-hitter with nine strikeouts.

Stony Brook used two four-run innings in the nightcap to earn a 10-8 victory. **Eduardo Murillo** had a two-run triple in the second, while Ansman and **Alexander Trezza** each had two-run homers in the fifth. Albany (6-10-1) attempted a comeback in the seventh with six runs. **Steve Lizza**, who hit a grand slam in the frame, went 3-for-7 on the day.

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(Game 1)

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Adam Harriman, Craig Straus (5) and Rob Ryan Christopher Flinn and Chris Ansman, Ed Kull (7).

(Game 2)

Àlbany (6-10-1) 000 110 6 - 8 6 3 Stony Brook (15-5) 040 042 x - 10 8 2

Jason Trufant, Adam Castoldi (6) and Rob Ryan Lee Reynolds, Joe Costanzo (7) and Chris Ansman.

(Women's Lacrosse)

Albany, N.Y. – **Pamela Lowie** and **Abby Morgan** each three goals and two assists to lead Connecticut to a 19-6 victory over Albany on Sunday at Varsity Field.

Lowie, a sophomore attack, scored twice and assisted on another goal, as Connecticut (6-1) raced to a 9-2 halftime lead. **Susan Payne** and **Heather Bliss** added two goals apiece in the period.

The Huskies, who rebounded from a 14-7 loss to No. 15 Syracuse on Saturday, scored four unanswered goals to open the second half. Lowie netted her third goal of the afternoon, including her 23rd of the season, off a pass from behind the cage for a 13-2 advantage with 20:12 remaining.

Freshman Maria Ferrucci had two goals and one assist, while Andrea Esposito (Saratoga Springs H.S.) had one goal and assist for Albany (3-3). Goalkeeper Michelle Romanofski (Guilderland H.S.) made a season-high 16 saves. Heather Levins added three goals and one assist to the UConn attack.

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Connecticut (6-1) 9 10 - 19 Albany (3-3) 2 4 - 6

Connecticut – Scoring: Pamela Lowie 3-2, Abby Morgan 3-2, Heather Levins 3-1, Heather Bliss 3-0, Megan Campbell 2-1, Susan Payne 2-0, Angela Cieszynski 1-2, Bonnie Wehinger 1-1, Kelly Feeley 1-0; Goalkeeper: April Pollock (60:00, 13 saves, 6 GA).

Albany – Scoring: Maria Ferrucci 2-1, Dawn DiMicco 1-1, Andrea Esposito 1-1, Jess Spadafora 1-0, Alexis Esposito 1-0; Goalkeeper: Michelle Romanofski (60:00, 16 saves, 19 GA).

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(Track & Field)

Raleigh, N.C. – University at Albany's **Ronald Edmundson** finished seventh in the triple jump and **Andrea Viger** (Granville Central H.S.) was 13th in 10,000-meter run at the Adidas Raleigh Relays on Saturday at North Carolina State's Paul H. Derr Track. The two-day meet featured more than 2,000 athletes representing 100 teams.

Edmundson went 49-feet, 6.50-inches in his first outdoor competition of the year. **Rich Thompson**, of Bronx Intern Club, was first with a leap of 52-08.25. Viger, a senior, posted a time of 37:22.48.

Jeffrey Brooks (Guilderland) placed 39th in the 10,000, and was clocked in 31:57.92. **Jamie Rodriguez** (Christian Brothers Academy) went 14:54.07 to take 41st in the 5,000. **Erica Viger**, the twin sister of Andrea, ran 11:02.23 in the 3,000, and was 50th overall.

Albany assistant track coach **Geoffrey York** (Troy H.S.) won the 110-meter high hurdles title with a time of 13.59 seconds. York, a five-time NCAA Division III champion, competed unattached. During the meet's first day, the Great Danes' **Luis Soto** went 23-feet, 4-inches to capture 10th place in the men's long jump.

(Baseball)

Stony Brook, N.Y. – Junior right fielder **Steve Checksfield** belted two home runs with five RBI to lead Albany to a doubleheader sweep over Stony Brook on Saturday at Seawolves Field. The Great Danes won the twinbill, 13-7 and 7-4, and have won five straight.

In the opener, Albany (6-8-1) scored nine times in the first inning. Checksfield belted a three-run home run, while **Mike Steinberg** added a two-run single during the outburst. **Eddie Scott** went 3-for-4 with two doubles and three runs. Pitcher **Scott Tower** struck out five and walked two en route to his first victory this season.