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Welcome Mat Edition

Albright College welcomes largest class in college history

by Sean Snyder and Sarah Timmons
Albrightian

Last Thursday, the distinctive sound of bagpipes could be heard across campus and all over 13th Street as 552 new Albrightians joined the ranks of the student body. The new scholars were a part of the largest group of applicants in the 154-year history of the college. They span twelve countries across the globe.

The convocation ceremony opened with an exciting video montage of the attractive aspects of the college. Enlightening speeches followed, including an inspiring welcome from the President McMillan, who challenged the new students to “cross boundaries, take risks, and discover, as we like to call it, A Different Way of

Thinking”.

Other keynote addresses came from distinguished faculty and staff, including faculty chair and chemistry professor Dr. Christian Hamann and Dr. Susan Hughes a psychology professor and 2010 recipient of the Class of 1949 Annadora Vesper Shirk Award for Outstanding Faculty Research. The Rev. Paul Clark, Albright College chaplain, opened the ceremony offered a warm invocation.

Additionally, musical selections were performed by the Albright College Convocation Choir and POPs (Peer Orientation Persons). The freshmen and transfers were pinned by members of the Albright faculty as they walked their first steps toward a successful college career.

Student Government Association President Kat Biehl

brought smiles to the over one thousand faces in the crowd as she outlined three valuable life lessons learned in her time as an Albrightian. Her speech covered important aspects of college life: academics, dorm life, and social life. The tools for success provided that afternoon were immeasurable.

Orientation Overview

For the next three days, new students embarked on the journey fondly known as POPs week. Rousing cheers, in-depth exploration of campus, and guidance from Albright’s most enthusiastic and knowledgeable student leaders, these Albrightians were treated to eye-opening programs and opportunities to meet new people.

In continuing a popular Albright tradition, Mike Green, fondly known as “Greeny”,

spoke to the new students about the dangers of abusing alcohol. With a realistic and objective approach, Greeny inundated students with valuable knowledge and insight based on his own experiences fighting alcoholism. The opening night of POPs week ended with the tradition of Playfair held in Shirk Stadium. A massive competition of “rock, paper, scissors” as well as other large-scale ice-breakers offered the new students the opportunity to meet every other student in their class.

Friday’s orientation schedule focused on academic life. After meeting advisors in order to solidify their schedules and concentration, they attended a ground-breaking environmental presentation encouraging all students to realize their ecolog-
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News in the Brief

by Elizabeth Gordon
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20 Million Displaced by Flooding in Pakistan

Massive flooding in Pakistan has claimed almost 1,500 lives as of Aug. 23.

Approximately 20 million people have been affected by the floodwaters, which have been destroying homes and inhibiting travel for almost a month. The flooding – caused by annual monsoon rains – is the worst natural disaster in Pakistan’s history. The death toll is expected to rise due to the lack of clean water, overcrowding in refugee camps and unsanitary conditions.

Iran Fuels First Nuclear Reactor

In spite of sanctions and pressure from the U.N. and Western nations, Iran began loading fuel rods in the nation’s first reactor on Aug. 21.

Russia is overseeing the reactor, located in Bushehr, and has pledged to ensure that a weapons program does not develop. Current uranium enrichment level is approximately 3.5 percent; 90 percent is required to create weapons grade uranium.

The “Last” Combat Brigade

According to CNN, Aug. 19 marked the day “the last U.S. brigade combat team in Iraq” left the country. Major
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Standing on the edge of summer

by Tom Spincic
Albrightian

Three months ago, Andrew Oliva graduated from Albright College. This evening, he stretches out on a couch in his living room, gazing idly toward the television set upon which his roommates sit glued to. A black t-shirt clings to his slender frame, the cutoff sleeves of which reveal fresh tattoos – “my graduation present to myself,” as it were. His movements are relaxed and his manner easygoing.

How is Oliva adjusting to life in the real world ... this life after college about which every undergraduate student dreams?

“Right now, it’s kind of slow. I’ve sent in a bunch of applications, but the results have been less than pleasing.”

Oliva majored in music education and digital media during his tenure at Albright. He is looking for employment in the field of graphic design, but has voiced his opinion that, at this point, he’ll take what he can get.

“I even tried QVC,” Oliva says.

Oliva is slated to move to Glassboro, N.J., in the coming weeks. He remains undaunted, despite encountering little success early on. He hopes living 20 minutes away from Philadelphia will open up a few doors on the job front.

Oliva jokingly refers to the time following his graduation as the “Summer of George,” a classic Seinfeld reference to an episode in which George Costanza spends a summer jobless, doing whatever he pleases. The largest, most notable difference between the two is that while Costanza is willingly unem-

ployed, Oliva continues to pound the pavement.

“I’m enjoying the downtime ... it’s been the Summer of George, man.”

College, though very different from high school, is still an extension of a structured environment. The idea of having to adjust to a life without that familiar, pre-existing structure can be intimidating. Albright offers several options to ease the transition – think of gently easing oneself into a body of water, as opposed to diving in headfirst.

One of Albright’s strongest assets is the Career Development Center, located on the second floor of Selwyn Hall. More than just an exercise in constructing one’s résumé, the Center helps launch a multi-pronged attack on the looming uncertainty of life after college. They involve not only the student, but also faculty and alumni.

The opportunity to meet with career counselors in the Career Development Center is always available, whether you are a freshman or a senior. You can approach career counselors and discuss with them your goals, ideas for the future and what you can do to make them happen.

Ask JIM (Jobs, Internships, Mentors) is an online service designed to help students find major-specific employment and internship initiatives. Once you upload a copy of your résumé, you can use the website to apply for jobs. If need be, you can also seek career consultation from mentors who specialize in career advice.

The “What Can I Do With a Concentration In ... ” programs aim to open students’ eyes to the things they can do in their particular field of study once they obtain

their degree. Albright alumni sit on a panel and describe their current employment status and the role Albright played in preparing them to be where they are now.

By sharing personal experiences, the speakers are able to show undergraduate students how to find prospective careers, get an idea of the necessary skills, gauge the likelihood of being able to find a job (and what to do if you can’t) and answer specific, individual questions.

This writer can offer some insight to using all available resources – use them! For the first two and a half years I attended this school, I always saw the fliers posted around campus and in my campus mailbox. They wasted plenty of paper on me, because I never paid a lick of attention to anything I read or received via campus mail.

Halfway through my junior year, I started to think more in the direction that my time here was limited, that I should start seriously thinking about what I was going to do with myself. So, with my tail between my legs, I sheepishly started poking around the Career Development Center and quickly discovered I wasn’t the only one who had been putting it off. Regardless of whether you’ve been at Albright for three days or three years, they will try to help you as best they can.

Ironically, going back to school is a growing trend in these tough and troubled modern times. Graduate and professional school, medical school, law school ... depending on what one wants to do, it could be your best bet.

Kristina Ranalli graduated from Harvard this past May with a degree in literature. She’s come to

the conclusion that grad school is her best course of action right now.

“Last summer, I submitted applications and résumés to 10 different potential employers ... I only heard back from one. I started thinking the search might not get any easier, so I started applying to graduate schools. Now, a year later, I’ve put in about 50 separate inquiries for jobs and internships. The ones who even bothered to respond turned me down.”

Ranalli went on to explain that there is much prestige and clout associated with a Harvard degree, but it doesn’t always make the market any less competitive – or make the job hunt any easier. It’s a common misconception. Many of her friends were surprised to hear she wasn’t able to find a job directly following her graduation.

“I’m excited, but also a little intimidated. My undergraduate studies involved a lot of hard work and I can only imagine grad school being that much more exclusive! Ultimately, I hope it pays off and the job market is a little less ‘cut-throat’ when I get out. I can already tell it will be more work than I bargained for.”

Now, allow me to take on a more positive tone. Not everyone is unprepared, despondent and jobless after graduating. Sometimes, the best-laid plans really come together.

Kristin Panacio is in a relaxed yet motivated state of being as she enters the first semester of her senior year at Gwynedd-Mercy College. She is anxious to finish out the year, which won’t take long at the rate she’s going.

“I took, like, six classes every semester for my first three years of
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ical footprints and reduce the amount of plastic that they use in their everyday lives.

Perhaps the most moving program of orientation was conducted by Mark Sterner, a man convicted of killing his three best friends after a night of excessive drinking. Sterner's presentation stirred heavy hearts, and for an entire minute, all that was heard were the drone of crickets permeating the walls of Merner Pfeiffer Klein Chapel. Tears did flow for some, while others maintained a dry-eye. Nevertheless, Sterner's message clearly hit home with many students.

With a Power Rangers theme for 2010, the Mighty Morphin' Power POPs swept

across campus on a mission to acclimate the newcomers to campus life and the journey that awaits them through a scavenger hunt. Out to collect the most medallions for a final grand prize, POP groups eagerly ventured around campus completing tasks.

The last presentation of POPs week was Dr. Mykee Fowlin's "You Don't Know Me." Using his talents of impersonation and acting, Dr. Fowlin portrayed several characters representing minorities such as the gay community, the disabled, and women. He also addressed the stereotypes that lead to discrimination toward those labeled as "jocks" and those dealing with depression. His performance was fueled by

his own personal experience with depression. He brightens lives by telling each person to believe that "you are beautiful", each individual in their own way.

Saturday night came to a close with yet another tradition, the fun and witty POPs performance of "Way Off Broadway." Featuring the comic talents of the POP leaders, laughter was plentiful from those in attendance.

Our new Albrightians will undoubtedly immerse themselves academically and socially to better Albright College for many years to come.

The Albrightian welcomes the Class of 2014 and all new students.

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school. When I was planning my schedule this semester, I figured out that I only had to take three classes!"

Panacio is majoring in elementary education, special education and early childhood education. Having already accrued nearly all the credits she needs in order to graduate, she intends to spend her second semester as a student teacher.

"My advisors and the resources my school offered made it really easy for me to plan this out. Thinking of looking for a job doesn't make me want to pull my hair out. Taking all those classes early on kind of made me want to kill myself, but I'm glad I did because now I have an opportunity to put myself out into the field before I even graduate."

So what about you, dear reader? If you're reading this as a senior, are you ready to graduate? It's

still early in the year. Pressure may be mounting, but it hasn't reached a critical point yet. You still have an interim session (provided you haven't used them up already) and the spring semester to plan ahead if you intend to graduate by the end of the academic year. You may even wish to spread things out. There's no shame in taking two or three courses in the fall semester of 2011 if you envision an easier time focusing during this academic year.

Whatever be the case, you have to want to do what you're doing – because, after all, you should be doing it for you. Not just doing it to see an immediate return on the investment of time and money put into cultivating this education of yours, or to fulfill others' wishes. You're here because you have the opportunity to do what you want, right? Want it. Do it. More importantly, be satisfied with what you have – not only in your head, but also in your heart.

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news network Fox News also reported a similar line, stating that "the last American combat brigade was leaving Iraq, well ahead of President Barack Obama's Aug. 31 deadline."

Despite the news, U.S. Army Specialist Brian Jolley stated, "It's peculiar, how Fox News is reporting that the last combat brigade has left Iraq, yet here we are, 3rd Heavy Brigade Combat Team-3ID, still way in Iraq."

As of Sept. 1, Operation Iraqi Freedom will officially transition to "Operation New Dawn," in order to reflect the changing mission of U.S. forces.

BP Oil Well Leak Stopped

The worst offshore oil spill in U.S. history, which began on April 20, may have come to an end.

A heavy drilling mud compound and cement were pumped into the well on Aug. 3 as a temporary solution,

which has thus far staunched the flow of oil. A final decision regarding whether or not further action is necessary will be made pending further tests.

Two relief wells are also being dug. According to BP, the relief wells will allow for more cement to be pumped into the main well to prevent more oil from leaking.

General McChrystal Retires
A retirement ceremony was held for General Stanley McChrystal at Fort McNair on June 23.

Gen. McChrystal was relieved of his command of U.S. and NATO forces in the Afghanistan after Rolling Stone published critical comments he and some of his aides made regarding Vice President Joseph Biden and other leading civilian officials.

Gen. David Petraeus replaced Gen. McChrystal. Gen. Petraeus took command of U.S. and NATO forces on July 4, 2010.

In closing, keep in mind this passage from Tom Robbins' Villa Incognito.

"It's gotta be both... it don't matter how sensitive you are or how d... smart and educated you are, if you're not both at the same time, if your heart and your brain aren't connected, aren't working together harmoniously, well... you're just hopping through life on one leg."

I bid you all good luck.

New stop signs at 13th & Richmond Streets

by Anna Berzins
Albrightian

After a long-awaited conversion to a four-way stop sign at the intersection of 13th and Richmond Streets, Albright College residents can finally enjoy safer driving conditions courtesy of the Reading Police Department.

With the installation of the two additional stop signs, motorists now drive at slower speeds. Consequently, the slower speeds considerably heighten the drivers' awareness of the surrounding area and provide a safer crosswalk for pedestrians.

"I can't believe they don't have stop signs here!" has been a common remark among many Albright students and guardians outraged at the neglect of the safety of the pedestrians turning onto 13th Street from Richmond Street.

In the past, turning from Richmond onto 13th Street has been somewhat daunting, and undoubtedly dangerous. Vehicles formerly traveled well over the posted 25 m.p.h. speed limit down 13th Street, and pedestrians from the college as well as Albright employees working in College Relations had to be extra careful when utilizing the crosswalks.

Since 2001 there have been eleven car accidents, including a

pedestrian that was hit by a car and injured, according to the Reading Police Department. The Reading Police have increased efforts to patrol the area to keep drivers alert of the new stop signs. Police have cited motorists for failing to stop at the stop sign.

"I think it's about time and I am really glad they've been put in place", said Albright junior Melissa Santiago. "A lot of cars tend to speed through even when students have the right of way."

Albright senior and Student Government President Kat Biehl agrees.

"I think they're necessary especially in an area with so much neighborhood foot traffic," Biehl remarked.

Santiago is ecstatic that Reading Police took action on the long overdue problem.

"I'm glad they've stepped up in this issue in continuing to make Albright students safe. It is definitely a plus!"

The addition of two stop signs forces drivers to slow down before the intersection and observe oncoming traffic and pedestrians trying to cross the street.

Robert Gerken, Albright College's director of Public Safety, said that his job is to "ensure that everyone on campus is safe, and

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Sign cont'd from pg.2 bring attention to [hazardous areas] to make [Albright] a safer environment”.

Gerken asked the Reading Police to increase their presence in the intersection for better enforcement of the traffic signals because Albright College Public Safety independently reported a total of 14 vehicles driving through the stop signs after they were installed. There were amber-colored flashing lights mounted on the posts to increase awareness after this report.

Apparently not everyone has the public's safety as their top priority. There have been grumbings from the Reading City Council, who has threatened to take the stop signs down. According to an article in the Reading Eagle in June 2010 in response to the new stop signs, the Council said “stop signs can't be erected without an ordinance, and it hasn't adopted one”. The article went further to say that “drivers charged with running the stop signs would have a defense if the city didn't follow proper procedures”.

The cars parked along 13th Street obstruct drivers' vision, especially when making a left

hand turn from Richmond to 13th Street. Slowing the traffic down offers additional reaction time to observe what is happening on all sides of the road.

In addition to 13th and Richmond Street being a busy intersection, it is near the center of our college campus. Therefore, it is the responsibility of our local authorities to ensure our safety and well-being. It should raise some eyebrows that an elected leader of the city would be hesitant to keep the stop signs in place. There are more pressing issues the city has on its hands.

The college is pleased that Reading Police Department had the insight to recognize this dangerous situation and install the additional stop signs. This measure will not only protect the students and other local community members, but also the vehicles driving through the campus.

Santiago was certainly grateful the signs were finally installed, if by no other sign than her satisfied smile. Her concluding words could be spoken on behalf of the entire Albright community.

“...I would [like to] personally say thank you for it.”

Albright reporter becomes first international correspondent in Albrightian history

by Elizabeth Gordon
Albrightian

For the first time in Albrightian history, the newspaper will feature a column by an international correspondent. Adam Stamm, a junior communications major, will be studying in Cairo, Egypt for the 2010 – 2011 academic year.

Stamm will be studying Arabic at American University in Cairo from September 2010 to May 2011, although he said that his length of stay may vary depending on the opportunities that arise.

“When people think about Egypt, they only think about the ancient history of the country,” said Stamm. “I want to learn and write about the current Arab culture in the largest Arab city.”

The Lancaster, Pa. native learned of American University in Cairo while applying for a Boren scholarship. According to the official website, “Boren Scholarships provide up to \$20,000 to U.S. undergraduate students who study abroad in areas of the world that are critical to U.S. interests and underrepresented in study abroad.” Stamm needed to study at a Boren-selected school in order to receive the scholarship to study language, and the American University in Cairo met that requirement. Although Stamm did not receive the scholarship, he was not deterred from visiting the

Middle East and studying in Cairo.

Stamm said, “I still felt the school and the region would satisfy my desire to travel and my curiosity about the region and people.”

In class, Stamm will take courses in history, government and literature; however, his primary focus will be Arabic, which he will study in-class for 20 hours every week.

“I'm not really sure what university life is like in Egypt, but I'm excited to find out,” said Stamm, who is curious about the Egyptian approach to education and its similarities and differences to American educational approaches. He intends to supplement his in-class learning with a more hands-on approach by becoming acquainted with an Egyptian family and exchanging viewpoints with them, creating a cross-cultural exchange.

While abroad, Stamm also plans to visit Gaza, which he believes may be more accessible due to the political tension between Egypt and Israel regarding the flotilla situation in June 2010, during which the Israeli Army fired upon a flotilla. The flotilla was bearing aid to the Gaza Strip, which was isolated by an Israeli-Egyptian blockade. Regardless of whether Gaza proves to be more open to foreigners, Stamm intends to keep an open mind and be prepared for whatever opportunities may come his way.

If I knew then what I know now Some quick tips for new Albright students

by Amir Hardy
Albrightian

As I begin my senior year and prepare myself for my proper entry into the “real world,” I cannot help but to be reminded of the millions of memories I have of my time at Albright. Among the most vivid are my experiences as a freshman at Albright – the laughs, tears and everything in between.

Though I have no regrets, there are a few aspects I was unaware of back then that I now wish I knew. Because it is impossible to go back in time, I want to help you instead by sharing the things I wish I knew. And, what better time to inform you than during the first month of school?

Always be open-minded to ... everything.

Now that your parents have dropped you off and left you on Move-In Day, you are officially on your own. That means you are completely responsible for yourself and all that you do. You are also out of your norm and comfort zone. Instead of being intimidated by this, embrace it. Join an organization, become acquainted with people on your dorm floor or try a new food in the cafeteria. As much as college is about receiving an education, it also exposes you to all types of people and things to which you may be unaccustomed. Being willing to push yourself to try will only benefit you later and make you feel

more comfortable.

Do not be a victim of boredom! There is always something to do on campus.

Because Albright is not a large university and does not exist in a large city, sometimes the first impression people have is that there is not much to do. Luckily, Albright does a lot to accommodate its students – whether it is an OPTIONS movie night or a nightly visit from a hypnotist, there is always something going on campus. Do not be afraid to get out of your dorm and explore campus life.

Get involved and begin thinking about mapping out your future.

Just because you are entering your first year in college does not mean that you cannot start thinking about a career and begin paving the way for it. I'm not saying make it your central focus, but being a member of one of the various organizations or becoming acquainted with the Career Development Center and your advisor certainly will not hurt. It will pay off in your junior and senior years.

It is important to remember that Albright's commitment is to the students and their education. If you need academic help or advice, it is always there.

It is possible you may struggle with a class or two during your college days. Also, because college plays a major role in your future, you obviously want to perform your best and

overcome the difficulties you encounter. With that said, one of the most important facts you need to remember is that there are several ways that Albright helps with these issues. Take advantage of the Academic Learning Center, The Writing Center and your professors, who are always willing to help. It's a great benefit to have a support system during college during your first year.

Education is your primary reason for being here, but that does not mean you must hand your life over to textbooks. Relax and enjoy your college experience!

It is paramount to remain on top of your academics, extracurricular activities and future as a college student, but the most important key to a successful first year is to relax and enjoy it! Make friends and socialize! Go to the gym, take a kick-boxing class, take walks around campus – do not make your life too serious. Live life. When you are relaxed and have a straight mind, everything else will fall into place.

I will stop here. There is a lot of information here, so just take it one day at a time. You have more than enough time to become more comfortable in this new setting. Do not forget to keep a clear mind and breathe!

With all of that said, a warm welcome to the new students and members of the class of 2014!

Stamm arrives in Cairo with his opening report from the Middle East

by Adam Stamm
Albrightian

I had finally landed. From above in the plane the streets looked crowded and dirty, and my perspective didn't change once I began traveling from the airport by bus.

The first thought for anyone who has just been dropped out of the sky, like myself, into Cairo would be that this city has just been through a major war. Rubble piles up next to the major highways and on the surrounding parks. Weaving through this backdrop of decay is the chaos of unregulated traffic that creates six lanes out of a six lane highway. Drivers honk their horns as they run through red lights, weave around pedestrians and cut off each other on these tiny roads. As I hastily buckle my seat belt and hold on to any part of the car that would hold me in case of an accident, I begin to smell fresh baked bread and cooked meat and cheeses that emerge from the smog of the city.

The vast market place has begun cooking a meal for millions of hungry Muslims who have fasted all day and who, in a few short minutes, will feed upon whatever Cairo's marketplaces have to offer. I begin to see familiar scenes of men sitting on street corners drinking tea and smoking hookahs. Children playing soccer on the sidewalk. Fully-cloaked women walking in the humid 100 degree weather. Yes, I feel at home again.

It has been two years since I have lived in the Middle East, but this time will be much different from when I lived in Bethlehem, Palestine. As a student in the one of the largest Arab cities in the world, I hope to gain a better perspective about this city and Arab culture as a whole. As of 2008, Cairo housed a population of 18 million people. That is more than twice the size of New York City in the same year. Cairo is massive, and it faces both physical and societal changes every day. Egypt will begin the presiden-

tial elections in November. President Mubarak, who has ruled unopposed for nearly 29 years, is rumored to be stepping down. Apart from the societal changes, Cairo has begun an astounding physical change in the form of a suburb called New Cairo.

While driving from the airport to my dorm in a district of Cairo called Zamalek, it isn't hard to see that the rich, a higher middle class, are escaping the busy and dirty city. What was formally desert will soon become magnificently built three-story luxury condos that will span for miles upon miles. The gap between rich and poor couldn't be clearer and now there will be a physical separation between the two.

I hope you will enjoy reading my column about my experiences and the news of the surrounding region. Please feel free to read more of my stories and find pictures of my travels and the people I meet on my blog: <http://cairo-experience.blogspot.com>.

More experience and less flash should guide football to another winning season

by Tyler Parmer
Albrightian

It was a season that contained so many highs, even the 55-3 drubbing at the hands of eventual NCAA Division III runner-up Mount Union (Oh.) could not diminish the thrill of the record-setting season the Red and White enjoyed a year ago.

Quarterback Tanner Kelly won MAC Conference Offensive Player of the Year, wide receiver Nate Romig won various awards and played a monumental role in the offense. Romig even signed a professional football contract with the hometown Reading Express football team at the conclusion of the season.

Those two individuals alone combined for 4743 yards of offense last season alone, which accounted for over 91% of the team's total offense. Replacing them will be no easy task. Romig left Albright holding records for the most career touchdown receptions (38) and most career points (268). Kelly proved to be

one of the more prolific passers in school history, leading an air attack that averaged 286.6 passing yards per game in 2009. Also graduating as a part of the Class of 2010 was defensive captain and cornerback Brett Gaul, who was an All-East Region 2nd team pick a year ago.

The dominance of the 2009 team was staggering. The team outscored their opponents by a combined score of 391-190 in their 11 victories. In their two losses, the margin was 100-19 in favor of the opponent. When the team was rolling, it flattened everything in sight.

Kelly, Romig and Gaul were leaders of a squad that won a record 11 games, including one of the most memorable games in program history, a 45-44 double overtime thriller over rival Lebanon Valley College that sent the losing Dutchmen back to Anville locked out of the playoffs. For those that missed a part of Albright history, it was an affair that even the most uneducated football fan could understand the

sheer greatness of that contest.

Then again, that same person could also tell you a repeat performance of the 2009 season might be a stretch, even with a resilient bunch.

Let's leave 2009 in the past. Period. Because none of it matters other than that the 2010 squad has a tall task to match last season's NCAA Division quarterfinals appearance.

The team returns four guys on the offensive line, including preseason All-America pick right tackle Matt Odenwalt. Also returning on the line are center Stu Grogan and four-year starter Chris Schannauer. Sophomore Jake Bentsen starts at left guard after starting four games a year ago in place of the injured Odenwalt.

Junior Josan Holmes, who amassed 536 yards and 10 TD a year ago, will start at running back for the third year in a row. Senior Tyrell Drumgo will be the H-back starter after catching 17 passes for 115 yards last year, as well as scoring four touch-

downs (three receiving). Senior Andrew Hettinger, described by Coach Marzka as a "physical run blocker" will return for his senior campaign after grabbing 15.6 yards a catch in 2009.

The biggest question on the team will be at quarterback, where coach John Marzka did note had a number of young guys. For the opening game, sophomore Adam Galczynski will get the call under center in replacing Kelly. Galczynski completed just two passes (in two attempts) last year, so look for the Lions to operate on a run-oriented offense in the hopes of setting up the pass.

Regardless, Galczynski should have some fine wide receivers to throw to in 2010. Junior Scott Pillar (27 catches for 628 yards, 8 TD) will start at split end and senior Luke Wallace (42-477) at flanker.

Josh Hare, who Coach Marzka has stated "expects big plays" from, will be a leader on the defensive side of the ball. Hare recorded 68 tackles,

including four for loss, while intercepting three passes and deflecting nine others. He also forced and recovered one fumble. The other returning starter on the offensive line is nose tackle Eddie Mitchem, who will anchor a retooled defensive line with experienced reserves fighting for more playing time.

Preseason All-America pick and Fred Mitchell Award Watch List candidate John Whelan will handle kicking duties for the Lions. Whelan who made 9 of 12 field goals a year ago, will anchor down a solid special teams unit.

As long as the Lions stay healthy and the offensive mainstays guide the Lions in the running game, a solid defense should keep the Lions in the thick of the MAC Championship title chase from the opening kickoff September 4 to the last whistle in November. Look for another winning campaign from these Lions, and another double-digit win total is certainly not out of the question.

New coach to lead field hockey in 2010

by Grace Marcus
Albrightian

With a new school year ahead of us, comes new goals and expectations for our Lady Lions. Albright's field hockey team is led by new coach, Megan Monahan. The Lady Lions are determined and dedicated to improving themselves and their record this year after a tough 2009 season. With Monahan coaching the team this year, the Lady Lions look forward to the new changes.

Monahan is a 2003 graduate of Lafayette College and was known to be an unstoppable center forward. Monahan still holds many records at Lafayette, including the most goals scored in a single season.

Monahan is excited about coaching Albright's field hockey team and has many goals for the girls.

"I want to improve our record, but more importantly change the mentality from losing to winning," explained Monahan enthusiastically.

All sports have both a physical and mental aspect to overcome. Monahan wants the girls to keep their heads high and play to the best of their abilities.

Monahan also noted that she wants each team member's level of development to grow personally on and off the field.

With the many bragging rights Monahan has rightfully deserved with her own experience playing, she unknowingly will inspire the ladies to work harder and have open minds in

this 2010 season.

Junior Kelsey Ruch is thrilled with the new head coach's experience.

"I'm really excited that she played NCAA Division I field hockey and I'm excited to see what changes she can bring," noted Ruch.

The optimistic Lady Lions are confident and encouraging towards their new coach.

"I am very hopeful that she can make positive changes that will result in great success for our team," said Ruch, who does not seem to have an ounce of discouragement or worry about the upcoming season.

Senior and team captain Pam Swope has a positive outlook on the upcoming season.

"This year is definitely going to be a transitional one with the new coach, but I think with positive attitudes the whole season and future will be bright," said Swope.

Both captains seem positive about the new coach, but also must overcome the hurdle of having so many new faces. Starting a season all over again with new and old faces can be tough for two captains.

Swope is very eager to start this fall season with Monahan, "I've got pretty high hopes for this season. With a new coach, great returners, and a fresh new group coming in, it is sure to be an exciting year," said Swope.

Pam also reflected on the spirit that the new coach will bring to the team.

"I feel that she is going to be the jump start the program has been looking for. Her experience as a coach at multiple

other colleges and her own college playing experience is sure to be a new asset to our growing team and program," continued Swope.

Briana Taylor, another senior captain, has put a lot of trust in the athletic administration in picking the new coach.

"I think the new coach will bring her best, as I know the team will," said Taylor.

Even though preseason was only one week long, the girls are fully aware of the challenges to come.

"Having to restart traditions, skills, and training from fresh will be a major hurdle," said Taylor.

The Lady Lions hosted the Delaware Valley Aggies at Shirk Stadium on Sept. 1. The results were incomplete at press time.

Added Swope, "We all hope her new ideas and strategies will help to bring on the wins."

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