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Alfond Donates $1 million to Husson Sports, Scholarships

by zann

Harold Alfond has made a very generous donation of $1 to be used for a new sports facility for Husson and for a scholarship program.

The sports facility, The Harold Alfond Diamond, will be New England's first baseball field with FieldTurf, an all-weather artificial turf. The turf will cover approximately 135,000 square feet, larger than most facilities (not to mention twice the size of regulation football or soccer fields.) The field will be used for field hockey, football, and other sports in addition to baseball, as well as being available for use by other local organizations. It is expected to be a very positive addition to Husson and to Bangor as it will attract new student athletes and the attention of the best local teams and players. Construction is to begin at the conclusion of Husson's baseball season, and it should be completed by this fall.

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The scholarship funds are to go to students in Central Maine, including children of employees laid off from Dexter Shoe Co., as well as children of the September 11 terrorist attack victims across the country.

"We must foster policies that reward, not punish, entrepreneurship, work, and creativity."
—President George W. Bush

"Women Entrepreneurship in the 21st Century"

An interactive, satellite, town hall broadcast from Washington, DC to the Center for Family Business at Husson College in Bangor, Maine.

Husson College—selected as one of only three sites across the U.S.

What: An interactive, live satellite broadcast offering cutting-edge insights on pressing concerns of professional women today.

When: **Tuesday, March 19th** 8 a.m. to Noon at the Richard E. Dyke Center for Family Business at Husson College in Bangor, Maine.

Who's Invited: Women business leaders, owners and entrepreneurs. Women making a difference from all aspects of life.

Sponsored By: U.S. Department of Labor with The Public Forum Institute and the Richard E. Dyke Center for Family Business at Husson College.

Registration: Free of charge to attendees. To confirm your place today contact Cheryl Russell, Executive Director, Center for Family Business via **email**: russelc@husson.edu, **phone**: 207 973-1052, or **fax**: 207 973-1020.

Schedule: Tuesday, March 19, 2002 8 a.m. to Noon

8 a.m. Registration/Continental Breakfast Reception
9 a.m. Welcome
U.S. Dept. of Labor Secretary Elaine L. Chao
Presidential Address
President George W. Bush (invited)
Congressional Panel
Including Senator Susan M. Collins
(followed by Q & A live from the remote locations)
Financial Market Trends Panel:
Ric Edelman, Founder, Edelman Financial Services Inc.
Jean Chatzky, Financial Correspondent, NBC
Jim Glassman, Author *The Secret Code of the Superior Investor*
(followed by Q & A live from the remote locations)

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it, probably because I didn't have to deal with the problem myself. But when my floor developed fruit flies a few weeks ago, I knew that something had to be done. I've never been too keen on showering with someone else, but when I'm shampooing my hair, the last thing I'd like to worry about is being bitten by these tiny flies.

I know that the cleanliness issues with the school are primarily caused by the students ourselves. I also know that not every student who is living on campus is in control of such factors, and I do not think that we should be forced to live in such conditions because one of our peers screwed up, with exception of the fruit fly issue of course, because I'm not too sure what causes that at this time. However if there is a problem with our students' lack of pride, who's fault is it really? The students for not having pride, or "Husson High" for not giving us a reason to have pride in the first place?

Strategic Planning
March 28

Free Lunch to Students
Call x1052 to R.S.V.P.

No Spring Break in the Middle East

Bart McCarthy

When it needs to, the Bush administration has shown that it is open to other voices besides its own. Vice President Cheney's Middle East trip started out last week emphasizing the need to "get tough" with Iraq, and he was reportedly going around and trying to round up Arab support for a possible military attack. The bloodbath of the latest Israeli-Palestinian conflict (well over 200 Palestinians and Israelis have been killed in the past two and a half weeks alone) seemed to be less of a focus of Mr. Cheney's trip. As the week progressed he heard the Saudis, Jordanians and Egyptians warn loudly that action against Iraq would destabilize the region. Other gulf states said they may support action, but the US has to do more to stop the fighting in Israel, Gaza and the West Bank.

On Sunday Mr. Cheney's remarks reflected a change of mission: "My role in part has been to travel around the region and let all of our friends in the region know the importance of our commitment to try to resolve this conflict."

What the US heard was not only that it must be an active player in working to hash out a cease-fire between Israel and Arafat (if he still has the ability to reign in Islamic Jihad, Hamas and some of his own Fatah extremists); it also heard concerns about the Arab states' own domestic security if the US went after Mr. Hussein, concerns that the streets would erupt and pro-US Arab governments would be targeted. Washington realizes that this is not in it's own interest.

The administration has no small job in achieving a cease-fire. Israel has pulled most of its troops out of positions taken up last week, except for some in Bethlehem and is asking the Palestinians to stop attacks before it pulls the rest out. Palestinians, on the other hand are asking that a full withdrawal of all troops before it will stop the attacks.

Things look grim. Abu Iyad, a chief intelligence officer in the Palestinian security force says, "Arafat is not in a position to go to the people and ask for a cease-fire until the Israelis end their incursion." Compare this with words by Shimon Peres, the Israeli foreign minister: "We took a unilateral action to pull our troops back. We would like to see some response from the Palestinians, an engagement to prevent terror."

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Entertainment

Upcoming Concerts

311 & Hoobastank @ State Theater, Portland—Mar 26
Jeremiah Freed @ State Theater, Portland—Mar 30
Kittie @ State Theater, Portland—Mar 31
Sum41 @ State Theater, Portland—Apr 11
Rob Zombie w/Sinisstar @ CMCC, Lewiston—Apr 14
Incubus @ CCCC, Portland—Jun 11

This Week's Review:



Clerks (the movie) *graded by zann* **A**

Time for a blast to the past: 1994! With the coming of "Jay and Silent Bob Strike Back" to the rental racks, I have decided to send you back to Jay and Silent Bob's origins, when they weren't mega movie stars. "Clerks" is Kevin Smith's first success—it's a black and white indie-style movie with no special effects and little editing. It's great!

Dante and Randall are employees at the neighboring Quick Stop Convenience store and RST Video, respectively. "Clerks" takes place in the span of one day. Today Dante gets called into work, and it is his day off, which is very bad timing for the store, bad because Dante chooses today to unleash his discontent with his life. Hilariously crude Randall manages to be supportive and useless at the same time as he talks to Dante, but only succeeds in angering him further. Numerous things go wrong in the store today, but several happenings directly attack Dante's well-being. First off: a fight with his girlfriend about how many prior "lovers" they each have had. Second: It turns out Dante is stranded at work for the entire day. Third: Dante's ex-girlfriend, with whom he is trying to rekindle a relationship behind his current girlfriend's back, shows up in the newspaper as being engaged to someone else. Fourth: Dante closes the store to play hockey on the roof, then abandons his post entirely to go to a wake with Randall, which suspiciously ends in disaster. Fifth: Dante is made fun of for being out of shape while simultaneously being erroneously fined for selling cigarettes to a four-year-old girl. The final events are shockers and a little too crude to be explained here effectively. During all the goings-on, Jay and Silent Bob hang out in front of the stores, causing a scene and selling illegal substances.

The movie is 92 minutes long, 89 of which are packed with zany, amazingly funny dialog. Kevin Smith and his version of the "Rat Pack" started with "Clerks." His "Star Wars" references are also born here—fun! Back in the day, Jay and Silent Bob were extra characters, and added to the comedy instead of making you sick of it. Enjoy "Clerks," a fine piece of movie history. Or something.

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Attention Faculty, Staff & Students: Do you have some recent pictures that you would love to share? If so, please share them by submitting them to the yearbook staff for the 2002 Chieftain Yearbook. We'll accept them on disc or hardcopy. *You will get them back!*

Make sure your name and phone number appear on your submission.
Drop them off at Student Activities Office Room 102 Peabody by April 1st