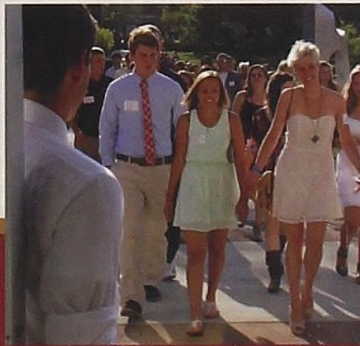


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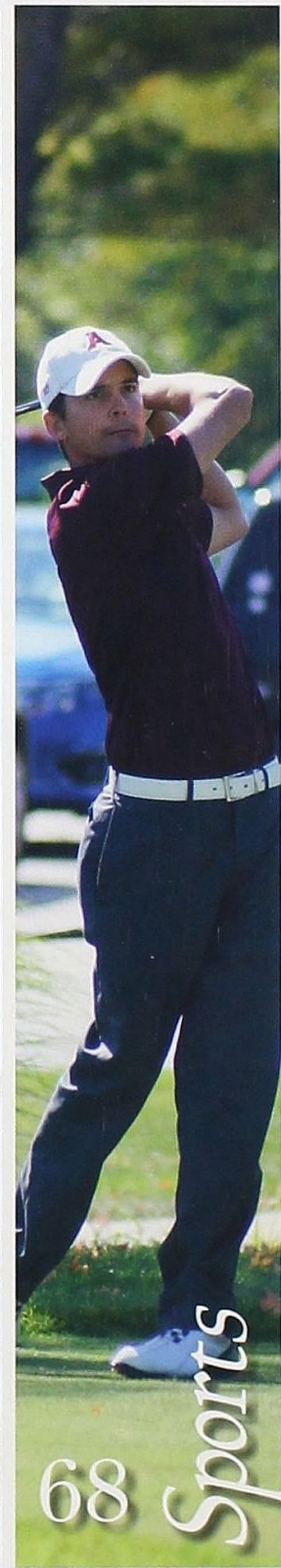
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Dear Scots,

This year, The Scot presents a yearbook about perspectives. We've attempted to capture the thoughts and experiences of our fellow students and the Alma College community in a manner reflective of a multitude of perspectives. We recognize that everyone experiences Alma College and all that comes with it—classes, games, events, organizations and much more—through a unique lens, and we value this rich diversity. What better way to summate a season, club, or Greek chapter than through the words of its own members?

We hope to share with you the many viewpoints here on campus, both through writing and photography, to offer a nuanced perspective of our time here at Alma College during the 2012-2013 school year. Enjoy!

Sincerely,
The Scot Staff



ALMA COLLEGE CAMPUS LIFE



Starting Off Right

New faces, new beginnings, a new year

Page by Jillian Thompson '14
Photos by Justin Closs '15

Being on campus a week early really gave me a chance to get to know the people in my class and form great friendships with them.

Tracy Oberle '16

"Being an RA is one of the most rewarding jobs I've ever had."

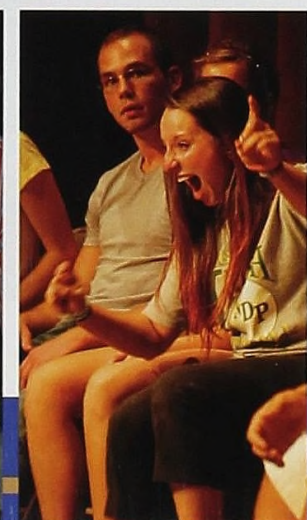
Riley Kult '15

OCs, RAs, and college! Oh my! During the first week that freshmen are on campus, they are greeted by the eager upperclassmen of the Orientation Committee and Resident Assistants. These upperclassmen are there for one purpose: to energetically welcome students to campus and get them involved in campus life at Alma. Freshmen are encouraged to participate in various activities throughout the week, including the hypnotist, play fair, capture the flag, and the traditions dinner, all of which are aimed at making the new students feel welcome on campus. On top of all these activities the students are introduced to their First Year Seminar classmates, and together they begin their first semester at Alma.



"Orientation week is a wonderful way to get to know the people and places of Alma College without the stress of class work, and open mic night is one of my favorite nights from that week."

Isaac Burrell '15



Welcoming Committee

Bringing the Fun

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Photos courtesy of the Orientation Committee



The Orientation Committee comes to school a week early to prepare fun festivities for the incoming freshmen, as well as bond as a group. "I wanted to be an OC so I could have an impact on the new students here at Alma College," Derrick Walker '14 said. This year, many OC members found the best part of the week to be the overnight trip to Old Log, where committee members went canoeing down a river, swam, played games and sat around a campfire late into the night. OCing consists of late nights and early mornings but the members think it is worth it. "My favorite part about OC is getting to know all of the incoming students and making sure they have the same awesome experience I had when I was a freshman. I was an OC for three years because I wanted to go through the fun experience again, provide the same for the new students, and open up a little bit personality wise,"

remarked Alejandro Orellana '13.



OCing is building friendships and inside jokes that will last a lifetime.

Brad Gostomski '13

Homecoming Weekend

Welcome Home, Scots

Page by: Ashley Thornton, '15

Despite the autumn chill, Alma welcomed returning alumni, students, faculty, and the community to their 126th Homecoming celebration. Favorite festivities such as: the 5k Scot Trot, the Homecoming parade, a Kiltie Band performance, the football game, and Alma College Choir and percussion ensemble concerts were present throughout the day and left many in good spirits. Seniors Daniel May and Chelsea Duff were crowned Homecoming King and Queen as well. Though the homecoming game against Adrian College was a loss, everyone still displayed an abundance of Alma pride.



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"The whole process was a lot of fun. From hanging out and freezing on the float with the rest of the court, to actually winning Homecoming King, it was an experience I will never forget. I didn't even know when nominations were so I was very surprised when I made it on the court, and that made it all the more exciting when I actually won Homecoming King."

Daniel May '13

"I had to work at the bookstore for Homecoming, but I got to see the parade outside. It made my day better."

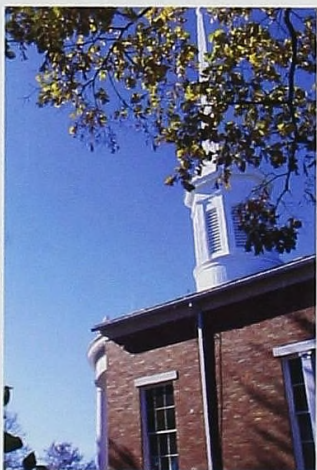
Sandi Russell '15

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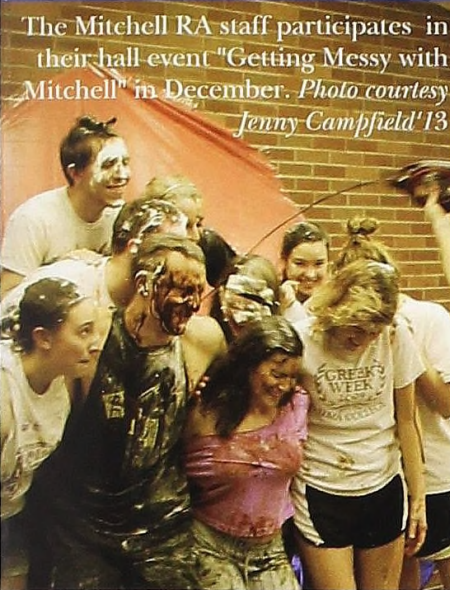
Welcome to Campus

Page by Cailee Drzinski '15
 Photos by Justin Closs '15

When choosing a school, an important part of a student's decision is often the overall look and feel of a campus, including the cafeteria, residence halls and academic buildings. When the school year began at Alma this fall, campus was covered with bare grounds, white posts and yellow ropes—but all for good reason. Alma has been completing a number of upgrades to make our campus outshine other private colleges. Some of the upgrades include going completely wireless on both north and south campus, building a brand new Student Opportunity Office in the Tyler Van Deusan building and preparing for an up-and-coming five million-dollar complete renovation of Hamilton Commons to take place over the summer.



"The upgrades in Hamilton Commons will support fresh cooking in front of the customer."
Dave Buhl, Vice President of Business Affairs



The Mitchell RA staff participates in their hall event "Getting Messy with Mitchell" in December. Photo courtesy Jenny Campfield '13

Resident Assistants



Jacob Hammer '14, Michael Reeves '14
 Photo by K. Keaton '14



Senior RAs Jenny Campfield, Chelsea Duff and Morgan Bauman
 Photo courtesy Jenny Campfield '13



Morgan Bauman '13 and Caitlin Closs '13
 Photo by K. Keaton '14

"I love my position because I love being able to nurture my hall and watch them succeed in life."

Mariah Nawrot '14

"Being an RA is more than enforcing college policy. It's about being a role model, friend, and resource for your residents."

Michael Reeves '14

"Being an RA is a lot of fun. I love interacting with all the residents and the staff is pretty awesome too!"

Lauren Steinhurst '14



2012-2013 RA Staff

"The best part about being an RA is knowing that people look up to you and being able to relate to people who once were complete strangers. The worst part about being an RA is definitely the disciplinary component...nobody likes to be the bad guy!"

Taylor Payne '15

The Resident Assistants at Alma College work hard to provide their residents with a safe and fun environment, and are appreciated by many for their efforts. They are kind, helpful, and make living in the Alma College community simple and enjoyable with their countless smiles and great advice. RAs are also an integral part of the Student Life team as they promote student involvement on campus.

Page by Katherine Vaillancourt, '16

Campus Jobs

Working Hard at Alma

Page by Crystal Snow '16
Photos by Jessica Ferguson '16

Besides working hard on studies for classes, many students find that having a job on campus helps them manage time, get involved, and add some cash to their pockets. From the library to the mail center, from the admissions office to the Mac lab, there's bound to be a fellow peer working almost anywhere on campus. Most student typically work about 10 hours a week and many remarked that they enjoyed their positions.



In their own words

"The library is my favorite place to be. I can be found here so much." Jacqueline Velez '16

"It's fun, a lot of fun to work here. One of the best jobs I've had." Sean McDonald '16, Wilcox Mailing Center

"It's a great atmosphere. You can get the low down on campus happenings and get to see who's on campus besides those you see in class and around." Sierra Horton '14, on working at the Heritage Center Box Office.

"It's fun getting to know everyone who works here and who comes to the Rec often." Calli Perry '15, Stone Recreation Center



1. Jacqueline Velez, '16
2. Sierra Horton, '13
3. Sean McDonald, '16
4. Front: Matt Outman '15
Back: Riley Kult '15
5. Calli Perry, '15

"It's cool to talk with alumni and get a sense of what they've done with their lives since being at Alma."

John Urdiales '16, Alma Phone-a-thon worker

Friendly Faces

Making Every Day A Little Brighter

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Photos by Justin Closs '15



1. Marcia Miller, a Sodexo staff member, next to canned goods collected for the holidays.

2. Amber Herman RN (left) Maggie Ross PAC (right), at the Wilcox Medical Center on campus.

3. Tonya often works the cash register at Joe's Place.

4. Linda Collins shelves packages at the campus mailing center.

"I love working with this age group. I found my niche with the college students. I've worked with the elderly and with younger students, and I seem to connect more with this cohort."

Amber Herman, RN

Dedicated Workers

Tonya is one of the many employees at Joe's Place - a popular dining service on campus. "I love the upbeat, fast environment, and the students always make me smile and laugh," she remarked.

Linda Collins works in the mailroom, and she "loves getting to see the students everyday."



Photos 1 and 2 courtesy Hannah Stone '14; photos 3 and 5 courtesy Malorie Lakosky '13, and photo 4 courtesy Roxanne Sheldon '13

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Study Abroad

Oh, the Places You'll Go...

Page by Ashley Thornton '15

Study abroad opportunities at Alma were enjoyed by many students this year. Be it studying in another city in the U.S. or traveling to Australia, the possibilities for study away programs are endless. Those who were able to participate in these programs all agree that visiting elsewhere is a life-changing experience. "Off-campus studies is challenging, but very rewarding. I gained confidence, independence, and self-awareness as I had one unforgettable experience after another. Most importantly, my time in Philly taught me to appreciate the beauty of people and diversity," says **Malorie Lakosky '13**



1. A bird's-eye view of the Paris Marathon
2. Hannah Stone '14 running alongside competitors in the Paris Marathon
3. Malorie Lakosky '13 posing in front of a mural in Philadelphia.
4. Roxanne Sheldon '13 took a side trip from her Paris studies and visited Buckingham Palace in London.
5. William Penn statue towers over the heart of Philadelphia where Malorie Lakosky '13 and many other Alma student studied this year.

"Having the opportunity to study abroad is one of the best parts of my time at Alma. It was amazing to get to work on my French language skills while living in Paris. I learned so much living on my own in a city like Paris, things you can't learn from books. I would encourage everyone to study abroad, it introduces you to experiences you would otherwise never have."

-Hannah Stone '14

From Point A To Point B!

Charles Sadler - Scotland (University of Aberdeen)
Elaine Cunningham - Philadelphia (The Philadelphia Center)
Emily Roberge - England (Regent's College)
Erica Kamm - Australia (University of Wollongong)
Hailey Randolph - Australia (University of Newcastle)
Holly Ross - Italy (American Institute for Foreign Studies)
Joshua Minshall - France (Alliance Francais)
Malorie Lakosky - Philadelphia (The Philadelphia Center)
Rebekah Miller - Ecuador (Academia Latino Americana)
Roxanne Sheldon - France (Alliance Francais)

Center for Student Opportunity

Help with Alma and beyond

The new Center for Student Opportunity, formerly the Academic and Career Planning Office, is a fantastic student resource available on campus. Offering help with tutoring, resumes, internships, study abroad, disability services and more, the CSO is located in the newly-remodeled area of Van Dusen that was formerly Jones Auditorium. With its sleek and stylish design, the CSO offers a quiet, comfortable environment for students to study and get assistance with their courses at Alma and gain knowledge about steps thereafter. As CSO student worker Ashley Wilson '15 remarked, "Working in the CSO has shown me how much the faculty at Alma truly want the students to succeed."



1. CSO secretary Mary Ellen Yost.
2. CSO student workers Melissa Quasunella '13 and Alissa Clink '15.

The CSO

"I used to work in the ACP Office and I've seen the changes; I particularly like that students have their own space to work here in the CSO."

Melissa Quasunella '13

"Studying abroad is a great opportunity that students should take advantage of because it gives them a broader perspective on culture."

Alissa Clink '15

Spring Term at Alma

Each May students are given the opportunity to take part in spring term classes. With the chance to study both on campus and off, classes focus on one subject for the whole month. With classes based in all subjects, spring term is an easy way to spend more time in your major or work through your distributive requirements. This year Alma offered forty-seven spring term classes, half of which were on campus and half which were off campus. This year professors took students around Michigan as well as to Chicago, Hawaii, New York, Key West, and Canada to study a wide variety of subjects. There were also many trips out of the country to destinations such as Germany, Peru, China, Spain, and Great Britain. Whether it be learning about world religions, music history, computer game designing, and even stage combat, spring term offers Alma students a unique learning opportunity for specialization and travel.



"I am so thankful for the international travel opportunities Alma offers. Through them students not only learn more about specific content, they also learn more about themselves. Going to Peru helped me accept and appreciate others and build stronger friendships. It was a life-changing experience." -Cody Nevins '15

Education majors and other majors alike joined together in Peru with Dr. Seals and Dr. Molina to learn about Peruvian culture through connections with the community, schools, and hospitals. For the month students travelled to places such as Machu Picchu and Lake Titicaca to study Peru's history, geography, culture, and more while living with the locals.



1. The group poses in traditional Peruvian dress.
2. Ann Wittbrodt '15, Anna Ryerson '15, Cody Nevins '15, Shalyn Stack '14, and Allie Woodburne '15 sit atop Machu Picchu.
3. Cody Nevins '15 smiles with local child.



New Places, New Friends, Same Alma



4. Chelsea Bennett '15, Brandon Newton '13, Chelsey Timlin '15 and Jenny Campfield '13 pose outside of Winchester Cathedral.
5. Dr. Dana Aspinall lectures while leading a tour through London.
6. The group smiles outside of Clifford's Tower in York.



Thirty-five students spent the month travelling around Great Britain and studying Medieval and Renaissance literature, focusing mainly on William Shakespeare. Students spent evenings watching adaptations of the play they discussed. The class was led by Dr. Aspinall and was geared towards English majors but took a variety of students from all departments.



"It was incredible to research Shakespeare not only where it was originally performed but where it was also created and written." -Brandon Newton, '13



7. The group gives a toast while out to dinner together.
8. Janelle Young '15 and Emily MacBeth '15 eat German food together.
9. Jessica Oswald '14, Tracey Giannola '13, Manuel Burbano '14, Trevor Placeway '14, and Jessica Zachar '14 share a smile while eating ice cream.



Students joined Marcus Richter in a study of Martin Luther and the Reformation. The group began on campus then flew to Germany to visit the birth place and death place of Luther and tour the very places where the Reformation began.



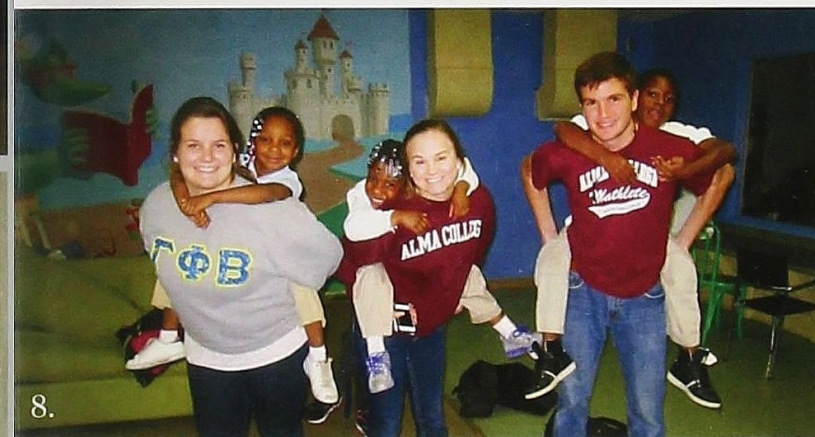
"Germany was a once in a lifetime opportunity. We saw more in two and a half weeks that I ever imagined! I am so grateful for the opportunity to have this experience." -Chelsea Mertz, '15

Alternative Breaks

Be the change you wish to see in the world

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 Photos courtesy the Alternative Breaks Board

Once again, many Alma students participated in Alternative Breaks trips this year. "Alternative Breaks sent over 100 students to eight different states to help with disaster relief, hunger and homelessness, immigration issues, and childhood education," said Lauren Steinhurst '14. The Alternative Breaks Board sent out ten Alternative Break trips over Winter Break and Spring Break. "I loved interacting with the homeowners. They were so appreciative of our help and it was great working with them. I love to volunteer and help people, and Alternative Breaks is a great way to do that," remarked Steinhurst '14. Teams of approximately twelve students spent a week together in service and grew both individually and as a group. "Alternative Breaks are such a wonderful opportunity for students to travel, serve a community, and get out of thier comfort zone. My favorite part was seeing the people we helped while on the site and the impact we had," said Elizabeth Gupton '14.



1. Students from the Once Upon A Time alternative spring break in Marysville, Tennessee.
2. Payton Lupu '14 and Lauren Buhr '15 work at a Habitat for Humanity Resale store in Louisville, Kentucky
3. Students from the Habitat for Humanity winter alternative break in Florida
4. Students from the Urban Poverty winter break in Lousville, Kentucky
5. Students from the Hunger and Homelssness winter break in Henryville, Indiana interacting with youth
6. Christina Rann '14, Jennifer Campfield '13, and Katie Parker '13 from the Hunger and Homelessness winter break in Henryville, Indiana.
7. Site leader Taylor Tripp '14 working during the Disaster Relief alternative winter break in Louisiana.
8. Meredith Rahrig '15, Whitney Butler '15 and Philip Ryskamp '14 from the Hunger and Homelessness winter break in Henryville, Indiana
9. Students from the Habitat for Humanity spring break in Georgetown, Delaware

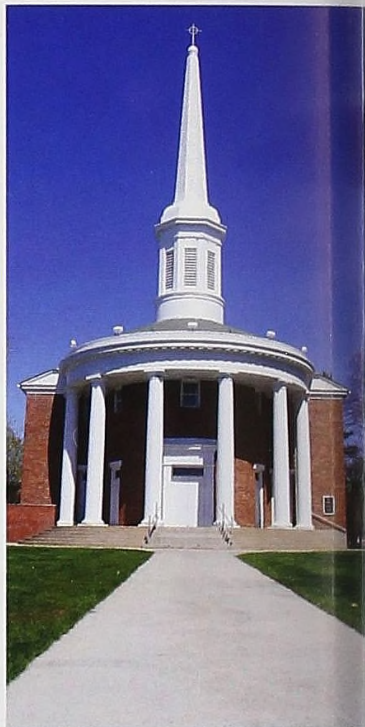
Chapel: Being the Body On Campus and Off

Every Sunday at 9 you will find a group of dedicated individuals congregated in the chapel, praising God. The Chapel Program, led by Chaplain Carol Gregg, works with students' schedules to keep God present in their college lives with weekly Bible studies, alternative breaks and more. The chapel also provides Catholic worship hours, fun activities on campus, and open study rooms in the basement of the chapel. Alternatives breaks are a hugely popular program on campus that draws students from all walks of life. Each campus break small groups of students travel to different cities across the nation to do service in the community.

Another major program cultivated by the chapel is ACCL, a week-long leadership training program. For a small group of students, the week between Winter and Spring Term is spent on campus, working with the Chapel Program to develop leadership skills, both in and out of the church. Of the ACCL program, Karol Chubb '15 states that "ACCL was a wonderful experience that taught everyone how to improve their leadership skills as a Christian on campus. On top of building leadership skills the week of ACCL encouraged me to grow as an individual and allowed me the insight of watching others grow. God blessed us that week in more ways than one." Joe Bricker '14 adds that "Chapel is a great way to spiritually re-energize for the week. I love the atmosphere."

A Fond Farewell

Carol Gregg joined Alma in 2001 as the director of a grant-funded initiative. In 2006, while on the search committee for a new chaplain, Carol was encouraged by Dr. Piccolo to apply for the job. For the past seven years Carol has blessed the college with her work with the Chapel Program. "I will miss the people," says Carol. "I will also miss all of the connections that are part of a small, residential college. However, I will not miss snow in April!" Carol is leaving to take a new call in North Carolina as the Senior Pastor for a congregation at Duke University Chapel. "It has been a privilege to be the chaplain here. It has been a joy to watch the Christian community form each fall and celebrate each spring. Thank you for allowing me to be part of your lives."



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Catholic Student Organization

For the Glory of God

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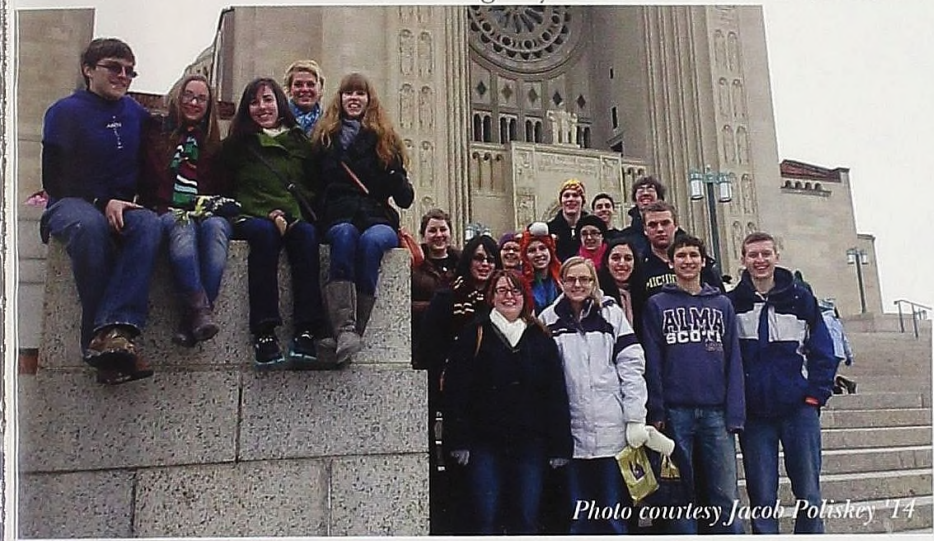


Photo courtesy Jacob Poliskey '14

The Alma College Catholic Student Organization (CSO) is a group devoted to loving God and working to do his will in their lives every day. CSO has weekly meetings to discuss the doctrines of Catholicism and give support to each other. Every morning before classes, members of the group pray the Rosary in the Chapel to serve God through his Mother Mary and even put posters up on campus to welcome anyone who was interested in joining them. Defining features of CSO include the support its members show one another and the enthusiasm with which they share their faith on campus.

Students of Alma's CSO join students of Central Michigan University's CSO to attend the March for Life in Washington, D.C. in January.

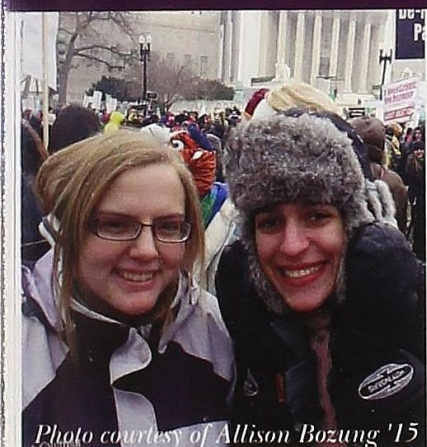


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"One of the best ways to be inspired to love Jesus is to see others who strive to love Jesus with all their heart. It is amazing to see some of the transformations that have occurred to people in CSO who have firmly resolved to change their lives to live the gospel, with all its truth, with all its radical life-changing power."

-Jacob Poliskey '14

"I joined CSO because I thought it would be an awesome way to meet Catholic students on campus. I'm from out of state and I have attended Catholic schooling my entire life, so finding peers with the same religious beliefs as me was very important."

-Jack Urdiales '16

"One concern that I had when I came here as a freshman was that my Faith would be worn away. I didn't want that to happen, so I joined CSO as a way to keep close to God. Being a part of CSO gave me the opportunity to meet some amazing people who have helped me along my spiritual journey and I encourage anyone to join us because it's a great opportunity to share your Faith!"

-Ellen Martin '15



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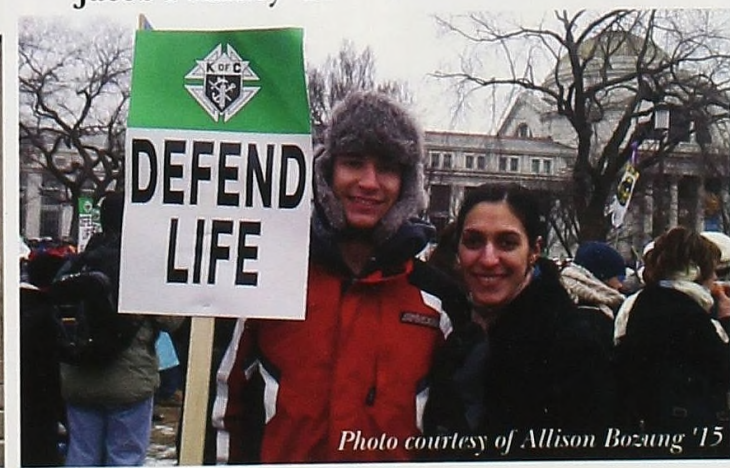


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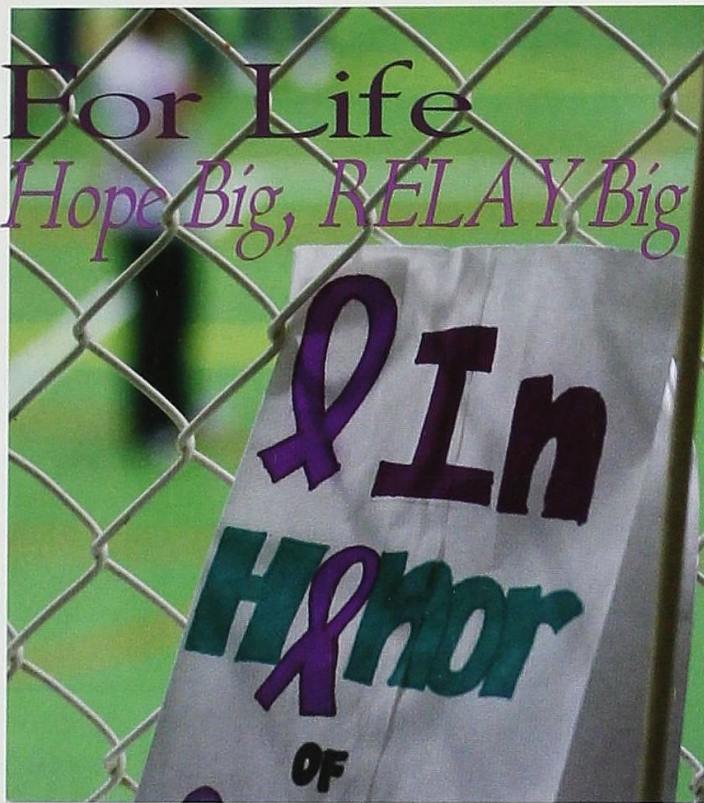
Relay For Life *Dream Big, Hope Big, RELAY Big*

Every year, Relay for Life takes place on campus starting in January with a ceremony to kick off fundraising for the American Cancer Society. In March, the 24 hour Relay for Life event included the traditional survivor and luminary ceremonies, along with a biodegradable lantern ceremony at midnight. New fundraisers this year included bull-riding, laser tag, and inflatables that were sponsored by Greek Life. The therapy dogs were great comfort to many students and Dr. Jeffery Turk kindly donated some of his time and music equipment to make Relay for Life fun and exciting. The committee set a goal to raise \$26,000 but the students of Alma College went above and beyond to raise a grand total of \$31,538.

1. A luminary bag was made to recognize a friend or family member's fight against cancer.

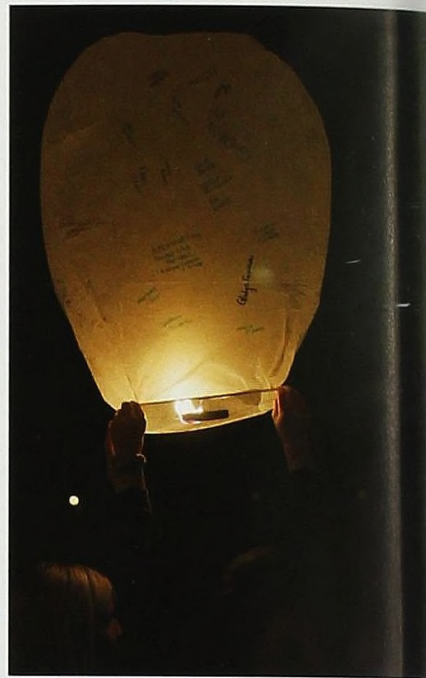
2. One of the many lanterns that were released into the night in remembrance of the ones we have lost

3. Members of the Alma College Choir perform at the start of the luminary ceremony.



4. People walked for the cause starting at 10 a.m. Saturday and continued until Sunday morning at 10 a.m.

5. Students, friends, family, and faculty members gathered around to listen to women's basketball Coach Keisha Brown lead the survivor ceremony with a talk about her experience as a cancer survivor.



"I was holding my breathe at the end of Relay to hear the final amount, and I could not have been more speechless to learn that the efforts of everyone raised over \$31,000 for the American Cancer Society."
-Karol Chubb '15



Everyone at Relay honored the survivors and their families by making a tunnel and cheering for them as they walked to the Survivor Dinner.



The entire track was lined with luminary bags decorated by everyone that has been touched by cancer.



Karol Chubb,
Co-Chair of
Relay for Life

Up 'til Dawn *Supporting St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital*

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Members of the Up 'til Dawn committee at their November letter-sending event.

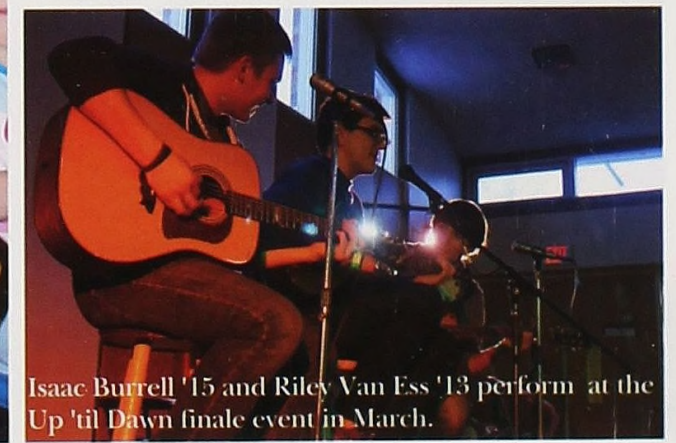
"Up 'til Dawn always raises a lot of money for such a small campus and that is really cool to be a part of," said group member Chelsea Erb '14. Alma College's Up 'til Dawn event raised more than \$10,000 this year at its Letter Sending fundraiser in the fall. "My favorite part about Up 'til Dawn this year was seeing how excited people were to participate. Normally, convincing people to address letters for a couple of hours is difficult; however, this year we had over twenty people address more than fifty letters alone, as well as others who addressed anywhere between five and forty-five each," said Morgan Beeler '14. To celebrate they invited their fundraisers as well as the rest of campus to a finale event during Little Sibs Weekend. "My favorite part was the finale. It was so cute to have all the little sibs there and having the open mic night was great!" said Chelsea Erb '14. Alma College is one of the many colleges with an Up 'til Dawn program that raises money for St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital. "I am involved in Up 'til Dawn for the smiling faces of the little kids at St. Jude's. Meeting some of them last summer really lit the fire inside of me to do what I can for them. They are an inspiration to me and I want to do what I can for them!" said Chelsea Erb '14.



Lauren Engels '15 crafts door decoration for the children of St. Jude's.



Chelsea Erb '14 and friends at the spring finale event.



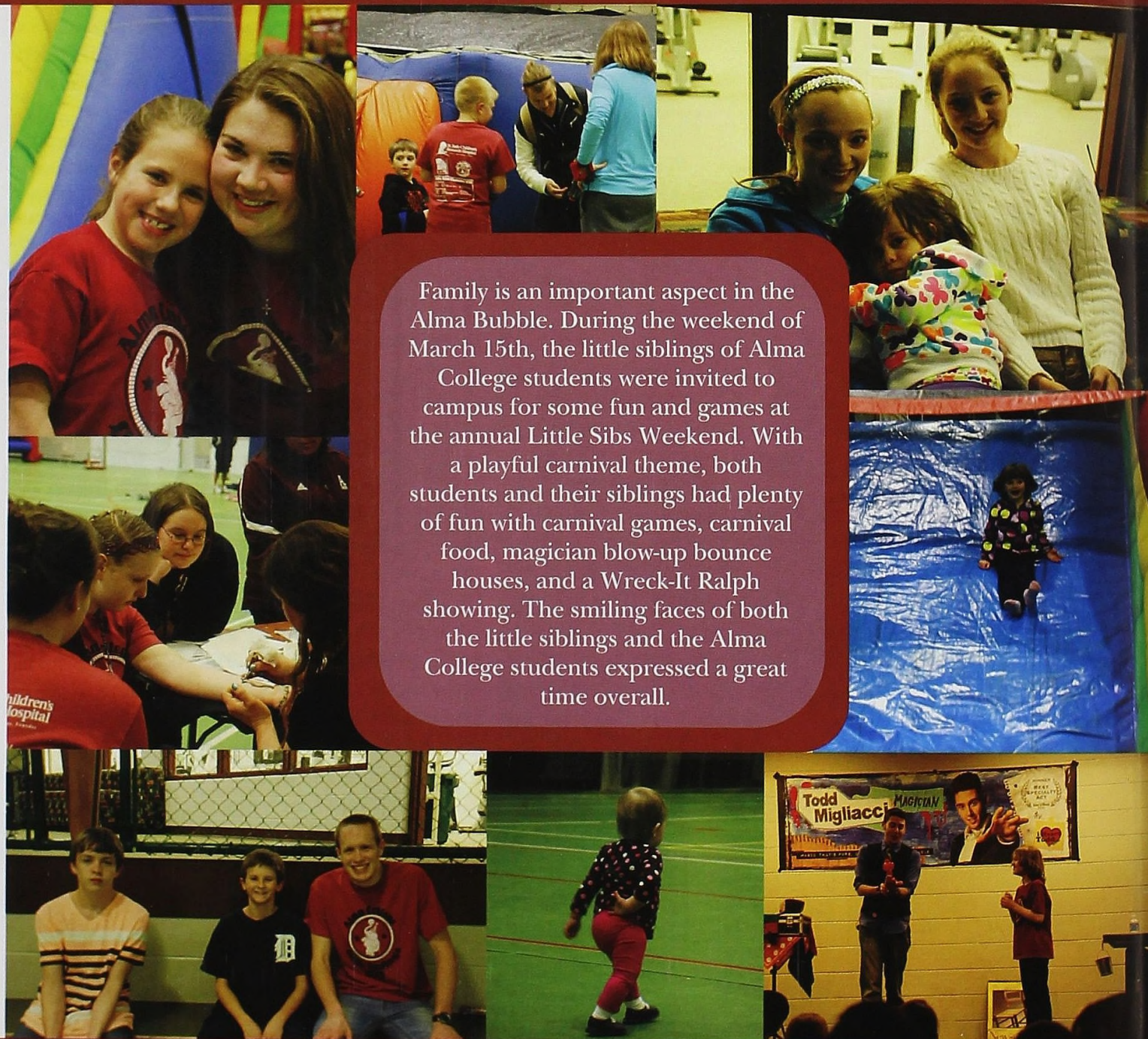
Isaac Burrell '15 and Riley Van Ess '13 perform at the Up 'til Dawn finale event in March.

Scot Siblings

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Little Sibs Weekend

Family is an important aspect in the Alma Bubble. During the weekend of March 15th, the little siblings of Alma College students were invited to campus for some fun and games at the annual Little Sibs Weekend. With a playful carnival theme, both students and their siblings had plenty of fun with carnival games, carnival food, magician blow-up bounce houses, and a Wreck-It Ralph showing. The smiling faces of both the little siblings and the Alma College students expressed a great time overall.



"I always like having my little brother in Alma. Showing him around, playing games, and introducing him to college life are things that make the weekend so fun!"

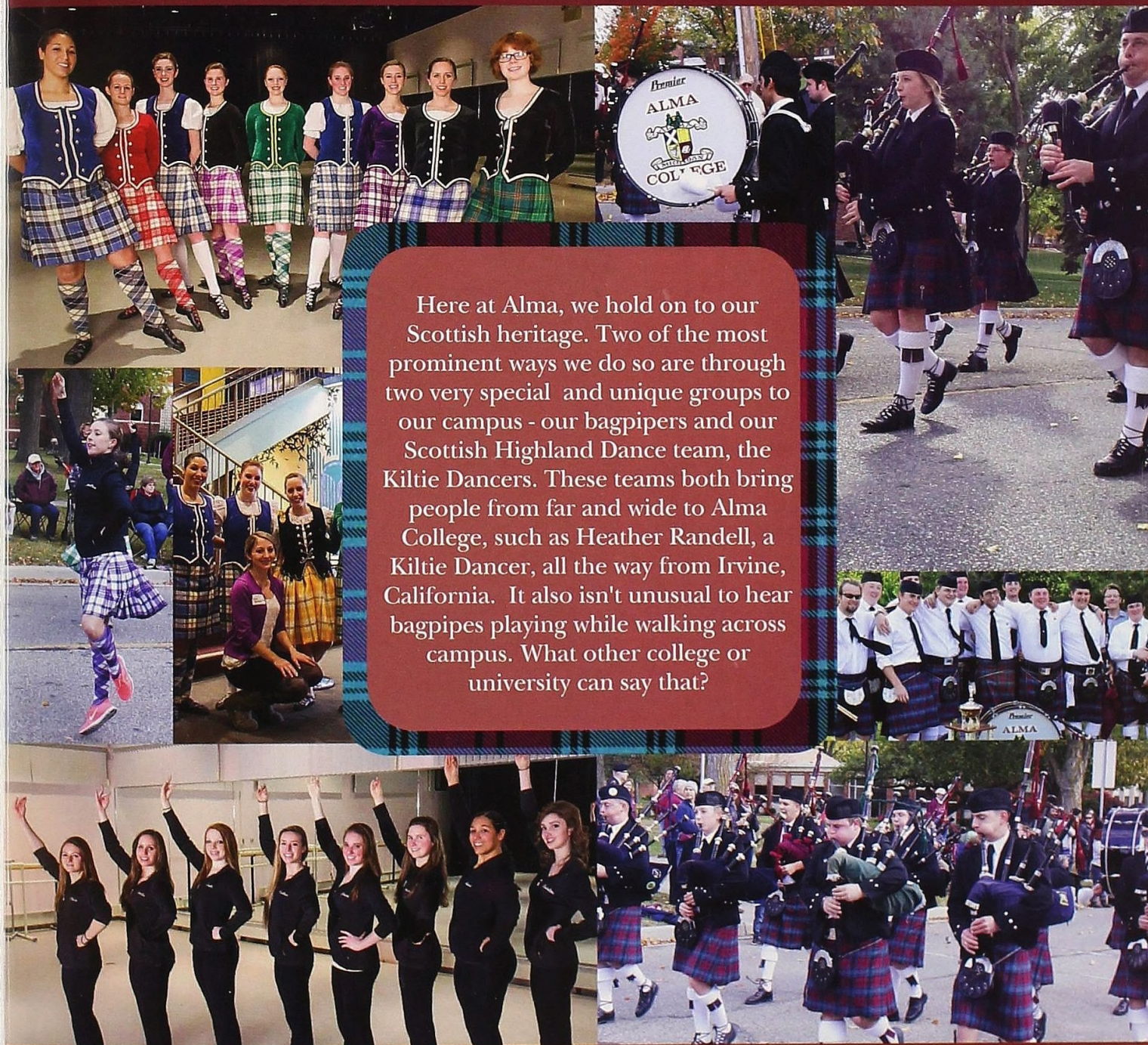
- Sandi Russell '15

Highland Arts

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Kiltie Dancers and Bagpipers

Here at Alma, we hold on to our Scottish heritage. Two of the most prominent ways we do so are through two very special and unique groups to our campus - our bagpipers and our Scottish Highland Dance team, the Kiltie Dancers. These teams both bring people from far and wide to Alma College, such as Heather Randell, a Kiltie Dancer, all the way from Irvine, California. It also isn't unusual to hear bagpipes playing while walking across campus. What other college or university can say that?



"I am so grateful to have picked up Highland dancing, partly because I enjoy it, but mostly because it has brought me to a group of wonderful women who are nothing but welcoming. We always have fun at our practices, and I can always count on them to put a smile on my face."

-Christine Cuthberston '14

Honors Day 2013

A Proud Day to be a Scot

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Honors Day on Alma campus is a time when students have the opportunity to showcase their hard work from the past school year. There are video, poster, Power Point, art, and even dance presentations throughout the entire day from students of all disciplines and years. Students who are not presenting are strongly encouraged to attend different presentations and support their fellow classmates. Senior Ashley Parsons presented her research at Honors Day, which focused on the Henry Ford Health System. "The most nerve-racking part for me was the potential questions the professors might ask. However, after my presentation I found I was extremely prepared for all questions and comments regarding my project. Presenting on Honors Day was a huge reward for me. I really loved seeing all my hard work pay off and getting hands on experience in my future field was great," Parsons said. After the presentations, awards were given at a reception in the lobby of the Remick Heritage Center. This year, senior Chelsea Duff was named the Barlow Award winner. Senior Rachel Giza, senior Emily Martin, senior Rachel Shane, and senior Grant Isley were all named as 2013 Kapp Prize winners for their presentations at Honors Day.



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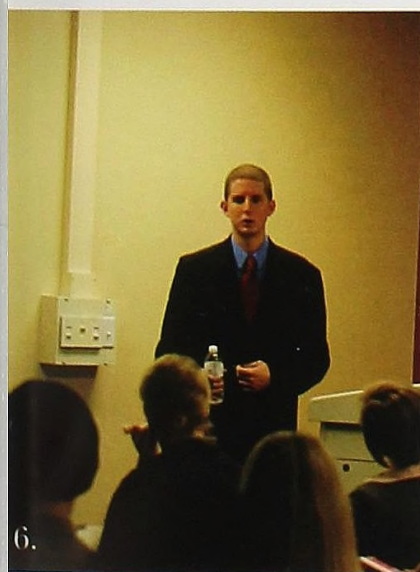
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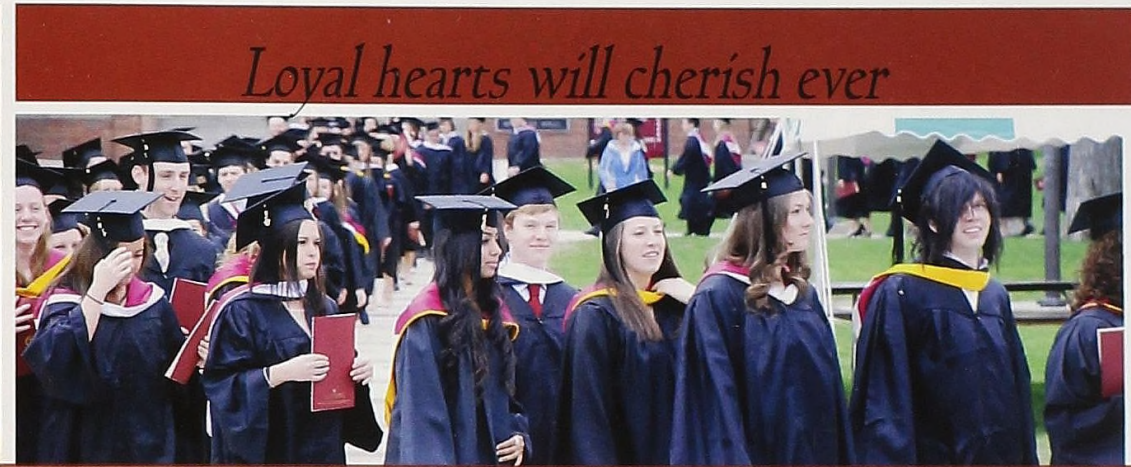
1. Chelsea Duff '13 accepts her Barlow Trophy from President Abernathy.
2. Katie Gordon '13 gives a poster presentation on her topic, *Interfaith Understandings and Actions on Alma's Campus*.
3. Senior Elizabeth Wayne presents on her research topic *Public Health NGOs and Founder's Syndrome: Sustainability in NGO-provision of Health Care*. "The diversity of Honor's Day presentation topics is absolutely wonderful. It is a splendid opportunity to catch a synopsis on unfamiliar, fascinating research areas," Wayne said.
4. Senior Carrie Frame presents on her topic, *The Faces of Ferrendor* during Honors Day.
5. Dr. Luetkemeier shares a laugh with sophomore Lauren Buhr before she begins her presentation, *The Effects of Hydration Status on Pulse Rate and Heart Rate Variability During a Stand Test of Orthostatic Tolerance*. "The independence and critical thinking skills I have learned during my research experience will be one of my greatest assets after I leave Alma," Buhr said.
6. Senior Grant Isley presents to the audience on his research topic *Economic and Agriculture Development of African Countries Involved in the Late-Decolonization Movement*. For his presentation and research, Isely was named the Social Science Kapp Prize winner along with Rachel Shane.
7. Junior Amy Merriman receives the Currie Scholarship, an award that will sponsor her trip to Spain to walk the Camino Trail during the month of May.

Graduation

Walking with Purpose

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 Photos by Jillian Thompson '14

This year, 287 Scots graduated from Alma College. On April 20, Alma's brightest stood before family, friends, peers, professors, and administration to celebrate the culmination of years of hard work and dedication. This year's commencement address was given by John Dau, a genocide survivor who founded the John Dau Foundation to provide medical assistance to those in Sudan. The class of 2013 graduated with degrees ranging from Foreign Service to Chemistry to Business Administration to Theater and Dance, and they were made up of Model UN delegates, lacrosse players, published writers, and fluent Spanish, French, and German speakers. Yet despite their differences, they now all share a common identity as Alma College Alumni, a membership which will unify them and offer connections, resources, and involvement on campus for years to come. As James Meyers '13 states, "It's crazy how fast the last four years have flown by. I remember thinking that these years would last a lifetime, but sitting there watching people walk across stage made it seem like pre-term was just yesterday."



Loyal hearts will cherish ever



Lina Cortes
 B.A in Business Admin.
 Theatre and Dance



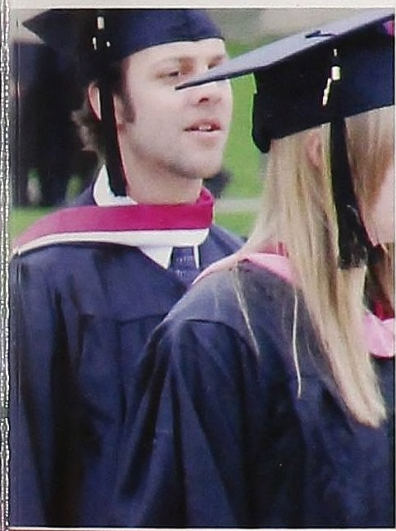
Sarah Zichi
 B.S. Integrative Physiology
 and Health Science



Rachel Giza
 B.A in English and History



Tara Riedel
 B.A in Theatre and Dance



Led by bagpipers, the class of 2013 began their graduation procession in MacIntyre Mall and continued on to the Hogan Center for the commencement ceremony, where their journey as Alma students would come to a close.

Thoughts of Thee throughout the years. Pledging Thee a fond devotion Guardian of our

hopes and fears. Alma! Alma! Sing of Alma Mater. Thy loyal children chant thy hymn of praise



Administration

Making Alma College Run Smoothly

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“I love having the best student assistants and getting to interact with the students on a daily basis. It makes my job fun!”

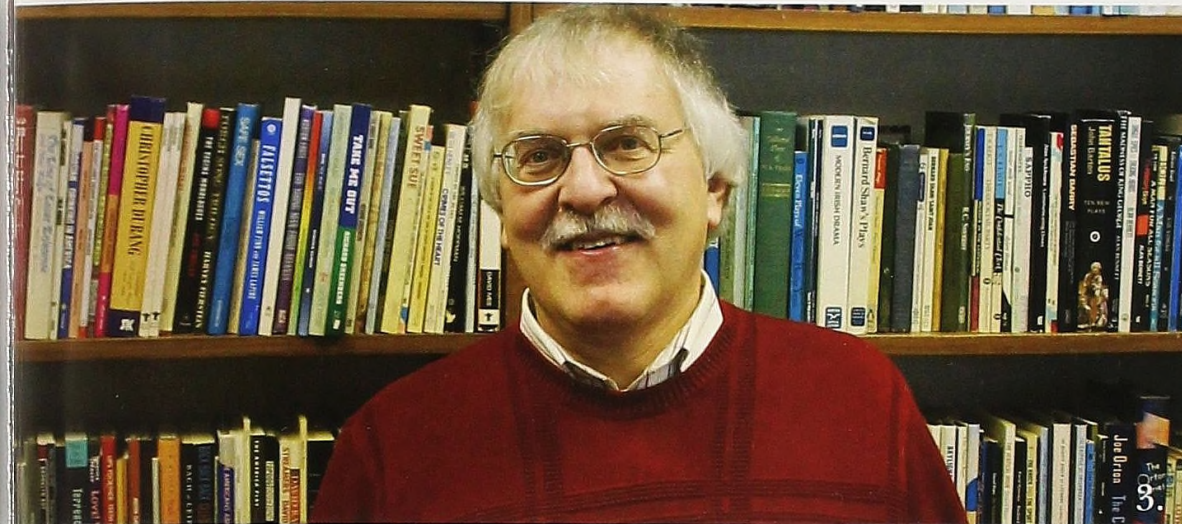
Lori Hick

1. Lori Hick - Student Life Office
2. Jeff Abernathy - College President
3. Dr. Michael Selmon - Provost
4. Bob Garcia-Director of Admissions
5. Dave Blandford - Student Life Office
6. Barb Tripp - SAC Secretary



"Listening is probably the most important work I do as president. I am fortunate, for instance, to have the opportunity to talk with students and to learn their hopes for these years at Alma and for their years beyond. In talking with alumni, I hear of their experiences at Alma and their hopes for the future of the college. My conversations with faculty and staff are shaping our direction for the years to come. And of course I hear from so many community members who love Alma and hope to see deeper connections between the college and the community in the years to come. I've come to understand our story as a college through all of the Alma stories I'm privileged to hear as president."

President Jeff Abernathy



Dr. Michael Selmon, Alma College's Provost, says the most rewarding part of his job is that "sometimes, you get a chance to help create new programs that in turn, create opportunities for students. That feels pretty good."



The administration at Alma College is a vital part of making the college an exceptional institution. They make the difficult decisions, institute important programs, better the day to day lives of all faculty and staff, and provide the structure for Alma College to grow and better serve its students and potential students. What sets this administration apart is its availability to students. President Abernathy, for example, hosts office hours in Joe's Place for students to come and address concerns they may have about anything, or just to chat casually. From coaches, advisors, department leaders, executive board and beyond, these people work on stage and behind the scenes for the love of higher education - physically, mentally, and spiritually.



“I really enjoy the closeness of the faculty - I've worked here for 27 years, so they really feel like family.”

Barb Tripp

Professors Instructors, Leaders, and Mentors

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Art and Design Chair -
Sandy Lopez-Isnardi

Biochemistry Chair -
Dr. Joe Beckmann

Biology Chair -
Dr. Dave Clark

Business Administration
Chairs - Tom Ealey and Dr.
Elizabeth A. Cameron

Chemistry Chair -
Dr. Scott Hill

Communication and New
Media Studies Chair -
Dr. Joanne Gilbert

Economics Chair -
Dr. George Choksy

Education Chair -
Dr. Peggy Thelen

English Chair -
Dr. Laura Von Wallmenich

History Chair -
Dr. Ed Lorenz

Integrative Physiology and
Health Science Chair -
Dr. Maurie Luetkemeier

Library Science Chair -
Steven Vest

Math and Computer Science
Chair -
Dr. Robert Molina

Modern Languages Chair -
Dr. Julie Arnold

Music Chair -
Dr. Ray Riley

Philosophy Chair -
Dr. Nick Dixon

Physics Chair -
Dr. Cameron Reed

Political Science Chair -
Dr. Britt Cartrite

Psychology Chairs -
Dr. Gwyneth Beagley and
Dr. Marc Setterlund

Religious Studies Chair -
Dr. Brian Stratton

Sociology and
Anthropology Chair -
Dr. Timm Thorsen

Theatre and Dance -
Joe Jezewski



Dr. Lorenz, History

23 years at Alma

"My favorite thing about teaching is that I have the chance to interact with scores of different people. When I'm in the classroom I learn from my students as much as my students learn from me. That's what I love about Alma, that the students want to learn. They aren't turned off by learning. And that fire and passion for learning is backed by an open and friendly community of people who support the students and administrators.

If I had any advice to give students it would be to know that this is only one step. Alma is just one part of their developmental education."

➤ *Professor, defined: An instructor of students both in and out of the classroom.*

Student Appreciation

"The professors at Alma create an awesome atmosphere in the classroom. They have so much to say about their subject but they also know us on a personal level and ask us about our sports and things in our lives that matter to us."

Tyler Foley, '15

"I love the professors here because they are truly eager to help. I know I can reach my professors at any time. They put so much time into helping outside of the classroom as well as in. And that means the world to me because I know there is always someone out there."

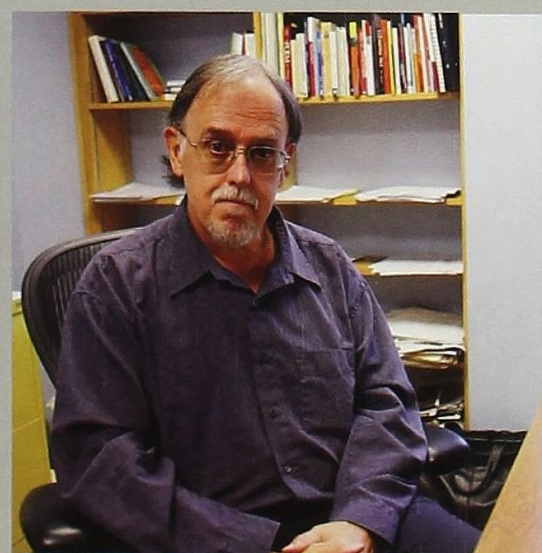
Chelsea Mertz, s'15

"I love that professors are always understanding of students and willing to give academic help as well as life guidance. To them we are individual priorities."

Karol Chubb, '15

"My professors make me want to learn. Having teachers who are passionate about their subject makes me more passionate. My teachers' passion gives me the push to work harder."

Anna Ryerson, '15



Dr. Palmer, English

35 years at Alma

"What I like most about teaching is that I get to help students enjoy writing. I love to see my students grow to value writing, reading, thinking, and learning. At Alma I have the freedom to teach courses that I want to teach. And in those courses I grow and develop as an instructor. It was that development that led me to writing my book *Discovering Arguments*. Alma means "soul" in Spanish and I think that's perfect. For education to work it has to contain soul. Education is more than just intellect and reasoning. I strive to bring that soul into the classroom and to my students."

Dr. Thelen, Education

9 years at Alma

"My favorite part about teaching is being able to work with students in the classroom. And at Alma I can do just that.

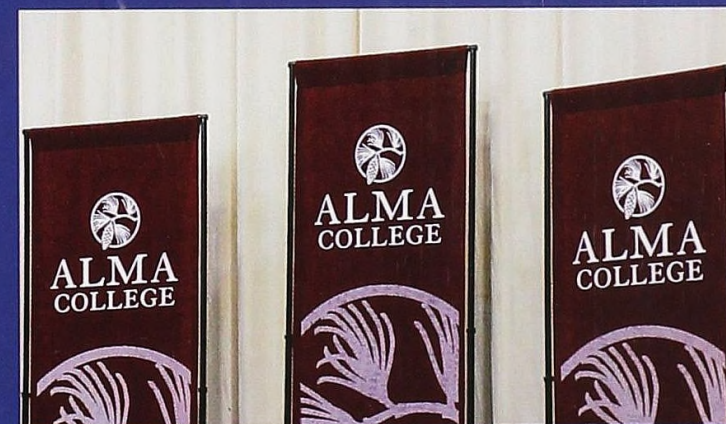
The classes are small so I can work with students one-on-one. And I have the academic freedom to create a program that will get students excited about education. I also love being an advisor, it's one great way that I can be a part of my students' lives. I love it here at Alma, I wouldn't want to be anywhere else. My students, my fellow professors, and my classes are what get me up in the morning."



Class of 2013

ALMA'S FINEST

285 graduates





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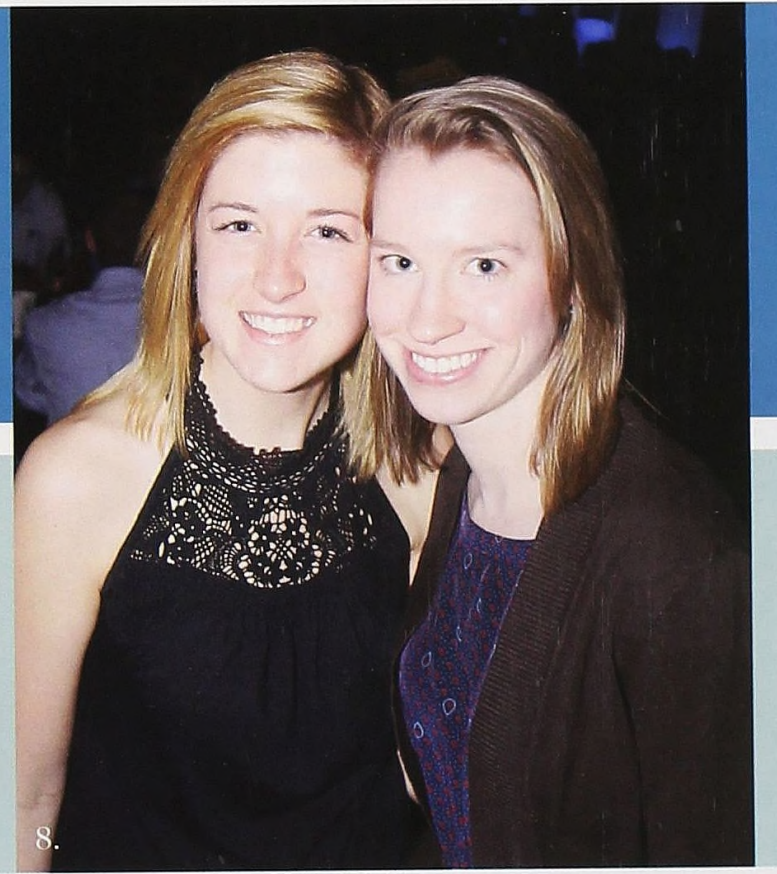
1. President Abernathy addresses the class of 2013 and their families at the Senior Dinner.
2. Jared Kilpatrick '13 and his father
3. Rachel Giza '13 and her father
4. Shelby Alexander '13
5. Taylor Cuddy '13 and Riley Van Ess '13 lead the room in the singing of our Alma Mater.
6. Amanda Jackson '13 and Jessica Thorington '13
7. Julie Helm '13 and her father
8. Jennifer Campfield '13 and Madeline Randolet '13 at the Senior Party the night before graduation



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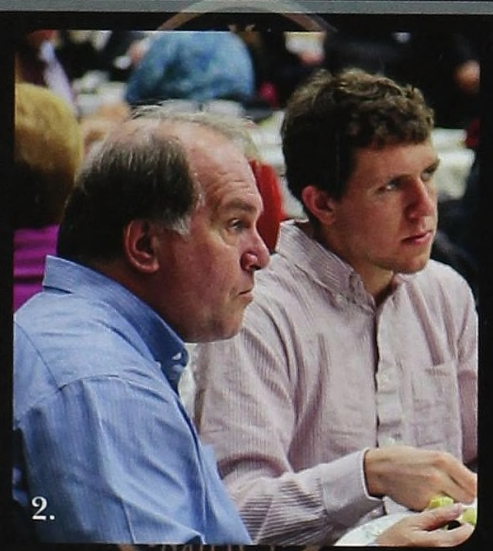


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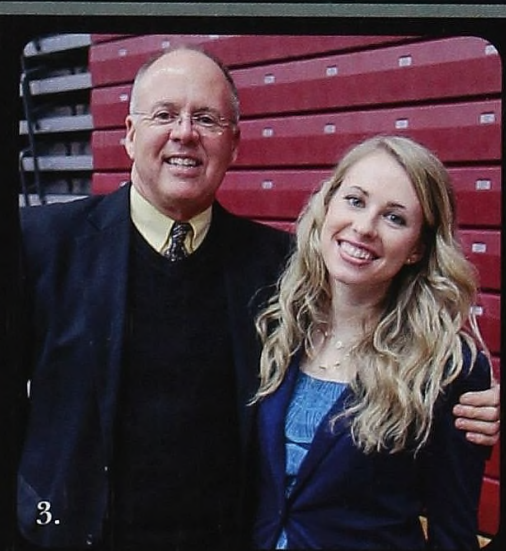


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Seniors of 2013

Alma College has been through a lot of changes these past four years and these graduates were able to see some of Alma's greatest transformations while they were here. This year's graduating class is made up of 285 seniors. Of these 285, 30 graduated Summa Cum Laude, 28 graduated Magna Cum Laude, and 40 graduated Cum Laude. Also, 49 are candidates for departmental honors in their respective majors. With two students awarded Fulbright scholarships, Chelsea Duff for South Korea and Andrea Bouwhius for Spain, Alma has awarded 23 students since 2003.

Outstanding Seniors

Seniors Honored with Awards

As the school year comes to a close, graduating seniors are presented with different awards to honor them for their hard work and commitment throughout their years at Alma College. The seniors are presented with their awards on Honor's Day and at the Senior Dinner, the evening before commencements. For many of the seniors who receive awards, it is a great honor. "I was shocked and honored to receive the Barlow Trophy. I feel so undeserving in such a talented class. Everyone I know has done such great things and I know they will continue to do so many more. My achievements are so small, and I am humbled that anyone would ever recognize them," Chelsea Duff '13 said. Other students are grateful for the people who have helped them achieve the award and make their time at Alma something special. "I was truly humbled to receive the senior leadership award, I am so thankful for all the people who I was able to interact with during my time at Alma and that together we grew and changed our community," Caitlin Closs '13 said.

Athletic Awards

Garrett Lacy: Cross Country First Team All MIAA Honors
Julie Helm: Cross Country First Team All MIAA Honors
Mary Harwood: Lacrosse Second Team All MIAA
Christie Havrilla: Lacrosse Second Team All MIAA
Louise Rezmer: Softball NFCA All Central Region First Team
Amanda Schneider: NFCA All Central Region Second Team



The Barlow Trophy Award
Chelsea Duff
Nominees: Kelsey Allen, Rachel Burckhardt

1. Outstanding Senior Leader Award recipient Caitlin Closs '13.
2. Outstanding Senior Award recipient Rand Inniger '13.
3. Outstanding Commitment to Service Award recipient Alaina Dague '13.
4. Barlow Trophy nominees Kelsey Allen '13, Rachel Burckhardt '13, and Chelsea Duff '13.
5. Teresa Larson '13 and David Tobey '13 at the senior dinner.
6. Outstanding Senior Leader Award nominee Kaitlyn Gordon '13 at Honors Day.
7. Outstanding Senior Leader Award Nominee Kenneth Sparks '13.
8. Chelsea Duff '13 and Rachel Burckhardt '13 at the senior dinner.
9. Class president Jon Haley '13 gives Dr. Maurie Luetkemeier an Outstanding Faculty award.



Outstanding Senior Leader Award

Caitlin Closs

Nominees:
Kaitlyn Gordon
Jarrod Lynch
Kenneth Sparks



Outstanding Senior Award 4.0 GPA

Chelsea Duff, Randi Inniger, Natalie McNeill, Sarah Proudfoot, Jennafer Young



Outstanding Commitment to Service Award

Alaina Dague

Nominees:
Morgan Bauman
Colter Lubben



Ryan Adam
Joaquin Alarcon Viteri
Jeffery Aldridge
Shelby Alexander
Jessica Alexandre
Kelsey Allen
Alexander Andrus
Maurina Aranda
Katherine Arend
Anna Armstrong
Matthew Bach
Sally Baldeosingh
Megan Ballantyne
Jazmine Barajas
Andrew Bartes
Sarah Bauer
Morgan Bauman
Ashely Baumann
Ryan Berry
Christopher Bilski
Olivia Bishop
Ella Blowers
Taylor Boehler
Samantha Bohy
Katie Bourbonnais

Hannah Chlystek
Heather Clements
Caitlin Closs
Brittney Cole
Alexander Colwell
Carolina Cortes Klemans
Malcolm Cottle
Kelly Cousineau
Justine Cowan
Ryan Cramer
Matthew Cresswell
Matthew Crossman
Taylor Cuddy
Elaine Cunningham
Nathan Cushman
Alaina Dague
Conner Daugherty
Annalise De Young
Jessica DeBruin
Tyler DeLap
Allision Dennis
Dustin DeShais
Christina Dionne
Shane Douglas
Natalya Drummond

Sara Gensterblum
Kelly Gervin
Tracey Giannola
Madeline Ginn
Rachel Giza
Kathryn Goffnett
Jessica Gonzales
Kaitlyn Gordon
Courtney Graham
Andrew Grant
Liza Gross
Aaron Hahn
Jonathon Haley
Shane Hall
Mina Hami
Evan Hansen
Mary Harwood
Christie Havrilla
Julie Helm
Tyler Hendershot
Ryan Henris
Lara Hernandez
Ryan Herzog
Chelsea Hicks
Danielle Hicks

Daniel Jaremko
Cassie Jarman
Tyler Jenkins
Amy Jensen
William Johson
Ashley Jones
Lance Jongekrijg
Megan Jurek
Robert Kaczanowski
Joshua Kaminski
Luke Kanine
Amy Kaufman
Kayla Keenan
Samantha Kellogg
Kayla Kelly
Meghan Kelly
Jared Kilpatrick
Lauren Kittrell
Scott Klein
Elizabeth Knappe
Aaron Kososky
Ryan Kovach
Robert Kramer
Matthew Kuberski



The Class of 2013

Andrea Bouwhuis
Rachel Bowker
Lynzee Brenner
Jane Brewer
Devon Brisbon
George Brittain
Weston Bryan
Manuel Burbano
Rachel Burckhardt
Lauren Burton
Anna Buschle
Benjamin Caesar
Juan Vallejo
Jennifer Campfield
Colleen Carrier
Zachary Caverley
Meghan Cheyne

Chelsea Duff
Brittany Dulyea
Allison Eaton
Genevieve Egge
Julie Enzenberger
Jessica Evans
Stephanie Faller
Molly Fehsenfeld
Heather Feiss
Zachary Felton
Carrie Frame
Alexander Franko
Andrew Funsch
Brandon Gainforth
Alexandra Gasiorowski
Carrie Gaudard
Ethan Gensler

Jennifer Hill
Samantha Hodge
Ashley Hoke
Aaron Hollenberg
Julie Holton
Russell Hope
Collin Hoyer
Alyssa Huntoon
Zahra Hussain
Kelly Hutcheon
Timothy Imber
Randi Inniger
Kelsey Ireland-Wright
Robert Irwin Jr.
Grant Isley
Amanda Jackson
Sage Jacques

Garrett Lacy
Malorie Lakosky
Kayla Landaweer
Teresa Larson
Michael Lenneman
Abigail Lerner
Matthew Lewan
Mason Ley
Hannah Livingston
Shaun Losinski
Colter Lubben
Alexander Lundquist
Jarrod Lynch
Miguel Magallanes
Garcia
Emily Martin
Joseph Martin
Elena Mausolf
Daniel May
Brian McCallister
Michael McDonald
Lauren McNabb
Brendan McNeal

"It's been my pleasure to be our class president all four years at Alma. I've had the privilege of serving as our representative in Student Congress and on numerous campus committees. I'm grateful that our class instilled its faith in me over the years. I'm confident that we will all be successful in our post Alma lives. Great work class of 2013 and good luck!" -Jonathon Haley '13

Katie Meloche
Amber Meyer
Kelsee Miles
Lindsey Miller
Brittany Miller
Joshua Minshall
C.R. Mohrhardt
Emily Montgomery
Eric Montoye
Cheyenne Moore
Donald Morin
Max Morrison
Chelsea Moyer
Ashley Mrozinski
Seth Murray
James Myers
Sarah Najera Espinosa

Maria Naranjo Acosta
Gregory Needham
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Jaycee Nelson
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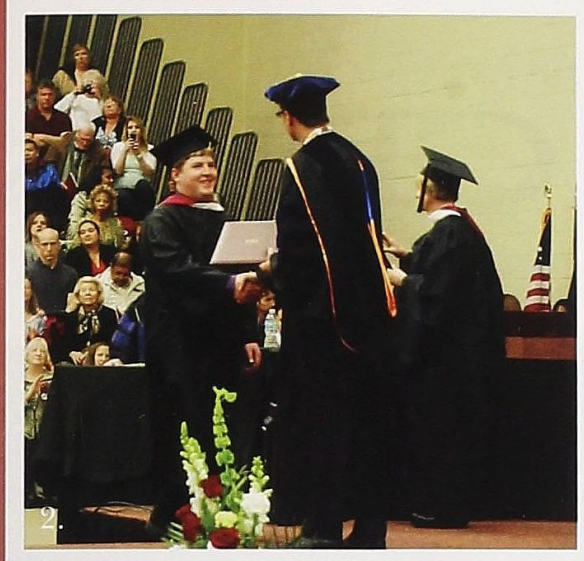
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Melissa Quasunella
Jonathan Randall
Madeleine Randolet
Tara Rashid
Travis Reid

Louise Rezmer
Alice Richard
Tara Riedel
John Roberts
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| Roxanne Sheldon | Garrett Thelen | Zachary Wade | Abigail Witham |
| Brian Sheridan | Kimberly Thompson | Lauren Wagner | Andrea Woody |
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| Adam Simpson | David Tobey | Mason Warling | Jennafer Young |
| Kayla Smart | Jenae Todd | Elizabeth Wayne | Jonathan Young |
| Caroline Smith | Kayla Tuttle | Edward Webb | Ashley Yuill |
| Andrew Snoblen | Karl Upman | Nathan Werner | Katherine Zaborowicz |
| Dylan Snyder | Riley Van Ess | Bryan Werther | Kasey Zehner |
| | | | Sarah Zichi |

1. Seniors Karl Upman and Riley Van Ess walk into the Hogan Center as commencement begins.
 2. Senior Al Franko receives his diploma and a handshake from President Abernathy during the commencement ceremony.
 3. Seniors Katie Parker and Ashley Parsons before the commencement ceremony
 4. President Abernathy offers senior Lindsey Miller a word of congratulations as she receives her diploma.
 Photos by Jillian Thompson '14

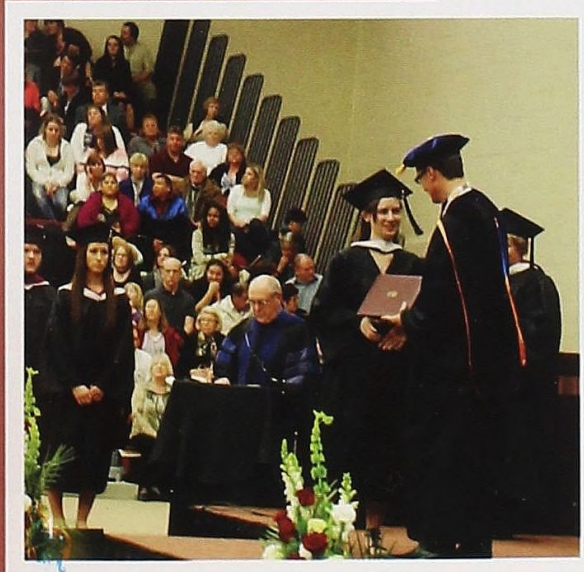


"Winning the Fulbright has been one of the most incredible accomplishments that I have achieved thus far in my life and I cannot wait for all of the unimaginable and unique ways in which this experience will affect my life and those who I will have the privilege to work with and meet along the way!"
-Andrea Bouwhuis '13



"Alma College has changed my life. I entered as an extremely shy girl who spent her entire first semester studying because I was so afraid of failure. Slowly but surely, I began to come out of my shell...I am so happy that I chose Alma, a place full of truly caring people, because it has helped me define myself in a supportive community. At Alma, I have learned not to be afraid to try new things, because it may just be in something new that you find your true passion in life."
-Chelsea Duff '13

"I've gained so much from my time at Alma but what I'll remember most are the things that helped me grow the most- being an RA, a sister of Phi Sigma Sigma and all of the other leadership opportunities I was given. It's important to learn to be a leader, but it's also important to learn how to support other leaders and that's something that Alma excels in teaching its students."
-Katie Parker '13



"People make the location, and the people at Alma are the best I've ever known; I can't imagine my life without them. I'm happy to have called Alma home for four years and even happier to be a alum from such an amazing school. Go Scots!"
-Mary Ottoman '13

"Alma gave me an appreciation of the difference passionate teaching and learning makes in education. I am immensely grateful that Alma gave me so many beautiful opportunities to expand my perspective, learn about myself, and discover my role in positively impacting our world."
-Elizabeth Wayne, '13

GREEK LIFE



Alpha Gamma Delta

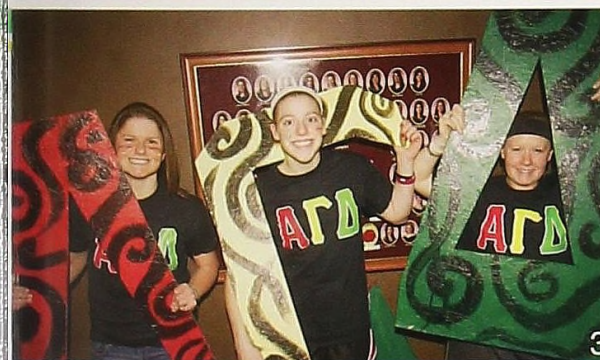
Live with Purpose

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"We are all a little weird and life's a little weird, and when we find someone whose weirdness is compatible with ours, we join up with them and fall in mutual weirdness and call it *sisterhood*."

Kamryn Kurtzner, '14



Alpha Gamma Delta was originally founded on May 30th, 1904 at Syracuse University in Syracuse, New York. In 1983, a local sorority was founded as Delta Phi Omega which later became the Zeta Nu chapter of Alpha Gamma Delta on March 31st, 1985. Their philanthropy is the Alpha Gamma Delta Foundation and the sisters participate in philanthropy events such as Trick or Treating for pop cans and Alpha Grabba Donut. Other events the ladies were involved in this year include Derby Days, Up 'Til Dawn, Greek Week, and Relay for Life.



Alpha Gamma Delta

1. The sisters of Alpha Gamma Delta gather on the stairs in their beloved house.
2. Emily MacBeth '15, Skylar Haeussler '15, Elizabeth Curtiss '15, and Liza Folkmire '15
3. Claryce Porzondek '14, Olivia Bishop '13, and Sammy Bohy, '13
4. Brooke Peterson '15, Olivia Bishop '13, Sammy Bohy '13, Summer Robinson '15, Allison Soboleski '15, and Stephanie Herman '14
5. The ladies of Alpha Gamma Delta at their annual Little Black Dress pre-recruitment event.

Sigma Chi

In Hoc Signo Vinces

Page by Kayla Dill '16

Sigma Chi's motto, "In hoc signo vinces," means "In this sign you will conquer." The brothers of Sigma Chi apply this leadership motto in many ways; last summer brothers Justin Closs '15, Adam Walsh, '14, Brandon Nearpass '15, and D'Montae Jones '15 attended Sigma Chi's four day Balfour leadership conference at Purdue. The brothers also lead by organizing and participating in philanthropic endeavors. This year, Sigma Chi once again hosted their annual Derby Days event in which each sorority on campus competed against each other for a week to raise money for Sigma Chi's philanthropy, the Huntsman Cancer Institute. The brothers were also active in other campus and community philanthropy events including Bowl For Kids' Sake for Big Brothers Big Sisters. Sigma Chi initiated ten new members after a successful winter recruitment.



Zakkary Hardyniec, '14
Photo by Devan Olah '15

Sigma Chi is where we gain friends that we can talk to about anything at anytime.

-Justin Miller '14



Sigma Chi brothers raise their flag proudly during 2013 winter runouts, representing their colors and symbol.
Photo by Devan Olah '14

"Sigma Chi is where I found home. Coming from Colorado I needed an extension of my family and I've found it here."

-Justin Closs '15

"We are more than just a fraternity, we are a family. Whether it is studying at the house together or watching stupid horror movies, my brothers and I always have a good time."

-Derrick Walker '14



Daric Mueller, '14 represents Sigma Chi on his bike during the 2012 Homecoming Parade.
Photo by Justin Closs '15



Justin Closs, '15 and sister Elisabeth Curtiss, '15 at the Sigma Chi house after 2013 runouts.
Photo by Justin Closs '15



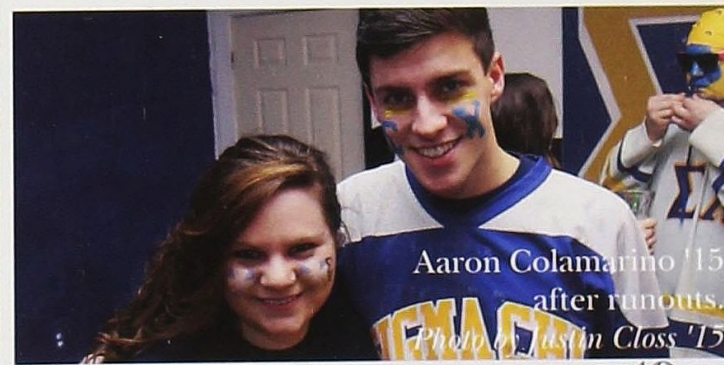
Brandon Nearpass, '15 shows off his brotherly spirit during the 2013 winter runout events.
Photo by Justin Closs '15



Sigma Chi welcomes their new pledges and brother with open arms.
Photo by Devan Olah '14



The men of Sigma Chi circle up in anticipation of their new members before the runouts.
Photo by Devan Olah '15



Aaron Colamarino '15 after runouts.
Photo by Justin Closs '15

Gamma Phi Beta

Building Strong Girls

Page by Elizabeth Knape '13
Photos by Justin Closs '15

The 2012-2013 school year has proven to be one of Gamma Phi Beta's best. Combining both recruitments, Gamma Phi has taken twenty-four new members: seven in the fall, seventeen in the winter. Gamma Phi does a lot for the community and for their philanthropy as well. In addition to their annual pancake breakfast, members participated in the Fall Festival in downtown Alma, and volunteer for Community Cafe. In addition to Gamma Phi Beta's international philanthropy Campfire USA, this year Gamma Phi Beta added Girls on the Run to their philanthropic endeavors. Girls on the Run is an after school program that takes girls in grades third through eighth and empowers them through running. Their motto is "We inspire girls to be joyful, healthy and confident using a fun, experience-based curriculum which creatively integrates running." A number of members were coaches this spring and even more members volunteered at their end of the year 5k run. Gamma Phi's are involved in virtually every area of campus life, with multiple members filling executive council positions in clubs outside of Gamma Phi. Gamma Phi encourages its members to promote the "highest standard of womanhood."



“Building strong girls helps us become stronger women.”

- Gwendolyn Greer, '14



1. Meredith Rahrig, '15, Taylor Payne '15, Kara Nic '15, Emily Brogan, '15 and others take a break during winter recruitment to strike a silly pose.

2. Kara Nic '15, Julee Campbell '14, and Carly Schlinkert '13 in their black and red during fall Bids Bash.



Love, Labor, Learning, and Loyalty
Motto: Founded Upon a Rock

"Sisters are there for me even when I don't know I need support. It's unconditional love without needing to ask for it."

- Julee Campbell '14

"Gamma Phi is more than just my circle of friends; they are the people that helped me become what I am today. This group of girls gave me confidence, strength, and independence."

-Amy Jensen '13

3. Sisters at Gamma Phi's annual Pancake Breakfast.

4. Actives happily welcome a new member.

5. Jaycee Nelson '13, Emily Brogan '15, and Tatiana Kenny '15 do the wobble at winter walkouts.

6. Cierra Sutherland, '16 announces her decision to go Gamma Phi Beta at winter walkouts.

Theta Chi

Don't Go Greek. Go Theta Chi.

Page by Ashley Thornton '15

Welcome to the house of Theta Chi, where the brothers provide you with a warm welcome. A fraternity that originated in 1856, Theta Chi is known for their friendly nature and a variety of activities on campus. They participate in the annual Relay For Life, have plenty of themed parties, fun movie nights, and their famous open mic nights if you're up to jam for everyone, or just kick back and hang with the brothers. This fall Theta Chi welcomed four new brothers, while in the winter they gained six. Senior Mason Warling says that Theta Chi "is a place where I can go and see people who are welcoming and friendly; Theta's a place I call home and where I feel completely comfortable."



1. Photo courtesy Trent Weiderhold



2. Photo courtesy Joshua Craddock '15



3. Photo by Jennifer Stancroff '15



4. Photo courtesy Malcolm Cottle '13



5. Photo courtesy Joshua Minshall '13



6. Photo courtesy Malcolm Cottle '13



7. Photo courtesy Joshua Minshall '13



8. Photo courtesy Trent Weiderhold



9. Photo courtesy Joshua Craddock '15

1. The brothers of Theta Chi at runouts in January
2. Brothers and friends of Theta Chi get close at their house.
- 3-4. Wearing their signature "Don't Go Greek, Go Theta Chi" shirts, the brothers enthusiastically await their new pledges at runouts.
5. Joshua Minshall '13, Roxanne Sheldon '13, and Theta alum gather at the house after runouts.
6. Anna Armstrong '13, Malcolm Cottle '13 and Michael Rubley '16
7. Joshua Minshall '13 at runouts
8. Joshua Zeitler '14, Malcolm Cottle '13, and Joshua Minshall '13 welcome a new pledge with open arms.
9. Joshua Craddock '15, Danielle Redilla '14, Jenae Todd '13 and Al Franko '13

"Theta Chi is this weird trip I've been on... Because what else could be home?!"

-Malcolm Cottle '13

"KI is my home, it is the place where I can be myself without being judged. It is also a place that if I need help or support I can go and I know that there will be someone there, and in turn will be there for my sisters no matter what."

-Tara Rashid '13

Kappa Iota Fast Facts:

Colors: Purple and Gold

Motto: Kalla Idyllica "Higher Ideals"

Philanthropy: Women's Aid Shelter of Gratiot County

"I'm excited to spend my last semester on E.C. as Brother Mother. I just love spending time with my sisters. Recruitment is a special time not just for KI but for everyone. It gives us a time to reminisce about our own recruitment and pledging experience. Plus it's always great getting babies and seeing younger members grow. I am really going to miss my sisters. But they're never too far because the KI spirit follows us everywhere."

- Kimberly Thompson '13

1. Seniors Tara Rashid and Melissa Quasunella and friends are all smiles for winter walkouts.

2. Juniors Sha'Quice Mullany and Danielle Redilla, arun to join their sisters in welcoming a new member.

3. Kappa Iota surrounds a new member during winter walkouts.

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4. A new member is about to announce her decision to join Kappa Iota!

5. Sisters of Kappa Iota gather close to take a group photo in full costume during fall Bids Bash.

6. Danielle Redilla '14 and her KI sisters run to welcome a new member.

The Women of Kappa Iota

Striving for Higher Ideals



Kappa Iota has grown significantly this year, taking four new members during fall recruitment and thirteen new members in the winter. Kappa Iota is one of the five sororities on campus and the only one on campus that is a local sorority without national affiliations. This affords them unique opportunities to mold the sorority into whatever is appropriate for their chapter. For example, they are allowed to have brothers, an option unique among other nationally recognized sororities on campus. Because they're a localized chapter, they also chose a local philanthropy. Kappa Iota contributes generously to the community by raising awareness and funds for the Women's Aid Shelter of Gratiot County. They use their talents to knit hats and scarves and sell them to campus every year to raise money for this cause. Members also volunteer at Relay for Life and the Community Cafe in Alma. Aside from their philanthropic endeavors, sisters of KI are involved heavily in campus activities; from Model UN to theatre, choir to lacrosse, the sisters of Kappa Iota have a strong presence on the campus of Alma College.

"Join us if you feel like it."

-Danielle Redilla '14

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Tau Kappa Epsilon

Charging Forward



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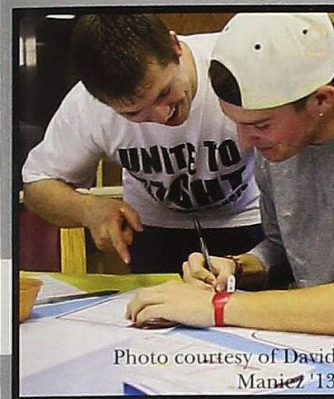


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"TKE once,
TKE twice
Not for wealth, rank,
or honor, but for
Personal Worth and
Character
Love, Charity, and
Esteem."

**Bobby Irwin '13,
TKE President**

"Becoming a TKE, for me, has
been one of the best decisions I've
made in my entire life. It's amazing
how many things being a part of
Greek life can give you and what
you can give to it! I'm excited for
the things my chapter and I have
done and will continue to do for
the community in the future!
RUSH TKE!"

Vernon Moeggenborg Jr. '15

"I swore I'd never join a
fraternity, but I realized I'd
rather regret joining than regret
not joining and TKE was the
place for me. Students should
strongly consider joining TKE
for the great times and
relationships with brothers as
well as the potential job
opportunities from our well
established alumni base."
David Maniez '13

T K E

Page by Katherine Vaillancourt '16

The Tau Kappa Epsilon brothers are extremely present on Alma College's campus. They pride themselves in being involved in many activities such as the TKE versus ZE football game and the annual TKE blood drive held in the Stone Recreation Center. Also, Up 'Til Dawn is TKE's national philanthropy founded by TKE Danny Thomas.



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1. Asa Smalley '14, Vernon Moeggenborg '15, Sage Jacques '13, Brandon McLaughlin, David Maniez '13, and Nate Cushman '13 bond at summer recruitment.
2. David Maniez '13 and Vernon Moeggenborg '15 write letters at the Up 'Til Dawn letter writing event to support St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.
3. David Maniez '13 on Homecoming Court
4. Paul Mikhjian '15 in the TKE versus ZE football game
5. The TKE float in the Homecoming Parade
6. Asa Smalley '14 in the TKE versus ZE football game
7. TKEs generate applause at winter runouts for their 21 new pledges.

Alpha Xi Delta

Don't Mess With Paradise

Page by Jillian Thompson '14
Photos by Justin Closs '15

The Zeta Upsilon chapter of Alpha Xi Delta hosted two recruitments this school year along with Alma's four other sororities. The theme for fall was nautical and in the winter they chose Dr. Suess, featuring The Lorax, Cat and the Hat, and Green Eggs and Ham. Between the two recruitments, Alpha Xi Delta added a total of 21 new members to their chapter. Alpha Xi Delta is also very proud of their philanthropy, Autism Speaks. They are currently 1 of 166 chapters in the nation that directly works one on one with autistic children. Every Sunday the girls participate in play days. Play days are where members of the chapter spend two hours playing and interacting with autistic and other mentally challenged children. Throughout the year, Alpha Xi Delta also helps raise money for Autism Speaks through a number of philanthropic events. Ashley Halm '15 sums up her experience as a sister, stating that "Alpha Xi Delta means true friendships for life, Alpha Xi Delta means always being there for a sister and Alpha Xi Delta means growing as a person and a leader."



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1. Anna Buschle '13, Mary Harwood '13, and Amanda Jackson '13 show their love for each other and their sorority at walkouts. "When God blessed me with Alpha Xi Delta, He blessed me with strong, beautiful, passionate sisters" Harwood said.
2. Danielle Harm '16 announces that she is joining the sisters who wear double blue and gold.
3. Sisters walk downtown during the annual Homecoming parade.



2.



3.



Growing up, I had the stereotypical view of sororities: they were all crazy and liked to party too much and the girls were fake and unintelligent. When I got to Alma, one of the first girls I met on campus was an Alpha Xi Delta who was a pre-med student and wanted to become a doctor. What really sold Alpha Xi Delta to me after meeting her was the fact that the philanthropy is Autism Speaks. Having someone in my family diagnosed with autism, getting to work directly with kids and families like mine, and being able to educate others about a disorder that is present in 1 and 88 kids in the country was really important to me. It is because of autism that I am who I am today, the reason I chose the degree I am working towards. Thanks to Alpha Xi Delta I am able bring two important parts of my life together.



Mackenzie Mercer '14

Fast Facts:

- Founded in 1893 in Galesburg, Indiana
- Colors: Double Blue and Gold
- Flower: Pink rose
- Mascot: BetXI Bear
- Jewel: Pearl
- Symbol: Quill
- Philanthropy: Autism Speaks
- "The pen is mightier than the sword."



Sigma Alpha Epsilon

Committed to Service

Page by Kayla Dill, '15
Photos by Devan Olah, '15

This year, the brothers of Sigma Alpha Epsilon inducted ten new members into their winter pledge class. Throughout the school year, the brothers were consistent participants of campus activities, hosted a number of events for campus, and were actively involved in service by helping at Kid's Night Out, which funds the Alma Public Schools Explore Program. Sigma Alpha Epsilon was especially involved in the Big Brothers Big Sisters Program of Gratiot County and was awarded Alma's Outstanding Commitment to Service Award. Senior Colter Lubben was specifically recognized at the senior dinner for his work with Big Brothers Big Sisters and the Explore Program as a nominee for the Class of 2013 Service Award.

In Their Own Words

"When I first joined SAE I wasn't sure what to expect. In the end it was one of the best decisions I made at Alma College. I met some people I never would have otherwise and made some friendships that will last a lifetime."

-Alex Ruhlman '13

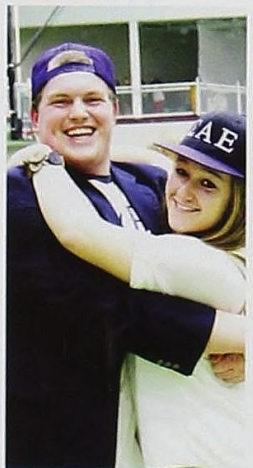
"Our philanthropy is something I pride myself to be a part of. We are very committed to Alma and its youth."

-David Slusser '15

"The True Gentlemen"



Photos: The brothers of SAE once again don their signature sports jackets and cargo shorts at runouts while energetically awaiting their new pledges. Numerous sisters and supporters showed up in purple and gold to cheer on the brotherhood as well.



Phi Mu Alpha

Hail Sinfonia!

Page by Katherine Vaillancourt '16

While the Phi Mu Alpha fraternity is comprised of a diverse group of brothers who participate in many different student organizations and pursue a variety of majors at Alma College, they are all known for their enthusiasm for PMA's annual events. This year, PMA's nineteen new pledges, dressed in PMA's colors, red, black, and gold, especially loved the trip to IHOP after winter runouts. Other PMA events included their Relay for Life Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser and singing Valentines on Valentine's Day.



Photo courtesy of Jacob Dayringer

1. Matthew Wimmeler '16 jumps into the arms of his new brothers after deciding to join PMA at runouts
2. Aleia McKessy '15, Christine Cuthbertson '14, Alex Groth '14, James Woodson '12
3. Jacob Dayringer and Kenny Sparks '13
4. New PMA pledges are cheered on by supporters at runouts
5. PMA brothers joyfully serenade the patrons and staff of IHOP on their midnight trip after runouts.



Photo by Jennifer Stancroff '15



Photo courtesy of Kenny Sparks '13



Photo courtesy of Kenny Sparks '13

In Their Own Words...

"My favorite part about being in PMA is the brotherhood. Whether it is gathering on Friday nights for a movie or traveling to Indiana for a weekend long brothers-only retreat, my brothers are fun, eccentric, understanding, and are always there. Singing with them for Valentine's Day or putting on our smoker always makes for a good time too. Hail Sinfonia!"

Jacob Poliskey '14

"I hadn't planned on joining a fraternity when I came to Alma College. Greek life isn't for everyone and each person that decides to go Greek has an important decision to make as to where he or she will go. PMA was the right place for me and I have found lasting friendships and the ability to be amongst people who I can call family. My brothers are there for me in good times and bad and that to me is the true meaning of brotherhood."

Matt Yettaw '15

"The best part about PMA is the feeling of family. The brothers always have your back and are there to help in times of need. They have welcomed me and many other people with open arms. Whether we are singing, playing games, or watching movies, we always have fun when we are together."

Michael Reeves '14



Photo courtesy of Jacob Dayringer



Photo courtesy of Kenny Sparks '13



Photo courtesy of Kenny Sparks '13



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Phi Sigma Sigma

Aim High

Getting to Know Phi Sigma Sigma

Colors: Blue and Gold

Founded: November 26th 1913

Core Values: Inclusiveness, Lifelong Learning, Learning through Service

Philanthropy: Phi Sigma Sigma Foundation, directly benefits the National Kidney Foundation along with many other organizations.

Motto: "Once a Phi Sigma Sigma, Always Phi Sigma Sigma"

This year the Phi Sigma Sigma chapter welcomed nineteen new members into their family, with eight joining during fall recruitment and eleven joining in the winter. The ladies of Phi Sigma Sigma were busy with philanthropic events throughout the year as well, such as their "Kisses for Kidneys Fundraiser" held during the week of Valentine's Day in which money was raised for the National Kidney Foundation, their philanthropy. Phi Sigma Sigma also raises money for their philanthropy by hosting an annual Greek God competition in March where members of the sorority auction a variety of their talents, and by partnering with TKE during the week of Halloween to host a haunted house, which was exceptionally successful this year. Besides keeping hard at work fundraising and participating in Greek events, this year the ladies of Phi Sigma Sigma also celebrated the 100th anniversary of the founding of their national sorority.



Photo courtesy Lauren Switzer '14

At Homecoming 2012, Hilary, Chelsea Duff '13, and Lauren Switzer '14.



Photo courtesy: Karol Chubb '15



Photo by Jennifer Stancroff '13

At desserts, Erica Beitel '15, Allison Dennis '13, and Lydia Anderson '14.



Photo by Justin Class '15

While awaiting new members, the ladies of Phi Sigma Sigma show their spirit with excitement and song.



Photo by Justin Class '15

Emily Montgomery '13, Jennifer Campfield '13, and Caitlin Class '13.



Photo courtesy: Jacob Davrington (Alum)

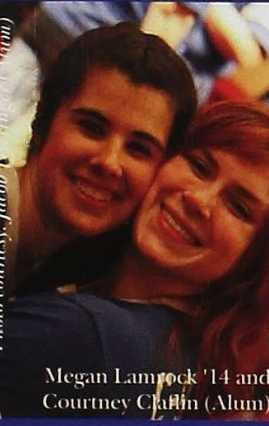


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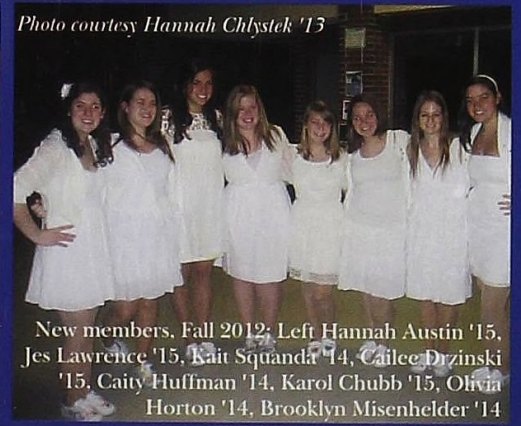


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New members, Fall 2012: Left Hannah Austin '15, Jes Lawrence '15, Kait Squandar '14, Cailee Drzinski '15, Caity Huffman '14, Karol Chubb '15, Olivia Horton '14, Brooklyn Misenhelder '14.

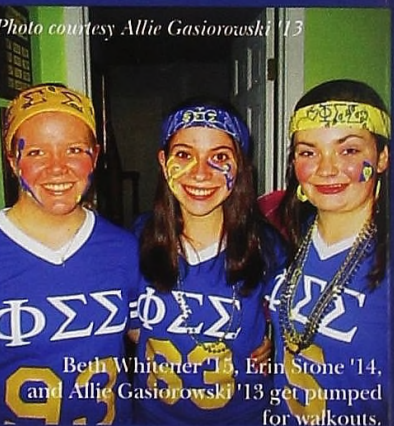


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Beth Whitener '13, Erin Stone '14, and Allie Gasiorowski '13 get pumped for walkouts.



Photo courtesy Teresa Larson '13

The sisters of Phi Sigma Sigma before Bids Bash.



Photo by: Jennifer Stancroff '15

Seniors at winter formal: back row: Olivia Horton, Christina Dionne, Hannah Chlystek, Kait Squandar, Allison Eaton, Jennifer Campfield, Kait Parker, middle row: Janis Rozeveld, Allison Dennis, Allie Gasiorowski, front row: Carrie Frame, Emily Montgomery, Teresa Larson.



Amy Smith '15

Q: What has been your favorite event in Phi Sigma Sigma?
A: My favorite event in Phi Sigma Sigma has to be walkouts when everyone is decked out in sorority gear while supporting individual sororities and intergreek relations by bonding with the rest of the sororities on campus, specifically by wobbling.



Katie Greenough '14

Q: What made you join Phi Sigma Sigma?
A: I went to an all-girls high school. Our class became a family, and in coming to Alma I noticed how much I missed it. Greek life provided me an opportunity to have those tight bonds again. Going through recruitment, the events I looked forward to most were Phi Sig's. Walking into the mass of girls felt right. They shared the same values and accepted me for who I was. I knew I found home.



Photo courtesy: Allie Gasiorowski '13

Senior sisters before walkouts.



Photo courtesy Monique Verhoeven '14

Decorated and ready for walkouts are Rita Mulford '15, Christina Dionne '13, Monique Verhoeven '14, and Brittany Gordon '15.

Zeta Sigma

125 Years of True Sigs

Page by Crystal Snow '16

The original Alma College fraternity celebrated its 125th anniversary in the fall of 2012. The Zeta Sigma colors of green and gold are worn with pride by their members throughout the year and often you can see brothers supporting others at sporting events and other organization events. The men of Zeta Sigma also enjoy helping out with Big Brothers Big Sisters, their philanthropy, and host a can drive for the cause every year as well. This year, Zeta Sigma also made it to the finals in the Inter-Greek basketball playoffs, competing against SAE in the final game. The brothers also welcomed 12 new members into their fraternity.

1. Zeta Sigma sisters Sierra Horton, '14 and Sarah Bauer, '13 support their brothers at runouts.
2. The winter 2013 pledge class after runouts
3. The Zeta Sigma fraternity with sisters and supporters
4. Members of Zeta Sigma in their chapter room, gathered for a formal fraternity event
5. Brad Gostomski, '13 prepares for a pass in a fall football game against TKE.
6. The men of Zeta Sigma in formation as they await new members
7. Seniors Chris Bilski, Brad Gotstomski, Aaron Hollenberg and Grant Isley at runouts
8. The sisters of Zeta Sigma show their love and support at runouts.
9. Grant Isley, '13 and fellow brothers at their flag football game against TKE

"I chose Zeta Sigma because when I first went there all of the brothers sincerely tried to get to know me; after that I knew no matter whether I was to pledge there or not they cared for me. The bonds that we have already made are those made for a lifetime. To me and to the rest of the Sigs, the Zeta Sigma house isn't just a house, it's a home."

Trevor McCready '16



1. Photo courtesy of Sarah Bauer '13



4. Photo courtesy of Sierra Horton '14



5. Photo by Justin Closs, '15



6. Photo Courtesy of Jamie Hiller '15



2. Photo courtesy of Eric Leveille '16



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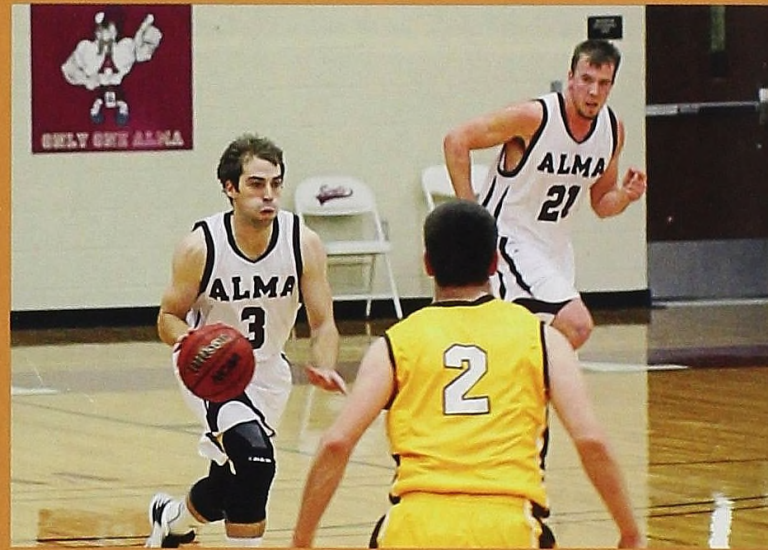
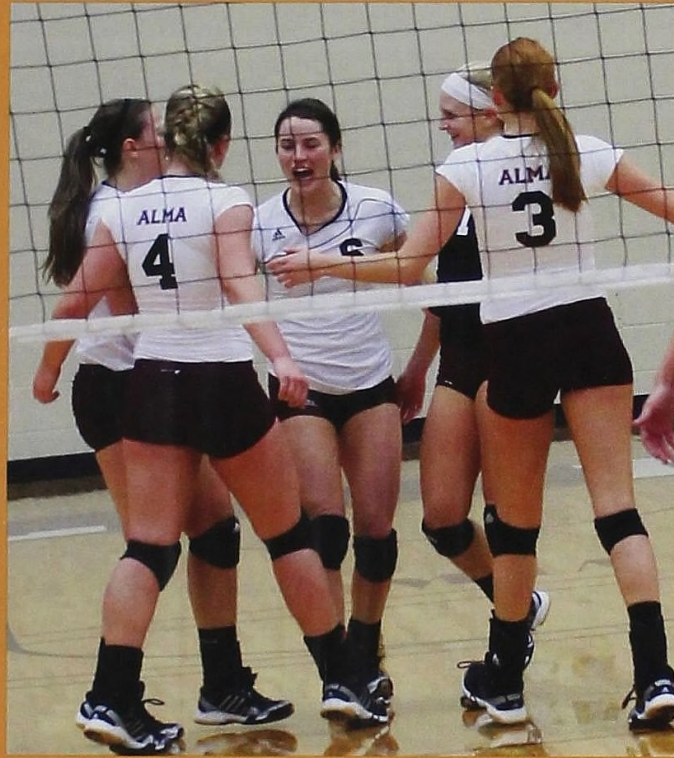


8. Photo courtesy of Sarah Bauer '13



9. Photo by Justin Closs, '15

ALMA SPORTS



(Right): Andrew Funsch '12, Michael Lenneman '12, and Aaron Hahn '12 stand strong after their last game as Alma College football players. They played their last game at Trine University on November 10th 2012.



(Left) Adam Nelson '15 blocks his opposition during the game vs. Adrian College.

(Far Left): Alma College tries to hold their line as Adrian College pushes forward.

(Far Right): Jarrett Leister '13 gets ready to pass.

(Below) Jarrett Leister '13 heads into the game after halftime at the game vs. Adrian College.

(Below) The Scots prepare for the start of play as Matt Scharlow, 13 sets up the ball.

Gridiron Scots

Alma Football Takes to the Field

Page by Cailee Drzinski '15 Photos by Devan Olah '15

For the Scots football team, it was a season of rebuilding and strengthening. While not many games were won, the team gave it their all and never gave up without a fight. They endured many hours of long, hard practices—rain or shine!

"It was a pretty disappointing season, given the all the hard work we had put in. I'm really thankful for the time I got to spend with these seniors, I'm really going to miss them. They put a lot of time and effort into this program, and the underclassmen won't let that be for nothing," said Adam Nelson '15.

Some highlights of the season include getting a new head coach, Greg Pscodna, beating Olivet 20-14, defensive lineman Frank Furnari, '14 being named to the Football All-MIAA Second Team, and Jacob McCombie, '16 being named Special Teams Player of the Week.



Stats

September 1st 2012
Heidelberg University (OH) - 45
@ Alma College - 0

September 15th 2012
Alma College - 21
@ Aurora University (IL) - 24
MIAA/NAC Challenge Series

September 29th 2012
Alma College - 20
@ Olivet College - 14

September 8th 2012
Alma College - 7
@ Illinois Wesleyan University (IL) - 53

September 22nd 2012
Univ. of Wisconsin - Oshkosh (WI) - 70
@ Alma College - 9
Community Day

October 13th 2012
Alma College - 14
@ Hope College - 49

November 3rd 2012
Kalamazoo College - 17
@ Alma College - 13

October 6th 2012
Adrian College - 27
@ Alma College - 3
Homecoming

October 20th 2012
Albion College - 24
@ Alma College - 3

November 10th 2012
Alma College - 27
@ Trine University (IN) - 35

Alma College Cheerleading National Competitors

Page by Nicole Eccles '16
Photos courtesy Lindsey Schmidt '14

Alma College Cheer made significant progress this year by becoming a competitive team that competed at the National's Competition in Florida, earning high scores and a ranking of 9th in the nation. These hard-working Scots practiced and cheered all throughout the football and basketball seasons and on into the spring perfecting their competition routines. They were also one of the first teams in Michigan to participate in the up and coming sport of STUNT, where they were able to showcase their strong technical skills. The team, led by Coach Michelle Sabourin, has had numerous successes and intends to continue to build momentum next year. As Julie Enzenberger '13 says, "It was an amazing year to be part of the inaugural Alma competitive cheer team. I cannot wait to watch the team win a national championship!"

Meet Alma's #1 Fans

Tirrea Billings '16	Jerry Cupples '16	Frances Jackson '14
Ashley Borta '16	Jade Edwards '16	Brittany Leppien '16
Sammy Campbell '16	Lindsay Ford '16	Jaycee Nelson '13
LeeAnne Carr '14	Gwendolyn Greer '14	Sarah Salter '16
Sarah Cox '15	Stacia Holcomb '16	Mary Seals '15
Dorothy Switzer '16	Sydney Vandever '14	Katie Waquist '15
Tia Wilson '16	Julie Enzenberger '13	Coach: Michelle Sabourin



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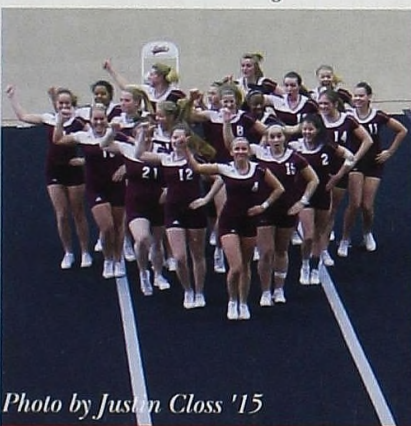
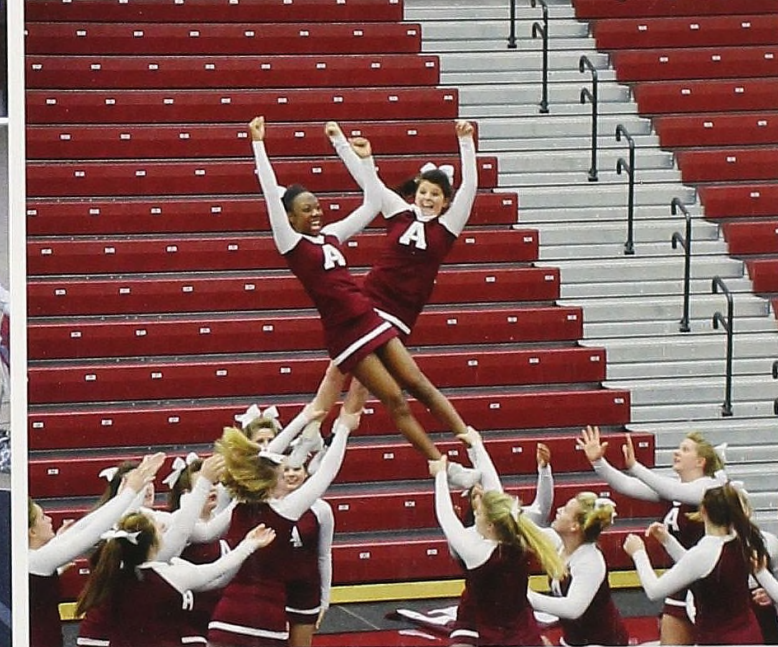
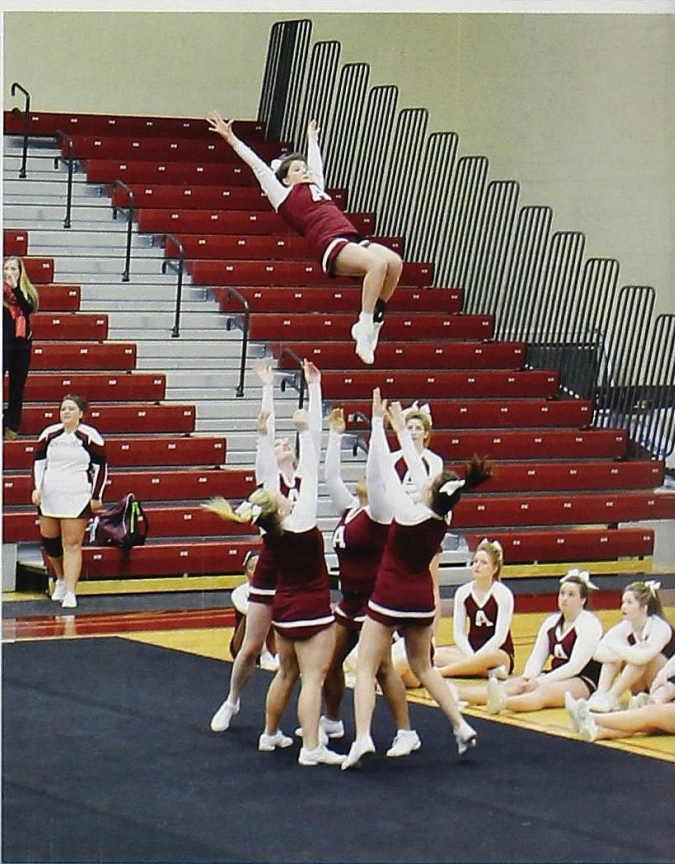


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"I am very proud of how far this team has come. We started out as total strangers coming from all different backgrounds, and were able to come together to form not only a team, but a family. Our coach has believed in us from the start, and with the dedication and love we have for each other and the sport, we were able to qualify for Nationals in Florida and be one of the first teams to start the new sport STUNT. We have built a strong legacy and foundation for future years and teams to come and build off of, and I know we will only get better."

-Mary Seals '15

"This year has been incredible. I have never had a team be so much like a family. We've worked hard together, and have grown together and we have been able to accomplish more than I could have ever expected. I can only imagine where the program will head in the future and I am so very lucky to be a part of such an amazing team."

-Jaycee Nelson '13

Men's Soccer

First to the Ball

Page by Hannah Chlystek '13

This season has been filled with excitement and hard work. The men's soccer team had a strong year, showing signs of improvement. The boys experienced many bonding activities including road trips, video games, and simply just hanging out. This season, the Scots finished with a record of 7-10-1. As Graham Wallace '14 says, "We have won more games this season than any Alma team since 2002. It's a great accomplishment and we hope to keep rebuilding the program." Every practice and game the team is working toward this goal through hard work and dedication.

In Their Own Words

Q: What is your favorite warm-up activity and why?

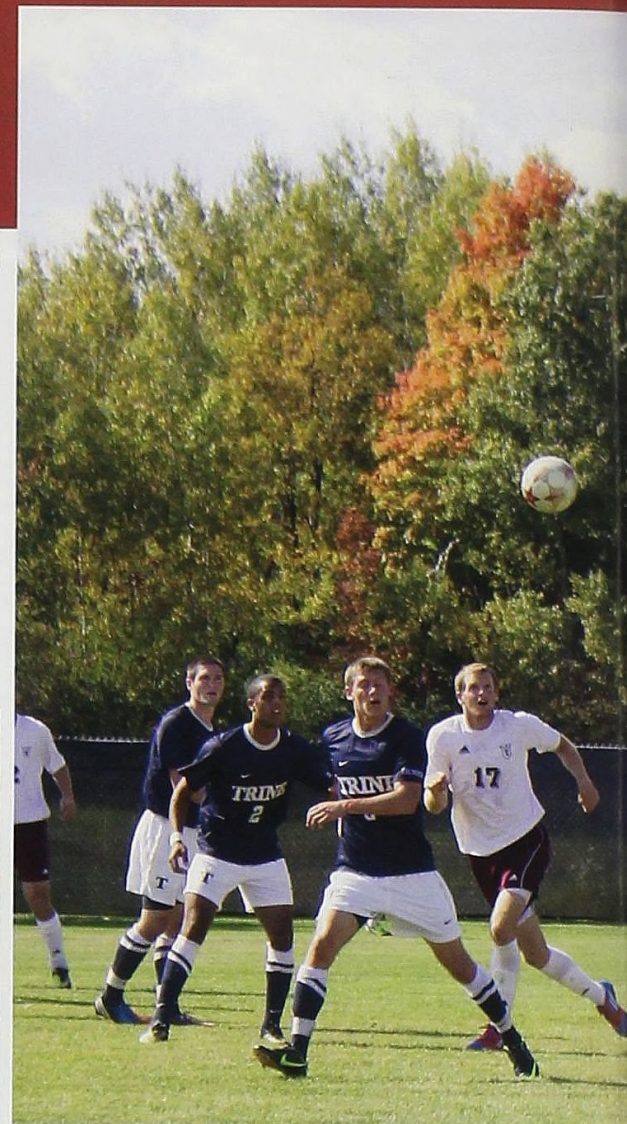
A: "Anything that will make me laugh. If an activity is effective but still fun, it relaxes me".

Graham Wallace '14

Q: What is your favorite position to play?

A: "Center midfield, because it's in the middle of everything so the ball is always running through there and I like to be connected to everyone on the field and every part of the game."

Chad Buitentuius '16



Forward Trae Pitts '15 gets some air after heading a ball upfield to his teammates in a game against Trine University.
Photo by Trent Wiederhold '15



1. Photo by Ashley Esselink '15



2. Photo courtesy of Graham Wallace '14



2. Photo courtesy of Trent Wiederhold



3. Photo by Ashley Esselink '15



4. Photo by Ashley Esselink '15



4. Photo by Ashley Esselink '15

4. As the opposing player goes for the ball, forward Matteo Capicchioni '14 adds pressure to gain possession of the ball.

5. Goalie Graham Wallace '14 dives to block the ball from going in.

6. With pressure from a Trine opponent, Michael Smith '15 manages to move the ball downfield.



Photo courtesy Ryan Kovach '13

The Team

Kyle Hoover
Graham Wallace
Brett Galloway
Tyler Hendershot
Trae Pitts
Jordan Presley
Joonas Kotka
Doug Beckman
Zach Vandever
Chad Buitentuius
Matt Kuberski
Matt Sovis
Nathan Brown
Aaron Bender
John Ulrich
Ryan Kovach
Michael Smith
Jonathon Lavin
David Gettel
Brandon Aldridge

Connor Pace
Jared Niec
Matteo Capicchioni
Max Vanderpool
Julian Birge
Nicolas Camargo
Jake Oberg
Ryan Schoonover
Lukas FeldpanechSam
Lofgren
Isaac Pohlman
Tyler Fitch
Max Bourne
Tyler Bennett
Ken Burns
Brian Eggenberger
Thomas Paron
Jeff Baker
Tyler Fitch
Coach: Josh Oakley

Women's Soccer

Gaining Recognition

Page by Ashley Thornton '15

Hard work and determination never goes unrewarded. The women's soccer team has learned this virtue, as their work has paid off on a national level. This year, the team was ranked 24th in the nation among Division III women's soccer programs. The Scots opened their season with a loss against Washington University by a score of 2-1, however, the ladies then embarked on an eight-game winning streak, gaining victories over quality opponents such as UC Santa Cruz and Calvin College. The team made it to the semi-final round of playoffs where they lost to Hope College, but enjoyed an overall successful season and look to repeat their success next year.



J. Stancroff '15 photo



A. Esselink '15 photo



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"This season was about growing for our team. We brought in some great, young talent and we spent much of this season learning to mesh our different playing styles. This is the closest team that I have ever been on and I would consider this group of girls my family. We are excited and working very hard for a very successful season next year."

Taryn Hanyside '14

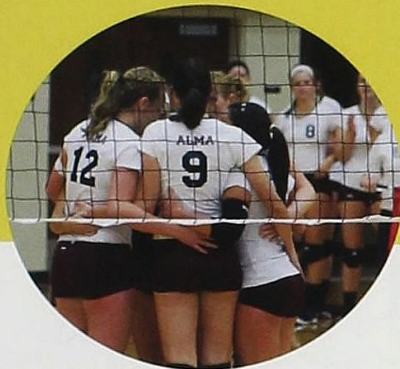
The Team

Agatha Weddle
Allison Smith
Allysen Neumann
Ana Saucedo
Ann Kennedy
Ashley Lewandowski
Ashley Lively
Ashley Oltman
Autumn Root
Brittany Dulyea
Bryn Kittle
Catherine Olson
Danielle Hicks
Danielle Partyka
Jenny McClumpha
Kailey Vlug
Kalya Berinti
Katie Mokosak
Katy Stephan
Kelly Wilson
Lyndsey Malson
Mackenzie Smith
Mallorie Lohman
Mallory Simon
Morgan Waier
Natasha Ivanac
Quinn Huver
Rachel Doptis
Samantha Waldrop
Stephanie Smigiel
Sydney Jones
Taryn Handyside

Head Coach
Jeff Hosler

Assistant Coaches
Missy Jensen
Monica Witt
Annette Stromberg
Sarah Merritt

Team Managers
Cory Essenmacher
Carly Wagonschutz

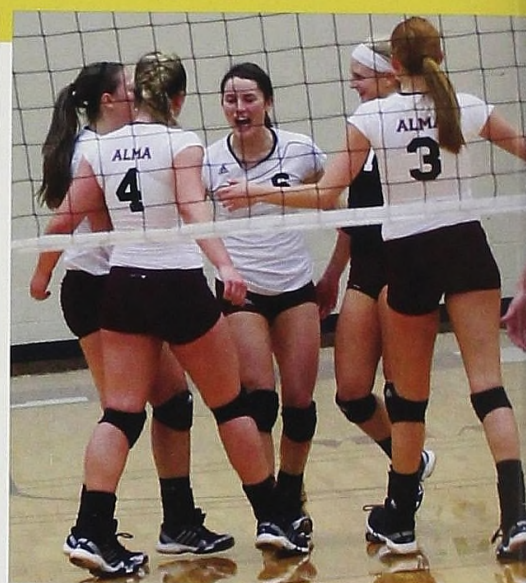


Volleyball

A Season of Passion

Page by Katherine Vaillancourt '16
Photos by Justin Closs '15

The volleyball team began the season with a trip to Dallas, Texas for competition and team bonding this year. Fighting for their position as third in the conference, the volleyball team continued to work hard all season after coming back from Dallas 4-0. They also tried to get fans more involved this season by having a theme for every home match. The girls even made a "Call Me Maybe" video that had over 3,000 hits on YouTube.



"We try to play with confidence and excitement because that's when we win our games."
Rachel Kelley '16

"Volleyball is our escape from the craziness of the day. I always look forward to playing the sport I love with the people I love."
Caroline Stanka '16

Season Record

16-13 overall
9-7 in the conference

Second Team All-MIAA

Rebecca Trosper '14
Lea Klooster '14



“ This is the type of team that everyone wants to have the opportunity to coach. They work hard, get along great both on and off the court, and have a *passion* for the game that shows in their play.

Coach Sarah Dehring

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Taryn McGrew '15
Danae Sietsema '16
Lea Klooster '14
Erika VanHavel '16
Laura Walker '15

Jaycee Cole '14
Kelsee Miles '13
Shelby Alexander '13
Rebecca Trosper '14
Tricia Smith '15

Kelly Maise '14
Tessa Rademacher '15
Katie Bourbonnais '13
Megan Ballantyne '13
Maggie Miller '16

Elisa Hobbs '14
Taylor Cole '15
Hannah Guilford '16
Kayla Muxlow '15
Addie Loftus '16

Logan Rowell '16
Caroline Stanka '16
Haley Henris '16
Rachel Kelley '16
Ali Howe '16

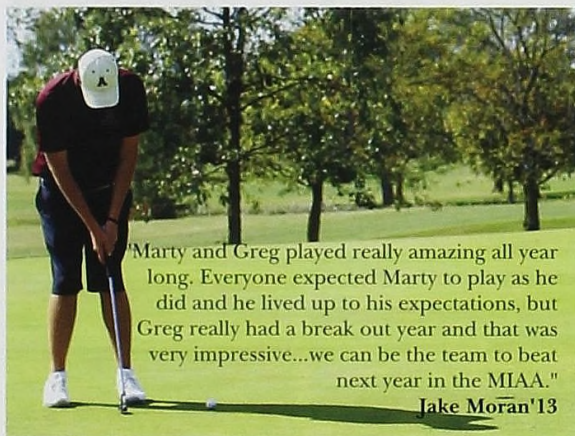
Men's Golf

A Season of Success

Page by Nicole Eccles '16
Photos by Justin Closs '15



The men's golf team held their own this season, starting strong and staying consistent throughout. In their early competitions, they took 2nd, 5th, and 3rd and they would end the season with another 5th place. The men worked hard and showed their talent. Alma sophomore Marty Predmesky was named MIAA Most Valuable Golfer, a great success for him personally and for the team. The team set a solid foundation for next year and will continue with their hard work and dedication.



"Marty and Greg played really amazing all year long. Everyone expected Marty to play as he did and he lived up to his expectations, but Greg really had a break out year and that was very impressive...we can be the team to beat next year in the MIAA."

Jake Moran '13



"Golf is a game of patience and attitude, and our team had both. We came up just on the short end of making the playoffs, but I feel our team really came together and played to the best of our abilities all season."

Greg Silverthorn '12



The Team

Jake Moran '14
Marty Predmesky '15
Dalton Potter '16
Greg Silverthorn '13
Chris Williamson '13



Women's Golf

Building Team Unity

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Photos by Devan Olah '15



"This season was such a great one! We had such a good time as a team and made a lot of great memories!"

Chelsea Erb '14

Pictured left



"We really bonded as a team on our overnight trips and worked hard this year. We were very dedicated."

Danielle Craft '14

Pictured left



The women's golf team gained one new player this season, joining the team's two sophomores, and two juniors. Throughout the season, the women consistently finished 5th or 6th place in their MIAA jamborees and finished the season with a 7th place finish at the MIAA championships, an incredible feat due to the terribly wet and windy weather on the competition days. This season, the team also began wearing ribbons in their hair for tournaments and even managed to get Coach Goffnett to wear one on the back of his hat.

The Team

Anna Burdick '16
Morgan Henry '15
Riley Peters '15
Danielle Craft '14
Chelsea Erb '14



Coach Charlie Goffnett
Photo courtesy of Chelsea Erb

Men's Swim and Dive

Pushing for Success

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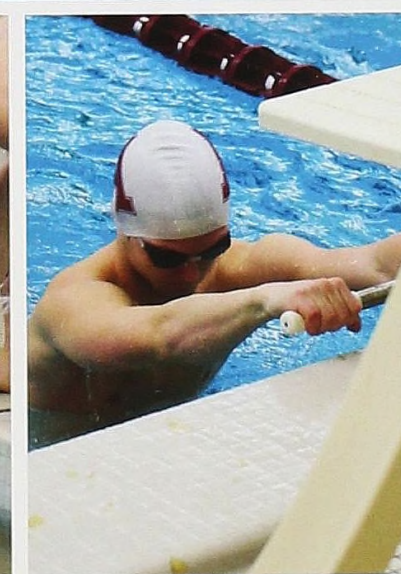
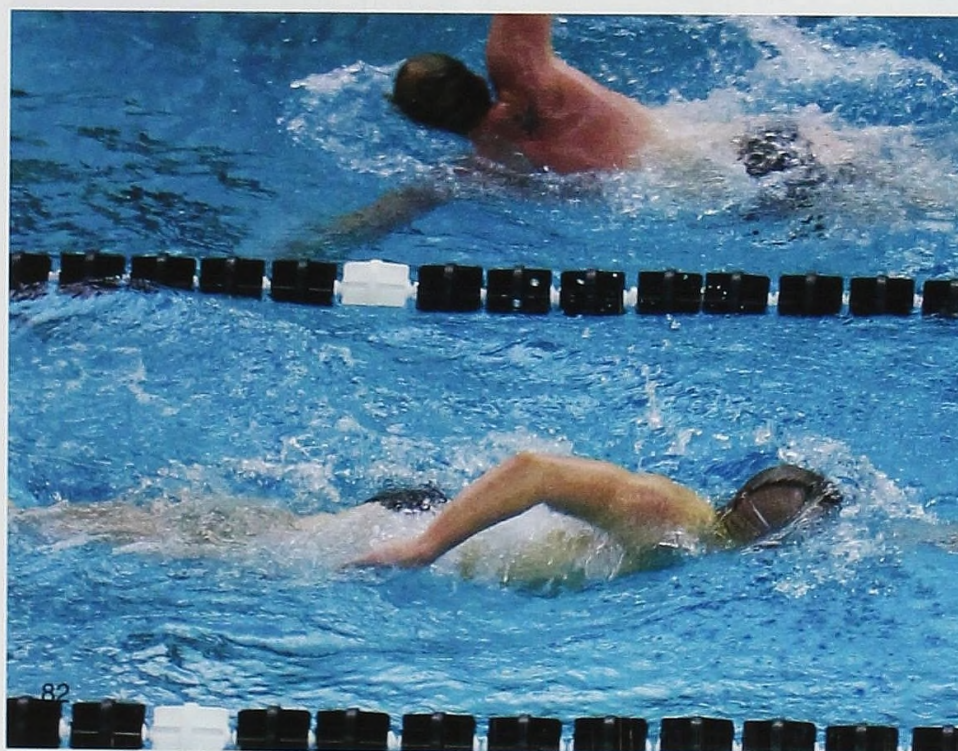
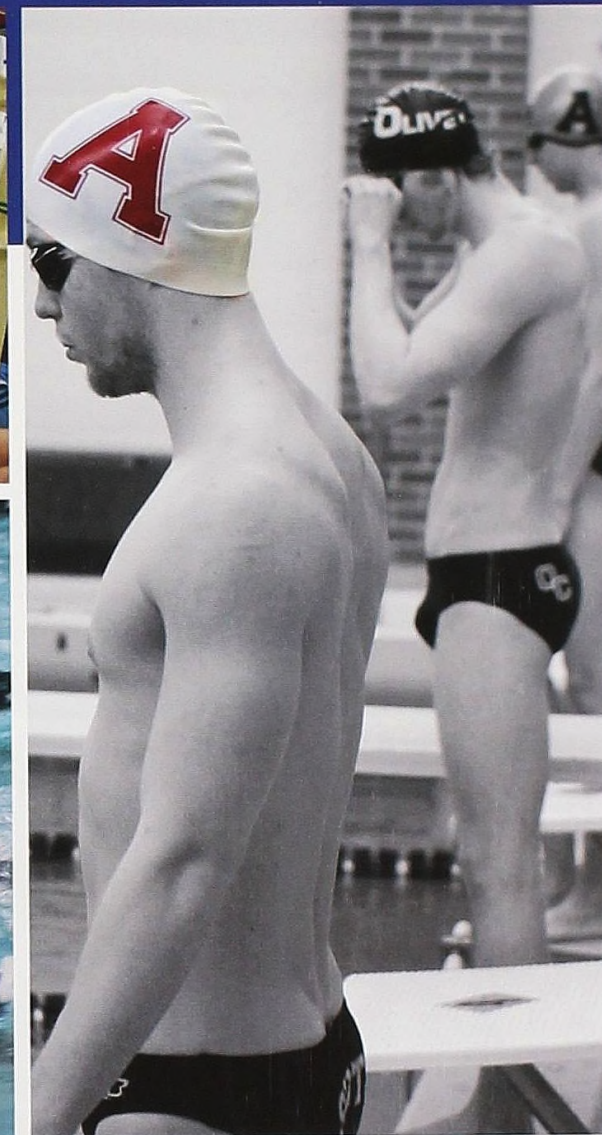
The Alma College Swim team put in long, often early, hours in the pool, the weight room, and at Saga this season. Their successful season record suggests that the team's workouts, if not the copious amounts of food consumed, paid off. Highlights include a 128-17 win against Defiance College and a 149-127 win against Olivet in the last meet of the regular season. The Scots also secured the Union Jack Trophy from rival Albion College after defeating the Britons 146-129 in November. The team pushed through eight meets, saw wins and losses, broke records, and placed 6th at the MIAA meet. The dedication and practice put in by each member was the secret to this team's success and the team will no doubt come back just as strong and determined next season.

Meet the Team

Raymond Antel '16	Christopher Hall '16	John MacLellan '16
Daniel Biggs '15	Sean Hardie '15	Ian Moore '15
Ben Brow '14	Kaleb Hebert '14	Kurtis Smith '16
Lucas Bui '16	Adam Karson '14	Derek Stefanovsky '16
David Case '14	Cody Kayser '15	Heath Thornton '14
Carson Crabill '15	TJ Koehler '16	

Records Broken in 2012-2013

Record	Broken By
100 Free	David Case
200 Free	Daniel Biggs
500 Free	Daniel Biggs
200 Breaststroke	Ian Moore
200 IM	Daniel Biggs
400 IM	Daniel Biggs
400 Medly Relay	TJ Koehler Ian Moore Daniel Biggs David Case
200 Free Relay	Heath Thornton David Case Daniel Biggs Carson Crabill
400 Free Relay	Daniel Biggs David Case Heath Thornton Cody Kayser



"This year has gone pretty well. We didn't swim quite as well as we would have liked at our conference meet, but many people still had good swims with many new records. The year turned out quite well altogether."

-Daniel Biggs '15

"The season was a lot of fun. The team bonded more this year than in years past. We had a very successful conference meet, breaking multiple records, and we managed to keep a positive attitude instead of wanting to kill each other."

-Kaleb Hebert '14

Women's Swim and Dive *Setting Records*

Page by Hannah Chlystek '13

The women's swimming and diving team had an exceptional season this year, as many team members set records and placed well in a number of their events. Miranda Anderson '14, set an Alma record for fastest 500, 1000, and 1650 meter freestyle times, while Clare Porzondek '14 earned inclusion in Alma College's Top 10 50 meter freestyle records, while Brooke Peterson '15, Kendall Cox '15, and Jaclyn Shetterly '16, Carrie Berkompas '16 and Victoria Bishop '13 also earned Top 10 spots in various categories. Miranda Anderson '14 and Jaclyn Shetterly '16 were recognized as All-MIAA athletes for their outstanding performances this season.



1. Members of the Women's Swim and Dive team are all smiles as they enjoy a break during a home meet. *Photo courtesy Emily Myers '14* 2. Chelsea Hicks '13 demonstrates great form in a complex dive at a home meet. *Photo by Justin Closs '15* 3. Two Alma swimmers ready themselves for the start of a race against Olivet. *Photo by Justin Closs '15* 4. Emily Meyers '14 in deep concentration as she prepares herself for the start of a race *Photo by Justin Closs '15* 5. Carrie Berkompas competes with intensity during a breaststroke race. *Photo by Justin Closs '15*



Meet the Team

Miranda Anderson '14	Rebecca Fink '14	Mariah Nawrot '14	Katherine Vargas '14
Megan Begeman '16	Chelsea Hicks '13	Brooke Peterson '15	Jacquelynn Voisin '16
Chelsea Bennett '15	Riley Hubbard '15	Paige Pontious '16	Stephanie Weir '16
Carrie Berkompas '16	Ashley Hurt '14	Claryce Porzondek '14	Head Coach: Chris Hamstra
Victoria Bishop '16	Megan Miller '16	Hannah Schroeder '16	Assistant Coach: Dan Gardner
Kendall Cox '15	Emily Myers '14	Jaclyn Shetterly '16	Diving Coach: Steve Rose
Hannah Estes '16	Sarah Najera '13	Taylor Thomas '16	Team Manager: Riley Hubbard



"Right before a meet I normally listen to pump up music and I talk to my dad. Since he was a swimmer his entire life, he knows a lot about swimming and he can always calm me down whenever I get nervous about one of my events."
-Hannah Schroeder '16



"At the beginning of the season, we had a barbecue at Coach Hamstra's house. Throughout the season, we do have the occasional pasta party get together and movie night with the team."
-Kendall Cox '15



"My favorite dive on 3 meter is the inward dive pike. My favorite dive on 1 meter is the back somersault one and a half twists."
-Rebecca Fink '14



"I enjoy the first meet of the season, (the relay meet) because it is always fun to be part of relays and because it was my first meet. I did not know how swim meets worked here in the USA and I got very confused. Then I would say MIAA—even though it was the hardest of all—I had the chance to swim events I never swam at home before, and I was impressed with the level from the other teams."
-Sarah Najera '13

Running for Glory

ACXC brings their training to the line

Senior team members are often faced with mixed feelings as the season comes to a close. "I feel that Dr. Seuss's quote 'Don't cry because it's over. Smile because it happened,' sums this season up really well for me. This is my last year and I am sad that it is over, but I know that next year my team will be even better and I wouldn't change a thing; these past 4 years have been the best of my life so far and I feel really grateful that I had a chance to be able to run with my team," Natalya Drummond '13 remarked.



Jacob Lee '15



Jordan Stanick '16



Coach Ryan, Adam Sanchez '16, & Coach Chovanec



Kathryn Tuski '15

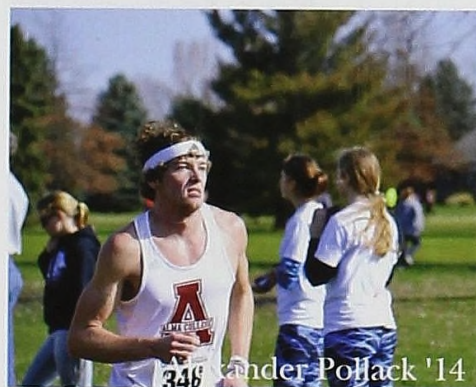
The Team

Brent Buchholz
Nicholas Butcher
Zach Caverley
Jared Kilpatrick
Garrett Lacey
Jacob Lambrecht
Zach Langenburg
Tyler Larson
Jacob Lee
Trevor McCready
Kristopher Maurer
Max Morrison
Jamey Paron
Alex Pollack
Adam Sanchez
Charles Stack
Tyler Yascolt
Ryan Weaver

Camila Buchholz
Rose Deren
Natalya Drummond
Kara Giles
Misty Godley
Danielle Harm
Julie Helm
Robin Morrison
Brittany Noblin
Jennifer Pearson
Anna Sall
Jordan Stanick
Jillian Thompson
Kathryn Tuski
Ann Wittbrodt

Coach: Gordie Aldrich

The Alma College Men's and Women's Cross Country team both set high goals for themselves this season. With these goals in mind, the teams went out and attacked the season head on. At their first meet, the women placed 3rd out of 9 finishing behind Calvin and Hope. The men placed 5th out of 8 teams. The women's team walked away from their final meet with a 9th place finish out of 33 teams at Regionals, the highest they have ever placed, and the men took home a 21st place out of 37 teams. Seniors Garrett Lacy and Julie Helm led their respective teams this year, as they both were named to the First-Team All MIAA and the All-Regional Team. Junior Anna Sall was also named to the All-Regional Team this year. "I was a part of a good, hardworking group of guys. This was my favorite season thus far, and its cool to see everyone try and raise the bar every year," said Zach Caverley '13. Kara Giles, '16 also felt that the team made positive accomplishments this season. "It was so great to be a part of such an awesome team. We achieved so much and I can't wait to see what happens next year," Giles said.



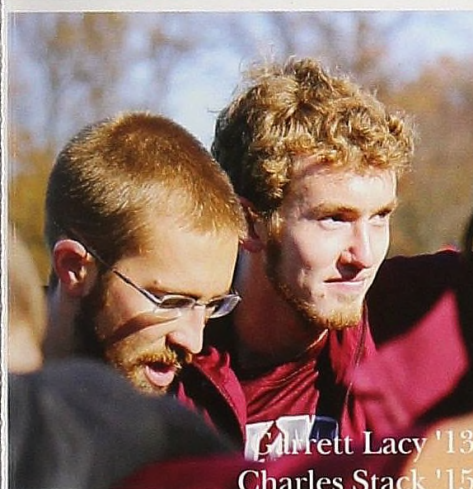
Alexander Pollack '14



Julie Helm '13



Jennifer Pearson '13, Kara Giles '16, & Misty Godley '15



Garrett Lacy '13
Charles Stack '15



Natalya Drummond '13



Ann Wittbrodt '15



Garrett Lacy, '13



Kris Maurer '15

Men's Basketball

Getting Stronger and Tougher

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Photos by Devan Olah '15

This season marked the second year of the Scot's program-building process. Consisting of a good mix of solid upperclassmen and talented freshmen, the team had a successful year despite their 9-16 record. The team's ball handling skills, perimeter shooting and chemistry sets them apart, as well as their motivation to work hard all the time. Highlights of the season include Greg Silverthorn '13 earning his 1000th career point and a season sweep against league foe Albion. As senior Greg Silverthorn states of his team, "Great team to be a part of, had a lot of fun, and I'm going to miss playing with all of them!"

"I would say my favorite memory of the season was at Albion when we won by one point on a buzzer beater."
-Jake Murawske '14



- 1. Greg Silverthorn '13 looks to make a play near the top of the key.
- 2. Dustin DeShais '13 gets some air as he goes up for a shot.
- 3. Brian Sheridan '13 works to break past an opposing defender and drive to the basket.
- 4. Chris Williamson '13 takes the ball down the court with Brian Sheridan '13 right behind.
- 5. Brandon Krause '14 passes the ball across court to a teammate.
- 6. Kyle Benthem '16 looks to the basket as he prepares to make a shot.

November 5th
Alma 43
Indiana-Purdue Ft. Wayne 71

November 17
Alma 49
Wheaton 76

November 25
Alma 69
Heidelberg 66

December 1
Alma 75
Baldwin-Wallace 73

December 15
Alma 74
Spring Arbor 65

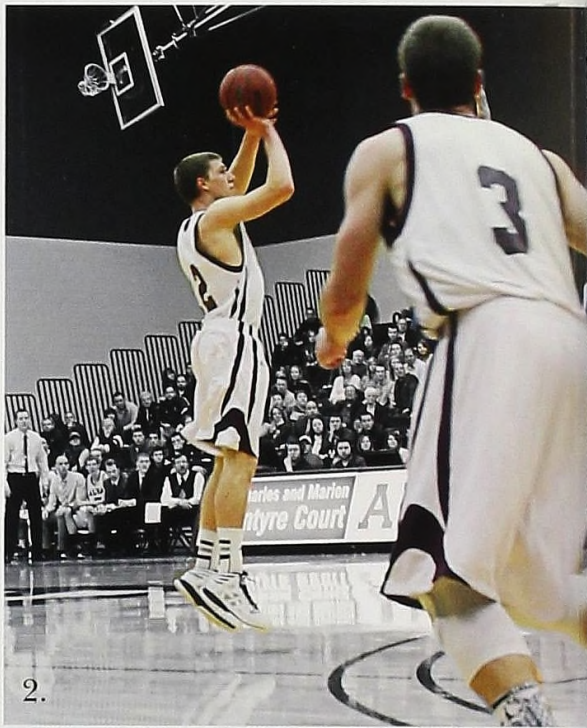
November 16
Alma 73
Capital (Ohio) 83

November 24
Alma 71
Ohio Northern 99

November 28
Alma 60
Defiance 76

December 8
Alma 71
Oberlin 57

December 28
Alma 78
University of Chicago 75



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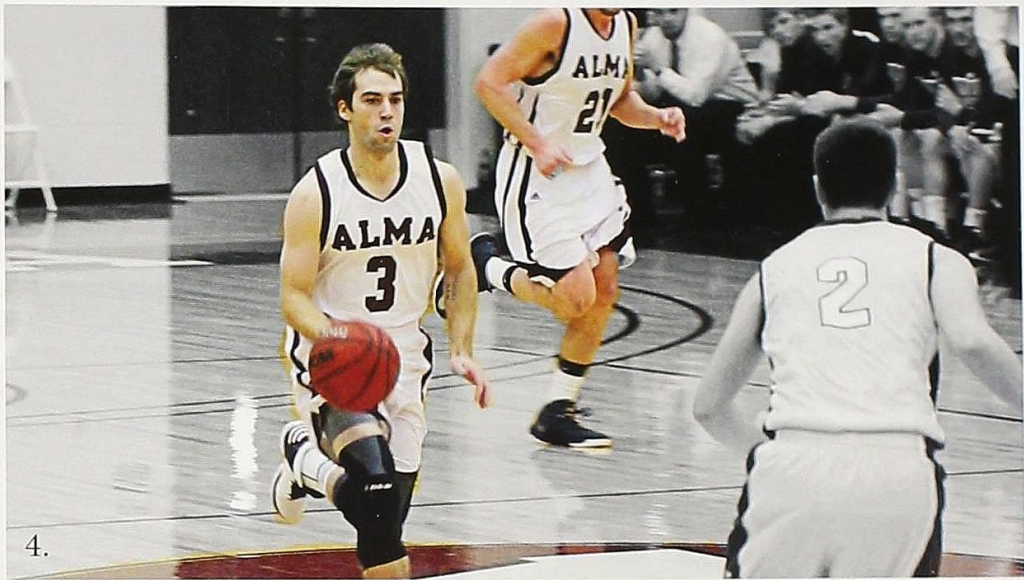
The Team 2012-2013

0	Isiah Law	'14
2	Dustin DeShais	'13
3	Chris Williamson	'13
4	Greg Silverthorn	'13
5	Caleb VanTimmeren	'13
11	Brandon Krause	'14
12	DJ Beckman	'16
15/42	Teddy Snowden	'14
21	Brian Sheridan	'13
23	Scott Nikodemski	'16
25	Kyle Benthem	'16
30	Sean Clancy	'14
32	Jake Murawske	'14
33	Ivy Johnson	'16
34	Kyle Aho	'14
52	Troy Gahm	'16

Head coach: Samuel Hargraves



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“ This season I had a lot of fun, all my teammates were great and we played well together. I will miss all the seniors a lot, and I'm looking forward to next season. My favorite memories of the year were taking trips to Chicago and Cleveland, and beating some very good teams in Baldwin Wallace and the University of Chicago.
-Brandon Krause '14
2nd Team All-Conference ”



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January 3
Alma 69
Hope 83

January 16
Alma 73
Adrian 74

January 23
Alma 92
Kalamazoo 66

January 30
Alma 68
Trine University 81

February 6
Alma 66
Calvin 90

February 13th
Alma 56
Albion 55

January 12
Alma 86
Olivet 63

January 19
Alma 78
Albion 76

January 26
Alma 74
Hope 92

February 2
Alma 76
Olivet 80

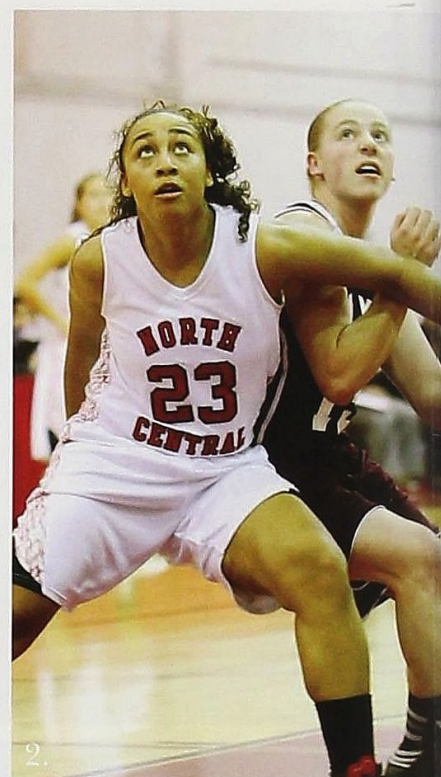
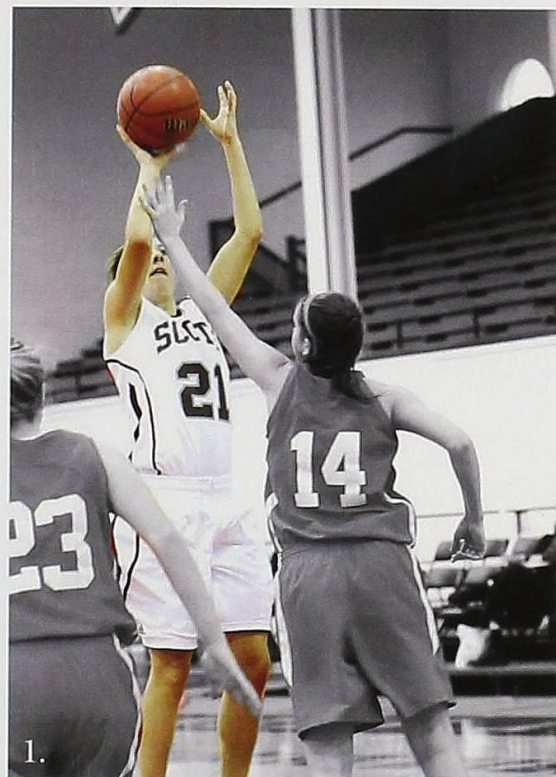
February 9
Alma 65
Adrian 70

February 16th
Alma 68
Kalamazoo College 80

Women's Basketball

S.W.A.G.

The Alma College Women's Basketball team made an impact this season when they positioned themselves to be in contention for fourth in the league. With just four seniors, the team made a strong showing in the MIAA conference, while laying great foundations in the program for years to come. One season highlight was the traditional Pink Day game, in support of Breast Cancer Awareness week, in which the Alma College women defeated St. Mary's College. Coach Brown's own diagnosis of breast cancer served as an inspiration for the team and campus.



"I think we had a really great season! We played well together as a team and we will definitely improve a lot over the next few years. I am very excited to be a part of building up this program and for what my last three years at Alma have in store for my team and I."

-Kassidi Adams '16

Season Record

Overall 8-17
Conference 6-10

"My favorite part about the Alma College Women's Basketball program is that the girls on the team really make it worthwhile and you create great friendships that will last beyond the season."

-Alyssa Adams '14

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Vaillancourt '16
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Diana Deerfield

"The Alma College Women's Basketball team is made up of women who play with Strength, Willingness, Attitude, and Guts. (S.W.A.G.) Like most teams we had our ups and downs throughout the season, however we stuck together to fight each battle. This program has grown immensely through the leadership of the coaching staff, lead by Coach Brown, and was even ranked 4th place in the MIAA for part of the season. We are now a respected team and a force to be reckoned with."

-Olivia Bishop '13



The Team

Kassidi Adams '16
Sarah Stinson '14
Denton Votzke '16
Courtney Waara '16
Mallory Pruett '15
Stephanie Faller '13
Olivia Bishop '13
Grace Wheeler '15
Danielle Hicks '13
Bailey Gooding '14
Mary Schlicher '14
Faith Weier '16
Logan Rowell '16
Brittney Deerfield '14
Raeanna Zink '16
Head Coach:
Keisha Brown
Assistant Coaches: Ashley
Wellman, Shonda Long,
Camille Ramsey

1. Danielle Hicks '13 goes up for a shot.

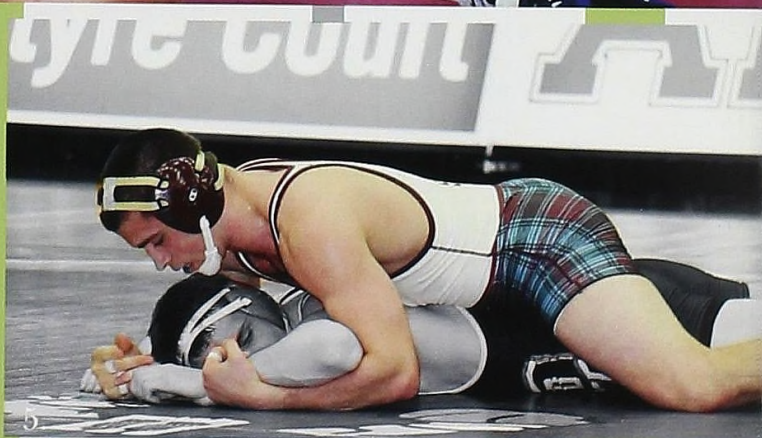
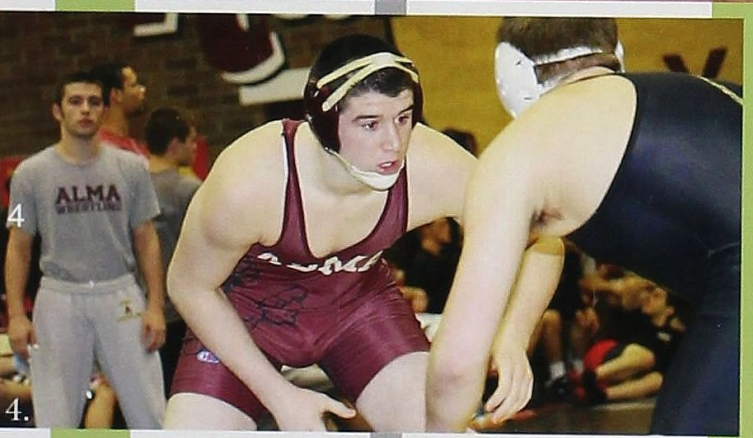
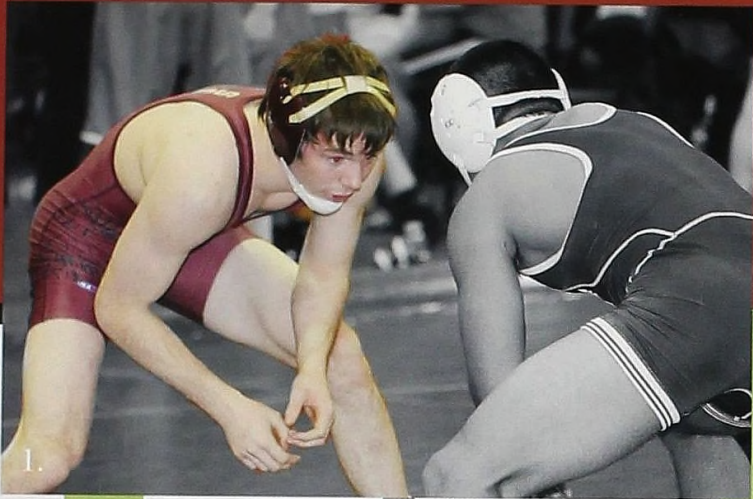
2. Olivia Bishop '13 gets aggressive on offense against a North Central opponent.

3. Bailey Gooding '14 on defense.

4. Mary Schlicher '14 aims for the basket.

5. The ladies come together in a team huddle during a game.

6. Grace Wheeler '15 drives to the basket despite pressure from a Lakeland opponent.

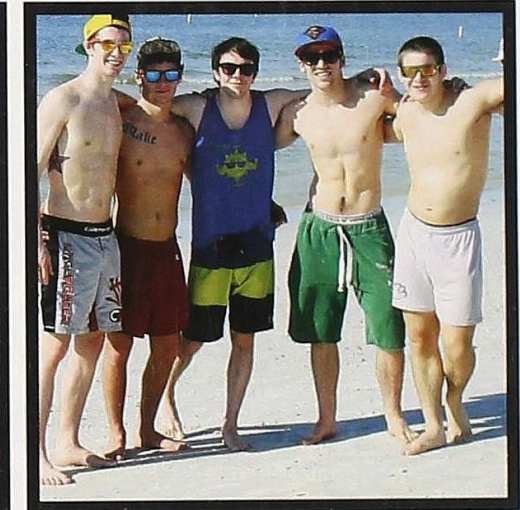
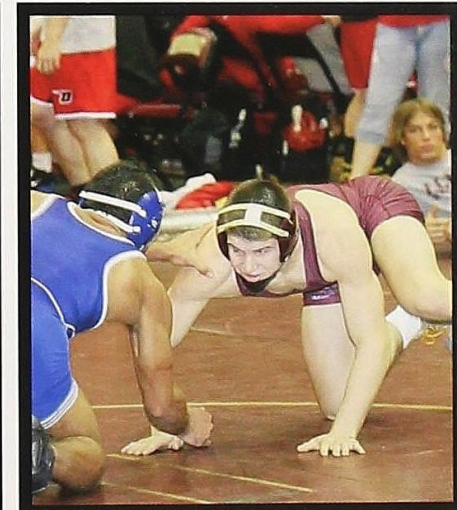


Men's Wrestling

Grapplers Make Big Impressions

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 Ley, and Lisa Huff

Though this year's wrestling team was comprised of forty men, only two individuals were upperclassmen. However, this young team was still a force to be reckoned with on the mat, finishing the season with a 10-7-1 record. They lifted countless sets of weights and trained numerous hours to become the best grapplers they could. The team traveled to Fort Meyers, Florida in December for some team bonding and competition against a number of teams. Additionally, the tartan singlet was unveiled this season, which the team wore during their match against Olivet. The Scots won the match 16-15, and continued their winning streak when they hosted the Mid-States Championships and won by over 30 points. Four Scots walked away as their weight class champions: Tyler Foley '15, Matt Tuttle '15, Drew Barnes '16, and Adam Robinson '16. The team then battled hard at Regionals, where six of the top thirteen in the nation competed, and ended up taking 8th place. This season's captains were Collin Lesko '15, Tyler Foley '15, and Jared Groeneveld '15.



"I'm really proud of my team, we surpassed a lot of expectations for the team as a second year program and we are only going to keep getting better. Look for us to be a top contender in the nation for the next few years."

-Brock Neeson '15

Conference
Record
4 - 2

Total Pins
110

Season Record
10 - 7 - 1

1. Caleb Huff '16 reads his opponent as he plans his next move.
2. The team poses after winning the Mid-States Championships.
3. Tyler Foley '15 works to take down his opponent on the mat.
4. Trevor Maresh '16 concentrates on his next move.
5. Drew Barnes '16, sports the tartan singlet as he works to dominate and secure a pin against his Olivet opponent.

Track and Field

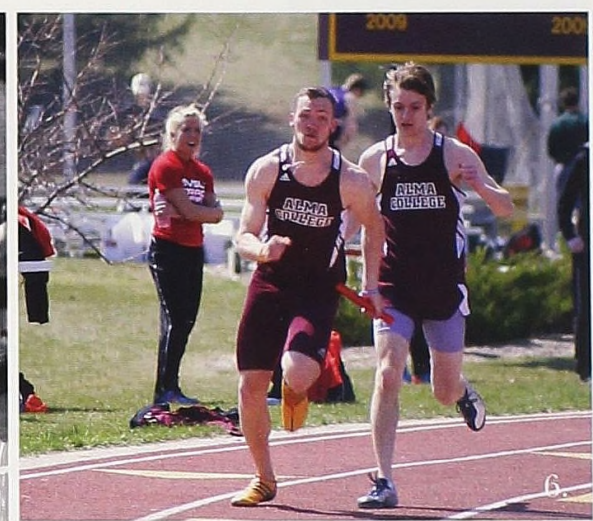
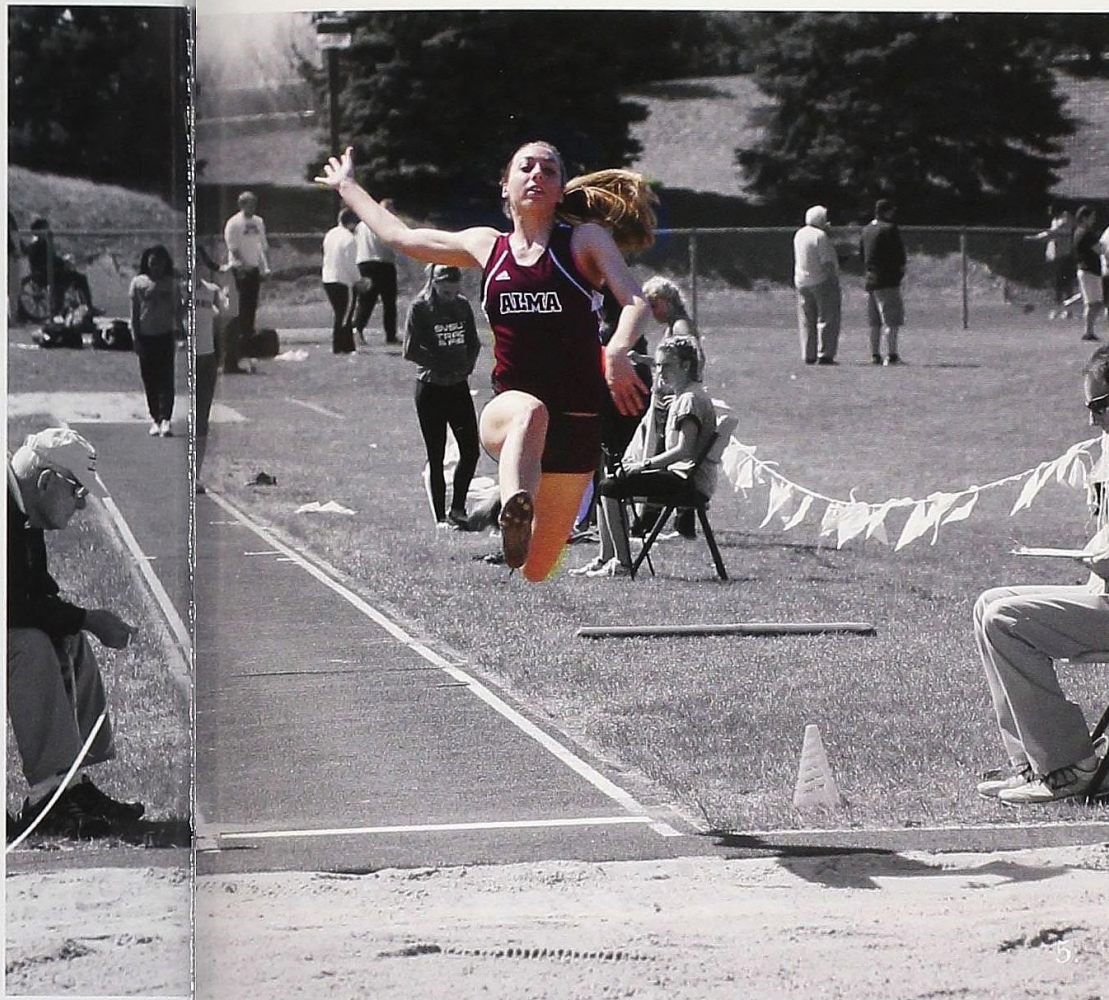
Going the Distance

Photos by Justin Closs '15

The Alma Track and Field team certainly made strides this season. The team finished strong in competition and a number of Scots were recognized individually for their achievements. The Scots were able to showcase their talents at the MIAA Jamboree hosted at Olivet College on April 13th, where Austin Rodriguez '16 and Barak Henderson '13 took first in their events for the men's team and Payton Lupu '14, Ashley Halm '15, Blair Secord '15, and Lauren Steinhurst '14 earned top scores in their events for the women's team. At the MIAA Field Day hosted by Hope College on May 2nd, four Scots walked away with first place finishes. Mary Chambers '15 earned first place in the 400 meter dash, Blair Secord '15 took the top score for women's shot put, Austin Rodriguez '16 secured first in the men's long jump competition, and Austin Westmoreland '14 walked away with a win in the men's javelin throw. Overall, the women's team earned third place while the men's team came in sixth. Five Scots were also recognized for their success during the track and field season after being named to the MIAA All-Track and Field Team: Mary Chambers '15, Blair Secord '15, Payton Lupu '14, Austin Westmoreland '14, and Austin Rodriguez '16. Overall, the team witnessed significant growth in performance this season. "As a senior I've been able to see the progression of this team over the past four years and it's impressive how much our team has improved. We're now placing first and second at meets and are ranked third in the MIAA conference. Alma is building a strong reputation," stated four-year track member Jennifer Pearson '13. The Scots were led this season by Coach Gordie Aldrich.

The Team

Jon Bricker	Trevor McCready	Rose Deren
Brent Bucholz	Jake Miller	Natalya Drummond
Anthony Cappucilli	Talon Morris	Kara Giles
Zachary Caverley	Blake Padget	Misty Godley
Aaron Davis	Thomas Paron	Jessica Gonzales
Chris Dickman	Jeremy Patterson	Ashley Halm
Connor Edwards	Alexander Pollock	Julie Helm
Joey Endres	Austin Rodriguez	Payton Lupu
Taylor Foster	Adam Sanchez	Chelsea Mertz
Shannon Geren	David Slusser	Kala Mitchell
William Germain	Tomas Smith	Shelby Niedwiecki
Logan Goins	David St. Pierre	Tracy Oberle
Andrew Kenger	Charlie Stack	Jennifer Pearson
Nick Kissel	Ryan Weaver	Abbi Remchuk
Jared Kilpatrick	Austin Westmoreland	Logan Rowell
Garrett Lacy	Donovan Williams	Anna Sall
Jacob Lambrecht	Tyler Yascolt	Blair Secord
Zach Langenburg	John Young	Jordan Stanick
Tyler Larson	Olivia Bishop	Lauren Steinhurst
Jacob Lee	Devon Brisbon	Lane Thompson
Jay Lindgren	Camila Bucholz	Kathryn Tuski
Brenden Listh	Mary Chambers	Abby Witham
Kristopher Maurer	Samantha Coykendall	Ann Wittbrodt
Mike Maxwell	Amanda Crannick	



1. Zach Caverley '13 hits his stride during a distance event. *Photo courtesy Kathryn Tuski '15*
2. Misty Godley '15 charges ahead through water in the steeplechase event. *Photo courtesy Kathryn Tuski '15*
3. A Scot gives it all he has as he readies himself for a javelin throw. *Photo courtesy Kathryn Tuski '15*
4. Jared Kilpatrick '13 competes in a distance event. *Photo courtesy Kathryn Tuski '15*
5. Shelby Niedwiecki '16 attempts to go the distance during her long jump event.
6. Tyler Yascolt '15 gives it all he has after receiving the baton from a fellow Scot in a relay event.
7. Abby Witham '13 clears the bar during her pole vault event.
8. Focused and determined, Nick Kiessel '16 races to finish line.
9. Kathryn Tuski '15 tackles a hurdle during a meet at Central Michigan University.

Men's Lacrosse

Young, and Eager for Victory

Photos courtesy Katlyn Chitwood '14

The Alma College Men's Lacrosse team faced a tough season this year, ending with a 3-12 record. However, this was only the team's second official season and the players were all underclassmen. The Scots worked with devotion and determination throughout the year to gain a competitive edge against their opponents, and earned victories against Wilmington College, Milwaukee College, and Bethany College 7-5, 22-4 and 11-7, respectively. As Casimer Straszinski '15 states of the season, "We started off as a team and ended up as a family—one of the greatest groups of guys I've ever been around." The Scots were led by head coach Jason Levesque. Notable performances from players include freshman Jonathan Lindback's 18 goals and 9 assists and freshman Kyle Schnitzer's 12 goals and 8 assists. Freshman Al Lesperance was recognized with an MIAA Player of the Week honor for his goalkeeping play.



The Team

Tyler Bennett '15	Nick Schuster '16
Brayden Fischer '15	Sam Korbel '16
Isaiah Colmore '16	Jason Kraub '16
Eddie Robbins '16	Jonathan Lindback '16
Marshall Argenta '16	Alex Rifat '16
Alex Novak '15	Daric Mueller '15
Casimer Stryzinski '15	Stephan Salceda '16
David Foster '16	Kyle Schnitzer '16
Al Lesperance '16	Austin Ballor '16
Justin Saxman '16	Joe Rimbo '16
Brett Hutcheon '15	Luke Knickerbocker '16

Women's Lacrosse

Making History



Page by Brittney Cole '13
The Alma College Women's Lacrosse team finished their second season as a varsity sport with a record of 16-3. "The season went phenomenally. Our team chemistry is outstanding and I believe the outcome of our season reflects our dedication, discipline, and improvement from last season," said Mary Harwood '13. This was the team's first season in the MIAA, and they made it to the MIAA Championship game losing to number one seed Adrian, 17 to 6. "Alma College Women's Lacrosse may be a team to the Alma campus, but to each other we are family. Winning in the first round of the first MIAA-sponsored women's lacrosse tournament as a second-year program was an amazing moment. I will never forget celebrating that moment with my teammates, friends and family," said Mary Harwood '13. The team spent everyday practicing together and it really paid off. "The season exceeded my expectations in every way. We were competitive and the team blended together effortlessly. Team dynamics were awesome. We are all very different which actually works to our advantage, we all get along. I could not be any prouder of this team and making it to the final game just proved to us that our hard work paid off," said Stephanie Herman '14.



The Team

Mary Harwood Sr. 1
Tracy Gallihugh So. 2
Stephanie Herman Jr. 3
Ashton Street Fr. 4
Addy Duffy So. 5
Emma Patmore So. 7
Jaelyn Shetterly Fr. 8
Danielle Harm Fr. 9
Caroline Stanka Fr. 10
Allison Soboleski So. 14
Emily Reverman Fr. 15
Brittney Cole Sr. 21
Sydney Bryce So. 24
Miranda Anderson Jr. 26
Christie Havrilla Sr. 28



Game, Set, Match

Alma Men Compete with Skill

Page design and pictures by Jillian Thompson '14

This men's tennis team may not have a winning record this year, finishing with an overall record of 6-15 and a conference record of 2-4, but they still managed to remain competitive. "We were very competitive in our conference and came close to a lot of big wins but fell short in some of the important ones, coming in fourth for the conference," Josh Gove '14 said. Freshman Jared Guy stepped up to playing at the collegiate level and helped the team score some wins within the season. Gordon Rumschlag '14 looked positively toward his own individual progress throughout the season. "My favorite individual match was against Augustana. It was in Florida under the lights and it was the best I have ever played in my life. I had so much fun during that match," Rumschlag said. The team has a positive attitude toward next season and plans to continue improving until they become one of the most competitive teams in the conference. "We all had positive attitudes about this season and are looking forward to next year. We are gaining new freshmen and are slated to be in the top three of the conference and take down some big name wins," Gove said.



Team Roster

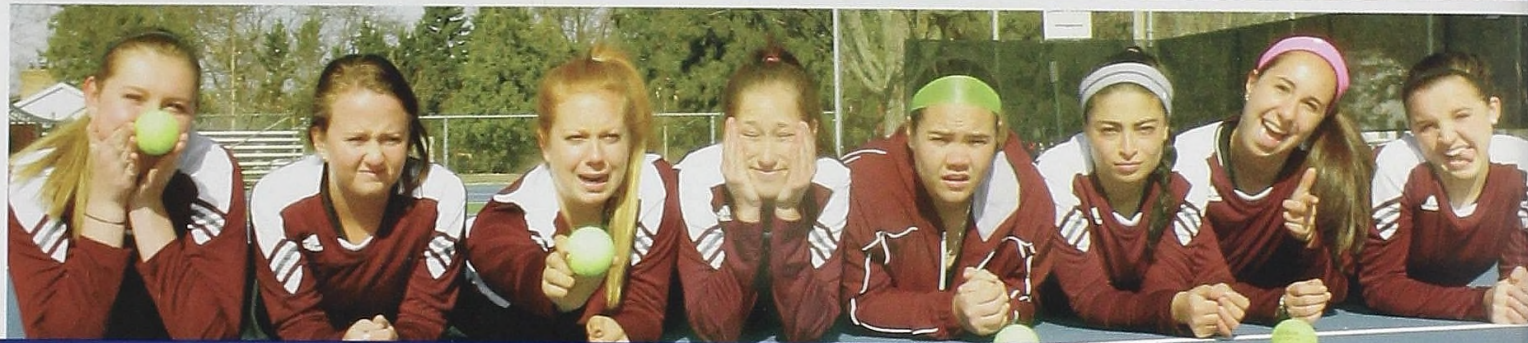
Chad Barnhart '15
 Logan Beard '15
 Joshua Gove '14
 Jared Guy '16
 Travis Long '15
 Trent Pontious '15
 Sam Reedy '15
 Gordon Rumschlag '14
 Philip Ryskamp '14
 Head Coach: Chris Sandro

1. Trent Pontious '15 sends a serve across the net.
2. Logan Beard '15 fires a shot back with intensity.
3. Jared Guy '16 awaits his opponent's return shot.
4. Travis Long '15 and Sam Reedy '15 give each other a high five during a match.
5. Gordon Rumschlag '14 anticipates his opponent's next move.
6. Josh Gove '14 consults with a fellow teammate on the court.
7. Working as teammates, Logan Beard '15 and Trent Pontious keep each other's spirits up on the court.
8. In ready position, Trent Pontious '15 awaits a serve.
9. Chad Barnhart '15 prepares to serve.



Women's Tennis

Camaraderie and Continuity



Page by Katherine Vaillancourt '16
Photos courtesy Katie Meloche '13

"A season highlight for me was Florida because it was a great time for the team to get closer with each other. I think that we have a strong team because everyone works hard and well together."

-Nicki Malekadeh '16

"We had a young team this year and everyone worked hard to meet the goals we set for ourselves. I am excited to continue to work hard in the next year to set ourselves up for success."

-Lauren Moreau '14

"I would say that the year overall was an adjustment. We had a lot of new teammates join yet we still grew together and won some great matches. We swept three teams in Florida and also beat Calvin College for the first time in at least 20 years."

-Katie Meloche '13

The Team

Maragret Miller '16
Nicki Malekadeh '16
Katie Meloche '13
Paige Pontious '16

Brittney Miller '13
Lauren Moreau '14
Tara Patton '16
Megan Solano '16



Season Record
Conference 3-5
All 7-10

Co-Captains
Katie Meloche '13 and
Brittany Miller '13

The Alma College Women's Tennis team has much to be proud of this season. Finishing with a commendable 7-10 overall record, the Scots defeated strong opponents like Olivet, Adrian, and Calvin College throughout the season. The team also traveled to Orlando, Florida over spring break and earned two impressive 9-0 victories over Capitol University and Hanover College. Additionally, Megan Solano was recognized as an All-MIAA athlete, the first Scot from the team to be awarded the honor since 1993. Solano was also named MIAA Player of the Week during the season. The Scots were led by Coach Jim Fox and Coach Anneleise Fox.

Alma Baseball

Scots Find Their Stride

The 2012-13 baseball season brought about a lot of changes for the team. For starters, Scott Kingston was named head baseball coach at Alma College in July of 2012. A former head coach at the Division III level, Kingston joined the Scots from Division II Palm Beach (FL) Atlantic University, where he was the associate head coach and assisted in all aspects of the program, with an emphasis on hitting, team offense and recruiting. Overall, Kingston has recruited and coached 31 players that have gone on to play professional baseball and he has been a great addition to the Alma College baseball program. In addition to their new coach, the Scots recruited players from outside of Michigan including two from New York, one from Florida, and one from southern California. The team was put on Kingston's tough practice schedule and, while the year was challenging, finished out the season with 16 wins and with a good foundation for the upcoming year. Now that the changes have settled in, it seems as if this team will be more than prepared to tackle the next season on the field.

Meet the Team

Ryan Henris **IF**
Kolbi Shumaker **RHP/IF**
Mostafa Ghonim **OF**
Bryn Ludlow **OF**
Travis Trierweiler **IF**
Dan Johnson **RHP**
Adam Ballien **OF**
Chris Hawkins **RHP**
Cameron Schmidt **IF**
Jose Rosado **IF**
Matthew Cresswell **IF**
Shawn Lerner **RHP**
Roderick MacNeil **RHP/OF**
Doug Walters **C**
Alex Kravat **IF**
Eric Strickler **RHP**
Blake Ordiway **RHP**

Kyle Gorski **RHP**
Alex Ruhlman **RHP**
John Mireles **OF**
Zachary Zsolcsak **RHP**
Kevin Thompson **RHP**
A.J. Acton **C**
Blake Leddy **OF**
Colin Nash **RHP**
Philip Jock **LHP**
Dillon Rankin **C**
Jose Velez **LHP/OF**
Jim Lyons **IF**
Mitch Wilson **RHP**
Bryant Hittle **OF**
Nick Goodman **C**
Matt Launstein **RHP**
Bryan Goostrey **IF**

Season Stats

37 Games
161 Runs
.280 Batting Average
.362 On-Base Percentage
8 Home Runs

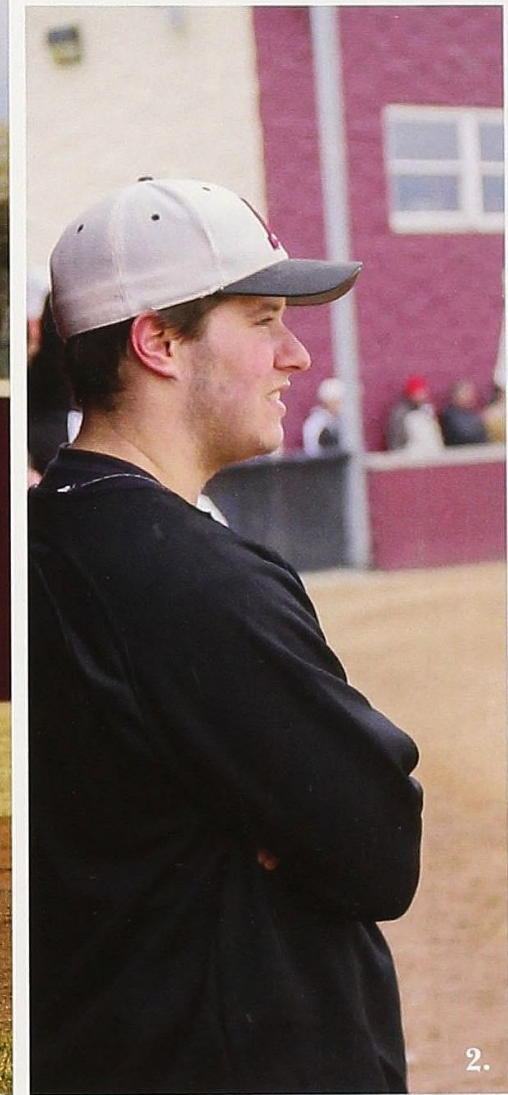
16-21 Overall
12-16 in MIAA

6-6 Home
6-10 Away
4-5 Neutral

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1. Left-handed pitcher Jose Velez '15 from Tampa, FL.
2. Right-handed pitcher Mitch Wilson '13 from Rudyard, MI watches a Scot up to bat.
3. Catcher A.J. Acton '16 from Temecula, CA on first after a single to right field
4. Infielder Jose Rosado '15 from Corona, NY at bat



"It was disappointing that we weren't able to make the conference tournament, but we had some guys step up and were competitive all season. It was great to see that the team's spirits were still up despite some losses."

Alex Ruhlman '13

"This season was different than my others for two reasons: we got a new coach, Scott Kingston, and we also got players from outside of Michigan. The season was pretty tough as there were a lot of changes, but in the end we found our stride and won our last five games."

Matt Cresswell '13

"We had a very good group of guys to play with and even though we didn't win very much when I was there, I met and got to play with a lot of people I'll keep in touch with for many years to come."

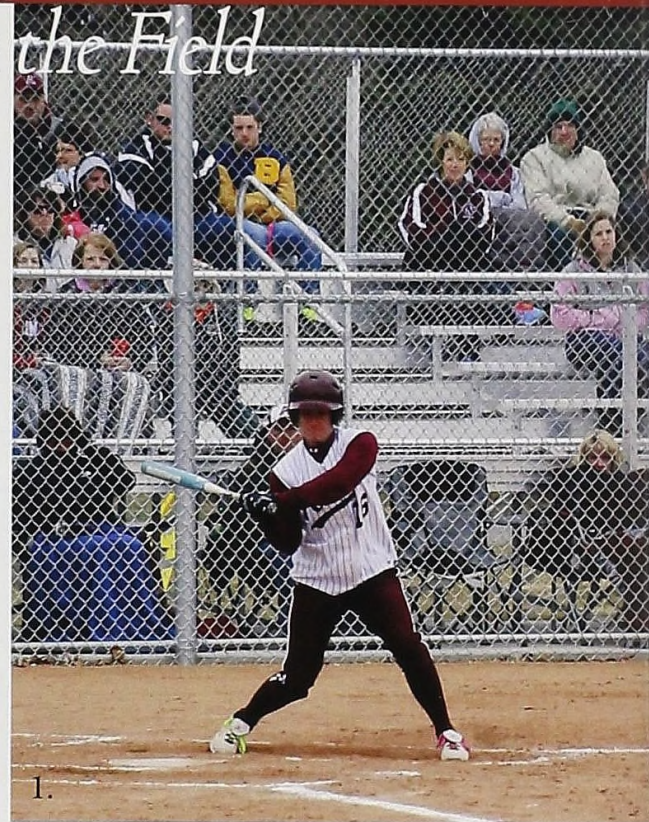
Mitch Wilson '13

Women's SOFTBALL

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Photos by Kayla Dill '15

Champions on the Field

This season, the Lady Scots once again proved their strength and talent on the field. The team finished with an impressive 26-11 overall record and a 13-3 conference record. They competed in the MIAA Tournament in May, making it to the second round where they lost against Adrian College after a lengthy seventeen-inning game. Season highlights include impressive wins against Albion College on April 3rd in two games, in which victories of 9-0 and 9-1 were secured in just five innings. In their game on April 4th, the team defeated Calvin College 10-0. The Lady Scots also traveled to Georgia in early March to compete against a number of teams in the NFCA Leadoff Classic, where they left with a 3-3 record. Five Scots were recognized for their outstanding performances this year; pitcher Louise Rezmer '13 was named to the MIAA All-League First Team, as was outfielder Amanda Schneider '13. Third baseman Lea Lusk '15, short stop Erin Rodes '13, and second baseman Kayla Smart '13 were named to the MIAA All-League Second Team. Louise Rezmer '13 was also placed on the NFCA All-Central Region First Team, while Amanda Schneider '13 was selected for the NFCA All-Central Region Second Team. Schneider states that, "My experience on the team has been unforgettable, I had the chance to play the game I love and meet some amazing girls. This season did not go as planned, but being with the girls everyday made it worth while. For current and future Alma College players: play with your heart and for the team, not for yourself, and don't think just do, and enjoy it while you can, it goes fast." As Marie Zill '15 remarks, "We may not have gone as far as planned but this year was the closest team I have ever been a part of. All of the seniors took us all under their wings and inspired us on and off the field." Lousie Rezmer '13 adds that, "I have never been a part of a team so close or so dedicated to the same goal as I was this past year. Even though we didn't make it to regionals, I wouldn't change a single moment with these women. They've all taught me so much and I couldn't ask for more."



1. Erin Rodes '13 in mid-swing up to bat at the plate



2. Pitcher Louise Rezmer '13 winds up to deliver a pitch from the mound.

3. Louise Rezmer '13 in form as she prepares to deliver a pitch across the plate at a home game.

4. A Scot swings and connects with the ball.

5. Sam Merillatt '16 readies herself to sprint to second base.

6. Covering second base, Erin Rodes '13 gets in position to catch a throw and score an out.

STATS

2.24	Davenport University	L
2.25	Hanover College	L
2.26	Ferrum University	W
2.28	Johnson and Wales	W
3.1	Rochester	W
3.8	Texas-Tyler	L
3.9	Washington University	W
3.10	Fontbonne	W
3.30	Olivet College	W
4.3	Albion College	W
4.5	Calvin College	W
4.7	Adrian College	W
4.14	Trine University	L
4.24	Kalamazoo College	W
4.26	Hope College	W
4.27	St. Mary's College	W
4.28	Ohio Wesleyen College	W
5.2	Adrian College	W
5.3	Adrian College	L

The Team 2013 Lady Scots

Lyndsay Ruckle '16
Grace Westerman '14
Marie Zill '15
Louise Rezmer '13
Samantha Pierce '15
Lea Lusk '15
Amanda Schneider '13
Sam Merillatt '16
Chanler McCaskey '14
Tori Thompson '16
Rae Zink '16
Erin Rodes '13
McKenna Terrill '16
Devan Olah '15
Hannah Hybl '15
Breu Olling '15
Addie Loftus '16
Kayla Smart '13
Allie Jo Nave '14
Brooke Hein '15
Cori Witham '15
Kassadi Adams '16
Kayla Merice '16
Christina Snoblen '14
Erika Lechleitner '16
Abi Clark '16
Kasidi Coates '16
Gabrielle Fazio '16
Sarah Collier '16
Coach Denny Griffin



Women's Bowling

Gobble Gobble Scot Style!

Page by Nicole Eccles '16
Photos courtesy Tina Ripley '16

The Alma College Women's Bowling Team is one of Alma's newest and most close-knit teams on campus. Whether they're practicing right here in Alma or traveling throughout Michigan, the Midwest, and the East Coast, this team is always working together. Though only their second year, the women dedicated themselves to many long hours of practice and as a result made a name for themselves in the realm of college bowling, as they are currently ranked 36th in the nation. These Lady Scots practiced multiple times a week and traveled most weekends to tournaments as far away as Pennsylvania. The time they put in not only paid off in their successes, but also in the high degree of team unity they achieved. Outside of practice these teammates are also friends, hanging out around campus and exploring the many different cities they visit at tournaments.

"For being a second year team made up of freshmen and sophomores, we have achieved more than we ever expected. We won the first tournament in Alma College bowling history and are ranked number 36 in the nation."
-Tina Ripley '16

"For this being our second year at Alma, we had a very successful season! Hopefully next year we can do even better and make Nationals!"
-Jessica Cords '15

The Team

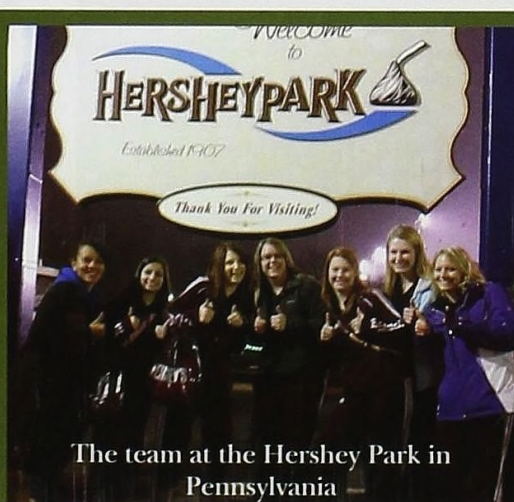
Jessica Cords
Sheylene Keiser
Heather Lafnear
Lillie Miller
Tina Ripley
Kelly Tanning
Margaret Warner



Members of the bowling team attending the Alma College Scotty Awards



The team together before a tournament



The team at the Hershey Park in Pennsylvania



The majority of the team after an away tournament

Hockey

Slapshots and Hat-tricks

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The Alma College hockey team goes full force with their team work and passion for gliding across the ice. Playing with teams as close as Mt. Pleasant to as far as Detroit, the hockey team may not have won many games, but their teamwork and spirit never abandoned them. The team also has their own reasons for why they enjoy their positions on the ice: "I like to play defense because I like to hit people" jokes Patrick Curran '15. As Zachary Jacques '15 remarks, "Win, lose, or draw playing hockey with these boys has been an indescribable opportunity. I respect the hell out of my senior teammates; they've really helped me improve as a player and have worked hard to share the love of the game. I'm glad I have the chance to do the same for the next generation. Go Scots!!"

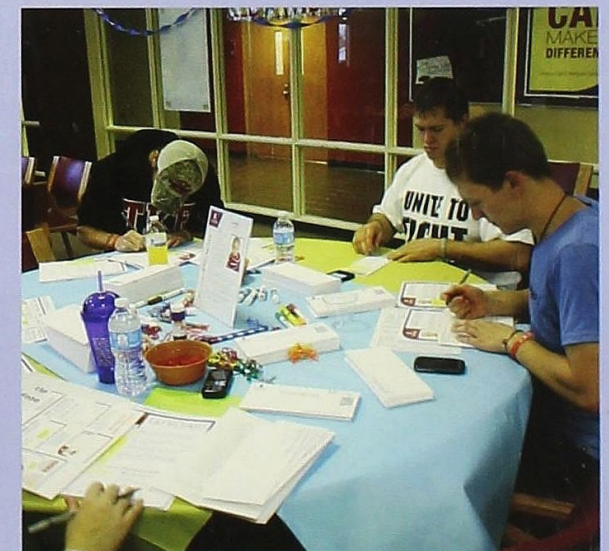
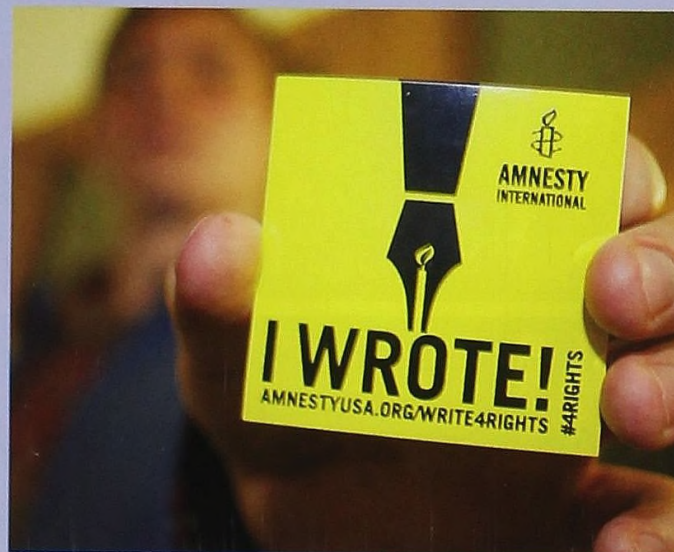
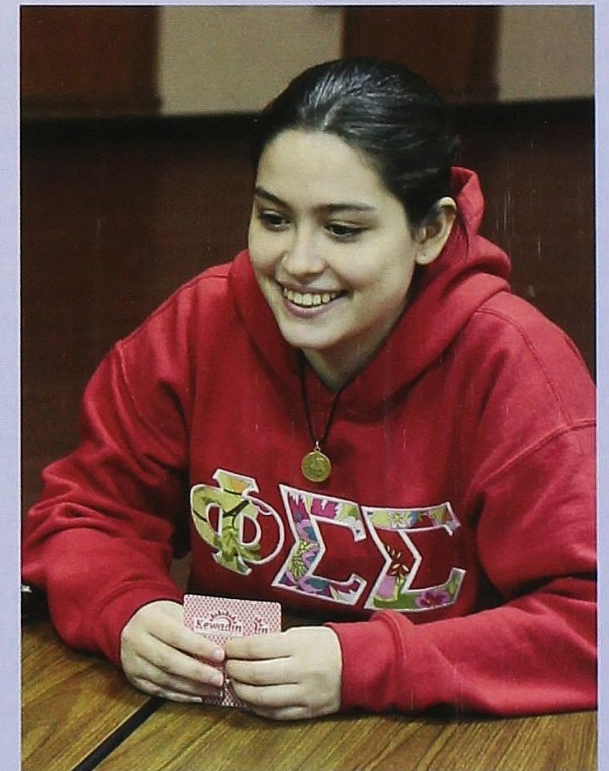
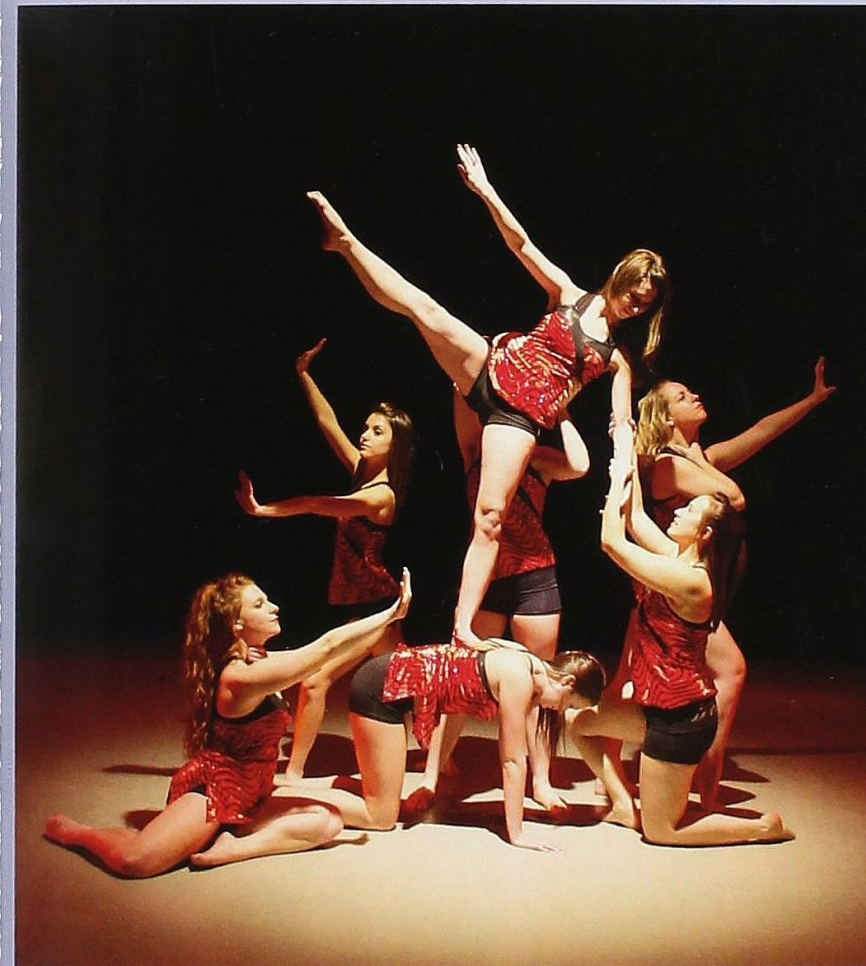
The Team

Chris Bilski '13
Joe Martin '13
Nate Cushman '13
Thomas Paron '15
Collin Hoyer '14
Sage Jacques '13
Drew Grant '13
Eric Pilsko '13

Jason Popiel '13
Zachary Jacques '15
Joe Hanisko '15
Alex Hartley '15
Nicholas Paron '16
Bradley Tippet '14
Patrick Curran '15

1. Alex Hartley '15 just misses the puck drop against the opposing team.
2. Patrick Curran '15 turns for a quick candid during practice.
3. A Scot skates towards center ice as he keeps focus on the play of his fellow teammates.
4. Keeping an eye on the scoreboard, two Scots rest on the bench during a game at the Mt. Pleasant rink.
5. Patrick Curran '15 slowly makes his way down the ice, lining up his slapshot.
6. Eric Plisko '13 keeps his eye on the action as he awaits the puck.

ORGANIZATIONS



Student Congress

Leaders on Campus

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Students from every organization on campus attend Student Congress meetings each Monday at 6:30 in SAC 113. "I like Student Congress because you get to learn about new changes that are looking to be incorporated on campus. And we have the ability to voice our opinions about things that we want to see change in," Student Congress representative Sydney Bryce '15 remarked. The Student Congress officers—President Chris Bilski '13, Vice President Kelsey Allen '13, Treasurer Alex Lundquist '13, and Secretary Cody Wedel '15—work hard to give the student body what they want from the school. "My favorite part of being Student Congress secretary is having the opportunity to be a leader on campus and work closely with all the organizations here. It is very inspiring to see so many students so integrated into campus and so committed to the ideals their organizations uphold. I think that I am able to make a great impact on campus through my position in Student Congress. Through the Executive Committee, I have a position in the Board of Trustees Advancement Committee. There I am able to work with our school's trustees and administration in order to further the school and accomplish some of the school's goals both financially and developmentally. As for accomplishments this year, Student Congress has been able to push changes in the laundry and internet around campus, but I think that some of our key accomplishments are still in the works," Wedel '15 said.



Student Congress representatives Ellen Martin '15 and Erika Schnepf '13

Model UN

"All They Do Is Win, Win, Win No Matter What"

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The 2013 Model UN team in New York

This year at the National Model UN conference in New York City, the Alma College Model UN team represented Sierra Leone and Papua New Guinea. They had a very successful week. "We continued our reign as the most successful collegiate Model UN program in the world, winning two outstanding delegation awards for the two countries represented," said Grant Isley '13. All members of the team worked hard. "I am so proud of what the Model UN team accomplished this year. We had the largest group we have had in a while, and also the biggest senior class that has done it for all four years, so as one of those graduating seniors, I feel really good about the future of the team. I think our success at conference makes all of our hard work even more worth it," said Katie Gordon '13. The Model UN members participated for a common goal. "I am in Model UN because it allows me to be a part of something bigger than myself as well as make some good friends," said Grant Isley '13. Even though it is just a class it prepares them for bigger things. "As Dr. Hulme, our great advisor, said, the whole Model UN experience is about wanting and understanding how to make the world a better place. I know in ten years, when I look at what students who were on the team are doing with their lives, that's exactly what I'll see," said Katie Gordon '13.



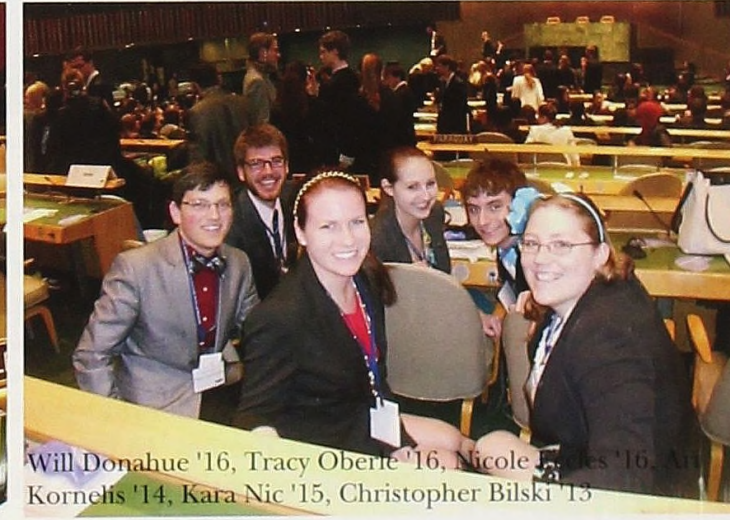
Seniors Elizabeth Wayne, Madeline Randolet, Alaina Dague, Ashley Yuill, and Katie Gordon



Grant Isley, '13 and Joanna Delpaz '16



Morgan B. '11



Will Donahue '16, Tracy Oberle '16, Nicole Jones '16, Amy Kornelis '14, Kara Nic '15, Christopher Bilski '13

SIFE *Students Gain Business Experience*

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Alma students participating in SIFE, Students in Free Enterprise, work with an ethic aimed at achieving their mission statement: "To raise the standard of living in mid-Michigan by teaching the principles of free enterprise through a variety of educational outreach programs developed and implemented by dedicated Alma College students." The organization has had incredible success at regional SIFE competitions in the past, and this year was no exception. Additionally, this year the group, led by president Jarrod Lynch '13, voted on changing SIFE'S name to "Enactus" for next year. Through active participation in community projects and running Alma's library cafe, Highland Java, students in SIFE learn the ins and outs of the business world.



"Regionals gives us the opportunity to present the projects that we have been working on over the past year and their successes."

-Al Franko '13

"SIFE gave me a chance to give back to the community."

-Tyler Bennet, '15

"SIFE helped me understand better how an actual business runs behind the scenes."

- Nate Burns '14

1. This winter SIFE hosted its annual etiquette dinner, which gave students a chance to learn the proprieties necessary for the business world. 2. Students at the etiquette dinner. 3. Lea Klooster '14 and Kristina Begres '14 4. Nate Burns '14 and Tyler Bennet '15 hard at work serving students during finals week at Highland Java. 5. Rita Mulford '15 listens attentively at the SIFE etiquette dinner.

Active Minds *Changing the Conversation*



President
Kayla Roy '14

Public Relations
Emily Hollenberg '14

Treasurer
Debbie Nelson '14

Secretary
Jes Lawrence '15

Active Minds traveled to a national conference this year, at which advisor Jen Flowers was named Advisor of the Year. Despite the small size of the group, Active Minds hosted a number of campus activities including Suicide Awareness Week, National Depression Screening Day, Eating Disorder Awareness Week, and Anxiety Oasis. As Debbie Nelson '14 says, "I really love being able to bring awareness to a subject that is so stigmatized and know that I am among others who want the same. It's a great group of people doing great work to help end the stigma on mental health!" Next year's Active Minds president Emily Hollenberg '14 states that, "Mental health is something that our society doesn't tend to talk about. We're here to make a positive conversation."

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SPARK *Students Promoting Alumni Relations and Connections*



Photo by Katie Keaton '14

Photo courtesy Lou Ecken

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SPARK worked tirelessly this year, planning Alma's Back to the Future themed Homecoming and networking with Alumni. SPARK even took a trip to Philip's Orchard to enjoy the fall weather and learn from previous Alma College students' success stories.

Photo by Katie Keaton '14

"I think it's fantastic that alumni want to connect with the students at their alma mater and offer them internship and job opportunities and advice. That's such a valuable resource for students, and I hope I'm in a position where I can offer the same support to current students when I'm an alumna."

Kelsey Blades '14

"I've always wanted and have been an active part on campus, this gave me the opportunity to extend even further and gain even more knowledge and connections within our Alma community...four years later am now the Vice President and Chair of the Homecoming committee."

-Shane Douglas '13

"There is incredible value in learning 'the way things were' and sharing 'how things are' - but also in building a strong network (both personal and professional) out in the world beyond Alma based on a common liberal arts background."

-Lou Ecken, Advisor

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Alternative Break photos courtesy of Megan Lamrock '14, Brittany Gordon '15, and Cody Nevins '15.

The Center for Responsible Leadership

Scholarship, Stewardship, Leadership

Page by Cailee Drzinski '15

Everyone can be a leader. College campuses are full of leaders whether they are on the field, in the gym, in a sorority or fraternity house or even in the classroom. The Center for Responsible Leadership is a place to take leadership skills Alma College students may have and develop them into something greater. CRL attends and hosts conferences and events throughout the course of the year, such as the trip to Ghost Ranch, New Mexico and Food Day in the fall of 2012. These conferences and events emphasize both leadership and service. This year, students will have a chance to attend a leadership conference a little closer to campus, in L'Anse Michigan at the Ford Center from June 3rd to June 8th, instead of going to New Mexico. CRL also is responsible for planning and leading Alternative Break trips all over the county. (See pages 18-19) The work of CRL could not be possible without the efforts of Dr. Borello, Dr. Vickery, and Sallie Scheide.



2012 Trip to Ghost Ranch, NM - Photo by Justin Closs '15

Multicultural Student Union

Celebrating All Types of Diversity

Page by Jillian Thompson '14

MCSU (Multicultural Student Union) is dedicated to teaching the campus about all aspects of diversity, including diversity in religion, politics and culture. "We inform and educate the campus on diversity and have events throughout the year," Ashley Baumann '13 said. The organization this year has worked hard to make their name known and to get more campus involvement. "On campus, we held our annual Race Week, which consisted of a poetry slam, Hip Hop/Latin dance show, group discussion, and soul food night," said President Danielle McCoy '14. The group has also been able to have dinner with the president, host an event with Interfaith on Martin Luther King Jr. Day, as well as work with the Center for Student Opportunities to bring Eric Thomas on to campus. New to their meetings this year was group discussions about current topics. "We don't always agree with everyone's opinion, but we create an environment where we feel comfortable," McCoy said. The MCSU is working hard to become a larger voice on campus and are excited to see their organization grow in the years to come.



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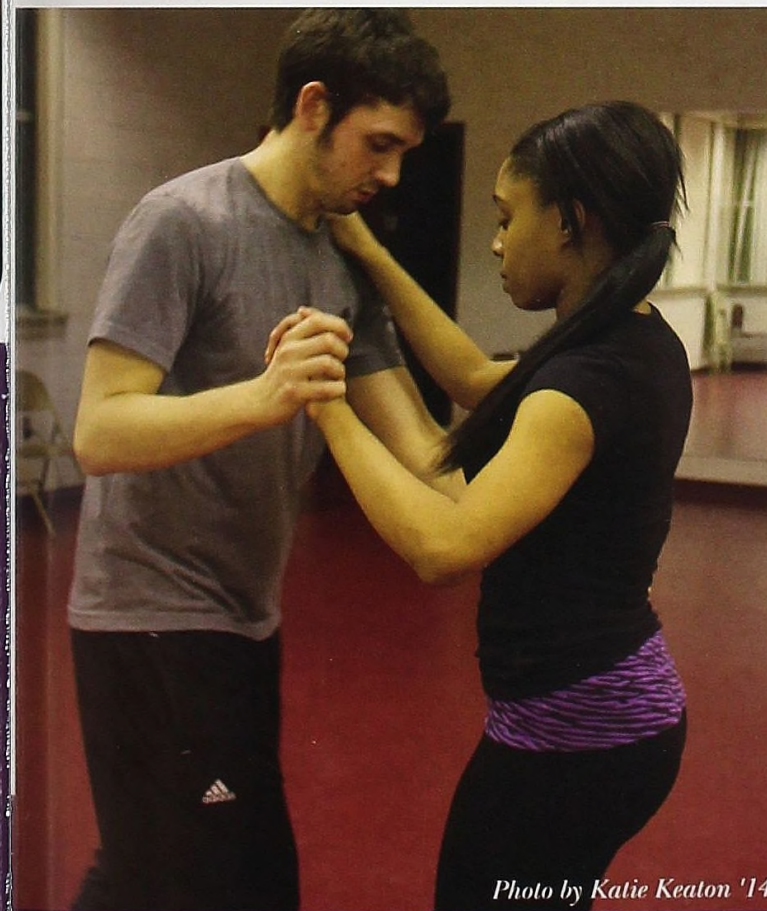


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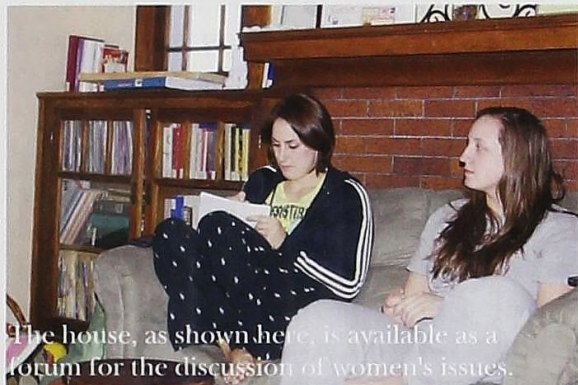
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MacCurdy House

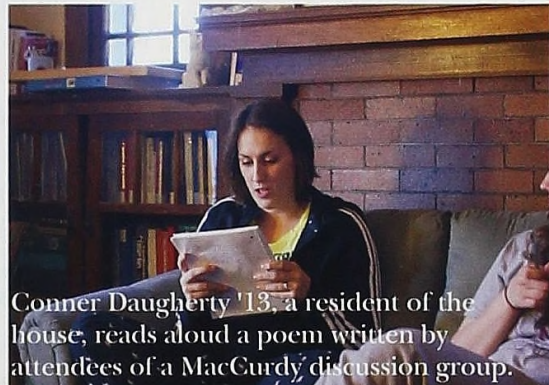
Empowering Women

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Photos by Rachel Giza '13

The MacCurdy House serves as the women's resource center on campus. While not only a house for female students, MacCurdy offers information on women's issues and works to empower women on and off campus. The house has a collective library filled with information on women's rights and issues available for all students to access. This year, house members hosted several events, such as the Slut Walk, to raise awareness of rape and victim blaming. As Conner Daugherty '13 remarks, "MacCurdy made big strides in empowering women this year while developing new ties with the community. We look forward to continued growth for years to come."



The house, as shown here, is available as a forum for the discussion of women's issues.



Conner Daugherty '13, a resident of the house, reads aloud a poem written by attendees of a MacCurdy discussion group.



Amber Meyer '13. The library in the house is available to everyone on campus.

Queer-Straight Alliance

Bringing Knowledge and Equality to the Bubble

Alma College's QSA provides a safe space for all students, while at the same time striving to make Alma a more aware and LGBTQI+ safe-campus. This year they hosted different events to raise awareness of LGBTQI+ issues, such as Alphabet Soup, which helped students define and understand the different letters in the LGBTQI+ acronym. Chloe Secor '14 says that "QSA serves as both a support group for Alma's queer community and a source of education for the whole campus."



Jon Haley '13 presents during QSA's Alphabet Soup event.



Alphabet Soup explained different symbols used in the LGBTQI+ community.



Many members of QSA wearing letters representing different types of people during Alphabet Soup

WQAC 90.9 FM

Alma's Local Student-Run Radio Station

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Photos by Justin Closs '15

Nestled by Joe's is Alma's own radio station, WQAC, led this year by general manager Katie Gordon '13. WQAC strives to bring campus the best indie, alternative, and local music to listen to as well as a variety of activities and concerts. Students run the shows, from all aspects, which keeps the station modern and continually changing. This year, WQAC sponsored various performances, including Kishi Bashi in the fall and Michigan's own The Crane Wives in April. They've also added more DJs and are working to professionalize the station. Many of the staff had the chance to meet potential performers and many up and coming artists, and some even attended the music festival South by Southwest in Texas during the spring, where they saw a number of performances and attended conferences. WQAC is truly a station geared toward Alma College students. Next time you need some background music to your study session, tune in to 90.9 FM.



Photo courtesy Lisa Folkmire '15

"Some think radio is dead nowadays; I would disagree. I would say it's being reborn."

- Aaron Bratys '14



"I loved having a radio show for the past few years. It was always a nice break from the Alma grind, and getting to play and talk about my favorite artists was always a blast. Alma is pretty lucky to have a radio station that is so accessible to the student body!"

-Katie Gordon '13



Swing Club

Why Don't We Just Dance?

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Photos provided by ACOG and Swing Club

The Alma College Hepcats are arguably one of Alma's most fun-loving clubs. Their meetings consist of dancing, laughter, and pure fun. This year, the club hosted a Charity Ball for the college that included a dance marathon and donated the proceeds from the event to Relay for Life. Senior Tim Imber sums the club up by stating that "It's all about getting together with close friends and forgetting about the troubles of school and life and just having fun." As Anna Weber '15 remarks, "When you're dancing, it's really easy to form a lot of close friendships. It's relaxing and a great stress reliever. This year has been amazing, and I can't imagine Alma without swing. I just hope we can keep our momentum going next year!"



Swing members follow the number one rule: have fun and let loose.



Tim Imber '13 and his partner showing off the athleticism and trust elements of swing dancing.



Phil Ort '13, twirls his dance partner as the pair show off their fun outfits during an evening of dance.

ACOG

Alma College Otaku and Gamers



Club members getting ready to march in the Homecoming Parade



The club represents the organized chaos of fun that is their weekly meetings.

The Alma College Otaku and Gaming Club is one of Alma's many quirky and fun-loving clubs on campus. According to president Lauren McNabb '13, ACOG was founded "as a group of friends and we hope to remain first and foremost that. We strive to provide a safe and welcoming space for the enjoyment of all things nerdy." The club also hosts one of Alma's most iconic events, Almacon, a highly attended event where costumes are encouraged, vendors sell all sorts of memorabilia, popular anime voice actors make appearances, and students from near and far come together to discuss their passions. Portions of the Almacon proceeds were donated to Relay for Life this year.

"ACOG has helped me make so many great memories and friends. I can't imagine having not joined."

-Katie Mays '14

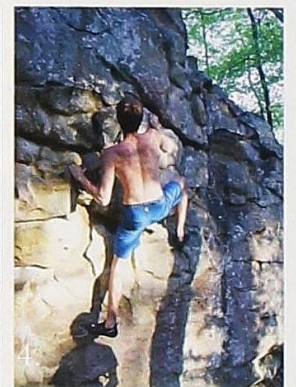


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1. Isabelle Moore '14
2. Alex Hegedus '14
3. Devan McNabb '16
4. Ari Kornelis '14
5. Kara Nic '15, Cody Neely '13, Justin Closs '15, Amanda Gatlin '14, Vernon Moegggenborg '15



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For twelve years, the Alma College Climbing Club has been a small but successful club on campus. This group uses Alma's breaks to travel to different states and climb. This year the club has travelled to Alabama and West Virginia, as well as the Red River Gorge in Kentucky and Grand Ledge in Michigan. The main activities of the group include bouldering with small rocks and no ropes, and top rocking, which involves scaling rocks over 100 feet. Climbing club members work at the rock wall in the Stone Recreation Center throughout the week to supervise and assist any students or community members who wish to climb. Climbing Club had one main fundraiser this year, Taco Night, and also opened the rock wall to climbers for Relay for Life. The club donated over \$200 for Relay for Life.

"We learn how to climb, get to see great scenery of several states, and create amazing friendships."

-Asa Smalley, '14

"Climbing is a unique way to exercise and helps bring students together as well as the community members. It's a nice break from school to go camping and enjoy the nature."

-Amanda Gatlin, '14

"Through Climbing Club I have learned to trust people more willingly because I have to know that at all times my belayer has a hold on me. It also allows me to get a good work out and have fun."

-Justin Closs, '15



Alma College Climbing Club

Alpha Phi Omega

Leadership, Friendship, Service

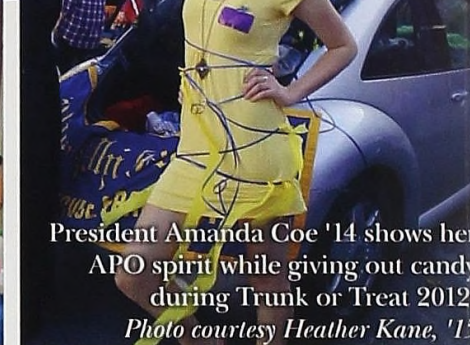
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Homecoming Parade 2012.
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Omicron Tau's 10th Birthday!
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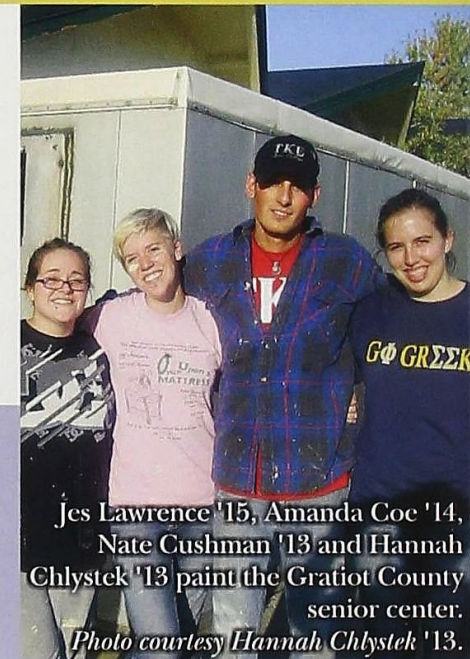


President Amanda Coe '14 shows her APO spirit while giving out candy during Trunk or Treat 2012.
Photo courtesy Heather Kane, '15

The National Service Fraternity Alpha Phi Omega is a co-ed fraternity based on the three values of leadership, friendship and service. A member must complete required service hours during a semester, attend weekly meetings, and participate in fellowship events. Alpha Phi Omega seeks members who are interested in dedicating themselves to service both on campus and in the Alma community. This year, Alpha Phi Omega participated in events such as Trunk or Treat, Kids Night Out, Adopt-A-Highway, painting a senior center and Relay for Life. Jonathan Haley '13 served as president in the fall and Amanda Coe '14 was elected to serve in the winter.



APO members after welcoming the Fall 2012 pledge class



Jes Lawrence '15, Amanda Coe '14, Nate Cushman '13 and Hannah Chlystek '13 paint the Gratiot County senior center.
Photo courtesy Hannah Chlystek '13.



The Winter 2013 pledge class at their pledge event. They volunteered at the Gratiot County Animal Shelter.
Photo courtesy Ashley Tuttle '15

"I joined Alpha Phi Omega because I wanted to be a part of something bigger than myself. I stayed in APO because I believe in the organization, its members, and the services it provides across the whole nation."

-Amanada Coe '14

"I was proud to be the Alpha Phi Omega President my last year at Alma. Over the past three years I've enjoyed participating in our service projects and meeting new people. Joining APO was one of my best college decisions. LFS."

-Jonathon Haley '13

Academic Honoraries

Recognizing Hard Work

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For nearly every major on campus, there is an honorary that recognizes the hard work and achievements of its students. With this honor comes close relationships with faculty and classmates, as well as academic opportunities such as conferences and access to professional resources. Junior Emily Hollenberg belongs to the English honorary Sigma Tau Delta, and states that "As a group, we are a combination of different writers, poets, creative fiction writers, creative non-fiction writers, and scholarly paper writers. It's truly an honor to know that your love of English is recognized and that you get to be a part of such a prestigious group of people, even if you yourself don't feel all that prestigious, someone said that you were." Members of Sigma Tau Delta attended the national Sigma Tau Delta conference in Portland this March to present academic and creative works recognized by the honorary.



1. Members of the presidential honor society pose outside one of their stops during their trip to Chicago over Fall Break. Photo Courtesy of Christy Robinson '14

3. Members of the Dance Honorary, Pi Delta Chi, gather for a picture after inductions. Photo courtesy Mary Donley '14

4. Members of the IPHS department at the ACSM conference in Gaylord in February. Photo courtesy Ashley Parsons '13

4. Newly initiated members of the education honorary, Kappa Delta Pi at their April 7th initiations. Photo courtesy Grace Westerman '14

"The IPHS Honorary is going to the American College of Sports and Medicine Conference to present our research. We play Jeopardy with other physiology majors there, and this year we're going to win."

-Zahra Hussain '13, IPHS Honorary

ACDC

Alma College Dance Company

Here at Alma College, there are a group of students who enjoy a different kind of learning. They spend hours on end in the studio, and physically and mentally exhaust themselves with their learning, all while doing something they love. This group is the Alma College Dance Company. Not only do they take classes, but they put on beautiful performances throughout the year. "We had our Fall Concert in November, our Student Choreography Concert in January and our Spring Concert in March. I'm so grateful to have the opportunity to work with such a talented and supportive group of dancers and choreographers," said Allie Woodburne '15. These dancers come from far and wide to be apart of ACDC. Many are from out of state, some as far as New Jersey and California. When asked what the best part of the dance company is, senior Lina Cortes replied, "The best part about dance company this year and every year is the bond that we build together. It is really strong and makes it more than just a dance company-it makes us family." Junior and Pi Delta Chi president, Maggie Donley said, "Being part of the Alma College Dance Company has allowed me to make lasting friendships, try new things, push myself athletically and artistically, and grow in my passion for dance."

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Devon Brisbon '13



Sam Coykendall '15



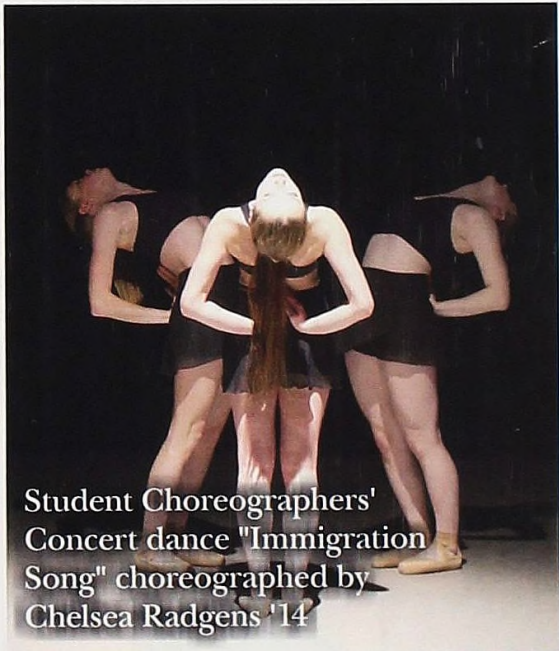
Amanda Jackson '13



Chelsea Radgens '14 in the Nutcracker



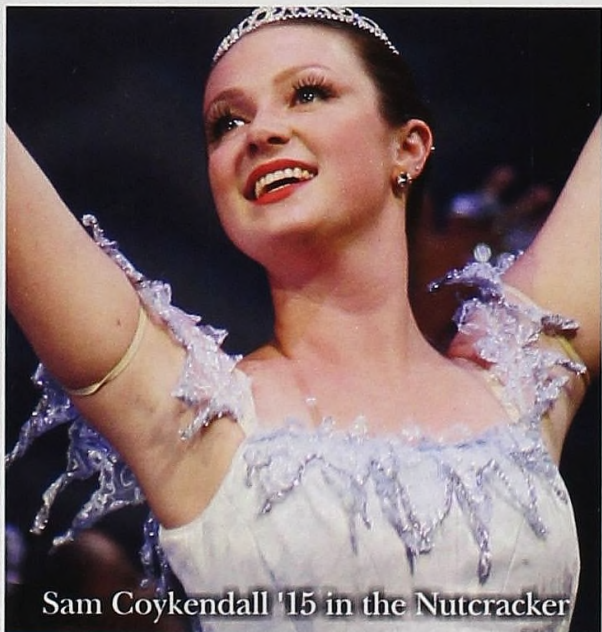
Pi Delta Chi Juniors



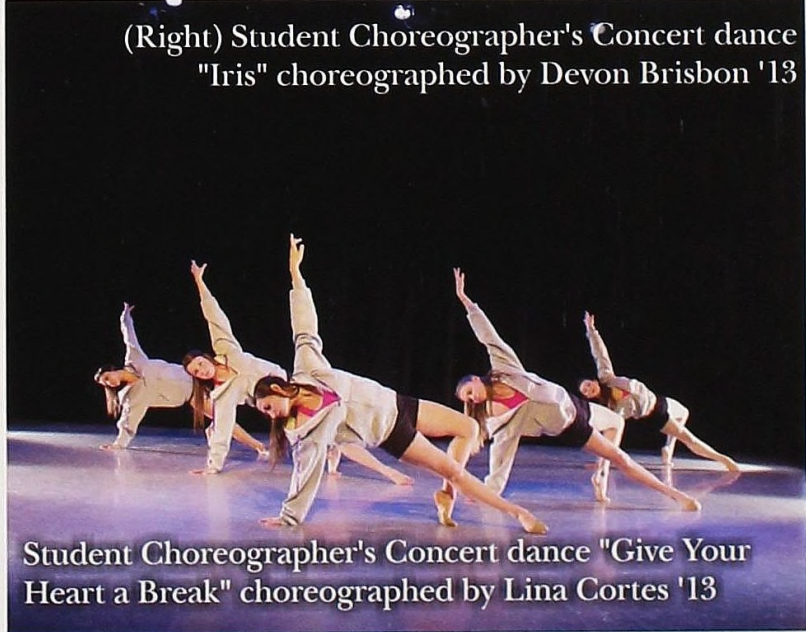
Student Choreographers' Concert dance "Immigration Song" choreographed by Chelsea Radgens '14



Erica Frasier '14 in the Nutcracker



Sam Coykendall '15 in the Nutcracker



(Right) Student Choreographer's Concert dance "Iris" choreographed by Devon Brisbon '13

Student Choreographer's Concert dance "Give Your Heart a Break" choreographed by Lina Cortes '13



Pi Delta Chi seniors

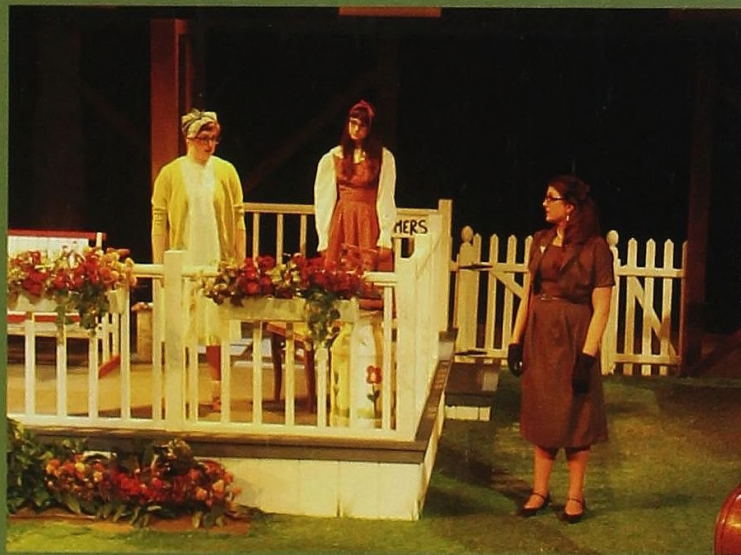
THEATER

Scots Take to the Stage

Photos by Jessica Ferguson '16

Once again, the Alma College Theater brought an array of productions to the Alma campus and community under the direction of Joe Jezewski. The theater's first production was "Picnic," performed Thursday through Sunday October 11-14th. As usual, admission was free to all students and staff. "Picnic" takes place in a small town in Kansas in the 1950s and focuses on a man named Hal Carter. The play, written by William Inge, was the winner of the 1953 Pulitzer Prize and Critic's Circle Award. The theater also put on "Almost, Maine" by John Cariani from February 14-17th, as well as "The Importance of Being Earnest" by Oscar Wilde from April 11th-14th. As theater student Shelby Shroeder '14 states, "I love how when you start a show everyone seems to be strangers, especially if you are new to the program, but when the show ends everyone is one big family and we know that no matter what we are there for everyone."

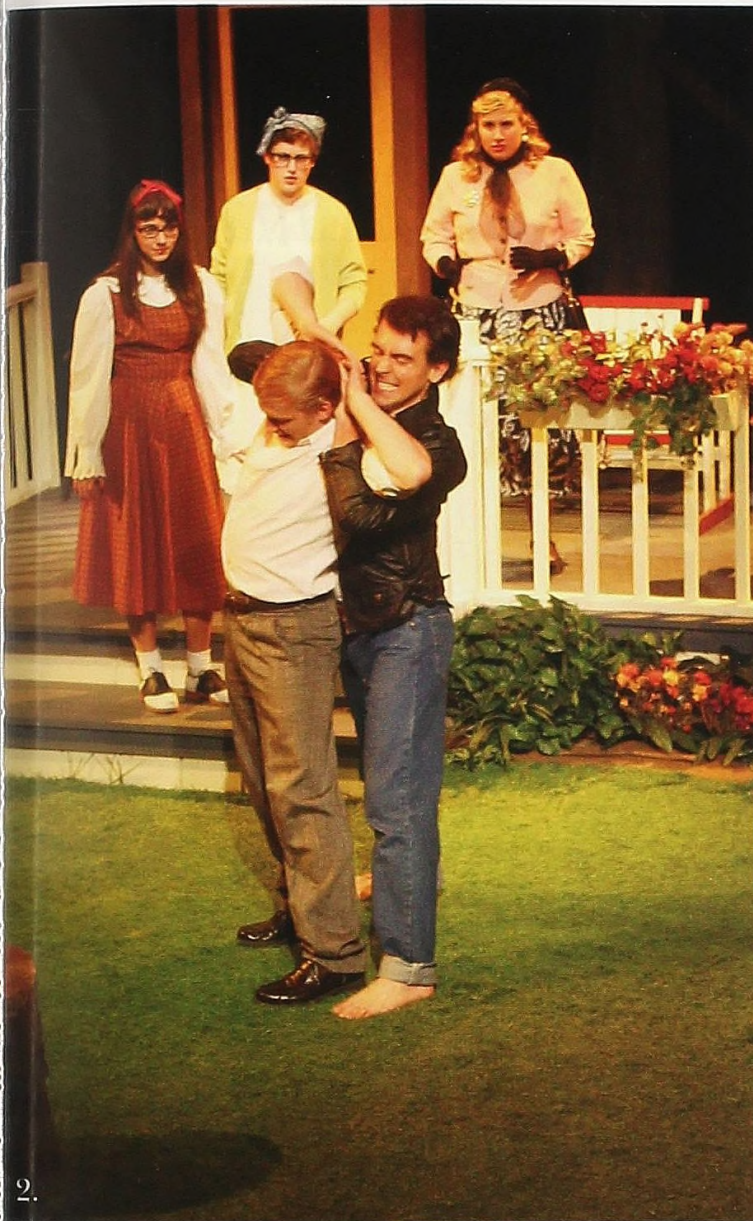
Three seniors were candidates for theater departmental honors this year: Matthew Crossman '13 for stage management in "Picnic," Lauren Kittrell for acting in "Picnic," and Brandon Newton for scenic design in "Almost, Maine." Brandon Newton '13 says that "Alma's theatre production is incredible. Not only was it easy to find my niche, but I was allowed to do work that you normally wouldn't get to do in a college theatre. Being able to design the set for a show was something I never thought I would get to do this early on."



Tara Reidel '13, Chelsea Martin '16 and Shelby Shroeder '14 in "Picnic"



Lauren Kittrell '13 as "Madge" in "Picnic" alongside fellow actor Jake Armentrout '15 as "Hal Carter."



1. The cast and crew of "Picnic" by William Inge after one of their fall performances

2. Chelsea Martin '16, Tara Riedel '13, and Olyvia Brown '14 look on as fellow actors C.R. Mohrhardt '13 and Jake Armentrout '15 grapple in an intense scene in "Picnic."

3. Jake Armentrout '15 and Lauren Kittrell '13

4. Hannah Korell '15 and Graham Morgan '14 in "Picnic"



Tara Riedel '13 looks on as Lauren Kittrell '13 and Sara Day '15 engage in conversation.



Lauren Kittrell '13 and Jake Armentrout '15 in conversation as Sara Day '15 observes.

Keep Calm and March

Kiltie Band plays with Alma pride

Marching band is a large part of the Alma College football experience. The members brace the weather and stand strong by the football team at every home game, and while some members become leaders, all make memories. "I came into Alma knowing almost nothing about marching band, having had played football in high school. Now I'm one of the Drum Majors, student leaders of the whole thing, and it's been one of the most amazing things I've ever experienced. I've got memories I'll never forget. I really appreciated the hard work that everyone put in to make our show, Ritmo Caribe, phenomenal this year," Ric Heise '14 said.



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1. Carrie Frame '13 plays with the band during the indoor show. "The show this year was really high energy, and the trumpet section had so much fun with it. It was the best possible finale to my KMB experience," Frame said.

2. Caitlin Closs '13 marches toward the football field before a home performance.

3. The Kiltie Band performs their half time show at the football game, showing off a few dance moves. "Being in the KMB has been one of the greatest thing I've ever done at Alma. I'll never forget the sectional bonding nights with the flicc family, cheering at the football games, my last halftime performance, and of course, earning my blue ribbon," Teresa Larson '13 said.

4. Andrea Woody '13 plays the quads during the Homecoming parade.

5. Finishing their spin, Brandon List '14 and Tyler Larson '16 march in the Homecoming parade. "My first year of being part of the Kiltie Marching Band was one of the most 'freak nasty' experiences of my life," Larson said.



Percussion Ensemble

Keeping the Beat and a Standard of Excellence

The Alma College Percussion Ensemble is a unique performance ensemble that plays a variety of different chamber and jazz pieces arranged by ensemble members for steel band. Members of the ensemble participated in the Notre Dame Jazz Festival where three members recieved Outstanding Soloist awards. Third-year participant Ari Kornelis '14 remarked that "In the spring concert we played a ripping piece for Taiko drums called Tsunami. Performing that piece was definitely one of the highlights of the year."

"This year has been a terrific success for our group. I'm so proud of everyone for the effort we put in and the great music we achieved."

-Jay Angus '13

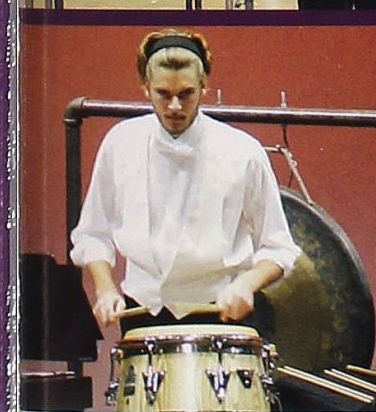
1. Sophomore Kegan Ball plays the conga drums during a percussion ensemble performance.

2. Senior Jay Angus on the steel drums

3. The percussion ensemble performs during their Homecoming concert.

Bottom from left to right: Ari Kornelis '14, David Fair '13, Kelly Gervin '13, and Cyrus Zerbe '14 performing on various percussion instruments.

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Alma Symphony Orchestra

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Plucks and Cadence

With director Dr. Murray Gross, the Alma College Symphony Orchestra never fails to excite the audience with their mixture of traditional tunes and modernized music. This year, the orchestra played their usual seasonal concerts, along with their Children's Concert that collaborates choirs, soloists, and ballet.



The Alma College Symphony Orchestra performing their fall concert.



Jennifer Campfield '13 pays close attention to Dr. Gross—a must for any performing musician.

"I have absolutely loved being in Orchestra the past four years. It's been an incredible experience and I'm so glad that I had the chance to continue playing in college. I think my favorite part about this year was getting the chance to sit in the audience second semester because of student teaching. It was so cool to listen to the orchestra and hear the performances I had always been a part of and to see my friends on stage doing such a phenomenal job."

-Jennifer Campfield '13

"I love being able to continue doing what I love in college while still majoring in biology. Alma College has given me an amazing opportunity."

-Emily Brogan '15



Laura Polett '13 performs in unison with her fellow violinists.



The violin section performs their solo part in a classical composition.



Morgan Beeler '14 intently focuses on her violin performance.



The Scots on the Rocks perform during a chapel service on Sunday evening. Photo by Justin Closs '15



Senior Caitlyn Sherlock leads during a choir concert in winter semester. Photo by Justin Closs '15



The ladies of Pretty in Plaid perform at Songfest. Beyond's "Irreplaceable" was among their covered songs. Photo courtesy Trent Wiederhold (alumni) ©2012 Trent Wiederhold

Pretty in Plaid and Scots on the Rocks



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"I love all of our performances, but I would have to say that my favorite would be our performance at ACOWITA. Since we are a group of all women, it is particularly thrilling to perform in a concert dedicated to honoring women and their achievements in music."

-Emily Noble '14



"My favorite part about Scots on the Rocks is getting to perform music that we created ourselves and using that music to make people laugh, smile, or simply feel the emotion of the music with us."

-Brendan Lodge '13



Scots on the Rocks perform at Songfest. Photo courtesy by: Trent Wiederhold (alumni)

The acapella groups Pretty In Plaid and Scots on the Rocks performed at Songfest, choir concerts, an end of the year concert, and even made in appearance in Alma's "12 Days of Christmas" holiday video. The groups sang both modern and classic songs. Pretty in Plaid is led by Caitlyn Sherlock '13 and Scots on the Rocks is led by Brendan Lodge '13.

Thy Royal Children, Chant Thy Hymn of Praise

"What I love about choir is that we work so hard but we have so much fun. You make such good friends in this group. And the end result is such harmonious music. We work hard but the payoff is so worth it."

—Chelsie Myers, '14

Alma Choir, the highest ranking group, is full of dedicated singers. While about 30% of the members are music majors, the choir draws members from every major discipline. This choir also travels and has sung in many states as well as countries around the world including Scotland, Ireland, and Italy.



Alma Choir

Alma Choirs

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"I think that Doc is great because he doesn't just teach us how to sing, he makes sure we understand. He doesn't just give us music and expect us to sing it perfectly, he asks us which note is which and why the composer made a line this way. All the things he does makes us better singers."

—Samantha Fisher, '15



"Probably the best thing about Doc is that he is always honest. Whether we need to be better or we need better jokes for the start of class, he will let us know."

—Joanna Delpaz, '16

Dr. Nichols

Sons and Daughters Ever Faithful

"What I like about Chorale is the mixed age group because it allows people to get more connected on campus and meet a wider variety of people"

—Will Donahue '16



Chorale is the largest choir on campus and has singers from every class. With a rich blending of men's and women's voices, this choir focuses more on fine-tuning skills such as sight-singing and solfege.

"Glee Club is the place to have a wonderful time learning music and to make really great friends with a wonderful group of girls."

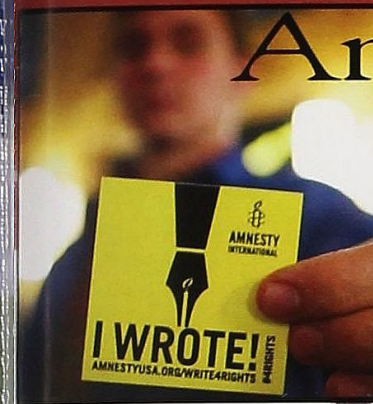
—Jessica Sutherland '16

Women's Glee Club is mainly comprised of freshmen women new to the music program. Dr. Nichols meet with this choir 3 times a week to teach the basics of music. Though many girls only sing in Glee for one year, this group is a great starting block for the rest of the choirs at Alma.



College Chorale & Women's Glee Pledging Thee a Fond Devotion

Amnesty International Working to Make a Difference



"In this world, it's not enough to just say that you support human rights for all."

You have to DO something about it. And that's what we try to do in Amnesty; we try to take to take action, to make a difference—no matter how big or how small—on issues that matter and that we care about."

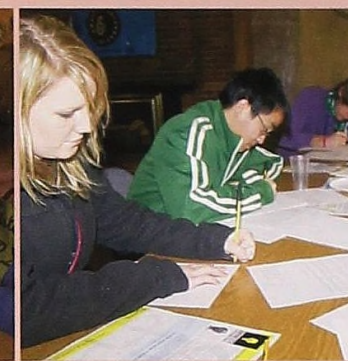
Ashley Yuill '13

President

"Alma's chapter of AI provides a fantastic opportunity for students to spread awareness about the victims of human rights abuses. Through events like the Write 4 Rights letter writing campaign, we are able to participate in the fight for these victims' rights."

Ari Kornelius '14

Amnesty International, the largest human rights organization in the world, does very important work on Alma College's campus to promote human rights and human dignity for all people. AI hosts many events throughout the year including multiple letter writing campaigns to advocate for the oppressed throughout the world. Participants also attended Amnesty's Midwest Regional Conference in Chicago again this year.



Literacy Beyond Borders Reading Across Continents

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Photo courtesy of Aleia McKessy '15



Photo courtesy of Lisa Folkmire '16



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Literacy Beyond Borders works to improve literacy in Gratiot County through their dedication to after school programs in the Alma School District. The club also sends two students to Ghana every summer to promote global literacy. This year, sophomores Aleia McKessy and Lisa Folkmire travelled on Posey Global Scholarships to Ghana to aid children's literacy programs there. Nicole Eccles '16 and Luke Condon '15 will be follow in their footsteps, returning in the summer of 2013.

"LBB's focus in literacy is what brought me to the club, and the free trip to Ghana (through a P-Global scholarship) sealed the deal."

—Nicole Eccles '16

"My favorite part about the club is that it not only helps children in Michigan, but in Ghana as well. The connection between Alma College and the village of Kpedze-Todze is amazing. The villagers remember each student who has helped at their schools. It's amazing."

—Lisa Folkmire '15

ACUB

Alma College Union Board

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Alma College Union Board, or ACUB, is a student-run organization that not only brings events to campus, but also plans excursions to get students off-campus. This year was no different as ACUB took excursions all over the state and into Ohio while inviting a variety of performers and events to campus. ACUB continued their tradition of hosting a comedian to perform at exam treats, and also introduced new ACUB t-shirts that were popular among students on campus. This year, ACUB was led by President Paige Ayotte '14.

ACUB Events '12-'13

Movies on the Chapel Lawn

Natalie Stovall Concert

Red Wings Game

Pistons Game

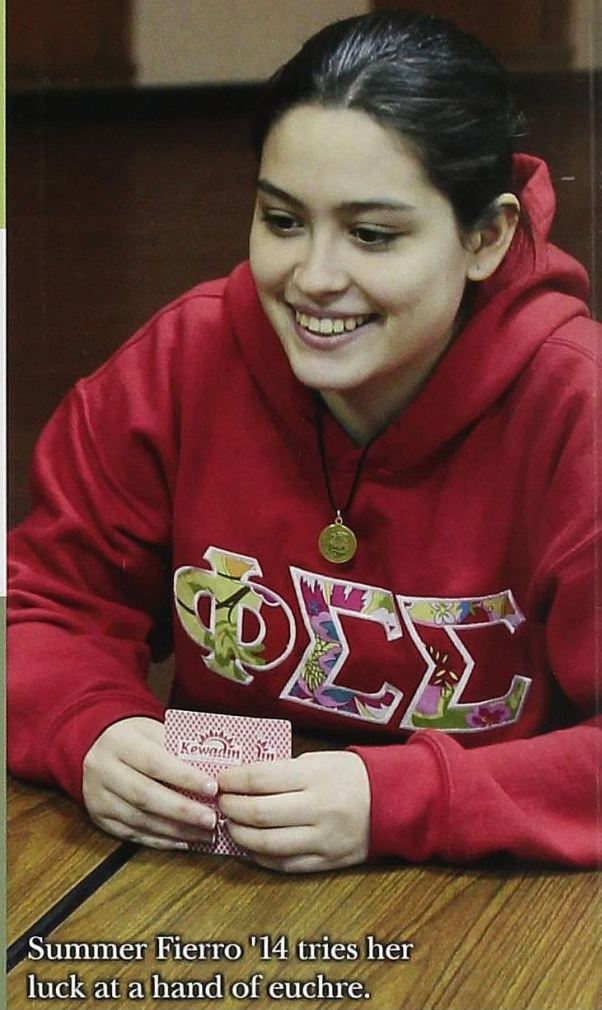
Svet - Hip Hop Violinist

Cedar Point

Casino Night

Songfest

Trivia Night



Summer Fierro '14 tries her luck at a hand of euchre.



Lindsey Schmidt '14 plays euchre at the ACUB tournament in the winter.

Sophomores Laura Pollet, Brittany Gordon, Katie Closner, Christelle Bangsi and Rita Mulford enjoy a beautiful day at Cedar Point. Photo courtesy Rita Mulford '15



The Almanian

Your Weekly Source of Campus News

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Each Tuesday night, the staff of the Almanian meets in the basement office of Newberry Hall to discuss the upcoming week's newspaper issue. A story list, prepared by the Editor-in-Chief Josh Zeitler '14 is passed around and staff writers claim the stories they want or offer up their own ideas. The last paper of the year is a feature issue, the Almaniatic, in which everything is funny or false. Over the course of the year the staffers form close bonds with each other, with one common goal: to make the next issue better than the last.

The Almanian offers its readers a perspective of the college that no one else can and there's no better way to really get to know your college than working for the student newspaper.

-Josh Zeitler '14, Editor-in-Chief



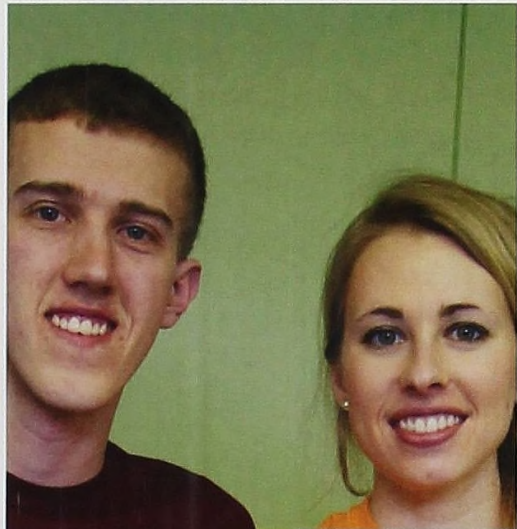
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1. The Almanian staff gathers around the office table for the last meeting of the year, discussing the ever-popular Almaniatic issue. 2. Editors Taryn Handyside '14 and Kayla Roy '14, go site-seeing during their spring trip to an annual journalism conference, held in San Francisco this year. 3. One of the many sites seen during the editors' trip to San Francisco. 4. Some of the editors, awaiting their flight, keep busy with homework as they sit in the airport.

The Scot *Capturing Memories*

Page by Cailee Drzinski '15 Photos by Justin Closs '15

You can see the names all over the book... the names of each and every staff member that helped make this book what it is. Our staff has endured long days out shooting photos, sore eyes from editing text, Sunday morning meetings to make sure everything is going to be met for each deadline and even back pain from carrying boxes of books all over campus. We work hard to bring you one of the biggest pieces of history and memories you will gain from your college career. This year The Scot hosted Photo Booth events where students could have their picture taken and purchase photo strips printed on site. 2011-2012 yearbooks were also distributed to students and alumni at the Homecoming game.



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Rachel Giza '13

Justin Closs '15

Katie Keaton '14

Jillian Thompson '14

Elizabeth Knape '13

Hannah Chlystek '13

Brittney Cole '13

Crystal Snow '16

Katherine Vaillancourt '16

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Taylor Swanson '15

Jessica Ferguson '16

Kayla Dill '16

Ashley Thornton '15

Cailee Drzinski '15

Nicole Eccles '16



Editor-In-Chief
Rachel Giza '13

"I've really enjoyed working on our 2012-2013 yearbook and am proud of the hard work and dedication The Scot team has put forth. The task of representing an entire academic year in a single book is always challenging, but I feel we've made an honest effort to encompass as many aspects of the Alma experience as pages allowed. I could not have asked for a better final year with

The Scot!"

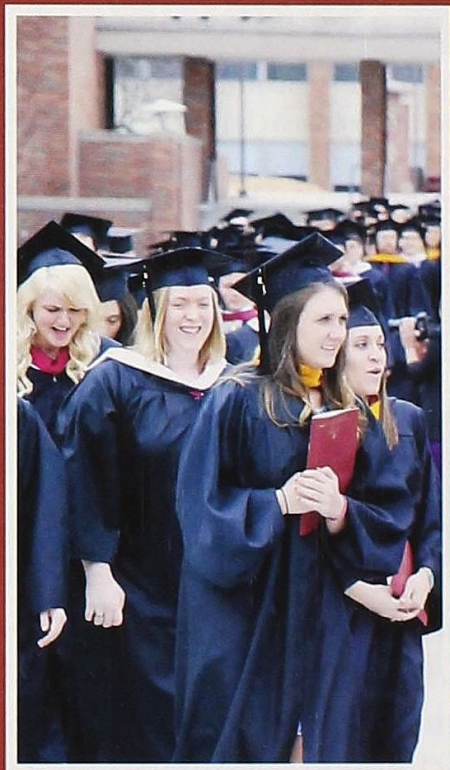
-Rachel Giza '13



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Congratulations, Class of 2013



*Congratulations, class of 2013,
on your many accomplishments!
The Scot wishes you the best of
luck in all of your future
endeavors!*

Rachel Bowker

We are very proud of you
and all that you have
accomplished. Keep aiming
for the stars and your future
will be bright. Good luck at
MSU Medical School. We
love you very much!
Love, Mom and Dad



Brittney Cole

Congratulations Brittney!
We are so proud of all of
your accomplishments
throughout your college
years. You have grown so
much it is hard to believe
you are the same
quiet, shy little girl we took
up to Alma. We love you
very much and
know you have a bright
future ahead of you, no
matter what you choose
to do. Remember in life
sometimes you will stumble
and fall, but that
doesn't mean you give up; it
just means you will have to
try again.

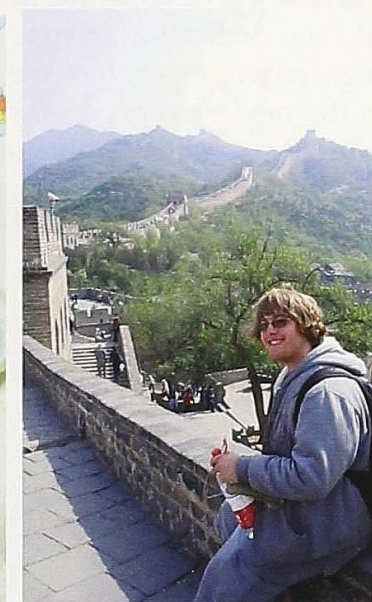
Love you forever and ever,
Mom and Dad



Ryan A. Cramer

It seems like just yesterday we sent you,
our only child, off to college. Your
years at Alma have been nothing short
of amazing. We saw you mature as a
gentlemen and advance in knowledge
and wisdom. The places you've been
and the experiences you've had are
memories for a lifetime. Cherish them.
Continue to follow your passion and
trust in your journey. Now and always,
we will support you and your dreams
with our pride and love.

OX OX OX Mom and Dad OX OX OX



Justine Cowan

We are so proud of all you have
accomplished over the last four years and
know you will do the same at MSU
School of Veterinary Medicine in the fall.
Go Justine!!

We love you,
Your family



Seth Murray

Take pride in your many accomplishments.
Look ahead to your new journey with
excitement and hope. May your light of
strength and courage always shine.

We love you,
Mom and Dad



Elizabeth Wayne

Elizabeth,

Your years at Alma have been blessed with
opportunities that helped you find your passion and
confirm the direction you chose for your life. Alma
has been a great fit! It's been a joy to follow your
journey and we are very proud of you!

Love,
Mom and Dad



Allie Gasiorowski

We admire how you always embrace
the concept "Be the change you wish
to see in the world." We are so proud
of all of your accomplishments and
your goals for the future.

Love,
Mom and Dad



Katie Gordon

Katie,
Your enthusiasm and passion during your Alma experience has been a joy to watch! We can't wait to see where the next path leads!

Love,
Mom & Dad



Rachel Giza

It's hard to believe four years have passed so quickly. We are very proud of your accomplishments, hard work, and dedication to your studies. You have made being a parent enjoyable. We are excited for you to start the next chapter of your career. We are confident you will continue to excel in whatever you do in life.

Love,
Mom and Dad



Ashley N. Jones

We hope your dreams take you to the corners of your smiles, to the highest of your hopes, to the windows of your opportunities, and to the most special places your heart has ever known.

Love,
Mom and Dad



Rachel Burckhardt

We are so proud of all that you have accomplished during your time at Alma College. Good luck at the University of Georgia. You will make a phenomenal microbiologist. Enjoy Athens and go Bulldogs!

Never forget how much we love and support you.

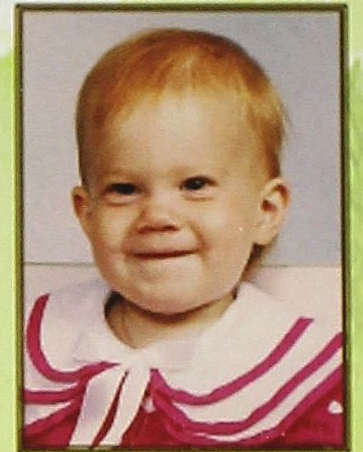
Hugs and Kisses,
Mom and Dad



Congratulations, Katie!



We're all so proud of you!



Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

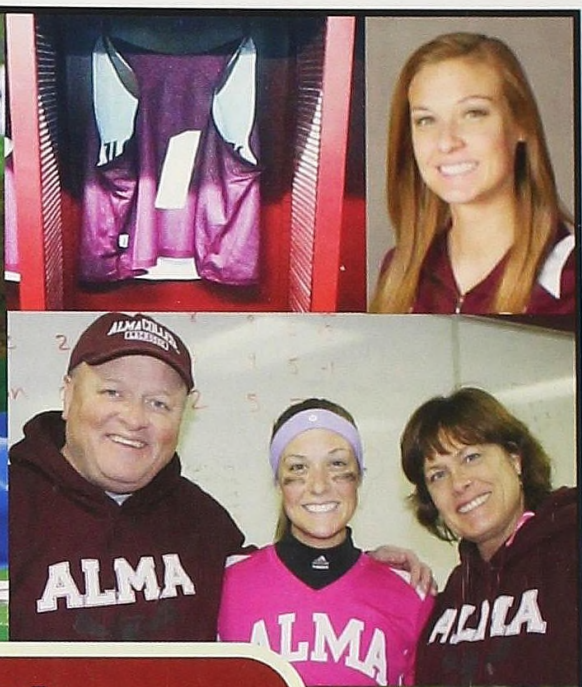
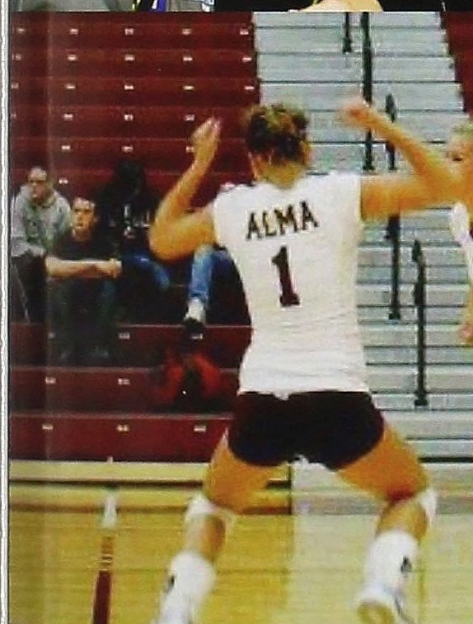
Psalm 119:105

Jonathan Haley

From your first of day of kindergarten, to your graduation from high school; and now college; you have always blazed a trail to success regardless of the circumstances or opinions of others. From the moment you were born, you have never failed to make us proud for being 'you'! You were always referred to as a 'Little Man' because you have always been so wise beyond your years. It is bittersweet for you to be at this point in your life, where has the time gone? You have made more of your last four years at Alma College than most people make in a lifetime. You have always set your sights high with no fear! From your studies abroad in Ecuador and Peru; to your experiences with the Model UN and the P Global; to becoming class President; you have succeeded with each one- to the maximum that you could achieve. "Keep in mind that neither success nor failure is ever final" ~Roger Babson. Regardless of where your life leads you at this point and no matter how far away from home you travel, we will always be here for you. We will be the ones cheering you on when you feel like the world is against you, we will be the ones that you can depend on, happy for your successes. We are excited to see where the rest of your life takes you, it will no doubt be promising. Never settle for less than you deserve, hard work and perseverance will always pay off. Congratulations, Jon!!! We are so proud of you and the young man that you have become.

We love you,
Dad, Mom, Jordan

"You are educated. Your certification is in your degree. You may think of it as the ticket to the good life. Let me ask you to think of an alternative. Think of it as your ticket to change the world." ~Tom Brokaw



**Congratulations
Mary Harwood!**
We are so proud of you!



Kenny Sparks

Congratulations Kenny Sparks

Bright-eyed baby boy, so quickly grown into a fine young man and Alma College graduate, this is our wish and prayer for you:

"Lord your summons echoes true when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.
In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me."

The Summons
John Bell

Love Always,
Mom and Dad
2013



Zahra Hussain

Dear Zahra,

Congratulations on your achievements. You have made us proud time and again.

Your focused and goal driven personality in addition to being kind and thoughtful of others has been a source of peace for us as well as a source of inspiration for your younger brother. You are growing up to be a mature and sensible person that we are proud to call a daughter. I have no doubt you have a bright future. We all wish you all the success and happiness in your future.

As I have always said: YOU ARE THE SPARK PLUG OF OUR HOME.

Love,
Mom, Dad,
and your brother



Tanis Rozeveld



Congratulations
Tanis!

We are so proud of
all you have
accomplished. We
wish God's blessing
on your future.

Proverbs 16:3

"Commit to the
Lord whatever you
do and your plans
will succeed." We
love you!

Mom, Dad, Cody
and Cory

Special Thanks to...

...the Physical Plant staff for all of their help with yearbook this year. We appreciate your continued assistance.

...all students and community members who contributed photos to the yearbook. We appreciate your generosity; the yearbook would not be the same without your help.

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...Dr. Von Wallmenich for her support and guidance as adviser to The Scot. We are lucky to have you!

...the Alma College community for continuing to support The Scot.

Chelsea Duff

Chelsea,

We are so very proud of you and all of your accomplishments. We love you very much!

"Promise me you'll always remember: You're braver than you believe, and stronger than you seem, and smarter than you think." -A. A. Milne

Love,
Mom, Dad
Megan, Adam,
and Larissa



Emma Post



Life is about the
people you meet,
and the things
you create
with them,
so go out and
start creating.

We are so proud
of you!

Love,
Mom and Dad

Christie Havrilla

You are as beautiful on the
inside as you are on the outside!

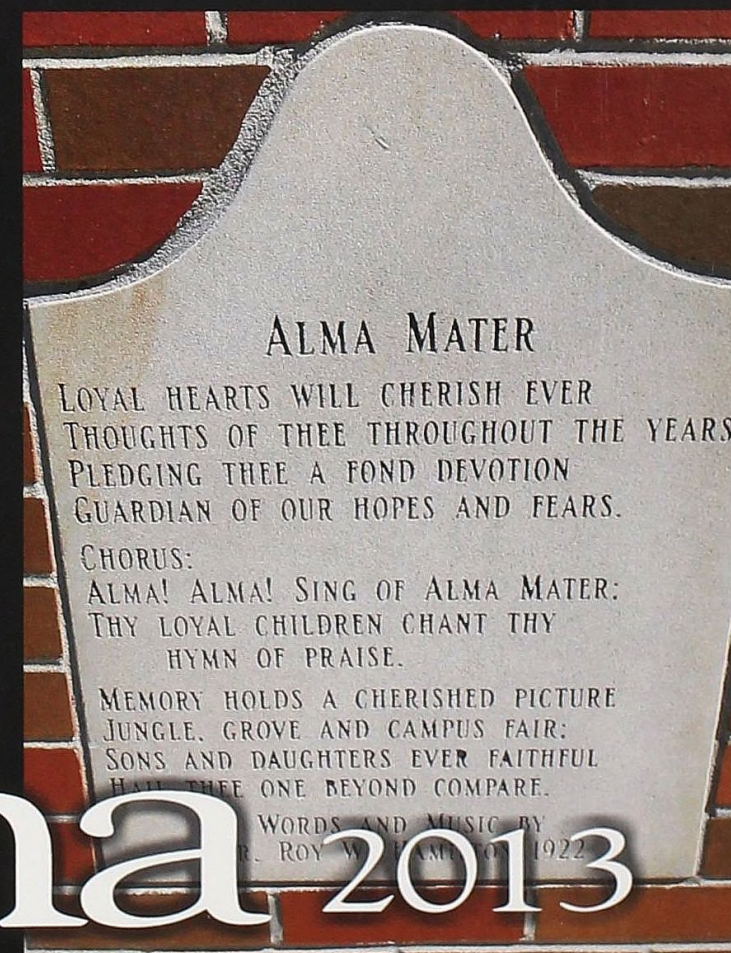
I am so very proud of all that
you've accomplished, all that
you've become and all that you
are aspiring to become. God
Bless.

Love "ATWAB,"
Mom



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LOYAL HEARTS WILL CHERISH EVER
THOUGHTS OF THEE THROUGHOUT THE YEARS.
PLEDGING THEE A FOND DEVOTION
GUARDIAN OF OUR HOPES AND FEARS.

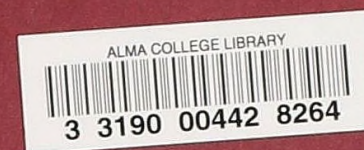
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ALMA! ALMA! SING OF ALMA MATER:
THY LOYAL CHILDREN CHANT THY
HYMN OF PRAISE.

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JUNGLE, GROVE AND CAMPUS FAIR:
SONS AND DAUGHTERS EVER FAITHFUL
HAIL THEE ONE BEYOND COMPARE.

WORDS AND MUSIC BY
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