PHISHER CATCHES OVER 300 STUDENTS

By JOE HOFFMAN

A suspected South Africa-based scammer has gained access to hundreds of student emails in the largest series of phishing attacks the University at Albany has faced, according to officials.

On Thursday, Chief Information Security Officer Martin Manjak sent a campus-wide email urging all students to change their passwords as a precaution, saying that information Technology had already shut down more than 300 accounts after the scammer tricked students into giving him or her their passwords.

Hours later, the phisher used this email alarm to try to defraud more students. The scammer copied Manjak’s alert and sent it from student accounts he or she already controlled.

“More than 300 student accounts have been suspended after their passwords were compromised, to reactivate your account please click Albany and provide your login details,” said the phishing attempt.

The real Manjak said on Friday that Information Technology Services tracked many of the phishing attempts to South African IP addresses. “We know his email, messages@e.cnswarmail.com,” said Manjak.

Surplus Funds Not Yet Allocated in SA Budget

By CHAD ARNOLD

Surplus funds remain unallocated as the Student Association senate on Wednesday voted unanimously to approve the Board of Finance’s proposed 2018-19 external budget.

The $930,933.85 approved budget, which will be divided between 125 student clubs, groups and organizations on campus, is an over $15,000 increase from the 2017-18 academic year.

Wednesday’s vote was the first step in passing the organization’s estimated $2.71 million total budget for the upcoming academic year.

“It’s always good to give more money to student groups,” said Mitchell Rybak, chairman of the BOF, according to officials. According to Rybak, deciding how to allocate funds for student groups is a multi-step process.

First, the BOF looks at the previous year’s expansion – both internal and external. From there, the board considers the estimated budget provided by University Research before beginning the weeks long process of going through each group’s budget request.

“To be honest, it was a painstaking process, but one that’s necessary,” said Rybak. Groups that failed to file a budget request for the upcoming academic year were allocated one cent to remain funded. This is a move that, according to Rybak, would prevent groups from having to go through the new and unfunded process should another mistake by the group’s e-board become.

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There is no way of telling how large SU’s current surplus is until the organization’s latest audit is released. The audit for the 2017 fiscal year, which was completed last month, is slated to be presented to the senate as part of SU’s

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4/16/2018

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Students Rally for Increased Transparency in SA

By CHAD ARNOLD

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Turning Point USA, a non-profit organization committed to fiscal responsibility, free markets, and limited government, organized the rally that attracted a dozen students.

“We’ll all those who participated in the rally earlier today stand up please,” said Jerlisa Fontaine, SA president, during the organization’s weekly meeting Wednesday night.

Members of TPU, who were in attendance Wednesday’s meeting seeking an approval of a political science major and vice president’s office is required to provide the senate with weekly expenditure reports so those accounts to phish for more student security and with weekly expenditure reports were not possible.

“There’s really no way possible to present every single transaction made,” said Fontaine. “We would need to hire 10 employees.”

According to SA bylaws, the comptroller’s office is required to provide the senate with bi-weekly expenditure reports which are to be archived on the organization’s website. No such reports can be found on SA’s website as of writing.

Fontaine’s administration this semester has been heavily criticized by senators after the Nigerian criminal gangs have gained from using it — involves promising notoriety.

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Elise Coombs

I wasn’t at the library, but when I asked my classmate what the University Police Department email was about, I was shown the video: a Snapchat with the time stamped as 10:19. The video showed a person lying on the floor, with a fire extinguisher placed on top of them. The message accompanying the video read: “It’s not a big deal. I just wanted to make sure my friends knew.”

I know this is the end of the week and we are all looking to wind down, but I can’t help but think about the implications of what happened in the library. This is a student who broke the law, and yet, no one seems to care. Is this the behavior we want to encourage on our campus?

By OLIVIA S. MATA

Students Should Think Before Sharing

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

We squandered it. But I’m not a psychologist, I’m just a witness to a video that is not unique in our social media age.

By the end of the week one student with over 1,000 followers, reposted the video over 15 times, at one point saying “Nah he deserves justice someone go link him...”. Another posted the “Jack the Jerker” meme made from the UPD’s first email.

If indeed the student doesn’t have such a disorder and is just “naive” as one student on Facebook posted, the reaction to the incident on social media will surely push this student further into the shadows. This begs the question: why would a body of students, so accurately aware of violence in high schools and on college campuses, be so inclined to not potentially contribute to the catalysts of such behavior?

Criminal behavior is criminal and there is no excuse for that. I’m not defining something that for some would constitute a form of sexual assault. Those who break the law deserve to be punished and this student was rightfully charged with Public Lewdness (NYS PL 245.00-A), a class B misdemeanor in the state of New York. So be it. But is the appropriate response a three-day long viral flash in the pot, given the context of the crime? I feel morally compelled to ask this question, considering the past years’ campaigns that have brought awareness to addictions, sexual behavior, mental illness and cyberbullying.

Chief of Police J. Frank Wiley ended his email marking the arrest of the student with the following statement: “Thank you to everyone in the community for reading our notice and especially to those who quickly reached out and helped us identify and speak with him. You helped make our campus safer and are proof that an engaged community consists of students who feel it more interesting to build community policing successful.”

I am sure there were numerous students who just wanted him to be found, arrested and imparted justice to fit his crime, but there is an optimum present in Chief Wiley’s send-off that does not reflect the behavior of students on social media who taunted, ridiculed, threatened and encouraged others to do the same. His engaged community consists of students who felt it more interesting to build a meme or make posters to share with their friends online.

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impossible to appeal to every student's tastes. As for Parkfest, it's hard to justify the money that clubs receive, but that is a different matter altogether. Discrepancies in how much certain clubs receive can make the system seem inefficient. Not every student will see funds granted to their favorite organizations. The funds can benefit every student. For once, the Student Association was right when they said, "the student body has a right to maximize students' happiness." It can't make everyone totally satisfied, but it can make them happy. Unfortunately, SA decided that the event should be free because they thought it was the best way to reconcile this. Selling a limited number of tickets is the only way to make money. One problem is that the university subsidizes the cost of the event at the expense of students who do not go. It shifts the burden on people who will go and enjoy the event to those who don't. 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High-Fat, Low-Carb Diet

People are always looking for the newest way to lose weight. One new fad is the Ketogenic diet — shortened to “keto” — or the diet that is very low in carbs, moderate in protein, and high in fat. This diet that takes a “more fat to lose fat” mentality. Someone on the keto diet may find themselves eating things like bacon and butter.

The whole science behind the diet is to get your body into a state of ketosis. This is a metabolic state in which the body uses fat as a fuel source instead of carbs. When you don’t have enough carbs to use as energy, so it turns to burn fat as a fuel source instead. When your body reaches this ketosis state, it will burn fat and shed pounds. Some people who have tried the diet have also reported feeling a mental clarity because their mind is not running on sugar power, but rather on fat power. People have also reported feeling more energized.

For many, the keto diet has given them fat results, with some studies reporting up to fifteen pounds lost within the first month. However, this is not actually fat loss, but water loss. Water molecules have a strong bond to carbohydrates, and when you cut out the carbohydrates from your body, you flush out water that shows up on the scale. The keto diet is not sustainable because of the sheer amount of fat you are consuming. Many nutritionists worry that eating such an amount of fat could lead to health issues over time such as heart disease and high cholesterol. Another issue that concerns people about the keto diet is that it is simply not realistic. A diet that has almost no carbohydrate intake is hard to stick to because so many foods contain carbs. It is easy to gain the weight back as soon as you have a cheat day. In the keto diet too extreme and difficult to stick to.

I decided to give the keto a try to see if the pros outweigh the cons. I was only able to sustain the diet for a week. It left me groggy and exhausted. It was difficult to find enough healthy fixed that was high in fat but low in carbs.

At the end of the day with any diet, it’s all about finding what works for you and your body. It’s all about trial and error, so don’t be afraid to try new things. But at the same time, it’s important to remember to listen to your body.

By KATE WEST
SOFTBALL

The University at Albany softball team took two out of three against UMBC over the weekend, thanks to some solid pitching and some timely home runs.

UMBC (21-15 9-4 AE) split their doubleheader on Saturday against UAlbany (9-28 6-9 AE), winning the first game 9-1 before losing the second game 7-6. On Sunday the Great Danes took the series 4-0 victory.

On Saturday, the Great Danes split the doubleheader with UMBC. In the first game, Celeste Vandervelde (11-1) picked up her 11th win of the season pitching a complete game, giving up just one run and five hits in a 9-1 victory. Amelia Ely and Chelsea Hengie lead the Great Danes on the offensive side. Ely went 2-for-3 with a homerun and Hengie went 2-for-4 with a double and a triple in a close to go ahead with two RBIs. Kelly Spear doubled two doubles on the day for the Great Danes going 2-for-4 as a well. Donna Conrad got the scoring five runs in the first inning driving a walk with the base loaded to put the Great Danes up 3-0. Hengie then doubled to left Bump singled in a run to go up 4-0 before finally getting to Devin Verdolivo (11-1) picked up her 11th win of the season pitching a four-hit shutout, winning 7-0.

By ELIJAH CASPER

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UMBC put a run across in the fourth inning to make it 6-1. Bump had lost off the top of the fourth inning with a walk and came around to score when Hinge tripled and the Great Danes regained the six run lead.

In the fifth, Ely smashed a solo-shot to put the Great Danes up 8-1. Later in the inning, Spear hit one of her two doubles and that brought home Alysha Wade, scoring the final run for the Great Danes, making it 9-1.

In the second game UMBC scored two in the first inning, before finally getting to Devin Verdolivo (3-6) in the fifth inning, scoring five and running away with the game, winning 7-6.

Sunday was all about freshman pitcher Miranda Jimenez (6-1). Jimenez pitched a four-hit shutout, striking out two over seven innings. UAlbany got on the score board early with two runs in the first inning. Bump doubled to left and Spear continued her hot weekend with a two-run shot to put the Great Danes up 2-0. In the fourth, Katie Falcikos reached on a fielder’s choice before Donna Conrad doubled her home and the Great Danes were up 3-0. Kelly Barkevich added another insurance run in the sixth inning with a solo blast down the right field-line, putting the Great Danes up (4-0).

“I like the way we responded [Sunday] after a bad loss on the second game [Saturday],” Coach Cantamali said after the game. “Miranda pitched a great game against a really good hitting team. We need to keep fine-tuning things in practice and continue to get to where we need to be for the conference tournament. Up next, the Great Danes will host Binghamton on Wednesday, April 25 at Albany Field at 3 p.m.

By BRYAN TORRES

The Great Danes managed to win two of three games in their series with Binghamton last weekend and have now won seven of their last eight games.

The teams split a doubleheader on Sunday with Binghamton taking the victory in the first game and Binghamton winning the second. The first game resulted in a 3-2 UAlbany win. The Danes struck first in the game with an RBI double from freshman Ryan Hernandez scoring Matt Codispoti in the top of the fourth inning.

The University at Albany extended their lead in the top of the ninth inning as Hernandez singled to score Codispoti again and a sac-fly from Redshirt senior Patrick Lagreus scored Honora to make it 3-0.

The Danes’ pitching held off the Binghamton offense as John Clayton pitched 6.2 innings while fanning only one run on three hits while striking out three to get the win. Redshirt senior Jack McCree pitched the remaining 2 innings allowing one run on one hit to get the save. The win was the Danes’ second straight against 2017 America East Pitcher of the Year Nick Gallagher.

The second game of the day was not as good for UAlbany as they were unable to capitalize on a quality start by junior Domous Savino who pitched six innings, allowing two runs on two hits while striking out four. The offense was shut out by Binghamton winning by a 2-0 defeat.

The third game on Sunday saw the Danes rally to the series, winning by a score of 6-4. Binghamton jumped to an early 3-0 lead in the bottom of the first. UAlbany took their time answering, but finally did so in the sixth inning. Junior Travis Collins hit into a fielder’s choice which allowed right-hander senior Connor Powers to score the Danes’ first run. Collins then scored on an RBI double to center by Malins to cut the lead to one run. A bases loaded, two-run single from Lagreus later in the inning gave the Danes a 5-3 lead.

Binghamton answered right back in the bottom of the sixth, scoring a run to tie the game at 4-4. The game remained tied until the top of the eighth when Lagreus score again, hitting an RBI single to right field to give UAlbany a lead they would not relinquish in the game.

The Danes added an insurance run in the top of the ninth as Hernandez and Codispoti teamed up again to produce a run when Hernandez hit a sacrifice fly to left. Savino, pitching on consecutive days, was once again solid for the Danes as he came in to silence the Binghamton offense, throwing three stellar innings while allowing just one hit to earn his sixth win of the season.

The Danes will host three games this week, hosting Central Connecticut State on Tuesday and then a doubleheader against Iona on Wednesday before taking the weekend off.

BASEBALL

The Danes take series against Bearcats

The Danes beat out three of three games against UMBC over the weekend.

In the first game resulted 6-4. Binghamton started the scoring five and running away with the game, winning 7-0.

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**Dane Train Stomps Back on Track**

The Dane Train got back on track with an 18-7 win against the Binghamton Bearcats.

By ELI CASPER

The University at Albany train conductor was back behind the wheel on Saturday as Connor Fields returned to the field to lead the Great Danes over the Binghamton Bearcats.

Two weeks after being upset by UMBC in the college lacrosse upset of the season, the UAlbany Great Danes men’s lacrosse team (11-4, 6-1) routed the Bearcats in the America East with a convincing 18-7 win over the Binghamton Bearcats (4-10, 1-4 AE) in front of a crowd of 3,553 at the annual Spring Stomp game.

Connor Fields lead the Great Danes with two goals to go along with five assists in his first game back from his knee injury. Tekoah Nanticoke added three goals of his own to go along with two assists. In total, 11 different Great Danes scored, including two goals apiece from Alex Burgmaster, Sam Eccles, Justin Reh and Troy Reh.

“I was getting more and more confidence as the game went on,” Fields said. “Towards the end of the game, I felt back to normal.”

The Great Danes struck first, six minutes into the first period after Chris Ryan sent a shot into the upper left hand corner past the goalie to put the Great Danes up 1-0. The Great Danes scored moments later after Tekoah Nanticoke set up Jack Brggermaster to go up 2-0. Binghamton cut the deficit in half with 3:17 left in the first period to bring the Bearcats within one at 2-1. The Great Danes weren’t finished as Nanticoke set up Sam Eccles a minute later to put the Great Danes up 3-1. Then, Connor Fields made his presence felt just under a minute remaining in the opening period with a goal to make it 4-1.

Binghamton opened up the scoring in the second period to make it 4-2 with a goal less than two minutes in. Justin Reh responded quickly for Albany to make it 5-2. Alex Burgmaster kept the keepers mouth between the sticks and increase the Great Danes lead to 6-2. Eccles tacked on another goal on a goal less than five minutes left in the half to make it 7-2. Nanticoke got in on the scoring column seconds later, increasing the lead to 8-2.

 Faceoff guru TD larson, who went 22-for-24 on faceoffs on the day, got in on the faceoff scoring his fourth goal of the season not too long after, making it 9-2. Binghamton scored the next two goals to close the gap to within five at 9-4. Jakob Paterson responded with two goals for the Great Danes with an unbelievable over the shoulder goal to put UAlbany up 10-4 with less than two minutes remaining in the first half.

Fields got the party started in the opening two minutes of the third period with his second goal of the game to make it 11-4. The Bearcats responded quickly to make it 11-5. The Reh brothers scored the next two goals for the Great Danes with Justin making it 13-5 and Troy Reh adding on to make it 15-5.

Nanticoke scored his second goal of the game just over a minute into the fourth period to make it 14-5. Alex Burgmaster scored to make it 15-5 and Nanticoke added another goal moments later to make it 16-5 and seal the hat trick. The Great Danes weren’t finished as Troy Reh found the back of the net again, making it 17-5.

The Bearcats tacked on another two more to make it 17-7 but it was too much too late, as the Dane train kept chugging along. Sophomore Mitch Aladdin got in on the action for the Great Danes to make it the final score of 18-7.

“Certainly pleased with our effort tonight,” Coach Matt said after the game. “Coming off our loss and not playing in a couple of weeks. Started off a little slow, but I thought we picked it up, played a pretty solid game.”

The Great Danes entered the game having not played since their upset loss to UMBC 11-7, on April 6. Going into the game, the Great Danes got senior attacker Connor Fields back after missing the previous two games.

“It felt like years since the UMBC game,” larson said after the two weeks off. “I was getting kind of sick of getting phone calls and stuff about it.”

Binghamton entered the game winning three out of their last four.

The Great Danes will finish up the season at Hartford on Tuesday at 2:15 p.m. Earlier in the week, the Great Danes had four members selected in the Major League Lacrosse collegiate draft. Connor Fields was selected 3rd overall by Charlotte. Kela McClancy was taken 10th overall in the second round by Albany. Troy Reh was selected 27th overall in the third round by New York and has brother Justin Reh was selected 59th overall in the seventh round, also by New York.

**UAlbany Has Strong Showing at Spring Classic**

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The UAlbany track and field team hosted the Spring Classic this past weekend here at the university, ultimately winning 26-38.

In the relays, the women’s 4x100m relay A team comprised of seniors Tashaer Butterfield, Chanell Smith, Dayleen Summertime Rodriguez and Stephanie Onuji set a new meet record, winning their event with a time of 46.20. Santana Rodgers and Onuji came in at a dead heat for first in the women’s 100m final with a time of 11.84.

The men’s 4x100m relay team also lined up as seniors Nichol- son, Garfield Napier, Dowhill Wilson and Stanley Gibbous managed to come in first place with a time of 43.51.

The women’s 4x400m relay of Selinah Wright, Haley Brick, Maria Shummette and Kyrie Owens placed first in 4:00.19.

The men’s 4x400m relay of Matthew Lee-Breyer, Jordan Lawrence, Walter Briggs and Mylkie Banfield placed first in 3:17.26.

In short distance races, Osuji won the men’s 200m with a time of 22.46, the fastest in pro gram history beating the previous record held by Grace Claxton in 2016 of 23.68.

Additionally, Napier won the men’s 100m final with a time of 10.70. Nicholson won the men’s 400m in 48.23, running a 21.72.

Alex Fiske won the women’s 400m in 57.83 while Banfield won the men’s 400m in 49.23.

Senter Niva Lovick won the women’s 800m in 2:18.89 and sophomore Evan DeGraw won the men’s 800m in 1:54.01.

In hurdles races, Gibbous placed second in the men’s 110m hurdles with a 14.13. Senior Namane Morrison won the women’s 100m hurdles in 14.17. Hale Snyder won the women’s 400m hurdles in 1:04.30 and Briggs won the men’s 400m hurdles in 54.31.

In long distance running results, sophomore Chafay Ramone won the men’s 1,500m with a time of 4:06.15 and fellow sophomore Holly Machabur won the women’s 3,000m steeplechase in 11:05.57.

In other events, junior Letti Hidbord was able to win the women’s long jump by scoring 4.287 points, David Carlson won the men’s hammer in 16:57.01, Britonisky won the women’s shot put in 4:04.50, Brian Nicholson won the men’s discus in 158-10.00, Madjeanna Brutus won the men’s high jump in 6-01.00, Kyle Gronostaj broke his own school record of 10.09.44 in the men’s 10,000m race by running a 29:32.41. The UAlbany track and field athletes can compete one last time at the Penn Relays and at RIT track weekend before the America East Outdoor Championships begin.