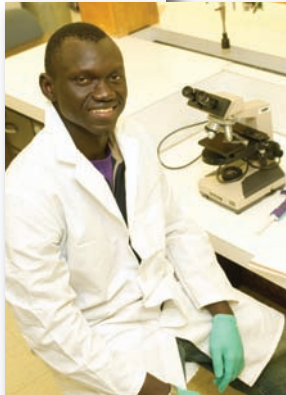


# Where Are They Now?

By Carol Olechowski

**C**ongratulations to **Alex Logono, B.S.'07**, who enrolled in medical school at the American University of Antigua last May. "I will be there for two years, and spend two more in the U.S., most likely in New York City," said the future physician, who was featured in the Fall 2007 *UAlbany* ("Lost No More"). Logono worked at St. Peter's Hospital while studying biology at UAlbany. After graduation, he returned to his native Sudan to see his mother, Lona Sitti, for the first time since fleeing the warring nation as a child in the 1980s. He visited her, "and the rest of my family," again before leaving for Antigua. A U.S. citizen since March 2007, Logono hopes to bring his mom to the States someday.

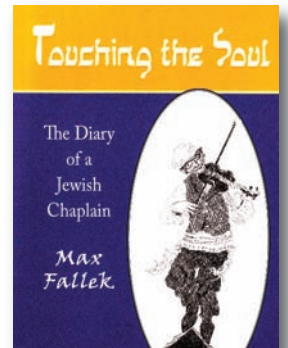


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Alex Logono, B.S.'07

**I**nspired by his work at Methodist Hospital and Minneapolis Veterans Home, **Max Fallek, B.A.'51**, has written *Touching the Soul: The Diary of a Jewish Chaplain* (Nodin Press, LLC; 2008). An expert on small business and entrepreneurship, Fallek earned a degree in mathematics at UAlbany and an M.B.A. from the University of Iowa. He held management-level positions with 3M, Tescom Corporation and Quantum Group, and was a marketing consultant for 35 years. Fallek, founder and past president of the American Institute of Small Business, received a Distinguished Alumni Award in 2001.



**A**s *Houston Chronicle* blogger "Aspie Mom" (<http://www.chron.com>), **Jennifer Skovan, B.A.'96**, writes about her experiences raising her 5-year-old son, Aaron, who was recently diagnosed with Asperger's syndrome. Skovan is also chairing the publicity committee for Walk Now For Autism, a fundraiser to be held Oct. 24 at Reliant Park in Houston. The former Presidential Scholar, who majored in psychology and minored in French, would "love to connect with UAlbany alumni" in the Sugar Land, Texas, area. For more information about the walk, please visit the link at <http://www.walknowforautism.org/faf/home/default.asp?ievent=304930>.





“Lapsed lawyer” and former geography major **Eric Deskin, B.A.’86**, told us in the Winter 2008 *UAlbany* (“Taking Life *Less* Seriously”) that he could skate, play piano and do bird calls – simultaneously. But in recent television commercials for a candy bar, Cablevision and a hair-care product, he’s displayed an amazing acting range, portraying “a taste bud; a red pixel; and ‘Professor Bowlcut,’

a self-professed expert on all things hair,” respectively! In addition, the actor/comic appeared recently on the soaps “As the World Turns” and “One Life to Live,” and played a doctor on an episode of “Z Rock” on IFC (Independent Film Channel). Deskin also continues to perform at comedy clubs in the New York City area.

**Y**ou can tell a lot about a person from a handshake. Just ask **Anne K. Marfey**, whose book *Shake Hands Touch Hearts: A Collection of First Impressions* (Authorhouse, 2009), recounts her encounters with such notables as Martin Luther King Jr., Carl Sagan – and New York State Writers Institute Founder and Executive Director William Kennedy. Marfey taught Danish as an adjunct in the Department of Languages, Literatures and Cultures.



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