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TODAY	TOMORROW	FRIDAY
12:00 Extreme Makeover Volunteer Shares Experience	12:10 Bergren Forum: Tim Cox - 'Why Rhetoric Matters'	12:20 Environmental Studies Seminar: 'Global Warming'
1:20 SUNY Lifesaver CPR-AED Training	2:30 Open Enrollment Meeting - Retirees Only	6:00 MEDO Hafla
4:30 Sit Still and Breathe: Meditation in Powell.	3:00 Coffee and Cider with Charley	8:00 'Widows' directed by Steve Crosby
5:30 Grant Workshop for Artists	7:00 Open Enrollment Meeting	'Inglourious Basterds'
Giving Thanks, Giving Back Dinner	8:00 'Widows' directed by Steve Crosby	11:00 'Inglourious Basterds'
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Coffee and Cider with Charley

Students are invited to drop in to the Multicultural Suite on Thursday, 11/19 from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. to meet President Charley Edmondson. Coffee, mulled cider, and donuts will be served.

You are welcome to bring up any questions you have, issues you'd like to discuss, ideas for AU, or just come and say hello.

Submitted by: Kathy Woughter

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Supervisors: WTE Early Approval Deadline is Today!

The check date for the last pay period (Nov. 1-Nov. 14) has been moved from the normal Friday payday to Wednesday, Nov. 25 due to the Thanksgiving Holiday.

To accommodate the early pay date, we need to impose an early deadline for submission of time sheets. All hourly workers (students and employees) should have submitted their timesheets by yesterday. For supervisors of those using Web Time Entry, this means your deadline for approval will be Today at 4:30 p.m.

This information will be also be conveyed to you in the automated e-mail reminders.

Thank you for your cooperation so we can get the paychecks processed before the break!

Submitted by: Kathy Costello

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For Students Only: H1N1 News

For AU students at high-risk for influenza-related complications, a limited supply of H1N1 vaccine is now available at Health Services. Only AU students at high-risk due to pre-existing medical conditions can be served at this time.

Please refer to the list below to determine who is at high-risk.

High-risk students are asked to call 607.871.2400 for an appointment. Appointments are required. The H1N1 vaccine appointments will be available between 1 and 4 p.m. on 11/18, 11/19, 11/20, and 11/23.

If you schedule an appointment, please be sure that you have eaten and are feeling well before receiving the vaccination. It is not advised that anyone receive the vaccination if ill, have a cold, or have flu-like symptoms.

According to the Centers for Disease Control, the high-risk group includes those students with the following medical conditions:

- * Pregnancy (with your doctor's recommendation)
- * Asthma
- * Neurological and neuro-developmental conditions (such as seizure disorders, muscular dystrophy, or spinal cord injury)
- * Chronic lung disease (such as cystic fibrosis)
- * Heart disease (such as congenital heart defects)
- * Diabetes
- * Kidney disorders
- * Liver disorders
- * Metabolic disorders
- * Blood disorders (such as sickle cell)
- * Weakened immune system due to disease or medication (such as those on long-term steroid treatment or people with HIV, AIDS)

If you are unsure about your risk status please call the Wellness Center at 607.871.2400 and our staff will help you decide.

Submitted by: Pamela Schu

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Advance Tickets for NCAA Play-off Game Saturday

Advance tickets for the home NCAA Football Playoff Game will be sold in the McLane Center Lobby, Wed., November 18th - Friday, November 20th from 1 - 3:00 pm. Tickets are \$4 for students with I.D. and children. Adult tickets are \$8. There are no complimentary tickets and no "will call" or saved tickets. Tickets will also be available, gameday at Merrill Field. Avoid Long Lines - Get Your Game Tickets Today!

Submitted by: Susan Goetschius

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Be Aware: Lock All Rooms, Offices, Vehicles

The pre-Thanksgiving and Holiday exodus from campus is generally the time of year when belongings seem to disappear if rooms, offices, and cars are not locked. Please take an extra moment to lock all rooms, offices and vehicles. If you see an suspicious activity please report it immediately to the Office of Public Safety at 607.871.2108 or 911.

Submitted by: Deborah Clark

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Attention All University Employees - Open Enrollment

Open Enrollment for 2010 will end this Friday, Nov. 20.

The Open Enrollment period allows employees to make changes to or enroll in benefits effective Jan. 1, 2010. Unless the employee experiences what is known as a "life event" throughout the year, this is the only time you may make any changes to these benefits.

You may enroll in, make changes to your current level of coverage, or drop your coverage for the following benefits:

Health Insurance (there are changes for 2010 that may affect you)

Life Insurance - New offerings and lower prices for voluntary additional life, Spousal Life is also available

Accident Insurance

Dental Insurance - New Plan with immediate coverage for major services

Vision Plan

Flexible Spending Accounts - You must enroll or re-enroll for the 2010 year to participate in Medical or Dependent Flex Spending. A new "Debit Card" feature to make it easier to use your account.

Pay period rates effective 1/1/2010 are:

VSP Vision:

Single \$3.19; Employee +1 \$4.62; Family \$8.29

New - METLIFE Dental Program:

Single \$16.29; Employee +1 \$33.39; Family \$55.35

Blue Cross/Blue Shield POS203/POS203+:

Single \$51.17, Family \$137.64

Blue Cross/Blue Shield Traditional 901:
Single \$99.92; Family \$169.08

The statutory rates for medical insurance have not been released, but should be soon. However, statutory employees wishing to change their coverage may do so now.

The last Informational meetings are scheduled in Nevins Theater at the following times:

Thursday 11/19/09:
2:30-4 p.m. RETIREES ONLY
7-8:30 p.m.

Mark Guinan, Director of Human Resources, and Vicki Pollock of Veracity Benefit Designs will be presenting information on the coverage changes to the Non-Statutory Health Options and our new Life Insurance carrier and its enhanced coverage offered.

If you have any questions or would like to make changes to your coverage, please contact the Human Resources Office: humanresources@alfred.edu X2118/2276

Submitted by: Kathy Costello

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Herrick Library Thanksgiving Recess Hours

Sunday, Nov. 22 - Noon-1 a.m.; Monday, Nov. 23 - 8 a.m.-1 a.m.; Tuesday, Nov. 24 - 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; Wednesday, Nov. 25 - 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; Thursday, Nov. 26 - CLOSED; Friday, Nov. 27 - CLOSED; Saturday, Nov. 28 - CLOSED; Sunday, Nov. 29 - 5 p.m.-1 a.m.; Monday, Nov. 30 - Regular Hours Resume

Submitted by: Mary Jo Beers

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Can You Donate Something to Save an Animal?

On Thursday, Dec. 3, Pet Pals will be having a Penny Social to raise funds for animals who can't help themselves.

This request is for new or very gently used items that you would be willing to donate to the auction. Since the auction is scheduled before the holiday break, we are hoping to receive quality items that would be a great gift for the winner to give someone on their list! The items need not be animal related or Holiday related.

How about a book that everyone wants to read? Maybe some wrapping paper, gift tags, and bows? A game that you know a child would love? These are the type of things we are looking for.

Donations will be accepted at the Center for Student Involvement on the 2nd floor of the Powell Campus Center until Wednesday, Nov. 25. Please consider donating something to make this event a huge success.

Save the Date for the Penny Social! Thursday, Dec. 3, at 4:30 p.m. in the Knight Club.

Submitted by: Nancy Banker

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Senior/Graduate Reception - Saturday, Nov. 21, 2009

Seniors/Grads of the Class of 2010 - A reception is being held in your honor on Saturday, Nov. 21 from 5-6:30 p.m. in PCC Knight Club.

Enjoy *free food, great music, & your chance to win cool prizes throughout the night! Mix & mingle with friends, professors, & alumni.

For everything SENIOR/GRAD related: Check out FACEBOOK- AU PRIDE/ or our SENIOR/GRAD Bulletin Board in PCC-1st Floor. Event sponsored by AU PRIDE- Senior Initiative/University Relations

Attachment: [Senior-Grad_Reception_Invitation1.pdf](#)

Submitted by: Susan Gorman

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Attention Retirees

Due to the holiday many of you did not receive our invitation to the Wednesday meeting to discuss changes to the 2010 medical and life insurance plans. We do apologize and will be holding another "Retiree Only" meeting on Thursday, Nov. 19, 2009 at 2:30 p.m. in Nevins Theater in the Powell Campus Center.

At this meeting you will have the chance to hear from our insurance providers about changes to the Prescription Drug coverage for all plans and new co-pay arrangements for the POS Plans. I have outlined some of the changes below so that you can be prepared to ask questions about how the plan changes will affect your particular situation:

* For retirees of the Non-Statutory Colleges who participate in the University sponsored plans all plans will have the same Rx program. The plans have three levels of co-pays depending on the drug that is being prescribed. Those co-pays are: \$10 for generic medications, \$20 for most brand name drugs and \$40 for other brand name and specialty drugs.

* The Rx coverage is no longer subject to a maximum for the year in the "Traditional Plan" and you do not have to meet your deductible before you have Rx coverage.

* There are new Co-Pays in the POS Plan for the first "in-hospital" admission and Emergency Services. There are also new services that have not been available before or have been increased. These include additional treatment days for physical, occupational and speech therapy, the addition of coverage for prosthetic and orthotics and unlimited skilled nursing facility coverage.

* The Life Insurance provided to retirees at no charge has been expanded to include Spouses and Domestic Partners up to age 70 at a \$2000 level. These summarize the significant changes in the plans. For those who maintain dependent coverage, the premiums will reduce slightly as of January 1, 2010. If you are in the area and able to attend the session, we welcome the opportunity to meet with you and address any questions you might have. For those who are out-of-the-area or unable to attend, please feel free to contact the Human Resource Office at 607-871-2909 between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and we would be happy to answer any questions you might have and assist you with your plan selection. Sincerely,

Mark A. Guinan
Director of Human Resources

Submitted by: Kathy Costello

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Environmental Studies Seminar: Global Warming

This week, Catherine Cardelus of Colgate University will speak on her work in "Look-up! The Impact of Global Warming on the Rainforest Canopy." Please join us to hear more about this interesting and timely topic.

All are welcome and refreshments will be served. Friday 11/20, 12:20 - 1:10 p.m., Roon Hall (SC 247).

Submitted by: Emma Grigg

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Food, Inc. free film screening + food + talk

Alternative Cinema along with Green Alfred will be co sponsoring a free screening of Food Inc. at the Alfred Village Hall on Saturday, Nov. 21. The evening will begin at 7 p.m. with samples of food using locally produced ingredients, the film will start at 7:30 p.m. There will be a discussion involving local food producers following the film.

Food Inc. is a documentary detailing the less public side of the American food industry. The film investigates the political, environmental, and social implications which result when food production is optimized in such a way as to maximize profits.

The Alfred Village Hall is located at 7 West University St., directly West of the Box of Books Library.

Link: [Food, Inc.](#)

Submitted by: John Hosford

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Bergren Forum - Tim Cox

The Bergren Forum sponsored by the Division of Human Studies will be meeting at 12:10 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 19 in the Nevins Theatre, Powell Campus Center.

Bring a brown bag lunch; coffee and tea are complimentary.

Speaker: Tim Cox

Topic: "Why Rhetoric Matters"

Submitted by: Marilyn Saxton

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Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service

Alfred University and Alfred State College are holding a joint Community Resource Drive for the Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service.

The Drive is on now and ends on Friday, Dec. 11, 2009. All resources requested by Community Partners will be delivered on Monday, Jan. 18, 2010.

If you are interested in donating, or delivering resources, please contact Ryan Arroyo, (Arroyo@alfred.edu or 871.2702)

Attachment: [Compiled Resource Lists](#)

Submitted by: Ryan Arroyo

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Winter Bicycle Storage

The Saxon Bike Hub is now offering Winter Bicycle Storage for all bikes. This service is provided to you free of charge. Simply bring your bike to Davis Gym on Mondays or Wednesdays from 2-5 p.m.

and we'll do the rest. If you have any questions about this service, please e-mail bikelending@alfred.edu.

Attachment: [Winter Storage Flier-](#)

Submitted by: Ian Cramer

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ITS Faculty/Staff Trainings through 11/20

The following trainings are available for faculty and staff:

Turnitin.com Anti-Plagiarism Tool

As the end of the semester approaches, many students will be required to write papers. Come learn how to promote academic honesty by using Turnitin.com.

Wednesday 11/18, 9:20 - 10:10 a.m.

Elluminate - Web-Based Videoconferencing

Thursday 11/19, 1 - 2:30 p.m.

Google Docs

See how Google Docs can be used for group projects and class collaboration.

Friday 11/20, 10 - 11 a.m.

Web 2.0 Tools in Higher Education

Explore how social media tools such as Facebook, blogs, Flickr, and Twitter can be used to supplement Blackboard and enhance your classes.

Friday 11/20, 2 - 3 p.m.

All trainings will be held in 306 Perlman Hall. If you would like to attend one of these sessions, please contact Meghanne Freivald at 871.2363 or via e-mail.

Submitted by: Meghanne Freivald

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'Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges'

The Student Affairs Office invites you to recommend full-time juniors, seniors, and graduate students for the "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges" 2010 publication.

The Alfred University criteria are:

Student's scholarship ability (3.0) minimum average, participation and leadership in academic and extracurricular activities, citizenship and service to the University, and potential for future achievement.

G.P.A. and class standing will be verified for each student nominated. Please carefully consider the names that you submit, since this process is a special recognition of students who have made outstanding contributions to Alfred University.

To submit nominations call Valerie Mettler at 871.2132 or e-mail: studentaffairs@alfred.edu. Please submit your nominations by Friday, Nov. 20, 2009.

Submitted by: Valerie Mettler

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Classic Movie Matinee: 'West Side Story' (1961)

Friday, Nov. 20 at 2 p.m.

Nancy Howe Auditorium at the David A. Howe Public Library, 155 N. Main St., Wellsville

Film adaptation of the Broadway musical updates the Romeo and Juliet story to the youth-gang atmosphere of the late 1950s. Excellent cast includes Natalie Wood, Richard Beymer, George Chakiris, and Rita Moreno. The 1961 Movie won ten Academy Awards.

This library-sponsored movie is free and open to everyone.

Submitted by: Deborah Clark

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The Maple Ridge Ramblers (members of 'The Burn Brothers')

Black-Eyed Susan Acoustic Cafe

Where: 22 W. Main St., Angelica NY

When: Saturday, Nov. 21

Cafe opens at 4:30 p.m.

Music starts at 7:30 p.m.

Kitchen closes at 10 p.m.

Submitted by: Deborah Clark

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