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TODAY	TOMORROW	FRIDAY
12:30 <a href="#">Meditation</a>	· <a href="#">4th Annual Dump-N-Run Move Out &amp; Clean Up!</a>	12:00 <a href="#">Service Awards/Retiree Luncheon</a>
8:00 <a href="#">Alfred Zombie Film Fest!</a>		6:00 <a href="#">Spaghetti Dinner</a>
· <a href="#">4th Annual Dump-N-Run Move Out &amp; Clean Up!</a>		· <a href="#">Track and Field</a>
		· <a href="#">4th Annual Dump-N-Run Move Out &amp; Clean Up!</a>

### Students - Where Do You Want Your Final Payroll Checks to Go?

Student employee's checks dated 5/14 and 5/28 will NOT automatically be sent to your Powell Center mailbox. Please e-mail [payroll@alfred.edu](mailto:payroll@alfred.edu) or stop in the Payroll Office in Greene Hall with the address where you want your final checks mailed.

Checks will also be available for pick-up in the Payroll Office on payday and for the following 2 weeks; those not claimed will then be mailed to the home address on file.

Submitted by: Kathy Costello

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### Federal Loan Program Changes: Direct Loans Replace Stafford Loans

Historically, Alfred University has participated in the Federal Family Education Loan (FFELP) programs: Stafford Loan (subsidized and unsubsidized), Parent PLUS Loan, and Graduate PLUS Loan. FFELP loans were certified by Alfred University with a private lender and the funds were obtained and disbursed through the private lender.

With the passage of the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010, the Federal Family Education Loan program will cease to exist as of July 1, 2010. All colleges and universities participating in the FFELP program must transition to the Federal Direct Loan Program. All students who previously borrowed a Federal Stafford Loan will now have a Direct Loan as part of their 2010-11 financial aid package. The terms and provisions of the Direct Loan are identical to the Stafford Loan. The only difference is the source of funding. Direct Loan funding originates with the U.S. Treasury.

As part of this transition, students who wish to borrow a Direct Loan for the 2010-11 academic year, must complete a Federal Direct Loan Master Promissory Note. The Web site for students to complete a Federal Direct Loan Master Promissory Note is: [www.studentloans.gov](http://www.studentloans.gov). Please note: This Web site does not currently support Internet Explorer v. 8. We recommend that you use either Internet Explorer v. 7 or Mozilla Firefox.

Students must have their FAFSA PIN number in order to enter the Website. Once you have entered the Web site, you will complete and electronically sign the promissory note and Alfred University will be notified that you have done so.

It is important for all students who wish to borrow the Direct Loan to take care of this process as soon as possible to help make the transition as smooth as possible. The Financial Aid Office is available to answer any questions students may have regarding this new process. Please feel free to contact us at 607.871.2159 and we will be happy to assist you.

A direct mailing will be sent to each student who will require a Direct Loan promissory note over the next few weeks. (Information for the Direct PLUS Loan will be sent to parents and graduate students under separate cover).

Submitted by: Kathy Harkenrider

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### **Supervisors - Remember to Do Your Evaluations!**

Annual evaluations are due Monday, May 31, 2010. If you haven't done so and if you supervise a support staff or administrative employee, you are required to complete an evaluation and forward it to Human Resources.

Forms are available on the Human Resources Web page link below and information concerning evaluations can be found by using the attachment.

If you have any questions, call 2118/2276.

Link: [Evaluation forms at Human Resource Services](#)

Attachment: [Information about Evaluations](#)

Submitted by: Kathy Costello

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### **Seniors: Last Two Weeks to Sign Up for Senior Trip!**

We have only 45 tickets left for the Senior Bus trip on Wednesday, May 12! Tickets on sale now at the BOOKSTORE - On your way, don't forget to sign up for the Senior Gift & pick up your Senior T-shirt!

Submitted by: Deborah Clark

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### **Pen Pals Wanted for New Initiative**

A new student-initiated program is seeking 150 college students to become pen-pals with children from the Equality Charter School in the Bronx. The program is intended to raise awareness of campus life so that children can better imagine themselves attending college after high school.

Maimunatu Mohammed, a junior marketing major, developed the program after performing an art residency at the Equality Charter School in October 2009. Her desire is to build a stronger relationship between Alfred University and what she calls their new "little sister school."

"When I was their age, I wish I had some positive influence to motivate me towards college," says Mohammed, who grew up in the Bronx. "The idea of attending a university in rural western New York was about as relatable as going to school on the other side of the planet. This is just about planting a seed in their minds about college opportunities."

University students interested will be asked to commit to writing one letter per semester until they graduate. Specific instructions and tips are attached and final submissions can be sent to Maimunatu Mohammed at [mbm1@alfred.edu](mailto:mbm1@alfred.edu) or sent to Powell Box 1159. The letters are due by Monday, May 10, 2010.

Submitted by: Maimunatu Mohammed

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### Travel Deals from the Procurement Office

The newest participant on the E&I contract is the Wyndham Hotel Program.

Participating hotels are: Days Inn, Howard Johnson, Knights Inn, Ramada, Super 8, Travelodge, Wingate by Wyndham, Wyndham Hotels and Resorts, Baymont Inns and Suites, Microtel Inns & Suites, and Hawthorn Suites.

Use the toll free special benefits hotline number of 800-525-5501 to make your reservation. You cannot call the hotel directly the reservation must go through the hotline number. Make sure to give the agent the Alfred University E&I member number of 000060 and the discount ID number of 100007780.

If you have any questions, please contact the Procurement Office.

Submitted by: Sue Peck

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### Student Service Center Closed Friday Noon-2

The Student Service Center (Registrar and Student Accounts) in Seidlin Hall will be closed Friday, May 7 from Noon to 2 p.m. for the Service Awards Luncheon.

Submitted by: Terri Sills

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### Office Services Tip of the Week

Mail Services Cost-Savings Tip:

If Express or FedEx is needed then use the lowest level of service available to accomplish your delivery objective.

Two-day instead of overnight, afternoon instead of morning ... etc.

Submitted by: Shelly Grant

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### **CASH for Textbooks! Sell Your Textbooks Before Going Home**

CASH for your TEXTBOOKS. Sell your textbooks at the AU Bookstore BEFORE going home. Get up to 50% back if your textbook is being used again. Must present picture ID.

Submitted by: Marcy Bradley

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### **AU Bookstore Now Hiring for Fall**

AU Bookstore is hiring temporary and part-time help for Fall 2010. Scheduled hours range from 2-8 weekly. You must be able to come back Aug. 16 for training and be able to work everyday through Aug. 22.

It is non-work study, flexible hours, and a great resume builder. Must have good communication skills and be motivated. Pick up application at the bookstore. Must provide 1 campus reference.

Submitted by: Marcy Bradley

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### **Empty Your Locker or Re-Register**

Please empty your locker at McLane, or re-register by e-mail to [Kernanj@alfred.edu](mailto:Kernanj@alfred.edu). Be sure to add locker room location and locker number.

Submitted by: Gerald Kernan

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