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TODAY	TOMORROW	SATURDAY
10:00 Red Cross Blood Drive	12:30 Come Get Your Picture Taken at the Wellness Center	10:00 Visit us on a Saturday
12:00 Weight Watchers Class	1:00 Brian Brooks' Open Master Dance Class	12:00 Davis Gym Service Day!
12:10 Bergren Forum: Chase Angier 'Shifting Landscapes'	3:30 Grad Student Welcome Back Mixer	8:00 Movie Night @ Herrick Library
5:15 Study Abroad ISEP Info Session		Healthy Heart Sock-

5:30	Hispanic/Latino & Native Students Focus Group	6:00	2/1/13 M/W Basketball HOME vs. Houghton - 6 & 8pm	Hop Red Sock-Hop
6:30	International Randall Chair: Ben Woodeson		Toga Party! AU Basketball vs. Houghton College	· 2/2/13 - Indoor Track @ Brockport

*****ATTENTION Faculty, Staff. and Working Students*****

The Feb. 1 deadline for submitting the Required NY State Wage Forms is fast approaching and we currently have over 1,500 still outstanding. These forms are required to be signed and returned to the Human Resources Department located in Greene Hall.

Failure to return the signed form may result in delays in pay and other sanctions. Please, if you have not done so, print, sign, and return your forms today!

Submitted by: Mark Guinan

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Student Teaching Application Deadline for 2013 Fall Semester

If you are planning to Student Teach in the fall semester of 2013 you need to fill out and submit a Student Teaching Application to the Division of Education by Friday, Feb. 1, 2013.

Applications have been distributed by faculty and are also available at the Division Secretary's office, 333 Myers Hall.

Submitted by: Cathy Allen

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USPS Postage Rate Increases Effective Jan. 27, 2013

On Sunday, Jan. 27, 2013 the postage rates will increase. Attached you will find a new price breakdown.

For the new pricing on bulk mailings please contact Mary Schaumberg x2955.

Thank you.

Attachment: [Postage Increases](#)

Submitted by: Susan Peck

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Mastercard Monthly Help/Training Sessions

Mandatory training is required for all new cardholders as well as new card reviewers (anyone that logs in to reconcile transactions) before a credit card will be given or access to the new MasterCard website.

With the migration to JPMorgan Chase MasterCard in January 2013, including a new website program,

we want to offer additional help until everyone feels comfortable with the new program.

We will begin having the help/training/refresher sessions on the second Wednesday of each month from 1-2 p.m. in the Banner Training room located in Howell Hall beginning Feb. 13, 2013.

To apply for a credit card, an application needs to be completed, including the required signatures. The completed applications should be sent to Office & Procurement Services attention Sue Peck. Once the application is processed the program administrator will receive the card within 10-15 business days. You may have the card training within thirty (30) days of receipt of the card.

We are hoping these extra sessions will be helpful and would appreciate any of your suggestions.

If you have any questions please give us a call at x2698.

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Holiday Schedule

The Holiday Schedule for 2013-14 is now available on the HR website.

Link: [Holiday Schedule on the Web](#)

Submitted by: Kathy Costello

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Bergren Forum: Chase Angier 'Shifting Landscapes'

The Bergren Forum sponsored by the Division of Human Studies and the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences will be meeting at 12:10 P.M. on Thursday, Jan. 31 in the Nevins Theater, Powell Campus Center.

Bring a brown bag lunch; coffee and tea will be provided.

Speaker: Chase Angier
Topic: "Shifting Landscapes: Framing Site Specific Performance"

Professor of Dance, D, Chase Angier will discuss the challenges of framing site specific performance and how it affects the audience/art relationship.

Submitted by: Marilyn Saxton

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Hispanic/Latino/a Students & Native Students Focus Group - Tonight!

A team of students and staff will be leading a Student Affairs Campus Climate Audit throughout the spring semester.

This team is seeking students interested in participating in a focus group based on their identity as a Hispanic, Latino/a, or Native Student. This focus group will seek to understand the campus experience of certain identity groups on campus to learn more about perceptions of campus spaces. This will be the first in a series of focus groups.

This particular focus group will be held on Thursday, Jan. 31 in the Institute for Cultural Unity on the 1st Floor of the Powell Campus Center from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

More information about the Campus Climate Audit is attached. Also, please contact Craig Arno via email, caa2@alfred.edu, if you have further questions.

Link: caa2@alfred.edu

Attachment: [Campus Climate Audit Summary](#)

Submitted by: Craig Arno

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Grad Student Welcome Back Mixer

Graduate students in all AU programs are invited to join the AU Graduate Student Senate for a mixer. Food and drinks will be provided.

When: Friday, Feb. 1 3:30-5:30 p.m.

Where: Susan Howell Hall

Submitted by: Victoria Blair

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Argentina in June

Want to go to Argentina this June? Good News... there is still time to sign up!

For information contact Professor Erin Redmond this week.

Phone 871-2882

Email redmond@alfred.edu

Submitted by: Michele Gaffney

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Off-Campus Living Forum

For students interested in moving off campus, you will need to attend an off-campus forum. If you have lived on campus for at least 6 semesters you may be eligible. Come find out information on many different aspects of living on your own.

Feb. 7, 2013

Nevins Theatre

6-7 p.m.

Submitted by: Valerie Daciw

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AU Faculty Research Mentor Award

Provost Bill Hall is pleased to announce the establishment of the Alfred University Faculty Research Mentor Award.

The University intends to acknowledge and reward faculty who are outstanding undergraduate research and scholarly activity mentors across the campus, i.e., those individuals who are outstanding mentors to students engaged in research or scholarly activity and are actively engaged in being research/visual-performing artists themselves.

One award each year in the following categories: physical and life sciences, undergraduate engineering, social sciences, humanities, visual and performing arts, and professional studies.

The award in the amount of \$500 of faculty development money will be presented at the Honors Convocation on April 26, 2013. The nomination period for this award is Feb. 1 through Feb. 22, 2013; nominations are to be sent to the Awards Committee at argus@alfred.edu. The attached document explains in detail the process and selection of the award.

Attachment: [Description Faculty Research Mentor Award](#)

Submitted by: Cheryl Monroe

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Heart Health Month Kick-Off Tomorrow!

Tomorrow is the kick-off of February's Heart Health Month! Be sure to check Alfred Today for events and healthy heart facts.

For the kick-off there will be a group photo taken, so bring your red shirt and join us at the Wellness Center tomorrow (Feb. 1) at 12:30 p.m.!

Events are co-sponsored by the Wellness Center, Judson Leadership Center, Athletics, and the Book Store.

Submitted by Brittany Brand for Amber Hardy, Wellness Educator

Submitted by: Brittany Brand

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Intramural One-Day Tournaments - Volleyball, Soccer, and Basketball

Hey Everyone,
I know many of you are wanting to get back to some intramurals. The only times we have available are weekend blocks so I would like to run some one-day tournaments.

Please enter your team name and roster by emailing me, Scott Miller, at millerst@alfred.edu.

Rosters are due by Monday, Feb. 18 for Volleyball and Monday, Feb. 25 for Soccer and Basketball.

Saturday, Feb. 23, 2-6 p.m. Volleyball (open)

Sunday, March 3, 1-5 p.m. 6v6 Soccer (Open)
5-9 p.m. 5v5 Basketball (open)

Link: millerst@alfred.edu

Submitted by: Scott Miller

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Becky Prophet and Zachary Mazejka are 2013 Spirit of Service Award Winners!

We would like to congratulate Becky Prophet (Theatre Faculty) and Zachary Mazejka (Student) on winning the 2013 Spirit of Service Award!

Other nominations from Alfred University were Faculty Members Robyn Goodman, Nancy Furlong, and Wes Bentz, and Students Autumn McLain, Casey Duncan, and Shane Farnum.

Nominees and Award Winners were announced at the 3rd Annual Celebration of Service on Jan. 24. The Celebration is a part of Dream Week, a collaborative effort with Alfred State College to honor the life and service of Martin Luther King, Jr.

The Spirit of Service Award recognizes Students, Faculty, and Staff from Alfred University and Alfred State College, as well as Community Members, who demonstrate a strong commitment to serving others. This award is intended to honor people who are actively living out the principles that Martin Luther King, Jr. stood for, including: equality, social justice, community, and service.

Award winners from Alfred State College are Sandra Dennison (Auxiliary Campus Enterprises and Services, Inc.) and Leslie (Pheonix) Teagarden (Student). Other ASC nominations included Faculty/Staff Members Mark Payne, Melvin Chambliss, and Debra Mayes, and the Brothers of Pi Rho Zeta (Students).

The Community Award went to Jeanne Hyland, owner of Hair Care. Bob Amico was also nominated.

Congratulations to all nominees and winners; we thank you for your selfless service to the community.

Submitted by: Jessica Jennings

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Chinese New Year Celebration - Best wishes

Confucius Institute is going to celebrate the Chinese New Year from 5 to 8 p.m. on Feb. 9, Saturday at Susan Howell Hall.

Interactive activities including writing down New Year's Best wishes, paper cutting, and finding your Chinese Zodiacs will start at 5 p.m. Authentic Chinese food will served at 6 pm.

It is a free event and please join us to celebrate the most important holiday in China.

Submitted by: Jing Zhu

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Tax Returns Prepared for Free

Visit the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) site at Alfred University and have your tax return prepared and filed for free by an IRS-certified volunteer preparer.

As part of their career development, our MBA-Accounting candidates are running a VITA site this year. VITA is an IRS program designed to help low and moderate-income taxpayers complete their annual tax returns at no cost. The program's original concept was to provide local taxpayers with free tax return preparation by accounting students.

To set up an appointment, simply dial " 2 1 1" on your telephone. (Dialing 211 will connect you with a

United Way representative who will make your appointment.)

VITA headquarters is in Seidlin Hall, Room 016

Tax work will take place Thursdays only, 5-7 p.m. beginning Feb. 7, 2013, and ending March 7,

For more information, or if you have any trouble setting up an appointment, please email the Alfred University VITA site at bamberg@alfred.edu.

Submitted by: Deborah Clark

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Faculty and Staff Invited to Sing in AU Chorus

Faculty, staff, and community members who enjoy singing are invited to join the Alfred University Chorus. This semester the program will include the "Coronation Mass" by Mozart and a medley from the musical "Les Miserables."

Rehearsal is Monday night from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in Miller Room 126. Singers are also invited to stay after that rehearsal for 30 minutes to be a part of the Alfred Volunteer Choir Company.

Both groups will perform on Friday, April 26 in the Alfred Seventh Day Baptist Church. For more information, contact Luanne Crosby at 871-2572 or Laurel Buckwalter at 587-8090, or just show up to the next Monday night rehearsal.

Submitted by: Laurel Buckwalter

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TIAA-CREF Consultant on Campus

You're invited! Jason Sciotti, Individual TIAA-CREF Consultant, will be conducting one-on-one, 45-minute, individual retirement counseling sessions on Thursday, Feb. 7, and Tuesday, March 5, in the Human Resources Conference Room in Greene Hall. Let him help you make financial decisions that are right for you.

To schedule an appointment with Jason, Non-Statutory employees should call TIAA-CREF at 1.877.209.3144 and Statutory employees should call TIAA-CREF at 1.800.732.8353; remain on the line for assistance.

Submitted by: Kim Wyant

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Flu Season

Flu season is in full swing and, unfortunately, most of us know someone who has had the Flu already this year. Here are some prevention tips from the CDC to help you stay healthy:

Get the Flu vaccine.

Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Throw the tissue in the trash after you use it, don't recycle and re-use it.

Wash your hands often with soap and water. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand rub.

Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth. Germs spread this way.

Try to avoid close contact with sick people.

If you are sick with flu-like illness, CDC recommends that you stay home for at least 24 hours after your fever is gone except to get medical care or for other necessities. (Your fever should be gone without the use of a fever-reducing medicine.)

While sick, limit contact with others as much as possible to keep from infecting them.

Flu-like symptoms include fever, cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, body aches, headache, chills and fatigue. Some people also may have vomiting and diarrhea. People may be infected with the flu, and have respiratory symptoms without a fever.

For more information go to www.cdc.gov/flu or www.flu.gov

Submitted by: Amber Hardy

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You Can Win Big at the Internship & Summer Job Fair!

The Internship & Summer Job Fair will be taking place on Friday, Feb. 15 from noon-2 p.m. in the Powell Campus Center, Knight Club. Not only can you score a great internship or summer job by attending this event but if you bring the postcard that you received in the mail, you can also enter to win some great raffle items!

To see a growing list of employers currently registered to attend, please visit the CDC website at www.alfred.edu/cdc/events.

Submitted by: Jill Crandall

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Heart Health

February is Heart Health month and the Wellness Center, Judson Leadership Center, Athletics, and the Bookstore have teamed up to help spread awareness to the campus.

Join us in kicking-off the month by wearing a red shirt on Friday the 1st - we will have a picture taken at 12:30 and sent to the American Heart Association to show AU's support for the cause.

Attached you will find a calendar of events for the month; AU employees are more than welcome to attend events to learn more about what can be done to improve heart health.

Also attached is a flyer to hang on your door and/or in your classroom to help show your support all month long!

Attachment: [Commitment_and_Calendar.doc](#)

Submitted by: Amber Hardy

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Monthly MasterCard Trainings/Refreshers

Since JPMorgan Chase eliminated support for the Visa PaymentNet system and with their assistance we are migrating to their Commercial Card Classic MasterCard Program.

The new program will roll out in January 2013. Due to the website program being different, we wanted to offer additional trainings as well as refreshers for anyone that may need it until they feel comfortable.

A new monthly training schedule has been set up for the new MasterCard Program to assist cardholders and reviewers with the new program. We will start having the trainings/refreshers on the second Wednesday of each month from 1-2 p.m. in the Banner Training room located in Howell Hall.

We are hoping these extra trainings will be helpful and would appreciate any of your suggestions. If you have any questions please give us a call at x2698.

Submitted by: Susan Peck

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Swain Discount Rates for Faculty/Staff, Students

Swain is extending discounted rates for Alfred University Faculty, Staff and their families plus AU Students. University employees and their families and AU students may ski at Swain Resort any day after 3 p.m. at reduced rates.

In order to participate in the program please register with Judith Green. Discounted rates available through the ski season.

Questions may be addressed to Judith Green at jgreen@alfred.edu or 607.871.2966

See attachment for 2012-13 rates.

Attachment: [Swain_Form.doc](#)

Submitted by: Deborah Clark

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Internal Job Posting - Barn Assistant

Employment Opportunity:
Part-Time Barn Assistant
Grade A

Link: [Barn Assistant Posting](#)

Submitted by: Kim Wyant

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Weight Watchers Needs You!

The Alfred Weight Watchers class, conducted weekly on Thursdays at noon, in Alfred State College's Orvis Activities Center Conference Room (lounge on main floor) needs at least 3 new members by the end of this week (Feb. 1) in order to continue.

If you have been thinking about joining, now is the time. Please contact Beth Turner at TURNEREA@alfredstate.edu or 607.587.4080.

Submitted by: Deborah Clark

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Student Architecture Exhibit at Hinkle Memorial Library Jan. 22-Feb. 28

Stop by anytime during library open hours:
Monday-Thursday 7:30 a.m.-11 p.m.; Friday 7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Saturday 1-7 p.m.; and Sunday 1-11 p.m.

Description:

Professor Richard Carlo, an Architecture Professor at Alfred State: SUNY College of Technology, instructed his students to work within a 2ft-by-2ft cube. The objective was to conceptualize and create "texture" in a newly introduced computer software program called "Rivet". Within uniform spacial parameters and the theme of texture, students would design their ideal work space; one which included a private "office area" and an "exhibition space" to display their digital design prints and architectural models.

Students completed their assignment in three weeks, transforming their ideas from sketches on paper, to digital designs, and finally a three dimensional model.

This may sound simple, but it was a very difficult assignment when you consider the amount of variables included in the process. Dreaming of your ideal office might be easy, but going from creating texture with paper then switching to considering how to make texture with wood, metal, concrete and other building materials isn't so easy.

Each student's approach is creative, unique, and personal. It leaves you wondering how you would approach the assignment at hand and provides a glimpse into what practicing architects need to consider designing a functional space successfully.

If you would like to inquire about use of the gallery please email Jenny Hillenbrand at HillenJB@alfredstate.edu, or stop by the library homepage for more information: <http://www.alfredstate.ed...>

Submitted by: Deborah Clark

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