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## What's Happening?

## More Events...

TODAY	TOMORROW	SATURDAY
11:00 Senior \$20.10 Gift Sign-Ups & Senior T-shirt Orders	11:00 Senior \$20.10 Gift Sign-Ups & Senior T-shirt Orders	12:00 Hot Dog Day Carnival
12:10 Bergren Forum - Megan Staffel	12:20 WMST Roundtable: Senior Projects	Men's Lacrosse
3:00 Softball	5:30 Pine Hill Derby	1:00 Softball
4:45 Yoga Club and Practice	8:00 AU Concert Band	Men's Tennis
5:15 Earth Day 16.5-Mile Bike Ride	'Avatar'	1:30 The Dog Launch
		2:00 Mud Olympics
		7:00 MFA Thesis Exhibitions-

6:00	The 1st Annual Native American Culture Show	<b>Outdoor Concert: Fleetwood Macked</b> · Track and Field  · Spring Family Weekend  · 'Avatar'	Opening Reception
7:00	Jody Oberfelder Dance Projects (JODP) at AU		8:00 'Avatar'
	Earth Day Critical Mass Bike Ride		9:00 Magician: Wade Live!
8:00	Earth Day Rally		· Spring Family Weekend
8:35	Earth Day Biking Movies		· New York Reined Cow Horse Association Show
	· Track and Field		

### Sick Leave Policy

Revisions have been made to the Sick Leave Policy in order to clarify our current practice of reporting absences due to sickness. Please review the policy on the Human Resource Services Web page at the link below.

Link: [Sick Leave Policy](#)

Submitted by: Kathy Costello

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### No Open Fires Allowed

No open fires are allowed on campus or any Alfred University owned property. All fires or hot work must be pre-approved by EHS. Contact Cherise Haase for more information; 607.871.2190.

Submitted by: Dean Perry

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### Bias Response Team Letter to the Community

To the Alfred University Community,

As members of the Bias Response Team (BRT), we wish to take this opportunity to address a recent incident on campus and the BRT's actions taken in consequence. If you are unaware of the BRT, we function as volunteers who work collaboratively to create appropriate and educational responses to incidents of bias, hate, and discrimination on campus. Members of the BRT represent all spheres of the AU community, including students, staff, administration, and faculty. Incidents are brought to the attention of the team by the Dean of Students, Dr. Norm Pollard, who receives reports directly through various mechanisms, including AU Report It, an online form available at the MyAU Web site.

On April 5, the BRT received a report about a noose hanging from a tree by Barresi Hall. The BRT took this report, and subsequent communications about the noose, extremely seriously. Within a few days, the person responsible for the incident came forward and the Dean of Students determined that no malice or prejudice was motivating the incident. Tolerance, equality, and human dignity are dear to Alfred and the BRT immediately plotted a course of effective action. We will continue our efforts to fight ignorance on our campus.

We offer this information as a way to reassure our community that the Bias Response Team is an effective mechanism for redressing incidents of bias, hate, or discrimination. In our deliberations, we surfaced several realizations which we want to call to your attention.

The idea of context permeates everything that we, as human beings, do. Our personal world-views are affected, shaped, and changed by historical, sociological, cultural, economic, religious, gender and many other factors. In this particular incident, the historical and cultural context of lynching was horribly and irrepressibly resonant, and yet, the person who hung the noose did not intend that contextual interpretation. The unintended consequences of the act were detrimental and hurtful. While the intention was not to offend, terrorize, or harm, because of the historical and racial context association with nooses, such were the consequences.

In our community, in Alfred, with our rich heritage of openness and tolerance, we are obligated to

explore, with civility, the various contexts which affect how we view our world and the ways in which context affects our responses to the world. While the incident itself is deeply regrettable, it provides us, as members of the Alfred University community, an urgent call to engage in open dialogue that unpacks the mysteries of personal contexts. At AU, we share a common value here of open dialogue in the spirit of education and respect. We, as members of the BRT, strongly urge the campus to consider the importance of context, unintended consequences, and what we, as individuals can do to ensure an atmosphere of respect.

Sincerely,  
Members of the Bias Response Team

Link: <http://my.alfred.edu/brt>

Submitted by: Norm Pollard

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### **Earth Day Bike Rides, Rally, Movies**

All events jointly sponsored by Green Alfred, Saxon Bike Hub, Alternative Cinema, and AU Bike Club.

Thursday, April 22 -- Earth Day

Bike Rides

5:15 p.m. -- 16.5 Mile Bike Ride

7 p.m. -- "Critical Mass" Village Ride

Meet at the Alfred Village Band shell on Main Street

Earth Day Rally

8 p.m. -- Speakers: President Charles Edmonson and Professor Emrys Westacott

Meet at the Alfred Village Band shell on Main Street

Biking Movies

8:35 p.m. -- Two short films that celebrate biking: "Return of the Scorchers" and "We are Traffic"

In the Knight Club, Powell Campus Center

Submitted by: Ellen Bahr

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### **Earth Week Yard Sale**

Green Alfred and the Alfred Peer Educators have teamed up for a campus wide yard sale. We are asking for donations of any items that you want to get rid of. This is a great opportunity for some spring cleaning! The yard sale will take place on Thursday and Friday of this week.

Please bring donated items to the Green Alfred/Peer Educator office located in the Student Organization Suite on the 1st floor of Powell Campus Center.

Items will be priced as low as 25 cents!!

[Location of the yard sale is TBA]

Attachment: [Earth%20Week%20Event%20Flyer\[1\].pdf](#)

Submitted by: Certified Peer Educators

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### **Herrick Library Exam Week Hours**

The extended hours for Herrick Library during exam week are:

8 a.m.-2 a.m. Tuesday (May 4) - Saturday (May 8)  
10 a.m.-2 a.m. Sunday (May 9)  
8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday (May 10) - Friday (May 14)

The library will be closed Saturday (May 15) and Sunday (May 16)

Summer hours will begin on Monday (May 17).

Submitted by: Erinnae Baker

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### **Honors Convocation - Friday, April 23, 2010, 4 p.m.**

This is an opportunity for the Alfred University community to honor our "best and brightest" students. We also take this occasion to honor and acknowledge several distinguished faculty and staff. Please join us on Friday, April 23, 2010 at 4 p.m., in McLane Center Gym.

A reception in the McLane Center Lobby area will follow the Convocation.

Submitted by: Cheryl Monroe

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### **The Gift of Gab! Free Public Speaking Workshop!**

For the vast majority of people, giving a speech is in the top five of major fears. Here's your chance to learn how to deal with your nerves, create an organized speech, and gain some advice on how to deliver with confidence.

The Gift of Gab: A Workshop on Presentation Skills will be offered at the Women's Leadership Center on Thursday, April 29 from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. The event is free and open to the public.

The presenter is Dr. Julia Overton-Healy, director of the WLC, who taught public speaking and presentation skills for over 15 years.

Submitted by: Cheryl Foster

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### **Bergren Forum - Megan Staffel**

The Bergren Forum sponsored by the Division of Human Studies will be meeting at 12:10 p.m. on Thursday, April 22 in the Nevins Theatre, Powell Campus Center.

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

Speaker: Megan Staffel

Topic: "I already saw the movie: why should I read the book"

Fiction writer Megan Staffel will offer a biased examination of cinema and text.

Submitted by: Marilyn Saxton

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### **Moyi Zhang MFA Thesis Show**

Moyi Zhang  
Mixed Reality

Electronic Integrated Arts  
2010 MFA Thesis Show  
Saturday, April 24-Tuesday, 27, 2010  
Opening Reception: Saturday April 24, 7-9 p.m.

Fosdick-Nelson Gallery  
School of Art and Design  
NYSCC at Alfred University  
2 Pine St. Alfred, NY 14802  
[www.fosdicknelson.alfred....](http://www.fosdicknelson.alfred....)  
607.871.2777

Attachment: [video still from](#)

Submitted by: Moyi Zhang

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### **HDD Mud Olympics 2010**

The annual Hot Dog Day Mud Olympics deadline is approaching quickly. To participate please download the attached file, fill it out with your team names and please hand in this sheet plus your money to Nancy Banker @ CSI in Powell Campus Center.

Remember, registration is \$25 per team. If you have any questions contact Yanelly Grullon (YEG1)

Attachment: [Mud\\_Olympic\\_Sign\\_Ups.doc](#)

Submitted by: Akeem Caballero

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### **Senior/Grad Class Trip Sign-Ups in PCC**

The Senior/Grad class trip chosen this year is beautiful Seneca Lake/Geneva area to Three Brothers plus a scenic tour of Seneca Lake aboard Captain Bills Boat Tours! Cost of the Trip is \$25 including lunch.

This is a day trip on Wednesday 5/12. Tickets go on sale every Friday at the PCC Ticket Booth area. (All tickets must be purchased in advance. No acceptance day of trip) Limited seats available so make sure to get your tickets early!

Sponsored by AU PRIDE & the Senior Initiative Committee

Submitted by: Susan Gorman

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### **Friday Concert: Symphonic Band**

The AU Symphonic Band will present a concert celebrating new music on Friday, April 23 at 8 p.m. in Holmes Auditorium, Harder Hall.

This concert will include works by contemporary composers such as Frank Ticheli, Samuel Hazo, David Maslanka, Steven Bryant, and more!

ADMISSION IS FREE and open to the public. Contact Chris Foster, Director of Bands, at 871.2571, or e-mail [foster@alfred.edu](mailto:foster@alfred.edu) for questions and details. See you there!

Submitted by: Christopher Foster

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### **Volunteer Opportunity!**

There will be a Community Food Distribution Program in Bolivar, NY on May 1 coordinated by the Community Action Angels of ACCORD Corp. Volunteers are needed for April 29 (organizing food packages) and the actual event on May 1. Please see the attachment for more information.

If you have questions, or are interested in signing up, please contact Ryan Arroyo, Service Learning Coordinator, [Arroyo@alfred.edu](mailto:Arroyo@alfred.edu) or 871.2702. Thank you!

Attachment: [Bolivar\\_Food\\_Distribution.doc](#)

Submitted by: Ryan Arroyo

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### **Register for the Fun Bun Walk or Run!**

Hot Dog Day will be here before you know it! The Wellness Center Fun Bun Walk or Run (a nearly 5K) is a great way to start your Hot Dog Day! Early registration increases your chances of getting a T-shirt. Download the registration form for more details.

Attachment: [Fun Bun Registration](#)

Submitted by: Pamela Schu

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### **AU PRIDE Organization Has Student Positions for 2010/11**

The AU PRIDE Organization needs students to fill the following positions for the 2010-11 academic year:

- Marketing Director
- Art Director
- Media Specialist(Facebook/Twitter/Newsletter)
- \_Event/Fundraising Coordinators
- \_2011 Senior Class Committee
- \_Student Reps from All Classes

To learn more about the organization & positions available we will have an information meeting night on Monday 4/26 @ Green Hall- 2nd Floor from 7-8 p.m.

Submitted by: Susan Gorman

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### **AU Cheerleading Interest Meeting**

The AU Saxon Elite Cheerleading team is having in interest meeting for anyone interested in joining the 2010-2011 season.

Come to the Knight Club at 3:30 p.m., Thursday, April 29.

Link: [See our Facebook Event](#)

Submitted by: Akashia Swinton

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### Call for Submissions!

Art Union is holding an art auction to benefit Angela Smith, age 5, of Almond, who was recently diagnosed with cancer and needs help paying for treatment.

We are currently looking for 25 to 30 pieces of artwork to be auctioned off. So, if you have some work that you don't want to take home, please let us know! Space is limited, so nothing huge please.

If you would like to contribute, please e-mail Emily ([emg5@alfred.edu](mailto:emg5@alfred.edu)).

Submitted by: Emily Green

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### Join the Community Emergency Response Team!

If you are interested in being part of the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT), the Allegany County Department of Public Health will be holding trainings throughout the month of May. CERT members are trained in

- Disaster Preparedness
- Fire Safety
- First Aid
- CPR
- Light search and rescue
- Incident Command System
- Disaster Psychology

Attachment: [CERT\\_Poster\\_\(2\).pdf](#)

Submitted by: Ryan Arroyo

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### We Need Your Input!

We are working on creating a new portal for the AU community. The new portal will include the most used and favorite features of my.alfred and our.alfred. Help us by taking our survey:

Link: [AU Portal Survey](#)

Submitted by: Jodi Bailey

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### AU/ASC 'Jar Wars' Raises Money for Haiti Trip

Nine Alfred University and Alfred State College students are raising money to fund an early June relief trip to Haiti. The students are connected through their faith, more specifically BASIC (Brothers and Sisters in Christ), the college organization affiliated with Alfred's Lighthouse Ministries.

Their "Jar War" program will help raise funds to build medical facilities in a community outside of Port a Prince, Haiti.

Jar Wars is a competitive twist on the often-seen loose-change jar collection. By tapping into school pride, BASIC students hope to inspire a friendly competition to see which school's jars can earn the highest "score." The scoring is where it gets creative; the program awards "positive points" for pennies and negative points for silver and cash. Therefore, depositing large sums of cash into a jar marked "AU" will actually help ASC have a higher score. Jars will be located at both Powell Center and Central Dining Hall from Sunday, April 11 through Saturday, April 24.

In a related note, Alfred University student and BASIC member Walner Edmond will also be joining the relief effort to his home country. Walner has received funding support through the highly successful Pour for Haiti, the Alfred University Foundry Guild's fundraiser which raised several thousand dollars earlier this year.

Submitted by: Deborah Clark

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### Reunion 2010

Reunion 2010!

Alumni please join us for Alfred University Reunion June 11-13, 2010!

Everyone is welcome with a special invitation being extended to - Alfred's Golden Saxons and the classes of: 1960, 1965, 1970, 1975, 1980, 1985, 1990, 1995, 2000, 2005, AKO, Lambda, ZBT and Alumni Admissions Staff.

Contact us at the Office of Alumni and Community Relations 607.871.2144 or visit us on the Web: [www.alfred.edu/alumni/reg...](http://www.alfred.edu/alumni/reg...)

We have a great weekend planned with activities for all ages and interests. Keep an eye on your mailbox for information on the Alumni and Friends of Football Golf Tournament, 5K Run/Walk and Youth Program.

Let's get together again at AU!

Link: [Reunion 2010 Registration](#)

Submitted by: Audrea Sirianni

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### Job Posting - Housekeeper

Employment Opportunity:  
Part-Time Housekeeper  
Saxon Inn

Link: [Part-Time Housekeeper Posting](#)

Submitted by: Kim Wyant

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### Lost and Found

If you have an item you lost or found, please post it on the Lost and Found Board using the link

below.

Link: **[Lost and Found Board](#)**

Submitted by: Judy Linza

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