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# What's Happening?

More Events...

TODAY	TOMORROW	SUNDAY
11:00 The Future of GIS	1:00 Football Game	2:00 'Dark Knight'
<ul> <li>12:00 GreenAlfred Waste Audit</li> <li>12:20 Environmental Studies Seminar Series - Ann's House</li> <li>4:30 The Historical Film</li> </ul>	Women's Basketball Game Women's Swimming & Diving Meet	7:00 Fall a Capella Concert

	Society	2:00 Men's Basketball Game
5:30	AU Swing Society	6:00 AIDS Charity Basketball Game
6:00	Men's & Women's Swimming & Diving	6:05 AU Senior Class Event!
	Meet	8:00 Production of 'The
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		Team Trivia at Herrick
	'Dark Knight'	Library
10:00	Video Hippos	9:00 Sexino
	Ponytail	
11:00	'Dark Knight'	
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## Message on student aid from President Edmondson

As a member of the Commission on Independent Colleges and Universities in New York, we have received the following call to action:

As you know, New York State faces extremely difficult financial challenges. Funding for college financial aid could be targeted in the weeks and months ahead as our elected representatives figure out how to close a \$14 billion hole in the state's Budget. Just today, the Governor announced \$5.2 billion in possible budget cuts as a first step.

In advance of Governor Paterson's Executive Budget - which is expected on December 16 - I write to ask for ten seconds of your time to help mobilize in support of state student aid programs. More than 300,000 students depend on state financial assistance to meet their college costs. Here is what you can do now:

- 1. Forward this link to your family and friends: http://capwiz.com/cicu/ml...
- 2. Ask them to sign up to receive an e-mail at times when their voice of support will matter most.

In the months ahead, I'll send updates to let you know when your calls, e-mails and other conversations with policymakers will help to funding for student aid. Thank you for taking a stand in support of student financial aid. Your positive action will continue to make a difference.

Abe Lackman Commission on Independent Colleges and Universities 17 Elk Street, P.O. Box 7289 Albany, NY 12224 Phone: (518) 436-4781 Fax: (518) 436-0417

Link: Admission and financial aid information

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# Motor Pool Reservation Application Not Available Nov. 15-17

Due to Banner being down Saturday, Nov. 15-Monday, Nov. 17, the motor pool reservation application will be down. Please plan to make reservations ahead of time. If you have questions please contact George Benson at bensong@alfred.edu or x2169.

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#### **One Card Users**

Cardholders please note that all statements and receipts regarding your One Card charges must be sent to your card manager by the 12th of each month.

Card Managers please note that all paperwork is due to the program administrator by the 16th of each month.

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## Clothing Sale, Buy 1 Get One 50% Off @ Bookstore

All CHAMPION brand clothing is on SALE! Buy any 1 item\*, and get 1 at 50% OFF. This includes sweatshirts, tees, shorts, and pants.

Can mix & match. \* Equal or lesser value applies.

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#### Petpals Bake Sale!

Petpals will be holding a bake sale to benefit local animal shelters and sanctuary. We will be on the Second Floor of Powell from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. on Thursday and Friday, Nov. 13 and 14.

Come stop by and buy some tastie goodies like cookies and brownies. If you would like to find out more about Petpals and what we do, e-mail our account at <a href="mailto:petpals@alfred.edu">petpals@alfred.edu</a>

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### AU Rocks Video Contest Deadline Friday, Nov. 14

Create your own video about how AU Rocks. Show us how your band, club, organization, or friends rock. Rock your AU gear. Reveal how AU Rocks you, or how you Rock AU.

The video should be 2 minutes or less. 1st place - Zune 120GB video mp3; 2nd place - iPod Nano 8GB purple; 3rd place - \$50. Contact Jodi Bailey at baileyj@alfred.edu for more info.

Link: AU Rocks Video Contest

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## **Environmental Studies Seminar Series Ann's House**

Trevor Harrison and Scott Hemenway will speak this week on "Ann's House: Achieving LEED Certification at Alfred's Newest Student Housing."

The Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Green Building Rating System is the nationally accepted benchmark for the design, construction, and operation of high-performance green buildings. LEED certification provides independent certification that a building project is environmentally responsible, profitable, and a healthy place to live and work.

Both Trevor and Scott are LEED Accredited Professionals.

The AU Environmental Studies seminar series is held Fridays in Roon Hall, SCI 247, from 12:20 to 1:10. All are welcome and refreshments will be served.

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#### Today is GIS Day!

Held annually worldwide, GIS Day celebrates geographic information systems (GIS) technology and its many uses. GIS systems are computer-based mapping tools that convert location data - such as streets, buildings or terrain - into visual map layers. Smart maps can be created that permit a better understanding of a particular location, enabling professionals in many fields to make informed decisions and convey information visually.

Stop by the GIS Lab - Science Center 212 - this morning between 9-noon to learn about Alfred University's use of GIS, GPS, and virtual globe technologies like Google Earth. Link: GIS Day 2008

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## Volunteers Needed for GreenAlfred Waste Audit

GreenAlfred is conducting a waste audit on Friday, Nov. 14, from noon - 7 p.m. in Davis Gym.

We need volunteers to help out! Volunteers will help with coordination, sorting trash, and recording data. To volunteer, contact Kacie Dean at kmd4@alfred.edu or 503.476.2759.

The goals of the waste audit are to: 1) collect data that can be used in a cost-benefit analysis of trash versus recycling; 2) demonstrate the need for a recycling program; 3) create awareness on campus; and 4) gain support for recycling efforts.

Everyone in the Alfred community is invited to come by to see the waste audit in action.

For more information about waste audits, please see the link:

Link: Recycling and Beyond: Waste Audits

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# Service Learning Updates from Professor Karen L. Porter

I am happy to report that the students of the Gary Horowitz Center for Service Learning at Joel's House are making progress on their service learning projects.

For a complete report and information about up coming events please read the attachment. Attachment: **Service Learning Update** 

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# **Credit Union Office Closings**

The Credit Union office will be closed Thursday, Nov. 27 in observance of Thanksgiving.

In addition, we will also be closed Friday, Nov. 28 through Monday, Dec. 1 while the merger with ServU FCU takes place. We will reopen, Tuesday, Dec. 2 at 9 a.m.

Our new office hours will be Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Thursday and Friday, 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

In case of an emergency, please contact ServU's Hornell office at 607.324.0573.

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## **Student Learning Assessment Webinars**

The Assessment Committee and the Faculty Development Committee, with support from the Provost, are arranging to broadcast three Webinars on Student Learning Assessment featuring Linda Suskie, Vice President, Middle States Commission on Higher Education.

Everyone is invited to attend, and every University program engaged in Student Learning Outcomes Assessment should send at least one representative to the Webinar(s) most relevant to their program.

Please RSVP with the names of the attendees and the Webinars they plan to attend to Judy Scott (scottja@alfred.edu) by Tuesday, Nov. 18, 2008.

The details for each Webinar are attached. If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Evangelista or Nancy Furlong, Co-Chairs of the Student Learning Assessment Committee.

Snacks will be provided.

Attachment: Student\_Learning\_Assessment\_Webinars.doc

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#### Alfred Community Flu Shot Clinic

The Allegany County Department of Health will be hosting a flu shot clinic on Monday, Nov. 17 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Kenyon Allen Room.

Please be advised that you must bring a COPY of your health insurance card and that not all health insurance companies cover the cost of the flu vaccine. If your health insurance company does not cover the cost you will be responsible for a \$30 payment due at the time you receive your vaccine.

Please contact Allegany County Department of Health with any further questions.

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#### AU Gold Rush Football Game this Saturday!

Come support AU Football this Saturday, Nov. 15 at 1 p.m. at Merrill Field. Wear a gold t-shirt and join the Gold Rush! Support your athletes in the Gold Rush!

Any questions contact saac@alfred.edu

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#### Alfred Club Hockey Game

Alfred hockey will be playing at Lemoyne College Friday, Nov. 14 at 7:45 p.m. at the fairgrounds, and will be hosting a game agasint Keuka College Saturday, Nov. 15 at 5 p.m. @ the Olean Rec Center. Come out and support your team.

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### MELTDOWN: 2nd Annual Iron Pour + Metal Casting Convention

Saturday NOV. 15, 2008: All are welcome to visit the National Casting Centre Foundry, NYSCC to watch all-day, live demonstrations of bronze, iron, and aluminum casting processes and experimental techniques.

Sculpture by Visiting artists from England, faculty and students from Alfred, RIT, Buff State, and Binghamton among others will be cast.

See blog for a detailed schedule of events.

Link: MELTDOWN BLOG

Attachment: MELTDOWN Press Release

Link: http://alfredmeltdown.blogspot.com/

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### Test-Taking and Study Skills Workshop Available for All AU Students

A Study Skills and Test-Taking Skills workshop is offered to ALL AU students.

To goal of the workshop is to teach AU students skills for test-taking and studying at the college level.

The workshop will be held:

Tuesday, Nov. 18\* 2:30-3:30 p.m. Seminar Room (106), Herrick Library

\* To make arrangements e-mail AcademicSupport@alfred.edu

Please feel free to contact Dr. Elmore with any further questions 607.871.2148

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## Colleges Against Cancer - Great American Smoke-Out

Think you do not really smoke if you only smoke on a Friday or a Saturday? Think again! All cigarettes cause harm-any smoking is dangerous.

The Great American Smoke-Out is an ACS initiative that educates smokers and nonsmokers on the health effects of smoking or using tobacco products. GAS-O is designed to help smokers quit by giving them the resources and support that is needed to quit the addiction. On Wednesday, Nov. 19, the Colleges Against Cancer Relay For Life committee will be hosting an information table in the Powell Campus Center. Please join us in preparing for the Great American Smoke-Out by quitting smoking for 24 hours on Nov. 20.

If you do not smoke, help a friend quit smoking by picking up information and a quit kit at our table on Wednesday!

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# **Getting Started with Student Learning Assessment**

"Getting Started ...", Tuesday, Nov. 25, noon-1:30 p.m., is the first of a three-Webinar series on student learning assessment. The key to successful assessment is to design and conduct meaningful, manageable, and informative tools. Towards this end, SLAC (Student Learning Assessment Committee) and the Faculty Development Committee are sponsoring these Webinars.

Refreshments will be provided courtesy of the Provost's Office.

Please have someone from each department attend each Webinar. The second and third assessment Webinars will be in the same time slot and location: Thursday, 12/4/08, Choosing a Published Instrument to Assess Student Learning; and Thursday, 12/11/08, Developing Tools and Strategies to Assess Student Learning.

Link: More information on FDC Website

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### Do You Miss Playing your Woodwind, Brass, or Percussion Instrument?

If so, enroll in Alfred University's Concert Band and/or Jazz Band!

The Concert Band performs a variety of wind literature - old and new. AU's Jazz Band plays everything from swing to fusion and funk!

Concert Band meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5:30 - 7 p.m. and Jazz Band meets on Mondays and Thursdays, 7 - 8:30 p.m.

NO AUDITIONS REQUIRED! We have instruments available (quantities limited). Contact Dr. Chris Foster, 871.2571, foster@alfred.edu for details.

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#### Van Design Deadline Extended!

We've extended the deadline to create a design for our AU Campus Tour Van & win a MacBook! We want to use our students' awesome design skills to transform this ordinary silver van into a rolling work of art.

Hundreds of prospective students and their families will experience your artwork as part of their campus tour. The winner will receive a MacBook commputer! We must receive your entries by Friday, Dec. 5!

Link: Design our tour van!

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#### Council for Exceptional Children Meeting

Wednesday, Nov. 19 6:30 p.m. Myers Hall, Room 337

Will you be teaching in schools or working with children? Then you will be working with children with special needs and children with gifts & talents.

Come find out what CEC is and how you can be involved in founding the chapter at Alfred University!

Looks great on a resume too.

Questions? E-mail Laura at Imf5@alfred.edu or check out the CEC bulletin board in Myers on the third floor.

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# Alfred Community Survey: Please help!

The community of Alfred, in conjunction with Alfred University and Alfred State College, is conducting a survey that we hope will allow us to offer a better variety of goods and services to those who live and work in this area. We appreciate your taking the time to complete the survey. While you may choose to do so anonymously, if you provide your name and address, you will be entered in a drawing for gift certificates at area businesses.

Thank you!

Link: The Alfred Community Survey

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## Do You Need to Learn Basic Computer Skills?

ITS is now offering a one-on-one training which includes basic computer operation, word processing, e-mail, and Internet use. Each training session will be tailored to the participant's individual needs.

This training is intended for faculty and staff with limited or no computer experience. Sessions are available Monday through Friday, by appointment. If you are interested, please contact Meghanne Freivald at 871.2363.

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### Student Senate Minutes for Nov. 12, 2008

Student Senate meets every Wednesday at 8 p.m. in Nevins Theatre right after committee meetings that start at 7:30.

This week Marcy Bradley from the bookstore came in to answer questions about the bookstore prices.

Attached are the minutes and the results of the meeting.

Thanks for reading and staying up to date :-) From the Senate Executive Board Attachment: Senate\_Minutes\_from\_November\_12.doc

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### Information meeting on wind mills set for Monday

A Public informational meeting will be held on Monday, November 17, 2008 at 7:00 pm at the Alfred Station Fire Hall.

All interested residents are urged to attend and express their opinions on this project. A representative from Empire State Wind Energy will give a presentation with a question and answer period to follow.

Any questions please contact the Town Clerk's office at 607-587-8524.

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