Weekly activities, Oct. 2-7, on the Alfred University campus 9/27/06

This week in October (Oct. 2-7) features a CD Smith Theater play, one movie, one musical performance, a comedian, an environmental speaker, and a Bergren Forum. Starting on Wednesday, Oct. 4, "The Cripple of Inishmaan" will be performed in the CD Smith Theater, Miller Performing Arts Center. The story features a love-hungry Irishman, whose chief occupation is to stare at cows, and his determination to audition for a Hollywood director. For reservations call 607.871.2828 or visit the Box Office online at http://las.alfred.edu/per... General admission is \$5; it is \$3 for non-AU students and senior citizens, and \$1 for AU students. The play will run through Saturday, Oct. 7. All performances are at 8 p.m.On Thursday, Oct. 5, Gerar Edizel will be speaking in the Nevins Theater, Powell Campus Center at 12:10 p.m. on "Smyrna between East and West." Edizel, associate professor of Art at Alfred University, will look at the peculiar historical circumstances that occasioned the formation of one of the many minorities of the Aegean city of Smyrna. On Friday, Oct. 6, at 12:10 p.m. in Room 228 of the Science Center with a look at advanced gasification technology. The public is invited free of charge; refreshments will be served. The 50-minute program will feature Dr. Carlson Pian, a faculty member and chairman of the Mechanical Engineering Program in the Kazuo Inamori School of Engineering at Alfred University. Pian will discuss "The Feasibility of Using Advanced Gasification Technology for Farm-Based Bioenergy Power Production." Also Friday, Oct. 6, there will be three showings of "The Devil Wears Prada," a romantic-comedy/drama rated PG-13. The story involves a small-town girl, Andrea Sachs (Anna Hathaway), who lands a job as the assistant of fashion magazine editor, Miranda Priestly (Meryl Streep). At first Andrea is excited but eventually she starts to wonder if working for the "boss from hell" will pay off. The movie runs on Friday at 8 and 11 p.m., and on Sunday, Oct. 8, at 2 p.m. in Nevins Theater, Powell Campus Center. Later Friday, Comedian Tim Young will be performing in the Knight Club, Powell Campus Center, at 10 p.m. Young's show is about college and you will recognize yourself in his material. On Saturday, Oct. 7, at 10 p.m. in the Knight Club, Powell Campus Center, the band Ratatat will be performing. Ratatat's founders, Mike Stroud and Evan Mast, have been making music out of their apartment in Brooklyn since 2001. Their sound was born from a combined love of Jay-Z, The Rolling Stones, Timbaland and Beethoven. Stroud has spent time touring the world as a guitarist with Ben Kweller and Dashboard Confessional. Mast has been producing music as Evax for the past few years, releasing most of his output on the label, Audio Dregs Records.