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More Events...

TODAY	TOMORROW	FRIDAY
12:20 Math Club Meeting Free Lunch and Setting Goals for Writing 7:00 Global Awareness Roundtable: Chile	 12:00 Bake Sale 12:10 Bergren Forum -	12:20 March Women's Studies Roundtable Vicki Eaklor - March Women's Studies Roundtable 8:00 Milk

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 Men's Swimming & Diving Meet 11:00 Milk

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Add/Drop/Withdraw Deadlines

- 1) The last day to Add or Drop a B-Block course is Wednesday, March 18. Drops and Adds are done on BannerWeb. When Web registration closes at midnight this Wednesday, it will then be too late to add or drop a B-Block course.
- 2) The last day to Withdraw from a course that meets throughout the semester is Monday, March 23. Course withdrawal must be accomplished using a paper form; it cannot be done on BannerWeb. To withdraw from a course, complete a withdrawal form, obtain the signatures of your adviser and the instructor of the course, and then bring the signed form to the Student Service Center in Seidlin Hall by 4:30 p.m. on March 23.

For more information about adding/dropping or withdrawing from courses, call the Student Service Center at 871-2123 or e-mail registrar@alfred.edu.

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Banner INB & BannerWeb Down Saturday for Upgrades

Both systems will be down this Saturday, March 21, to install new Banner releases and patches. The upgrade process will start at 8 a.m. and should be completed by early evening.

Please feel free to try to access either of the systems anytime after 5 p.m. If you can get in, it is up!

We appreciate your patience as we continue to upgrade and maintain the Banner system at Alfred University.

Denise J Kirschner

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Possible Change in Your Net Pay this Friday

Effective pay date March 20, 2009, you may notice a change in the Federal withholding in your paycheck/direct deposit. These changes are a result of the new withholding tables prescribed by the Department of the Treasury, reflecting the Making Work Pay credit and other changes resulting from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

You do not have to submit a new W-4 to get this automatic withholding change.

However, if you do not want your withholding reduced, you may want to file a new W-4 with the Payroll Office in Greene Hall.

Thank you!

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2009 Passover Seder

Hillel at Alfred invites all t the 2009 Passover Seder, Wednesday, April 8, 6 p.m., Susan Howell Hall.

Members free Non-members \$15 Children 6-15 \$8 Children under 6 free Reservations MUST be made by Monday, March 30. Contact Larry Greil at **greil@alfred.edu** or Barbara Greil at **greilbj@alfredstate.edu**. Indicate if you are a vegetarian or have other dietary needs.

Payment may be made at the door. Checks are payable to: Hillel at Alfred.

For more information call Larry Greil at 587.8694 (home) or 871.2885 (work) or e-mail **fgreil@alfred.edu**, or call Barbara Greill at 587.8694 (home) or 587.4313 (work), or e-mail **greilbj@alfredstate.edu**

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Academic Support Workshop: Procrastination and Organization

Do you struggle with organizing your life? Do you find yourself pushing work off until the last second? We can help!

A Procrastination and Organization workshop is available for all AU students, faculty, and staff.

When?

Friday, March 20 from 10-11: a.m.

Where?

Scholes Library, Room 221

How?

Register by sending your name and workshop you plan to attend to AcademicSupport@alfred.edu

Questions:

Contact Dr. Elmore at 607.871.2148

Hope to see you there!

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Attention May Graduates- Order Regalia by Friday, March 27

May graduates order regalia at the AU Bookstore BEFORE March 27 to avoid a late fee. Regalia is required at graduation. Bachelor unit \$52.49, Master unit \$55.95.

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Free Lunch and Setting Goals for Writing

Wednesday, March 18: Setting goals for writing. What do we want our students to be able to do with writing in individual courses and in particular majors? How is writing an artist statement different from writing a literary analysis? Are there writing goals that we all share?

Melissa Ryan and Vicky Westacott will get us started on thinking about defining goals for writing. Bring your ideas and/or goals that you have come up with. This session should be particularly useful for those teaching in disciplines other than English, especially for those who have been charged with working on program goals for their divisions.

Alumni Lounge/Kenyon Allen, Powell Campus Center, 12:20-1:10 p.m. Please RSVP to Vicky at **fcobb@alfred.edu** if you plan to attend so I know how much pizza to order.

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Etiquette Dinner

Please see attachment for details.

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Tax Workshop for International Students

There will be a tax workshop for international students on Friday, March 27, from 1:30-3:30 p.m., in Olin 301. This will be the ONLY workshop available so please plan on being there if you need assistance with any tax forms.

You will need to bring with you: all of your paperwork, Visa, passport, I-20/DS 2019, as well as any tax information you may have received. If you have dependents you are claiming you will need to bring their Social Security card and any other important information.

Thank you. Office of International Programs

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Global Awareness Roundtable: Chile

Kalyn Broderick Wednesday, March 18, 2009

Knight Club, Campus Center @ 7 p.m.

As a junior at Hornell High School Kalyn Broderick studied abroad for a year in Chile with the Rotary International Youth Exchange Program. Throughout this experience she was able to embrace the Chilean culture in an exceptional way through the eyes of her host family.

Come and let her share her experience with you at the Global Awareness Roundtable.

The Global Awareness Roundtable is a monthly event designed to introduce the Alfred community to a variety of cultures from around the world. This informal gathering gives our international faculty, students and alumni the opportunity to introduce participants to countries as diverse as Japan, Guatemala and Tunisia. Students who have lived, studied or worked abroad also share their experiences and observations.

Presentations cover a wide range of topics including history, traditions, art, music and food. If you are interested in participating or have any questions please contact Zakia Robana @ 871.2880

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Deadline is March 20 for LOOP-Barcelona video exhibition

LOOP Video Art Festival `09 Deadline for Entries Has Been Moved Up! Friday March 20th is the new deadline!

ANY VIDEO MADE (while a student at NYSCC at Alfred University) DURING 2007, 2008, OR 2009 IS ELIGIBLE.

You may submit as many videos as you like.

Make a playable DVD and put in the box in the Art Office in Harder Hall (or send us a link to download the file if you are not currently a student)

and email: alfred.loop.entry@gmail.com with your video(s) technical information:

artist name, year produced, duration, format. Make sure your DVD is labelled with your name!

QUESTIONS? contact: alfred.loop.entry@gmail.com

Link: LOOP-Barcelona Video Exhibition

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Teresa Joyce, Provost of Kennesaw State University

Thursday, March 19, 3:30 p.m. at the WLC.

Getting There: How can you be sure that your college education is teaching you essential leadership skills?

Why should everyone care about women's leadership?

Dr. Joyce shares her views, having started a highly successful women's leadership lab at Kennesaw State University's College of Business.

Beverages and food provided.

For more info: wlc@alfred.edu 607.871.2971

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Be a Hero! Donate Blood

BEING A HERO IS EASIER THAN YOU THINK! The need is constant. The gratification is instant. Give Blood! Tuesday, March 24 from 10-4 at PCC-Knight Club, the American Red Cross is holding a blood drive. Sign up to donate blood at **www.alfred.givesblood.org** Eat well & drink plenty of fluids in advance. You are eligible to donate if you donated on or before Jan 27th. (Please bring ID.) Every blood donation can help as many as three patients! To patients who need blood and to the people who love them, YOU ARE A HERO!

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"From the Permanent Collection" at the Ceramic Museum

This ceramic exhibition includes pieces from the Museum's own vast collection. Ranging across countries and centuries, it includes pieces made by Chinese, English, German, Japanese and North American ceramic artists.

Museum Hours: Wednesday - Friday 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., free!

Location: top floor of Binns-Merrill Hall Attachment: museum_poster_copy.pdf

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Softball Spring Trip

AU Softball team went 12-0 in Cocoa Beach, FL this past week.

Link: http://saxons.alfred.edu/pressreleases/viewrelease

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Business Office Tip of the Week

Alfred University purchasing policy requires that all purchases \$1,000 and greater be ordered through a purchase order. Please submit a requisition to the Procurement departments in Greene Hall where a purchase order will be processed and the items ordered.

Orders totalling \$1,000 or more placed without a purchase order are in violation of the University's internal control policies.

Thank you.

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Networking 101: How to Work a Room

On Thursday, March 19 from 2:20-3:10 p.m. in Olin 302, Bruce Kulp will be presenting "Networking 101 - How to Work a Room" to the BUS 102 Career and Professional Success class, though all students are welcome to attend! Students will learn effective networking strategies and how to get a great job and internship leads.

Bruce Kulp is a Senior Product Development Manager at Choice One Communication in Rochester, NY.

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Vicki Eaklor - March Women's Studies Roundtable

Vicki Eaklor, AU Professor of History, will be presenting at the March Women's Studies Roundtable on Friday, March 20, from 12:20-1:10 p.m. in the Knight Club (Powell Campus Center). Her topic is: "An LBT History of the Blues (No, it's not a sandwich!)."

The Women's Studies Roundtables are free and open to the public. To find out more about the roundtables or to present at a future roundtable, please contact Sandra Singer at: fsinger@alfred.edu

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Tour Guide Application Deadline Extended to Monday, March 23!

Some students had problems submitting their tour guide applications over Spring Break, so the deadline has been extended. Submit your application by Monday, March 23 @ 4:30 p.m.

We're looking for students with dynamic personalities who love AU!

If you are interested, please fill out the attached application and return it to the Admissions Office receptionist, Vicky, in the lobby of Alumni Hall. You may also email your completed application to Andrea Lichtman@alfred.edu.

This can be either a work-study or non-work-study job. We look forward to meeting you!

Faculty: Please encourage your most engaging students to apply!

Attachment: Tour Guide Application

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Dodge-Ball Tournament and 50-50 Raffle

The Gary Horowitz Service-Learning Experience students will be taking sign-ups for a dodge-ball tournament in conjunction with the Allegany County Youth Court. We will also be selling 50-50 raffle tickets during this time.

The sign-ups/tickets will be taking place March 19, 20, 23, and 24 during lunch in Powell and Ade. Please contact Ryan Arroyo (**Arroyo@alfred.edu**, X4011) with any questions.

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Monitors and Stands to Give Away

The Telephone Office has some large monitors and stands to give away on a first-come basis. Contact Mary Lou at x2806 or e-mail to **coleman@alfred.edu**

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Higher Education: Then and Now -- Phi Kappa Phi Forum

Phi Kappa Phi Forum is looking for ideas and writers for its fall 2009 edition, devoted to higher ed. The focus could be on academic or campus life, or both, and contemporary or historical, or both.

Possible contemporary topics include, but are not limited to:

- 1) Grade entitlement among students;
- 2) Importance of college/university rankings;
- 3) Impact of technology on higher ed;
- 4) economic impact of a recession on higher ed, students and the community;
- 5) The threat to university art museums in a recession;
- 6) How liberal arts schools in particular, and humanities programs in general, are having trouble justifying their mission in a recession;
- 7) Going green on campus;
- 8) Community service vs. workplace internships;
- 9) Personal responsibility across campuses.

Possible historical topics include, but are not limited to:

- 1) Economic impact of college sports over the eras;
- 2) Evolution of spring break;
- 3) Political imperatives over the generations: the driving forces on campuses;
- 4) Importance of a college education over time;
- 5) Student fashion;
- 6) Campus food;
- 7) Best/worst literature/movies set in academia;
- 8) Title IX, then and now;
- 9) Affirmative action, then and now.

The plan is to run up to eight articles, 750-2,000 words apiece. Volunteering to write does not guarantee an invitation will be extended; writers will be offered assignments based on their expertise and how their work helps round out the intent of the edition.

Send ideas, credentials and, if possible, writing samples by March 31. Phi Kappa Phi Forum is the multidisciplinary quarterly magazine of The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi. The magazine reaches more than 100,000 active members plus numerous others. It serves as the flagship publication of Phi Kappa Phi, the nation's oldest, largest and most selective all-discipline honor society, with chapters at more than 300 college campuses nationwide.

Contact: Peter Szatmary, pszatmary@phikappaphi.org

Reunion 2009 -- Save the Date

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Details: Faculty & Staff please join us for Alfred University Reunion June 12-14, 2009!

Everyone is welcome with a special invitation being extended to - Alfred's Golden Saxons and the classes of: 1959, 1964, 1969, 1974, 1979, 1984, 1989, 1994, 1999, 2004.

Contact us at the Office of Alumni and Community Relations 607.871.2144 or visit us on the Web.

Hope you can join us1

Link: Track Reunion plans on the web site.

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Attention Senior Citizen Artists

You've heard it said that "youth is a gift of nature, but aging is a work of art." The Office for the Aging's Senior Forum will be celebrating the art of aging. As part of the program, the Office for the Aging is looking for artists over age 60 to display their work at the Forum which will be held at the Genesee Valley Central School on April 17, 2009.

If you or someone you know is over age 60 and has art to share, please contact Kim Toot at 585.268.9390 or toll-free at 1.866.268.9390.

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Free Medicare Basics Trainings

The Allegany County Office for the Aging will offer free trainings to help people understand the Medicare program and their choices for additional health and drug plan coverage. These trainings will give you basic information on what is and isn't covered by Medicare, what premiums, deductibles, and co-pays you can expect in 2009, and how you can supplement your coverage with additional health and drug plans.

See attachment for all the times and places for the upcoming trainings.

Attachment: Free Medicare Basics Training Dates

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Free Tax Assistance Available

The Tax Counseling for the Elderly Program (TCE) offers free income tax assistance for low to moderate-income Allegany County senior citizens. Volunteer Counselors are trained and certified to help people who are 60 and over with federal, state and local returns. TCE is sponsored by the Allegany County Office for the Aging in conjunction with AARP and the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).

E-filing tax assistance is also available. This service assists filers in completing their tax forms and submits their applications electronically. E-filing is available at the Wellsville David A. Howe Library on Mondays from 10 a.m. to noon and 1-4 p.m. and at the Belmont Town Hall on Fridays from 9 a.m. to noon and 1-4 p.m. during February and March. Appointments are necessary and can be made by calling the Office for the Aging at 585.268.9390 or toll free 1.866.268.9390.

For more information on the program and additional tax sites and dates see attached. Attachment: Tax_Assistance_OFA.doc

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