

## **AU to manage Foster Lake**

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In an agreement with the former Foster Lake Club, Alfred University will take over the management of Foster Lake. The 25-acre lake atop Jericho Hill is now owned by the University, and continues to be open to the community as a recreational resource. An advisory board of campus and community members is being formed to ensure that the transition goes smoothly. Joe Dosch, Foster Lake Club president, and Kathy Woughter, interim vice president of Student Affairs at Alfred University, are heading up the initiative. The cost will remain the same for community members and students; lifeguard hours will be maintained - possibly even increased - from previous years, and the general accessibility the community has enjoyed for years will remain consistent, said Woughter. "The Foster Lake Club board has done a great job in the last three years managing the Foster Lake property," said Woughter. "As volunteers, they went above and beyond in order to provide local residents with a great recreational opportunity. We appreciate the work they've done and will look to them for guidance as we move forward." Cherise Haase, coordinator of Environmental Health and Safety at Alfred University, will be the point person for Foster Lake management beginning in early April, Woughter said. Until that time, students and community members interested in renewing their memberships or exploring a new membership are invited to contact Kathy Woughter at 607-871-2132.