

Sun on the move...

Sue Fowler of Almond takes a break from packing for her move to California to read the *Alfred Sun*. Sue moved last Wednesday to be closer to her family. She will be missed by many in the Alfred-Almond Community.



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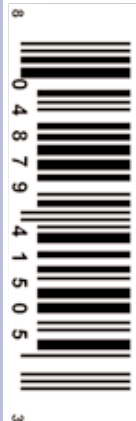
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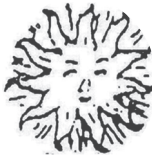
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NY Nursing Home Fiasco

State lawmakers seek answers on nursing home orders

CORNING—U.S. Representative Tom Reed (R-23rd District) on Friday, May 22 together with a group of state lawmakers issued a public letter demanding New York Governor Cuomo and the New York Department of Health respond to a series of inquiries regarding nursing home orders over the last three months.



In light of the death toll at nursing homes across New York and mounting concern over the Governor's ongoing failure to explain controversial and contradictory changes to the state's nursing home policies, it is critical that the public hear why the state issued the

policy guidance it has. The meeting request was made after repeated attempts to schedule discussions with the state were ignored.  
The full text of the letter can be found below:

Dear Governor Cuomo & the New York State Department of Health,  
Cc: Health and Human Services Secretary Azar and Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Administrator Verma

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Since the start of the COVID-19 outbreak, more than 5,800 residents have died in New York nursing and adult care facilities due to COVID-19-related issues. Recent reports also suggest more than 4,300 COVID-positive

patients were sent to nursing homes across the state. Both numbers are likely higher.

It is clear mistakes were made. More information, however, is needed to understand the scope of the state's missteps and the extent to which state officials knew the specific actions they were taking were in direct conflict with federal best practices and would endanger the lives of thousands of residents.

Without more context into the state's decision-making process and the fact-base that justifies the state's latest testing directives, the lives of New York's nursing home residents will remain in jeopardy.

We would like to hold a virtual meeting next week to discuss the fol-

lowing questions and await your availability.

1. Why did the state disregard the concerns of groups like the Society For Post Acute And Long-Term Care Medicine, which were raised three months ago? On March 26th, the group stated "Unsafe transfers will increase the risk of transmission in post-acute and long-term care facilities which will ultimately only serve to increase the return flow back to hospitals, overwhelming capacity, endangering more healthcare personnel, and escalating the death rate." Was this notice of clear and present danger received and ignored?

2. The Governor recently suggested the federal government and its guid-

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ALFRED STATE COLLEGE ALUMS

Mother, daughter on front line vs. COVID-19

ALFRED—While many people continue to help flatten the curve by staying home during the current pandemic, countless nurses such as Cheryl and Katlyn Richardson are also answering the call of duty by serving on the front lines in the ongoing battle against the coronavirus.

In addition to their chosen profession and tackling the coronavirus head on, Cheryl and Katlyn have other bonds that unite them, being mother and daughter, as well as Alfred State College (ASC) nursing alumni. Cheryl graduated from Alfred State in 1997, and Katlyn followed in her footsteps by earning her nursing degree from ASC in 2013. Additionally, Scott Richardson, Cheryl's husband and Katlyn's father, is the interim chief of University Police at Alfred State.

Cheryl said she is proud to call herself an Alfred State alum, and that she never dreamt that her career would take her in so many different directions, as she has trained in almost every hospital unit. Recently, she has worked in the Emergency Room at Noyes Hospital in Dansville, in addition to her duties as a home care nurse in Allegany County for the Visiting Nurse Association of Western New York, where she has been employed for 21 years.

Home care, Cheryl noted, has changed so much in the past few months, as people are not being admitted to the hospital and are being sent home much sooner to protect them from the COVID virus. As a result, surgeries have been postponed and patients that had family members assist-

ing them or have private duty assistance are alone because of social distancing.

In addition to the typical cases she sees on a daily basis, Cheryl has also been caring for patients that have tested positive for COVID-19. Some of them have not required hospital admissions, while others have had the experience of extensive ICU stays requiring ventilation.

"Most patients require multidisciplinary services," she said. "Each case must be triaged so that they do not take even the smallest risk of infecting compromised patients. Each day, I pray that I have not unknowingly been exposed to the COVID-19 virus and brought it into my home, putting my family at risk."

Katlyn, meanwhile, is currently working as a clinical nurse leader at Rochester General Hospital (RGH) in

the Adult Emergency Department (ED), which is one of the 12 busiest in the country. She is one of six clinical leaders that manage the department.

Katlyn's biggest job is not only maintaining the safety of her patients, but also that of her staff members at any given time. While managing the clinical flow of the department, she is still responsible for providing patient care and steps in to assist other nurses and providers.

"As a leader, we are looked to for help, to answer questions, and be a resource in any way possible," Katlyn said. "I got called into action by default you could say. I chose emergency medicine to make a difference and to make an impact on patients' lives. I chose to be a leader to make a difference in my department and the future of nursing. I will do whatever it takes to help these patients, to help my team,

and to keep as many people as I can safe."

While the pandemic continues to bring fear and change, Katlyn knows it is her job to provide the critical care these patients require, help their families that cannot be with their loved ones in these scary times, and keep her team as up to date as possible on the safest way to care for these patients with COVID-19.

"One could argue that things like this are the nature of the beast in emergency medicine or critical care, but it's so much more than any nurse 'signed up to do,'" she said. "Being on the front lines is scary. It is emotionally draining, difficult, exhausting, you name it. It is so hard being so far away from my family and knowing that I cannot come home. I'm scared for their safety and health every single day and it kills me to know that I can put that all in jeopardy by coming home."

To Katlyn, however, being on the front lines "is so much more rewarding than anything negative I could say."

"It is the most rewarding feeling in the world to stand between life and death for some people," she said. "During this pandemic, our patients are sicker and the way in which we practice medicine has changed drastically but we are truly saving lives. It has brought so many of us together and forced us to appreciate what is truly important in our lives. I've never been prouder to be a nurse and I've never been prouder of the team I work with that has become my family away from home."



KATLYN RICHARDSON



CHERYL RICHARDSON



OBITUARIES

Martin T. ‘Marty’ Gillette, A-A ’71, U.S. Navy nuclear electrician’s mate



MARTIN T. GILLETTE  
Served in U.S. Navy  
NORWICH, CT—Martin “Marty” Thomas Gillette, 66, of Norwich, CT died Tuesday, May 19, 2020 at his home.

He was born on June 6, 1953, the son of the late Martin and Dora (Spalding) Gillette. Marty married Melody (Perry) Gillette on August 13, 1976 in Hammondsport. She survives him. Marty grew up in Almond with his three brothers. He graduated from Alfred-Almond Central School in 1971 and joined the Navy shortly thereafter. He was on submarines in Hawaii and CT and was assigned to NSSF and Navy School Diving and Salvage in Washington D.C. before eventually getting stationed in Groton in 1980 and moving to Norwich in 1981. He spent 18 years in the Navy as a Nuclear Electrician’s Mate and looked upon those

days with fond memories. Marty used his Navy training and started working in the control room at Norwich Public Utilities in 1992 and spent many years helping to keep the lights on until his retirement in 2018. Marty spent the few years of his retirement with his wife Melody enjoying the company of their grandchildren and his pet cats and dogs. Marty will be remembered as a good-humored and intelligent man, and could usually find something to joke about in any situation to ease the tension. In addition to Melody, his wife of nearly 44 years, Marty leaves behind five sons- Alan, Josh and his wife Melissa, Matt and his wife Tomi, Chris

and his wife Jessica, and Martin “Zeb” abd his wife Monica. He is also survived by his three younger brothers- Mark, David, and Randy. He leaves behind eight grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews. Arrangements were with the Cummings-Gagne Funeral Home in Norwich, CT.

To send flowers to the family or plant a tree in memory of Martin T. Gillette, visit the funeral home’s online Tribute Store.  
**SUN OBITUARY POLICY**  
The Alfred Sun does NOT charge to publish obituaries. It never has; so long as the janitor has his say, it never will.

Frances M. Grillo, 99, managed country club



FRANCES M. GRILLO  
Ran Alfred State food service  
HORNELL—Frances M. “Fran” Grillo, 99, formerly of 1260 North Maple Court, Hornell, died Tuesday, May 19, 2020, following complications resulting from a heart attack. For the last five years she was a resident of Elderwood at Hornell Nursing Facility.  
Born in Mount Morris on March 14, 1921, she was the daughter of Casimer and Ida (Andolina) Gervase. Fran resided in the Hornell area for the past 75 years.  
Fran had been employed as food service manager of Alfred State College for about 10 years. She was a member of the Hornell Country Club

where she had served on the board of directors. She also served as the Country Club Manager for six years. She was a member of Our Lady of the Valley Parish and a communicant of St. Ann’s Church where she was active in the Perpetual Adoration Chapel. She was a member of the St. James Women’s Auxiliary, a St. James volunteer, a member of R.S.V.P., and a former member of the AZB Sorority.  
Fran enjoyed hiking, golf, knitting, quilting, and baking, but above all, she enjoyed the love of her family, especially her grandchildren and great grandchildren.  
She was married on June 22, 1946 to James J. Grillo who died on March 3, 1993. She was also preceded in death by four brothers, James Gervase, Carmen Gervase, Joseph Gervase and Sam Gervase; one sister, Ida Bonadonna; and her in-laws, Anna Galbo, Peter Grillo, Andy Grillo and Bettina Trapani. Fran was very close to her brother-in-law, Michael Bonadonna, and her sister-in-law, Vera Grillo, who also predeceased her.  
Surviving are her two sons, James (Linda) Grillo of Hammondsport, and Robert (Judy)

Grillo of Arkport; two grandsons, Tony (Monica) Grillo and Jay (Kristi Shaw) Grillo; one granddaughter, Michelle Grillo (Jesse Harper); six great grandchildren, Otis, Leo, Benjamin, Liliana, Maryn, and Bobby, along with many nieces and nephews. Fran leaves behind her special friend, Dottie Coddington.  
The family would like to thank all the nurses and staff at St. James Hospital and especially the staff at Elderwood who took such great care of their mother during her time there.  
Due to the Corona Pandemic, there will be no calling hours. A private graveside service will be held at St. Mary’s Cemetery at the convenience of the family with Fr. Stan Kacprzak officiating.  
Funeral arrangements are in care of the Dagon Funeral Home, 38 Church St., Hornell.  
Fran’s family request that memorial contributions in her name be made to Our Lady of the Angels Monastery, 3222 County Road 548, Hanceville, AL 35077, or the charity of their choice.  
To leave an online condolence or share a memory, visit [www.dagonfuneralhome.com](http://www.dagonfuneralhome.com)

Frederick Ray Bayless, 74, attended A-A



FREDERICK ‘FRED’ RAY BAYLESS  
Wished he was President  
WELLSVILLE—Frederick Ray Bayless, 74, of 196 E.

Dyke Street, Wellsville, passed away on Thursday, May 21, 2020 at Jones Memorial Hospital following a brief illness. He was born June 15, 1945 in Elizabethtown, the son of the late Frederick William and Dorothy Vernon (Bowen) Bayless.  
Fred attended the Alfred-Almond Central School and completed his studies in West Seneca. He was associated with Allegany Arc for over 50 years and will be sadly missed by the many staff members and friends he worked with over the years.  
He was a life member of the Almond Community Church, a fan of the Buffalo Bills, Buffalo Sabres, and the New York Yankees. He enjoyed politics and had definite

opinions. He wished he were President. He was also a history buff, and especially enjoyed discussing the Civil War. He had many fond caregivers at Allegany Arc who enjoyed sharing his interests with him.  
He is survived by an aunt, Jean Bayless of California and several nieces, nephews, and cousins.  
The visitation will be private. Friends and family were invited to a graveside service at 11 a.m. Wednesday, May 27, 2020 at Woodlawn Cemetery in Almond. Please consider memorial donations to Allegany Arc, 50 Farnum Street, Wellsville, NY 14895. To leave online condolences, please visit [www.embserfuneralhome.com](http://www.embserfuneralhome.com).

Joanne Gifford Allen, 84, Wellsville C.S. secretary



JOANNE GIFFORD ALLEN  
A very active woman  
WELLSVILLE—Joanne Gifford Allen, 84, of Rauber Street, Wellsville, passed away on Wednesday May 13, 2020 at Jones Memorial Hospital.  
She was born on July 11, 1935 in Clifton Springs to the late John Williamson and Ina Blanche (Peck) Gifford.  
Joanne was raised in Phelps and was a 1953 graduate of Phelps Central School. In June of 1955 she graduated from SUNY Agriculture and Technical College at Alfred with an Associates Degree. In 2000 she earned a Baccalaureate Degree from Empire State College in Community Health. She was employed as an Executive Secretary for the Wellsville Central School

District for 40 years, retiring in 2005.  
Joanne was a census taker for the U.S. Census Bureau for 10 years until the Spring of 2018. She was an active woman who was a member of many organizations including the Wellsville First United Methodist Church, Allegany County Democratic Committee, Alfred State Alumni Association, Allegany County Art Association and the Allegany County Historical Society.  
She is survived by her four sons, Curtis R. (Diane) Allen of Andover, Thomas J. (Teresa) Allen of Marietta, Ohio, Douglas G. (Renee) Allen of Rochester and David W. Allen of Cedar Park, Texas; seven grandchildren; seven great grandchildren; two sisters, Alice G. (Robert) Dowd of Rochester and Rebecca G. (Alan) Bennett of Montrose, Pennsylvania; a brother, John C. “Jack” (Jo) Gifford of Phelps, as well as several nieces and nephews.  
Friends will be invited to a memorial service to be held at a later date at the Wellsville First United Methodist Church. Burial will be held in Resthaven Cemetery in Phelps. Please consider memorial donations to the charity of the donor’s choice. To leave online condolences please visit [www.embserfuneralhome.com](http://www.embserfuneralhome.com).

Puzzles on Page 10

**SCRAMBLERS**  
solution  
1. Upturn; 2. Debris;  
3. Smear; 4. Dredge  
Today’s Word  
**BUDGET**

**CryptoQuote**  
answer  
We need to start work with the idea that we’re going to learn every day. I learn, even at my position, every single day.  
— Chanda Kochhar

King Crossword — Answers

Solution time: 27 mins.  
M A V B E E R B I A S  
A C E E T N A A R C H  
T H R A S H E D L A T E  
H E A R T Y A W L  
S O L M A S H E D  
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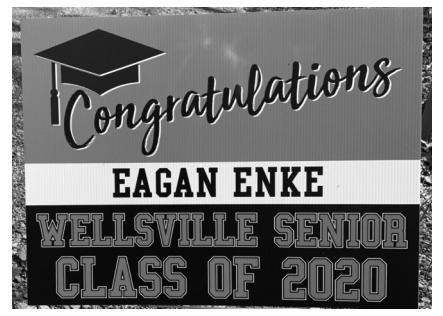
## Scene About Alfred

A weekly photo feature  
By **SHERRY VOLK**  
Alfred Sun Columnist



## COVID-19 Graduation Season

A COVID-19 graduation season. Signs bloom around the area, acknowledging this year's seniors in the absence of the usual celebrations.



# A-A budget hearing June 1; top seniors announced

ALMOND—The Alfred-Almond Central School Board of Education has proposed a 2020-21 annual budget of \$14,355,618, for which a budget hearing will be held at 6 p.m. Monday, June 1 online via Zoom. To “attend” the budget hearing, go to: [www.aacsapps.com](http://www.aacsapps.com).

Voters, who will vote by absentee ballot only, must return ballots to the district office by 5 p.m. Tuesday, June 9.

On the ballot will be the budget vote; a proposition to purchase two (2) 66-passenger school buses; a proposition to levy \$185,302 annually to support the Alfred Box of Books in the amount of \$100,939 and the Almond Li-

brary in the amount of \$84,363; and elect a member of the Board of Education for a five-year term. Incumbent Gary Acker is unopposed in his bid for re-election.

In a letter to the community in the school district newsletter, the Board of Education highlighted some of the key factors to the proposed budget:

- Assumes no increase in state aid
- Budget proposes an increase of \$199,000, a 1.4% increase.
- Depending on property assessments, the budget will have a tax increase of less than 2%, estimated at 1.8% or 1.9%



Alfred-Almond Central School announces the Co-Valedictorians and Salutatorian for the Class of 2020: From left, Co-Valedictorian Lauren Kelly, daughter of Brian and Karen Kelly of Alfred, will attend Cornell University in the fall. Co-Valedictorian Shannon Heinig, daughter of George Heinig and Jennifer Moreira-Heinig of Hornell, will attend St. Bonaventure in the fall. Salutatorian Jake Schultze, son of William and Jennifer Schultze of Hornell, will attend SUNY Purchase in the fall. (Photos provided)

- Budget does not reduce any academic programs, student support services or extracurricular programs
- Board of Education does

not plan to eliminate any employee positions, although some restructuring will improve fiscal efficiencies

• Some reserve funds are being used to balance the budget

• Upcoming capital projects on energy efficiencies, school security, classroom renovations and building maintenance should not be impacted

• Governor Cuomo has said it may be necessary to “take

back” some promised educational funding; the proposed budget allos for some limited flexibility to address reductions.

Absentee ballots for the district election were to be mailed to eligible voters on or about Friday, May 22. Eligible voters who do not receive an absentee ballot may contact District Clerk Joanne Demetreu at 607-276-6501 or email: [jdemetreu@aacsapps.com](mailto:jdemetreu@aacsapps.com)

## Coalition plans Town Hall June 9 for Alfred community

ALFRED—Recently, individuals representing a consortium of academic and governmental bodies joined together to develop a screening and testing protocol to provide for the safest possible return of students, faculty and staff to Alfred University and Alfred State College this Fall.

The consortium, Alfred COVID Coalition, consists of representatives from the County, Town, Village, Fire Company, Alfred State College and Alfred University.

The consortium held a “Town Hall” Tuesday, May 26 for local businesses and landlords and will hold a Community “Town Hall” at 6 p.m. Tuesday, June 9 for members of the Alfred Area Community.

These sessions are an opportunity to voice concerns, share resources and to develop solutions to ensure the safe arrival of students in August. The conversation will be

chaired by representatives from both colleges and the Village. Please join the conversation and help develop a mutually beneficial plan to reopen our Village!

Register: Members of the community can register by email with “June 9 Town Hall” in the subject line to: [info@alfredny.org](mailto:info@alfredny.org)

The Consortium will also work to broadcast the meetings via Facebook Live. Progress reports will be published regularly.

ALFRED					
Weather for the Week					
May 19-May 25					
May	Hi	Lo	Precip.	Snow	
19	63	50	0.10”	0	
20	69	47	0	0	
21	70	42	0	0	
22	75	47	0	0	
23	75	59	0.42”	0	
24	76	58	0.27”	0	
25	77	60	0	0	
By <b>FION MacCREA</b>					
Alfred Weather Recorder					

**Kelly's Forecast**  
By **KELLY SNYDER**  
The Alfred Sun  
Weather Forecaster

*“I get my best ideas in a thunderstorm. I have the power and majesty of nature on my side.”*  
—Ralph Steadman

**Thursday, May 28**  
**THUNDERSTORMS**  
(HIGH 75—LOW 65)  
Chance of precipitation....80%  
**Friday, May 29**  
**THUNDERSTORMS**  
(HIGH 74—LOW 53)  
Chance of precipitation....90%  
**Saturday, May 30**  
**PARTLY CLOUDY**  
(HIGH 66—LOW 40)  
Chance of precipitation....20%  
**Sunday, May 31**  
**MOSTLY SUNNY**  
(HIGH 61—LOW 38)  
Chance of precipitation.....0%  
**Monday, June 1**  
**PARTLY CLOUDY**  
(HIGH 63—LOW 45)  
Chance of precipitation.....0%  
**Tuesday, June 2**  
**PARTLY CLOUDY**  
(HIGH 68—LOW 53)  
Chance of precipitation....20%  
**Wednesday, June 3**  
**AM T'STORMS**  
(HIGH 70—LOW 53)  
Chance of precipitation....50%  
For more up to date weather information add your Alfred Sun Weatherman Kelly Snyder on Facebook and as always if you don't like the weather in Alfred just wait five minutes!

**SUNNY SIDE UP**  
By **ELLEN SHULTZ**  
Alfred Sun Columnist

## Catfish Po'Boys...favorite southern food

[Editor's Note: Like most of the recipes she shared with our readers over the past couple of decades, Ellen Shultz's Sunny Side Up columns are worth repeating.]

This recipe is from Dave and Jan Porter. I think Dave is the chef here. We were talking about our favorite southern foods and this is one I had never had. I tried it and we loved it, so we'll all pass it along to you.

### Catfish Po'Boys

2 T. milk  
1/2 tsp. salt  
1 lb. catfish, cut in 2 inch pieces

1/4 c. yellow cornmeal  
1 T. Cajun seasoning

Combine milk and catfish pieces in a large bowl, tossing to coat. Remove fish, shake off excess milk. Sprinkle fish with salt. Combine corn meal and seasoning in a zip lock bag. Add fish, seal and shake. Heat 2 T. oil in large non-stick skillet. Cook fish 3 minutes each side or until flakes with a fork. Serve in hoagie rolls and top with coleslaw.

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From the Mayor

By BECKY PROPHET  
Alfred Village Mayor

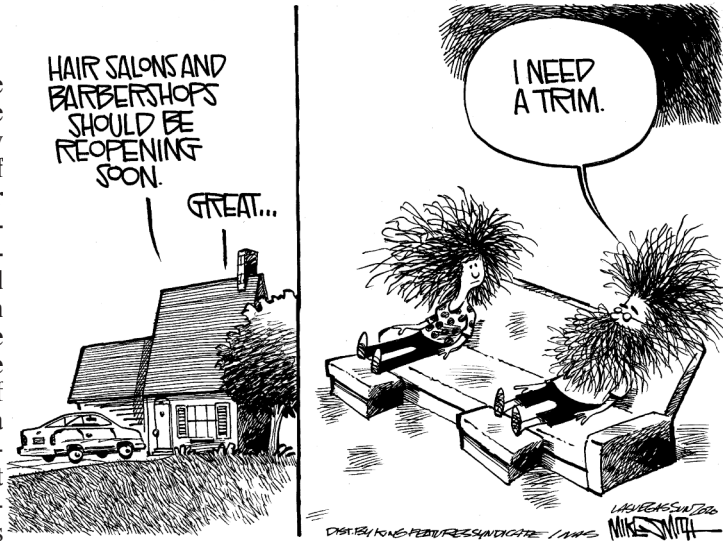
Governor Andrew Cuomo has modified the social restrictions to permit “non-essential gatherings” of ten or fewer, as long as social distancing and/or masking and the standards of cleaning and disinfecting are followed. This is a wonderful step toward reopening—a fine step into, we hope, the next phase. But we cannot progress to those next levels without everyone practicing the measures that have proved that they reduce the spread of infection.

I saw a proof of our steps in the right direction in our village. Sunday, in the salubrious sunshine and warm temperatures, I saw three people on the streets of Alfred that I had not seen in weeks! I really think that all three of these people had not been out-

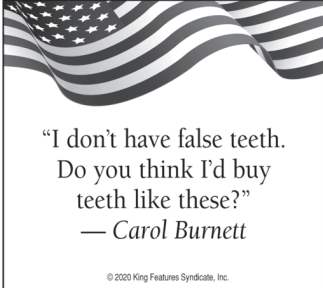
doors—certainly not on the streets--since the New York State’s emergency stay home orders began. What a gratifying down turn we are seeing in the numbers of infections, hospitalizations; we must bring deaths to zero! In New York and in this area, we have worked hard and worked together, to turn the tide. Turning that tide saves lives. Turning the tide saves infection from a destructive disease that causes horrible, painful symptoms and probably long-term health consequences, even as there are some who experience mild or no symptoms, but still spread the illness. Keep the tide turned and running way out to sea!

As the state, western New York and Allegany County begin to “re-open” the collective practice of those standards is our safest way to continue on the path of the

down turn. On Friday, the governor issued Executive Order 202.33 permitting “any non-essential gathering of ten or fewer individuals, for any lawful purpose or reason, provided that social distancing protocols and cleaning and disinfection protocols required by the Department of Health are adhered to.” Applaud all of us! This is great news and a wonderful move toward recovery. But, please we must ALL continue to mask in enclosed public places or places where a distance of six feet cannot be maintained. We must continue to clean all surfaces. If we don’t, if there is a resurgence of infections, we will all be pushed back to the beginning of phase one. If we do, we move on to more generous phases of reopening and ever closer to defeating coronavirus and returning to the community that we want to be.



Americanisms



**THE FIRST AMENDMENT**  
Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances.

Sun Spots



Longing For The Days Of The Hanging Chad  
Or,  
They Make You Fill Out The Ballot In Ink  
But I Feel Like That Makes Too Strong A Statement

The two major parties are at it once more:  
A la Johnson v. Goldwater, Dubya v. Gore,  
They’re picking out candidates not worth a dime—  
But they’re outdoing even themselves now, this time.

The two nominees seem they’re out to compete  
To see who’s the best choice...to make sure we defeat:  
They’re proving to voters how well they are qualified  
By making us feel we’ve been mauled more than mollified.

Cuz one is demented; the other insane.  
One’s narcissistic; the other is vain.  
One is a braggart; the other tells lies.  
One makes excuses; the other denies.

One is just terrible; the other is horrible.  
One is disgusting; the other deplorable.  
One is a rapist; the other a racist.  
One is the vilest; the other the basest.

One’s out of touch; and the other is clueless.  
One’s out to trick us; the other to fool us.  
One’s too much money; the other’s too rich.  
One, we’re sure for a wreck; the other, the ditch.

And to tell you the truth...I’m not sure which is which.

But as much as I roast ’em and try to make fun of ’em,  
When it comes right down to it, I gotta vote one of ’em.  
But it won’t matter which, cuz when all’s said and done,  
I’ll be ’shamed that I voted for whichever one.

—Anone A. Mouse



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FROM THE DESK  
OF DAVID PULLEN

By DAVID PULLEN

Former Allegany County Legislator

Where is Allegany County?

WHERE IS ALLEGANY COUNTY?

We live in Allegany County. We all know that. We are located in western New York. What you may not know is that for different purposes we are located in various other “regions.” For example, for the Court system we are located in the Eighth Judicial District (Buffalo), of the Fourth Department (Rochester). For DEC (Department of Environmental Conservation) we are in the Ninth Region. For some purposes we are considered to be “Southern Tier” related, but for other purposes we are considered to be Finger Lakes Region, Appalachian Region, or Western New York Region. Unfortunately, the decisions about what “region” we are in is almost always made by someone else, for reasons that they find important, and we don’t usually have anything to say about their decisions.

A few weeks ago Governor Andrew Cuomo announced that the end of the COVID-19 lockdown would be handled on a “regional” basis. I anxiously awaited the determination of what region we would be placed in and who we would be grouped with. It was decided that we are in the “Western New York Region.” This five-county region consists of Allegany County, Cattaraugus County, Chautauqua County, Erie County, and Niagara County. Ironically, we are further east than Wyoming County, Genesee County and Orleans County, which were all placed in the “Finger Lakes Region.” We are actually closer to the Finger Lakes than any of those counties. To get from my home to Buffalo I actually have to travel through Wyoming County. Erie County and Buffalo (and their demographics) totally dominate the Western New York Region.

The hospital closest to my home is located in Warsaw, Wyoming County, which is in the Finger Lakes region. That works well for us since the Finger Lakes Region opened up earlier than the Western NY Region. That meant that I was able to see doctors and have an MRI performed there several weeks earlier than it could be done in Allegany County/Western NY Region. The irony is that Warsaw is much closer to Buffalo which is the biggest “hot spot” in NYS outside of the NYC metropolitan area.

No one has given me a logical reason for dealing with the COVID-19 infections on a regional basis, rather than on a local, or “County” basis. The Constitutional and statutory structure for local government is based upon “counties.” Every location in the state is part of a county. Every county has a “Health Department” to administer tests, provide treatments, and to address health concerns. Why aren’t we using this local resource to deal with this pandemic? Every county also has a Sheriff and Sheriff’s Department to implement and enforce the laws and rules that have been adopted. Why

hasn’t responsibility for enforcement been entrusted to the Sheriff? Instead the local Town Code Enforcement Officers (“CEOs”), who deal mainly with Building and Fire Code issues, have been told that it is their duty to enforce the Governor’s Executive Orders. Our CEOs have no special training or preparation for these duties. In many towns the CEO is a very part-time position, and there is little or no funding for dealing with complex epidemic related issues and challenges. I don’t know, but I suspect that Governor Cuomo chose the “Regions” rather than the “Counties” because he has complete control over the Regions. The Counties have their own elected officials and staff. They are much more independent and self-sufficient than the 10 Regions established by the Governor. It was much simpler for him to delegate duties to the Regions but keep complete control in his own hands.

I have watched a number of Governor Cuomo’s daily Press Conferences about the COVID-19 crisis. In recent sessions he has emphasized that everything is being done based upon “science” and “math.” He insists that his only goal is to reduce infections and deaths. However, an analysis of his methods and approaches shows that he retains personal control of almost every facet and aspect of every program and decision. He certainly appears dynamic and decisive, and he has played the media like a virtuoso musician. Except for the nursing home fiasco of late March and early April they haven’t challenged his reports or explanations. However, states like Florida, Texas and Georgia have achieved far better results with much less oppressive methods and restrictions.

Allegany County has a long history of governing itself very capably. I am confident that our County Legislature is capable of establishing the standards and policies that would best serve the needs of our residents and businesses. We don’t need to have Governor Cuomo and his down-state minions set our standards for us and impose them from three hundred miles away. We have had only 44 reported infections and only two fatalities. Perhaps Governor Cuomo could learn a thing or two from us. In his dealings with the national government Governor Cuomo pointed out that we have a “federal” system with some matters reserved for local governments. Unfortunately, when it comes to government within New York State our Governor thinks that only the State knows what needs to be done. I disagree. Allegany County can take care of itself. My fear is that New York State will burden us with unworkable programs that don’t fit our needs or strengths. I came to Allegany County to get away from downstate policies and values. Most local residents much prefer our County to New York City. We should be allowed to govern ourselves.



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ALFRED UNIVERSITY

## C. Grace Fossett wins top honors for Senior Show

ALFRED—The Alfred University School of Art and Design held its annual Bachelor of Fine Arts thesis exhibitions earlier this month and faculty have voted to present the Senior Show Award to C. Grace Fossett.

Gerar Edizel, dean of the School of Art and Design, described Fossett's B.F.A. exhibition as one "that brims with critical intelligence in the use of art historical references together with a captivating oneiric quality brought forth with a delightful sense of humor."

Fossett, an interdisciplinary artist, earned her B.F.A. degree from Alfred University. She was one of 55 B.F.A. degree candidates who displayed their thesis work in the Senior Shows in Saturday, May 9. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the B.F.A. thesis exhibitions, as well as the Master of Fine Arts thesis exhibitions, held Friday, May 15, were presented in a virtual format.



**"Holy Father Rodeo" Digital photograph, naturally leavened sourdough, quilted fabric, green hat made by the illustrious Nate Hill. (2020)**

## AU prof interviewed on Radio New Zealand about COVID-19

ALFRED—Alfred University Professor of Philosophy Emrys Westacott was interviewed for a Radio New Zealand story on COVID-19, and how the pandemic could cause people to reassess their priorities and what they want from society.

Westacott was interviewed for a story titled "Professor Emrys Westacott: COVID-19 pandemic 'spells the end of the neoliberal era,'" which aired over the weekend of May 16-17 and was published on the Radio New Zealand website Sunday, May 17. In the piece, Westacott discusses how the COVID-19 crisis could prompt people to reflect on whether the type of society we had built was, in fact, the kind of society we want.



**EMRYS WESTACOTT**

The author of the book "The Wisdom of Frugality" asserts that while a more frugal lifestyle might not be the path for everyone, now was the time for many people to consider what they want in life. For many, that will be a simpler, more frugal life.



**"If You Had Fought Like a Man, You Need Not Have Been Hang'd Like a Dog,"/ "All That You Can Do on This Side of the Blue." Digital photograph, naturally leavened sourdough, satin ribbon, repurposed mattress pads, wooden dowels, brown paper. (2019-20)**

## AU music professor has article published in journal

ALFRED—A critical edition of a trumpet trio by Sir Carl Busch, edited by Alfred University Assistant Professor of Music Raul Barcenés with assistance from one of his students, has been published in *Triplo Music Press*, a leading publication for trumpet ensemble.

Barcenés edited the critical edition of "Three of Us," a musical suite for three trumpets composed by Busch in 1938. He was assisted in the review and editing process by Nicholas Weikle, a mechanical engineering major who is minoring in music.

Critical editions are intended to be authoritative versions of a musical composition. Original manuscripts and all variations are reviewed and considered to ensure the work is as close as possible to the intentions of the composer. Barcenés explained that critical editions often serve to return once well-known musical

works from obscurity back into the mainstream.

Busch (1862-1943) was a Danish-born American composer who was also renowned as a music educator. One of his most accomplished students was Robert Russell Bennett, a composer, conductor and orchestrator who scored more than 300 Broadway musicals, including works by Irving Berlin and George Gershwin. He also had a profound influence in writing for younger students of all musical media and focused on works that would benefit the growth younger musicians.

Barcenés' 2013 dissertation for his doctoral degree in conducting analyzed Busch's work, "A Chant from the Great Plains." He is in the process of researching and creating critical editions of Busch's other trumpet trios, as well as a critical edition of Busch's band work, "A Chant from the Great Plains."



**RAUL BARCENES**



## Cultural Arts Calendar



## Music

**BANDS/DJs/RECITALS**  
**Alfred University Symphony Orchestra** featuring Ken Luk performing Vivaldi's Concerto in D for Lute & Strings, Pianist Lucy Mauro performing J.C. Bach's Concerto in G, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, April 19 in Miller Theater, AU campus. Free admission.

**Alfred University Recital** featuring Tenor JR Fralick, Soprano Luanne Crosby and pianist Kurt Galvan at 3 pm Sunday, April 5 in Susan Howell Hall.

**Alfred University Concert Band** Spring Concert, 7:30 p.m. Friday, May 1 in Miller Theater, AU campus. Free admission.

**Alfred University Jazz Band** Concert, 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 24, Miller Theater. Free admission.

**Alfred University Choral Concert.** AU Choirs joined by Rochester Oratorio Society in presenting Ernest Bloch's "Sacred Service," 7 p.m. Sunday, April 26, Miller Theater.

**Hornell Area Wind Ensemble** Rehearsals Tuesday evenings at Hornell High School. New members welcome. For further information, call Nancy Luger at 587-9449 or call 545-8603.

**MostArts Festival:** Plan to enjoy Summer Music & Art July 12-18, 2020 featuring the 2020 Piano Competition ages 13-18, workshops, pop-up restaurant, music under the stars, Art Walk. visit: [www.MostArts.alfred.edu](http://www.MostArts.alfred.edu) for more information.

**Off the Wagon** show schedule is as follows: Saturday, March 14 at Hornell AMVETS as part of St. Pat's, 12 noon-4 pm; Saturday, April 18 at Hornell Moose, 9 pm-1 am; Saturday, May 2 at Hornell AMVETS 8-midnight; Saturday, June 6 at Off Duty Club in Belmont, 9 pm-1 am; Friday, June 12 at Palmer Opera House in Cuba, 7 pm. Follow the band at: [www.facebook.com/pg/OfftheWagonAcoustic](http://www.facebook.com/pg/OfftheWagonAcoustic)

**Wellsville Creative Arts Center** offers live music some evenings with performances beginning at 8 p.m., doors opening at 6 p.m. Friday, Feb. 28-Honeysuckle; Friday, March 13-Joe Robinson. For tickets, visit: [www.WellsvilleCreativeArtsCenter.com](http://www.WellsvilleCreativeArtsCenter.com) or call 585-593-3000.

**CHORAL GROUPS**  
**Andover Catholic Choir.** Rehearsals 7 pm Mondays at Blessed Sacrament Church, Andover. New members welcome. Contact Director Marcy Bledsoe at 478-5238.

**Genesee Valley Chorus.** The Genesee Valley Chorus meets every Tuesday at 7 P.M. at the Grace United Church, North Main Street, Wellsville (formerly Congregational Church). The chorus is directed by Norma Bartlett. For further information, call 585-593-3173.

**Maple City (Barbershoppers) Chorus** Meetings 7:00 p.m. Mondays at United Methodist Church of Hornell, 7528 North Main St Ext., near Webbs Crossing Road, Hornell. New members welcome. Call 607-698-4690 for info.

**Sanctuary Choir.** Rehearsals 1st & 3rd Sabbath of Month—12:30pm; Instrumentalists 4th Sabbath of Month—9:00am. The Seventh Day Baptist Church—Alfred Station. New musicians welcome. Call 607-587-9176.

## COFFEEHOUSES

**Wellsville Creative Arts Center** offers Coffee Houses TBA. Open Mic Night every Wednesday 7 to 10 p.m. For more info, visit: [www.WellsvilleCreativeArtsCenter.com](http://www.WellsvilleCreativeArtsCenter.com) or call 585-593-3000.

**CONCERTS/RECITALS**  
**Davis Memorial Carillon Recitals,** AU campus. There is currently no weekly recital.

**Wingate Memorial Carillon Recital Series** at Davis Memorial Carillon, AU campus. Free concerts on Tuesdays during the month of July. The Wingate Memorial Carillon Recital Series honors Dr. Ray Winthrop Wingate, a professor of music at Alfred University for 56 years.



## Theater &amp; Dance

**DANCE**  
**International Folk Dancing** Tuesday evenings from 8:30-10:30 p.m. We learn and do a variety of International Dances, many from the Balkans, Israel, Armenia, etc. Everyone is welcome, no partner or experience necessary! Miller Performing Arts Center, AU campus.

**DRAMA GROUPS**  
**Wee Playhouse** meets monthly. Call Vice-President Martha Lash at 587-8675 for more info.

**Alfred Community Theatre (ACT).** For more info, call Dave Snyder at 587-8110.

**PERFORMANCES**  
**Alfred University Spring Production,** "Annie Jump and the Library of Heaven" by

Reina Hardy, directed by Eliza Beckwith, CD Smith III Theater, 7:30 p.m. Wed.-Thurs.-Fri.-Sat. April 15-18.



## Art/Galleries

**INSTRUCTION/GROUPS**  
**Allegany Artisans.** The Allegany Artisans, local artists and craftspeople working together to host an annual studio tour, held annually in October, invite artists to apply. Work is judged. Studio must be in Allegany County. 585-593-6345 or visit the website: [www.alleganyartisans.com](http://www.alleganyartisans.com).

**Allegany Arts Association,** regular board meetings open to public, 10 a.m. 2nd Tuesday monthly, at the David A. Howe Library, Wellsville.

**Angelica Ink Letterpress** Located at 20 Allegany Avenue, Angelica, NY. 585.466.7040

**Angelica Sweet Shop** 44 W. Main in Angelica's Park Circle National Historic District. Open daily 8 am-5 pm For more info: 585-466-7070 or [www.angelicasweetshop.com](http://www.angelicasweetshop.com).

**Cohen Center for the Arts.** 55 N. Main Street, Alfred. Gallery open Tues, Wed, Fri 11-4 pm; Thursday 11-7; Sat and Sun 1-3

**Wellsville Art Association.** For information .....call Karen Dickerson, 585-593-3579.

**Steuben Trust Gallery,** Steuben Square, Hornell. On-going exhibits of Artist of the Month. M-F 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Sponsored by the Hornell Area Arts Council.

**Southern Tier Fiberarts Guild,** founded in 1983, meets at Trinity Lutheran Church,

470 N. Main St., Wellsville, on the first Saturday of the month from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. except months of July and Sept. The group welcomes spinners (and wannabes), quilters, knitters, crocheters, embroiderers, weavers, dyers, basket makers, hookers (rug hookers, that is) and everyone with a creative mind and an interest in fibers. For more information, call Debbie MacCrea at 607-587-9270, or T.C. Gary at 585-593-4799.

**MUSEUMS/EXHIBITS**  
**The Andover House,** exhibiting Alfred connected Ceramic Art and 2 dimensional art. Historical and contemporary. Open 11am to 4pm on Saturdays. At 21 North Main Street, Andover. For visits by appointment call 585 593 3947 or 607 478 5014. E-mail: [Johnfdolan@yahoo.com](mailto:Johnfdolan@yahoo.com).

**Fountain Arts Center,** 42 Schuyler Street, Belmont. For info or group arrangements, call 585-268-5951 or visit our website at: [www.thefountainartscenter.org](http://www.thefountainartscenter.org)

**The Corning Museum of Glass** presents the most comprehensive glass collection in the world in "35 Centuries of Glassmaking." For info, call 607-937-5371.

**Fosdick-Nelson Gallery** at Alfred University. Fosdick-Nelson Gallery is located in Harder Hall, AU campus. Open 11-4 Mondays-Fridays. Info 871-2412.

**Glenn H. Curtiss Museum** 8419 Route 54, Hammond-sport. Special exhibits, special events. Open daily 10-4. Admission. (607) 569-2160.

**Hagadorn House Museum** Operated by Almond Historical Society. Genealogical research Friday afternoons.

**Hinkle Memorial Library Gallery,** Alfred State College Campus. Open during library

hours, 8 a.m.-10 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Fridays, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturdays and 3-9 p.m. Sundays. For more information, call the library at 607-587-4313.

**Hornell Erie Depot Museum,** 111 Loder St., Hornell is open Wed. & Thurs. from 6-8 pm, Fri. from 4-8 pm and Sat from 12:30-3 pm.

**Inamori Kyocera Museum of Fine Ceramics.** The newly constructed museum focuses on fine ceramics used in technical and bio-medical applications. Located on the top floor of Binns-Merrill Hall, AU campus, Alfred. Open 10-4 Wed.-Fri. Free admission.



**Alfred Ceramic Art Museum.** Located on Northeast corner of Main and Pine Streets, AU campus, Alfred. Hours: Tues. thru Friday 10-5, Thurs. 10-7, Sat. and Sun. 10-4. \$7 Adults, \$5 Seniors, \$3 Local Residents, Free for Museum members, 17 and under, AU and A State faculty staff and students. For information call 607-871-2421; or visit the museum website: [ceramicsmuseum.alfred.edu](http://ceramicsmuseum.alfred.edu)

**Alfred Art Walk,** A collaborative monthly opening by galleries in the Village of Alfred and at Alfred University and Alfred State. For a complete and up to date listing of venues, please visit [alfredartwalk.org](http://alfredartwalk.org). To add your event to Alfred Art Walk email: [submit.alfredartwalk@gmail.com](mailto:submit.alfredartwalk@gmail.com)

**The Pioneer Oil Museum** in Bolivar will induct Henry Lindquist, Jim Beckwith, Don Miller, and Arthur Yahn, Sr. into the New York State Oil Producers' Association. Museum will open following Memorial Day Weekend. For updates, visit: [www.pioneeroil-museum.com](http://www.pioneeroil-museum.com)



**HIGGINS RETIRES:** At 4:30 p.m. on Friday, May 22nd, Don Higgins officially said goodbye to his position as County Superintendent of Highways, celebrating 33 years of working day and night for the Livingston County Highway Department. A surprise parade was held the previous day, showing how valued, respected and loved he has been, by so many. A circle of family members seen and unseen gathered to cheer Don in expressing their pride in his many accomplishments over the years. (Photo by Samantha Higgins Tiano)

## Library eager to get back to serving public

By MELANIE MILLER  
 Box of Books Library Director

We are eager to get back to the BoB doing what we love to do. Library service will be very different when we do re-open. But working together, we can find success.

First, we will not be able to re-open until we receive guidance from New York State. We fall into the Western New York economic development zone. At this point we do not know where libraries fall in the Governor's phased in re-opening timeline. STLS is working at the state level to advocate for libraries, and receive guidance from the Governor's office specific to libraries.

The first service we will implement is curbside pickup. We are working on creating a plan and policies for how to implement this service. But essentially, it would give you



## NOTES from the BOX OF BOOKS

access to our collections again. Staff inside the building will be required to wear masks and gloves when handling books and materials for distribution to protect you. We will communicate how this service will be implemented soon.

We are working on guidance surrounding public computers, as we know many patrons depend on the library for access to computers and internet. We will limit usage times to allow only one person into the building at a time, strictly for computer use.

Unfortunately, there will be no in-house programming for the foreseeable future. We are

moving all our programs online via Facebook and YouTube. But we are still hoping to create and provide educational, entertaining and fun programs for you all. Be on the lookout for some information on summer reading!

At this point, once reopened, the library will maintain its regular hours of operation we have always had.

We thank you for your support, and we are truly honored to serve such a terrific community. We look forward to being able to resume service, no matter how different that may look.

IN MEMORIAM:  
Loretta M. Smith  
(Nov. 9, 1926 to May 29, 2016)

My wife and I enjoyed reading poems by Edgar Allen Poe. One of my favorites is "Annabel Lee." Although the circumstance depicted in the poem were quite different than those of our life, there is one parallel: death came unexpected to both Annabel Lee and Loretta.  
 —Stuart E. Smith

**ANNABEL LEE**  
*Edgar Allen Poe*

It was many and many a year ago,  
 In a kingdom by the sea,  
 That a maiden there lived whom you may know  
 By the name of ANNABEL LEE;  
 And this maiden she lived with no other thought  
 Than to love and be loved by me.

I was a child and she was a child,  
 In this kingdom by the sea:  
 But we loved with a love that was more than love—  
 I and my ANNABEL LEE;  
 With a love that the winged seraphs of heaven  
 Coveted her and me.

And this was the reason that, long ago,  
 In this kingdom by the sea,  
 A wind blew out of a cloud, chilling  
 My beautiful ANNABEL LEE;  
 So that her high-born kinsman came  
 And bore her away from me,  
 To shut her up in a sepulcher  
 In this kingdom by the sea.

The angels, not half so happy in heaven,  
 Went envying her and me—  
 Yes!—that was the reason (as all men know,  
 In this kingdom by the sea)  
 That the wind came out of the cloud by night,  
 Chilling and killing my ANNABEL LEE.

But our love it was stronger by far than the love  
 Of those who were older than we—  
 Of many far wiser than we—  
 And neither the angels in heaven above,  
 Nor the demons down under the sea,  
 Can ever dissever my soul from the soul  
 Of the beautiful ANNABEL LEE.

## The Andover House Gallery is closed due to Corvid-19 epidemic

Check facebook at The Andover House for photos and descriptions of items available. Shipping may be possible for some items that are prepaid.

Contact John Dolan @ [johnfdolan@yahoo.com](mailto:johnfdolan@yahoo.com)  
 Phone: 585-648-2666

Check on facebook our groups:  
 The Andover House Alfred Ceramic Art for Sale  
 Glidden Pottery Classified.

Also [www.TheAndoverHouse.com](http://www.TheAndoverHouse.com)





## Lectures/Readings

**AU Environmental Studies Speakers Series.** Talks are 12:20 to 1:10 Fridays in Science Center Room 247 during the fall semester. All are welcome; refreshments will be served.

**Allegany County Bird Club.** Meetings held at the Grace United Church, 289 N. Main Street, Wellsville, unless otherwise stated, at 7 p.m. on the first Friday of each month; speakers begin at 7:15 p.m. The club will NOT meet during the months of January and February 2020.

**Baker's Bridge Historical Association.** Meets 7:30 pm, third Monday of each month, Sept.-April in the Meeting House, 5971 Hamilton Hill Road, Alfred Station. Sept. 21-Laurie Lounsbury Meehan, "Alfred Women's Suffrage Movement." Oct. 19-Joan Sinclair, "Daughters of the American Revolution." Nov. 16-WSKG Public TV video on "Hurricane Agnes"; Dec. 16-Dish-to-Pass Dinner followed by Members Sharing Memories and Mementoes of Hurricane Agnes. All programs free, open to the public. Website: [www.bakers-bridge.org](http://www.bakers-bridge.org). For more information, contact President Jim Ninos, 607-587-9018, [jninos@gmail.com](mailto:jninos@gmail.com). For a tour of the building contact Collections Manager, Alexandra Hoffman, (607-382-9404, [ahoffman4@gmail.com](mailto:ahoffman4@gmail.com)).

**Bergren Forum.** 12:10 p.m. Thursdays, Nevins Theater, Powell Campus Center, AU campus when classes are in session. Bring a brown bag lunch; coffee & tea available. All forums cancelled for the remain-

der of the semester due to the coronavirus crisis.

**Nunda Historical Society.** Questions: see [www.nundahistory.org](http://www.nundahistory.org) or call 585-476-2354 or 585-465-0971.



## Films

**GRAND THEATRE** 585-593-6899, Main Street, Wellsville. [grandtheatrewellsville.com](http://grandtheatrewellsville.com)

**SPOTLIGHT THEATER.** 191 Main Street, Hornell. [www.thespotlighttheaters.com](http://www.thespotlighttheaters.com) (607) 661-4685

**DAVID A. HOWE LIBRARY Nancy Howe Auditorium 155 N. Main Street, Wellsville Senior Matinees at the Howe** The David A. Howe Library presents a special matinee screening for Senior Citizens the fourth Tuesday of each month starting at 2:00 pm including: Feb. 25: Green Book (2018) PG-13; March 24: TBA.

**Women's History Month Movie Series at Alfred University:** 6 pm Saturday, March 21-On the Basis of Sex; 7 pm Friday, March 27-Cloudburst.

## Fun-n-Games

**STAR GAZING John Stull Observatory** open to the public free of charge, clear Friday nights from 9-11 p.m. Sept.-Oct.-Nov. and Feb.-March, April. Open clear Thursday nights from 10 p.m.-12 midnight during May, June and July. For info, call the Observatory phone at Alfred University, 871-2270.

**BEEKEEPING Belvidere Beekeeping Club** A group is forming a group that will share information about beekeeping in our area. We will provide guest speakers and information about getting started beekeeping. We will share information, tips and frustrations, have suggested readings and hand outs along with yard walks. Our mission is to attract and encourage beekeepers to pass on their knowledge to others. The club will meet at Angelica Ink Letterpress, 20 Allegany Avenue, Angelica, during cold months and at Belvidere Cornerstone, 5781 County Road 20, Belmont, summer months on the following 2020 Saturdays from 1-3 pm: January 25, February 22, March 28, April 25, May 23, June 27, July 18, August 29, September 26, October 24, November 21. Contact The-BelvidereCornerstone@gmail.com with questions.

**BOWLING Maple City Bowl,** 7580 Seneca Road, Hornell. Check out our new Arcade Section. Visit [www.maplecitybowl.net](http://www.maplecitybowl.net) Or call 607-324-1011.

**BRIDGE Helen Bailey Bridge Club.** Games start at 12:30 pm Wednesdays and 6:30 pm Thursdays in Hornell. Rides are available. For more information email [johnson@alfred.edu](mailto:johnson@alfred.edu)

**Str8 Eight Tournament** at the Terra Cotta Coffeehouse, Main St., Alfred. Tournaments held quarterly in February, May, August (the big one!) and November on the 8th day of each month at the Terra Cotta Coffeehouse starting at 8 p.m. (unless otherwise noted). You get the idea. To learn more about the card game invented in Alfred, NY, visit: [www.str8-eight.com](http://www.str8-eight.com)



## Special Events

**Allegany Artisans OPEN STUDIO TOUR** October 16-17-18, 2020. Visit artisans' studios where their creative ideas come to life. For a map, check out our Web site. [www.alleganyartisans.com](http://www.alleganyartisans.com)

**Pioneer Oil Days,** June 21-28 in Bolivar. For more details, visit [www.pioneeroilmuseum.com](http://www.pioneeroilmuseum.com)

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**Allegany County Fair** July 20-25 at the County Fairgrounds, Angelica. Watch for details!

**Journey to Transformation:** Friday night community prayer for host, community and Allegany County churches, and beyond, are being held from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.: Biweekly Sunday night praise and worship and prayer time, with live music, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. to pray for prime county-wide concerns. Ongoing area prayer gatherings during the week available from 6:30 to 7:30 a.m. weekday mornings at Knights Creek Evangelical Methodist Church, 2987 County Road 9, Scio; 8 to 9 a.m. Wednesdays at the Belfast Free Methodist Church; and from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Saturdays at the Powerhouse Youth Center, 23 West Main Street, Fillmore. Further information:

Pastor Dan Kenyon, Wellsville Bible Church, at [wbc@ne.twcbc.com](mailto:wbc@ne.twcbc.com) or (585) 593-6471, or most area pastors.

## Support Groups

**Adult Survivors of Sexual Abuse.** Meets at various times. Call 716-593-6300 for info.

**Al-Anon.** 7pm Thursdays and Sundays at the United Presbyterian Church, 150 Main Street, Hornell. Use the side entrance

**Alcoholics Anonymous.** 7 pm Fridays at Union University Church Center in Alfred. Call 607-276-8588 for help or information.

**Alzheimer's Support Group.** Meets third Thursday of the month at noon in United Church, Belmont. Call Allegany County Office for the Aging at 716-268-9390 for info.

**Cardiac Support Group.** Meets second Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the St. James Mercy Hospital Cardiac Rehab (2nd floor). For info, call the Cardiac Rehab Unit at 324-8735.

**Caregivers Support Group.** For info, call the Allegany Office for the Aging, 716-268-9390 or toll-free 1-866-268-9390.

**Celebrate Recovery/Celebrate Victory Christian 12-Steps** support for all types of hurts, hangups, habits and struggles of life, including common addictions. 7PM Saturdays at Knights Creek Evangelical Methodist Church, 2987 Knights Creek Road (Co. Road 9), Scio. [www.facebook.com/KnightsCreekChurch](http://www.facebook.com/KnightsCreekChurch), or Casey Jones at [bps461@msn.com](mailto:bps461@msn.com) or (484) 435-0503 for information.

**Diabetes Support Group.** Meets fourth Thursday of the month from 6:30-8 p.m. in the Memorial Conference Room,

ground floor just off the cafeteria at St. James Mercy Hospital. For more info, contact Bonnie at 607-324-8900.

**LaLeche League.** Mother-to-Mother Breastfeeding Support. Hornell group meets third Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at Christ Episcopal Church, corner of Main and Center Streets, Hornell. For more info, call 324-6266.

**PARKINSON SUPPORT GROUP** Meets 2nd Saturday of each month at 10:00 am to 11:00 am at the Hornell YMCA. For more info, call Lisa at 607-382-6497.

## Etcetera

**Allegany County SPCA.** Volunteers or those wishing to contribute are asked to call 585-593-2200. Send contributions to PO Box 381, Wellsville, NY 14895.

**Wellsville Lioness** meets second Monday of the month upstairs at the Beef Haus.

## Deadline

To include your event in this calendar, send information to: Calendar, ALFRED SUN, PO Box 811, Alfred, NY 14802 or e-mail: [alfredsun.news@gmail.com](mailto:alfredsun.news@gmail.com) no later than 5 p.m. Friday. Event listings should be sent two weeks prior to ensure sufficient notice.

## WHAT'S COOKIN'?

### Meals on Wheels Menu

**Monday, June 1**  
Baked Ham w/Raisin Sauce  
Au Gratin Potatoes  
Creamed Peas  
Whole Grain Roll  
Gingerbread w/Lemon Sauce  
**Tuesday, June 2**  
Lettuce/Tomato/Mayo  
Breaded Chicken Fillet  
Whole Grain Roll  
Parsley Potatoes  
Tomato Zucchini

Fruited Gelatin  
**Wednesday, June 3**  
Apple Slices  
Shepard's Pie  
Squash  
Whole Grain Bread  
Coconut Bar Cookies  
**Thursday, June 4**  
Cucumber Salad  
Vegetable Lasagna  
Green Beans  
Garlic Bread  
Peaches

### Friday, June 5

Coleslaw  
Breaded Fish w/Tartar Sauce  
Baked Beans  
Whole Grain Roll  
Spiced Apples

For reservations, call the site coordinator or 585-268-9390 or (toll free 1-866-268-9390) by 2 p.m. previous day.

## Students, employees honored with virtual recognition show

ALFRED—Alfred State College took to Instagram recently to honor more than three dozen faculty, staff, and students through its virtual Pioneer Award Show.

Over the course of a week, the college recognized 39 Pioneers for their achievements in various Student Affairs-related areas, including Residential Services, Student Engagement, Student Senate, Performing Arts, Greek Life, the Center for Intercultural Unity, and Civic Engagement. Each individual Pioneer Award winner received a gift card, while honored clubs and organizations received additional funding for the fall semester.

Honorees were recognized on Alfred State's official Instagram account with a video from a representative of one of these areas who is familiar with their achievements. Presenters included Drama Musical Director Tyler Ribble, Voices Chorus Adviser Sarabeth Matteson, Coordinator for Intercultural Initiatives OJ Shepard, Coordinator of Student Activities Brittany Richards, Residence Hall Director Rob Privitera, and Student Senate President Elisabeth Rebmann.

Richards, Ribble, and Shepard were part of the virtual programming team that developed and implemented the virtual Pioneer Award Show. The team also included Intake Coordinator/Residential Programmer Erika Lewis-Ellison Student Engagement Staff Assistant Sam Bowers, Assistant Director of Residential Life and Title IX Deputy Cody Herman, and Residence Hall Director Mary Chamberlain.

Shepard noted that it was important for Alfred State students and employees to feel connected to campus while they are at home.

"While they were here on campus, our students and employees worked hard to provide amazing programs, exceptional leadership development, and an environment that is welcoming to all," he said. "They knocked it out of the park this year and it was imperative that we honor their hard work."



## At the Movies

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## Locally Made

The DIY Farmer's Wife Approach

By KRISTINA SNYDER  
Alfred Sun Columnist

## DIY Cajun Potatoes & Andouille

Looking for a simple recipe for a busy week? Try this easy one pot Cajun dish. We have almost everything you need at the Sunny Cove Farm Store.

### CAJUN POTATOES WITH ANDOUILLE

2 lb red potatoes quartered  
olive oil  
1 tsp Cajun or Creole seasoning (more or less to your taste)  
salt and black pepper  
2 medium leeks (green tops removed and sliced)  
3 clove garlic minced  
2 tsp fresh thyme rough chopped and divided  
1/2 tsp fennel or cumin seed  
1 LB GrassFed andouille sausage 1/4-inch on bias

In a large skillet heat a few drizzles of olive oil. Add the potatoes to the pan and sprinkle with 1/2 tsp Cajun seasoning, salt and black pepper to your taste. Let the potatoes cook for several minutes and brown on one side before you attempt to turn them to prevent them from breaking up.

Remove the green tops from the leeks and slice into 1/2 inch slices. Place into cold water and use your hands to "swish" around to remove any sand trapped between the layers.

Cook the potatoes for 12-15 minutes then add the sliced leeks, minced garlic, fennel seed and 1 tsp fresh thyme. Sprinkle with the remaining Cajun seasoning. Cook for 5 minutes until the leeks begin to soften and brown.

Slice the sausage into 1/4 inch slices on the bias and add to the pan. Continue to cook over medium heat for another 10-15 minutes or until the potatoes are fork tender and the sliced sausage has browned.

Adjust the creole seasoning, salt and pepper then sprinkle with the remaining chopped thyme before serving.

If you have a household tip to share or questions for The Farmer's Wife, e-mail: [Kristinamariesnyder@gmail.com](mailto:Kristinamariesnyder@gmail.com) or write her at: The Farmer's Wife, 1724 Randolph Road, Alfred Station, NY 14803.

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## We are closed until further notice.

For those that have not heard, The State has mandated closure of movie theaters (as well as gyms, restaurants, bars, etc) effective Monday, March 16. Thus, we will be closed until further notice.

We will provide updates as we know them as to when we will be allowed to reopen, as well as what we will be showing at that time.



LOCAL NEWS

Jones Memorial Hospital safe for routine procedures

WELLSVILLE—Have you put off routine health testing or procedures because of COVID-19 concerns? Have you delayed well-child visits to the pediatrician to avoid waiting rooms? Are you avoiding going to the emergency room, ignoring what could be signs of a serious illness? Are you overdue for a colonoscopy or a blood test? It's time to get back on track and Jones Memorial wants you to know, it's safe to come back. "Because of the COVID-19 crisis and the restrictions that came with it, people are reluctant to come to the hospital or their provider's office," said Eva Benedict, CEO at Jones Memorial. "We have imple-

mented a number of safety measures to protect our staff and our patients." In addition to having hand sanitizer stations throughout the facility and universal masking and screening of all patients and staff, Jones is asking patients to call and make an appointment for outpatient procedures like blood tests and x-rays. In addition, anyone coming for surgery or who is an inpatient are tested for COVID-19. "It is important they people understand that the hospital is a safe place," added Mrs. Benedict. The Jones Memorial Medical Practices are also safe. You will notice the difference

as soon as you arrive. Crowded waiting rooms are gone. Staff will be wearing masks and other protective gear to keep you and them safe. You won't be bumping into other patients in hallways since we changed visit schedules and patient flow. Some things you won't see, such as the extra attention to cleaning that happens between all patient visits. So if you have been delaying bringing your child to the pediatrician for regular check-ups, it's time to get back into the routine. According to pediatricians Nishit Shah and Shachi Shah, who see patients at the Women and Children Health Center, well-child visits are

important to a child's long and short-term health. Getting immunizations on schedule and checking in with the doctor about your child's physical, mental, and social development are vital. Even more important than keeping up with routine health care and well-child visits is the need to come to the hospital emergency department when you are experiencing unusual symptoms. "If you are experiencing chest pain, shortness of breath, sudden intense headaches, high or persistent fever, sudden confusion, unusual bleeding, swelling in

the legs, sudden or severe abdominal pain, or sudden vision changes, you should get medical attention immediately," said Kevin McCormick, MD, chief medical officer for Jones Memorial, "Heart attacks, strokes, pneumonia, and cancer are all more common than COVID-19, so it is vital that you seek medical attention immediately if you have any of these symptoms. It could be your body telling you that you have a more common, but possibly serious condition." Jones Memorial Hospital is a safe place to take care of your health.

Legislators query Cuomo on COVID-19

(Con'd from front page) ance is to blame for the state's nursing home deaths. If the state did in fact adhere to the CDC's recommendations, why is New York the only state with fatality rates significantly higher than other states who publicly followed CDC guidance? 3. Does the state still believe the CDC's guidance was "nursing home[s] cannot discriminate against a COVID patient"? CMS documents over the course of March provided flexible guidance to nursing homes that they should only accept COVID positive patients as long as they could follow "transmission-based precautions." No apparent documentation from the period forced states or nursing homes to accept patients. 4. CMS' March documents also noted such residents should only go to a facility with "adequate personal protective equipment supplies and an ability to adhere to infection prevention and control recommendations for the care of COVID-19 patients." The CDC recommended that "preferably, the patient would be placed at a facility that has already cared for COVID-19 cases, in a specific unit designated to care for COVID-19 residents." Did the state make any attempt to certify all nursing homes who were asked to receive COVID-positive patients had such supplies or units? 5. What aspect of the guidance quoted above did the state feel legally compelled them to force nursing homes to take more than 4,300 COVID-positive patients? 6. CMS guidance repeatedly noted that its recommendations "for COVID-19 may be adapted by state and local health departments to respond to rapidly changing local circumstances." Why did the state take more than 40 days and many thousands of deaths later to adapt to the crisis? 7. The state has now reversed course and is requiring nursing homes and care facilities to test all residents and staff twice a week. Does the Governor believe the CDC's federal guidelines are wrong? The CDC has advised testing residents once a week. 8. Who will be paying for the state's twice weekly testing mandate? Has the Governor spoken with insurers to confirm nursing home caregivers or facilities would not be forced to cover the cost?

Estimates suggest conducting roughly 400,000 tests a week in New York state will cost between \$24 million and \$37 million. 9. With regards to the twice weekly testing mandate, what measures is the state prepared to take to ensure financial resources are not siphoned away from the facilities that need them the most right now? What measures is the state prepared to take to prevent massive staffing shortages for nursing facilities? 10. If the state is planning to force the closure of nursing homes that are unable to comply with the Governor's mandate, how will the state ensure residents are not forced back to hospitals or left without a facility to house them? Has the state studied how forcing residents back to hospitals would devastate available bed capacity and impact hospital's ability to begin providing critical surgeries again? 11. Has the state spoken to the clinical labs? Are they willing to process tests they know to be duplicative? Can the state confirm that all individuals tested twice a week would receive the results of their first test before the second test was conducted?

12. Can the state provide additional clarification as to why subsequent FAQs conflicted with the original directive that individuals who previously tested positive do not need to be tested twice weekly? 13. Beyond testing mandates, what actions is the state taking to explicitly help facilities keep their residents safe? We await your prompt response and are prepared to provide solutions as to how the state should proceed to address this crisis. Signatories: -Congressman Tom Reed -State Senator Fred Akshar -State Senator George Borrello -State Senator Rick Funke -State Senator Pamela Helming -State Senator Chris Jacobs -State Senator Tom O'Mara -State Senator Robert Ort -State Senator James Seward -Assemblywoman Marjorie Byrnes -Assemblyman Christopher Friend -Assemblyman Andy Goodell -Assemblyman Joseph Giglio -Assemblyman Stephen Hawley -Assemblyman Brian Kolb -Assemblyman Brian Manktelow -Assemblyman Michael Norris -Assemblyman Phil Palmesano

Alfred Farmers Market helping farm fire victims

BELMONT—The Alfred Farmers Market has started a GoFundMe Campaign to help one of Allegany County's local meat producers, Mascho Homestead Farms. Many *Alfred Sun* readers may know the Mascho family. Some may have purchased their amazing grass fed beef and pork products at the Rogue Carrot or at one of the local Farmers Markets in Alfred, Angelica or Belmont. Perhaps, your children have had Mascho beef in their school lunches at Cuba or Hinsdale. This farm is a staple in our local food system right here in Allegany County. Danelle, James (Kink), and Gretchen at Mascho Homestead Farms have suffered a tremendous and unfortunate loss. On May 3, a fire engulfed and destroyed two chicken coops containing 60 laying hens, and a 2 bay garage with freezers full of their meat products. Thanks to the Angelica Fire Department and other local Responders who contained the fire, no family members were harmed. Cause of fire was reported as undetermined but originated near an electrical outlet. While the Maschos have insurance, not everything that was destroyed by this terrible event is going to be covered by their policy, approximately a \$40,000 gap. Friends and relatives have pitched in to help clean up the site, but the Alfred Farmers Market wants to help them move forward from this tragedy. The fundraiser will help rebuild the garage, purchase new freezers, and grow a new chicken flock. Many small family farms have been affected during this COVID-19 pandemic. This is not an easy time for our neighbors, but we can't maintain a thriving local food economy alone. The Alfred Market asks that area residents consider giving back to this family in their time of great need. Area residents can help by donating through GoFundMe at [www.gofundme.com/f/mascho-homestead-farm-fire-relief-fund](http://www.gofundme.com/f/mascho-homestead-farm-fire-relief-fund) or simply by writing a check to the Alfred Farmers Market with the word Mascho in the memo line. This can be mailed to PO Box 142, Alfred Station, NY 14803. Please email [marketmanagerinalfred@gmail.com](mailto:marketmanagerinalfred@gmail.com) with any questions.



It's Safe to Come to Jones Memorial!

Have you put off or delayed health testing or procedures because of COVID-19? Jones Memorial Hospital would like you to know, we have added extra precautions to protect the health and safety of our patients and our staff.

- All patients and staff are screened and required to wear facemasks in the building.
- All inpatients are tested for COVID-19, regardless of their diagnosis.
- All staff wear protective garb when dealing with patients and the public, including eye protection.
- Outpatient surgery patients are tested for COVID-19 before any surgical procedures.
- Alcohol-based hand sanitizer readily available throughout the hospital.

To schedule Outpatient Services, call the appropriate number below for an appointment.

• Lab: (585) 596-4090	• Walk-in Clinic: (585) 596-2042
• Medical Imaging: (585) 596-4013	• For respiratory, cardiac, diabetes, or COVID-19 testing appointments: (585) 596-4024 or (585) 596-4025
• Rehab: (585) 596-4011	
• Infusion Center: (585) 596-2059	





ALLEGANY COUNTY NEWS

COVID-19 update: confirmed county cases at 44

BELMONT—In the United States, the COVID-19 virus has infected approximately 1.66 million people, and there have been 97,601 deaths. In New York State, there have been 361,515 confirmed COVID-19 cases, and there have been 21,875 deaths statewide with 109 deaths in the last 24 hours. As of 10:30 a.m. on May 24, Allegany County’s statistics are as follows:  
**Confirmed Cases: 44**  
**Recovered Cases: 41**  
**COVID-19 Related Deaths: 1**  
**Total Quarantined/Isolated to Date: 638**

**Released from Quarantine/Isolation: 627**  
**Currently Quarantined/Isolated: 11**  
If your life or someone else is in imminent danger, call 911. If you are in crisis and need immediate help, please contact the following resources:  
•COVID-19 Emotional Support Hotline: 844-863-9314  
•Allegany County Crisis Hotline: 888-448-3367  
•Allegany County Community Services: 585-593-1991 (Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.)  
•National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 800-273-TALK (8255)

•NYS Text Line: Text “GOT5” to 741741  
•Veterans’ Crisis Lifeline: 822-273-8255 (Press 1)  
For additional COVID-19 questions and information:  
•Call: 585-268-9700 (Weekdays: 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. and Weekends: 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.)  
•Call: 585-268-9250 (Health Department)  
•Email: [healthinfo@alleganyco.com](mailto:healthinfo@alleganyco.com); Website: [www.alleganyco.com](http://www.alleganyco.com)  
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Jones Memorial Hospital nurses, from left, Matt Depner, Donna Bliven, Jackie Adrian, Susan Yates, Linda Innamorato, Briana Meehan, and Shannon Billings, loaded the hospital truck with ten boxes of canned goods and food items donated to the Joyce Family Food Pantry by the hospital nursing staff.



Jones Memorial Hospital ICU Nurse Matt Depner helps Joyce Family Food Pantry staff members Jim Campbell and Mitch Baldwin.

Nurses at Jones celebrated Nurses Week by giving back

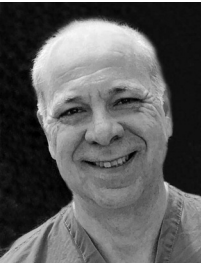
WELLSVILLE—Every year, seven days in May are set aside to celebrate National Nurses Day. The week of May 6 until Florence Nightingale’s birthday on May 12 is an opportunity to show all nurses how much they are appreciated.  
This year, the nursing staff at Jones Memorial Hospital celebrated by giving back to the community that has been so generous and supportive during the COVID-19 crisis by holding a food drive.  
“The JMH Nurses Giving Back food drive was inspired by the incredible generosity from the community to the hospital during this COVID crisis,” explained Donna Bliven, RN, Vice President of Patient Care Services at Jones Memorial. “We wanted to do something for the community to show our appreciation and the food pantry was in need, so it was a win-win.”  
To support the effort, nurses brought in an assortment of canned goods including fruits, vegetables, beans, and evaporated milk, as well as cereal, pasta, and sauces. By the end of the week, they had collected ten boxes of food for the Joyce Family Food Pantry in Wellsville.

County Route 20 to be closed

FRIENDSHIP—Closure of County Route #20 (Gibson Road) in the Town of Friendship has been announced by Allegany County Department of Public Works Superintendent Justin Henry.  
Starting at 7 a.m. Monday, June 1, County Route #20 (Gibson Road) will be closed at the railroad crossing approximately 1.25 miles west of the SR 19 intersection. This closure is for Western New York & Pennsylvania Railroad (WNYPR) repair of the railroad crossing at this location.  
The road will remain closed until WNYPR has completed their repairs, which is estimated to be done by Thursday, June 4, 2020. There will not be an on-site detour to accommodate traffic and motorists are urged to seek alternate routes. Thank you for your cooperation.

UR ST. JAMES, JONES MEMORIAL ENT doc joins staffs

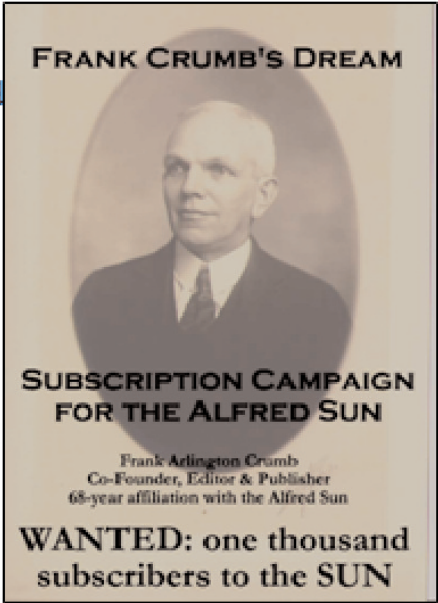
WELLSVILLE—Leadership at St. James Hospital and Jones Memorial Hospital are pleased to welcome ENT/Otolaryngologist, Bulent Mamikoglu, M.D., effective June 1, 2020.  
Dr. Mamikoglu will provide general ear, nose and throat services for children and adults. He has clinical interests in dizziness/vertigo (Meniere’s disease, vestibular neuronitis, benign paroxysmal positional vertigo/BPPV). He also treats infections, tonsils, allergies, nasal and sinus conditions, tinnitus, and snoring, and inserts ear tubes. Additionally, he treats chronic ear conditions including hearing loss and chronic ear diseases. He offers surgical and non-surgical treatments of ear, nose and throat diseases.  
Dr. Mamikoglu will have a clinic in Hornell and Wellsville, and do surgical procedures related to diseases of the ear, nose, and throat at both St. James and Jones Memorial hospitals.  
“I am excited to join a hospital network with strong leadership that works together for the health and well-being of the community,” said Dr. Mamikoglu. “It is a great feeling to be able to contribute my skills to work with hospitals that truly make patient care a priority. My wife and I have both have been made to feel we are a welcome addition to the Southern Tier region and it is greatly appreciated.”



Dr. Mamikoglu

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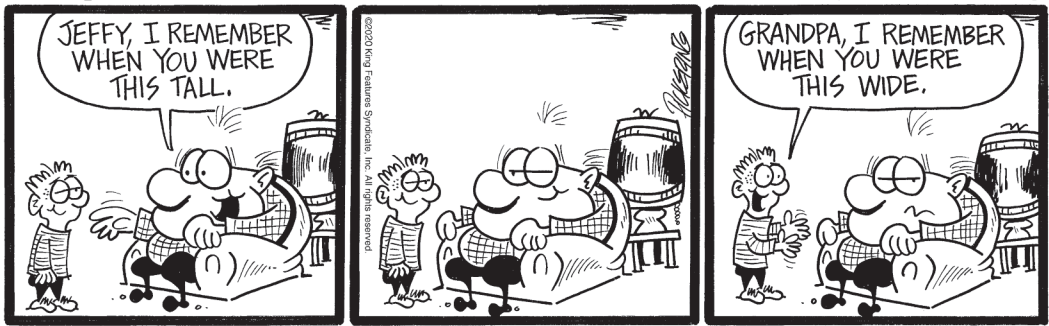
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# In The Alfred Sun 50, 25 and 10 Years Ago

Compiled By DAVID L. SNYDER

*Alfred Sun Editor and Publisher*

## 50 Years Ago, May 28, 1970

Approximately 750 seniors will receive the Associate in Applied Science or Associate in Science degree on Memorial Day when the 59th annual commencement exercises are held at State University Agricultural and Technical College at Alfred. The 11 a.m. ceremonies will take place on the college's West Side campus. Commencement speaker will be Robert Kazmayer of Rochester, publisher, world traveler, and lecturer, who will talk on "Headlines and History."...

**Funeral and committal** services for James A. McLane were held Monday afternoon at the Union University Church. Mr. McLane died May 21, 1970 at Bethesda Hospital following a long illness. "Mac" started his professional career in coaching at Alfred University in 1928 following his graduation from Springfield College. His first assignment here was as freshman football, basketball and track coach. Five years later he was named Director of Athletics, a post which he held to the time of his death...

**When a honey-blonde** English major named Becky Butts Prophet graduates from Alfred University June 7, she will join a family tradition dating back to 1907 and encompassing great aunts, sisters, brothers-in-law, husband and cousin. Mrs. Prophet, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Butts of 72 S. Main St., Alfred, will be the thirteenth member of her family to have attended for graduated from the Western New York State institution...

**Professor George S. Whitney**, who will retire this summer as chairman of the Division of Engineering Technology at State University Agricultural and Technical College at Alfred, was honored Thursday night by the faculty members of his division...has been a member of the college faculty since 1942 when he came here as an instructor in the Electrical Technology Department...

**Alfred University announced** today the appointment of two new faculty members, effective September 1970. Mrs. Eugene Castroville, currently girls' physical education teacher at Hornell High School, has been appointed instructor in physical education. Dr. Roger H. Moritz, research mathematician for Cornell Aeronautical Laboratory, Inc., has been appointed assistant professor of mathematics...

**(Photo) University Lodge No. 944**, F.&A.M. celebrated its 50th anniversary Monday night with a banquet at Howell Hall on the Alfred University campus. During the festivities, Dr. Samuel R. Scholes was presented a citation for 65 years of service in Masonry. Receiving 50-Year Pins were Spicer Kenyon of Niagara Falls, and his brother, M. Elwood Kenyon of Alfred. Shown above are Dr. Scholes, Spicer and Mr. Elwood Kenyon, and Robert Wood, current Master of University Lodge.

**Alfred-Almond and Wayland** hold baseball championships today and are looking to the Section Five tournament. A-A rallied in the last of the 7th to beat Friendship, 5-4. Coupled with Andover's 7-6 upset victory over Cuba, the win gave A-A the title in the Allegany Class "C" League. Alfred-Almond is now 5-0 in the league and has a two-game edge over Cuba and Bolivar with a game to go. A-A is undefeated on the season and is riding 11-0...Trailing Friendship 4-3 in the last of the 7th, Wayne Johnston opened with a triple, and scored on a balk to tie it up at 4-4. Moses walked and stole second. He moved over on a fielder's choice and scored the winning run on a hit by Phil Curran. Alfred-Almond appears in the Sectionals Friday against Campbell or Keshequa. The game will be in Hornell.

**Alfredians:** Mrs. L. Ray Polan spent the weekend at Beaver Falls, Pa., where she attended the wedding of her grandson, Brent Scheffer to Patricia Rhodes. Mr. and Mrs. Karl Sheffer of Scotia came by way of Alfred to take Mrs. Polan to the wedding...Mrs. Steven Metzger and small daughters of Wellsville visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard

Jacox, Tuesday...Dr. and Mrs. Robert Campbell left early this week for the summer home at Quonochontaug, R.I., where they plan to spend several weeks...

## 25 Years Ago, May 25, 1995

**At a special meeting held** by the Alfred Village Board of Trustees on May 16, conflicting visions of Alfred's future collided with a clear view of the here and now. Purpose of the meeting was to inform proposers of the Hornellsville-Alfred-Almond Sewer Project (HAASP) whether the Village would continue to participate. According to the vision of Maurice Rucker of HAASP, it would result in a beneficial monetary return for the region, by encouraging growing businesses to stay and new businesses to come. According to others' visions, such a result is not guaranteed. Discussion of the project has been ongoing since 1993. However, for the Village Board, some deciding factors were either debatable or unknown until recently. Now the muddled view of the existing wastewater treatment plant has been clarified. Authorities recently notified Village official that the plant is working properly, and that its permit can be renewed...The four Village officials presented voted that "The Village of Alfred will no longer participate in the HAASP project."

**Dr. Gene M. Bernstein** has been elected chairman of the Alfred University Board of Trustees, President Edward G. Coll Jr. has announced. Bernstein, a longtime member of the board and a 1969 graduate of the University, succeeds Dr. Arthur L. Powell, who served as chairman for six years...

**Residents of the Village** and Town of Alfred are invited to an important public meeting on a proposed bikeway-greenway at 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 31 at the Alfred Station Fire Hall. Tim Timbrook and Anne Acton of the Alfred Twenty-First Century Group will make a presentation and answer questions on the proposed bikeway/greenway from Alfred Station to McLane Center...

**Eugene A. "Pal" Pfuntner**, 82, of Wellsville, died Thursday, May 18, 1995 in Wellsville Manor Nursing Home after an extended illness...For the past 57 years, he owned and operated Pfuntner Chrysler Dodge and Plymouth Sales and Service on Railroad Avenue in Wellsville...

**Notes from Palmiter Hill** (By Rev. Albert N. Rogers) The maple leaves are about half open. This is the first stage of photosynthesis which gives us that delicious maple syrup next March...Senator Robert Dole has put his hat in the ring for the office of president on the Republican ticket. He impresses us well but time will tell what the convention and election results are...Alfred University alumni have been re-living their student days and remembering classmates and "profs" when they were underclassmen. All of us like to remember "Back then."...Ruth Dennis, columnist for the Hornell Spectator, speaks for many of us as she asks, "Whatever happened to...?" We look back over the several places we have lived and with her ask ourselves, "What ever happened to...?"...Camp Harley trustees are asking for volunteers to paint and clean up winter's debris according to George Bottoms, chairman of the camp trustees. Camp Harley is named for Rev. Harley Sutton (1902-1956) who died in midlife after serving as a pastor and as executive secretary of the Seventh Day Baptist Board of Christian Education.

**Sunbeams:** Robert Prisco, son of Mario and Peg Prisco of Alfred, received his PhD in communications at the commencement exercises at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville on May 12. He is currently a faculty member in the Department of Communications at Sam Houston University in Huntsville, TX...Brian C. LaCourse was recognized at Alfred University's annual Honors Convocation for his induction into Phi Kappa Phi...Shanika Amarakoon of Alfred is one of 20 Bucknell University sophomores selected for an innovative program designed to teach future managers and engineers how to work together in the global economy of the 21st century...

## 10 Years Ago, May 27, 2010

**Dorothy and Lyn Goodridge** of Dover, NH, formerly of Alfred, were glad they brought along The Alfred Fun when their recent Danube Cruise was extended by five days as all flights in Europe were cancelled because of the Icelandic Volcano. Here, they read some of the "unbelievable" hometown news while touring in Budapest, Hungary.

**(Photo) Several members** of Alfred-Almond Cub Scout Pack 1026, Webelos 1 and 2 placed the new flags for veterans' graves at Alfred Rural Cemetery Sunday afternoon. The boys, Jacob Ermer, Garrett Troutman, Ray Scheesley, Conner Griffin and Noah Briglin, were assisted by Cubmaster Ray Scheesley, Den leader Jen Scheesley, Den mother Marlene Ermer, Den chief David Ermer, and Gary Troutman, parent volunteer. Pictured, a flag is placed on the grave of Roger S. Thomas.

**N. Keith Palmiter**, 83, of 8653 State Route 36, formerly of Alfred Station, passed away Saturday May 22, 2010 at his daughter's home in Arkport. Born April 13, 1927, in Alfred, the son of Irving and Marguerite Lewis Palmiter, he resided in Alfred Station prior to moving to Arkport in 2003. He was a graduate of Alfred-Almond Central School and Alfred State College and received his bachelor's degree from SUNY Oswego. He was employed as an engineer at Air Preheater in Wellsville and later as an instructor and department chairman in the drafting department at the Wellsville Division of Alfred State College. Keith served his country as a member of the U.S. Army during WW II. He had served many years as assessor for the Town of Alfred...

**(Photo) RAIN didn't** dampen the spirits as ServU Federal Credit Union broke ground Tuesday, May 18 for its Alfred branch office now being built at 180 N. Main Street. On hand are (from left) Alfred/Allegany Educational Employees Federal Credit Union Past Presidents Terry Morgan and Sue Peck, former land owner John Ninos, Alfred ServU Branch Office Supervisor Patty Smith and Alfred Village Planning Board Chairman Anne Wenslow.

**The Dugout** (By Doug Lorow) It was off to Frontier Field in Rochester last Wednesday evening to watch pitching phenom, Stephen Strasburg pitch for the Syracuse Chiefs (Nats) against the Red Wings (Twins) on a beautiful "summer" nite at the ballpark. The #1 overall pick in the MLB draft last year, Strasburg has zipped thru the AA ranks and is doing so now in AAA ball. Next stop ... Washington in NL action. An awesome fastball, clocked at 99-mph at least four times, a changeup and curve to bend you backwards, and this trip was a once-shot deal for Rochester fans A crowd of 12,590 was on hand, postponed from Tuesday (rain) and the hurler didn't disappoint. Watched the game with noted area photographer, Leo Nealon ... not on duty and an enjoyable evening it was...

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"Now if Christ be preached that he rose from the dead, how say some among you that there is no resurrection of the dead? ...Behold I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed... Death is swallowed up in victory."

## Alfred Area Church Directory

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**ALFRED ASSEMBLY OF CHRISTIANS**--Remembrance of the Lord in the Breaking of Bread, Sundays at 10:30 a.m.; Gothic Chapel, corner of Ford & Sayles, Alfred. Bible Study 8 p.m. Fridays in Almond. Call 607-382-4140 or e-mail [lookup@frontiernet.net](mailto:lookup@frontiernet.net) for more information.

**ALFRED SEVENTH DAY BAPTIST CHURCH**--5 Church St., Alfred. Adult Sabbath (Saturday) School, 10 a.m. in the SDB Parish House; Sabbath Worship Service at 11 a.m. Church Office: 607-587-9430. Pastor Christian R. Mattison.

**ALFRED STATION SEVENTH-DAY BAPTIST CHURCH** "Baptist with a Difference" Sabbath (Sat.) Sabbath School 9:45 am: Classes for all ages. Sabbath Worship Hour 11:00 am (This Service is live streamed at [www.alfredstationsdb.org](http://www.alfredstationsdb.org)) Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (9th grade-Adult) 1st and 3rd Sabbath of the month 12:30 pm; Chime Choir Rehearsal 2nd and 4th Sabbath of the month 9:00 am Dish to Pass Fellowship Meal (Bring a dish to share) 2nd Sabbath of the month 12:30 pm; Junior Youth Fellowship (Grades 3-6) 2nd Sabbath of Month 2:00-4:00 pm; Alfred Area Food Pantry (Room 13 Christian Education Building) Tuesday and Thursday 5:30-7:00 pm; Youth Fellowship (Grades 7-12) Wed. 6:30-8:00 pm, Room 15 Christian Education Building. Pastor's Phone 607-222-6023 Pasto's E-Mail [pastor.chroniger@gmail.com](mailto:pastor.chroniger@gmail.com) Campus at 585 Rt. 244 Alfred Station.

**ABUNDANT LIFE MINISTRIES**--Rt. 21, Almond. Pastor Everett Hasper. Sunday 10 am & Wednesday at 7:30 pm. 276-6201. [www.almcommunity.org](http://www.almcommunity.org)

**ALFRED UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**--1389 Moland Road, Alfred. Sunday services at 9 a.m. Nursery care available. Join us for Small Group one Saturday a month at 7:00 pm. Pastor: Rev. Stephen Crowell. Pastor's Number: 716-982-6469. Church Office Number: 607-587-8355. Service day and time: Sunday at 9:00 a.m.

**ALMOND COMMUNITY CHURCH**--11 Main St., Almond. Join us Sunday Mornings: Bible Hour 9:30 am, Worship Service & Kids' Club 10:30 am. Wednesday Morning Women's Prayer Group at 9:30 am. Food Pantry open Tuesday, Thursday & Friday from 9 am to Noon. For more information, call (607) 276-6151 or email us at [almondcommunitychurch@gmail.com](mailto:almondcommunitychurch@gmail.com) or by mail at PO Box E, Almond, NY 14804. We're your Community Church, please join us! Pastor Charles Emerson.

**HARTSVILLE COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH**--Purdy Creek Road, Hornell. Pastor Charles Williams. Sun. School 9:30 am, Worship 10:30 am.

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**INSTITUTE OF DIVINE METAPHYSICAL RESEARCH**--Sundays 12 noon at Almond Grange, Almond. Choir starts 11:40 am. Meetings Tuesdays and Thursdays 7:30 to 9:30 pm at Almond Grange Hall.

**LIGHTHOUSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**--Randolph Road, Alfred. Pastor Roger Gardner. Worship 10:30 am Sundays. Kingdom Life School of the Bible 9-10:30 a.m. Saturdays at Seidlin Hall Room 114, AU campus. Student Prayer Meeting 7 p.m. Mondays in Scholes Library Rm. 218. Small Group Gatherings throughout the week. 607-382-4217.

**SS. BRENDAN AND JUDE PARISH**--Father James W. Hartwell, Pastor. St. Brendan Church, 11 S. Main St., Almond. Weekend Mass: Saturday, 5:00 p.m. Week-day Masses Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9:00 a.m.; St. Jude Chapel, Lower College Dr., Alfred (on the Alfred State College campus). Weekday Mass Thursdays 7:00 p.m. Weekend Masses Sunday 11 a.m. & 5 p.m. Office phone: 607-587-9411, Rectory phone: 607-276-5304.

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**BLESSED SACRAMENT CHURCH**--26 Elm St., Andover. Father James W. Hartwell, Pastor. Weekend Mass Sunday 9:00 a.m. Office phone: 607-478-8885; Rectory phone 607-276-5304.

**CHENUNDA CREEK FELLOWSHIP**--Mennonite congregation of believers in the Town of Independence, five miles south of Andover. Sunday School 9:30, Worship 10:45 a.m. Pastor Stephen Richard 585-610-0166. Phone 478-5277.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**--14 Elm Street. Pastor Calvin Densmore. Sunday School 9:45 am, Morning Worship 11 am. Wed. night Bible Study 6 p.m. AWANA 6-7:30 p.m. Food Pantry available at Church. Clothing Closet Mon. 10-1 and 4-7 pm, Fri. 10-1.

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN**--E. Greenwood St., Andover. Worship Service at 10:15 AM, Coffee hour before service. Pastor Christian R. Mattison.

**ZION'S HILL MINISTRIES**--23 Barney St., Andover. Services: Sunday 10:30 am. Wednesday Night Bible Study 6:45 p.m. Pastors Mary and David Nevol. Phone 716 498 0119.

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## CHURCH NEWS

# Pentecost virtual prayer gathering set

WELLSVILLE--The Mission Genesee Valley coalition of Allegany County churches and other Christian organizations is hosting an online public prayer gathering on Pentecost Sunday to pray for the county and region.

The virtual activity will start at 6 p.m. Sunday, May 31, through a livestream over the Journey to Transformation Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/Transformation-JourneyUSA](http://www.facebook.com/Transformation-JourneyUSA).

This is the first prayer gathering the group has held since start of the coronavirus pandemic, having canceled its March event due to COVID-19. It had held monthly prayer gatherings concerning

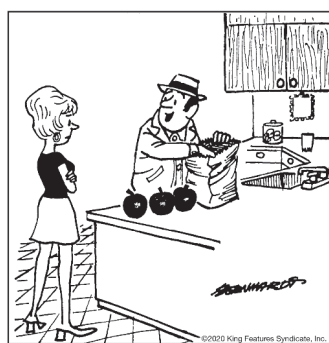
## A look at the 2nd Commandment

ALFRED STATION--As our personal history has been interrupted by "the virus," one of the caustics has been face to face opportunities to worship. Churches in order to provide a Worship Experience have turned to technology with the blessing of Streaming. The Alfred Station Seventh Day Baptist Church invites you through Streaming to Worship with a cloud congregation at 11:00 am Sabbath (Saturday) May 30.

On Sabbath, May 30 the Morning Sermon examines the 2nd of the 10 Commandments "You shall not make any graven images." The Sermon asks the question, "What have I set up to Worship as God?"

Join the cloud congregation at the Alfred Station Seventh Day Baptist Church at 11:00 am Sabbath May 30 at [www.alfredstationsdb.org](http://www.alfredstationsdb.org).

### LAFF - A - DAY



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## BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Ezekiel in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. Who had 900 iron chariots and made 20 years of life unbearable for the Israelites? *Tobiah, Pilate, Sisera, Absalom*
3. How did God evaluate His work after six days, as all He made was ...? *Heavenly divine, Righteous sake, Thine image, Very good*
4. Who was the father of Apostles James and John? *Zacchaeus, Zebedee, Zebulun, Zechariah*
5. 27,000 men were killed when what city's walls fell on them? *Sechem, Sodom, Aphek, Jericho*
6. Who burned his son alive as a sacrifice? *Achan, Ahaz, Moses, Shimei*

ANSWERS: 1) Old; 2) Sisera; 3) Very good; 4) Zebedee; 5) Aphek; 6) Ahaz

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various focus areas at different churches in the county prior to that time.

The gathering is designed to "join our hearts and voices in one accord for the needs in our county and for praying for a powerful work of God's Spirit among us," according to Pastor Gene Miller of York's Corners Mennonite Church, coalition vice-chair. "We continue to pray in expectant faith to a good God who hears and answers

prayer."

Pentecost, celebrated 50 days after Easter Sunday, commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and other followers of Jesus Christ while they were in Jerusalem celebrating the Feast of Weeks, as described in the Book of Acts of the Bible. It represents the birth of the early church.

Miller can be contacted for more info at (585) 593-3287 or [gene@yorkscorners.org](mailto:gene@yorkscorners.org).

## Open letter to the Governor

AN OPEN LETTER TO GOVERNOR ANDREW CUOMO  
Dear Governor,

At a Zoom meeting of the Wellsville Area Ministerial Association on May 13th, I was given the task to write to you about our concerns about how the PAUSE orders are impacting Allegany County. First of all, let me say that I realize you are in an extremely difficult situation, and more unsolicited advice is probably not very high on your wish list. No matter what you do, you will be criticized and probably blamed for many deaths. One thing all the pastors at the meeting agreed on was that we and our churches ought to be praying for you more.

That being said, the Ministerial Association wanted me to write an appeal to you concerning two issues. The first is that we believe that in the present coronavirus crisis, which appears to be causing a mental health crisis which will cause significant "despair deaths," deaths attributed to alcohol, drugs and/or suicide, keeping churches closed is unwise. The first place people usually turn to for help in crisis situations are the church and clergy. Mental health professionals are raising the alarm, but research from past crises, such as 9/11, show that far more people turned to clergy and churches for help than turned to mental health professionals. Anything that makes churches or clergy unavailable at a time like this would appear to be counterproductive. For that reason we believe churches, while following mitigation and social distancing guidelines, should be allowed to reopen in the first phase of reopening those things that have been shut down.

The second issue I was asked to appeal was the treatment of Allegany County. We are an extremely rural county, with just over 46,000 people. We have almost no public transportation, no large cities, and we are widely spread out. That is probably the reason that we so far have had only one coronavirus death and, at last count, 45 active confirmed coronavirus cases, with most of the people being tested being found not to have the virus. And although I am sure there are some asymptomatic cases, having only one confirmed case per one thousand people certainly puts us in a different situation than New York City or Buffalo, New York. I keep hearing decisions are going to be made based on the data, but the decisions being made about Allegany County are being made based on the data coming from Buffalo, where the data is extremely different.

I would appreciate the courtesy of a reply.

Pastor Dan Kenyon, Wellsville Bible Church  
Other Pastors endorsing this letter: Gene Miller, York's Corners Mennonite Church; Ray Oberst, The Family Church, Wellsville; Tom Brazell, Wellsville Full Gospel Church; Tom Kristoffersen, Presbyterian Church of Wellsville; Elva Cornell, United Methodist Church of Allentown; Eric Ash, First Trinity Lutheran Church; Phil Barner, Andover Alliance Church; Robin George, Brookside Wesleyan Church; Mike Brady, Hallsport Christian Church; John Francisco, Riverside Assembly of God; Jon Schink, Crosstown Alliance; Carl Kemp, Knight's Creek Evangelical Methodist Church; Chris Hufnagel, Wellsville Seventh Day Adventist Church; Ron Isaman, First United Methodist Church of Wellsville; James Hartwell, Pastor Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic Church

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COLLEGE NEWS

# Degree programs in biochemistry, biology approved

ALFRED—The New York State Education Department has granted Alfred University approval to offer Bachelor of Science degrees in biology and biochemistry. The new degree programs, both housed in the University's College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, will be available beginning with the 2020-21 academic year.

Alfred University already offers a Bachelor of Arts degree in biology. In some cases, biology majors—those with plans to go on to medical or professional school, for example—are already taking classes required to earn a Bachelor of Science degree.

"One of the reasons we wanted to offer the Bachelor of Science degree is that many of our (B.A. biology) students were already doing the coursework to earn the B.S. in biology but weren't getting the degree. We have all the capabilities in place to do this," said Jean Cardinale, professor of biology and chair of the Bi-

ology Department at Alfred University.

Currently, a Bachelor of Arts biology major who plans to go to graduate or professional school has to take courses in physics, math, and some additional biology courses not required for earning a B.A. degree. "This recognizes that extra effort. The B.S. degree in biology is very science intensive and includes multiple opportunities for hands on learning. Being able to award these students the B.S. degree provides them instant recognition for their achievement," Cardinale said.

Cardinale explained that B.S. degree in biology is attractive to students because it has a number of concentration areas: Animal Science, Plant Biology, Human Biology, Ecology and Evolution, and Molecular Biology.

"Students come to Alfred University with a lot of different careers goals—human health sciences, conservation

and the environment, veterinary, molecular biology, or microbiology, for example," she said. "By distinguishing concentration areas, we can cater to and support diverse student interests and career paths."

Students enrolled in the B.S. degree program in biochemistry—the study of chemical processes within and relating to living organisms—can start directly in the program or move into the program after starting as biology or chemistry majors.

Among the careers available to biochemistry majors are scientific researcher; pharmaceutical sales, pharmacologist, forensic scientist, and work in the bio-technology field. Other options include enrolling in graduate (medical school, for example) or professional schools (such as veterinary, dentistry, pharmacy).

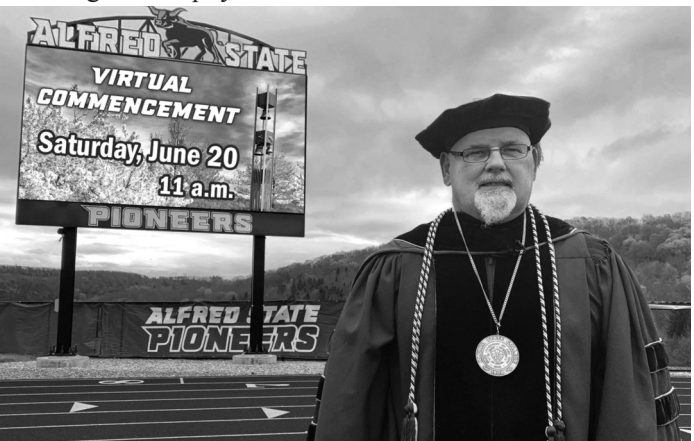
Beth Ann Dobie, Alfred University provost, and David Toot, dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences,

said the new degrees demonstrate the University's commitment to Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) educational offerings. In addition to the Bachelor of Science degree programs in biology and biochemistry, Alfred University has submitted application for a new B.S. degree in chemistry and plans to apply for B.S. degrees in physics and

astronomy.

"Alfred University has always made significant contributions to the sciences and math," Toot said. "These and other B.S. degrees in the works strengthen that record, encouraging students to dig deep into their chosen fields."

"Our new B.S. programs complement and enrich our offerings in the sciences," Dobie commented.



Alfred State College will honor its graduating class by holding a virtual commencement ceremony at 11 a.m. Saturday, June 20. Pictured is College President Skip Sullivan.

## Virtual commencement set for June 20 at Alfred State

ALFRED—After collecting feedback from hundreds of seniors about their preferred type of commencement celebration, Alfred State College has decided to honor its Class of 2020 by holding a virtual graduation ceremony at 11 a.m. Saturday, June 20.

Alfred State President Dr. Skip Sullivan said, "Commencement is a major milestone in the academic careers of our students. It represents the culmination of years of hard work and dedication to their chosen fields of study. We wanted to be able to recognize these students and their success, especially given the trying circumstances under which they were able to finish up their degrees. We are delighted, after receiving the commencement survey results, to move ahead with the virtual ceremony and look forward to honoring our graduates in this way."

The ceremony will be presented as a Microsoft Teams Live Event, in which students, their families, and friends will be able to participate in the virtual celebration by going to [AlfredState.edu/Commencement](https://AlfredState.edu/Commencement) and joining the event.

While it may be online, the 2020 commencement will still feature all the usual elements of an in-person ceremony, including student speakers, conferment of degrees, and even the car giveaway drawing typically held at the end of the event. Alfred State will also recognize alumnus Burt Zweigenhaft with an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree. He is a key industry thought leader and an accomplished executive in the specialty-biotech pharmaceutical and oncology care ecosystems.

Alfred State will provide graduates with some additional keepsakes to commemorate their monumental achievements. In June, the college will ship a celebratory package to students' homes that will include a 2020 tassel, graduation cap, and diploma cover. Diplomas will be mailed in August after all degree requirements are confirmed.

Additionally, as rules regarding mass gatherings change, Alfred State will look for an opportunity in the future to invite all of the 2020 Pioneer graduates back to campus.

"We'd love to provide students, their families, and friends with the opportunity to come together, take photos, and celebrate with us and one another in person," Sullivan said. "In the meantime, I would like to congratulate all our Pioneer graduates on their success, and I look forward to celebrating with them virtually on June 20."



## MATTERS of Finance

By **MATHEW S. HILL, CFP®**  
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### Buy or Rent? That's A Great Question!

**O**wning a home is an important life goal for many Americans. Yet buying a home is not always the best financial decision for everyone. In some life situations, renting is a more prudent choice.

If you or your loved ones are contemplating the buy-or-rent decision, consider these questions to inform your next move.

1. How likely are you to stay in the community? Americans move far more frequently than they used to. If you won't be staying put for long, renting is fiscally wise. Closing costs add up, whether you're buying or selling, especially when you do so in quick succession. By contrast, renters typically only have to shell out a damage deposit, which generally can be recouped at the end of the rental agreement.

2. Are prices stable, falling or rising in your area? Look at the trends in home values in your area to assess whether buying a house is a good investment. Consider the reputation of local schools and hospitals, planned development and other factors that affect resale value.

3. Is all your rent going to waste? Rent paid to a landlord can seem like a throwaway expense, because renters gain no equity in the arrangement. However, if the roof over your head is adequate and the cost is less than what you could find in the housing market, you can get ahead of the game by investing the difference.

4. Are you ready for the responsibilities of ownership? Some people love doing the work it takes to maintain a home. Others, not so much. It takes skills, willingness and time in

your schedule to be your own handyman or gardener. But if you don't care for the workload, or if your workday doesn't permit much puttering around the house, you'll need to set aside additional funds to hire someone to do the work or risk devaluation of your investment.

5. Will a home purchase leave you cash poor? Many Americans count their home equity as part of their retirement savings, yet the market crash of 2008 is one reminder that it's risky to pour everything into your home and neglect other forms of saving. Economies can falter. Neighborhoods can change. Natural disasters can occur. And property taxes can go up, increasing the cost of home ownership.

Individual circumstances will dictate whether home ownership makes economic sense. A financial professional can help evaluate readiness to afford monthly mortgage payments and other expenses of home ownership, including the cost of home maintenance. Avoid rushing your decision to ensure your next step is a sound one.

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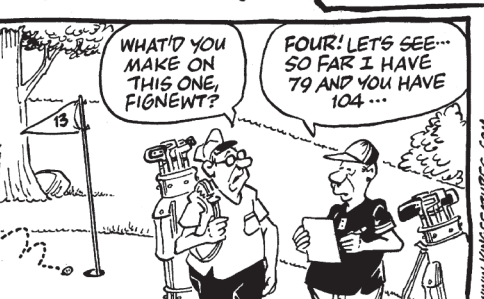

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MEMORIAL DAY TRIBUTE

# Documentary chronicles heroics of Cpl. Jason Dunham

BY DAN DOYLE

A new documentary has been made to chronicle the story about what happened to a Marine unit in the streets of Husaybah, Iraq on April 14, 2004 and what one of those Marines, Cpl. Jason Dunham, a Scio native and now decorated hero, did that day. The documentary is a powerful remembrance of Dunham that unfolds with interviews of the Marines who were there with him that day. The documentary is called "The Gift."

Here is the backstory to what happened that day. Cpl. Dunham was leading his squad in an effort to find fighters who had launched an attack on their battalion commander's convoy. They had stopped a line of cars and were conducting a methodical search of each. Dunham's instincts were triggered by something about the third car in the line. He went directly to that car and immediately saw AK-47s and RPGs in the back seat. The driver of the car suddenly jumped out and attacked Dunham. It happened so fast that the man was on him before he could fire on him. They were in a hand to hand struggle.

A couple of Dunham's Marines rushed forward to help, but they heard Dunham shouting, "No, no, no! Watch his hands!"

At that moment the man let go of a grenade and the pin flew away and the grenade fell nearby. Without hesitation, Dunham took his kevlar helmet and covered the grenade with it and his body. The grenade went off and lifted him off the ground. His helmet and body absorbed the



President George W. Bush presents the Medal of Honor to the family of Jason Dunham during a ceremony in the East Room on January 11, 2007. (Wikimedia Commons Photo)

majority of the blast. Though he was severely wounded by the blast, he had saved the lives of his fellow Marines as a result of that unselfish act of heroism. His wounds would prove to be overwhelming and he died some eight days later on April 22, 2004.

Because of Dunham's selfless action that day, he became the first Marine to be awarded the Medal of Honor since Vietnam. A U.S. Navy, Arleigh-Burke class destroyer has been named in his honor. It is the USS Jason Dunham (DDG 109). The ship's motto is, "Always Faithful, Always Strong."

There is a case proudly displaying Cpl. Dunham's dress blue uniform on the ship's quarterdeck. Dunham's memory is also honored now during the final test of Marine Corps boot camp called, "The Crucible." When this event is done toward the end of boot camp at both Camp Pendleton and Camp Lejeune, Cpl. Dunham's Medal of Honor citation is read out loud to the recruits to both honor him and to inspire those new Marines with an example of the highest ideals of the Marine Corps brotherhood.

The interviews in this documentary are up-close-and-personal accounts from the individual Marines who served with Cpl. Dunham. They are raw and real. They reveal the love each of these men had for Cpl. Dunham. They also reveal the soul-deep sorrow they live with to this day. To be sure, there is a great deal of what is known as "survival guilt" in them too.

They may wish that they could have prevented what happened, or that they would have died instead of him. But you can see that they are also profoundly proud of having known him.

These feelings are all too familiar to those who have been in combat and experienced the loss of a brother/sister in battle. They are normal feelings. They are, in many ways, unavoidable feelings. And they stay with you for a long time. Master Gunnery Sergeant, Adam Walker may express these feelings best when he says, "What we have has been given to us. What we do with what has been given is how we honor those who gave."

Amen to that! It is very clear that, to his brother Marines, Cpl. Jason Dunham was a good friend and a great Marine.

The Veteran Site honors the memory and the selfless courage that Cpl. Jason Dunham showed that day in the streets of Husaybah, Iraq. His actions that day reveal both his character and the depth of the love he had for his fellow Marines. We send our condolences to his family and promise them and his Marine brothers that we will never forget him.

(Editor's Note: Dan Doyle's blog first appeared online at: <https://blog.theveteranssite.greatergood.com>. For more information on the documentary, visit: <https://www.indiegogo.com/projects/the-gift-documentary-film#/>)



Dunham with other Marines. (Wikimedia Commons Photo)

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I happened to catch a headline, attributed to Chris Broussard of FOX Sports, stating that "You kids just don't know how good Larry Bird was!" Well ... obviously. We're talking about the legendary Larry Bird of the Boston Celtics. Over a six-season span in the mid-80's, Bird went 2-2-1-1-1 in the MVP voting for the year in the NBA. That got me to thinking about other athletes, in other sports, and wondering what kind of similar runs took place.

Always knew that Mike Trout of the California/LA Angels, a healthy Mickey Mantle of today, had a great start to his MLB career. The New Jersey native was the 25th pick in the first-round of the 2009 draft compliments of a "compensation pick" via the New York Yankees. Great! The Yanks had signed free agent Mark Teixeira of the Angels in the off season and although "Tex" was a solid player for NYY (when healthy), he wasn't Mike Trout. Not exactly sure if the Yanks could've grabbed Trout as they ended up picking 29th and landing the immortal, Slade Heathcott instead. The #1 overall pick in that draft was Stephen Strasburg, the MVP of the 2019 World Series, but other than that it wasn't a great first round. Zack Wheeler, now of the Mets, was picked #6 by the SF Giants and the Toronto Blue Jays eventually took pitcher James Paxton (NYY) with the 37th overall pick. Anyhow, Trout was the Rookie of the Year and MVP runner-up in 2012. He was named the MVP in 2014-16-19 and was second in the voting in 2013-15-18 as well. So, since 2012, Trout has finished 2-2-1-2-1-4-2-1 in the AL MVP voting. "Nice" run.

"Nice" run indeed and Trout can add to that impressive streak, but it pales in comparison to a couple of other athletes in two other sports. Wayne Gretzky ... The Great One, was named MVP of the National Hockey League a remarkable nine-times over a ten-year stretch at the peak of his powers. The Edmonton Oilers star was the MVP every year from the 1979-80 campaign thru the 1988-89 season, except for in 1987-88 when Pittsburgh's Mario Lemieux was the recipient. Gretzky was third in the voting that season behind teammate, Grant Fuhr, their goalie. For good measure, Gretzky was the Stanley Cup playoff MVP that season instead. Gretzky actually broke into the pro hockey ranks with the now-defunct WHA franchise in Indianapolis as he was the Rookie of the Year. His career with Indy was short-lived as Gretzky was shipped to Edmonton by the cash-strapped Racers. The Oilers would fall in the 1979 finals to Bobby Hull and the Winnipeg Jets. Hull and the ageless Gordie Howe played in the WHA late in their hockey careers. Howe's Houston team won the title two times and fell in the finals once. Gretzky would win four titles in Edmonton and finish up his stellar career with the Kings, Blues (briefly) and Rangers.

Nolan Ryan has the all-time record in MLB with a gaudy seven no-hitters! Almost as crazy is the fact that the "Ryan Express" tossed twelve, one-hitters and a nifty eighteen, two-hitters! Don't really know how close those one-hitters were to hitless contests, but if just 1/4 of them had (perhaps) a little luck involved, Ryan has a crazy ten, no-hit gems! Almost as "crazy" was the fact his first no-hitter was in May of 1973 against Kansas City and his last was in May of 1991 against Toronto. Originally drafted by the NY Mets to join Tom Seaver and Jerry Koosman on a stunning starting staff, he was shipped to the California Angels instead. He would then toss four, no-hits gems with his new team, one with the Houston Astros and two more with the Texas Rangers. Each team has retired his number, 30-34-34 and he is in their respective Halls of Fame as well as in Cooperstown, obviously. Only Frank Robinson has had his number retired by three different teams as well. Ryan is the all-time leader in strikeouts recorded at 5,714 and is the only pitcher ever to retire the side with nine strikes in an inning, in the AL and NL. Behind Ryan in the strikeout career totals are Randy Johnson, Roger Clemens, Steve Carlton and

## Matt Stuck opens VanderView Golf

ALFRED—Area golfing enthusiasts were happy to hear earlier this month that VanderView Golf will be open again in 2020. Matt Stuck has agreed to manage the golf course this year, following the retirement of Tony Galeazzo.

"It would be a shame for the course to fall to neglect after all the improvements Tony has made over the years," one golfer said.

Matt Stuck, who will manage the course for the 2020 season, has not allowed the coronavirus restrictions to hinder the course's opening. With the May 2 opening, the course is enforcing the social distancing requirements for golf courses in New York until such restrictions are lifted.

The course will be open seven days a week from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m., weather permitting.

## THE DUGOUT CONTINUED...

Bert Blyleven. Pretty impressive list.

The feats of Jack Nicklaus rival that of Ryan in that he has won a total of 18 "majors" in the world of golf and has finished as the runner-up another 19 times! Five of those losses were either in a playoff or by one stroke. So, with just a shot or two here and there, how many additional victories in the Masters, U.S. Open, British Open or PGA Championship would "The Bear" have? His first major win was the U.S. Open in 1962 as he topped Arnold Palmer in a playoff when Arnie was at his peak. Twenty-four years later it was #18 at The Masters in 1986 as Tom Kite and Greg Norman were in the T2 slot. Norman another close call with no Green Jacket in his closet. In between those wins, Nicklaus won the 1965 Masters by a gaudy nine-strokes with Gary Player and Palmer at T2 and nowhere in sight, plus the 1980 PGA by seven-shots over Andy Bean. The PGA Player of the Year now receives the Jack Nicklaus Trophy! In addition, the top college players in the Division 1-2-3, NAIA and NJCAA ranks also receives the Jack Nicklaus award as Player of the Year. Nicklaus was the PGA Player of the Year in 1967-72-73-75-76. Only Tom Watson (6) and Tiger Woods (11) have won it more often.

And speaking of Tiger Woods, the current President's Cup winning captain and reigning Masters champ, check out this stunning run of Player of the Year trophies. From 1997 thru 2007 he won it every year but two. Mark O'Meara was the '98 award winner in the year he won The Masters by nipping Fred Couples and David Duval by one-stroke. Jack Nicklaus, at age 58, finished T6 in that first major of the year! The only other interruption of the Woods streak was in 2004 when Vijah Singh took home the award. Singh won the PGA Championship that year and was also the European Tour Player of the Year. Yikes! Woods also won the Jack Nicklaus Trophy in 2009 and 2013 to go along with his current 15-majors. Will he add more to that particular total?

While not exactly the same as all the above mentioned athletes, I looked up all the MVP's of the NFL over the years with a trophy that began in 1957. Winning that year, the next and in 1965 was Cleveland Browns great, Jim Brown from Syracuse. Peyton Manning has won the most MVP's at five, Brett Favre of the Packers is the only player in history to win it three straight years 1995-96-97 and Johnny Unitas is the only other winner of (at least) three MVP's with awards in 1959-64-67. Joe Montana, Kurt Warner and Aaron Rodgers have two each and that completes the list of dual winners. Tom Brady has one lone MVP, that being in 2017, but he has a "few" rings to offset that. There actually used to be three potential winners of the NFL award as the UPI, AP and TSN voted on this award. OJ Simpson (1973) and Thurman Thomas (1991) are the lone winners from the Buffalo Bills, although Cookie Gilchrist and Jack Kemp grabbed the honor in the old AFL from one of those groups. Pretty sure TSN was The Sporting News.

### HITS AND MISSES:

Last week would've been the birthday of former Major League pitcher, Stubby Overmire. Most of his career was spent with the

Stuck is already organizing a Tuesday Night Men's League, with a 5 p.m. Shotgun Start for two-man teams. The league will run for 10 weeks and will include \$6 cart rental.

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Detroit Tigers but he did have a few stints with the St. Louis Browns and the NY Yankees. His career line was (58-67) on the mound. Big Dale used to mention his name every now and then when we would talk baseball and always thought he was making that name up. Or, at least, he was an ex-Dodger player. Nope!

**Saw a Virginia** vanity plate with: DDGERS ...Big D and "Foolish" Farley still waiting for that next World Series win! Also, from Tar Heels fan, Barb Stuckey it was a Virginia plate ... DUKEBL !!

**Still hoping to get some** more info on the old Almond Fast-Pitch softball league. Heard from Coach Mac last week and "baseball playing," Bob Baker. Much appreciated!

**"Congrats" are in order** for the retiring Don Z. Higgins, an A-A classmate, as he is stepping down from his position as Livingston County Superintendent of Highways. An awesome parade of vehicles in his honor was held last week for Higgins, heavily involved in the Patriot Guard Riders as well. Higgins was going to have another honor added this summer with his induction into the Alfred-Almond Sports Hall of Fame. That will have to wait now until July of 2021. Family, friends and classmates were in attendance for the unique parade event during these quarantine times. "Not sure" if Pete Holt was able to make it over from Westfield?

**This will be my last** column written from Leesburg in Virginia, heading home to Webster! Has been a five-month journey from Webster to Taylor Mill in Kentucky to Leesburg in Florida and home with a quick stop in Holly Springs, NC, before staying for two-months with Lauren and family, NW of DC. Great area and under "normal" conditions, lots of things to do in Leesburg. Has been great being able to spend time with granddaughters, Quinn and Rowan, and all the craziness involved! Almost daily walks and spotting a variety of things with "Quinny the Digger!" A couple of visits with Jason's parents in Warrenton as well. A couple of chats, here and there, with the once-legendary Kaz tossed in. Hoping to come back in the fall for a Leesburg visit!

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