

Alfred University Food Pantry seeks donations of prizes for Bingo Night

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ALFRED, NY The Alfred University Food Pantry is hosting a Bingo Night on Friday, March 16, to raise funds and awareness for the pantry.

Organizers are seeking donations of prizes for Bingo Night, which will be held from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in Nevins Theater. Suggested items include (but are not limited to): gift cards (\$5 or more in value); Alfred University apparel/merchandise; handmade arts, crafts, ceramics and illustrations; themed gift baskets; movie tickets; school supplies.

Donations can be dropped off at the Students Affairs Office, Powell Campus Center, during normal hours, or at the Powell Information Desk after hours. For more information please email students Uma Samudrala (us2@alfred.edu), Charlie Best (hmb10@alfred.edu) or Bernadine Butler (bab10@alfred.edu), or Kathy Woughter, vice president of Student Affairs (woughter@alfred.edu). To participate in Bingo Night and compete for prizes, bring a non-perishable food item to the Powell Information Desk for each Bingo game board you wish to play. The more game boards played, the greater the chance of winning a prize.

All proceeds from Bingo Night will help fund operations at the Alfred University Food Pantry, which is open every other Saturday, benefitting the campus and local communities. Upcoming dates the pantry will be distributing food during the spring semester are March 3, 17 and 31; April 14 and 28; and May 3.

Organizers are asking for volunteers to assist with the distribution and collection of donated items, and promoting the food pantry; anyone interested in helping can email Woughter.

Non-perishable food items can be donated at various points on the Alfred University campus. Items in demand include: macaroni and cheese dinner, peanut butter, jelly, foods that can be cooked in a microwave oven or eaten out of the package, and pasta sauce. Also, food contained in smaller servings (rather than that which must be preserved in a refrigerator), easy-to-open packages and pop-top cans, as well as general non-perishables, are in the highest demand and are easiest to manage and store at the pantry.

In addition to the Judson Leadership Center, donated items can be dropped off at the information desk and Center for Student Involvement, Powell Campus Center, McLane Center, and the Science Center (Biology Department). Anyone wishing to provide financial support for the food pantry should contact Woughter by phone at 607-871-2132 or by email.