Alfred Today

Monday, August 28, 2006

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Auditions for Theatre Department production

Event Date: 08/27/2006 **Event Time:** 7:30 p.m.

Location: C. D. Smith Theatre, Miller Perf. Arts Ctr.

Open/general auditions for THE CRIPPLE OF INISHMAAN, the Theatre Department's first production of the season, will be held today. Please come to them! Written by award-winning Irish playwright Martin McDonagh and directed by AU Theatre Professor Stephen Crosby, this black comedy gives a fascinating parody-like glimpse into the past and present Irish psyche. All students are invited to audition regardless of major or year in college. For further information, contact the Division of Performing Arts at 871.2562 or e-mail fcrosby@alfred.edu. No advance preparation necessary

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Language Placement Exam make-up

Event Date: 08/28/2006 Event Time: 7-8:30 p.m. Location: Seidlin 114

The Placement Exam for French, Spanish and German will be given on Monday, Aug. 28 at 7 p.m. in Seidlin Room 114. You do not need to sign up to take this exam Please bring a pencil with you.

All students who have taken French, Spanish or German in high school and plan to take the same language at Alfred MUST take this exam.

Students who have already taken this exam MAY NOT retake the exam in the same language.

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ITS Helpdesk has moved to the Science Center

The ITS Helpdesk has relocated to room #108 of the Science Center. Our phone number (871.2222) and e-mail address (ITSHelpdesk@alfred.edu) are still the same.

Monday, Aug. 28 through Friday, Sept. 1, the ITS Helpdesk office hours will be 8:30-4:30.

Please stop down to see us in our new location.

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Herrick Library Services moved to Scholes

Herrick Memorial Library is undergoing a renovation during the 2006-07 academic year. Although the library building is closed, the staff of Herrick Library is still here to assist you! During the 2006-07 academic year, library staff and services are located in Scholes Library.

During the renovation, most of Herrick Library's books and print periodicals are being stored in an offsite storage facility and will be retrieved by library staff at your request. For instructions on how to request the retrieval of a Herrick book or print journal, please see the Items Request Page: http://herrick.alfred.edu/renovation/retrieveitems.cfm.

For more information about how Herrick Library can assist you during the renovation, see our Frequently Asked Questions for faculty (http://herrick.alfred.edu/renovation/facfaq.cfm) and students (http://herrick.alfred.edu/renovation/stufaq.cfm).

The staff of Herrick Library looks forward to working with you during the upcoming academic year, and to serving you in a new and improved building next year!

If you have questions about the renovation and how it affects library services, please contact Steve Crandall, Director, Herrick Library, at fcrandall@alfred.edu or extension 2987.

Link for more information:

http://herrick.alfred.edu/renovation/news/herricknews/herrick news archive.cfm

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Alumni updates through e-mail

Do you have updated information about an Alfred alum? Now you can send this information to the Alumni Records Office with a quick e-mail to urbio@alfred.edu. Addresses, phone numbers, e-mail addresses, job changes, marriages, new babies -- you name it, we'd love to know about it! By keeping our database as current as possible, we ensure that alums get publications such as the Alfred Magazine and E-news, as well as invitations to alumni events such as Homecoming and Reunion.

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Equestrian Club begins fall riding on Monday night

The Equestrian Cub (AUEC), separate from the varsity equestrian team, consists of people who love horses. Members do not need to be involved in the equestrian program, boarding, PE classes or on the varsity AU teams in order to join the club.

The equestrian club provides an opportunity for any member of the Alfred University community (student, faculty, staff or alumna), to become involved with horses.

How? Members of the club may sign out AU school horses approved for their level of riding, which have not already been worked two times that day, to ride and practice on during assigned club times.

Club times are M-Th evenings from 8-9:30 p.m.

While a staff person will be present for consultation, club time primarily provides an open ride time to enjoy riding with your two-legged and four-legged friends.

Members of the club may have the opportunity to travel in groups to observe large shows and clinics,

such as The Toronto Winter Fair, The Pennsylvania National, the Hampton Classic, or the American Quarter Horse Congress.

When clinics are offered at AU, club members may audit or may sign up to use AU school horses to ride in the clinic.

When the coaches and staff are showing at area horse shows, club members may sign out an AU school horse to ride at the show under the supervision of the AU staff.

Club members may also sign AU schools horses out to take private lessons at the AU Equestrian Center.

Club members may sit in and audit lectures of special interest to them when they are offered in the AU classes.

We look forward to seeing everyone visit the Equestrian Center.

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AU Western Varsity Equestrian Team Tryout information

Alfred University Varsity Western Equestrian Team (AUET) will begin tryouts on Monday, Sept. 11 at 5:50 p.m.!

For interested students there will be an informational meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 5 in Olin Hall Room # 400 from 3:50 to 5:50 p.m.

All interested students must try out. The team will consist of 28 members. Varsity team members must make three of the five practices offered each week. The IHSA varsity competitions begin in the fall and compete during all three sports seasons ending in April.

The varsity team members are selected from different levels of skills. These six levels are defined by our governing body, the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association (IHSA). These include:

Walk Jog Horsemanship:

Intermediate Western Horsemanship I:

Intermediate Western Horsemanship II:

Novice Western Horsemanship:

Advanced Western Horsemanship:

Open Western Horsemanship:

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After the team is selected, students will fill out a form placing them into one of the above classes. We are looking to put varsity team members into each class. Once a rider is placed in a specific level, they only move onto the next level when they "point out." At each show, riders will earn points based on their placement in the class. 1st place wins 7 points, 2nd wins 5, 3rd wins 4, 4th wins 3, 5th wins 2, and 6th wins one point. These points help riders individually, because once they earn 35 points they move onto the next class and qualify for the big Regional show at the end of the school year. The points also help the team, if the rider has been selected as the point riders. (One of the four AU riders in each group will be selected by the AU coaches as point rider at the start of the day-so those six riders points are added up to our final team score.)

The JV members will practice twice a week, and will step up to replace Varsity riders as needed. They are a very important part of the future of the Varsity team.

There will be an informational, pre-tryout meeting on Tuesday, September 5th in Olin room 400 at 3:50 p.m. All athletes who wish to tryout should be there to fill out THEIR PLACEMENT QUESTIONNAIRE FORM BEFORE TRYOUTS BEGIN ON MONDAY, SEPT. 11 These forms will help us place you into a group of others similar to your ability for tryouts.

Tryouts will be each afternoon the week of Sept. 11, at the equestrian center. The coaches will watch riders ride in a group of their ability and build a team with riders in each of the six IHSA levels.

Tryouts will be held at the following times every day that week. Mon 5:50-7:50, Tues 3:50 to 5:50, Wed 5:50 to 7:50, Thurs 3:50 to 5:50 and Fri from 3:30 to 4:30. You do not have to make every night of tryouts. Come to as many as you'd like.

Yes, You can try out and ride on both the English and western teams.....

We look forward to seeing everyone on Tuesday, September 5th at 5:50 p.m. in room #400 of Olin Hall.

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Walk Trot Hunter Seat Equitation: These riders have not ridden for more than two years and have never competed.

Beginner Walk Trot Canter Hunter Seat Equitation: Walk Trot Canter riders have not ridden for more than four years, and have never competed.

Advanced Walk Trot Canter Hunter Seat Equitation: This is for riders who have never competed, but have ridden for four or more years.

Novice Hunter Seat Equitation on the Flat and over Fences: These two classes are for people with some lower level showing experience.

Intermediate Hunter Seat Equitation on the Flat and over Fences: These two classes are for people who have shown more frequently or at a higher level than the Novice riders.

Open Hunter Seat Equitation on the Flat and over Fences: This is the highest class. Often, Open riders have won jumping classes at the 3'6" level, or have their Pony Club A.

At the informational meeting student athletes will fill out a form placing them into one of the above classes. We are looking to put varsity team members into each class. Once a rider is placed in a specific level, they only move onto the next level when they "point out."

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GREAT JOB OPPORTUNITY...

GREAT JOB OPPORTUNITY... Join University Relations Phonathon Calling Team. University Relations is now hiring for the Phonathon Fundraising Calling Team. If you are energetic and want to become part of a winning team then we want you!! To learn more stop by our information table at Powell Campus Center - 2nd Floor or visit the AU Welcome Center. Applications must be submitted by Tues-8/29. Training Sessions begin Tues-8/28 & Wed-8/29 Olin Rm. 301/ Thurs. 8/31-Phonathon House-17

Terrace St. (Corner of Terrace & Sayles). For more information, contact Susan Suriani, Asst. Director Alumni & Community Relations-607-871-2144/ suriani@alfred.edu.
AU Phonathon.... It's not just a job, it's an adventure!

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Office Furniture Wanted

Does anyone have office furniture in storage, or not being used? Human Resources is looking for 2 or 3 chairs suitable for a waiting area, and a small work table. If you have such items available, please contact Human Resources at ext. 2118. Thank you.

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Health Insurance waiver deadline

For all students, and all AU employees who have children in school here:

Please note that the final deadline to waive the health insurance coverage and fee, if you are covered by other insurance, is September 1st. Waiver forms are online at the page below. Remember, all students are required to have health insurance coverage and international students are required to have the AU plan. Please contact the student affairs office at #2132 with any questions.

Link for more information: http://www.academichealthplans.com/alfred/Default.asp

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American Sign Language class

Starting Thursday, Sept. 21 a non-credit American Sign Language class will be offered in Allen Hall room 218. The class will be held on Thursdays from 6:30-8 p.m. and will be taught by a sign translator from the Hornell community. There is no registration.

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Springtime in Paris

Global Perspectives: Paris. This 2-credit travel course will be offered in Spring 2007. The class will spend two weeks in Paris in May after learning about the history, art and culture of the City of Lights during the semester in Alfred. The class is open to all students and will be taught in English. Some knowledge of French is however recommended.

For more information, contact:

Office of International Programs 607.871.2269

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