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Blood drive needs you today

Event Date: 11/14/2006

Event Time: 10 a.m.-3:45 p.m.

Location: Knight Club

Your blood is needed today. Please come to the Knight Club in the Powell Campus Center. Walk in times available from 10 a.m. until 3:45 p.m. Your donation could save up to three lives, maybe that of a friend or relative. Necessary surgery could be postponed without your gift of blood.

The American Red Cross, with the sponsorship of Alpha Phi Omega and the Biology Club, is holding the second Blood Drive of the academic year. If you have questions about eligibility, call 1.800.215.1659 or go to the link below. You may also call Wes Bentz at 871-2201 or e-mail him at fbentz@alfred.edu.

Link for more information: <http://www.donatebloodnow.org/donateblood/eligible.asp>

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Business Office staff attending Support Staff meeting

The Business Office in Carnegie Hall will be closed Tuesday morning Nov. 14 from 10:25-11:35 a.m. so that staff may attend the general Support Staff meeting being held in Nevins. Sorry for the inconvenience.

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Mood Food Bake Sale

Event Date: 10/14-15

Event Time: 11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m.

Location: Powell

Psi Chi will be selling homemade goodies the Tuesday and Wednesday, Nov. 14-15, 11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m. on the second floor of Powell. Come see how each item affects your mood!

We will also be selling raffle tickets for a money tree (containing \$50 worth of scratch off lotto tickets) All proceeds from the money tree will go towards the Doc Walker memorial fund. Tickets are \$2 or 3 for \$5.

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Artcast

Event Date: 11/13/2006

Event Time: Building Hours

Location: Smart Wall in Harder Hall

Now through Sunday, Nov. 19, Tammy Brackett's Time Media class will be presenting a Time Media Artcast at the Smart Wall in Harder Hall. Artists' Recent soundworks will be available for free download from the Smartwall during the exhibition dates. Bring an iPod or any Mp3 player and your USB cable to to the Smartwall to collect your FREE ART!

Or visit www.whitedogrecords.com to download to your computer.

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Seasonal Food Drive

Alpha Phi Omega presents a seasonal food drive now through Monday, Nov. 20. Donation boxes for non-perishable items can be found in residence halls. APO will also be collecting items door-to-door the week before Thanksgiving. All donations will go to a food pantry in Alfred Station.

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Support our troops this upcoming holiday season!

The Forest People are making care packages to send to overseas troops who won't be able to make it home for the holidays. We need your help to collect small things such as hygiene items, snacks and shipping money. Five dollars will pack and ship a 2 lb. care package.

Help us to let these soldiers know there are people at home thinking of them.

For complete details go to people.alfred.edu/~forest

Link for more information: <http://people.alfred.edu/~forest>

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Math Club talk

Event Date: 11/15/2006

Event Time: 12:20-1:10 p.m.

Location: Myers Hall 228

The AU Math Club will host Dr. Addison Frey, chair of AU's Division of Mathematics, who will present, "The \$25,000,000,000 Eigenvector: The Linear Algebra Behind Google."

Discover how Google calculates Web page rankings so that your Web searches are more efficient and productive.

Pizza and drinks will be served. All are welcome to attend.

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AURS is recruiting!

AURS is now recruiting! Come be a part of the AURS crew! No Experience necessary! There is training on everything from how to treat a sprained ankle to how to treat for shock & hypothermia.

Benefits of joining AURS are a rewarding experience, meeting cool new people. learning skills you can use in everyday life, the possibility of earning your EMT - B certification through our organization, becoming CPR Certified, enjoying our Parliamentarian's creative baking and it's something good to put on a resume.

Meetings are Thursdays @ 9 p.m. in the Kenyon - Allen room located on the 2nd floor of Powell across from the Board Room.

If you are interested, come to a meeting and introduce yourself! If you are interested and can not make the meetings, e-mail us at aurs@alfred.edu.

Also, check out our Web site for more information about our organization!

Hope to see you soon!

Link for more information: <http://people.alfred.edu/~aurs/>

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'Twelfth Night' opens Wednesday

Great costumes! One hundred pillows. A swing.

Got your ticket yet? go to www.alfred.edu/performing_arts or e-mail performs@alfred.edu.

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Reminder -- Non-statutory health insurance changes

In response to the changes to the non-statutory health insurance, there will be a representative on campus to discuss the insurance plans so that employees may compare coverage, making the best choice for how they use their health insurance. Meetings will be held in the Kenyon/Allen/Davis Room in Powell Campus Center according to the following schedule:

Thursday Nov. 16 -- 8:30 a.m., 1 p.m., and 2:30 p.m.

Tuesday Nov. 28 - 1:30 p.m. and 3 p.m.

Changes to be implemented as of Jan. 1, 2007 are:

* Reduce Employer Contribution for Traditional Blue 901 Plan to 75% of Lowest Cost Plan. Traditional Blue 901 Premiums effective January 1, 2007, will be \$101.89 for Single coverage and \$178.58 for Family coverage per pay period.

* Offer both Traditional 901 and POS 203 to the Retiree Group.

* Decrease the Employer Contribution for Two-Employee Coverage from 85% to 80% effective January 2007, with other reductions following in subsequent years.

Any changes to coverage will need to be made prior to Thursday, Nov. 30, 2006. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Human Resources Office.

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Operation Christmas Child

Make a child's day! Send a shoebox! There will be a collection box in front of the information desk, on the second floor of Powell now through Friday, Nov 17.

Questions? Contact ajj1@alfred.edu or go to <http://www.samaritanspurse.org>

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Bergren Forum

Event Date: 11/16/2006

Event Time: 12:10 p.m.

Location: Nevins Theatre, Powell Campus Center

The Bergren Forum sponsored by the Division of Human Studies will meet on Thursday November 16th at 12:10 p.m.in the Nevins Theatre, Powell Campus Center.

Speaker: Emrys Westacott and Carol Burdick

Topic: "Fiat Lux Versus"

Serious poetry, as we all know, is difficult, boring, formless, and obscure. Light verse, on the other hand, is clever, funny, understandable and entertaining. Carol Burdick and Emrys Westacott will read a selection of their own light verse. Warning: Some bawdy content. PG 13.

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Herrick Library materials -- returns & renewals

ATTENTION STUDENTS: All library materials must be returned or renewed by no later than Friday, Dec. 8, 2006. The renewal date will be Friday, Dec. 15, 2006. Thank you!

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AU Varsity Equestrian Western Team wins first show

The newly formed Varsity Western Equestrian Team competed at its first competition at Cazenovia College on Saturday, Nov. 11.

The AU team won the overall high point award above every college represented that day in its first horse show.

Harry Hurd, the head coach of the western team was ecstatic. "Our riders have committed themselves and worked so hard. I am delighted to see it pay off for them. They are a wonderful group to work with." The team also placed fourth in the second horse show.

Class winners for AU included:

Open horsemanship -- Katie Mix

Novice Horsemanship -- Kristen Kovatch, Shaina Muir

Intermediate Horsemanship -- Allison Henneghan, Alicia Pickett-Hale, Corey Urtel and Danielle Wiemer

Beginner Horsemanship -- Charity Chaffee, Samantha Lamphier and Matt Wendig

Second-place finishes were earned by:

Open Horsemanship -- Lauren Pfeifer

Intermediate Horsemanship -- Noelle Orlowski, Danielle Weimer, and Alicia Picket Hale

Novice Horsemanship -- Kristen Kovatch

Beginner Horsemanship -- Samantha Lamphier

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