

'Service on the Sevens:' Not just a 'pie-in-the-sky' fund-raiser

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This month's Alfred University "Service on the Sevens" project is not just another "pie-in-the-sky" idea for raising money. Alfred University students are being asked to vote, by depositing pennies, nickels, dimes or even dollars, in jars at Powell Campus Center on which of 10 faculty members and administrators at the University they would most like to see get a pie in the face at Friday's basketball games. Votes must be cast by Friday at noon, with pies to be "delivered" to the winners (or losers, depending upon how you look at it) during the men's and women's basketball games that evening. According to Dan Napolitano, director of student activities at AU, points will be awarded based on the total amount of money that is collected in each jar - but addition of pennies will decrease total points. "If students want someone to get 'pied,' they should add silver change and bills, and if they want someone to not be 'pied,' they should add pennies to the jar," explained Napolitano. During each game, five pies will be sold through a silent auction, he said. During the women's game, the person with the second-highest point total will get five pies in the face, and during the men's game, the person with the highest number of points will get pied. All proceeds from the voting and the sale of pies will go to the charity of the participant's choice. Faculty and administrators participating, and the charities they have chosen to benefit, are as follows: Rosetta Brown-Greaney, director of the Crandall Health Center, the Alfred Montessori School; Jim Moretti, athletic director, hospice; Daryl Conte, associate dean of students, Community Health Network of New York; Bill Hall, dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, ACCORD Corporation; Nadine Shardlow, Opportunity Programs counselor, Alfred Community Chest; Chris Coons, associate director of admissions, Make-a-Wish Foundation; Ann Baldwin, coordinator of student services for the School of Ceramic Engineering and Material Sciences, Doctors Without Borders; John Dietrich, director of Powell Campus Center dining hall, Compeer Program; Becky Prophet, professor of performing arts, Amnesty International; Josh Drake, residence director at Bartlett Hall, United Cerebral "Service on the Sevens," coordinated by Trish Debertolis, director of the Powell Campus Center, is designed to bring Alfred University students, faculty and staff together on the seventh day of each month during the school year for a community service project.