Tip of the Week...

Six months ago, Alvernia College became Alvernia University. Help us to be “University Police” and purge offices and hallways of any leftover College signage.

Look around your area for “College” loiterers on bulletin boards, signs, etc., and throw them out!

Upcoming Events

3/20 Ozzy’s Fun Center 6:30PM
3/21 Accepted Students Day (PEC) 9AM
3/22 Alvernia Spring Theater (FH Aud) 2PM
3/22 Trip: Baltimore Science Center 9AM
3/22 Spaghetti Dinner (Library) 8PM
3/23 Karaoke Night (CSL Lounge) 9PM
3/24 Career & Internship Fair (SC 2nd Floor) 1PM
3/24 Comedian: Michelle Buteau (Crusader) 8PM
3/25 Latin Dance Salsa Class (BH 19) 6PM
3/25 Multi-Cultural Movie Night (BH LH) 8PM
3/26 Lecture: Mexican Migration (BFCC) 7:30PM
3/26 Magician: Justin Kredible (BH LH) 9:30PM
3/27 Admissions Info Session (SC Sem) 10AM
3/27 PACC Service Learning Conference 10AM

Home Athletic Contests

3/21 Women’s Lacrosse vs Misericordia 1PM
3/23 Baseball vs Burlington CC (JV) 3:30PM
3/25 Baseball vs Marywood 3:30PM
3/25 Men’s Tennis vs King’s 3:30PM
3/26 Softball vs PSU (DH) @ PSU-Berks 3PM
3/27 Baseball vs King’s 3:30PM

Check out the Athletics website: http://athletics.alvernia.edu/

Alvernia in the Community

The participants of the South Reading Youth Initiative (SRYI) have just completed an eight-week Theatre Workshop with the Wyomissing Institute of the Arts (WIA). The youth worked with Beverly Houck, WIA program director, to create characters, develop original stories, produce props and costumes, and stage their own plays. The workshop culminated in a final performance held in Marciano Hall at St. Peter’s Church on March 17.

Attendees of the performance from Alvernia Holleran Center included Ginny Hand, Jodi Radosh, Jessica Umbenhauer, and Catie Bougie. Kim Stoudt, athletics, and several Alvernia student volunteers (who had worked with the youth throughout the program) also attended the performance.

Next week the SRYI will kick off an eight-week workshop with the Reading Public Museum, in which participants will have the opportunity to explore different galleries of the museum and create art projects to supplement what they’ve learned. The Holleran Center is always looking for volunteers at our SRYI events.

A special thanks goes to Jodi Radosh for filming the performance.
Alumni News

Alvernia alumni recently took part in a simulated interview event designed to help undergraduates get comfortable during important first-meetings with potential employers. Started by the business department and several alumni looking to mentor current students, the event involved alumni interviewing students, asking tough questions, and giving feedback on their responses and body language.

Student News

The Alvernia Pep Band, under the direction of Ringgold Band conductor James Seidel, made its debut performance on Saturday, February 21, at the Alvernia men’s basketball game.

Faculty & Staff News

An abstract by Roxana Delbene, arts and languages, entitled, “Patients’ narratives of chronic illnesses and the notion of biographical disruption” has been accepted at the Seventh Interdisciplinary Conference on “Communication, Medicine & Ethics” to be held at the Health Communication Research Centre at Cardiff University in June 2009.

Accounting major Rob Ganter and Professor Bryan Dreibelbis (Business) participated in the February 25 taping of the CNBC special, “Who’s Protecting Our Money?” The show, taped at the CNBC television studio in New Jersey, featured Jim Cramer, Erin Burnett, and FDIC Chair Sheila Bair. Attendance was by invitation only. The program has aired on CNBC several times over the past few weeks.

BRAND SCENE INVESTIGATOR

Heard about the Blessing Exhibit? Thank Tammy Gore, Ph.D. student and Graduate Assistant in the Holleran Center for Community Engagement, for her diligence in planning the event, getting volunteers together, and working with several departments around campus to get the word out about the event.

The Blessing Exhibit will be April 21-July 31, 2009 in the Franco Library and Learning Center. Click here for more information.
Service Recognition...

Congrats and thank you to these Alvernia employees for their dedicated years of service to the University:

**35 YEARS**
Patricia Stremba

**30 YEARS**
Pietro Distravolo

**20 YEARS**
Thomas Porrazzo
Frances Ross

**15 YEARS**
Tim Blessing
Elizabeth Gardner
Ann Leidy
Carol Roach

**10 YEARS**
Megan Adukaitis
Matthew Boarder
Carol Bracken
Jada Campbell

**5 YEARS**
Shannon Barahona
Jennifer Biggerstaff
Mary Alice Bortz
Anna Ferraro
Susan Guay
Edward Hartung
Tracy Hine
Daonian Liu
Kevin Ludwig
Kevin Meany
Steven Mundell
Margaret Ouchis

**30 years**
Tim Blessing
Elizabeth Gardner
Ann Leidy
Carol Roach

**20 years**
Pietro Distravolo

The Berks Community Television half-hour special on “Poverty and Prayer” with Filmmaker Gerard Straub with Tom Flynn moderated by Marc DiPaolo is airing the following days on BCTV:

- **Friday, March 20** 5:30pm
- **Saturday, March 21** 10:30am
- **Tuesday, March 24** 10:00am
- **Saturday, March 28** 3:30pm
- **Sunday, March 29** 6:30pm

Rumor Has It...

Thinking of teaching a Seniors College class? Check out the current brochure online to see what others are teaching this semester. Contact Sally Reading (x8357) or Rabbi Alan Weitzman (x8294) for more information.

Join students from Tom Bierowski’s Creative Writing class, as they present their works:

- **Monday, March 23, 5-7PM** in the Crusader Café.

Did you sign up for a Mission and Identity discussion session yet? Contact Rosalie Kreiser (x8204).

- **March 23** 8:15 or 11:30 (Staff/Admin)
- **March 26** 8:00, 12:00 or 3:30 (Faculty)
- **March 27** 12:15 (Staff/Admin)
- **March 27** 2:00 (Faculty)
- **March 30** 10:00-11:15 (Staff/Admin)
- **March 31** 8:00 or 3:30 (Open)

In the spirit of Lent…how do you make a slow horse fast?

Be the first to answer correctly!
Send your answer to:
Carey.Manzolillo@alvernia.edu

Last week’s answer: The man who invented the silent alarm clock received a no-bell piece prize.

Do you have news?
Send it to:
CAREY.MANZOLILLO@ALVERNIA.EDU

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