**Upcoming Events**

4/30 Novelty: Photo Flipbooks (SC) 10AM
4/30 Transcultural Nursing Lunch (Crusader) 11AM
4/30 Stand Against Racism (Flagpoles) 12PM
5/1 Trip: Philadelphia Zoo 8:30AM
5/2 Bingo Night (Crusader) 6PM
5/2 After Mass Pizza Party (Sacred Heart) 8PM
5/4 Coffeeshouse: Brian Aglira (Crusader) 8PM
5/5 Smoothie Ministry (BH Lounge) 4PM
5/5 Cinco de Mayo Celebration (SC) 5:30PM
5/5 Smoothie Ministry (BH Lounge) 4PM
5/5 Commencement kickoff Celebration (Schuylkill) 8AM
5/6 LB Core Program Session (Shander) 9AM
5/6 LB Field Project Presentations (Shander) 9AM
5/6 LB Alumni & Participant Reception (TBA)
5/6 Commencement kickoff Celebration (Philly) 5:30PM
5/6 Comedian: Tom Cotter (Crusader) 8PM
5/7 Undergraduate Information Session (SC) 10AM

**Home Athletic Contests**

9/25 Volleyball vs DeSales 7PM
5/1 Softball vs Lycoming College (DH) 12PM
5/1 Baseball vs Stevenson University (DH) 12PM
5/1 Men’s Lacrosse vs Misericordia 1PM
5/1 Men’s Track and Field vs York Charity Meet 3PM
5/5 Softball vs Ursinus College (DH) 3PM

Check out the Athletics website: [http://athletics.alvernia.edu/](http://athletics.alvernia.edu/)

Reverend George A. Aschenbrenner, S.J., and Estelle B. Richman will receive honorary degrees during Spring Commencement, held in the Sovereign Center’s Reading Eagle Theatre, Saturday, May 15.

Reverend George A. Aschenbrenner, S.J., is co-founder of the Institute for Priestly Formation at Creighton University in Omaha and teaches a two-week course on the spirituality of the diocesan priesthood for seminarians and seminary spiritual directors. He continues to conduct retreats around the country and currently resides at the Jesuit community at the Gonzaga College High School in Washington, D.C.

Estelle Richman is currently the Chief Operating Officer at the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Her career spans more than 30 years of public service, including her position as PA’s Secretary of Public Welfare. She was the first female Managing Director for the City of Philadelphia, where she was responsible for the oversight of 13 city departments.

**Tip of the Week...**

Want to increase your students’ chances of getting more money from textbook buy back? Turn in your textbook adoption(s) in the next few days. If you select a book that is currently being used, the bookstore can pay more for it — and have it available as a used book for students taking the class in summer or fall.

Click here to read full biographies for Rev. Aschenbrenner and Estelle Richman.
**Faculty & Staff News**

Bryan Dreibelbis (business) was recently elected to serve another term on the Reading Institute of Management Accountants (IMA) Board of Directors for the 2010-2011 chapter year, and has been appointed as the chapter’s Director of Academic Relations. He has served on the Reading IMA Board since 1990.

Rose Chinni-Edwards (science) and her husband Tom welcomed McKenna Rose Edwards to their family on Monday, April 26. She weighed five pounds, seven ounces, and was 18 inches long.

A paper by Spencer S. Stober (biology) entitled “Ecuador: Mother Nature’s Utopia” was accepted for publication in the *International Journal of Environmental, Cultural, Economic and Social Sustainability*, Vol. 6 (2), 2010, pp 229-240; Dr. Stober presented this paper at the University of Cuenca, Ecuador, January 5, 2010.

**Alvernia in the NEWS...**

Alvernia’s Shirley Williams (provost) and Spence Stober (biology) were pictured in the *Reading Eagle* on April 24, along with Reading Mayor Tom McMahon, Charles Jones (public works director), and Kim Murphy (Berks County Conservancy president). The group held shovels during a groundbreaking ceremony in Angelica Park where the vacant boat house will be turned into an Environmental Education Center for the community and local students. *WFMZ Channel 69 News* also covered the groundbreaking and Eco Fun Day on that day.

The Wheatland Chorale was featured in the *Reading Eagle* on Monday, April 26 for its spring concert in Wyomissing. Randel Wolfe (music) and Jennifer Michalik (music) regularly perform with the group.

**Student News**

Alvernia students: Maria Lusica, Trevor Ashley, Julian Gomez, Molly Crosby, Vy Nyugen, Pahoua Vue, and Beth Gottshall helped the United Way of Berks County with their free tax prep program.

“Honestly, they were not only helpful with tax preparation, but were always looking at how they could help with recruitment and spread the word,” said Sharon Mast, director of volunteer engagement with the United Way. “They were also very respectful, pleasant, and non-judgmental with the clients; and agency staff had such positive praise for them.”

Respondents from the Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival attended Alvernia’s spring production of “The Seagull.” Students Mark Molchany (Shamrayev), Sarah Heckman (Paulina), and Jessica Heller (Masha) were nominated to participate in the Irene Ryan Scholarship competition, and David Lloyd was nominated to serve as an alternate competitor.

**BRAND SCENE INVESTIGATOR**

Alvernia’s music and theatre group presented “Side by Side by Sondheim” — a musical entertainment program, Thursday, April 29, in Francis Hall.

A second showing will be held (also in Francis Hall) Saturday, May 1 at 8PM.

Catch the show to find out which Vice President will be singing!
Paul J. Marr, MD Athletic Training Scholarship Award
Allison Ann Austin

Athletic Training Academic Excellence Award
Jamie Leigh Reiger

Excellence in Sport Management Bridget Ann Burger

ACBSP Student Leadership Award
Justine Nicole Fronheiser

Excellence in Marketing
Jacqueline Faye Hamel

PA Institute of Certified Public Accountants Award
Justine Nicole Fronheiser

Institute of Management Accountants Award
Robert Cyril Ganter II

Wall Street Journal Award
Leslie C. Fazio

Excellence in Accounting
Daniel Michael Wehry

SHRM Outstanding Student Leader
Robert Cyril Ganter II

Criminal Justice Internship Award
Kara Ashley Swope

Criminal Justice Academic Excellence Award
Brandi Lee Grubb

St. Michael the Archangel Award
Sean M. Buck

Addictions - Betty Ford Award
Melani Kathleen Calabria

Addictions Caron Treatment Center Award
Amber Lynn Derkotch

Addictions Excellence Award
Kayla Elizabeth Ann Oliver

Outstanding Education Student
Thomas P. Morgan

Outstanding Student Teacher Awards
AnnMarie Cupo
Brianna Mahoney

Emma Yoh Award for Outstanding Professionalism in Education
Courtney Lauren Heffner

Communication - Margaret Oberholtzer Lawrence Award
Laura Beth Heffner

Alvermann Award for News Reporting
Kristopher Scott Rodgers

Alvermann Award for Editorial Excellence
Angela M. Miller

Alvermann Award for Jornalistic Creativity
Lisa James

Excellence in Video & Television Production Award
Ryan Scott Lineaweaver

Communication - Elizabeth Susman Award
Maureen Ouma

Communication - Henry Miller Award
Sarah J. Heckman

Frances J. Thomas Theatre Award
Heather Rainé Kissinger

Zephyrus Award for Excellence
Brianna Mahoney

CIS - Information Stewardship Award
Diane J. Jacobs

Academic Excellence in CIS
Carol Ann Haas

CIS Award for Internship Excellence
Augustine Sebastianelli

Outstanding Student in Humanities
Karolina D. Legwant

High Achievement in Political Science
Maureen Jennifer Plover

High Achievement in History
Gerald John Powell

High Achievement in Theology
James L. Snyder

High Achievement in Philosophy
Karolina D. Legwant

Nursing - Outstanding Clinical Performance
Jason Phillip Kemfort
Sarah M. Rudi

Excellence in Community Health Nursing Award
Mohannie St. Cyr
Diorheratou Traore

Nursing Leadership Award
Joclyn Catherine Drum
Kyle Justine Lorah-Gabrjolek

Nursing - Spirit of St. Francis Award
Roxanne Lane
Michelle Beth Van Luvaneck

Nursing - Leaders in Learning Award
Chardonnay Lenette DiNenna
Rachel Elizabeth Groves

Psychology - Award for Research Excellence
Keiko L. Wolfe

Psychology - Award for Clinical Excellence
Luis M. Fontanez, Jr.

Psychology - Leadership Award
Christopher Michael Fake

Science - Frank Pocdzasy Award
Ashley Marie Strauss

American Chemical Society Award
David J. Reber Jr.

Outstanding Social Work Academic Award
Natalie Lyn Smith

Outstanding Social Work Field Placement Award
Meghan Leigh McGlone

Dr. Phyllis Hay Research Award
Nicole E. Albert-Walsh
Cecily N. Pachuilo

I’m always with you and never there,
I weigh nothing and have no care,
nothing can hold me but I help people fly,
now I must know what am I?

Be the first to answer correctly!
Click here to send your answer.

Bragging rights for last week go to Jo Pressimone (ministry). Answer: All months have 28 days.