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### Alfred State Alumni Council Members

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Dr. John M. Anderson, President, Alfred State



## Alumni Relations Director's Message

Greetings Alumni,

Another summer has come and gone and the sounds and smell of fall is in the air. Alfred State is once again alive with students hustling to and from classes; soccer, football, and lacrosse games; and activity all around. It is always one of my favorite times as one can easily see the anticipation and excitement on the faces of the new freshmen, while handshakes and hugs are being shared among upper classmen who are reunited with friends and classmates.

Being privy to these sights always reminds me of the wonderful memories created and the feeling of belonging while I was a student at Alfred State. As I continue to meet more and more alumni, there seems to be mutual themes shared – Alfred State is a home away from home, a sense of family and belonging, while receiving an excellent education.

A TG, Pi Nu, and Delta Chi Reunion took place at Alfred State this past July where over 150 alumni gathered and reminisced of days gone by. It was like witnessing a large family coming together following an extended absence. Like many of you, those at the reunion felt so strongly about the experience received at Alfred State, both personally and what it afforded them professionally, they wanted to “pay it forward.” An endowment was created to assist future students while others offered to host an accepted student reception at their home, volunteered to assist at an alumni event, or to be a part of future event planning.

The Alumni Council also continues to strive to “pay it forward” to current students, our alumni, and to Alfred State, and none of this would be possible without the dedication and commitment from you! If you have not recently been back to your alma mater, I strongly encourage you to reach out to your classmates, roommates, and friends to join us for a visit or to attend an alumni event.

The Alumni Council is beginning plans for the 2013 alumni events, and we would like to hear from you! Can we assist with planning an alumni event for your class, club, or organization? For updates and details on alumni events, please visit our alumni site at [www.alfredstate.edu/Alumni-Events](http://www.alfredstate.edu/Alumni-Events).

Please stay in touch!

Warm regards,

Colleen Argentieri '85  
Director of Alumni Relations

## Upcoming Events

**Third Annual  
Pioneer Games  
Woodsmen  
Competition**  
Nov. 10, 8:30 a.m.

**Open House**  
Nov. 10, 8:30 a.m.

**Drama Club's  
Presentation of  
The Wiz**  
Nov. 10, 3 p.m.

**Basic PV Design &  
Installation  
5 Day Course**  
Jan. 7-11,  
8 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
Contact CCET@  
[alfredstate.edu](http://alfredstate.edu) for  
more information

**Open House**  
March 9, 8:30 a.m.

**NYS SkillsUSA  
Competition**  
Wellsville Campus  
April 6, 8:30 a.m.

**Hot Dog Day 2013**  
April 27

**Open House**  
April 14, 8:30 a.m.

**Taste of Wellsville**  
April 14, 12:30 p.m.

**Commencement  
2013**  
May 19, 12 noon

# Dear Friends of the College

Welcome to the fall issue of *Transitions* magazine. The theme for this issue is one of utmost importance to Alfred State: **Sustainability**. As other higher education institutions begin to embrace the concept, Alfred State is emerging as a thought leader and role model for making sustainability a practiced reality.

Our initial efforts began in 2005 when we started “greening” our academic programs. Today, we have eight programs from agriculture and building trades to architectural technology and electrical engineering technology that have ‘green’ modules and full classes of engaged students.

Earlier this year, we hosted our first leadership conference on sustainability with participants coming from around the country. We also became one of the first colleges in the nation to sign a sustainability pledge, and we are now among the first few schools in the nation to add a Chief Sustainability Officer (CSO) on our leadership team.

In this issue, you will meet our new CSO Julian Dautremont-Smith and learn about all the other sustainability-centered accomplishments and initiatives that are underway.

Becoming a leader in sustainability requires a certain kind of determination and effective real-world thinking which reminds me of my time at the Bonneville Salt Flats in Wendover, Utah, earlier this year.

I was there as 13 Alfred State Automotive Trades students who joined more than 500 competitors in attempts to break the land speed record for one liter hybrid automobiles. Our team achieved a peak speed of just over 110 mph using a modified Honda Insight Hybrid donated by Alfred alumnus, Bob Couse.

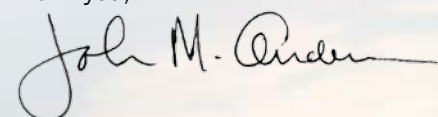
The race was a culminating event for these students who worked on modifications to the vehicle for months in advance of the intense project-based learning event. They were learning in a

real-world situation. They were making educated and informed decisions on the fly.

Their work and efforts embody the three tenets of leadership at Alfred State: project-based learning, civic engagement, and sustainability. These are the qualities that are at the core of all educational programs at Alfred State, and these are the reasons why we have a 99 percent employment and transfer rate.

For more about sustainability, civic engagement, and project-based learning, check out my blog on the Huffington Post at [www.huffingtonpost.com](http://www.huffingtonpost.com).

Thank you,



John M. Anderson, PhD  
President



Members of the Salt Flats team, l-r: Nathan Hills; William McMahon; Tom Reilley; Robert Cassidy; Mike Costa; Kyle Voorheese; Philip Lehman; Michael Ronan, professor, Automotive Trades Department; Craig Clark, executive director of the Wellsville campus and dean, School of Applied Technology; William Weaver, instructor, Automotive Trades Department; Vincent Kilb; President John M. Anderson, PhD; Sean Haggerty, instructor, Automotive Trades Department; and Kent Johnson, associate professor and chair, Automotive Trades Department.



# Walking

**Julian Dautremont-Smith,  
Alfred State's Chief  
Sustainability Officer...**

A Closer Look at Sustainability  
in Higher Education



# the Talk

priming  
sustainability

**Y**ou could say Julian Dautremont-Smith walks the talk because every day he slings his bag across his chest and walks to work to be the Chief Sustainability Officer (CSO) at Alfred State.

It's true: the New Jersey native (who has lived on both coasts and places in between); Doris Duke Conservation Fellow, Harry S. Truman Scholar, USA Today Academic All-Star, and National Wildlife Federation Campus Ecology Fellow really is thoroughly committed to sustainability.

Years ago -- before sustainability became a hot topic in higher education -- Julian was co-founding the Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education (AASHE), the only organization of its kind focused on charting the success of sustainability initiatives on college campuses across the country.

During his five years as AASHE's director, he developed the Sustainability Tracking, Assessment, & Rating System (STARS) which is the primary tool used to assess sustainability in higher education. He developed the strategic partnerships with businesses and non-profit organizations for AASHE and was regularly quoted as an expert in the field in higher education trade press and major media outlets like The New York Times, The Washington Post, Business Week, and USA Today.

This fall, AASHE is recognizing Alfred State for its Zero Energy Demonstration Home, an outgrowth of the move we started back in 2005 to "green" programs in the School of Applied Technology. More recently, we made another bold move by adding a CSO role dedicated to the cause. This move distinguishes Alfred State as a leader and visionary among the 64 schools in the SUNY system.

So, what does a CSO do? And, who is Julian Dautremont-Smith? What follows is a Q/A with Julian about his role and what sustainability means for Alfred State.

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## Growing Green Jobs

Ground Source Heat Pump Systems (GSHPs) are one of the many new green technologies that are helping to change the world in terms of energy use, efficiency, and -- most importantly -- in terms of the development of new, green-collar jobs.

Alfred State alumnus Thomas Piekunka (Class of 1981, AAS) knows this well. As the President of Piekunka Systems, Inc. in Rochester, NY, a family-owned and operated company that sells heating and cooling solutions, Piekunka knows that GSHPs are among the most energy efficient systems for heating that are available today. Not only do they produce the lowest carbon dioxide emissions, these systems dramatically reduce energy consumption which is why he knows his company is well positioned for growth.



Thomas Piekunka, '81

"The Department of Energy estimates that more than a million of these systems will be sold next year and millions more in the years to come," said Piekunka, adding, "The market for green technologies is growing. There are jobs for Alfred State graduates who are learning the latest in green technologies, and there will be for years to come."

Green-collar jobs relate to all major industries, from agriculture to construction, transportation to manufacturing, and more. And, they are occurring at every level from system designers and architects and installers and maintenance technicians.

"Green technologies represent a whole new area of growth," says Alfred State President John M. Anderson, PhD. "In the next five years we will produce more graduates who are ready to move into green collar jobs than any other college of our size in the country."

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**Question:** What does sustainability in higher education mean?

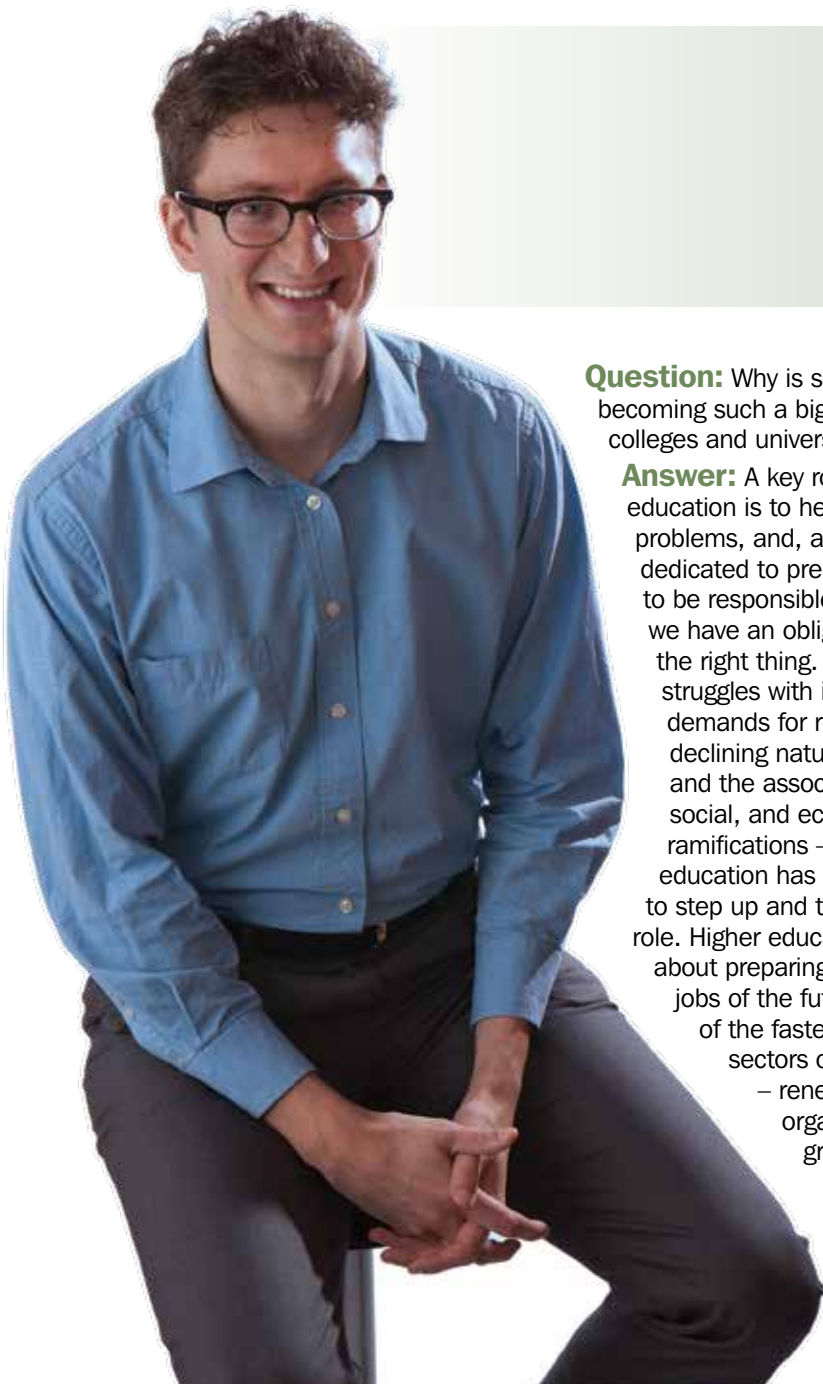
**Answer:** Sustainability refers to the ability of our social and economic systems to provide high quality of life to current generations without undermining the environmental resources necessary for high future generations to enjoy high quality of life. Unfortunately, our energy, food, transportation, production, and waste systems currently operate in ways that often aren't effectively meeting the needs of current generations and are

severely undermining the well-being of future generations. Institutions of higher education can play a critical role in solving sustainability challenges. In particular, higher education can empower students with the knowledge, skills, and motivation to design and implement sustainable systems. To be effective in this role, campuses must also operate as models sustainability, by, among other things, eliminating waste and using renewable resources instead of non-renewable ones.

our students are prepared for jobs in these fast growing green sectors.

**Question:** What does sustainability in higher education require?

**Answer:** Leadership and commitment. I was drawn here by the energy of our leadership team and the faculty, staff, and students. Although many colleges and universities have employees devoted to sustainability, only a handful report directly to the president and serve on the President's Council. Alfred State has



**Question:** Why is sustainability becoming such a big issue for colleges and universities?

**Answer:** A key role of higher education is to help solve problems, and, as organizations dedicated to preparing students to be responsible citizens, we have an obligation to do the right thing. As the world struggles with increasing demands for resources and declining natural resources – and the associated political, social, and economic ramifications – higher education has a responsibility to step up and take a leadership role. Higher education is also about preparing people for the jobs of the future and many of the fastest growing sectors of the economy – renewable energy, organic foods, and green building, have to do with sustainability. We want to make sure

been particularly progressive in adding sustainability to its applied technologies instruction where there is significant demand for employees who are knowledgeable about sustainability.

**Question:** What does sustainability involve?

**Answer:** Sustainability involves everyone and three things in particular: academics, operations, and culture. The 'greening' of academic programs, for instance, translates to jobs for students who choose to study green technologies. We see that with our 99% employment and transfer rate. The second thing is operations, which equates to leaner operations on campus. But, the third thing, culture, is most important of all. There has to be a culture that understands and embraces sustainability and acts accordingly.

**Question:** How are we adding a sustainability lens to programs, operations, and culture at Alfred State?

**Answer:** There will be programs coming soon that will help lock in engagement on all levels...a



sustainability minor, sustainability champions in each department and residence hall, large scale renewable energy generation, and more.

**Question:** What is STARS?

**Answer:** STARS is a rating system for measuring the success of sustainability efforts within colleges and universities. It provides a standardized way to track performance over time in comparison to other schools. Prior to STARS, which is a product of AASHE, there really wasn't a

Commitment so achieving our emissions reduction goals is a top priority. That will mean exploring options for large-scale renewable energy generation like solar, wind, and biomass. We're also going to be looking at ways to reduce emissions associated with commuting to and from campus. Employees will also have an important role to play - small things like turning off lights and appliances at night can add up to significant reductions. I want to make it easy for every department to know what to do and

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good way to do that, so every school had their own metrics but it didn't mean as much because there was no good point of reference or comparison to others. STARS collected input from colleges and universities to create a comprehensive metric for sustainability. Essentially, the STARS system requires an organization to answer a number of questions. The answers to the questions determine whether an organization will receive a rating of bronze, silver, gold, or platinum. The rating indicates how a campus stacks up to similar organizations in terms of energy use, food, and waste as well as curriculum, student life, and how much it has become part of the institutions culture. To learn how many schools have completed the AASHE STARS assessment (there are 10 other SUNY schools and hundreds of others that have done it), visit [www.stars.aashe.org](http://www.stars.aashe.org).

**Question:** What are going to be your key sustainability issues going forward?

**Answer:** My biggest focus is going to be reducing our carbon footprint. President Anderson is playing a leadership role in the American College & University Presidents' Climate

how to do it. In time, I see there being sustainability representatives in each department who will help make sure others in their departments know what to do. Also, in time, I plan to implement internal certification programs and internal competitions to raise the visibility of sustainability on campus.

### FOOTNOTE

Prior to his work with AASHE, Julian co-founded a social enterprise that produces biodiesel in Barbados, which he did while on a Fulbright Scholarship. He has an MBA and a master's degree in natural resources and the environment from the University of Michigan and a bachelor's degree in environmental studies from Lewis & Clark College.

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As our programs grow to include new technologies, Alfred State is also taking the lead on a SUNY initiative to create a clean energy consortium focused on developing innovative training programs for photovoltaic and small wind technology.

SUNYGREENSNY is a consortium that consists of members from Alfred State, the Association of Builders and Contractors (ABC), and six community college partners (Tompkins Cortland, Broome, Dutchess, Mohawk Valley, Sullivan, and Westchester) who work together to create a single statewide source for photovoltaic, solar thermal, geothermal, and wind energy technology training. The consortium is helping people like Alfred State alum Sean



Sean Kelley, '03/'10

Kelley to sharpen their skills by integrating renewable energy modules into existing courses of study. As a student in the electrical construction and maintenance electrician

program, Sean was able to combine a strong foundation in electrical training with renewable technology training.

Since earning his two-year degree, Sean now runs his own company designing and installing residential solar electric systems. Through Alfred State, he participated in the installation of two different photovoltaic systems at the U.S. National Arboretum in Washington, DC, earned certification from the North American Board of Certified Energy Professionals (NABCEP), and has worked on several renewable energy projects. He is also a NYSERDA-approved PV installer.

"As a business owner that designs and installs solar electric systems, I know that green technologies are here to stay and I know that translates to opportunity and jobs for students who are studying green technologies at Alfred State", says Kelley.

## Swapping Sawdust for Shred



# How Alfred is “Going Green”

## Swapping Sawdust for Shred

Gone are the days of sawdust and straw.

Today, the cows on the Alfred farm sit pretty atop beds of fresh-smelling shredded paper and cardboard.

It's a strange change for some, but it works well for the cows – and, it is adding up thousands of dollars of annual savings for the college.

It all started earlier this year when the farm started to have difficulty purchasing sawdust, a staple for cow bedding that costs up to \$25,000 for a year's supply. Meanwhile, the cost of shredding paper and cardboard was adding up to \$5,000 a year.

A decision was made to invest in an industrial shredder and reconfigure internal resources so the college could manage the more than 50 tons of shred it produces annually – then put it to good use on the farm.

For the cows, the shredding is absorbent and fresh so they stay warm, clean, and dry but, its ink is also soy-based so it is safe as well.

The project's modest investment will pay for itself within the year and will produce annual savings each year going forward.

## Drilling for Savings

Adding Geothermal Wells and Satellite Boilers for Big Savings

The mid 1960s were years of explosive growth for Alfred State. The original Allied Health building – now Physical and Health Sciences (PHS) – was erected in 1966 along with the Engineering Technology building and EJ Brown Hall. But, 46 years have passed since then.

Today, many of the features of these once new buildings have become obsolete. The heating and cooling systems, for example, now operate at 60% efficiency levels compared to green technologies, but a multi-year conversion plan to change all that is underway.

For starters, the old heating loop that connects buildings on the Alfred campus to a central heating plant (located across from the library) is being deconstructed. Each year, a building on campus will be removed from the loop and will be equipped with satellite boiler systems and photovoltaic technology that will convert solar energy into electricity.

Likewise, both the Student Leadership Center (SLC) – slated to open next fall – and the newly renovated PHS have been “greened” with geothermal fields containing more than 130 geothermal wells. These changes and others are expected to help the campus gain more than 30% efficiencies and could potentially add up to half a million dollars in energy savings per year.





## Zero Energy Demonstration Home Receives Top AASHE Award

The Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education (AASHE) has listed Alfred State as a leader among top colleges and universities to have highly innovative sustainability initiatives underway on campus.

Alfred State captured AASHE's attention with its case study on our Zero Energy Demonstration Home, located on the Wellsville campus. The case study, which was recognized at AASHE's award ceremony in Los Angeles in October, will be published in the December issue of *Sustainability: The Journal of Record* and can be accessed on the AASHE website at [www.aashe.org](http://www.aashe.org).

The other prestigious schools earning the AASHE honor include: the University of Wisconsin – Madison, Skidmore College, the University of British Columbia, and Owens Community College.

Constructed entirely by Building Trades students, the Zero Energy Home was built to National Association of Home Builders (NAHB) green building standards which include green building techniques for construction, energy efficiency, and renewable energy systems (geothermal, solar thermal, photovoltaic, and small wind). The project was funded primarily

by the Federal Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC).

Additionally, the home features a high-end monitoring and automation system that includes temperature sensors to the full depth of the geothermal wells, insolation monitoring adjacent to solar thermal and photovoltaic systems, and other monitoring and automation systems. These systems were funded by the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA). Today, the home operates as an open laboratory for the public and students.

As Paul Rowland, executive director of AASHE commented, "Sustainability in higher education is gaining momentum... colleges and universities are making a difference in advancing sustainability and are showing that higher education can lead the sustainability transformation."

AASHE, headquartered in Denver, is a leading sustainability resource for administrators, faculty, staff, and students involved in sustainability. Among its many offerings, AASHE provides invaluable resources, professional development, and sustainability metrics.



## How Does Your Garden Grow?

*Sharing lessons in sustainability in  
the Community Garden*

Tucked away behind the Vet Technology Building on Route 21 in Alfred is a very special place that's growing in popularity for faculty, staff, students, and Alfred residents alike – the Alfred Community Garden.

This one-acre garden was created in 2011 by members of Alfred State's Green Team. Assistant Professor Calista McBride, Sandra Dennison of ACES, and Barb Pierce of Student Activities worked with students who plotted and mapped the area using state-of-the-art GPS systems. They translated their plotting onto a topology map and then onto a garden plot sequence map which helped them identify the 103 garden plots which are now being used by anyone on campus or in the greater Alfred community who is interested in the cause of sustainable growing practices.

The purpose of the garden is to offer hands-on experiences in sustainable and organic agriculture techniques and to enable students and others to experience what it is like to produce food locally. The garden has a working high-tunnel, an apiary, and a compost area on space that has been generously allocated for use by the college.

Now finishing its second full year, the garden is managed by a board of directors and is actively seeking funding sources from the community and beyond.

The garden operates on donations from seed companies and local donors. The volunteer board of directors coordinates over 25 gardeners and nearly 90 devoted student volunteers.

To contribute to the garden, contact the Office for Institutional Advancement at (607) 587-3930 or to learn more, call Sandra Dennison, (607) 587-4069.



## Alfred State Named a NAFTC Training Center

Alfred State has been named the official training facility for the National Alternative Fuels Training Consortium (NAFTC) in New York State, joining 45 others around the country.

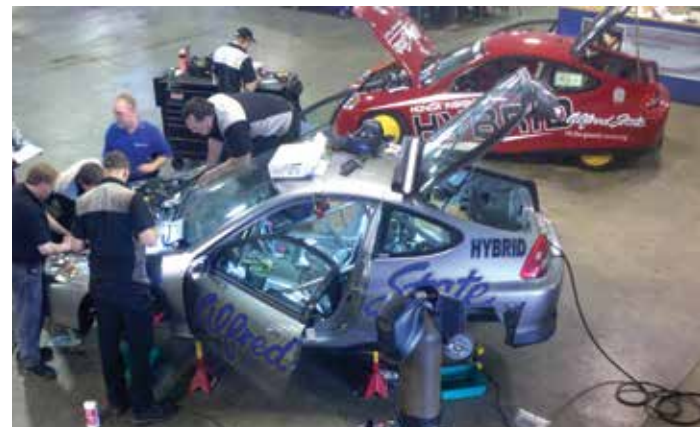
Alfred State was able to join the NAFTC in part due to a \$149,909 grant from the Appalachian Regional Commission that enabled the college to integrate alternative fuels technology into the Automotive Trades program.

The development of a resulting alternative fuels laboratory, centered on the Wellsville campus, provides the program and the students with the opportunity to learn about and investigate these fuels for use in autobody, diesel, and more traditional automotive settings. Students are not only trained on the details of using these fuels, but also research how to maximize their efficiency with the intention of discovering ways to make them more accessible. This knowledge is invaluable for their work after graduation, as alternative fuel vehicle usage is on the rise. The training has also led the college to victories at the Green Grand Prix, the only road rally designated for fuel efficient, alternative fuel, and hybrid vehicles in the U.S.

Alfred State's relationship with NAFTC has also allowed the program to network at the national level, including a visit to Tesla Motors, a leader in electric vehicle development and construction, in California. In addition to networking with motor companies, representatives from the college have presented at the Interstate Renewable Energy Council Clean Energy Workforce Education Workshop, the American Association of Community Colleges Workforce Development Institute, and at the 2011 Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education conference.

The alternative fuels laboratory fleet now includes: two first-generation Honda Insights (including the 2003 Insight that won at the Green Grand Prix in 2011), a 2011 Honda Insight, a 2009 Chevrolet Malibu Hybrid (modified to run on compressed natural gas), a 2010 Ford Fusion Hybrid, a 2009 Toyota Prius (modified to be a plug-in hybrid), and the extended range, electric 2012 Chevrolet Volt.

Both the alternative fuels laboratory and the Automotive Trades program reflect the college's commitment to integrating sustainability education into its programs, and further the mission of reducing its carbon footprint and training students to succeed in a global green economy. Alfred State will also serve as host of the "Innovations in Technical Education to Advance Sustainability" conference from June 6-8, 2013, focusing on networking with a diverse range of education and sustainability professionals. Learn more about the conference and register at [www.alfredstate.edu/2013-sustainability-conference](http://www.alfredstate.edu/2013-sustainability-conference).



## Successful run at Bonneville Salt Flats



Thirteen students and four faculty members from the Automotive Trades Department joined more than 500 competitors at the famous Bonneville Salt Flats in Wendover, Utah, earlier this month to attempt to break the land speed record for one liter automobiles. The Alfred State team succeeded in achieving a peak speed of just over 110 mph using a modified Honda Insight Hybrid donated by Alfred alumnus, Bob Couse, Automotive Service '74.

The event marks the first time the Alfred team has competed at Bonneville Salt Flats, and it was the culminating event for students who worked on modifications to the vehicle for months in advance of the intense project-based learning project.



## Working with BP on Solar Telemetry Project

Electrical trades students are working closely with professionals at Atlantic Richfield (AR), a BP-affiliated company with operations in Wellsville. Students are designing, installing, and maintaining a solar-powered telemetry system which was designed to monitor water levels at a wetland treatment system created by AR at the old Sinclair Refinery near the Wellsville campus.

AR professionals decided to harness the power of natural processes into the wetland treatment which is situated along the Genesee River using sustainable, environmentally-friendly methods to clean groundwater instead of traditional, energy-intensive mechanical systems.

The company needed an energy source to run their automated telemetry system in order to monitor the water levels in the three vertical wetland treatment cells. They liked the idea of using solar technologies because it allowed them to carry on their commitment to sustainable technologies, but they were sold on the idea when they realized the project was located next to Alfred State and one of the top solar technician training programs in the country. As a result, Alfred students are working closely with professionals in the field and are getting hands on experience on a real solar project, prototyping and installing a system that will provide educational opportunities for years to come.

## Alfred State Becomes Partner in CeCet

Alfred State is partnering with the Center for Evaluation of Clean Energy Technology (CeCeT) which is implementing a photovoltaic (PV) and wind equipment test facility.

The new PV and wind test centers will operate as the core of CeCeT's network of renewable energy resources. CeCeT is funded by a \$4.2 million grant from New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA) with Intertek, a leading international quality assurance testing company.

"The ability of the college to participate in building the infrastructure for solar and wind testing and certification in the region is exciting and will expand the knowledge of our faculty and students in cutting-edge renewable energy technology," remarked Craig Clark, executive director and dean of the School of Applied Technology.

Alfred State was written into the grant as the workforce development partner. The college joins AWS TruePower of Albany, Binghamton University, Clarkson University, and the Rochester Institute of Technology as partners in this venture with Intertek that has formed the Center. CeCet will allow clean energy technology initiatives and testing to be more accessible in the region, especially to local manufacturers that seek certification for marketing.





## Fogarty Awarded President's Medallion

College Council Chair Patricia K. Fogarty has been awarded Alfred State's highest honor, the prestigious President's Medallion. This distinction recognizes individuals who have made outstanding contributions to Alfred State.

"The support Pat Fogarty has given the college over the years is immeasurable. It has enabled us to flourish as an institution and to prepare students to shape the world of tomorrow in powerful and meaningful ways," said President John M. Anderson, PhD. "We thank her and recognize her with this award, but most of all we honor her for being such a tremendous role model for Alfred State students."

Fogarty's dedication to Alfred State began in 1984 when she was appointed to the Alfred State College Council by former Governor Mario Cuomo, serving on the Council until 2001. From 1993 to 2000 she served as chair of the Alfred State College Council. She has been a member of the Board of Directors of the Educational Foundation of Alfred and Board of Directors of the Alfred State Development Fund. In 2001, she received the Alfred State Outstanding Service Award, and in 2008, she was reappointed to the College Council and assumed the position of Council chair.

A 26-year resident of Allegany County, Fogarty began her career as a graduate of the Catholic University of America in Washington, DC, where she earned a bachelor's degree and a Juris Doctor degree. She began the practice of law in Belmont, NY, in 1974, where she remained in general trial practice until 2008.

In 1983, an experienced attorney in criminal law, she was appointed District Attorney of Allegany County, a position she held for eight months, and a period which included the prosecution of a major homicide. Her experience also includes involvement in various environmental issues. In 2008, she became the full-time First Assistant Public Defender for the County.

A former president of the Allegany County Bar Association, Fogarty was instrumental in the inception of the Pro Bono Committee of the County Bar Association. She served as chair of the Bar Association's Court Facilities Committee for a number of years. From 1987 to 1992, Fogarty was a member of the Grievance Committee of the Eighth Judicial District. In 1993, she was honored by the New York State Bar Association for her efforts in securing legal services to the poor.

Her extensive history of civic activities includes her service, beginning in 1979, when she joined the Board of Directors of the Southern

Tier Legal Services. She served in this position until 2002. For a five year period, she was president of the Board. From 1980 to 1998 she was chair of the Catholic Charities Appeal in Allegany County. From 1999 to the present, she has been regional coordinator of Allegany and Cattaraugus Counties of the Catholic Charities Appeal. In 2006, she was appointed to the Board of Trustees of Catholic Charities of Western New York. Currently, she is secretary of that Board.

Fogarty serves as a member of the Board of Directors of Allegany County United Way and Southern Tier Traveling Teachers. In March of 2001, she was awarded the 2001 Profiles in Courage Award of the Task Force to Renew the Democratic Party. On May 14, 2011, she was honored by the Committee on Women in the Courts and the Local and Specialty Bar Associations of the Eighth Judicial District for "outstanding leadership, dedicated commitment and services, which have significantly impacted the legal profession, women in law, and the Western New York Community."

## Anderson Named to Steering Committee of Presidents' Climate Commitment

President John M. Anderson, PhD, has been named to the Steering Committee of the American College & University Presidents' Climate Commitment (ACUPCC). Anderson joins over 20 other college presidents and chancellors in serving on the primary governance body of the organization.

In addition to being named to the Steering Committee, Anderson will also serve on the ACUPCC's Higher Education Climate Adaptation Committee. This group of six to 12 experts and leaders will focus on evaluating the role of higher education institutions in climate adaptation, not only in their operations but in their ability to be trustworthy, unbiased sources for educating their communities about sustainability and climate adaptation.

The connection will strengthen Alfred State's ties to other institutions with similar sustainability initiatives, allowing the college to serve as an example of sustainability in action.

## Alfred State Embraces America's Military

Alfred State has been named to the coveted Military Friendly Schools® list by Victory Media, the premier media entity for military personnel transitioning into civilian life.



"Inclusion on this prestigious listing confirms our commitment to providing service men and women with a supportive learning environment for their transition into civilian life," said President Anderson.



## Sustainability Conference

### Sustainability Efforts Earn STARS Bronze Rating

Alfred State has received a bronze rating for sustainability achievements under the Sustainability Tracking, Assessment & Rating System (STARS).



STARS is the primary tool used to assess sustainability in higher education. It was developed by the Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education (AASHE) and was designed to measure and encourage sustainability in all aspects of higher education.

“Our STARS report pulls together the many sustainability initiatives underway and provides a way of communicating about our efforts to the campus as well as interested members of the community”, said Julian Dautremont-Smith, Alfred State’s chief sustainability officer. “We will also be using it as a baseline from which to measure progress over time.”

STARS requires public reporting of a comprehensive dataset related to sustainability performance including education and research; operations; and planning, administration, and engagement.

Unlike other rating or ranking systems, STARS is open to all institutions of higher education in the United States and Canada, and the criteria that determine a STARS rating can be easily accessed by anyone. Based on credits earned, STARS allows for comparisons with similar institutions.

“Benchmarking with peer institutions helps us to understand where we are doing well and where there is room for improvement,” said Dautremont-Smith.



Alfred State welcomed keynote speakers Dr. Mitchell Thomashow and Dr. Debra Rowe to the college’s conference on sustainability.

### Create. Innovate. Network.

Seventy-five professionals from across the country participated in the “Innovations in Technical Education to Advance Sustainability” conference which was held for the first time on the Alfred campus this summer. This event is expected to grow annually as Alfred State increases its prominence as a leader in sustainability.

The conference was sponsored by New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA), Corning Inc., and BP. Speakers included leaders in Sustainability Education and Economic Development (SEED) Initiative, Advanced Energy Training Institute, and the Community College Alliance for Sustainability. Featured speakers included Dr. Debra Rowe, president of the US Partnership for Education for Sustainable Development and professor of energy management, renewable energy technology, and psychology at Oakland Community College in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan; and Dr. Mitchell Thomashow, director of the Second Nature Presidential Fellows Program and former president of Unity College in Maine.

Additionally, the conference featured 22 other panel discussions or presentations, including discussions on implementation of sustainability curricula and programs at other institutions, the role of college farms, sustainability in construction/deconstruction techniques, sustainability initiatives in coal country, working with high schools on renewable energy programs, game design/creation/play for teaching sustainability principles, and the monitoring of renewable energy systems.

### Alfred State Named to U.S. News and World Report’s Best Colleges

Alfred State ranks no. 7 among top public schools/regional colleges (north) according to the most recent *U.S. News and World Report’s* 2013 Best Colleges report for the second year in a row.

Additionally, Alfred State ranked no. 23 on the list of top regional colleges in the North, up from the no. 25 spot last year. Alfred State was also included in the rankings of those colleges with the

highest average freshman retention rate, coming in at 74 percent. These figures represent a gain over previous year’s rankings.

*U.S. News and World Report’s* annual ranking studies more than 1,600 schools nationwide and is the most trusted and comprehensive research tool students and parents look to when considering higher education choices.



## Long-time leaders in educational excellence and administration recognized with promotions



**Dr. Stephen Havlovic**, named provost and vice president for academic affairs. Havlovic, who joined Alfred State in 2010, previously served as vice president of academic affairs at Alfred State. As provost, he is now responsible for a 250-member professional staff, including 150 faculty, and a \$15.5 million annual budget. Havlovic oversees the schools of Arts and Sciences, Architecture, Management and Engineering Technology, and Applied Technology. He is a member of the SUNY Chancellor's Transition Team for Academic Excellence.

Prior to joining Alfred State, Havlovic was dean of the School of Business at SUNY Institute of Technology (Utica/Rome), and served as professor of human resource management. He also served in administrative and teaching capacities at the University of Wisconsin – Whitewater; Simon Fraser University (Burnaby, British Columbia); and the University of Wisconsin – Oshkosh. Additionally, Havlovic has held international visiting academic appointments at the Université des Sciences et Technologies de Lille (France) and DePaul University (Poland & Czechoslovakia). He is a Canada Trust Distinguished Teacher, and an award-winning author on the topic of coping with work-related stress.

Havlovic holds a doctorate in labor and human resources, a MLHR in industrial relations and personnel management, and a bachelor's degree in economics from The Ohio State University.



**Valerie Nixon**, promoted to executive vice president – Nixon joined Alfred State in 1987 serving first as director of financial aid. She assumed the role of vice president in 2005. In her new role, she oversees Alfred State's \$44 million budget and is responsible for the college's Administration and Enrollment Division. She oversees admissions, student records and financial services, business affairs, human resources, facilities, the document center, and a staff of 177 employees.

Prior to joining Alfred State, Nixon was assistant director of financial aid at Alfred University. She held the same title at Rochester Institute of Technology and had worked as financial aid counselor at SUNY Brockport.

The recipient of several professional awards, Nixon has earned the Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Professional Service, the NYSFAAA (New York State Financial Aid Administrator's Association) Founder's Award, and has twice been named a recipient of the NYSFAAA Region 2 Service Award, and the SUNYFAP (State University of New York Financial Aid Professionals) Bill Troy Service Award, the highest honor that organization bestows.

Nixon holds a bachelor's degree in business administration from SUNY Fredonia and a master's degree in community services administration from Alfred University. She serves as secretary and treasurer for SUNY Chief Enrollment Officers group and is secretary for SUBOA (State University Business Officers Association). Additionally, she is a member of two SUNY Committees: Financial Literacy and Cost of College and a new member of the SUNY Enrollment Management Committee.

## Chancellor's Award Winners



**Norm Ellis**, associate professor in building trades,

received the Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching, the highest possible performance reviews from students and colleagues. One-on-one instruction, hands-on education, and intense lab work characterize Ellis's classroom, and students note his instruction as challenging and exciting. Ellis advises the New York State Skills USA club and helped found the Alfred State Habitat for Humanity club.



**Jeffrey Stevens**, associate professor in electrical

trades, received the Chancellor's Award for Faculty Service. Held in high regard by students, faculty, and administration alike, Stevens continually devotes his time and creativity to the college and community. He has been nationally recognized for his leadership of students in designing and installing the first solar-powered irrigation system at the U.S. National Arboretum in Washington, DC.



**Sue Cole**, secretary, School of Arts and Sciences, received the

Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Classified Service. Cole's vast knowledge and experience help students, parents, faculty, and staff on a daily basis. Recognized for her excellence and service, Cole also serves on numerous campus committees, including Honors Convocation and Clerical Professional Development.



**Gregory Sammons**, chief of the University Police

department, received the Chancellor's Award for Professional Service. Sammons is integral to Alfred State's student leadership and student civic engagement initiatives. He has led his department to receive prestigious departmental accreditation with the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services, developed curriculum for campus emergency preparedness, and trained personnel, producing a training video that was shared with other SUNY units. Additionally, he has helped facilitate grants that allowed Alfred State to acquire new emergency sirens.





**Wayne Bensley,**  
associate  
professor,  
Physical and Life

Sciences Department, was one of 18 people nationwide who was recently selected to attend the Nucleic Acid Chemistry workshop at Georgia State University in Atlanta. This workshop is a part of the National Science Foundation-sponsored Chemistry Collaborations, Workshops and Communities of Scholars (cWCWS) program. The cWCWS program provides support for science, technology, engineering, and mathematics education through workshops for faculty from two- and four-year colleges and universities.



**Tammy Brackett,**  
assistant  
professor,

computer imaging and architectural engineering technology, was invited to sit on a panel to award a National Endowment for the Arts grant to four artists, offering them the support for a residency at the Institute for Electronic Art (IEA) at Alfred University. This marks the beginning of a collaborative relationship between Alfred State's digital media and animation curriculum and the IEA which will enable digital media and animation faculty to interact from the artists in residence.



**Jen Bremser,**  
assistant  
professor of  
psychology,

has contributed to an article that was published recently by *Evolutionary Psychology*. Bremser's work was also cited in the online version of the popular magazine, *Psychology Today*. Bremser's research which was featured in the article found that disordered eating and negative evaluation anxiety were associated with a cognitive style that displays greater empathizing (drive to understand another person's mental state and respond with appropriate emotion) at the expense of systemizing (the ability to infer the if-then correlational rules that govern complex systems). The findings suggest that the sex differences observed in the rates autism and eating disorders, may reflect underlying differences in the functioning of the social brain.



**Jayne E. Swanson, PhD,**  
associate vice  
president for

academic affairs, was recently elected to serve as the Vice President for the Association for Institutional Research & Planning. She was also elected to serve on the WNY College Connection Faculty Development Executive Committee, and she completed the WNY College Connection Women's Leadership Institute.



**Craig Clark, PE,** executive  
director and dean  
of the School of

Applied Technology, served as a guest panelist at the Workforce Development Institute (WDI), presented by the American Association of Community Colleges (AACC). Clark and three others discussed the foundational standards for renewable energy and energy efficiency training, and how national assessment and goal attainments can demonstrate a college's commitment to green initiatives. Alfred State was highlighted as a national model at this session.



**Rex Olson, PhD,** director  
of counseling  
services,

recently published Remarks on "Psychology as STEM Discipline and Logos of the Soul: The Critical Necessity of the Humanities for Psychological Science" in *The Humanistic Psychologist*. He also presented a poster session on "The 'Naked Truth' Between Derrida and Lacan: The Subject of Philosophy in the Text of Psychoanalysis," at the American Psychological Association, Orlando earlier this summer.



**Earl Packard, PhD,** chair,  
mathematics  
and physics

department, was selected to participate in the annual reading and scoring of the College Board's Advanced Placement Examinations for the 10th year in a row.



**Jeffrey Patronek,**  
assistant  
professor,

building trades, was recognized by Oklahoma State University and the International Ground Source Heat Pump Association (IGSHPA) for earning a test score of 99 out of 100 on an exam administered by North American Technician Excellence. Patronek earned IGSHPA certification and is now accredited to install qualified renewable energy systems.



**Terry Tucker, PhD,** dean  
of the School  
of Arts and

Sciences, and Julian Dautremont-Smith, chief sustainability officer, have been appointed to the Western New York regional planning team of the Cleaner, Greener Communities Program (CGC). The initiative is administered by the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA). The second phase of the CGC program, set to launch in 2013, involves funding for specific projects aimed at reduced carbon emissions, energy savings, and renewable energy initiatives. NYSERDA will award approximately \$90 million on a competitive basis to sustainability projects that are consistent with the submitted plans.



**Ron Rhoades, PhD,** assistant  
professor of  
business and

curriculum coordinator, financial planning, recently authored a new book, *My Success Journal: Propel Yourself to Greater Success in College, Business and Life*. This workbook provides 12 weeks of exercises which serve to enhance students' abilities to succeed.



**Hollie Hall** has  
been promoted  
to senior director  
of health and

wellness services. In this position, Hall oversees health services, counseling services, and the director of student affairs on the Wellsville Campus.

Hall joined the counseling services staff in 2007 as a counselor, and has served as executive assistant to the president, interim director of student services on the Wellsville campus, and interim senior director of health and wellness services.

Prior to joining the college, Hall worked as a clinical counselor at the Counseling Center in Wellsville and as a sociotherapist at Crestwood Children's Center in Rochester. She has a master's degree in education from Alfred University and a bachelor's degree from SUNY Brockport.



# HOME COMING

## FAMILY WEEKEND



Hundreds of people turned out with gusto for this year's annual Homecoming weekend.

Features included the talent show 'Alfred has Talent' which turned out to be one of the most impressive shows ever, showcasing a dazzling display of talent from students, alumni, faculty/staff, and the musical styling of President John Anderson.

The weekend also had one of our best Hall of Fame induction ceremonies ever -- with the entire 1994 softball team and all five inductees in attendance.

On Saturday morning, local dignitaries turned out to celebrate our ribbon-cutting ceremonies for the Center for Organic and Sustainable Agriculture and the newly renovated Physical and Health Sciences building, formerly Allied Health (see page 20). Then, teams of people headed straight to the tailgate party where ACES sold a record 550 meals before the game.

Fans enjoyed the tailgate and a fall themed carnival before the game against Globe Institute of Technology. And, Orvis -- Alfred State's new mascot -- made his big debut at the game. Named after Paul B. Orvis who was president of Alfred State in the 1950s, our mascot Orvis brings energy and excitement everywhere he goes so watch for him at upcoming sports and campus events.

Our football team made a valiant effort and a solid comeback in the second half but ultimately took a 27-17 loss on what turned out to be a crisp fall day.

In all, the weekend included more than 19 events from the Race for a Cure 5K Run/Walk (which earned \$800 for Carly's Club and Roswell Cancer Park) to our victorious women's soccer team who took an 8-0 win over Roberts Wesleyan JV to make 15 straight wins. In men's soccer, our team took a 6-1 win over Roberts Wesleyan JV and in other sports, alumni teamed up against our current team for a game of lacrosse while the fraternities were beaten by the sororities during Greek Family Feud.

Look for our homecoming/family weekend photo album at [www.flickr.com/photos/alfredstatecollege/](http://www.flickr.com/photos/alfredstatecollege/).









## Students Depart for Semester in the South

Fourteen Alfred State Building Trades students are completing a 12-week project-based learning assignment in Mississippi and Louisiana this fall as part of a popular Semester in the South program led by associate professor, Building Trades, Norm Ellis of Alfred State's School of Applied Technology

As this year's team of students departed, they were met with hurricane conditions which delayed their travel and start date; however, the team quickly made up for time. They spent the first six-weeks building homes in Biloxi, Mississippi, with Habitat for Humanity and are ending their semester with six-weeks in Louisiana where they are renovating the Dodwell House in the City's Spanish quadrant.

"This is a semester of service that takes project-based learning and civic engagement to an extreme," said Ellis. "This isn't just a road trip – it's a unique opportunity to make a difference in communities, to experience the world, and to solve real-world problems in real-world situations."

Student Seth Preston of Angelica said he was certain he was going spend a semester in service when he learned about the opportunity as a freshman. "It's an adventure," said Preston, "and I am all for that." Classmate Sean Richardson said he was hooked on the idea as a freshman as well.

"Volunteers come from all walks but on a Habitat project, the people who know building skills can take the lead. I think we are going to be able to take on a leadership role and that's the part that appeals to me," said Richardson. "This is our chance to apply what we know to the real world and make a difference."

While in Biloxi, students stayed in modest accommodations and interact with the members of the community. Likewise, in New Orleans their experience was enriched by staying at the Dodwell House in quarters of the run-down mansion that were once used to house slaves. The Dodwell House is part of the Episcopal Diocese in New Orleans. Once it is renovated, it will be used as a much needed community center in the Spanish quadrant of the City of New Orleans.

This is the third year that Alfred State students have journeyed to the Southern states to apply their knowledge, gain valuable hands on learning, and make a difference in struggling communities.



## Fireball Run makes Pit Stop in Wellsville



On September 24, the colorful cast of Fireball Run Northern Exposure motored onto the Wellsville campus as part of their cross-country road rally to save missing children. To greet them, culinary arts and baking students on the Wellsville campus had prepared a gourmet lunch for the more than 80 drivers and 45 support staff who were welcomed as part of a planned visit coordinated by the Greater Allegany Chamber of Commerce and Allegany County Tourism.

Local dignitaries and media were on hand for the event while the sights, sounds, and colorful interviews from the day were streamed live. Headquartered inside Studio 22A at Universal Studios, Fireball Run annually sponsors and films its popular road race event which features a fun cast of characters driving unique automobiles. The event lasts for eight days, covers 2,000 miles, and showcases interesting cities and towns across America along the way.





# Students Make a Difference

## Project-Based Learning continues in Haiti



Since the 2010 earthquake in Haiti, 64 Alfred State students in the college's veterinary technology, building trades, and nursing programs have traveled to Haiti to volunteer and learn as part of our widely-recognized project-based learning initiative. Earlier this summer, the two most recent groups of students to travel to Haiti – 24 students in all – completed 10 days of work-intensive learning at the Haiti Health Ministry in Leogane.

"The nursing and veterinary technology students worked in clinics while our building trades students completed much needed excavation and concrete work," said Alfred State's Doug Pierson, assistant professor of Agriculture & Veterinary Technology. "It was a powerful experience. No text book or lecture could have taught them what they learned from their experience in Haiti. Best of all, the contribution they made will be felt for years to come."

Alfred State's unique focus of hands-on, project-based learning is rooted in the concepts of civic engagement and sustainability and provides the foundation for all learning at Alfred State.

**Above:** Nursing students l-r: Gurvinder Kaur and Sunnie Day assist Dr. Jim Wilkens in examining a patient in Haiti.

**Right:** Veterinary Technology student Erin Baum examines a horse for a Haitian farmer.



## Students Begin Construction on New Demonstration Home in Alfred

Building Trades and Electrical Trades students broke ground on a new facility this fall which will become a showcase of green technologies and programs at Alfred State.

Located on Route 244 just south of the College Farm, this 7,800 square foot facility will feature state-of-the-art geothermal and solar technologies. Building Trades Chair Joe Richardson is overseeing the project which will take three years to complete. During that time, students will complete nearly every aspect of construction and will follow National Association of Home Builders (NAHB) green building standards as part of a rich project-based learning experience.

When complete, the residence will double as an entertaining/meeting facility for small events and will be an impressive focal point on the Alfred campus.

## Ribbon-cutting Ceremonies Mark New Beginnings

Two historic ribbon-cutting ceremonies for Alfred State and the School of Arts and Sciences took place October 13, during Homecoming Weekend. The first was a ribbon-cutting celebration for the new Center for Organic and Sustainable Agriculture (COSA) at the College Farm. This facility is unlike any other of its kind and makes Alfred State one of only four colleges in the nation that provide organic and traditional instruction. A separate event marked the completion of the newly renovated Physical and Health Sciences Building (PHS), formerly Allied Health. This facility features state-of-the-art classrooms and science laboratories, one of which was dedicated to Alfred State alum Thomas M. Blackwell (Class of 1985). Blackwell, who is currently the Laboratory Director of the U.S. Department of Justice in New York City, was on hand for the event. Both building projects are exciting examples of the transformation that is underway at Alfred State and both events were attended by President John M. Anderson, Dean Terry Tucker of the School of Arts and Sciences, faculty, staff, students, alumni, and special friends of the college including State University of New York Trustee Eunice A. Lewin, NYS Senator Catharine Young (R,C,I – Olean), Congressman Tom Reed (R-29th District), and College Council Chair Patricia K. Fogarty. Retired professors Arthur Gaisser (biology) and Wallace “Pete” MacDonald (agriculture) were also on hand to share their special insights of the changes and direction that is underway for Alfred State going forward.



Above: SUNY Trustee Lewin speaks at the COSA ribbon-cutting ceremony. At left, l-r, Tucker, Reed, SUNY Trustee Eunice Lewin, Anderson, Young, Fogarty, and Professor Wallace “Pete” MacDonald (retired) cut the ceremonial ribbon for COSA.



Above, Congressman Reed presents President Anderson with a Certificate of Special Congressional Recognition for the completion of both building projects.



Above, a celebration for the PHS building takes place with (from left) Professor Arthur Gaisser (retired), College Council Chair Pat Fogarty, Congressman Tom Reed, President John Anderson, NYS Senator Catharine Young, and Dean Terry Tucker overseeing the ceremonial ribbon-cutting.

At right, l-r: Professor Mark Amman with alum Thomas Blackwell (Class of 1985) and President Anderson at the dedication of the Thomas M. Blackwell Lab.





## Online Bachelor's Program Technology Management, BBA

For working professionals, the convenience of online degree programs seems to hold the key to earning an advanced degree and achieving career success, but finding the right online program is a challenge.

"By making our BBA in technology management an online offering, we've made a popular degree program even better by adding online convenience," said Francine Staba, associate professor of business and department chair.

Four years ago, when the School of Architecture, Management & Engineering Technology developed its BBA in technology management, the intention was to create a unique program that would enable students with a technical or associate's degree to leverage their educational foundation and create a targeted path to an advanced degree.

"When graduates enter the workforce, many immediately see where they want go next and what they need to get there," said Staba.

Graduates with technical degrees, for example, often envision themselves running a small-to-medium size business in their area of study, managing a department or division, or even owning their own business.

In the BBA for technology management, students choose from upper-division directed electives that offer the management, administrative, and technological course work that's needed for success in today's highly competitive marketplace.

Since the technology management program first debuted in 2006, enrollment has steadily increased. Its online version launched in September with a full class of students, among them Alfred State technical and associate degree students and transfer students from a number of area community colleges.

"The program itself is extremely relevant and innovative; making it available online just makes it even more desirable," added Staba. At this point, the online offering is so new potential students are learning about it through word of mouth. "We are taking it slow as we roll out the online offering but there's a buzz about this program that is causing interest and excitement. We really believe this is a two-plus-two program that has it all."

To learn more, contact the Admissions Office via email at [admissions@alfredstate.edu](mailto:admissions@alfredstate.edu) or call 1-800-4-ALFRED.



### New Bachelor's Degree in Architecture

Alfred State's School of Architecture, Management and Engineering Technology is now offering a bachelor of architecture (BArch) degree and is accepting new students for fall 2013 enrollment.

The bachelor of architecture degree joins two other architecture programs: associate of applied science degree in architectural engineering technology and a bachelor of science in architectural technology.

Students will receive a comprehensive architectural education, providing them with in-depth knowledge of construction, materials, light, and the overall design of architecture. Upon graduation, they will be prepared for a successful entrance into the field, including experience in sustainable architecture, urban design, adaptive reuse and historic preservation, and other related concentrations pertaining to business, interior design, construction management, or digital media and animation.

# Hall of Fame Class 2012

The Alfred State athletic department inducted five new members into the hall of fame during Homecoming/Family Weekend festivities this fall



*Hall of Fame Class: l-r: Dunn, Corsi, Mulcahy, Dominguez, and Feldman*

**Kathy Feldman** left a legacy of excellence at Alfred State during her thirty plus years working at the college. During her time she wore numerous hats serving as a physical education instructor, volleyball coach, softball coach, and athletic director.

During her leadership, the college saw significant facility upgrades including the building of Pioneer Stadium, new baseball and softball fields, refurbishments to the Orvis gymnasium, the fitness center, and the athletic training room. On the field, three Pioneer teams won NJCAA national championships and the college hosted national championships (cross country, softball, and track & field) events as well as countless regional championships.

**Larry Mulcahy** was one of the most prolific scorers in Alfred State basketball history. He etched his way into the record book while scoring from all over the court and fighting through double-teams, zones, and pressure defense.

As the co-captain of the 1976-77 team, Mulcahy put together one of the most

impressive scoring seasons in program history. He scored 742 points during the campaign and finished with nine Alfred State scoring records including most points in a game, 56. His 742 points currently is 2nd all-time in program history. His 28.5 points per game average was 6th in the nation and led him to being named NJCAA All-American, 1st team All-Region, and MVP of his team.

**Jodie Corsi** was a key ingredient to the only Region III championship softball team in Alfred State history. She led the Lady Pioneers to the NJCAA Division III World Series with dominating performances inside the pitcher's circle.

During the regional championship season, Corsi earned decisions in 15 of the teams 19 games. She finished the 1994 season with an 11-4 overall record in 105 innings of work. She struck out 32 batters and had a 1.46 ERA. For her solid season, she was recognized by Region III by being named 1st team All-Region.

**David Dominguez** is one of the most decorated distance runners in Alfred State history. He ran to All-American honors in cross country, indoor track & field, and outdoor track & field.

During his cross country career, Dominguez ran to All-American honors both seasons. He finished 14th overall as a freshman at the NJCAA DII national championships to earn honorable mention honors. During his sophomore year, he finished 2nd overall at the nationals and helped the team to a 3rd place finish in the nation.

On the track, Dominguez ran to All-American honors during both the indoor and outdoor seasons. He is currently still ranked #1 in the Alfred State indoor record book in the 4x800 relay, the sprint medley relay, and the distance medley relay. In the outdoor record book, he is currently ranked #2 in the 4x800 relay.

**Kurt Dunn** vaulted his way into the Alfred State and NJCAA record books during his career at Alfred State. Dunn won back-to-back NJCAA Division III outdoor national championships and back to back Region III titles in the pole vault.

In 2003, he won the NJCAA DIII national championships with a vault of 4.69m and in 2004 he won the national championship with a new championship meet record of 4.96 m.

Dunn also went to consecutive NJCAA indoor national championships. In 2003, he finished in 3rd place (15'3.75") and in 2004 he took 5th place honors. Dunn remains the all-time leader in Alfred State history for his performances during the indoor season (16') and outdoor season (4.98 m).



## Softball Team Honored at Homecoming

The 1994 Alfred State softball team was honored at the Hall of Fame ceremony during Homecoming/Family Weekend.

The '94 team coached by Gina Boyd is the only softball team in program history to win a Region III title. The Lady Pioneers won the Region III title with a 14-5 record. They advanced to the NJCAA National Championships in Hutchinson, Kansas, where they battled and lost two tough games.

### The members of the team included:

Jodie Corsi  
Heidi Dobson  
Deena Drake  
Vicki Edwards  
Amy Hast  
Darcie Loper  
Kristi Loper  
Lisa Mignone  
Shannon Nicholson  
Cassie Olds  
Ann Peangatelli  
Darcie Stewart  
Kathy Feldman, assistant coach

Alfred State began honoring teams as part of their Hall of Fame ceremonies in 2009 and the 1994 softball team is the fourth to be honored and the first female team.



Former Alfred State and Temple University wide receiver Rod Streater became the first Pioneer to play in a regular season NFL game when he started at wide receiver for the Oakland Raiders in the team's season opener.

Streater, a non-drafted free agent signee, earned a spot on the Raider roster after making 18 catches during the preseason. He was so impressive during the preseason that he earned a starting wide receiver spot for opening night. Through his first four games wearing the silver and black, he had eight catches for 68 yards and one score.

Alfred State football coach Mick Caba said "It is extremely rewarding to see Rod play and enjoy the success he is having in the NFL. I am personally very close to Rod and have worked closely with him and his agent throughout his draft and free agent experience. To know how hard Rod has worked to get here tonight makes this extra special. Rod is so deserving of this opportunity."

During his two years at Temple, Streater caught 49 passes for 882 yards and seven scores. This follows a 2009 season at Alfred State where he caught 24 passes for 539 yards and six scores. During his freshman season wearing the blue & gold, Streater played safety on the defensive side of the ball and picked up 20 tackles and picked off two passes.

Being on the Raiders culminates a wild offseason ride for Streater that started with pre-draft workouts and the NFL draft. "The draft days were pretty crazy. A lot of teams called me and said they wanted to draft me in the late rounds. I sat down with my agent during the draft and we wrote down all the teams I would like to play for just in case I did go as a free agent. After the draft ended, numerous teams were calling but by then I already had made my choice."

Caba knows the impact of Streater's success for the college. "The biggest message Rod's success in the NFL sends to our players in the football program and in the athletic department is that with hard work, dedication, and believing in your dreams, anything is possible. You've just got to keep believing and if your opportunity comes, you need to be ready."

Former Pioneer football players Lyonel Anderson and LeRoy Collins played in NFL preseason games but never played in a regular season contest. ■



## Hal Howard Establishes Endowed Scholarship

Harold "Hal" Howard, electrical communications, Class of 1969, generously created the Hal Howard Electrical Engineering Technology Gamma Theta Gamma Annual Scholarship earlier this year to assist current and/or new students entering the electrical engineering technology program at Alfred State. Howard, who lives in Alabama, attended this year's Gamma Theta Gamma reunion where he spoke of the many ways his Alfred State experience shaped his life.

## Workforce Development Fundraising Update

As construction on the Workforce Development building on the Wellsville campus continues, students are getting a rare opportunity to see a large scale commercial project take place before their eyes. While some students have been completing work on the concrete block walls for the first floor walls, electrical students are working on high bay lights, and air conditioning and heating students are installing most of the first floor heat pumps, along with piping and ductwork for geothermal systems. The bathrooms on the first floor are also being installed by students and the building trades students are working on the metal framed office spaces.

Recently completed projects include second floor decking and geothermal vertical wells.

In all, over \$1.8 million has been invested in the construction to date with the help of industry donations, grants, and the Educational Foundation of Alfred, Inc. The college is in need of additional funds to stay on track with completion of the project using this as a student project.



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As you think about your goals and desires for your estate and how you want to make a difference, consider including Alfred State in your estate plans.

A bequest to Alfred State costs you nothing during your lifetime, it can lower estate taxes, and a bequest can easily be revised or revoked if plans or circumstances change. Moreover, the flexible nature of bequests allows you to leave an exact amount or percentage of your estate, for the benefit of the college.

For more information regarding the legacy society, contact Danielle White, Director of Annual Giving, at (607) 587-3930 or [whitedm@alfredstate.edu](mailto:whitedm@alfredstate.edu).





Alfred State has established Alumni Plazas, at the base of the Alfred Bell Tower and the Wellsville Campus Courtyard, that pay tribute to the college's friends and alumni while serving as a reminder of the accomplishments of the many generations of the Alfred State family.

You may engrave the name of an alum, a favorite faculty or staff member, a classmate, a family member, a favorite class, or a friend, in a brick that will be included in either the Alfred or Wellsville Alumni Plazas.

- Alumni Plaza brick with three lines of text: \$75
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## Leadership Suite Donors Promote Civic Engagement

Civic engagement is more than just part of the culture of Alfred State – it is in our DNA. That's why visitors will see more than just a gathering place or a hub of activity when the new Student Leadership Center opens next year. They will see and feel the energy of civic engagement as it pumps through our campuses and spreads out into the world each and every day.

The building's design was created to showcase this special quality in unique way. The Commons corridor, for example, will feature cutting-edge media and 13 adjacent "storefront" suites, each one dedicated to civic engagement themes that inspire students to get involved.

For the last several months, those themes have been under consideration and student organizations have been vying for the opportunity to have their causes represented within a leadership suite. The first few themes were announced recently by President John M. Anderson, PhD, who awarded them during halftime at the Homecoming football game.

Thanks to generous donations, these leadership suites will enable these efforts to flourish and truly make a difference in the lives of students and those they touch. Many thanks to the following major donors who have each contributed to the new Student Leadership Center:

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To learn more about giving to the Student Leadership Suites, contact Dr. Derek Wesley, Vice President of Institutional Advancement, at (607) 587-3930.

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# Alumni Events

Alumni gathered to take in a Buffalo Bisons baseball game against the Charlotte Knights July 23 at the Coca-Cola Field.



Alumni gathered in Rochester at our annual Alumni Event June 7 at Casa Larga Vineyards & Winery.



## Call for Nominations Alumni Council Faculty and Staff Awards

The Alumni Council has created an award to recognize faculty and staff, specifically those with three to 10 years of service who contribute to the mission of the college.

Nominations for the new Alumni Council Faculty and Staff Awards are being accepted between Nov. 15, 2012 and Feb. 15, 2013.

Anyone interested in nominating someone for an award is asked to submit an Alumni Council Faculty and Staff Nomination Form (available online) and a letter of recommendation.

[www.alfredstate.edu/alumni-faculty-staff-award](http://www.alfredstate.edu/alumni-faculty-staff-award)



## For Brian Perry Life Really is a “Bowl of Perry’s”

In 1985, *Back to the Future* was in theaters, Microsoft released its first version of Windows, and Brian Perry was studying business at Alfred State. He went to class during the week and worked weekends in his family’s Akron, NY ice cream business because, much like his great-grandfather (a broom maker turned ice cream entrepreneur), working hard is in Perry’s blood.

His college career began at Michigan State but Perry knew right away that he wanted to be part of a more personal learning environment. His high school guidance counselor recommended Alfred State so he transferred and earned an associate’s degree in business in 1985. Later, he went on to complete his undergraduate degree at Canisius College but remembers Alfred State with particular fondness. Today, his success is a testament to the power of three critical elements of leadership which are upheld at Alfred State today: hands-on learning, civic engagement, and sustainability.

Perry says he made a concentrated effort to blend his studies with work experience so he could become a company leader. Today, he is executive vice president and vice chairman and is proud to say

he worked in nearly every operations position within the company first.

“I wanted to understand the business inside and out so I could help position it for greater growth in industry going forward,” explained Perry. Today, that’s exactly what he is doing.

He served as chair of the International Ice Cream Association and has been instrumental in growing the company’s brand into a regional leader and a household name throughout New York State and Western Pennsylvania. He has also worked tirelessly to make Perry’s reputation for quality shine in the industry. As a result, Perry’s Ice Cream has become a trusted co-manufacturer of a number of leading ice cream brands and is recognized as being progressive in its sustainability initiatives.

But, the company’s most endearing reputation of all is the one it has earned within its own community where it is known as a large employer that provides a good place to work and generous support to the community.

“In a small town there’s a ‘give back, work together, and do the right thing’

mentality that’s powerful. We take it to work with us every day to get things done,” said Perry.

Outside of work, Perry enjoys serving the Akron community. He is a business liaison to the Akron Central School Pathways program and enjoys mentoring at-risk students. He and his wife, Jayne, also love finding ways to quietly give kids in the community what they need to succeed in school, either by working with their teachers to learn what could help or by working with local groups. He is a 25-year active member and past president of the Akron Lions Club. Perry currently chairs the Village of Akron Planning Board and serves on its Waste Water Committee.

Work and service could consume him if it weren’t for family, his greatest love of all. He spends as much time as possible with Jayne and their daughter Jenna, traveling or maybe just cruising around in his classic Mustang.

For Brian Perry, life is good. Like a big bowl of Perry’s.



## On August 6, alumni met at Frontier Field to see the Rochester Red Wings take on Scranton.



## Achievers

### 1966

**Leonard Caruso**, *Business Administration*, of Rochester and longtime Hornell baseball coach was inducted into the Hall of Fame at Rochester's Frontier Field, becoming just the second-ever induction class. A 1963 graduate of Hornell High School, Caruso played basketball and baseball for the Red Raiders, and later at Alfred State and RIT.

### 1974

**Terry R. Hughes**, *Ag Eng - Agric Mechanics*, of Cobleskill, is one of six members of the National Association of Agricultural Educators to receive the organization's Outstanding Service Citation at the organization's fall convention in St. Louis. Hughes has taught at the State University College of Agriculture and Technology at Cobleskill for 26 years.

### 1994

**Terri J. Tebo (Morrow)**, *Nursing*, of Anniston, AL, has been recently accepted into DNP Psychiatric NP Program; scheduled to begin classes in August 2012.

### 2009

**Raeona K. Cox**, *Health Information Technology*, of Geneva, received her bachelor's degree in health information management from SUNYIT in May 2012.

**Beryl Cox**, *Health Information Technology*, of Geneva, received his bachelor's degree in health information management from SUNYIT in May 2012.

## Births

### 1987

**Karl J. Turner**, *Computing Graphics Eng Tech*, of East Syracuse, and his wife, Barbara, are the proud parents of Kyle Eric Turner born on July 2, 2010.



### 1998

**Lisa M. Page (Rice)**, *Computer Information Systems*, of Maine, and husband, Jason, are the proud parents of Kelsey Noel, born Dec. 16, 2011.

### 2008

**Michael J. Coomber**, *Mechanical Engineering Tech*, of Auburn, and wife, Elizabeth, are the proud parents of Brayden Michael born on May 25, 2010.

### 2010

**David A. Brown**, *Web Development*, of Penn Yan, and fiancée, Nicole Bush, are the proud parents of Quinn Delaney born on June 6. David and Nicole are planning a spring 2013 wedding.

### 2011

**David J. Hennessey**, *Construction Mgmt Eng Tech*, of Fredonia, is the proud parent of Alexa Sean Hennessey born Jan. 5, 2012.

## Do you want to become an Alumni Council Member?

The College Alumni Council is always seeking interested alumni. The Council meets three times per year on the campus, and works for the current needs and mission of our alumni and Alfred State.

Your participation as an alum encourages Alfred State students and other alumni to strengthen ties with the college, to create new friendships and networking opportunities, and to serve the students of today and future generations. If you are interested in being a member of the Alumni Council, or if you wish to forward another alumna's/alumnae's name for nomination, please send information to alumni@alfredstate.edu.

## Career

### 1950

**Clarence A. Rycraft**, *Office Technologies*, of Liverpool, ended his service on the Clay town board last year after more than 25 years of service. He is a retired audit manager (NYNEX). His career has included work as a certified internal auditor, adjunct professor in accounting, management, and human resources.

**Richard H. Weldgen**, *Horticulture*, of Webster, is the president of Dramatic Landscape Lighting by Woodlawn Landscapes. The first in the Rochester area to utilize landscape lighting in my designs, which led to my being a distributor and installer for the Nightscaping product line.

### 1965

**John E. Benjamin**, *Construction Engineering Tech*, of Horseheads, is now interim CEO of Financial Institutions Inc. and Five Star Bank.

### 1970

**Edwin T. Blank**, *Ag-Animal Science*, of Albion, retired as a grounds equipment operator from Brockport Central Schools after 27 years of service.

### 1972

**Timothy M. Hite**, *Diesel Tech*, of Huntington Beach, CA, retired in February from the UT Health Science Center at San Antonio after 20 years of service.

### 1975

**Criss Onan**, *Electrical Tech*, of Fairport, has been appointed Northeast Regional Sales Manager for Radio Computing Servies - a division of Clear Channel Communications. RCS provides scheduling and audio playout systems to the broadcast industry.

### 1979

**Debbie Allen (Morris)**, *Computer Information Systems*, of Avon, has joined Genesee Community College as a technical assistant at the Dansville Campus Center.

**Jeffrey Nagle**, *Air Conditioning Eng Tech*, of Little Valley, has been promoted to project engineer by Sandberg Kessler Architecture and Engineering PC.

### 1980

**Lee R. Tilden**, *Const/Arch Engr Tech*, of Greenlawn, has worked as a Fire/EMS Dispatcher for the Greenlawn Fire District for 24 years.

### 1981

**Richard Sena**, *Bldg Trades-Building Construct*, of Ashville, started Dick Sena's custom building Inc. in 1986. The same year he started Home Inspection Services of Jamestown. Now retired he writes about his inspection experiences in the local "All About Home" magazine. He and his wife of 25 years, Carol, have four daughters ages 12 to 18.

### 1986

**Timothy J. Farwell**, *Computing Graphics Eng Tech*, of Hollis, NH, recently employed with Future Electronics as an Advanced Engineer.

### 1989

**Joseph L. Gugino**, *Business Administration*, of Fredonia, graduated from Dunkirk High School, then from Alfred State, and then in 1991 from SUNY Fredonia with a degree in business management. From there Joe went on to the Marine Corps where he flew F18s and was an instructor. After he left the Marines he flew for United Airlines until after September 11th. He decided to move closer to home when he was offered a job locally and flying part time at the Niagara Falls Air Force Base. In 2009, he became an associate at New England Financial as a financial planner.

### 1992

**Valerie A. Daciw (Case)**, *Marketing*, of Angelica, recently employed with Alfred University as the executive assistant to the vice president for student affairs.

### 1994

**Becky L. Herman (Przywara)**, *Lib Arts & Sci-Social Science*, of Victor, has joined Lutheran Healthcare Dental Medicine as the Director of Alumni Relations and Development in August 2012.



**Braddon Hall, second floor girls circa 1986-87**

*l-r: Lora Seils Curatolo, '88; Anny Doyen Gfroerer, '88; Tammy Erway Pochily, '88; Kim Smith Cockle, '88; Michelle Ebert, '88; Connie Wittmeyer, '87; Gayle Kilburn, '87; Barbara Willis-Robinson, '87.*



**1995**

**Michelle R. Kwiatek**, *Bus-Sec Sci-Court Reporting*, of Niagara Falls, was recently named a stenographic deposition reporter with Jack W. Hunt and Associates.

**1998**

**Daniel J. Jordan**, *Nursing*, of Corning, is employed as a Registered Nurse with the New York State, Central NY Psychiatric Center.

**1999**

**Robert E. Holscher**, *Medical Assistant*, Dumfries, VA, recently separated from the Army after 10 years of active duty. He is now working for ICE.

**2003**

**Wendy A. Seely**, *Court and Realtime Reporting*, of Wellsville, is a court clerk for Scio Town Court. Seely and her husband, Timothy, have five children. Seely enlisted in the Army Aug. 21, 1986, and was active until 1989. She served in the Army Reserve from 1989 until 2009. She completed basic training at Fort Dix, NJ, and was on active duty for three years in Germany. With the Army Reserve, she served on assignments in places such as New Orleans, Seattle, and Texas. Seely has been awarded the Good Conduct Medal, Army Achievement with six oak leaf clusters, Army Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters, Advanced Professional NCO Ribbon, National Defense Ribbon, Overseas Ribbon, Drill Sergeant Badge, and Army Reserve Good Conduct Medal.

**2008**

**Michael J. Coomber**, *Mechanical Engineering Tech*, Auburn, employed at Daikin McQuay was promoted to Application Engineer II on July 23, 2012. Coomber helped design/develop new HVAC products to the market, was lead PTAC Engineer, and helped lead the Cost Savings Initiatives team.

**2010**

**David A. Brown**, *Web Development*, Penn Yan, is employed with New York Chiropractic College as a web developer. David has been accepted into the master's degree learning and emerging technologies program at Empire State College for the fall 2012 term.

**Nathan A. Fox**, *Mechanical Engineering Tech*, Auburn, is currently employed with Beardsley Design Associates as a Mechanical Engineer I.

**Miles D. Perry**, *Financial Planning*, Machias, Asset Management promoted him to assistant wealth manager. He is a candidate for CFP certification and holds Series 7 and 66, as well as New York State Life and Health Insurance, licenses.

**Rod W. Streater**, *Individual Studies*, Willingboro, NJ, Former Pioneers wide receiver Rod Streater signed as an undrafted free agent with the Oakland Raiders.

**2011**

**Jennyrae Brongo**, *Construction Mgmt Eng Tech*, Rochester, currently owns and operates Brongo Contracting and Supply.

**Class Notes****1981**

**Kelley Hartman (Nellis)**, *Mechanical Design & Drafting*, Alden, is proud to be part of three generations of Alfred alumni. Her mother, Carol Helmhold Nellis Barnes, (attended 1955-1956 major, sales) of Wellsville is pictured here with her daughter Claire Hartman of Alden, who is a 2012 freshman. The photo was taken on campus during move-in day for freshmen.

**1986**

**Laura L. Packard (Maslanka)**, *Medical Laboratory Technology*, Macedon, is celebrating 25 years of marriage to her husband, Doug, in August 2012. She would like to hear from dorm mates from MacKenzie East, 5th floor.

**1989**

**Shari Schnell (Thompson)**, *Medical Record Tech*, Almond, and husband Hans Schnell '93 were married in the President's Lounge on Alfred State Campus. Our son currently attends Alfred State...

**2003**

**Kristy L. Hall**, *Computer Art and Design*, Wellsville, Kristy's artwork was selected for the poster and T-shirt for the 37th annual Great Wellsville Balloon Rally. That and her other artwork will be on display at the Steuben Trust bank. In addition to her degree at Alfred State, she has a fine arts degree at California University in Pennsylvania.

**2011**

**Jessica L. Poweski**, *Technology Management*, Rochester, was accepted into the Simon School at the University of Rochester in Science and Marketing.

**Marriage****1980**

**Lee R. Tilden**, *Const/Arch Engr Tech*, Greenlawn, married Diane on Dec. 27, 2009.

**2008**

**Michael J. Coomber**, *Mechanical Engineering Tech*, Auburn, married Elizabeth Signorelli Coomber Aug. 1, 2009.

**2002/2007**

**Sara E. Levandoski (Henderson)**, '02, *Lib Arts & Sci-Social Science*, and **Joseph J. Levandoski**, '07, *Mechanical Design Eng Tech*, were united in marriage on May 26, 2012.

**2010**

**Nathan A. Fox**, *Mechanical Engineering Tech*, Auburn, married Kimberly Patrice Fox on Dec. 20, 2011.

**2006/2008**

**Antonio E. Acevedo**, '06, *Architectural Engineering Tech*, married **Andrea C. Acevedo (Paul)**, '08, *Architectural Technology*, on June 16, 2012.

**Delta Chi Omega Sisters circa 1968-72**

These ladies got together again for the TG, Pi Nu, & Delta Chi "Old House" reunion for the class of 1972 and previous years July 13-15 at Lake Lodge.





## Alumni Cross Country Race

The annual alumni race was held on Sept. 1 at Alfred State. Coach Moore finished 10th overall in the race that featured 14 former Pioneers competing in a 5k course against the current Pioneers. In the men's race, the alumni beat the current team by one point.

## Remembrance

### 1950

**Joseph E. Benzoni**, Air Conditioning Eng Tech, Nazareth, PA, passed away on July 21, 2012.

**Peter J. Palamaro**, Air Conditioning Eng Tech, East Syracuse, passed away on July 8, 2012.

**Glenn M. Valentine**, Air Conditioning Eng Tech, Delhi, passed away July 10, 2012.

### 1951

**Kurt Geihs**, Orn Hort-Floriculture Merch, Rochester, passed away on Apr. 19, 2012.

### 1952

**Charles D. Fisk**, Electrical Tech., Sidney, passed away Sept. 6, 2012.

### 1955

**Darryl W. Reynolds**, Radio, Newark Valley, passed away Apr. 7, 2011.

### 1956

**Robert Rapenske**, Electrical Engineering Tech, Glen Rock, NJ, passed away June 8, 2012.

### 1957

**Francis J. Dormady**, Electrical Technology, Indian Trail, NC, passed away on Apr. 4, 2012.

### 1958

**Donald D. Piano**, Agricultural Business, Hornell, passed away on June 23, 2012.

### 1959

**Otto A. Lawrenz**, Ag-Animal Science, Ponte Vedra Beach, FL, passed away on May 4, 2012.

### 1960

**John "Jack" Henderson**, Animal Husbandry, Jamestown, passed away Sept. 1, 2012.

### 1967

**Ralph P. Herke**, Electrical Engineering Tech, Lima, passed away Apr. 13, 2012.

### 1967

**Patricia Stebbins (Clark)**, Business Administration, Wellsville, passed away Aug. 15, 2012.

### 1970

**Alan Basinski**, Automotive Service Technician, East Amherst, passed away Aug. 29, 2011.

### 1972

**Waylan Daeffler**, Const/Arch Engr Tech, Syracuse, passed away June 4, 2012.

## Pioneer of Athletics Gone But Not Forgotten

**Dick Giedlin**, one of the Pioneers of the Alfred State athletic program, passed away on Oct. 2, 2012, in Virginia Beach, VA. Giedlin dedicated 30 years to Alfred State and the college.



Giedlin began his career at Alfred State in 1957 as the director of student housing and men's basketball coach. He became the college's athletic director in 1966 and served in that role for 21 years. He was also the chairman of the physical education department for 20 years from 1967 to 1987.

On the basketball court, Giedlin led the Tech basketball team for 13 seasons. He is still the winningest coach in program history with a 198-103 record (.658 winning percentage). His 1959 basketball team won the college's first Region III championship and three of his teams won 20 or more games in a season.

As an athletic administrator, Giedlin served as the assistant Region III director, the Region III director, and was chosen to be a member the executive committee of the NJCAA. During his time, Giedlin helped with the integration of women's athletics into the national level and helped form the Penn-York Athletic Conference.

Giedlin was part of the inaugural class of the Alfred State Athletics Hall of Fame that was inducted in 1992. On his hall of fame plaque he is noted as "truly being a Pioneer in junior college sports, his dedication, loyalty, and commitment established Alfred State athletics as a regional and national leader."

The athletic department honored Giedlin's legacy during the college's Homecoming activities this fall.

**Karen J. Huntley-Romanow (Huntley)**, Medical Laboratory Technology, Rochester, passed away Mar. 5, 2012. She was a member of Pi Nu Epsilon sorority while attending Alfred State.

### 1974

**Charles Stambaugh**, Marketing, passed away Aug. 17, 2012.

### 1975

**David A. Hagadorn**, Automotive Service Technician, Utica, passed away on May 15, 2012.



## Gamma Theta Gamma Brothers, 1972-Prior

These gentlemen got together again for the TG, Pi Nu, & Delta Chi "Old House" reunion for the class of 1972 and previous years July 13-15 at Lake Lodge.





### Pi Nu Epsilon Sisters, 1966-72

These ladies got together again for the TG, Pi Nu, & Delta Chi "Old House" reunion for the class of 1972 and previous years July 13-15 at Lake Lodge.

### 1977

**Frances Maday (Acitelli)**, Bus-Secretarial Science-Exec, Escondido, CA, passed away on Nov. 4, 2011.

### 1980

**Daniel Cassenti**, Air Conditioning Eng Tech, Weaverville, NC, passed away on July 9, 2011.

**Norman Phelps**, Agri-Engr Tech Power & Mach, Lockport, passed away June 5, 2012.

### 1981

**Alan Vanderhoff**, Automotive Service Technician, Savona, passed away on July 13, 2012.

### 1983

**Sterling Armstrong**, Marketing, Wellsville, passed away July 22, 2012.

**James Scotchmer**, Bldg Trades-Building Construction, Scio, passed away March 28, 2012.

### 1987

**Richard J. Manion**, Financial Services, Youngstown, FL, passed away Aug. 8, 2012.

### 1988

**Donald L. Kennell**, Food Service, Arkport, passed away June 10, 2012.

### 1990

**Kevin O'Neill**, Elec-Electron Svcs Tech, Alexander, passed away July 24, 2012.

### 1996

**Pamela K. Randall (Grossman)**, Human Services, Scio, passed away Apr. 4, 2012.

**Patrick D. Sutherland**, Business Management, Summerfield, FL, passed away July 27, 2012.

### 1997

**John F. Dietz**, Automotive Service Tech, Hinsdale, passed away on June 21, 2012.

### 2001

**Ian G. Bole**, Drafting/CAD-Tool & Die & E-M, Hubert, NC, passed away on Apr. 16, 2012.

### 2008

**Walter Schieder**, Lib Arts & Sci-Math & Science, Hornell, passed away May 20, 2012.

### Retirees

**Donald Green**, Wellsville, passed away on Aug. 21, 2012. He was a custodian at Alfred State for 25 years, retiring in 1995 at the age of 79.

**Jean B. Lang**, Wellsville, passed away Oct. 4, 2012. Jean was the librarian for Hinkle Library from 1962 until her retirement in 1990. The Jean B. Lang Western New York Historical Collection is housed at Hinkle Library and is named in her honor where she organized the collection in 1964 and served as its curator until 1991.

Log on to the alumni page of the college website [alfredstate.edu/alumni-services/transitions-newsletter](http://alfredstate.edu/alumni-services/transitions-newsletter) to update your class notes.

## Opportunities for Involvement with the Alumni Council

Alumni often say they want to do something to help Alfred State, but aren't always sure how they can make a meaningful contribution, especially if they live far away from campus.

Well, there are many ways you can help. Some of these ideas require very little time or effort, but can bring tremendous benefit to your *alma mater*. You can make a difference right now. Take a look at the following website and see how you can help Alfred State: [www.alfredstate.edu/alumni-services/opportunities-for-involvement](http://www.alfredstate.edu/alumni-services/opportunities-for-involvement).

## Students make their first "A"

To view the GigaPan photo at [www.alfredstate.edu/new-student-convocation](http://www.alfredstate.edu/new-student-convocation)



This stunning high resolution GigaPan image of the freshman class was captured earlier this year by **Mike Kintner**, '84, Computing Graphics Eng Tech. A 360 degree view of the image can be seen on our website. Zoom in and see the faces of all 1,300 freshmen and future Alfred State alums!

Members of this year's class include students from 57 of New York's 62 counties, 22 additional states, and 16 students from five foreign countries. Over one hundred students in this year's class are Distinguished Scholars and 208 more have scholarships recognizing their outstanding academic achievements, exceptional vocational skills, and extraordinary talents outside the classroom.

This August, 1,300 new students were officially welcomed to the Alfred State community.

A highlight of this year's New Student Convocation was the start of a new tradition when students were ushered into the shape of an "A" in Pioneer Stadium for a unique photo opportunity.



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