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AASU International Week 2004

International Week 2004 will take place November 7-12. Music, a gift festival, cooking demonstrations, discussions on various international subjects, and a study abroad photo contest are a few of the events scheduled. For more information, visit www.intl.armstrong.edu/intlweek.html.

Lady Pirates to compete in Orlando

The women's basketball team has been invited to participate in the 2004 Disney's Division II Tip-Off Classic at the Wide World of Sports Complex in Orlando, Florida on November 5-7. The Lady Pirates will be one of eight teams taking part in the classic, the only sanctioned Division II pre-season competition.

AASU begins paper recycling

Seacoast Security Shredding will maintain the blue recycling bins located throughout the academic buildings. Acceptable items include office paper (white, color, and copier), envelopes, folders, pamphlets, booklets, junk mail, data processing paper, computer printouts, carbonless forms, and manuals. Paper clips, staples and rubber bands need not be separated from the paper. Unacceptable items include books, newspaper, telephone books, magazines, and all other non-paper items.

AASU partners with the United Way

AASU has pledged \$25,000 in support to the United Way. So far, the AASU community has raised \$9,748. Please send your pledge or check to the Office of Student Affairs.

Leaders Among Us program seeking applicants

Look for the application packets in campus mail about the Spring 2005 cohort of Leaders Among Us. This innovative leadership program is for all full-time employees who wish to enhance their leadership skills. The application deadline is November 5. Twenty participants will be selected by November 29. For more information, contact either Rebecca Carroll at extension 5267 or at carrolre@mail.armstrong.edu or Dick Nordquist at extension 5991 or at nordqudi@mail.armstrong.edu.

AASU receives funds from Chatham/Effingham Tobacco Use Prevention Coalition

AASU programs received grants totaling \$42,000 from the Chatham/Effingham Tobacco Use Prevention Coalition. The grants, funded by the Georgia Tobacco Use Prevention Section, are designed to prevent initiation of smoking, promote cessation, and reduce exposure to second-hand smoke.

The Department of Health Sciences was awarded \$11,600 to conduct a Youth Risk Behavior Survey of ninth grade Chatham County students. The Center for Regional Analysis received \$20,000 to conduct a survey to provide baseline data about college and university student smoking behaviors and intention to quit smoking and pre-post evaluation surveys that will be used in area college and university student smoking cessation programs.

Counseling services has received \$8,000 to conduct a smoking cessation program. The program, which begins in January 2005, will have four basic components: (1) The American Cancer Society's Freshstart classes, (2) a three-month prescription for Bupropion SR following a basic physical exam and medical evaluation in the University Health Center, (3) individual counseling as needed, and (4) daily crisis support from the Georgia Tobacco Quit Line. Program participants will be chosen from AASU students who self-identify as smokers and have a desire to quit. Those interested in participating should call the counseling services office at 927.5374.

The Department of Economics, Students in Free Enterprise also received \$2,400 to fund activities designed to discourage youths from smoking by taking a financial approach.

Three-Point Play for the United Way

The men's and women's basketball teams announce their Three Point-Play for the United Way fundraising program. Participation in the program is easy—just sign up to donate a specific dollar amount for every three-point shot made during the basketball season. At the end of the season, you will receive a letter reminding you of your donation. Last year, the teams raised over \$600 for United Way.

Media deadlines

It is never too early to contact the Office of University Relations about a potential news story. Time is needed to contact campus sources and prepare the information for distribution to the news media. In order to adequately publicize an event, notification is needed at least three weeks prior to the event to meet calendar listing deadlines.

If you have an idea for an AASU-related story that might be of interest to the news media, contact Michelle Gordon at 961.3173 or gordonmi@mail.armstrong.edu. The story idea will be evaluated, developed, and presented to appropriate news outlets. However, whether a story appears in the news or not ultimately depends on the decision of the editor or producer of that media outlet.

Welcome Aboard

Kimberly Beiter, financial aid

Michael Corbin, CIS

Joseph Crain, recruiting

Brian Dawsey, admissions

Rebecca Nichols, University Police

Events

November 5

AM&T presents Matthew Jones, tenor, in graduation recital at 3 p.m. in the Fine Arts Auditorium. Admission is free.

November 5

A Faculty forum will be held in Solms Hall, room 110 at 12:15 p.m. Amelia Castilian, AASU's director of disability services, and Tori Kerans of the Regent's Center for Learning Disorders at Georgia Southern University will speak on what faculty need to know about disability services for students.

November 5-6

AM&T presents the Thirteenth Colony Sound Chorus in concert at 7:30 p.m. in the Fine Arts Auditorium. Call 927.5381 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. weekdays, for ticketing information.

November 6

An Adults Back to College information session will be held from 10 a.m. to noon at Victor Hall in room 227.

November 7-12

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November 8-19

AM&T presents the Georgia Art Education Association 2004 Juried Art Exhibition in the Fine Arts Gallery in conjunction with the 2004 GAEA Conference in Savannah. Gallery hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., weekdays. Admission is free.

November 9

AASU Percussion Ensemble and Jazz Combo perform in a joint concert at 7:30 p.m. in the Fine Arts Auditorium. Call 927.5381 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. weekdays, for ticketing information.

November 11-13

AASU Masquers present William Shakespeare's tragedy *Othello* and a famously female perspective *Othello* spin-off *Desdemona, A Play about a Handkerchief* by Paula Vogel in repertory at 7:30 p.m. (with an additional showing at 3 p.m. November 13) in Jenkins Theater/Black Box Theater. Call 927.5381 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. weekdays, for ticketing information.

November 12

AM&T presents Tim Nicholson, piano, in graduation recital at 2:30 p.m. in the Fine Arts Auditorium. Admission is free.

November 12

Elwin R. Tilson, radiologic sciences, will present "A Virtual Tour of the Human Body: The Use of VR in Medical Diagnostics and Cancer Treatment" as part of the Robert Ingram Strozier Faculty Lecture Series. The event will take place in University Hall at 12:15 p.m.

November 13

The Savannah chapter of AMBUCS will sponsor a golf fundraiser at the Crosswinds Golf Club. Check in time is 8 a.m. with a shotgun start at 9 a.m. The entry fee is \$100 for individuals and \$400 for teams.

November 13

Stones and Fishes: Culturally Competent Resource-Based Practices with Young Children and their Families will take place at the Marriott Savannah Riverfront Hotel. Sponsored by the Department of Physical Therapy.

November 15

Atlanta's Mariachi Los Caporales, sponsored by HOLA, performs in the MCC cafeteria from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The concert is free.

November 16

The AASU Jazz Ensemble performs in concert at 7:30 p.m. in the Fine Arts Auditorium. Call 927.5381 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. weekdays, for ticketing information.

November 18

AM&T presents the inaugural Armstrong Atlantic Youth Orchestra Program Concert sponsored in part by the Savannah Friends of Music at 6:30 p.m. in the Fine Arts Auditorium. Call 927.5381 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. weekdays, for ticketing information.

November 18-20

AASU Masquers present William Shakespeare's tragedy *Othello* and *Desdemona, A Play about a Handkerchief* by Paula Vogel in repertory at 7:30 p.m. (with an additional showing at 3 p.m. November 20) in Jenkins Theater/Black Box Theater. Call 927.5381 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. weekdays, for ticketing information

November 18

Troops to GTAPP III will hold an orientation at Fort Stewart at 6:30 p.m. Location to be announced.

November 19

AM&T presents Eric Jones, piano, in senior recital at 2:30 p.m. in the Fine Arts Auditorium. Admission is free.

November 20

Troops to GTAPP III will hold an orientation at Fort Stewart at 10 a.m. Location to be announced.

November 20

An Adults Back to College information session will be held from 10 a.m. to noon at Victor Hall in room 227.

November 21

AM&T presents the 13th annual J. Harry Persse Memorial Concert at 3 p.m. at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 1707 Bull Street. Free admission. Donations to the J. Harry Persse Music Scholarship Fund accepted.

November 30

The Savannah Winds, resident wind ensemble at AASU, will perform at 7:30 p.m. in the Fine Arts Auditorium. Call 927.5381 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. weekdays, for ticketing information.

Kudos

Barry Eckert, health professions, was presented the Award in Healthcare Innovations during the Georgia Medical Society Healthcare Heroes Banquet.

Mike Toma, economics, has been included in the "Top 40 Under 40" for *Georgia Trend* magazine. Honorees' profiles appeared in the October issue.

Stephen Primatic and **Randall Reese**, AM&T, performed with Darius Rucker of Hootie and the Blowfish in a tribute to Frank Sinatra at the Lyric Opera House in Baltimore, Maryland in October.

Five AASU faculty members participated in the 22nd Annual Meeting of the Association of Third World Studies. **Jose A. da Cruz**, criminal justice, social and political science, presented a paper, "General Ernesto Geisel: From Dictator to Savior of Brazil's Fragile Democracy." **Michael Hall**, history, organized a panel discussion including **Daniel Skidmore-Hess**, criminal justice, social and political science, and **Yuxin Ma**, history, and **David Leaver**, history. **Cathy Skidmore-Hess**, Georgia Southern University, also participated on the panel.

Patricia Coberly, education, and three graduate students, **Leo Monroe**, **Terry Newton**, and **Sarah White**, have been invited to speak at the American Association of Adult and Continuing Education Conference in Louisville, Kentucky in November. The title of their presentation will be "Savannah Georgia: Host City to a Win-Win Collaborative for Tourist and At-Risk Adults."

Engineering Studies recently participated in the first Energy Fair of the Savannah Chapter of the American Association of Blacks in Energy held at Savannah Mall. The organization's purpose is to ensure the input of African-Americans and other minorities in the development of energy policy, energy regulation, R&D technology, and environmental standards.

Elwin Tilson, radiology, has been elevated to the status of Fellow in the Association of Educators in Radiological Sciences (AERS) and was the only member to be elevated in 2004. The executive editor of the AERS professional journal, *Radiologic Sciences & Education*, Tilson also chairs a task force on graduate curriculum development.

Marilyn O'Mallon and **Helen Taggart**, nursing, recently attended the 8th World Congress Self-Care Deficit Nursing Theory in Ulm, Germany. O'Mallon and Taggart both presented "Symposium: Dependent Care Agency." Additionally, O'Mallon presented a poster, "CNS Holistic Model: An integration of Orem's SCDNT" and Taggart presented "Nursing Education in the U.S.—future demand and challenges."

AASU recently held the first regional moot court competition. Teams from South University and the University of Texas at Arlington competed against AASU's 46 students to be the top mooters in the region. **John Kearns, John Barbrey, Becky da Cruz**, criminal justice, social and political science, and graduate assistant **Mary Moultrie** organized the competition. To learn more about the outcome, go to www.cisocpols.armstrong.edu/learnes/mootcourt/seugmootcrt.htm

Stephen Primatic, AM&T, has had four original compositions for percussion ensemble published by Meredith Music, Inc. The new music should be released early next year.

Lisa Meyers, instructional technology specialist, ETTC, was singled out for high praise in a letter from Linda M. Arthur, assistant superintendent for instruction and personnel with Charlton County Schools.

Tallinn Pedagogical University (TPU) recently awarded **Olavi Arens**, history, an honorary doctorate degree. TPU is located in the Republic of Estonia. It's comparable in size to Armstrong Atlantic and awards degrees in the arts and sciences as well as education.

The Coastal Georgia Writing Project's BRIDGES for New Teachers, coordinated by **Pat West** of Tompkins Middle School, sponsored "Reflect, Renew, Retreat," a professional learning weekend for new Savannah-area teachers. The retreat met in October at the Jekyll Oceanfront Resort and featured workshops taught by teacher consultants.

Richard Cebula's paper "Expressiveness and Voting: Alternative Evidence" has been published in *Atlantic Economic Journal*. Additionally, Cebula, economics, has been listed in *Who's Who in Science and Engineering* for three consecutive years and has been named a Teaching Fellow of the Academy of Economics.

Elwin Tilson, radiology, and **Helen Taggart**, nursing, spoke at the Oral and Skin Cancer Workshop in October at the Coastal Georgia Center. The workshop focused on educating physicians, dentists, nurses, and allied health professionals on the advancements made in the diagnosis, treatment, and care of individuals suffering from these two cancers.

In September, **Selwyn Hollis**, math, gave two talks, "Reaction-Diffusion Models of Biological Pattern Formation" and "Modeling Bark Beetle Infestation in Pine Forest Ecosystems" at this year's Annual Sherwood Ebay Mathematics Lecture at the University of the South in Sewanee, Tennessee. The purpose of this lecture is to present mathematically sound ideas in a manner accessible to a general audience.

The **Department of Physical Therapy** recently sponsored the first of monthly meetings for the Interdisciplinary Journal Club. Eighty professionals from various fields including physical therapy, occupational therapy, athletic training, and orthopedic surgery attended to discuss "Evidence-Based Approach to Clinical Utilization of Special Test of the Shoulder."

Mark Finlay, history, presented a paper "Plant Science on the Grand Scale: The Emergency Rubber Project of World War II" at the Agricultural History Society Symposium held at Cornell University in September.

Dale Kilhefner, math, presented his paper "You Can Excel with a Spreadsheet" at the Georgia Math Conference at Rock Eagle in October. His presentation showed a variety of ways of using Excel to carry out investigations in algebra, geometry, trigonometry, general mathematics, probability, and statistics.

Joy Reed, information technology, organized an informational workshop on computer interoperability, pervasive computing, and security. Held at the Mulberry Inn in Savannah and sponsored by the U.S. Office of Naval Research, the workshop drew participants from Tulane University, Oxford University, and the Naval Research Laboratory.

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