Let the wild rumpus start

(Clockwise from top) The Armstrong Atlantic family and Savannah community were treated to one of the biggest Celebrate AASU Days in the event’s 14 years.

Jennifer Incorvaia, CIS, peruses the books on sale for the benefit of the Staff Advisory Council’s textbook scholarship fund.

Sam Lim, design major, almost exploded, but he won the second annual hotdog eating contest downing 13.5 franks in two rounds of competition.

All of the popular games and rides were back including the challenging rock climbing wall.

Be part of the 75th photo shoot

• Monday, November 2
• Noon
• Intramural field
• Wear your favorite Armstrong clothing
College of Education tops this year’s Campus Campaign contributions

With 70 percent participation, the College of Education took home the traveling trophy for the highest percentage of employees contributing to the 2009 AASU Campus Campaign.

This year’s campaign took in $46,818.54 thanks to generosity of 47 percent of faculty and staff.

Departments that reached 100 percent in the campaign included:

- Administration and Staff
  - Adult Academic Support Service
  - Cyber Security
  - Grants & Sponsored Programs
  - Plant Operations
  - President’s Office

- College of Education
  - Early Childhood Education

- College of Health Professions
  - Dean’s Office
  - Communication Sciences and Disorders
  - Medical Technology
  - Physical Therapy
  - Radiologic Sciences

- College of Liberal Arts
  - Dean’s Office

The volunteer team leaders for the 2009 AASU Campus Campaign were Brian Dawsey and Chris Nowicki (both admissions & enrollment), Lottie Scott, (adult academic support services), Andy Carter (athletics), Joe Peny (university police), Elizabeth Crawford (early childhood education), Regina Rahimi (middle & secondary education), Lynn Roberts (health & physical education), Maya Clark (communication sciences & disorders), Sandy Streater (health sciences), Anne Thompson (physical therapy), Esma Campbell (radiologic sciences), Frank Katz (information technology), Kam Fui Lau (information technology), Jennifer Zettler (biology), Suzanne Ansley, (annual fund coordinator) and Jill Phongsa (marketing & communications).

AASU creating a time capsule for opening in 2060

The Office of Student Affairs plans to seal a time capsule at the grand opening of the new Student Union next spring. It will be dedicated as a gift from AASU students, faculty and staff of 2010 to those of 2060. A time capsule taskforce will recommend items for inclusion and welcomes ideas.

What would you like AASU students, faculty and staff of 2060 to know about our campus community in 2010? The time capsule is 10”x14”x18”, a bit bigger than a box of copier paper. Items will need to be less than 17 inches long.

If you want to submit photos of your department or departmental activities, send digital copies on CD to Marco Tapia (mt0001@stu.armstrong.edu).

The deadline for submitting items is November 6. Contact Caroline Hopkinson at Caroline.Hopkinson@armstrong.edu or 344.3019. Other taskforce members you may contact with your idea: Whitney Kimbrough, Corey Hand, Brandy Williams, Al Harris, Gail Rountree, Barbara Fertig and Tapia.
AASU will be 75 next year and to celebrate, everyone is invited to be part of a giant human “75” photograph to mark the occasion. The photo will be taken on Monday, November 2 at noon on the intramural field. The rain date will be Wednesday, November 4 at noon. Wear your favorite AASU clothing.

AASU Receives $1.5 Million in Stimulus Funding

Armstrong Atlantic has received $1,534,100 under the State Facilities Retrofit Program to fund an energy-conservation project in the Science Center. The Georgia Environmental Facilities Authority is providing the funding through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act popularly known as the federal stimulus package. The AASU award is one of 71 energy-conservation measures funded by a grant to the University System of Georgia totaling $27.3 million.

The project will reduce total building energy consumption by reducing airflow during unoccupied hours. Fume hood exhausts will be converted from constant to variable airflow. Occupancy sensors will be installed to reduce airflow by as much as 50% while maintaining room comfort and code required air changes in the labs. Additionally, installing variable airflow valves on fume hoods will reduce sound levels in the labs.

The economic impact will be significant. Energy savings are expected to reach $343,383 per year with the stimulus investment paid back of 4.6 years. Ten new construction workers will be hired for the 17 months it will take to install the new technology. In addition, two engineering positions will be retained during the four-month design phase and 17-month construction phase.

International Week 2009

Sunday, November 8
Kickoff Celebration in the International Garden
2-5 p.m. Taste of the World with informative displays and food from international students’ and professors’ home countries
2:30 p.m. President’s welcome
3-4 p.m. Barynya Russian Dancers

Monday, November 9
Americas
noon Presentation on the Latin American Study Abroad Programs
Fine Arts Gallery
2-5 p.m. Argentina art show, “Viaje Andina 2009: Art Inspired by Northwest Argentina”
Fine Arts Gallery
7:30 p.m. Energia Latina Dance Group
International Garden
Tuesday, November 10

Africa
2:30 p.m. Emmanuel Naniuzeyi, “The Growing Economic Role of China in Africa: The Case of the Democratic Republic of Congo”
University Hall 157
7:30-9:30 p.m. Tripoli Steel Band
International Garden

Wednesday, November 11

Asia
noon Korean film, Tiger Spirit
University Hall 156
7 p.m. Julie Otsuka reads from her book, When the Emperor was Divine
Armstrong Center Ballroom
8:30 p.m. Vidur Kapur, comedian
MCC cafeteria

Thursday, November 12

Europe
7:30 p.m. French film and dinner

Friday, November 13

Middle East
noon Film on Afghan women, Afghanistan Unveiled
University Hall 156

AASU in the community
Each month, eArmstrong spotlights university involvement in the community. To include your community activities, send information to AASU.news@armstrong.edu

Health Professions volunteers clean wheelchairs
Health professions students helped clean wheelchairs during the annual wheelchair cleaning fling sponsored by Living Independence for Everyone, Inc. AASU students also provided blood pressure screenings, face painted children and gave manicures to the ladies present. More than 70 clients enjoyed a free wheelchair service and cleaning. Armstrong Atlantic students from physical therapy, nursing, health sciences and communication disorders participated in the event.

Tracy Mitchell, health sciences, was among 20 AASU volunteers who cleaned wheelchairs.

Calendar
*For all art, music & theatre events call 344.2801 from noon to 3 p.m., weekdays, for information.

November 2-20
Advance Advisement for Spring 2010

November 2-13
“Viaje Andina 2009: Art Inspired by Northwest Argentina,” a student study-abroad art exhibition, in the AASU Fine Arts Gallery. Gallery hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., weekdays. Admission is free.*
November 3
The Armstrong Atlantic State University Singers and University Chorale perform in concert at 7:30 p.m. in the AASU Fine Arts Auditorium. General admission is $6. *

November 4 - December 4
Registration for Spring 2010

November 5
Soul of a People: Voices from the Federal Writers’ Project (FWP) in the Neises Auditorium of Jepson Center, Telfair Museum of Art, at 6 p.m. June Hopkins (history) will sum up the impact of the Federal Writers’ Project on New Deal era America and discuss its implications for the present day. Her presentation will include a screening of Soul of a People, a new documentary about the FWP. For more information go to http://library.armstrong.edu/soul/index.html.

November 6
Volleyball vs. Francis Marion, 6 p.m. in the Armstrong Recreation Center

November 7
Volleyball vs. UNC Pembroke, 7 p.m. in the Armstrong Recreation Center

November 8
The 18th 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. *

Taste of the World featuring the Barynya Russian Dancers in the International Garden, 2 to 5 p.m.

November 10
Men’s & Women’s Basketball “Meet The Team” Night, 6:30 p.m. in Alumni Arena

The AASU Percussion Ensemble and Jazz Combo perform their fall concert at 7:30 p.m. in the AASU Fine Arts Auditorium. General admission is $6. *

November 11
A public reading of When the Emperor Was Divine by author Julie Otsuka in the Armstrong Center Ballroom at 7 p.m.

November 12
Art gallery reception for Viaje Andina 2009: Art Inspired by Northwest Argentina, a student study-abroad art exhibition, at 5:30 p.m. in the AASU Fine Arts Gallery. Admission is free. *

November 12-15
The Masquers presents Joe DiPietro's 2000 Edgar Award Winner for Best Mystery Play, Art of Murder. Performances are at 7:30 p.m. (3 p.m. only on November 15) in Jenkins Hall Theater. General admission is $10. Discounts available to military, seniors, alumni members, and students/children. AASU staff, faculty and students presenting valid AASU PirateCard will be admitted free. * Connect Savannah is the print sponsor of the Masquers.

November 14
Gospel Choir Fall Concert in the Fine Arts Auditorium at 6 p.m.

November 17
The AASU Jazz Ensemble in concert at 7:30 p.m. in the AASU Fine Arts Auditorium. General admission is $6. *
November 19-22
The Masquers presents John Patrick’s Love Is A Time Of Day at 7:30 p.m. in Jenkins Hall Black Box Theater. Limited seating; obtain tickets in advance. General admission is $10. Discounts available to military, seniors, alumni members and students/children. AASU staff, faculty and students presenting valid AASU PirateCard will be admitted free. *

November 20
Percussionists Jason Ussery and Ben Murray in joint graduation recital at 2:30 p.m. in Fine Arts Auditorium. Admission is free. *

November 21
Men’s Basketball vs. Brewton-Parker, 4 p.m. in Alumni Arena

November 22
The Armstrong Atlantic Youth Orchestra Program Fall Concert, sponsored in part by the Savannah Friends of Music, at 3 p.m. in the AASU Fine Arts Auditorium. The Armstrong Atlantic Youth Orchestra, Atlantic Chamber Orchestra, Lyric Strings Ensembles and Debut Strings perform. General admission is $6. *

November 23 to December 14
Fall 2009 Senior Graduation Art Exhibition in the AASU Fine Arts Gallery. Graduating bachelor of fine arts and bachelor of arts candidates display their artwork produced for this capstone project. Gallery hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., weekdays, holidays excluded. Admission is free. *

November 29
Women’s Basketball vs. Pfeiffer, 2 p.m.
Men’s Basketball vs. Florida Southern, 4 p.m. in Alumni Arena

Kudos
Vann Scott, Jr. (psychology) presented three posters at the annual meeting of the Association for Psychological Science in San Francisco: “Predictors of psychological reactions to the financial crisis of 2008” coauthored with psychology alumna Julie M. Skutch; “Teaching applied social psychology: Harvesting ideas from case study examples,” coauthor; and “Students show reduction in materialistic values following simple living course” coauthored with Sara K. Farrell, a former psychology faculty member.

Hassan Aziz (medical technology), in collaboration with alumna Tareese Martin, published “Bacteroides fragilis: A Case Study of Bacteremia and Septic Arthritis” in the 2009 summer issue of Clinical Laboratory Science. He is invited to speak at the 2010 Annual American Society for Clinical Laboratory Science (ASCLS) Meeting in Anaheim. He will speak on “Effective Leadership in the Laboratory.” Aziz serves on the ASCLS Board of Directors.

Kristin Stout (Lane Library) has been selected to participate in the American Library Association’s 2010 Class of Emerging Leaders.

Lucindia Schultz (art, music & theatre) was recently honored as artist in residence at Dickinson State University in North Dakota where she lectured, taught applied voice lessons and presented vocal master classes.

Jose de Arimateia da Cruz (political science) presented “The Obama Administration Foreign Policy Toward Latin America” at the National Social Science Association during its fall meeting in San Francisco.
Regina Rahimi (middle & secondary education) gave a presentation on “Making the Case for Study Abroad in Teacher Education Programs” at the annual meeting of the Georgia Association of Teacher Educators on Jekyll Island.

Edward Davis (middle & secondary education) served as a peer reviewer for conference proposals for the National Youth at Risk Conference to be held in Savannah in February.

Randall Reese (art, music & theatre) was the music director and arranger for the City of Savannah's Picnic in the Park with Mercer last month. The 10-piece band included Reese, Stephen Primatic (art, music & theatre) and three AASU graduates.

Carol Benton (art, music & theatre) presented “Warm-ups and Sight-singing in Middle School and Jr. High Choral Rehearsals” at the Collegiate Music Educators National Conference last month at Mercer University's Macon campus.

Helen Taggart (nursing) is chair of the National League for Nursing's (NLN) Task Group for Expanding Diversity in the Nurse Educator Workforce. She facilitated three workshops—“Evidence into Action: Transformation to a Culture of Inclusion,” “Courageous Dialogue, Creating a Culture of Inclusion for Diverse Faculty” and “NLN Resources for Expanding Diversity”—at the NLN summit in Philadelphia. Her task group created a diversity toolkit designed to provide resources for increasing diversity in the nurse educator and nursing workforce. This toolkit will be available on the NLN website in January 2010.


The 2009 World Congress in Computer Science, Computer Engineering and Applied Computing presented Bahrami with the Outstanding Achievement Award for her contributions to service and research at its conference in Las Vegas.

Joan Schwartz, Linda Ann McCall (early childhood education) and Susan Cooke (College of Education) presented “Realizing a Vision: A Three Year Process for Implementing an Effective Teacher Preparation Assessment System” at the annual conference of the Georgia Association of Teacher Educators last month on Jekyll Island.

Felix Hamza-Lup (information computing & engineering) has published “3D Virtual Spaces Supporting Engineering Learning Activities” in the International Journal for Computer Communication and Control. He served as the networking chair for The International Symposium on Mixed and Augmented Reality.

Mark Budden and Sungkon Chang (mathematics) organized the PAlmetto Number Theory Series X, a regional conference in number theory. The conference was hosted by the Department of Mathematics.

Kathryn Craven (biology) spoke on “Sea Turtle Nest Success in Georgia: Data from Down Under” last month at a Savannah State University marine science graduate student seminar.

Michael Toma (economics) presented “Regional Economic Update, Savannah MSA, 2nd Qtr” to the Downtown Kiwanis Club and the Savannah CFO/Controllers Council. Toma also met with a small group of business executives and United Way representatives to discuss and establish the fund-raising goal for the annual United Way campaign for 2009 in the Savannah area.
Richard J. Cebula (economics) presented “Positive Semi-Definite Quadratic Forms: A Generalized Theorem,” at the International Atlantic Economic Society annual meeting. He also brought three AASU economics students to present papers—Nate Herder, “Understanding Electricity Consumption;” Kyle Taylor, “An Empirical Study of Army Enlistment;” and Addison Layfield, “Voter Turnout Levels Revisited”—at a meeting of the International Advances in Economic Research Editorial Board on which he serves. The students’ expenses were defrayed by a grant from the Solomons family.

Deborah Jaimeson (art, music & theatre) chaired a session, “Past and Present: Exploring Stained Glass,” last month at the Southeastern College Art Conference in Mobile, AL. She also presented “Cultural Construct: The Stained Glass of Franz Mayer and Company.”

AASU in the News
Following are some of the top stories appearing in print and broadcast media in October. For more details on these and other stories, contact Francisco Duque in Marketing & Communications at 344.2971, or Francisco.Duque@armstrong.edu.

9/30 AASU student Forrest Starling (senior composition) debuts composition during AASU Wind Ensemble concert.
Savannah Morning News

10/2 AASU’s Soul of a People programs in October and November featured.
Savannah Morning News
Also, WTOC-TV’s Mid Morning Live

10/5 Scottish Rite Masons golf classic fundraiser will benefit the AASU Rite Care Center for Communication Disorders.
Effingham Herald
Also, Savannah Morning News

10/6 AASU contributes to a computing surge in Georgia with teacher development.
Inside Higher Ed

10/7 AASU awarded $1.5 million grant under the State Facilities Retrofit Program to fund an energy conservation project in the Science Center.
Savannah Morning News

10/8 Richard Cebula’s (economics) biweekly column appeared.
Savannah Morning News

10/12 Michael Toma (economics) published AASU Economic Monitor: Regional economy stabilizes.
Savannah Daily News

10/12 AASU alumna Bonnie Camp, a fourth-grade math and science teacher at Walker Middle in Ludowici, is among 29 teachers who received New Teacher Assistant Grants from Georgia Power.
Coastal Courier

10/12 AASU student Julian Pace wins the 2009 Youth Songwriting Competition at the Savannah Folk Music Festival.
Savannah Morning News
Also, Effingham Herald

10/14 Joe Crosby (health sciences) quoted in story about cooperatives’ role in controlling healthcare costs.
Georgia Public Broadcasting
10/14 President Bleicken featured as one of five Savannah women at their top of their profession.  
*Business in Savannah*

10/14 The Poetry Society of Georgia, co-sponsored by AASU’s Department of Language, Literature and Philosophy, returns to the Telfair Museum.  
*Savannah Morning News*

10/15 AASU librarian Kristin Stout selected for national leadership program.  
*Savannah Daily News*  
Also, *Savannah Morning News* 10/21

10/20 AASU soccer Pirate Kristin Burton breaks Peach Belt Conference all-time scoring record.  
*Ocala Star Banner*

10/21 Celebrate AASU Day featured.  
*WTOC-TV*  
Also, *Savannah Morning News* 10/22

10/22 Richard Cebula (economics) published biweekly column.  
*Savannah Morning News*

10/22 AASU Respiratory Therapy students host seminar.  
*The Creative Coast*  
Also, *Savannah Morning News* 10/27

10/23 President Bleicken quoted about the impact BOR budget cuts on AASU.  
*Savannah Morning News*

10/23 Michael Toma (economics) and his students published op-ed opposing proposed ordinance to limit the number of taxi licenses in Savannah.

**University System of Georgia Electronic News**

For news of both the university system office and individual campuses, read the monthly System Supplement: [www.usg.edu/pubs/svs_supp/](http://www.usg.edu/pubs/svs_supp/).

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Please send submissions to AASU.news@armstrong.edu.

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