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Women’s tennis #1 in nation
Men’s golf comes in second

The AASU tennis teams competed in the NCAA Division II Championships in Florida with the women’s team winning the national championship! The men’s tennis team finished third in the nation.

In a field of 20 schools from across the country, the Pirates finished second, five strokes behind champion USC Aiken in the 2005 NCAA Division II Men’s Golf Championships at the Club at Savannah Harbor. It is the highest national finish ever for an AASU men’s team.

AASU’s Angela Everett named Staff Member of the Year

Angela Everett, administrative assistant in the registrar’s office, is known for her professionalism, integrity, and dedication to her job and the university. She is a facilitator and central information resource for the faculty services area of the registrar’s office. She also conducts employee registration for the tuition remission program and serves as the contact for students with attendance questions. For her outstanding performance in these roles, Everett was named the 2005 Staff Member of the Year.

AASU Library renovation is underway

The renovation of Lane Library is scheduled to begin June 1. For the next academic year, the library will be temporarily housed in the recently completed site of the future Student Recreation Center, located on Library Drive.

Throughout the first week of June, the library’s first floor will remain open to the public for regular use while the entire second floor is moved to the temporary location. All library services will cease on June 9, and will reopen with a full range of services the third week of June in the temporary location.

Lane Library is scheduled to be completed in summer 2006.

President’s Citation

President Jones awarded the President’s Citation to the Lane Library in appreciation for outstanding service to the university. The recipients honored included: Barbara Brown, Natalie Beth Burnett, Julia Dubus, Christopher Freeman, Doug Frazier, Richard Horah, Caroline Hopkinson, Melissa Jackson, Robert Jones, Meghan Kilgore, Byung (Ben) Lee, Georgia Massey, Beth Mowry, Sandra Murray, Pamela Orme, Judy Ridener, Jennifer Rinalducci, Harriet Winiger, and Buster Wood.

Savannah Friends of Music renews sponsorship of Armstrong Atlantic Youth Orchestra Program

The Savannah Friends of Music renewed its financial commitment to the Armstrong Atlantic Youth Orchestra Program through a public presentation of its second gift of $17,000 as part of a three-year commitment to the orchestra program. The program is sponsored by the Department of Art, Music & Theatre.

AASU Alumni Awards presented to Otis Johnson and Cliff McCurry

The Armstrong Atlantic State University Alumni Association presented its annual awards to two alumni, Mayor Otis S. Johnson and J. Cliff McCurry, during the association’s annual meeting in April.

Mayor Johnson received the Distinguished Alumnus Award that recognizes a graduate who has achieved distinction through community involvement and professional expertise.

J. Cliff McCurry was presented with the Outstanding Alumnus Service Award that recognizes a former student who has made significant contributions to the growth and development of the university through dedication and support of the institution and the alumni association.
Tri Sigma donates $1,000 to AASU’s Lane Library
To honor the establishment of its 182nd chapter on the Armstrong Atlantic State University campus, Sigma Sigma Sigma Foundation presented $1,000 to the Lane Library. The presentation was made at a dinner held in celebration of the chapter’s installation.

Sigma Sigma Sigma Foundation, the philanthropic arm of Tri Sigma national sorority, traditionally presents gifts to university libraries where Sigma chapters are located.

Administration Building meeting space
The AASU Board Room and the President’s Conference Room will be available on July 1. Contact Peggy Withrow at 927.5258 to reserve these rooms after June 1.

Schuberth rocks teachers for eighth summer
For the eighth year, Chris Schuberth, middle, secondary & adult education, will lead a group of 20 middle grade and secondary science teachers through beaches, quarries, and other sites around the state. The group will study minerals and learn how they end up in commonplace products like powdered doughnuts and household paint.

Organization advisor needed
Kappa Sigma Fraternity is looking for anyone interested in being a faculty/staff advisor. If you are interested in becoming part of this organization or can recommend a colleague, contact Robin Jones at 927.5300 for further details.

The 2005 Club
A group of enthusiastic May graduation candidates met with President Thomas Z. Jones for lunch in April at Compass Point. Each club member invited an honored professor to enjoy lunch. President Jones spoke on the value of maintaining contact with one’s alma mater. The members of the 2005 Club will have their names permanently displayed at Compass Point. The members were also recognized in the graduation commencement program. Another opportunity to join the 2005 club will be presented to the December ’05 candidates for graduation. For more information, contact either Tracy Guilford at 921.7487 or Gail Rountree at 927.5208.

Welcome Aboard
Tracee Williams, Financial Aid
Heather Erwin, University Police

Retirement
Marcella Hart, Nursing, 19 years of service
Barbara Dunn, Nursing, 11 years of service
Ronald Beumer, Biology, 29 years of service
Lynn Benson, Student Affairs, 35 years of service
Charles Shipley, Computer Science, 33 years of service

Events
June 3-4
AASU will host the first SE Prism P-16 Teaching and Learning Conference. The conference will begin on June 3 at 4:30 p.m. in University Hall, room 156. For more information, contact Sabrina Hessinger at 921.2059.

June 9
The AASU-Liberty Center, 740 East General Stewart Way, Hinesville, will host a Health Professions Information Session at 6:30 p.m. for all current and future students interested in learning more about programs offered by the College of Health Professions. For more information, call 912.368.7140.
June 13-24
AASU will offer a Visual and Performing Arts Camp. The camp will be held weekdays from 8:45 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Fine Arts Hall for children ages 7 through 13. Tuition and fees total $215 for two weeks and include art supplies and materials. Families registering two or more children will receive a 10% discount. For more details call 927.5325.

June 23-26 & 30, July 1 & 2
The AASU Department of Art, Music & Theatre presents Neil Simon's The Star Spangled Girl at 7:30 p.m. in Jenkins Theater and at 3 p.m. on June 26. General admission is $8. Call 927.5381 for ticketing information.

July 3
The Savannah Winds perform in the Annual Patriotic Concert in the Fine Arts Auditorium at 3 p.m. A barbecue dinner will follow the performance. For information call 927.5381.

Kudos
Jerry Silverman, criminal justice, social & political science, will serve as principal consultant to the Asian Development Bank (ADB, Manila) for the design and organization of its session at the High Level Forum of Asian Health Ministers in Tokyo June 21-22. The forum will be hosted by the government of Japan and co-organized by the ADB, World Bank, and World Health Organization. The purpose of the forum is to support the achievement of the United Nation’s sponsored “Millenium Development Goals” for health in the Asia-Pacific region. Silverman will design the forum session “Promoting Cross-Sectoral Actions to Achieve the Health MDGs” plus prepare analytical inputs, participate in the High Level Forum in Tokyo, and write the final report for the ADB.


Ray Greenlaw, school of computing, was recently named a member of the 2005-2006 Computing Accreditation Commission (CAC) by the ABET Board of Directors. He was also recognized as a Fulbright Scholar to Thailand by the J. William Fulbright Scholarship Board.

A paper by Beth Childress, special education, “Synchronous Distance Learning and Total Online WebCT Classes: A Comparative Study of Two Class Formats in Reading,” will be published in a book, Recent Research Developments in Learning Technologies, with an anticipated release of June 2005.

The Armstrong Atlantic State University Student Government Association named the 2005-2006 executive officers. The officers are Philip Pope, senior liberal arts major with a minor in criminal justice, president; Tiffany Dodgen, junior criminal justice major, vice president; Ariel Bryant, junior nursing major, secretary; and Erik Reid, sophomore nursing major, treasurer.

Tiffany Wernz, a graduate of the spring commencement in economics, presented a paper “Historical Examination of Cohabitation Rates,” and was recognized by the Academy of Economics and Finance as the outstanding student paper presented at the 2005 meeting of the academy.

The submission deadline for the July issue of eArmstrong is June 15.

Please send submissions to news@mail.armstrong.edu

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