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A newsletter for Armstrong Atlantic State University faculty & staff

NOVEMBER 2005

Celebrate AASU Day

Students, faculty, and staff once again enjoyed another Celebrate AASU Day on October 12. The event was a major success with 72 booths and 61 organizations participating. The following awards were presented at the event:

Most Entertaining Booth – Health Sciences

Most Enthusiastic Booth – The Gospel Choir

Most Creative Booth – American Chemical Society (Willy Wonka)

Best Food Booth – International Students Organization

Best All Around Booth – Radiologic Sciences

During the day, 2,500 T-shirts, 2,200 hot dogs, and 3,100 soft drinks were given away. In addition, a ton of ice, 120 pounds of charcoal, and 500 balloons were used.

The Department of Art, Music & Theatre's Katrina relief effort at Celebrate AASU Day was very successful! The photography students made \$730; the drawing students raised \$68; and the ceramics and fibers students brought in \$229. In addition, John Jensen donated over \$500 he made on two pots sold at the faculty exhibition. The money will be donated to the American Red Cross.

AASU Writing Project to Host Nationally-Recognized Speakers

The tales of Brer Rabbit, Southern folk tales, and the humor of Shel Silverstein's poetry will soon come to life. Nationally known storyteller Josie Bailey performs Friday, November 4, from 6 to 8:30 p.m. for the Coastal Georgia Writing Project Conference on the Teaching of Writing to be held at the Savannah History Museum. Since 1993, Bailey has toured the United States, sharing the art of storytelling.

Author Dawn Latta Kirby will deliver the keynote address at a mini-workshop on November 5 at 9:30 a.m. at the Coastal Georgia Center. Kirby is a professor of English at Kennesaw State University and co-author of *Inside Out: Strategies for Teaching Writing*, which she wrote with her husband and senior author Dan Kirby and co-author Tom Liner.

AASU to Offer Safe Patient Handling Session

Nurses are at high risk for musculoskeletal injury during patient handling and movement. As a result, many leave the profession because of chronic back problems or injuries. On November 4, the Department of Nursing will offer a free pilot program, "Safe Patient Handling Project." Two sessions will be held from 8 a.m.-noon and again from 1-4 p.m. in Ashmore Hall, room 209.

Phi Kappa Alpha

Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity is returning to campus after approximately 25 years. Fifty-one men have joined this new colony. Many faculty and staff were instrumental in assisting with recommendations for membership.

Basketball 2005-2006

The 2005-2006 AASU Lady Pirates basketball team kick off their season on November 18 with a tournament at Carson-Newman. The Lady Pirates will open their home schedule on November 30 playing Clayton State University. The women's game begins at 5:30 p.m. with the men's game following at 7:30 p.m.

AASU's International Week November 6-11

Armstrong Atlantic will host International Week from November 6-11. The celebration will include cultural activities, musical performances, and international foods. All events are free and open to the public.

Sunday, November 6

International Festival

The International Festival is a sidewalk festival showcasing countries represented by AASU international students and faculty through food, music, and artifacts. Featured musicians Raquy and the Cavemen will perform traditional Middle Eastern rhythms and melodies, with a heavy emphasis on hard rock drumming. This event will be held at the Compass Point Courtyard, from 2-5 p.m.

Ten Thousand Villages Gift Festival

Since 1946 Ten Thousand Villages, a nonprofit program, has provided vital income to Third World people by marketing their handicrafts and telling their stories in North America. Items from several different collections, including handmade instruments, antiqued paintings, and beautiful basketry, will be sold at the festival. Purchases will help skilled artisans in 32 countries receive a fair price for their handcrafted wares.

The Gift Festival will move from place to place throughout the week.

November 6 — 2-5 p.m., Compass Point Courtyard

November 7 — 11 a.m.-2 p.m., International Garden

November 8 — 9:30 a.m.-noon, Gamble Hall Portico

November 9 — 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., University Hall Atrium

November 10 — 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., University Dining Room, Memorial College Center

November 11 — 9 a.m.-3 p.m., University Dining Room, Memorial College Center

For more information, visit www.tenthousandvillages.com.

Monday, November 7

“Watch Us Grow” — AASU will officially open its International Garden with a “Watch Us Grow” ceremony on November 7. The garden, which features plazas representing the continents of Africa, Asia, Australia, Europe, and South America, is located between Hawes and Solms halls. The ceremony will begin at 10:30 a.m., with guided tours beginning at 11:30 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Thursday, November 10

The Mediterranean Diet — Luca Bonomi, executive director of Società Dante Alighieri Comitato Di Siena, Italy will speak about the culture and use of olive oil in Italian cuisine. The presentation will be held in University Hall, room 156, from 11:30 a.m.-12:45 p.m.

A Message of Peace & Reconciliation — Joseph Sebarenzi, a survivor of the Rwandan Genocide of 1994 and former head of the Rwandan Parliament, will speak about his belief that peace comes through reconciliation, and not through revenge. He will tell his dramatic and historic story in University Hall, room 156, from 1-3 p.m. There will be a reception following the presentation. For more information visit www.wolfmanproductions.com (click on roster, then on Joseph Sebarenzi).

IwannaParty — IwannaParty is a fusion of hip-hop, dancehall, and reggaeton, featuring Miriam, a.k.a. Empire ISIS. Empire ISIS burst onto the global music scene with her fresh blend of conscious lyrics over urban and world music rhythms. Inspired by the street sounds of every block from North America to Latin America, she aims to shake the hips and elevate the mind. This event will take place at the MCC Cafeteria, from 8-10 p.m. For more information, visit www.empireisis.com.

Insights into Italy — Luca Bonomi, executive director of Società Dante Alighieri Comitato Di Siena, Italy will speak about the culture and cuisine of Tuscany. The presentation will be held in Solms Hall, room 110, at noon.

For more information about International Week, call the Office of International Education at 912.921.5671, or visit www.intl.armstrong.edu/intlweek.html.

Welcome Aboard

Mark Alderman, Plant Operations
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Events

November 1

AASU Percussion Ensemble and Jazz Combo Concert, 7:30 p.m. in the Fine Arts Auditorium

November 3

The Center for Justice Administration will present Ronnie Cline with Southeast Crime Prevention at 2 p.m. in University Hall, room 156. Cline's speech is titled "Don't be a Victim: Protect Yourself."

The Masquers will present A...*My Name is Alice*, 7:30 p.m. in the Jenkins Theater.

November 4

Volleyball vs. USC Upstate, 6 p.m. in the Aquatic and Recreation Center

The Masquers will present A...*My Name is Alice*, 7:30 p.m. in the Jenkins Theater.

The Department of Art, Music & Theater will present 13th Colony South Barbershop Chorus Concert, 7:30 p.m. in the Fine Arts Auditorium.

November 5

The Office of Recruiting will host Open House for prospective students and guests, 10:30 a.m. in University Hall.

Volleyball vs. Lander, 4 p.m. in the Aquatic and Recreation Center

The Masquers will present A...*My Name is Alice*, 7:30 p.m. in the Jenkins Theater.

November 6

International Week begins.

November 8

AASU Jazz Ensemble Concert, 7:30 p.m. in the Fine Arts Auditorium

November 12

Adults Back to College Information Session, 10 a.m. in Victor Hall, room 227

November 14

SGA/ARC Blood Drive, 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on the Memorial College Center lawn

HOLA lunch and crafts, noon, in Solms Hall, room 108

The Office of Minority Affairs will present *Red, Black and Brown: the Native-American/African-American/Latin American Exchange* by Bobby Gonzalez, 4 p.m. in the University Dining Room, Memorial College Center.

November 15

The Department of Art, Music & Theatre will present the United States Navy Band Concert, 7:30 p.m. in the Fine Arts Auditorium.

November 17-19

The Masquers will present Diana Son's *Stop Kiss*, 7:30 p.m. in the Jenkins Theater.

November 20

The 14th Annual J. Harry Perse Memorial Concert, 3 p.m. at Sacred Heart Catholic Church

November 21-December 12

The Department of Art, Music & Theatre will present the Fall 2005 Senior Graduation Arts Exhibition, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. in the Fine Arts Gallery.

November 22

The Armstrong Atlantic Youth Orchestra Concert, 7:30 p.m. in the Fine Arts Auditorium

November 23-24

Thanksgiving Holidays

November 29

Savannah Winds Concert, 7:30 p.m. in the Fine Arts Auditorium

November 30

Women's Basketball vs. Clayton State, 5:30 p.m. in Alumni Arena

Men's Basketball vs. Clayton State, 7:30 p.m. in Alumni Arena

Kudos

Marilyn Buck, College of Health Professions, has received a Georgia Medical Society Health Care Heroes Award in the Health Care Innovations category for her work in tobacco prevention in the Savannah community.

Richard Wallace, chemistry and physics, gave an invited presentation titled “Vinylboronic Esters, Nitrile Oxides & The Development of New Instructional Tools for Organic Chemistry” at Clemson University.

Lynn Stover, nursing, has been appointed to serve on the Editorial Advisory Board of the Journal of Obstetric, Gynecological, and Neonatal Nursing (JOGNN), a peer-reviewed journal focusing on clinical scholarship for the care of women, childbearing families, and newborns. JOGNN is the official journal of the Association of Women’s Health, Obstetric and Neonatal Nurses.

Holly Smith, languages, literature, and philosophy, presented a two-hour workshop, “Painting the Fence: The Tom Sawyer Approach to Technology for the Uninitiated Adjunct,” at the First Southeastern Scholarship Conference on E-Learning at Macon State College.

David Taylor, languages, literature, and philosophy, delivered a lecture/workshop at the Southeastern Scholarship Conference on E-Learning at Macon State College. Taylor’s presentation, “E-Grading Tools for Online Teachers,” offered an introduction to two tools: SNAP and Audacity. SNAP (Sentence Notation and Prompting) is a Microsoft Word plug-in developed by Taylor for inserting auto text into student papers using customized toolbars. Audacity is a tool that allows the teacher to attach verbal comments to a student text.

Maryellen Cosgrove, early childhood education, was recently appointed as the executive director of the Georgia Association of Teacher Educators (GATE).

Patricia Norris-Parsons, Brunswick Center, **Patricia Brignati**, middle and secondary education, and **Maryellen Cosgrove**, early childhood education, recently published an article in the *GATEways to Teacher Education* journal.

Patricia Norris-Parsons, Brunswick Center, **John Hobe**, early childhood education, **Gene Barber**, Coastal Georgia Community College, and **Maryellen Cosgrove**, early childhood education, each presented a paper at the GATE conference held in October.

Patricia West has been named director of the Coastal Georgia Writing Project.

Tony Morris, languages, literature, and philosophy, had his 72-page book of poetry, *Back to Cain*, published by The Olive Press.

Ed Strauser, middle and secondary education, has been named coordinator of Troops to Teachers, a program of study designed to bring prior, retired, and active military in southeastern Georgia into the teaching profession.

Stephen Jodis, computing, has assumed the role of interim head of the Department of Computer Science in addition to his role as assistant dean of the school.

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