

Chancellor's Council Announcements March 2008

Academic Affairs

- ABET request for evaluation has been completed and submitted.
- Faculty Mentoring workshop for Department Chairs has been completed.
- MSU-MST Cooperative Program interviewed candidates for faculty positions at MSU.

Graduate Studies

The Office of Graduate Studies Brown Bag Series continues. Time Management and Self Motivation for the Busy Graduate Student was presented on February 18. Patti Fleck, Assistant Director of the Counseling Center, addressed time issues experienced by graduate students and suggested strategies to increase personal motivation.

Coping with mid-semester slump? Are you restless and distracted? On March 5, Diane Stutts, Counseling Center, will present a session on Procrastination. The session will help you learn how to identify your own procrastination patterns, set realistic goals and get moving! Join us at 12 PM in the Turner Room of the Havener Center.

An information session entitled "What is Graduate School All About?" was held on Tuesday, February 12. Vicki Hudgins gave a brief overview of the Office of Graduate Studies, followed by a presentation by Wayne Huebner about the benefits of attending graduate school, application procedures and funding opportunities. A panel of five graduate students talked about their personal experiences in graduate school and answered questions. Representatives of 15 departments were available for break-out sessions following the panel discussion. Despite the icy weather, 20 undergraduate students took advantage of this opportunity to learn more about graduate studies. A repeat session is scheduled for early October, allowing time for students to apply for NSF and other national fellowship opportunities.

Staff Council

Staff Excellence Awards nomination forms available

Do you know a Missouri S&T staff member who goes above and beyond? This is your chance to recognize these people.

Nomination forms for 2008 Staff Excellence Awards at Missouri S&T are now available. Nine outstanding Missouri S&T staff members will receive Staff Excellence Awards this year. The awards are intended to show appreciation for and recognition of staff contributions to the university. The awards will be given to staff members who have made significant contributions

to the university through a combination of job performance, relationship with their associates, and dedication to Missouri S&T.

Students, faculty and staff can nominate an outstanding staff member. The deadline for nominations is Friday, March 21. Nominations are welcomed and encouraged from everyone.

Nomination forms can be downloaded at <http://staffcouncil.mst.edu/>

Student Affairs

Athletics

- The S&T Swimming team won the New South Intercollegiate Swimming Conference Championship. Seven Miners were named All-NSIC and Coach Doug Grooms was named Coach of the Year. Thirteen Miners have qualified for the National Championship.
- Taylor Hahn and Jackie Statler, S&T Women's Track & Field, were named GLVC Track and Field Athletes of the Week. Both broke the school record in the pole vault.
- Kelsey Musselman was named GLVC Softball player of the week as the Lady Miners beat the #23 ranked team in the nation.
- The S&T Women's Basketball team is in second place in the GLVC and ranked third in the region. The top two teams in the conference will host first round GLVC post-season tournament games. The top eight teams ranked regionally will be invited to the NCAA National Tournament.

Career Opportunities Center

- Spring career fair affected by inclement weather – more details to come as Lea-Ann Morton will be presenting at the March meeting.
- Fall career fair scheduled for Tuesday, September 23rd.
- On-campus interviews: there is more demand by employers than students participating. Employers are not receiving enough student interest/resumes and are cancelling interview dates. Please encourage your students to register with the COC and submit their resume to employers that they are interested in.

Counseling and Disability Support Services

- **Zip Lock Series** (all at noon)
 - Mon, March 3rd - *Determining a Major that Fits* - Diane Stutts
 - Wed, March 19th – *Missouri S&T Services* - Diane Stutts
- **Sue Shear Institute for Women in Public Policy**: 21st Century Leadership Academy (May 18 - 23, 2008)

The 21st Century Leadership Academy is a week-long residential program focused on women's public sector leadership, held on the UMSL campus. Applications for the four Missouri S & T 2008 Sue Shear Fellows are due **Monday, March 3, 2008**, at noon. For more information contact Patti J. Fleck, Ph.D., Missouri S & T Sue Shear advisor, at pfleck@mst.edu.

Residential Life

- Missouri S&T was the big winner at the recent MACURH annual business meeting. Missouri S&T students took home 6 of the 10 available awards, more than any other university in the 7 state, 50 school region. For more details, please see econnection.
- Thomas Jefferson construction continues to progress. Completion of construction phase one is slated for late June with a building opening of late July.
- An Outtakes grab and go eatery is being added to the basement of RC 2. This area will be similar to the recent addition to the library. The RC 2 Outtakes is slated to open mid-March.

Student Health Service

- 1st- Alcohol Awareness Bulletin Boards- (bulletin board packets consisting of the same layout for all 40 bulletin boards in the residents halls to “blanket” the students with alcohol awareness information in preparation for St. Pat’s 100th)
- 8th- Shamrock 5K Fun Run/Walk (begins at 9am at the Centre- late registration at 8am)
- 10th-18th- Koozies with Alcohol Awareness Fact Card (distributed to all students- through programs same goal as the bulletin boards)
- 20th- “Safe Spring Break” (6 sessions to educate students prior to attending Spring Break on car issues, drinking, gambling, sex/STI’s, Identity Theft, Sun Safety)

Student Life

- Havener Center
 - In accordance with the reservation policies for campus spaces, reservation requests for any campus space made less than 48 hours from the date of the event will not be honored. Major changes to events that are scheduled in less than 48 hours from the events will be subject to a \$10.00 administrative charge.
Reservation policies are available at
<http://campus.UMR.edu/studentlife/reservations/index.htm>
- Student Life
 - Student Body President Elections will take place February 25 – 29. There is one candidate; Andrew Ronchetto of Chesterfield, Missouri.
 - International Students Day is March 9th. Displays and a variety of food from all over the world will fill the atrium of the Havener Center.
 - The 100th St. Pat’s planning is well underway, information can be found at:
<http://stpats.mst.edu/>.
 - Student Life is sponsoring an alternative spring break. About 15 students have signed on to travel to North Carolina to participate in a number of different projects. Two staff members, Jim Warren and Angela Perkins, are serving as coordinators for the trip.

Undergraduate Studies

LEARNING ENHANCEMENT ACROSS DISCIPLINES PROGRAM (LEAD)

- The Learning Enhancement Across Disciplines Program (LEAD) has been offering LEAD learning assistance for this semester's courses since mid-January. The schedule is posted online at <http://lead.mst.edu/assist>. Individualized and small-group tutoring is provided for twenty-eight foundational courses (top half of the schedule), while forty LEAD faculty associates are running collaborative learning centers for twenty-five courses in eleven departments (bottom half of the schedule). Check out the schedule to discover what we offer! (Print it off as one page, or use zoom buttons to enlarge the view.) If you have any questions about the LEAD Program, please contact its director, Prof. Ronald Bieniek, at bieniek@mst.edu or 341-7070.

UNDERGRADUATE ADVISING OFFICE

- **2007/08 Outstanding Academic Advising Awards** - Eight annual advising awards are presented to four faculty members, a staff advisor, a freshman advisor, a transfer student advisor and a PRO advisor. Each award recipient will receive \$500.00, an awards plaque, and mention on the University's *Outstanding Academic Advisor Awards Plaque*. Awards will be announced during a campus-wide reception on April 29, 2008 in the Havener Center.

UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH PROGRAM

- **Departmental Information Training Session, Workshop Topic:** Office of Undergraduate Studies, 3/4/08, 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
- **4th Annual Undergraduate Research Conference – April 9, 2008**
The fourth annual Missouri S&T Undergraduate Research Conference will be held April 9. This event provides opportunities for students to showcase research efforts to the campus community and to the public. The research conference will include oral and poster sessions. Registration Deadline is March 16, 2008. Registration materials are [available online](#). For more information, contact the office of undergraduate studies at 209 Norwood Hall, 341-7276 or ugs@mst.edu.
- **OURE Deadlines** - This semester, 105 Missouri S&T undergraduate students are actively working on undergraduate research projects in their departments through the OURE program. To learn more about OURE or download an application to participate in next year's program, visit our web site at: <http://ugs.mst.edu/oure.html>. Final reports for 2007-08 academic year are due **April 1, 2008**. Applications for the 2008-09 academic year are due **April 1, 2008**.
- **OURE Fellows Deadlines** - This semester, 10 Missouri S&T undergraduate students are actively working on undergraduate research projects in their departments through the OURE Fellows program. To learn more about the OURE Fellows program and to participate in next year's program, visit our web site at: http://ugs.mst.edu/oure_fellows.html. Final reports for 2007-08 academic year are due **March 16, 2008**. Proposals for the 2008-09 academic year are due **March 16, 2008**.
- **Judges needed for the 4th Annual Undergraduate Research Conference on April 9, 2008** - The research conference will include oral and poster sessions in the following categories:

- **Oral Session Categories:**
 1. Engineering
 2. Humanities/ Social Sciences
 3. Management & Information Systems
 4. Natural Sciences

Poster Session Categories:

1. Engineering
2. Humanities/ Social Sciences
3. Management & Information Systems
4. Natural Sciences
5. Research Proposals

First (\$750), second (\$500) and third (\$250) place prizes will be awarded in each category.

- The Oral Session will be held in the morning from 9:00-11:45 AM.
- Poster Sessions will be held in the morning and afternoon from 9:00-11:45 AM and 1:00-3:00 PM.

If you are interested in judging this event, and are available during one or both of the times listed above, please contact Amy Gillman 341-7600/ gillman@mst.edu.

WRITING CENTER

- **Seventh Annual Writing Contest** - The Writing Center staff is gearing up for the Seventh Annual Writing Contest, to take place during the spring 2008 semester. All Missouri S&T undergraduates are invited to submit their best written work in one of the following seven categories: (1) short story, general; (2) short story, science fiction or fantasy; (3) analytical essay; (4) autobiographical or personal essay; (5) research paper; (6) technical writing/technical communication and (7) English 20 essay. All submissions should be limited to no more than 3,000 words. Students may enter as many categories as they would like, but may enter a single category only once. All submissions must be sent electronically to Lorraine Woolsey at lorrain@mst.edu no later than 18 April, 2008.

Essays will be judged by a panel of Missouri S&T faculty, and prizes will be awarded in all categories.

An awards reception will be held on May 7, 2008, at 4:00 PM in the Writing Center, 113 Campus Support Facility. For more information about the writing contest, or about the services provided by the Writing Center, please call 341-4436 or email Lorraine Woolsey at lorrain@mst.edu.

University Advancement

Office of Communications

- **Recruitment video updated.** Tom Shipley, manager of video productions, recently updated the university's recruitment video which debuted at the Presidents Day Open House on Feb. 18. Tom has also been busy updating other videos to replace UMR references with Missouri S&T.
- **eConnection improvements.** Following last summer's move of the eConnection into a weblog format, the communications staff has been working to improve delivery of the news to faculty and staff. With recent improvements, the eConnection is once again delivered directly to your university email inbox on Mondays and Thursdays. You can also subscribe to the eConnection via RSS at the website and submit your news items at econnection.mst.edu.

- **Missouri S&T Magazine debuts later this month.** A look at how university researchers are addressing the future challenges of engineering is the subject for the first issue of *Missouri S&T Magazine* – formerly *UMR Magazine*. Look for the spring 2008 issue in your mailbox shortly after the spring equinox or go online at magazine.mst.edu.

Public Radio KMST

- Please remember to support Public Radio KMST during the 2008 Spring On-Air Membership Drive (starting March 1). The KMST staff and membership invites you to either renew your membership or consider investing in public radio for the first time. Over 40% of Public Radio KMST’s financial support comes from membership and underwriting support. Your support will ensure quality public radio service for many years to come.
- The KMST staff is always eager to host community groups to tour your public radio station. Recently, the Cub Scouts came by to learn the basics of how public radio is put on the air. During the tours, we talked about what makes public radio different from commercial radio, provided an overview of how our signal makes its rounds before actually being broadcast to your radio and demonstrated the power and efficiency of digital audio production. If you, your family or group would like to tour, simply contact Jim Sigler at KMST by email at jsigler@mst.edu or call 4387.

Office of Alumni Relations

- **St. Pat’s Activities.** The Miner Alumni Association invites all faculty and staff to attend the 100th Anniversary Celebration of St. Pat’s from 2:30 to 4 p.m. Saturday, March 15, outside of Castleman Hall. Free hot dogs, soda and Anheuser-Busch beer will be served. The band Generation Gap 65583 will perform tunes from the 1960s, 70s and 80s.
- The Miner Alumni Association will host a total of 30 St. Pat’s events across the United States celebrating the 100th anniversary.
- Alumni, faculty, staff and students will promote the four-campus University of Missouri System during Legislative Day March 5 in Jefferson City. A special thanks to Dr. Krishnamurthy, vice provost of research, for making arrangements to showcase Missouri S&T’s research.
- Nearly \$1.2 million was raised by the Miner Alumni Association in 2007 which was the most money ever raised in a single year by the association. This allowed the association to provide an additional \$30,000 in scholarship funds to students this fall.

Development

- The annual **Order of the Golden Shillelagh (OGS)** donor society celebration will be held on the weekend of April 18-20 at the Chase Park Plaza in St. Louis, MO. OGS recognizes alumni and friends who pledge to contribute \$10,000 or more over a five-year period to any department or program at Missouri S&T or within the Miner Alumni Association. For more information about OGS, please contact Stephanie Martensen, executive secretary, at 341-6685 or smarten@mst.edu.

Advancement Services

- As of February 21, 2008, the capital campaign has raised a total of \$137.4M toward a goal of \$200M.

Campaign Categories	Goal	Raised
Student Support	\$35M	\$29.2M
Faculty Support	\$26M	\$ 6.4M
Facilities & Equipment	\$37M	\$13.8M
Program Support	\$32M	\$40.4M
Private Grant Support	\$70M	\$47.6M