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Calendar of Events (September 1-October 31, 2003)

September 10, noon, i-House, Brown Bag lecture by Tom Prasch, Professor of History

September 10, pm, i-House, Alliance Francaise Fall Social (welcome party), call 231-1010x1714 for more information.

September 22-27, workshops and master class by Barbara Cortes and Dietrich Hillebrand, professional singers from Germany

September 24, noon, i-House, Brown Bag lecture by Karen Ray, Professor of English

October 1, noon, i-House, Brown Bag lecture by Tom Wolf, Professor of Biology

October 8, noon, i-House, Brown Bag lecture by Graham Ixer, Visiting Professor of Social Work from England

October 8, pm, i-House, Alliance Francaise film and meeting, time and topic to be announced, call 231-1010x1714 for more information.

October 22, noon, i-House, Brown Bag lecture by President Jerry Farley

October 30, 4-5, i-House, Presidential Reception for international students hosted by President and Mrs. Farley

(Please call 231-1051 for more information about all events unless there is another contact number.)

F.Y.I.

Three International Faculty Join Washburn

Gabriele AGabi@ Lunte, Lecturer of German, Modern Languages, was born in Germany and educated at University of Sheffield in England, University of Giessen, Germany, and University of Toledo, Ohio, before receiving both her master's and Ph.D. from the University of Kansas.

Vian-Shin AFrankie@ Yee, Malaysia, lecturer, Art. Yee received a bachelor's degree from WU and a master's degree from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale. He has been a graduate teaching assistant at SIUC and an adjunct instructor at Washburn.

Maria Raicheva-Stover, Bulgaria, instructor, Mass Media. Raicheva received a bachelor's and a master's degree from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, where she is currently a doctoral candidate. She has served as a teaching assistant and as a research assistant at her alma mater.

Three Join the International Ed. Committee

The International Education Committee starts out the year with three new members: Teresita Leyell, School of Business, Brian Ogawa, School of Applied Studies, and Pina Pereiro, Modern Languages. They replaced Jim Eck, Oscar Plaza, and Marie-Luce Parker. Welcome on board!

i-House Being Remodeled

After years of heavy usage, maintenance and repairs

are long overdue. The popular i-House is about to take on a new look inside and out. Last year, all new Anderson windows and some doors were installed, The carpet in the entire house was washed and deep-cleaned and all the interior walls painted. This fall, the exterior walls and woodwork, including the balcony will be repaired and painted. Later in the fall or early winter, the foyer will be completely remodeled and the bathroom relocated. Your cooperation and understanding is requested during this extended period of renovation. In the end, it will all be worth it.

Brown Bag Series Set for Fall

September 10, Tom Prasch, History
September 24, Karen Ray, English
October 1, Tom Wolf, Biology
October 8, Graham Ixer, visiting professor, England
October 22, Jerry Farley, President
November 12, Michael Stoica, School of Business
November 19, Bob Beatty, Political Science

Topics and details are to be announced. Watch your email and campus bulletin boards or call International Programs (231-1051) for more information.

All Brown Bag lectures are to be held in the i-House, starting at noon. Light lunch will be provided.

Scholarships Identified for International Students

The Office of International Programs has identified several scholarships to assist qualified students as they face with the rising cost of education and the new requirement of health insurance, which became mandatory this semester. The amount identified totals \$9,000. Please stop by the office for an application package and more information on the following scholarships. Applications are due, noon, Sept. 10.

\$500 Rotary International (Downtown), 8 awards
\$500 International Center of Topeka, 2 awards
\$500 Korean Scholar, 1 award
\$500 David Thurston Scholarship, 3 awards
\$500 Stanley Curyea Memorial, up to 5 awards

Howard Faulkner, Professor of English since 1972, is the recipient of a senior Fulbright lecturing award to

In the Spot Light

International Students on Honor Rolls

The following students were placed on the Dean=s Honor Roll, fall 2003:

Mohammad H. Abid (Pakistan)
Marijen Aga (Philippines)
Ernest Cherry (St. Lucia)
Florence Cheruiyot (Kenya)
Krishna Dave (India)
Nihal Javeed (India)
Jaehun Jeong (Korea)
Victoria Ledeneva (Kyrgyzstan)
Qing Li (China)
Jossen Mvalo (Malawi)
Micah Kaisi Mwanzi (Kenya)
Munanu Njuki (Kenya)
Binky V. Onyango (Kenya)
Chanette Onyoyo (Kenya)
Hao Zhang (China)

The following students were placed on the President=s Honor Roll, fall 2003:

Yuliya Alexeeva (Russia)
Tag-hyun Choi (Korea)
Chen Min Huang (Taiwan)
Brian Mulanda (Kenya)
Chien-Long Tai (Taiwan)
Sook Han Tung (Malaysia)

Mary Alice Hines= 51th Book/Manuscripts Published

"Greek Real Estate: Antiquities, Beaches, Mountains and Seas," a book/monograph by Mary Alice Hines, Clarence W. King endowed professor of real estate and finance at the Washburn University School of Business since 1982, has been distributed worldwide to the International Real Estate Institute membership. This book was published by the International Real Estate Institute, Alexandria, Minn. Many of Hines= books and monographs appear in both the Japanese and English languages.

Howard Faulkner Awarded Third Fulbright

Morocco for the academic year 2003-04. He will be a member of the faculty of letters at University Moulay

Ismail, Meknes. This will be his third year-long senior Fulbright lecture appointment. Faulkner's previous awards were for 12 month assignments at Univerzitet Kirili Metodij in Skopje, Macedonia and at Sofiiski Univerzitet in Sofia, Bulgaria. He also was a guest professor at the University of Metz, Metz, France for one year. His primary responsibility at the three universities was teaching American literature.

Modern Languages: Study Abroad Participants and Scholarships Recipients

Joshua Cathey, Topeka, will study in Austria, fall 2003 and spring 2004 semesters; Albert Glassburn, Topeka, will study in Spain, fall 2003 semester; Blake Jones, Salina, will study in Spain, fall 2003 and spring 2004 semesters; Helen E. (Lisa) Myers, Topeka, will study in Mexico, fall 2003 semester; Mark Satterfield, Newton, will study in Austria and Germany, fall 2003 and spring 2004 semesters; and Kristin Willis, Topeka, will study in France, summer 2003.

In addition, the following students in other departments across campus are spending the fall 2003 semester abroad:

Amy Giersch, Megellan Program in Belgium
Shad Bloom, Megellan Program in Belgium
Marlee Brunton, Orebro University, Sweden
Klaus Mueller, University of Limerick, Ireland
Tracy Gullickson, University of Limerick, Ireland

Congratulations

International Student Receives Notable Scholarships

Victoria Ledeneva, an Accounting/Finance major from Kyrgyzstan, has been awarded \$1,500 by the School of Business and \$1,000 by the Financial Aid office for her outstanding academic performance. When recently interviewed, Victoria shared that she decided on the field of Business while attending university at home in Kyrgyzstan because she loves numbers. Even though studying in English has been challenging, she says she still knows what she's doing and appreciates the kindness and helpfulness of her professors at Washburn. Although her studies keep her extremely busy, Victoria said that she'd like to become

more involved in on-campus organizations, especially the Washburn Accounting Association or Finance Society. In the future, she would like to work in international banking and remain in the U.S. if possible. If not, she said she's willing to go anywhere since she's flexible.

International Graduates and Exchange Students Honored

The International Programs office hosted a reception at the i-House on May 12 to honor 12 international student graduates and recognize their favorite professors. Words of congratulations and best wishes were given by VPAA Ron Wasserstein and Susie Hoffmann, director of Alumni Affairs. The spring 2003 graduates were: M. Haseeb Abid (BS in SY; Pakistan), Marijen Aga (BS in Nursing; Philippines), Lee Barrett (BA in PY and CJ; Canada), Ingrid Bego (BA in GE, SP, PS; Albania), Chi-Wen Hsiao (BM in MU, Taiwan), Chin-Hsing Kuo (BS in MA; Taiwan), Chueh-Yin Liang (BA in PY; Taiwan), Zodwa Mpofu (BE in CD; Zimbabwe), Margaret Ngigi (BS in CM; Kenya), Virgil de Vera (MBA; Philippines), Jiyoung Yang (JD; South Korea) and Gregory Youatt (BBA; South Africa).

The graduates' favorite professors were: Judith McConnell, Robert Boncella, Michael Stoica, Shiao-Li Ding, James Rivers and Gary Baker. Also recognized were Gillian O'Leary and Aine Duggan, two direct exchange students from the University of Limerick in Ireland.

Faculty Active Abroad

Biology Research Group Going Down Under

by Tom Wolf

Six students (Michelle Blume, Michelle Brady, Danson Kamunyu, Cordell Privat, Rachel Schuette and Joy Spicer), members of the the Washburn University Drosophila Research Group (WUDRG) and two Biology faculty members (John Mullican and Paul Wagner) and myself went to Australia to attend and present at two scientific meetings. The first was

the XIX International Congress of Genetics in Melbourne (July 6-11) and the second was the Great Barrier Reef Drosophila Conference in Cairns (July 12-17). It was a tremendous experience for all concerned. We were delighted that President Farley met us in Melbourne and visited the student presentations.

I really appreciated the support provided by the Office International Programs for these students. It was the trip of a lifetime.

Cambridge Summer Program Still Popular

by Donna Love

I accompanied twelve students to England during the month of July where they were enrolled in courses at the University of Cambridge International Summer School. There were students from 55 different countries in attendance. Eight students were full time at Washburn University; four others enrolled already had degrees and went for the "joy of learning."

This was the 12th year for the Cambridge "Study Abroad Program" which has consistently provided a unique learning experience for Washburn students. As always, the program was stimulating and all reports from students indicate that they found their classes with Cambridge professors very interesting and enjoyable. On weekends, students were free to travel. Six students went to Rome, Italy; Edinburgh, Scotland; and to Ireland. All twelve students visited numerous museums and attractions in London. Some students visited York and other historical places in England. Cambridge Study Abroad Students - July 2003: Virgil Barnard, Kevin Boyd, Caitlin Day, Jaime Gilkert, Anita Epps, Robert Epps, Catharine Frey, John Lick, Lynn Mackle, James Wilper, Matthew York, and Luci Zieman.

Leadership Study Abroad Trip to China Diverted to Central America

by Gary Forbach

The SARS outbreak forced travel plans to change for nine Washburn Leadership Institute students and their professor originally scheduled for May 18-31, 2003. By the time information about SARS began to be

publicized, the significant financial support provided by the International Center of Topeka, Inc. and Washburn's International Programs had already been applied toward purchase of the round trip airfare. Furthermore, Baili Zhang, Director, International Programs, had facilitated arrangements for a cross-cultural study of leadership with students and faculty at both Tongji University (Shanghai) and Zhejiang Normal University (Jinhua). This trip offered a rare opportunity for students educated in two very different cultures to engage in a thoughtful, detailed comparison of their respective concepts of leadership. Unfortunately, health and safety concerns about SARS eventually led to a decision to abort the plans and seek another destination.

After a whirlwind evaluation of numerous alternate international study destinations served by the same air carrier (to allow re-booking of the non-refundable tickets), the group managed to arrange a service project tutoring students in Belize schools capped by four days in the Honduran capital of Tegucigalpa. The highlight of the trip turned out to be an 80-minute visit with Honduran President Ricardo Maduro during which the students engaged President Maduro in a discussion of his views on the complexities of leadership and the challenges of being the leader of a Third World country.

Joan Altman, Professor of Psychology, also led a group of students on a trip to South Africa.

Worth Quoting...

A ...educating the world's future leaders is part of the solution to terrorism, not part of the problem... Welcoming international students to our nation constitutes a crucial long-term investment in American leadership and security. Such openness has long been a bulwark of the U.S. foreign policy and is a proven means to fight against the uninformed stereotype, fear, and ignorance that are at the heart of the crisis we face today. @

---William Perry, Former U.S. Secretary of Defense

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