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"PACK THE STANDS" STAFF APPRECIATION NIGHT, FEB. 8TH

The 2nd Annual 'Pack The Stands' Basketball Staff Appreciation Night will be held during the UMSL vs. Southern Indiana game (Women at 5:30/ Men at 7:30). UMSL alumni, faculty, staff and students will be on hand to say thanks to staff for all of our hard work. Free food and drinks will be served.

Free registration will begin before the women's game and each staff member that signs up will have a chance at one of many great attendance prizes such as Blues tickets, free meals from STL restaurants, gift cards and more. This is also the night of the popular Banner War (details coming soon). So come on over right after work and cheer on UMSL basketball as we battle ranked Southern Indiana. Remember to wear RED.

RIVERSTAR EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

The Employee of the Month winner for the month of November is Patricia Mayberry. Congratulations to Patricia!



November winner
Excellent Teamwork

Patricia Mayberry
Administrative Associate
English and History

TRIVIA NIGHT IS COMING – START YOUR BRAINS!

Don't forget to get your table together for this year's Trivia Night which will be held on Saturday, March 10 at Wild Acres Park in Overland at 7:00pm. The cost is \$13 per person; tables will be made of 8 players. For more information, go to the website: <http://www.umsl.edu/trivia>.

UMSL'S NEW STUDENT INFORMATION SYSTEM KICK-OFF EVENT

Please save the date to attend the kick-off celebration for MyView, the new student information system. MyView, powered by PeopleSoft, will provide recruitment, admissions, advising, financial aid, registration and student financial services to the campus community. MyView will replace STAR UMSL, CICS/SIS. A team of university staff and consultants are working on implementing the new student system which will provide increased access and usability for faculty, staff and students. Find out more about this significant project, its timeline and some of the enhancements MyView offers for accessing student and class information.

Please join us for the MyView project kick-off celebration:

Date: Thursday, February 8, 2007

Time: 2:00 p.m.

Place: MSC Century A&B

Free ice cream and attendance prizes

Contact brownma@umsl.edu with any questions.

LET'S DO LUNCH FOR THE NEW YEAR

The Ferguson Citywalk is operating a free shuttle service on Tuesdays from campus to any of 20 restaurants in Ferguson. Just meet the shuttle in front of the MSC, Marillac Hall or the Science Complex from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and then let the driver know when you want to be picked up from lunch.

For more information, go to the web site:

<http://www.fergusoncitywalk.com/shuttle.html>

READY, SET, READ!

In just a few short months, the UMSL Staff Association will celebrate the first anniversary of the staff book club; Ready, Set, Read! The book club was formed during the 2006 Focus on the Future and has provided a worldly mix of great reading suggestions for staff members. The club meets approximately every 6 weeks on a Friday in the Nosh for lunch and discussion about the most recent selection. The group also takes suggestions for the next time. Past books have included:

The Secret Life of Bees by Sue Monk Kidd

Marley & Me by John Grogan

The Kite Runner by Khalid Hosseini

The Bretheren by John Grisham

Ready, Set, Read! is meant to be free of pressure (you don't have to read any book you don't want to) and free of money (no fees are involved & most books can be checked out from the libraries in the area). All staff members are welcome and encouraged to join. For more information, you can email Jan Carrell (jan_carrell@umsl.edu) or come to one of our upcoming the meetings:

Friday Jan. 12th - ***Myth's, Lies, and Downright Stupidity: Get Out the Shovel - Why Everything You Know is Wrong*** by John Stossel

Friday Feb 16th - ***Nanny Diaries*** by Emma McLaughlin & Nicole Kraus

DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WITH AN INTERESTING JOB ON CAMPUS?

If you have an interesting job, or if you know someone with an interesting job that you'd like to know more about, please send your idea to The Link, mao@umsl.edu

SHARE YOUR PHOTOS WITH THE STAFF YEARBOOK

What have you and your colleagues been up to lately? Share your joy with the rest of the UMSL staff by submitting the best pictures from your events for inclusion in a new online UMSL Staff Yearbook, sponsored by the Staff Association. Send your submissions to Rachel Sommerer at rachel@umsl.edu. The yearbook can be visited at <http://www.umsl.edu/services/sassoc/yearbook/>