

The Communicator

Monday, March 15, 2010

FYIs

Human Resources

Happy Birthday greetings to the following:

- Mar. 15 Pam Shannon and Troy Williams
- Mar. 16 Tony Jenkins and Cathy Smith
- Mar. 17 Maria Barriga and Sarah Kennedy
- Mar. 18 Bill Warner
- Mar. 20 Monica Boles
- Mar. 21 Maria Smith

Was your birthday left off this week's birthday list? E-mail driskillo@roanestate.edu, and we will include it in the next Communicator.

Human Rights Activist Naomi Tutu To Speak at Oak Ridge Campus

The International Education program will present a lecture by human rights activist and educator Naomi Tutu on Tuesday, March 23 at 6:30 p.m. at the Oak Ridge campus. The lecture on "Striving for Justice: Searching for Common Ground" will be held in the City Room. The event is free and open to the public. Visitors are encouraged to arrive early because seating is limited. Tutu, daughter of Nobel Peace Prize winner and anti-apartheid activist Archbishop Desmond Tutu, has served as a development consultant in West Africa and as a coordinator for programs on Race and Gender and Gender-Based Violence in Education at the African Gender Institute at the University of Cape Town.



Roane State Health Fair Set for April 9

The Roane State Health Fair will be held on Friday, April 9 from 8 a.m. to noon in the student lounge on the Roane County campus. The event, held in partnership with Covenant Health, will include free services such as blood pressure checks, bone density screening and vision screening. Lab work will be offered at a reduced cost. A chemistry profile, which includes a blood lipid panel and liver enzymes, is \$20. A 12-hour fast is recommended. All regular medications should be taken. Individuals with diabetes should consult with their physician before fasting. Additional lab work services will include the following: Complete Blood Count (CBC), \$15; Prostate Specific Antigen (PSA), \$20; Thyroid Stimulating Hormone (TSH), \$20; High Sensitivity C-Reactive Protein (C-RP), \$20; and hemoglobin A1C, \$20.

For more information, call Covenant Health at (865) 541-4500 or visit www.covenanthealth.com.

Roane State Fitness Center Hosting 5K Run/Walk; Register Today!

The Fitness Center will host the second annual 5K run/walk on Saturday, April 17 at the Roane County campus. The “Get Fit. Stay Fit. Spring Classic 5K” begins at 9 a.m., with the start and finish located at the Fitness Center parking lot on campus.

Registration is \$20, and those interested can get a registration form by visiting www.roanestate.edu/5krun; by contacting race director Shaun Simpson at (865) 354-3000, ext. 4499; or by picking up a form at fitness center locations on the Roane County campus or the Oak Ridge campus. Pre-registration ends on April 8. Participants can also register the morning of the race from 7:30-8:30. For more information or to register online visit www.roanestate.edu/5krun

‘Bat for the Battle’ Will Be Held Saturday

The Lady Raider softball team will have a breast cancer awareness game, “Bat for the Battle,” on Saturday, March 20. The game against Volunteer State begins at noon. The softball team will be selling light pink Hope, Faith and Love silicone bracelets, with all proceeds going to Relay for Life. Cancer survivors will be honored at the game. Please support the Lady Raiders in this effort. For more information, contact Sue Niemi at niemisl@roanestate.edu.

Register Today for Admissions Workshops

Have you ever had students or prospective students ask you questions about Roane State? Do you wish you had more information to share with them?

Enrollment Management will be conducting training on admissions practices, procedures, and “stuff you need to know” on the following dates:

Tuesday, March 23
Beginning Level Admissions Training
Roane County Campus

Friday, April 9
Beginning Level Admissions Training
Oak Ridge Campus

To register, e-mail Jamie Stringer at stringer@roanestate.edu

Free Workshop for Small Business Owners Planned for March 25

Roane State’s Tennessee Small Business Development Center, with the Oak Ridge Chamber of Commerce, will offer a free workshop for small business owners and entrepreneurs who want a better understanding of starting a new business. The workshop will be from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 25 at the Oak Ridge Chamber, 1400 Oak Ridge Turnpike. Rob Karpick, business specialist of the local TSBDC office, will lead the workshop. To sign up, call (865) 483-2668 or e-mail jbangs@tsbdc.org.

Host Families/Mentor Families Needed for International Students

Host families provide a bed, meals and a place to study. The families do not have to provide transportation or buy any personal items for the students. Occasionally, host families may be asked to volunteer as drivers for field trips, but participation is optional. Roane State's international students range in age from 18-22 and speak English, although skill levels vary. A support system composed of college staff members and other host families will provide assistance, and host families receive a monthly stipend to help offset expenses. Mentor families are also needed. Mentor families do not house the students; instead, they mentor the students by providing encouragement and support. For more information or to volunteer, contact Melissa Rahmanian at (865) 242-1189 or rahmanianml@roanestate.edu.

So, What's Up with Those... "So, you want to be a..." Recruitment Cards?

Q. Where do I hand in my completed recruitment cards? At Campbell, Cumberland, Fentress, Knox, Loudon, Morgan and Scott campuses, take the bottom half of card to your campus secretary. At Oak Ridge and Roane County campuses, take the bottom half of card to your campus receptionist.



Audiovisual

AV has received the DVD collection of 50 international titles from Janus Films, and the collection is available for checkout. Included are films from directors such as Bergman, Fellini, Godard, Kurosawa, Turell Truffaut, Clouzot and Mizoguchi.

Titles from the collection include:

Alexander Nevsky (Eisenstein, 1938)

Ikuru (Kurosawa, 1952)

Beauty and the Beast (Cocteau, 1946)

The Lady Vanishes (Hitchcock, 1938)

Viridiana (Bunuel, 1961)

Knife in the Water (Polanski, 1962)

Grand Illusion (Renoir, 1937)

Umberto D. (Sica, 1952)

E-mail Pat Pate, patejp@roanestate.edu, if you would like a complete list of the 50 titles.

The following Spanish foreign film titles were donated by a community member:

"The Grandfather"

"Like Water for Chocolate"

"The Official Story"

For more information, contact Pat Pate, patejp@roanestate.edu.

Stargaze' at Observatory

Enjoy the evening skies at the Tamke-Allan Observatory on the first and third Saturdays of each month.

The stargazes at the observatory on Watts Bar Lake are free and open to the public. The stargazes begin at dusk. If skies are cloudy, observatory staff will present a program. For directions to the observatory, call 882-4591; or go to the Web site:

<http://www.roanestate.edu/obs/>.

Deferred Compensation Program

Employees of the State of Tennessee are eligible to participate in two optional tax-deferred retirement savings plans operated by the state: a 457 plan and a 401(k) plan. Contributions to these plans are made through regular payroll deductions.

Salary set aside through these plans cannot be withdrawn before separation from service except under a few limited circumstances. Participants in either plan are permitted to direct their contributions among a variety of investment options. For additional information, please go to our Human Resources Web page and click on the appropriate links, www.roanestate.edu/humanresources.

Diversity Corner

March is Women's History Month. Taken from:

<http://www.infoplease.com/spot/womenshistory1.html>

Muller v. Oregon (1908)—In a unanimous decision, the Supreme Court upheld an Oregon state law limiting women to working no more than 10 hours a day.

Adkins v. Children's Hospital (1923)—In a 5-3 decision, the Court struck down a federal law establishing a minimum wage for women in Washington, D.C. While the Court continued to hold that states could regulate the amount of time worked by women, they held that this was different from regulating the wages they could make.

West Coast Hotel Co. v. Parrish (1937)—In a 5-4 decision, the Court overturned *Adkins v. Children's Hospital*, upholding a Washington state law which established minimum wages for women and minors.

Calendar of Upcoming Events

Concerts on March 19-21 To Feature International Music

The Celebration Singers, Jazz Band and Bluegrass Band, dancers from Arts in Motion, and special musical guests will perform a selection of international pieces during a concert titled "The Motherland" on March 19-21. Performances will be held in the theatre on the Roane County campus. Times are 7 p.m. on Friday, March 19 and Saturday, March 20, and 3 p.m. on Sunday, March 21.

The concerts will feature Celtic and British folk songs, bluegrass melodies with African roots and Latin tunes. A \$10 donation per person is suggested. Donations will primarily benefit the Concert Choir's spring tour to Carnegie Hall in New York City.

For more information, contact Choral Director Brenda Luggie at (865) 354-3000, ext. 4236 or luggieb@roanestate.edu.

Roane State Baseball Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Site</u>	<u>Time</u>
March 19	Chattanooga St.	Home	2 p.m.
March 20	Chattanooga St.	Home	noon DH
March 24	Tenn. Wesleyan	Away	1 p.m. DH
March 26	Motlow St.	Home	2 p.m.
March 27	Motlow St.	Home	noon DH

Roane State Softball Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Site</u>	<u>Time</u>
March 16	Cleveland St.	Home	2 p.m.
March 17	Tenn. Wesleyan	Home	2 p.m.
March 20	Volunteer St.	Home	noon
March 23	Chattanooga St.	Away	5 p.m.
March 27	Cleveland St.	Away	noon
March 30	Walters St.	Away	2 p.m.
March 31	Tenn. Wesleyan	Away	2 p.m.

Expo Center

For more information, go to www.roanestate.edu/expocenter.

- March 16 Open ride, 5-10 p.m.
Both arenas. \$5 per rider, \$5 per horse
(865) 882-4590
- March 19-21 Tennessee Valley Kennel Club
Dawn Darr (865) 406-2362 (indoor arena)
- March 23 Open ride, 5-10 p.m.
Both arenas. \$5 per rider, \$5 per horse
(865) 882-4590
- March 26- 27 JR's Top Gun Production Rodeo
JR Drake (828) 713-3006
Start time is 8 p.m.; gates open at 6:30 p.m.,
Adult tickets are \$15; Children 11 years and younger are \$5.
Advance tickets are available at Personal Finance Co., (865) 882-6241.
Advance ticket price is \$13 for adults, same price for children

Personal

What a wonderful surprise to receive a huge fruit and snack basket during my recent hospital stay! I think the hospital staff was as impressed as I was with RSCC's kindness. I must say that although I got a banana that evening, my son and husband found the Cheetos and demolished them while I was not looking! I have continued to enjoy the goodies now that I'm home. Thank you so much for thinking of me during this recent illness. RSCC is truly a wonderful, caring place to work.

Joette Waddle
English Faculty

If you encounter any telephone problems, please e-mail Allen Brunton with the following information so the problem can be fixed: (a) date and time the problem occurred, (b) campus site and extension number that had the problem, (c) if making a call, the number calling and what happened, (d) if receiving a call, what happened, and (e) any other information that might help solve these issues.

Please submit items for upcoming editions of The Communicator by e-mailing the information to Owen Driskill, Coordinator of News at driskillo@roanestate.edu, by 2 p.m. Thursday. The Communicator is e-mailed on Mondays. If there are employees in your department who do not have access to an e-mail account, please print and circulate a copy to them.