Support the Children’s Center with “A Night in Italy”  

Article by Ryan Kelly  

The Hattiesburg Rotary Club will once again host its “A Night in Italy,” with proceeds going to benefit The Children’s Center for Communication and Development at Southern Miss. A portion of the proceeds have gone to benefit the Center for several years. Both dine-in and take-out options are available.

The event will be held from 4:30 - 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 17 at Southern Oaks House and Gardens in Hattiesburg. Tickets are available by contacting the Center at 601.266.5222.

Former Southern Miss coach Kay James Receives WBCA’s Lifetime Achievement Award  

Kay James, formerly the head coach at The University of Southern Mississippi, will receive the 2012 Josten-Berenson Lifetime Achievement Award in recognition of her lifelong commitment of service to women’s basketball, the Women’s Basketball Coaches Association (WBCA) announced today.

“This award represents someone who has dedicated their life to elevating the game of women’s basketball, and Kay James is a prime example of someone who has changed the game for the better,” said WBCA CEO Beth Bass. “It is my pleasure to present the Jostens-Berenson Lifetime Achievement Award to Kay James.”

College of Health Hosts Awards Night  

Article by Ryan Kelly  

More than 500 students, parents, and community supporters gathered on March 29th for the College of Health’s annual Awards Night. This event is an opportunity for each school and department in the college to award their outstanding students and to recognize them for their accomplishments. Awards were given for accomplishments ranging from academic success to extra-curricular activity.

Dr. Michael Forster, dean of the College of Health, quotes, “It’s exciting and energizing to recognize so many of our ‘best and brightest’ on a single occasion. These students are already emerging as outstanding scholars and servant-leaders. They literally are our future, and a great cause for hope and optimism.”

This year’s awards night was the largest in the history of the college.

College of Health Alumni Spotlight  

Dr. Susan Hubble-Burchell, ’81  

Dr. Susan Hubble-Burchell has served The University of Southern Mississippi in multiple capacities, including the roles of Associate Dean of the College of Health, Associate Professor and Coordinator of Undergraduate Studies in the School of Human Performance and Recreation, among others. She has held numerous leadership and academic positions with the University, and has produced multiple publications and received numerous awards. Her work with the state and national Recreation and Parks Associations has helped to maintain Southern Miss as a leader in Recreation.
Southern Miss to Host Forum Discussing Poverty and Impacts on Health

Article By Charmaine Williams Schmermund

The College of Health at The University of Southern Mississippi, along with the Hattiesburg Clinic and the Southern and Southwest Mississippi Area Health Education Centers, present the forum, “Poverty and Its Impact on Health: Causation or Correlation,” Thursday, April 12, from 6 – 7:45 p.m. in the Fleming Education Center at the university’s Gulf Park campus in Long Beach.

The forum will feature Dr. Charkarra Anderson-Lewis, associate professor for the Southern Miss Department of Community Health Sciences; Christine Coker, associate research professor of horticulture from the Mississippi State University Coastal Research and Extension Center; and Dr. Persharon Dixon, medical director at Coastal Family Health Center.

DuBard's Martin Named President-Elect of State Organization

Article By Kathryn McPhail

Dr. Maureen Martin, director of The University of Southern Mississippi’s DuBard School for Language Disorders, has been elected president-elect of the Mississippi Speech-Language-Hearing Association (MSHA) for 2012. She will serve as president of MSHA in 2013.

MSHA serves speech-language pathologists and audiologists in Mississippi by encouraging study and research in both fields, promoting high standards of qualifications and ethical practices, and supporting speech and hearing services in the state.

Southern Miss to Host Viewing of Annual Living with Grief Program on April 19

Article By Van Arnold

The University of Southern Mississippi College of Health and Center on Aging will host a viewing of the Hospice Foundation of America’s (HFA) 19th Annual Living with Grief® program set for Thursday, April 19 at the Thad Cochran Center on the Hattiesburg campus.

Each year the HFA presents a nationally recognized distance learning program to more than 125,000 people in 2,000 communities. This annual educational event has been instrumental in educating healthcare professionals and families on issues affecting end-of-life care.

Southern Miss Hosts Therapeutic Recreation Workshop

Article by Ryan Kelly

The Therapeutic Recreation program in the School of Human Performance and Recreation hosted the Mississippi Recreation and Park Association for “The Gulf Coast Coming Together for TR” workshop at the C.E. Roy Community Center in Hattiesburg on March 23.

The educational and networking opportunity allowed more than 130 T.R. practitioners, educators, and students from Mississippi, Alabama, and Louisiana to obtain continuing education and network with colleagues.