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Calendar of Events:

Open registration for Spring 2015
Tuesday, October 28, 2014

Homecoming 2014
November 8, 2014
Golden Eagles take on Conference USA rival Marshall at M.M. Roberts Stadium

Thanksgiving Holidays
November 26-28, 2014

Commencement
Hattiesburg and USMGC students
Friday, December 12, 2014
Bernard Reed Green Coliseum
10 a.m. – Colleges of Arts & Letters, Health, and Science & Technology
2:30 p.m. – Colleges of Business, Education & Psychology, and Nursing

Grant Awarded to Education of the Deaf Program at Southern Miss

By Hanna Knowles

Southern Miss’ Education of the Deaf program, in its College of Health’s Department of Speech and Hearing Sciences, has received its second $1.2 million grant from the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services. This five-year grant provides full-tuition scholarships to support the training of 40 specialists enrolled in the Master of Science in Education of the Deaf with a concentration in Early Oral Intervention.

““We are one of only three such programs in the country that focuses on training teachers of the deaf (continued on page 2)

Heat Illness Expert Speaks to Southern Miss Athletic Training Students

By Hanna Knowles

Dr. Douglas Casa, a nationally recognized expert in the study of exertional heat stroke, heat illness and sudden death in sports, spoke to athletic training students in Southern Miss’ School of Human Performance and Recreation Oct. 1.

Casa’s presentation focused on how to deal with heat stroke in a sports environment. Southern Miss athletic training majors, Hattiesburg area health care administrators and athletic trainers attended his talk.

“All our students have probably been exposed to heat illness at their clinical education sites by this point,” said Dr. Chris Brown, a Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education certified Clinical Education Coordinator and assistant professor of athletic training. “Dr. Casa’s talk will definitely help their prevention and treatment practices.”

Following his presentation, Casa led students through a lab simulating how to treat heat stroke patients. Students had the opportunity to work through simulated clinical experiences using current and effective techniques for reducing core body temperature.

“This is likely a once in a lifetime experience for these students. The knowledge and skills they took away can help them save someone’s life,” Brown said.

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Alumni Spotlight

Nathan Fry, MS is Associate Director of Athletics at Harvard University. Fry has been on staff at Harvard since 2003, when he joined the department as Director of Compliance. He was subsequently promoted to Assistant Director of Athletics in 2005, then Associate Director of Athletics in 2008. Fry serves as the primary sport administrator for men’s and women’s basketball and men’s and women’s golf. Additionally, Fry oversees the admissions and recruitment process for athletics, the compliance department, the scheduling and travel department, and campus relations. Fry earned a bachelor’s degree in English from the University of Southern Indiana in 1999 and a master’s degree in sports administration (now sport management) from Southern Miss in 2001. When not spending time with his family, Nathan enjoys homebrewing, traveling, and giving back to his community.

Don’t miss Homecoming 2014!
http://www.usm.edu/homecoming

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SUNRISE ROTARY CLUB OF HATTIESBURG MAKES $4,600 DONATION TO DUBARD SCHOOL

The Sunrise Rotary Club of Hattiesburg presented the DuBard School for Language Disorders at The University of Southern Mississippi with a check for $4,600 on Tuesday, June 1. The club recently hosted a 5K run/walk and chose to give the proceeds to DuBard School.

Sertoma Club Makes Donation to Department of Speech and Hearing Sciences

By Hanna Knowles

The Sertoma Club of Hattiesburg recently presented a check for $2,000 to Dr. Steven Cloud, chairman of the Department of Speech and Hearing Sciences at Southern Miss. Sertoma Club president David Bounds, right, presents a check for $2,000 to Dr. Steven Cloud, chairman of the Department of Speech and Hearing Sciences at Southern Miss.

Sertoma Club Donates $20,000 to DuBard School at Southern Miss

By Catherine Lott

The DuBard School for Language Disorders at The University of Southern Mississippi recently received a gift of $20,000 from the Sertoma Club of Hattiesburg.

A check presentation and small gathering was held at the school on Thursday, Oct. 9 with representatives of the Sertoma Club of Hattiesburg joining DuBard School staff and students.

“We are so grateful for their continued support. Their donation makes a huge impact on our ability to continue to serve the children who need our specialized services,” said DuBard School director Dr. Maureen Martin.

Southern Miss Student Participates in Regional Leadership Conference

By Hanna Knowles

Chiquita Thomas, a student in the School of Human Performance and Recreation, College of Health, was selected to participate in The Southern District Future Professional Leadership Conference, hosted by the Society of Health and Physical Educators America. Thomas was one of two students selected to represent the state of Mississippi at the conference held at Eastern Tennessee State University, Sept. 25-27.

“It is a great honor to be one of the few selected to attend the leadership conference,” said Dr. Robert Doan, assistant professor of human performance and recreation: physical education emphasis. “Chiquita, and the other future professionals chosen for the conference, will be in charge of providing leadership for the next generation for physical education teachers.”