

Student, Veteran Shares 9/11 Experience in Remembrance of Tragedy



The University of St. Thomas hosted a somber salute to the victims of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks on Friday, Sept. 10. The student-organized event, “9-11: Never Forget,” paid tribute to the victims of the terrorist attacks, their families and the many service members who have served their country since that day.

At the event, United States Army Sgt. Kenneth Depew, a UST sophomore political science major, shared his experiences at the Pentagon immediately after Sept. 11, 2001. Following Depew’s speech, members of the tearful audience placed nearly 3,000 American flags

representing the victims of Sept. 11, in the shape of a cross in the grass in front of the Chapel of St. Basil.

When the plane struck the Pentagon on Sept. 11, Depew was a member of the Third United States Infantry Regiment, the Old Guard, which is widely known for the guards at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, the Army Silent Drill Platoon, and the caisson platoon which rides the horses that pull the caskets of the fallen. On Sept. 12, Depew was sent into the Pentagon with the rescue and recovery team. He later served in both Iraq and Afghanistan and was awarded the Purple Heart Medal and numerous military awards and decorations.

“It is my sincere hope that our children and grandchildren never have to experience what we did on that day nine years ago; that they never have to face the tragedy, the shock, the uncertainty and the fear that we did,” Depew said in his speech. “We cannot live in that day forever, but to forget it would be a tragedy of its own. To forget the sense of unity we felt as Americans; to forget the renewed sense of purpose and life we felt for the days, weeks and months following the attacks; to forget the fact that we didn’t blame or seek reprisal against a population as a whole but only against those who were tied to the act itself. If we forget, we are allowing the 2,977 who died that day to have perished in vain. They were people who met their end in a manner that now cannot be changed, but God willing prevented in the future,” Depew said. “Let us look to our families and appreciate them as fully as possible. Let us look at our life and realize it is finite. Let us remember those who are no longer able to look at theirs.” Read a complete transcript of Depew’s speech at www.stthom.edu.

The campus event was organized by UST students Brien O’Donal and Stephanie Hernandez, and was sponsored by the Office of Veteran Affairs, Campus Programming Council and Pi Sigma Alpha Political Science Honor Society. The national anthem was sung by UST students Ashley Worhol and Brittany Llagostera.

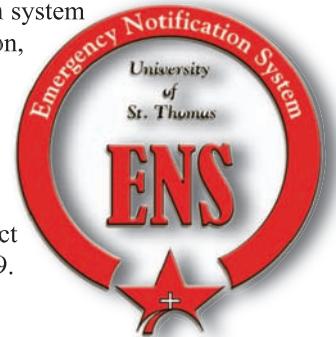


University to Test Emergency Notification System on Sept. 21

The University will conduct an all-campus test of its emergency notification system (ENS) on Tuesday, **Sept. 21**. In order to simulate a real emergency situation, the time of the test will not be disclosed prior to the test.

Take a minute to read these importance notices:

- Update your PeopleSoft record NOW to reflect any changes in your emergency information.
- Find instructions to update ENS information at www.stthom.edu/ens
- Note that if you have entered a text messaging number as part of your contact information, messages can come from either 23177 or a new short code 63079.
- Update your contact list to add these SMS short codes 23177 or 63079 as UST Alert.
- Heed this above step to avoid confusion and ensure acknowledgement of your notifications. Standard text messaging fees will apply.
- Alert your family members (if they are included in your emergency phone numbers) that the University is conducting an ENS test.



SMS messages will significantly increase the ability to receive text messages in a timely manner. Your safety and well-being is very important to us at the University of St. Thomas.

HOSA Students Outperform Texas Chapters at National Conference

In its first year competing at the HOSA National Leadership Conference, the UST chapter of Health Occupation Students of America outperformed all other Texas collegiate HOSA chapters, bringing home the greatest number of medals in the state.

A group of 13 UST HOSA members traveled to Orlando, Fla., on June 21 to compete at the HOSA National Leadership Conference. Throughout the week, members competed in various healthcare-related events against other HOSA collegiate chapters across the nation.

The results were:

- Linda Mai and Quyen Nguyen - Forensic Medicine - First place
- Nancy Mai - Medical Photography - First place
- Madalena Truong - Dental Spelling - First place
- Janice Nguyen - Dental Terminology - Third place
- Michael Pham - Human Growth and Development - Third place
- Raisa Nguyen - Medical Spelling - Fourth place
- Andy Nguyen - Medical Math - Sixth place
- Neil Gala - Pathophysiology - Eighth place
- Rabeea Lodhra, Thuy-Linh Nguyen, Saba Ghaziyani, and Tam Nguyen - A BOWL - 10th place.



For more information about UST HOSA, visit www.stthom.edu/clubs/hosa, e-mail: HOSA@stthom.edu or call (713) 364-HOSA.

UST Professor, Dr. Nivien Saleh's New Book set for Release in November

Dr. Nivien Saleh, assistant professor of International studies, has written a new book titled, *Third World Citizens and the Information Technology Revolution*. The book is being published by Palgrave Macmillan Press and will be available in November 2010.

This book challenges the widely held view that the information technology (IT) revolution has empowered people in the Third World. Tracing the making of the global IT regime, it shows that governments and corporations of the wealthy countries dominated the process, systematically excluding representatives of low-income countries, who might have embraced alternative visions of the global information society.

"Dr Saleh has written an important, well-documented, and very readable book that contests the prevalent assumption that globalization is all to the good," said Peter Bridges, former executive secretary of the U.S. Treasury Department and ambassador to Somalia. "Her focus sweeps from a Houston televangelist whose books sell in 25 languages, to the people of Egypt and other poor countries whom the information technology revolution has not brought the 'empowerment' that many authors proclaim. One may question what motives lie behind globalization, but Saleh's description of the often negative consequences is grounded in hard fact." Read the full story at www.stthom.edu.



Illumination to I-Pads Lecture



Dr. Charles Stewart, assistant professor of art, will give a lecture titled, "From Illumination to I-Pads: A Very Brief History of the Art Book," at 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, **Sept. 29** in the Doherty Library main lobby. The lecture will trace the history of the illustrated book, highlighting

the key stages during the Middle Ages, while touching on where we stand in the 21st century.

The rise of religious academic learning led to innovations in illuminated manuscript technology and production. The spread of Judaism and Christianity throughout the ancient Mediterranean prompted the replacement of the scroll by the codex. Today the academy once more finds itself in a period of transition — the computers that universities have developed and embraced are now replacing the codex. For more information, contact Jim Piccininni at 713-525-2192.

Examining Artist Henri Rousseau

Art scholars will present new findings on the media and methods of artist Henri Rousseau at a Menil Symposium, *Henri Rousseau: Paint + Process*. The symposium will be held from 2 to 6:30 p.m., Saturday, **Oct. 2** in Jones Auditorium.



Some have called Rousseau the grandfather of Surrealism, others a precursor of Cubism, while still others have positioned him as the leader of a school of "modern primitives." Henri Rousseau was a painter, and maker of pictorial compositions whose aesthetic objectives have never been well understood.

Henri Rousseau: Paint + Process probes Rousseau's pictures to challenge decades of received wisdom about the artist.

The event is sponsored by the Vivian L. Smith Foundation and is free and open to the public.

Upcoming Events



Lonely Path to Sainthood Lecture

Father Jeffrey Steenson will present a lecture titled, "John Henry Newman's Lonely Path to Sainthood," at 6:30 p.m., Wednesday **Sept. 22**, in Scanlan Room, Jerabeck Center, discussing his experience as a concelebrant at the Beatification Mass for Cardinal John Henry Newman. Cost is \$10 for students, \$20 for all others. RSVP to serra_lectures@sbcglobal.net.



Celts in the Courtyard

Residence Life, Campus Programming Committee, SAB, COC and SGA invite students, staff and faculty to Celts in the Courtyard at 5 p.m. on Friday, **Sept. 24.**, in the Guinan courtyard. Guests can enjoy delicious food while getting to know the on-campus community better. RSVP for the event at residencelife@stthom.edu.



Pilgrimage to Mission Churches

Campus Ministry invites the UST Community on a journey to the Mission Churches of San Antonio from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. on Saturday, **Sept. 25**. The group will travel in a van to San Antonio and tour the churches for spiritual reflection. Cost is \$30. Call 713-525-3589 or e-mail campus-ministry@stthom.edu to reserve your seat in the van as soon as possible.



Pi Sigma Alpha Voter Registration

The Political Science Department, Pi Sigma Alpha and Alpha Alpha Alpha Student Chapter will register voters for the 2010 election year at 12:15 p.m., Tuesday, **Sept. 28** on the UST Seal. For more information, contact Christopher Dupree at cdupree61@gmail.com or 713-525-3859.



Fall University Singers Concert

The University Singers will perform their Fall Concert at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, **Oct. 5** in the Chapel of St. Basil. They will perform Mozart Missa brevis in d minor and anthems by modern composers. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, call Monique Dupleich at 713-525-3159.



Garza Brothers Unplugged

The University of St. Thomas will host a free Christian rock music celebration featuring the Garza Brothers Unplugged, with special appearances by the Houston JTD Ladies Music Team and Candle Light Musicians. The event will be held at 5:30 p.m., on Saturday, **Oct. 2** in Anderson Hall auditorium. For more information, call Mike Merritt at 281-838-1163.

First Friday Forum Explores Impact of Current Economic Recession

Richard Shaw, Secretary-Treasurer of the Harris County AFL-CIO Council, will give the Young Social Justice Institute and Maryknoll First Friday Lecture on "The Impact of the Economic Recession on the Average Working Person." The lecture will be held at 7:30 p.m., Friday, **Oct. 1** in Ahern Room, Crooker Center.

The economic recession, which began in December, 2007 has taken a heavy toll on the average working person. The recovery is slow and uneven. Shaw will lead us in a discussion regarding the causes of the recession, which sectors of our society have been affected most adversely and possible solutions. Shaw was elected in 1995 by the Unions of the Harris County AFL-CIO Council to the office of Secretary-Treasurer.

The lecture is free and open to the public. For more information, call Chris Lively at 713-525-3812.



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