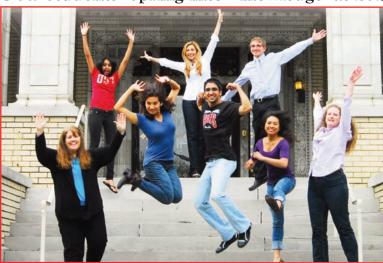




UST Students 'Spring into Knowledge' at 2011 Research Symposium



Front row from left to right: Lisa Foxworth, Alexandra Castro, Adeel Faruki, Denise Chau, Denise Wilborn. Back row: Sunita George, Laura Villarreal Barrera, Austin Stanfill.

Tniversity of St. Thomas students will present oral and poster presentations of their faculty-led research projects at the 2011 Research Symposium, April 8 and 9. The University community is encouraged to attend these presentations and support their colleagues and fellow students.

"The Research Symposium is a tribute to our dedicated faculty who inspire our students to conduct exciting research, to collaborate their efforts and to share the knowledge they have learned," said UST President Dr. Robert Ivany.

"Spring for Knowledge" is the

theme for this year's Research Symposium. This theme not only captures the joyful nature of the act of learning, but also emphasizes the University's liberal arts tradition, which serves as the source for bringing forth new knowledge.

The Research Symposium will be a joyful celebration of the "springing" of new knowledge that occurs when students, faculty and the University community collaborate toward achieving a common goal: providing the intellectual seeds that will inspire students to research established models, engage in higher-level thinking and generate new and creative ideas.

"In national conversations on education, undergraduate research has been called a 'high-impact' student experience," said Dr. Dominic Aquila, vice president of Academic Affairs. "The UST experience underscores this point. For UST students, undergraduate research is a means to apply the resources of their liberal arts education, as it also prepares them for the more demanding research and problems they will face in graduate school or in their professional lives."

Symposium Schedule:

Friday, April 8

Jerabeck Athletic Center Light Breakfast: 8:30-9:15 a.m.

Oral Presentations: 9 a.m. to noon.; 1-4 p.m.

Lunch: noon -1 p.m.

Honors Presentations: 4- 5 p.m.

Knights of Columbus Fish Fry: 5-6:30 p.m.

Posters Session A: 6-8 p.m.

Saturday, April 9

Scanlan Rm., Jerabeck, Malloy Hall Light Breakfast: 8:30-9:15 Poster Session B: 9-11 a.m. Oral Presentations: 9 a.m.-noon

Lunch: noon-1 p.m.

UST Student Art Show

Old Bookstore, Crooker Center Opening Reception:

Friday, April 8, 3-6 p.m. Exhibit open 8 a.m.- 10 p.m. every

day through April 14



UST Students Receive Who's Who Recognition

A group of 25 University of St. Thomas students have been selected as Who's Who Among Students In American Universities and Colleges award recipients. Who's Who recognizes outstanding campus leaders from more than 2,800 schools in all 50 states and is nationally recognized as a mark of scholastic achievement.

The 2011 UST recipients include Alexis Barboza, Rakel Berg, Melissa Binstock, Christian Brillantes, Grace Cheung, Daniela Cooz, Adeel Faruki, Otariya Folorunso, Sunita George, Saba Ghaziyani, Kurt Gonzalez, Hiba Haroon, Estefania Hernandez, Nicole Hickl, Ronald Key, Misbah Khatri, Teresa Kreiner, Duc Lam, Catherine Loth, Raymond Noriega, Lizbeth Pallathumadom, Angela Peltier, Anthony Pham, Michelle Rubin and Sidwalende Zeda.

To be considered for this recognition, students must be current juniors, seniors, or graduate students, have a minimum GPA of 3.0 and be involved in at least one student organization, club, honor society or other campus activity. Students are nominated by UST faculty and staff and asked to submit a one-page statement explaining why they deserve to be selected. A committee of representatives from the faculty and administration make the final student selections.

UST Students For Texas Equalization Grant



UST students and staff of the Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid traveled to the State Capitol on Tuesday, March 22 to speak to legislators on behalf of the Texas Equalization Grant (TEG). The TEG provides grant aid to financially needy students to enable them to attend private universities in Texas. Funding is likely to be drastically reduced during the ongoing legislative session, so the group spoke to legislators about keeping this important funding in place for students. The group was led by Lynda McKendree, dean of scholarships and financial aid and Chandra Gonzalez, assistant director. Students included: Brandi English, Erika Marcial, Angela Souza, Chelsea Johnson.

Social Justice Summer Conference

Church globalization, Catholic social teaching, immigration, death penalty and abortion – all of these compelling contemporary issues in social justice will be examined at the University of St. Thomas' Rev. William J. Young Social Justice Summer Conference from Thursday-Friday, June 9-10. Register online now to attend the conference at www.theyounginstitute.org.



This year's conference commemorates 120 years of Catholic social teaching. Keynote speakers include Bishop Ricardo Ramirez, CSB, Bishop of Las Cruces, N.M., and Father Fred Kammer, S.J., Jesuit Social Research Institute at Loyola University. His Eminence Daniel Cardinal DiNardo will serve as the celebrant at the opening liturgy. Bishop Ramirez will give a Spanish version of his keynote address at 7:30 p.m. on June 9.

Overnight accommodations are available for guests on campus for \$65 per night. Continuing education credits are offered for teachers, ministers and advocates. For more information call 713-525-3812 or email younginstitute@stthom.edu.

Science as an Adventure

The Crossroads Cultural Center-Houston and the University of St. Thomas will present "Science as an Adventure: A Conversation with Dr. Mauro Ferrari," at 6:30 p.m., April 5 in Jones Hall. Ferrari is president and CEO and Ernest Cockrell Jr. Distinguished Endowed Chair of the Methodist Hospital Research Institute.

The development of ideas; the sacrifice of hard work; the willingness to take risks; the creation of a community of researchers that share the same vision: all of these steps have a deep human dimension and require a certain type of person and a certain culture that cannot be taken for granted. This is particularly true when the motivation for research is to help others, as is the case with Dr. Ferrari and biomedical nanotechnology.

The event is free and open to the public. For more information call 713-823-2263 or e-mail houston@crossroadsculturalcenter.org.

Century of Ecumenism

The Center for Faith and Culture will present, "After a Century of Ecumenism: What has been Achieved? What are Some Challenges Facing Us Today," a lecture by Monsignor John A. Radano. The lecture will be held at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, April 7 in the Chapel and Nold Auditorium at



St. Mary's Seminary, 9845 Memorial Drive.

In what ways have Christian communions divided from one another over centuries, begun to move toward unity? What are some of the ecumenical challenges facing us today? With an emphasis on the results of ecumenical dialogue, this presentation explores some answers to these questions. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, contact cfc@stthom.edu.

Walk Way of the Cross

Spend the morning of Good Friday in a reflective procession from the UST's Chapel of St. Basil to the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart. The Way of the Cross, hosted by the University of St. Thomas and Communion and Liberation, will begin at 10:15 a.m. on Friday, April 22 in front of the Chapel of St. Basil. Last year, more than 300 people in Houston alone carried the cross for the 2.2 mile procession, which includes five stations, gospel readings, reflections and

Procession stations include the Chapel of St. Basil, Edward P. White Memorial Cross Monument, Holy Rosary Catholic Church, Catholic Charities and the Co-Cathedral of the

Sacred Heart.

choral presentations.

The event is free and open to the public. For more information, contact 713-203-1566.

Library Summer Reading



Library has a popular and non-fiction book collection located in the main lobby. Selected titles include, "Battle Hymn of the Tiger Mother" by Amy Chua; "Cleopatra: A Life" by Stacy Schiff; "Full Dark, No stars" by Stephen King; "Decision Points" by George W. Bush and many more recent popular fiction and non-fiction titles. A complete listing of the books can be found on the library news blog on the Doherty Library web page www.stthom.edu/library. Any UST student, staff or faculty member can check out these books for four weeks.



The offices of Counseling and Disability Services and Health Promotion and Wellness will host the Clothesline Project all month long. Students, faculty and staff are invited to decorate a shirt in recognition of a love one, for themselves, or as a general statement of support in the fight against sexual assault. For more information, call 713-525-2169.



The UST Social Entrepreneurship ■ Program will host an exhibition celebrating current projects and future collaborations at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, April 7, in Ahern Room Crooker Center. The event will showcase photos and student testimonies of recent trips to Africa. For more information e-mail haroonh@stthom.edu

Upcoming Events



Lenten Lectures

The remaining lectures in the Lenten Lecture Series are Fr. Anthony Borrow, SJ and Pepe Ruiz, SJ, "Missionaries of the New World: Eusebio Kino and Miguel Pro" at 7:30 p.m., April 6 in Scanlan Room and Carlos Esparza, SJ, and Dr. Paul Hahn, "Missionary of the Wider World: Fr. Walter Ciszek, SJ" at 7:30 p.m., April 13 in Cullen Hall. Call 713-525-3582.



Ideal Husband

The UST Fine Arts and Drama ■ Department will present Oscar Wilde's comedy, "An Ideal Husband." at 8 p.m., March 31, April 1-2, 7-9 and 14-16 in Jones Hall. Tickets are \$5 for students, faculty and staff and \$15 for the general public. To RSVP or for more details, call 713-525-3520.



Senior Class Roar

he UST Alumni Association and Office of Alumni Relations will host the Roar Grad Finale: Countdown to Graduation from noon to 2 p.m., Tuesday, April 5 in Scanlan Room, Jerabeck Center. Purchase your cap and gown, order graduation announcements and more. Lunch and prizes will be provided. RSVP to alumni@stthom.edu.



University Singers

The University Singers will perform a spring concert at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 26 in the Chapel of St. Basil. The singers, directed by Dr. Brady Knapp, will perform Mozart's Missa brevis in D Major, as well as ancient and modern anthems and motets that celebrate the season of Eastertide. For more information, call 713-525-3159.

UST Hosts Archdiocesan Fair

The UST Chi Rho Theology Club will host the Archdiocesan Fair from noon to 2 p.m. on Tuesday, April 5 in the lobby of Crooker Center. Discover a future in ministry or vocations and visit with a variety representatives from the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston and local religious orders and learn what they have to offer. Refreshments will be provided. Drawings for gift cards will be held every 15 minutes. For more information, contact chirho@stthom.edu.

Submit Your Photos

raduating seniors: send in Jyour photos capturing your time at UST. The photos will be shown in the slideshow at graduation and in an online gallery on the UST facebook page. Photos must have appropriate content and high resolution (at least 300 dpi). Email Ronnie Piper at piperr@stthom.edu by April 29.

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