Dr. Michelle Fazio Brunson in the Department of Family of Consumer Sciences submitted two proposals for the Louisiana Department of Education Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten Conference. The proposals were entitled “World Wide Wow: Technology for the Early Childhood Classroom” and “The Grocery Project: Documenting Children’s Mastery of Grade Level Expectations and Benchmarks through the Project Approach.”

Dr. J. Mark Thompson, Professor of Music, was featured with the Lancaster (OH) Festival Orchestra from July 18-29, 2006, including performances of such noted works as Mozart’s Solemn Vespers of the Confessor, Glazunov’s “Autumn” from The Seasons, and a collection of film score excerpts by composer

Six outstanding educators at Northwestern State University will be recognized for their contributions to the university and their individual colleges are recipients of this year’s NSU Excellence in Teaching Awards. The six honorees, who were selected by their peers, will be presented at the annual Homecoming banquet on Friday, Oct. 27 and recognized during half-time of the Homecoming game on Saturday, Oct. 28.

The faculty and their respective colleges are Dr. Laura Carwile Aaron, College of Nursing; Dr. Barbara Duchardt, College of Education; Dr. Paula Furr, College of Liberal Arts; Dr. James A. Means, Louisiana Scholars’ College; Dr. Patricia N. Pierson, College of Science and Technology; Dr. Mark Schaub, College of Business;

Aaron is program director and assistant professor of NSU’s radiologic technology program. She teaches physics, anatomy and radiographic classes and has contributed to the development of her program’s curriculum. Carwile began her career in practice as a staff technologist, performing chest and orthopedic x-ray exams, before devoting her career to instruction. Over the last 10 years, she has worked with NSU as an instructor of radiologic technology, and has served as faculty supervisor and evaluator and program evaluator. She has also taught on-line radiologic technology courses, including culture and ethics, and research and has served as a relief technologist performing diagnostic x-rays for emergency room and trauma patients, and fluoroscopy in clinical settings.

Duchardt is a professor of special education and is a Certified International Strategic Instruction Model (SIM) Professional Development Leader. She has worked in the field of special education since 1971. A member of the NSU faculty since 1991, she was the 2001 and 2006 recipient of the Arthur C. Watson Endowed Professorship. She has won several research awards, including the Louisiana Governor’s Award, the Phi Delta Kappa Outstanding Academic Achievement Award and Outstanding Special Education Teacher of the Year. During her career, she has completed several research projects to improve effective instruction and student performance in classrooms for students with

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NSU’s College of Education has been accredited by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE), the profession’s mechanism to help establish high quality teacher preparation.

The accreditation indicates that the College of Education and its programs meet rigorous standards set forth by the professional education community.

By meeting all NCATE standards with no citations, the College of Education can assure graduates that they are well prepared for their careers, according to Dr. Vickie Gentry, dean of the College of Education.

As part of a lengthy accreditation process, a team of external evaluators visited NSU to review all evidence and documentation regarding how the COE was meeting standards. They met with faculty, students and partner schools and prepared a report that was presented to the national board.

"It is very rare for a university to meet all standards with no citations," Dr. Gentry said, explaining that the accreditation reflects positively on the rest of the university, as evaluations extend to specific subject areas, such as math, science and the arts.

"This is a university accreditation, because everybody has a potential teacher in their classroom," Dr. Gentry said.

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After the improvements were made, a unit of Bell South had to approve the emergency number. That process took several months.

The campus “911” number is accessible from lines within the university phone system. Emergency calls made from cell phones will be handled by the Natchitoches Parish Emergency Center.

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John Williams. Other performances included working with the Grammy Award-winning group, The Pointer Sisters; the acclaimed performing artist group, The Tweaksters!; and with former Chicago singer/songwriter/bass player and Grammy Award-winning artist Peter Cetera.
‘The Work of Tribal Hands' published by NSU anthropologists

An article of common use which has evolved into a work of art is the subject of a new book published by the NSU Press at Northwestern State University.

The Work of Tribal Hands: Southeastern Indian Split Cane Basketry was edited by NSU Assistant Professor of Anthropology and Regional Folklorist Dayna Bowker Lee and Professor of Anthropology Hiram F. Gregory. Lee and Gregory along with 13 other contributors authored the book.

Also contributing were Robert W. Neuman of Natchitoches, Tim Oakes of the U.S. Department of Agriculture: Natural Resources Conservation Service, Tim Poulsen of Alberta, Canada, Debra G. Thomas of Natchez, Miss., and Gary White Deer of Ada, Okla.

The book has chapters on the basketry traditions of the Chitimacha, the Jena Band of Choctaw, the Choctaw of St. Tammany Parish, the Oklahoma Choctaw, the Koasati, Cherokee and Caddo.

The 247-page book has 147 illustrations including Native American basket makers and baskets from the collection of the Williamson Museum and the La. Regional Folklife Program at NSU, the Oakland Plantation Collection at the Cane River Creole National Historical Park Curation Facility, Melrose Plantation and several private collections.

The book was produced in partnership between the La. Regional Folklife Program and the Williamson Museum at NSU and was funded by grants from the Lower Mississippi Delta Region Initiatives of the National Park Service, and the USDA Forest Service. Assistance was provided by the Cane River Creole National Historical Park.

The Work of Tribal Hands: Southeastern Indian Split Cane Basketry sells for $30. For more information, contact the NSU Press at (318) 357-4586 or e-mail sepulvado@nsula.edu.

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PRAXIS workshop draws 90 prospective teachers

The recent PRAXIS examination study workshop, co-hosted by Northwestern State University and the Louisiana Department of Education’s Regional Education Service Center VI, was a resounding success, according to NSU Transition to Teaching Coordinator DeeDee Perot.

Almost 90 prospective teachers attended the workshop which was designed to assist individuals seeking to enter the teaching profession. Guest speaker Dr. Reba Powers, McNeese State University, provided valuable information about strategies for passing the state-mandated exam, and Perot, Dr. Marty Rhymes, and Connie Melder conducted informative breakout sessions for specific areas of the test. Additional support was provided by NSU representatives Suzanne Williams and Kathy Shaw and Region VI employees Pat Thurmon and George Rhymes.

Based on feedback from the attendees as well as numerous other requests, Perot announced that additional workshops will be scheduled and conducted in the near future. As with the initial workshop, subsequent events will also be offered free of charge.

For additional information, contact Perot at 357-4318, or Rhymes at 357-4396.
Music, food, artwork will highlight Creole Heritage event

The 13th annual Creole Heritage Celebration, sponsored by NSU Creole Heritage Center of NSU will be held in the Events Center on Second Street Natchitoches, Louisiana Oct. 12-13. It will include a Louisiana Vendor Fair, informative workshops, exhibits, special guests and program presentations, musical entertainment, an array of Creole foods, the ultimate Creole Heritage Celebration sale and lots more.

The Vendor Fair will be on Thursday, Oct. 12 and is free and open to the public. Louisiana products and vendors will be on hand with crafts, services, art works, jewelry, books, and reference materials. The NSU Creole Heritage Center will have a multitude of Creole heritage memorabilia for sale, including the long awaited prints from the Gilbert Fletcher Creole Legacy Art Series and a commemorative t-shirt that contains over 800 Creole family names.

Workshops will cover such topics as the 1910 Indian Enumeration Census project, a Creole Conversation presented by various Creole speakers; the history and demonstration of Tignon Tying; a 1970’s video look at the St. Augustine Church Fair; the mini-grant workshop, the 2006 Annual Creole Heritage CD containing over 1,500 pages of data, Creole Lessons, a children’s workshop (see Page 5), a report on Natchitoches-New Orleans family connections, a discussion on “Treasures in the French Archives” by a French professional researcher and genealogist, and the national Creole Family History & Genealogical Database.

The Full Registration packet covers admission to all workshops, evening events, banquet meal and Zydeco dance. A one-day registration option is also available. A brochure mailer containing a detailed schedule is available at the Center’s office in Room 116 in Kyser Hall. Additional information and online registration is available at www.nsula.edu/creole or by calling the Center at 318-357-6685.

AMA exhibiting work by 3 faculty

Three NSU art faculty and one student were accepted into the National September Art Competition on display at the Alexandria Museum of Art, running through Oct. 15.

Sheree Langlee, a senior at NSU, is exhibiting Ominous Shadows, an acrylic painting. Shawna Atkins, adjunct instructor of drawing, has The Waiting Ones, also an acrylic painting. Assistant Professor Clyde Downs has a landscape oil painting on paper entitled Lajunta, New Mexico, and Professor Michael Yankowski has two mixed media sculptures on display, Mengela’s Vanus and Eternal Journey.

Yankowski was awarded a first place prize for his work.

The annual September Competition draws artists from across the country and this year 62 pieces were accepted. The competition was juried by former NSU Professor of Art Bill Bryant.
**Faculty/Staff Profile**

**Molly Giering** has taken over as One Card Coordinator, in which she coordinates function of the Student ID office, Speed Demon functions and payment of vendors. She supervises student workers and assists Mary Odom with camps and conferences during the summer. Molly has held this position since last December.

“The biggest challenge so far has been learning the CS Gold software, the program used to produce student IDs and runs Speed Demon and meal plans,” Molly said. “The rewards are meeting the students, being able to resolve issues they are having with meal plans or access and working with the people in my office. They are great.”

Molly also serves on the Informational Technology Advisory Committee (ITAC), which oversees any new technology implementation for the university.

Molly was born in Lake Charles, moved around as a child and settled in Natchitoches in eighth grade. She graduated from Natchitoches Central and briefly attended Northwestern. “I consider Natchitoches my home,” she said.

Molly is married to **Greg Giering**, a science and physics instructor at Northwestern and at St. Mary’s High School. Their son, Matthew, is a sixth grade student at St. Mary’s.

In her spare time, Molly likes to scrapbook, spend time with family, shop, enjoying sports and relaxing.

“I am thrilled to be working at NSU. Everyone has been so helpful and friendly,” she said.

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**Lab schools will participate in Creole Celebration**

A hands-on activity is planned for the Creole Heritage Celebration on October 13, and will take place from 9 am to noon. A class of 4th graders from the NSU Elementary School and an 8th grade class from the NSU Middle School will serve as guests of honor at this event. Activities slated for the workshop include how to illustrate a book by graphic artist Shelly Richardson, illustrator of “Rooster’s Gumbo,” a soon to be published children’s book with Creole phrasing; learn how to build and play a “frottoir” (rub board); create your own Mardi Gras Mask and personalize a “Creole Lessons” t-shirt.

This activity has been planned to provide a learning opportunity for students about the different aspects of the Creole culture. In addition to their participation in the workshop, they will also have the chance to attend the workshops and view the various exhibits on hand. The workshop is opened to all children of paid registrants or at an individual cost of $5/child. All children under 5 must be accompanied by an adult.

Please contact the Center at 357-6685 for additional information about this workshop or any of the other activities planned for the Creole Heritage Celebration at the Natchitoches Events Center. Also visit our website at www.nsula.edu/creole.

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**Ricky Broadway**, an employee at the NSU Power Plant, shows his 10.76-pound lunker that earned him second big bass at the 20th annual Toledo Bend Lake McDonald’s Big Bass Splash. Broadway won a new 2006 Dodge Ram 1500 truck for taking second place.
CONGRATULATIONS

Mr. Jeff Girard, School of Social Sciences, College of Liberal Arts, received notification from the Louisiana Division of Archaeology of an award of $68,356 for the continuation of “Regional Archaeology Program 2006-2007.”

Dr. ElizaBeth Guin, School of Social Sciences, College of Liberal Arts, received notification of an award for $5,000 from the Cane River Creole National Historical Park (CARI) for “Joint Assistantship – NSU/Cane River Creole National Historical Park.”

Dr. Lisa Abney, Department of Language and Communications, College of Liberal Arts, received notification of an award of $60,000 from the Louisiana Department of Culture, Recreation & Tourism for the continuation of “Special Initiatives Program – Folklife.”

CURRENT ACTIVITIES

Mr. Joe Morris, Criminal Justice Program, School of Social Sciences, College of Liberal Arts, submitted a proposal to the Alabama Association of Chiefs of Police for “Management of Alabama Association of Chiefs of Police.” Daphne Levenson and Polly Snell are collaborators.

Dr. Phil Brown, Department of Engineering Technology, College of Science & Technology, submitted a proposal to the National Science Foundation for “Retention of Science, Technology, Engineering and Math Students through Math Skills Improvement.” Dr. Zafer Hatahet and Dr. Leigh Ann Myers are collaborating faculty.

FY 2006-07 FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES AT THE LOUISIANA BOARD OF REGENTS

The following information pertains to upcoming fall 2006 proposal deadlines and eligibility criteria for three of the various categories of grant-program opportunities offered by the Louisiana Board of Regents (BoR), including:

Board of Regents Support Fund (BORSF) grant programs (i.e., Enhancement, R&D, Endowed Chairs/Professorships, and Graduate Fellows);
Supporting Electronic Learning and Essential Campus Transitions (SELECT) grant program;
Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR) grant programs; and
Post-Katrina Support Fund Initiative (P-KSFI).

1. BORSF Grant Programs:
   Board of Regents Support Fund (BORSF) grant programs include the following subcategories of funding opportunities: (a) Enhancement of Academic Departments and Units; (b) Research and Development (R&D); (c) Recruitment of Superior Graduate Students; (d) Endowed Chairs/Professorships; and (e) Awards to Louisiana Artists and Scholars (ATLAS). Full proposal instructions and other important information about related deadlines (e.g., notices of intent to submit proposals, time frame for Regents’ staff to answer questions about RFPs, etc.) are available at: http://www.laregents.org

NOTE: New RFPs for FY 2006-07 BORSF are now available.

A. Enhancement Program: Traditional and Undergraduate. Eligible disciplines for FY 2006-07 include:
   - Agricultural Sciences
   - Arts
   - Earth and Environmental Sciences
   - Engineering A (Chemical, Civil, Electrical and Electronics)
   - Health and Medical Sciences
   The Enhancement proposal deadline is October 24, 2006.

B.1. Research Competitiveness Subprogram (RCS).
   Eligible disciplines for FY 2006-07 include:
   - Agricultural Sciences
   - Biological Sciences
   - Computer and Information Sciences
   - Earth and Environmental Sciences
   - Engineering A (Chemical, Civil, Electrical and Electronics)
   - Mathematics
   - Physics and Astronomy
   - Social Sciences
   The RCS Notice of Intent deadline was September 11, 2006.
   The RCS proposal deadline is November 7, 2006.

B.2. Industrial Ties Research Subprogram (ITRS).
   Target areas for FY 2006-07 include:
   - Data and Telecommunications
   - Micromanufacturing
   - Environmental Technologies
   - Food Technologies
   - Materials
   - Medical and Biomedical
   - Existing Principal Industries, such as Petrochemicals and Agribusiness
   - Louisiana Culture and History
   The ITRS Notice of Intent deadline was September 11, 2006.
   The ITRs proposal deadline is October 31, 2006.

C. Graduate Fellows Program: Traditional Graduate Fellows (TGF) and Graduate Fellowships for Teachers (GFT) Programs. Eligible disciplines for FY 2006-07 include:
   - Biological Sciences
   - Chemistry
   - Computer and Information Sciences
   - Earth/Environmental Sciences
   - Engineering A and B
   - Health/Medical Sciences
   - Physics/Astronomy
   - Agricultural Sciences
   - Business
   - Education
   - Mathematics
   The TGF and GFT proposal deadline is November 14, 2006.
   Endowed Chairs/Professorships Programs. All academic disciplines are eligible.
   Awards to Louisiana Artists and Scholars (ATLAS) Program. Eligible disciplines include:
   - Arts
2. BoR SELECT Grant Program:
In the BoR’s “Supporting Electronic Learning and Essential Campus Transitions” (SELECT) grant program, one proposal per academic unit will be accepted. Specific consideration will be given to projects that extend education to rural areas of the state, other underserved areas, and those areas impacted by the 2005 storms and after effects where educational programming and economic and workforce development efforts were curtailed or eliminated. Specific “Areas of Interest” are listed in the 2006-07 RFP at www.regents.state.la.us by clicking on “What’s New at the Board of Regents.” The SELECT proposal deadline is October 13, 2006.

3. BoR EPSCoR Grant Programs:
Science and Engineering faculty should check the Board of Regents’ Sponsored Program web site for information on the EPSCoR Links with Industry, Research Centers, and National Labs (LINKS) program; Travel Grants for Emerging Faculty (TGEF); EPSCoR Information Technology RFP; Preliminary Planning Grants, etc., at www.laregents.org.

4. BoR P-KSFI Grant Program
In December of 2005, the Louisiana Board of Regents (BOR) approved establishment of the five-year (FY 2006-11) “Post-Katrina Support Fund Initiative” (P-KSFI) under which two new competitive grant programs will be funded beginning this fiscal year. These two grant programs will provide support for the following kinds of initiatives:

A. “Primarily Research” projects in three potential areas—i.e., biological sciences, information technology, and/or materials research—which may also include STEM-education components; and

B. “Primarily Education” projects in the STEM disciplines, which may also contain research components.

The BOR has dedicated up to $5 million per year from the Board of Regents Support Fund (BORSF) to finance projects in these two P-KSFI areas, for a total of $25 million over the lifetime of the program.

At its May 2006 meeting, the BOR decided to employ a team of out-of-state experts over the next three months to assist the Board in charting directions for P-KSFI and defining parameters of the P-KSFI grant programs. To ensure that all institutions of higher education in the State had the opportunity to provide input to this team, the BOR issued a request for white papers to be shared with the consultants. Two such white papers were submitted by NSU faculty members, including Dr. Betsy Cochran, Associate Professor of Mathematics and Ecology in the Scholars’ College, and Mr. Michael Matthews, Reference/Instruction Librarian at Watson Library and Director of the Philia (undergraduate research) initiative.

The external team of consultants’ report is due at the Board of Regents by the end of August, 2006. Once the Regents have had a chance to peruse the report and consider the recommendations contained therein, the Regents will direct its sponsored programs staff to develop guidelines for P-KSFI proposals (RFPs), set proposal deadlines, and post all of these materials to the Regents’ website.

Faculty interested in pursuing a grant under the new P-KSFI initiative should watch for announcements in NSU News, on NSU’s messenger service, and on the BOR’s website (www.laregents.org).

For due dates and other information concerning ALL Board of Regents programs, please see the Board of Regents’ Office of Sponsored Programs website at www.laregents.org and watch for further announcements on NSU’s Messenger Service and in the Newsletter.

**THE UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA SYSTEM (ULS) OFFERS FUNDING FOR SERVICE-LEARNING PROPOSALS (ULS SERVES)**

The University of Louisiana System (ULS or UL System) recently concluded a successful UL Serves Conference, where over 100 faculty, staff, and students learned more about grant opportunities to extend service-learning throughout the UL System. The UL System was awarded a three-year $1.2 million grant funded by Learn and Serve America for this purpose. Dr. Greg Granger—co-chair of the ULS Council on Service-Learning and Civic Engagement Review Committee and NSU’s liaison to ULS for this grant program—and several other NSU faculty and staff attended the ULS conference to learn more about his grant opportunity. Dr. Granger has subsequently hosted two workshops for NSU faculty, staff, and students to share what he and others learned at the conference.

Faculty and staff are encouraged to submit “ULS Serves” grant proposals. Proposals are due at the UL System Office by 5 P.M. Monday, October 16. The RFP and on-line grant application form is available at www.ulsystem.net. Interested faculty and staff should note that students are expected to be greatly involved in the work of developing grant applications, but applications must be sponsored by a faculty or staff person to be eligible. Please let your students know about this opportunity.

Applicants should feel free to discuss their ideas for proposals and/or address questions about this grant opportunity either to Dr. Granger at 357-6195 or to ULS staffers (Edwin Litolf, Jackie Tisdell, and/or Brad O’Hara) at 225-342-6950.

**FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES**

Program: Rural Health Care Services Outreach Grant Program
Agency: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); Health Resources & Services Administration (HRSA)
Next Deadline: October 18, 2006

Notice seeking applications for the development of new and innovative health care delivery systems in rural communities that lack essential care services. The emphasis of the grant program is on service delivery through creative strategies requiring the grantee to form a consortium with at least two additional partners. Applications are due by October 18, 2006. The estimated total program funding amount is $3.75 million to fund up to 25 awards. Public and non-profit private entities
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Program: Discovery Research K-12 (DR-K12)
Agency: National Science Foundation
Next Deadline: November 01, 2006
E-mail: mhaney@nsf.gov

Contact: Michael Haney, DR-K12 Co-Lead
Div. of Elem., Secondary & Informal Ed.
4201 Wilson Boulevard
Arlington, VA 22230
703/292-5102

Program: Applied Mathematics
Agency: National Science Foundation
Next Deadline: November 15, 2006 (target date)
Supports mathematics research motivated by or having an effect on problems arising in science & engineering. Mathematical merit & novelty, as well as breadth & quality of impact on applications, are important factors. Proposals to develop critical mathematical techniques from individual investigators as well as interdisciplinary teams are encouraged. Proposal submission window is 11/1 to 11/15 annually. See http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=5664 for details.
E-mail: hwarchal@nsf.gov

Contact: Henry Warchall, Program Director
Mathematical Sciences (DMS)
4201 Wilson Boulevard
Arlington, VA 22230
703/292-4861

Program: Digital Humanities Start-Up Grants
Agency: National Endowment for the Humanities
Next Deadline: November 15, 2006
Supports planning or initial stages of digital initiatives in all areas of the humanities. Start-Up Grants may involve: research that brings new digital approaches to the study of the humanities; new digital modes of publication; exploration of digital approaches to preserve, archive, & make accessible traditional & “new media” resources in the humanities; planning new digital tools; & programs addressing the use of emerging digital technologies in formal & informal educational settings. $300,000 available to fund 10 awards. See http://www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/digitalhumanitiesstartup.html
E-mail: dhi@neh.gov
Contact: Program Staff, NEH Digital Humanities Initiative
National Endowment for the Humanities RM 203
Washington, DC 20506
202/606-8401

Program: Scientific Conference Grants
Agency: American Psychological Association
Next Deadline: December 01, 2006
Supports proposals for research conferences to promote exchange of important new contributions to and approaches in scientific psychology. Awards ranging from $500 to $20,000 are available. Conferences must also be supported by the host institution with direct funds, in-kind support, or a combination of the two. One of the primary organizers must be a member of APA. Annual deadlines are 6/1 and 12/1 for conferences to be held in the following year. See http://www.apa.org/science/confer2.html for details. Email: dmcall@apa.org or science@apa.org
Contact: Deborah McCall, Science Programs Manager
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750 First Street, NE
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202/336-6000

Program: Computational Mathematics Program
Agency: National Science Foundation
Next Deadline: December 07, 2006
Supports mathematical research in areas of science where computing plays a central and essential role, emphasizing algorithms, numerical methods, and symbolic methods. Proposals ranging from single-investigator projects that develop and analyze innovative computational methods, to interdisciplinary team projects that not only create new mathematical and computational techniques but also use them to model, study, and solve important application problems are encouraged. See http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=5390&org=NSF&from=fund for details.
E-mail: jwang@nsf.gov

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Program: Research Grant Programs
Agency: American Foundation for Suicide Prevention
Next Deadline: December 15, 2006
Supports research on suicide from a variety of disciplines: psychiatry, medicine, psychology, genetics, epidemiology, neurobiology, & others. Grants are awarded for 1-2 years under 5 programs: Young Investigator Grants; Standard Research Grants; Distinguished Investigator Grants; Postdoctoral...
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Research Fellowships (all have a 12/15 deadline); and Pilot Grants (4/15, 8/15, and 12/15 deadlines). See http://www.afsp.org/ click “research grants” for details.

E-mail: grants@afsp.org
Contact: Bethany Koester, Research Administrator
120 Wall Street
22nd Floor
New York, NY 10005
888/333-2377 x15

Program: Grant Program for Family Planning
Agency: Brush Foundation
Next Deadline: December 31, 2006
Provides between $5,000 & $25,000 to regional or national programs of policy research, teaching, service, & education to meet the problems of the increasing population in the United States & the world. Areas of interest include international & domestic family planning, analysis of population control policies, teenage sexuality education & services, & prevention of adolescent pregnancy. Deadline is for required letter of intent. Call for details. No website.

E-mail: brushfoundation@hotmail.com
Contact: Jan Wolf,
3500 Lorain Avenue
Suite 400
Cleveland, OH 44115
216/334-2209

Program: Grants Program in Nutrition (Education, Training, and Research)
Agency: Allen Foundation, Inc.
Next Deadline: December 31, 2006 (target date)
Supports education, training, and research projects in the area of human nutrition. Priorities include: relevant nutritional research, nutritional education and training for new and expectant mothers, training for nutritional educators and trainers, dissemination. Limited funding is available for emergency hunger and malnutrition problems. PIs from academic institutions must be full-time tenured or tenure-track faculty members. Applications must be submitted online. Proposals received after the cited target date will be considered the following yr. See http://www.allenfoundation.org/ for details.

E-mail: d-baum@tamu.edu
Contact: Dale Baum, Secretary
P.O. Box 1606
812 West Main Street
Midland, MI 48641-1606
989/832-5678

Pregame Show

The Spirit of Northwestern recognized the 10th year of Dr. Webb’s presidency with a football field-sized salute during the pre-game show that preceded the Demons’ home opening against Delaware State on Sept. 16. The gesture was one of several in recent weeks commemorating Webb’s decade of service to NSU.
Physical Plant projects may cause street closures

A project has been underway for the last two weeks to repair and overlay sections of Caspari Street, Prather Coliseum lot (West), Fieldhouse and Tarleton Drive.

Work will continue for another two or three weeks. The project, which is funded through Vehicle Registration Fees, also include street repairs throughout the campus.

There is likely to be temporary street closures near the Coliseum. Please be cautious of these work area and plan alternate routes as needed.

Please feel free to call the Physical Plant at 5581 if there are any questions.

Alan Pasch wins Demon Quarterback competition

Congratulations to Alan Pasch for winning the faculty-staff day quarterback competition at the Demon football game this past Saturday. Alan won a free lunch for the staff at the WRAC!

Alan competed with our other contest finalists, Brett Knecht of Business Affairs and Mark Swanstrom of the College of Business on the football field at halftime of the Demons’ win over Delaware State.

We would like to thank everyone who participated and represented their departments in the contest. Their names and respective departments are listed below.

THANK YOU for helping make our second annual quarterback contest a great success! We look forward to another great competition next year.

A special thanks to all Faculty and Staff who attended the game!

Tommy Tilley—Ft. Polk Campus
John Dollar—Health and Human Performance
Paul Withey—Chemistry and Physics
Blayne Henson—Electronic and Continuing Education
Steve Hicks—University College
Gil Gilson—College of Nursing
Todd Barrios—Family and Consumer Science
Jason Stelly—Space Science Group
Kioh Kim—Department of Education

WRAC now offering massage therapy, metabolic profiles

The NSU Wellness, Recreation and Activity Center (WRAC) now offers massage therapy. The rat is $50 per hour or you can purchase a package of five for $225. These hourly massages are transferable and can be given as gifts.

For more information or to make an appointment, call 357-5269.

The WRAC also offers Metabolic Profile through the Fitness Assessment Lab. Have you ever wondered how many calories your body burns each day? This information can be valuable in helping you better control your diet to reach your target body weight.

Taking part in this service and receive:

• A Resting Metabolic Rate Measurement that tells you exactly how many calories a day your body burns at rest.
• A Blood Pressure Screening that lets you know if your blood pressure is low, normal or high.
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Joyce Daze’ Faucheaux, mother-in-law of Catherine Faucheaux in Student Support Services, died on Sept. 11. Services and interment were held Sept. 14 in Destrehan.

Funeral services for Mrs. Hattie Pope, mother of Joseph Pope, faculty member at NSU-Leesville campus, were held at Hixson Funeral Home in Leesville on Sept. 26. Mrs. Pope passed away Sept. 24 after a lengthy illness.
How to Balance Life, Love, & Chocolate in this Crazy, Mixed-up, Hurry-up-and-Get it Done, Stressed Out World  
Date: Oct. 3, Tues  
Time: 6:30-9:30 p.m.  
Fee: $39 + $20 (optional mat. fee paid directly to instructor)  
Location: TBA  
Instructor: Sandra Phillips

MS Word  
Date: Oct. 3, 5, & 10, Tues & Thurs  
Time: 5:30-8:30 p.m.  
Fee: $99  
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Instructor: Cherry McNease

Beginners’ Photography (TAUGHT IN JONESVILLE)  
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Digital Photography  
Date: Oct. 3, Tues  
Time: 6-7:30 p.m.  
Location: First Baptist Church, Jonesville  
Instructor: Gale Trussell

Wildlife Photography  
Date: Oct. 10, Tues  
Time: 6-7:30 p.m.  
Location: First Baptist Church, Jonesville  
Instructor: Gale Trussell

Nature Photography  
Date: Oct. 17, Tues  
Time: 6-7:30 p.m.  
Location: First Baptist Church, Jonesville  
Instructor: Gale Trussell

Your Personality: A Key to Your Career Advancement  
Date: Oct. 7, Sat  
Time: 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.  
Fee: $39 + $20 (optional mat. fee paid directly to instructor)  
Location: TBA  
Instructor: Sandra Phillips

Financial Strategies for Successful Retirement (Taught in Alexandria)  
Date: Oct. 19-Nov. 9, Thurs  
Time: 6-9 p.m.  
Fee: $55  
Location: The Learning Center for Rapides Parish, Alexandria (England Airpark Base)  
Instructor: Robert L. Harger, Jr.

MS PowerPoint  
Date: Oct. 21, Sat  
Time: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
(Lunch is on your own from 12-1 p.m.)  
Fee: $99  
Location: Williamson Hall, Rm. 103  
Instructor: Gena Hatcher

Fall Gardening with Bulbs  
Date: Oct. 24, Tues  
Time: 6-7:30 p.m.  
Fee: $35  
Location: Russell Hall, Rm. 203  
Instructor: Gale Trussell

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