UL System Students Organize for St. Jude

Almost every day for the next two weeks there will be a student sponsored service activity held on a University of Louisiana System campus for St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital. The UL System’s Student Advisory Council (SAC), made up of campus student government association (SGA) presidents, selected St. Jude as the recipient of their Students Strong in Service program because of the number of Louisiana citizens served by the organization. The Bayou State sends more children to St. Jude’s hospital than any other state except Tennessee and also houses two of the six St. Jude affiliate clinics around the United States.

“We are so excited that the SGA Presidents have chosen St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital as the beneficiary for their additional fund-raising efforts this year. So many of the University of Louisiana System universities participate in our Up ‘Til Dawn Program and have raised enormous amounts of money and awareness for St. Jude. We are thrilled about the opportunity to expand our relationship with the UL System through this new effort on behalf of the SGA Presidents,” said St. Jude Event Marketing Representative Andree Miller.

“I am extremely proud of our student leaders. They have conceptualized, planned and are implementing their vision for helping St. Jude. We are thankful for the opportunity and for their investment in the health of our children,” said Mark Reiter, St. Jude President and CEO.

UL System to Save $20,000 with Switch to Electronic Board Packets

The University of Louisiana System is looking to place all of its Board meeting packets online starting January 2012. This would include all campus supporting materials for each agenda item other than those prohibited via privacy laws. It would be available to the public and reduce printing and shipping costs by about $20,000 per year.
executing these events to help an organization that gives hope to so many children. In higher education, we are in the business of educating students but sometimes they teach us, such as the value of service and philanthropy,” said UL System President Randy Moffett.

Members of the Student Advisory Council (SAC) are Grambling State University SGA President Channing Gaudion who also serves as the SAC Service-Learning Coordinator, Louisiana Tech University SGA President Clint Carlisle, McNeese State University SGA President John Tarasewicz who also serves as SAC Vice Chair, Nicholls State University SGA President John Lombardo who also serves as the UL System Student Board Member, Northwestern State University SGA President Tara Luck, Southeastern Louisiana University SGA President Luther Holloway, University of Louisiana at Lafayette SGA President Kyle Temple, and University of Louisiana at Monroe SAC President Brooke Dugas who also serves as the SAC Chair.

“Ast student leaders we believe higher education is not only about getting an education but also about molding ourselves to be the best well-rounded citizens we can be. It is our hope that students, faculty, administrators and staff at all eight universities who participate will come away feeling we have made a positive impact on the state of Louisiana,” said SAC Chair Brooke Dugas.

UL System student leaders have a long history of student-driven service projects including voter registration drives, college preparation campaigns including middle and high school visits, Extreme Spring Break Habitat for Humanity projects, and now Students Strong in Service fundraising for St. Jude’s Children’s Research Hospital.

Robin Roberts Named 2011 Distinguished Graduate by the American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU)

Each year AASCU honors one graduate from its member institutions. This year’s honoree, Robin Roberts, is the anchor of ABC’s “Good Morning America” show, and graduated from Southeastern Louisiana University in 1983. She joins a prestigious group of AASCU honorees including President Lyndon B. Johnson, former First Lady Rosalyn Carter, General Colin Powell, Tom Brokaw, and Dan Rather.

For more information, visit www.aascu.org/List_of_Recipients.aspx

The Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System approved the following requests:

ACADEMIC & STUDENT AFFAIRS

- McNeese: Letter of Intent/Proposal for web-based Post Baccalaureate Certificate and a Graduate Certificate in Pump Reliability Engineering
- McNeese: award an Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters to Dr. Robert Noland at the Fall 2011 Commencement Exercises
- McNeese: create the Center for Advancement of Meat Production and Processing
- UL Lafayette: Letter of Intent for a Bachelor of Arts degree program in Music
- UL Monroe: establish athletics incentives for head coaches

FACILITIES PLANNING

- Tech: enter into a Management Agreement with the LA Tech Foundation for the exclusive promotion of designs, trademarks, service marks, logos, and symbols associated with the University.
- Tech: exercise option for full redemption of the Series 1972 Extension Use Fee Bonds.

PERSONNEL

- Nicholls: appoint Dr. Alayne ‘Layrie’ Buntie as Vice President for Academic Affairs, effective October 28, 2011.
- UL Monroe: appoint Dr. Eric Pani as Interim Vice President for Academic Affairs, effective September 1, 2011.
- McNeese: establish Supplemental Ground Lease Agreement and a Supplemental Facilities Lease Agreement with Cowboy Facilities, Inc. to allow the refinancing of its Series 2001 Student Housing debt.
- Nicholls: change the Boyce Family Endowed Chair in Business Administration to three endowed professorships.
- Northwestern: Scholarship Reallocation.
- Southeastern: resolution authorizing and providing for the incurring of debt and issuance of not to exceed $4,000,000 of revenue refunding bonds of the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System on behalf of Southeastern Louisiana University.

UL Lafayette: enter into an Affiliation Agreement between UL Lafayette and UL Lafayette Alumni Association.

UL Lafayette: implementation of a new model for online delivery of an RN to BSN degree.

UL Monroe: demolish two structures, 604 and 606 McGuire Ave.

FINANCE

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