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Don't forget, open forum on presidential search is Wednesday



the public.

Just a reminder that students, faculty and staff are invited to an open forum to discuss the criteria and search process for the next University of Memphis president Dec. 4 from 11 a.m. to noon in the University Center River Room. Following the forum, the Search Advisory Committee will hold its first meeting in the Bluff Room of the University Center, beginning at 12:45 p.m. Both meetings are open to

The search committee's charge is to identify three to five finalists who will visit the campus for interviews. Tennessee Board of Regents Chancellor John Morgan will then consult with members of the committee and make a final selection for submission to the TBR for approval.

The committee will work with executive search firm Greenwood/Asher & Associates to help identify a broad range of highly qualified candidates from around the country. One of the committee's first tasks at the Dec. 4 meeting will be to decide on the criteria, schedule and process for identifying the finalists. Initial screening of applicants is expected to begin in February.

U of M and Russian university sign exchange agreement



The Intermodal Freight Transportation Institute (IFTI) hosted a delegation of 20 Russian logistics professionals as part of the International Trade Administration Special American Business Internship Training (SABIT) Program Nov. 18-20.

During the program, the U of M and Volga State Academy of Water Transport signed a memorandum of agreement to hold scientific, educational and cultural exchanges. Dr. Andy Meyers, U of M vice provost for Research, signed the agreement on behalf of Interim President Brad Martin.

IFTI arranged a three-day freight transportation course for the Russian professionals that included time with several IFTI research faculty members to learn about the four modes of transportation and IFTI's research specialties, presentations from the Memphis logistics industry (BNSF, Commercial Advisors, CN Railway, Dunavant Logistics, FedEx, and JAMAC Logistics) and a few technical tours. This is the fourth year that IFTI has hosted a SABIT group.

"We are overwhelmed by the opportunity to solidify this international partnership with a transportation university in Russia. Partnerships like these truly signify the global impact of our research," says Dan Pallme, IFTI interim director. "This agreement impacts our current and future students by expanding their breadth of opportunities."

Support the Million Meals Challenge

Join the Staff Senate in supporting the Million Meals Challenge through Dec. 5. During the 2012 Staff Senate-sponsored food drive, U of M faculty and staff donated 616 pounds of food to the Mid-South Food Bank. You may bring your items to the Holiday Party on Dec. 5 from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. in the Administration Building, second floor atrium, or go to <http://themillionmealchallenge.com> and select Memphis to donate online.

Needed items include canned meats, peanut butter, Nutella, jelly and jams, canned fruit, canned vegetables, canned 100 percent fruit juice, boxes of macaroni and cheese, rice, non-perishable items (no glass) and money or gift cards.

Other drop-off locations are: Administration Building, room 165; Ball Hall, second floor by elevator; Fogelman College of Business & Economics, room 400; CCFA Building lobby; McWherter Library, circulation desk area; Mitchell Hall, lobby and room 219; Psychology Building, room 202; Scates Hall, room 107; and Wilder Tower, room 103 (Financial Aid) and room 201 (Scholarship Office).

In 2012, Kroger created the Million Meals Challenge, a contest between the University of Memphis, Ole Miss and Mississippi State and surrounding communities to raise 1 million meals during the academic year. All proceeds collected for the MMC are donated directly to the Mid-South Food Bank and the Mississippi Food Network.

For more information, contact Debra Turner at dmturner@memphis.edu or 678-5449.

Announcements



Teddy Bear Toss will benefit Le Bonheur Children's Hospital

The Tiger women's basketball team will hold its annual Teddy Bear Toss to benefit Le Bonheur Children's Hospital on Saturday, Dec. 7, when Memphis hosts UAB at 4 p.m. at the Elma Roane Fieldhouse. Fans who bring a teddy bear or other stuffed animal to the game will receive free admission (one free admission per stuffed animal). The teddy bear toss will be at halftime with a chance to win great prizes.

UMAR will ring in holidays with brunch and silent auction Dec. 10

The University of Memphis Association of Retirees will host its holiday brunch and silent auction Tuesday, Dec. 10. The silent auction will run from 9 to 10:30 a.m. in the University Center Poplar Room and the brunch from 10 a.m. to noon in the UC River Room. The cost is \$25 per person and includes brunch and parking in the Zach Curlin garage. Tables of eight can be purchased for \$175. Proceeds benefit the UMAR Scholarship Fund.

There is no charge to participate in the silent auction only. To donate a silent auction item or to RSVP for brunch, contact alumni coordinator Brandon Hoyer at bhoyer@memphis.edu or 678-1333.

Learn about the Campus Master Plan at open house Dec. 4

SmithGroupJJR, in conjunction with Looney Ricks Kiss Architecture, has been selected to assist in developing the University's next Campus Master Plan. Master planning starts with a process of discovery - understanding all aspects of the University of Memphis: its goals, aspirations, current challenges and opportunities for the future. This stage helps determine the planning vision and principles that guide decision-making throughout the 15-month process.

To that end, the planning team will be on campus this week, and students, faculty, staff and community members are invited to attend one of two Campus Master Plan Open House sessions. This is an opportunity to speak with the planning team at this initial discovery phase and join in the conversation regarding the future development of the U of M.

You may choose one of two sessions. Both will be held Wednesday, Dec. 4, in the University Center Ballroom, from noon to 1 p.m. and 5 to 6 p.m. To review additional information about the Campus Master Plan and for updates, go to <http://memphis.edu/masterplan/>.

Check out the exciting research being done at the U of M

A PhD student in biomedical engineering is creating a future with fewer traumatic wound infections. She is developing a degradable drug delivery system that can be tailored for each patient directly in the operating room to help control and minimize traumatic infections. Watch the video [here](#).

CALENDAR OF EVENTS / More listings at <http://www.memphis.edu/sga/news/index.php> or events.memphis.edu

Monday/December 2

Art exhibits: "Bauhaus twenty-21: An Ongoing Legacy - Photographs by Gordon Watkinson" and "Beyond the Cabbage Rose: Textiles Go Modern" (through Jan. 4) - Art Museum - [More details](#)

Art exhibit: "Terri Phillips: We Have Always Lived in the Castle" (through Jan. 4) - Art Museum, ArtLab

Exhibition: "Memphis and the Blues" (through Dec. 13) - McWherter Library, fourth floor and rotunda

Concert - University of Memphis Chamber Orchestra - Harris Concert Hall - 7:30 p.m. - Free admission - [Complete schedule](#)

Tuesday/December 3

Workshop: TBR Academic Affairs Research Grants - UC, room 340A - 3 to 4 p.m.

University College Alumni Chapter Holiday Reception and Silent Auction - Alumni Center - 6 to 8:30 p.m. - Admission \$10 per person; proceeds benefit the chapter's Book Scholarship - RSVP at bhoyer@memphis.edu or 678-1333.

Concert - University of Memphis Jazz Singers - Harris Concert Hall - 7:30 p.m. - Free admission - [Complete schedule](#)

Wednesday/December 4

Campus Master Plan open house - University Center Ballroom - noon to 1 p.m. or 5 to 6 p.m.

Concert - Rudi E. Scheidt School of Music Holiday Concert - Harris Concert Hall - 12:45 p.m. - Free admission - [Complete schedule](#)

Concert - University of Memphis Wind Ensemble - Harris Concert Hall - 7:30 p.m. - For ticket information, call 678-2541 - [Complete schedule](#)

Thursday/December 5

U of M Holiday Open House - Administration Building, second floor atrium - 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. - The Staff Senate will be collecting canned food items to benefit the Mid-South Food Bank

School of Public Health seminar - "Identifying Activation Centers With Spatial Point Processes Using fMRI Meta Data" by doctoral candidate Meredith Ray - Robison Hall, room 117 - noon

Interest meeting: 2014 Strengthening Communities grant program - UC, room 338 - 3 to 4:30 p.m. - More details at www.memphis.edu/scgrants

Friday/December 6

Free HIV testing: Screenings by trained HIV counselors from Planned Parenthood of the Greater Memphis Region - UC, room 338 - 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. - Call 678-4545 - [More details about Memphis Healthy U](#)

Saturday/December 7

Men's basketball - Tigers vs. Northwestern State - FedExForum - noon - Visit gotigersgo.com

Women's basketball - Tigers vs. UAB - Elma Roane Fieldhouse - 4 p.m. - Teddy Bear Toss to benefit Le Bonheur Children's Hospital at halftime; bring a teddy bear or other stuffed animal and receive one free admission per toy - Visit gotigersgo.com

Football - Tigers vs. Connecticut - East Hartford, Conn. - noon - Visit gotigersgo.com

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