Announcements

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY...
Emergency notifications for students, faculty and staff will be handled by mass email, Channel 19, WURC 88.1 FM, RC-TV 2, and campus loud speakers. If you would like to receive emergency notifications by text message, please submit your cell phone number to Mrs. Carolyn Hymon, Dean of Students. The numbers will be used for emergencies ONLY and will not be distributed.

Emergency Numbers:
- Security office: 662-252-8090
- Security guard on duty: 662-216-3429

Attention Graduating Seniors!!!!
It’s Time to Take Your Cap and Gown Pictures!

When: January 19, 2011
Where: Brown Mass Communications Building, Room 103
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

If any underclassmen (freshmen, sophomores, juniors), faculty or staff members have NOT taken a yearbook photo for the “2010-2011 Rust College Bearcat”, this is your last chance!

Attention Campus Organizations!!
It’s that time to take your photos for the 2010-2011 Yearbook!

January 25-26, 2010, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Please call Adrienne Phillips @ ext. 4917 to schedule an appointment.

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During Convocation, Dr. Beckley will also present awards to Holly Springs Police Chief Robert Pearson and Dr. A. J. Stovall. Division of Social Science chairperson. The *Eddie L. Smith, Jr. Extra-Mile Award will be awarded to Chief Pearson for the outstanding service of the Holly Springs Police Department to Rust College. Dr. Stovall will receive the same award for his leadership of the National African American Student Leadership Conference, in which he directed for 16 years.

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Smith studied Business Administration at Rust College, graduating in 1956. After serving as principal at a local high school, he returned to Rust College—working in several positions: Business Manager, Director of Public Relations, and Director of Grants and Contracts.

Smith made history when his was elected Alderman of Ward 1 in Holly Springs, becoming the first African American to do so. In 1985, he ran for Mayor of Holly Springs, an election in which he was defeated. However, in 1989, he ran for Mayor again and was elected, becoming the first African American to serve as Mayor of the City of Holly Springs.

Among his projects were the North Memphis Street Revitalization Project; the city's purchase of a building built by the father of Ida B. Wells, which is now home to the Ida B. Wells Family Art Gallery; and a north bypass road connecting I-40 and U.S. 78, now known as Eddie L. Smith, Jr. Drive. Also named in his honor is the Eddie L. Smith Multi-Purpose Center, which was established in 2003.

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“Blues Routes”: Colorful, Unique Artwork Honors Mississippi Blues

Rust College welcomed celebrated artist Mr. Brad A. Bernard to kick off the Lyceum events for spring 2011. Bernard presented “Blues Routes” to students, faculty, staff and guests on Thursday, January 6, 2011.

The “Blues Routes” series collectively celebrate the regional genre of blues musicians and their individual identities. Each painting is a mixed media collage that depicts a candid portrait combining digital photography, wall paper, road signs, and both derived and actual road maps to create what emulates a patchwork quilt of geographic locations and/or events relevant to the musician represented. The metaphors of road maps and quilts are used as representation of travel and journey in leaving or returning home.

The paintings depict several Mississippi blues legends such as B.B. King, Jessie Mae Hemphill, R.L. Burnside, and others. Bernard explained the road maps and highway signs shows the musicians’ native home. Other elements in the paintings display images pertinent to the artist depicted (i.e. two honey bees + the King of Spades = B.B. King).

Bernard received a Bachelor of Fine Arts in painting from the Milwaukee Institute of Art and Design in 1993. He moved to Holly Springs, Mississippi in 2000, then later moved further south down Highway 7 to Oxford. He obtained his Master of Fine Arts from the University of Mississippi. He currently serves as Assistant Professor of Art at Mount Mary College in Milwaukee. Bernard has exhibited in a variety of well-known galleries, museums, and festivals throughout Mississippi. “Blues Routes” is currently on exhibited in Milwaukee; Rust College has purchased the entire collection for the viewing pleasure of the Rust College and local communities. The unveiling of the exhibit is still being determined.

Snow Days!

SUNRISE SUNDAY SERVICES

January 2, 2011

SPRING 2011 EXTENDED REGISTRATION
(In-office)

January 3-14, 2011
9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

STEP 1: All Returning students who completed early registration must report to the Cashier’s office to receive their Official Registration form (blue sheet).

STEP 2: Returning students who did not complete early registration must be cleared by the Cashier’s office prior to reporting to his/her academic division.

STEP 3: Report to your respective Academic Division and complete your registration form in consultation with your advisor. Freshman/1st time students must report to Cope Center: McCoy Admin. Building - 2nd floor.

STEP 4: Report to the Divisional Secretary’s office to have your Schedule entered into the Datatel program.

STEP 5: Students may finalize their spring registration (if their financial aid award has been posted) by reporting to the Cashier’s Office.

Classes begin for 3rd module on January 4, 2011.
Last day to add for the 3rd module is January 14, 2011.
Last day to drop for the 3rd module is January 19, 2011.

New students’ registration will begin on January 3, 2011.
Returning students’ late registration will begin on January 5, 2011.