FROM THE STUDENT SERVICES CENTER

Spring Break is just around the corner. Be safe if you’ll be traveling! Also, remember to follow up with employers from the CASNR Career Expo.

If you know anyone you’d like to nominate to be an Agri-Techsan, those nominations are due March 11th. See the Student Services Center for more information.

If your organization/department would like to include event dates or articles in next month’s eNews, please email information to lori.dudley@ttu.edu.

– Cindy Akers, Rachel Bobbitt, Lori Dudley, Kim Peters, Cole Bolton, and Elizabeth Bertrand

SPRING BREAK TIPS

✓ Buckle up and make sure to take turns if driving.
✓ Use caution when using an ATM. Make sure no one is watching you and cover the keypad when entering your pin number.
✓ Be responsible. Know the legal drinking age and drinking laws in the country you’re visiting. Always have a safe ride home planned before

Follow Up With Employers from CASNR Career Expo

While the CASNR Career Expo is over, this doesn’t mean you shouldn’t take time to make a second contact with employers you visited with while there. It’s surprising how few job-seekers actually take the time to follow-up their career fair interviews, thus when you do it, you will get an edge over the many others who do not.

There are two common methods of follow-up. Some experts suggest actually calling the recruiter after the fair and leaving a voicemail message thanking the recruiter again for his/her time that day. A more concrete and traditional method is to write a thank you note and mail it to the address on the recruiter’s business card. In the letter, thank the recruiter for his/her time, reiterate your interest and qualifications for the position, reiterate your interest in a second interview, and make a promise to follow-up the letter with a phone call (and make sure you do in fact call). It’s also a good idea to enclose another copy of your résumé to be sure.

For tips on how to write an impactful thank you letter, contact University Career Services at 806.742.2210 or visit their website.

Article by Dr. Randall Hansen, quintcareers.com

Agri-Techsan Nominations

It is time to select new members for the Agri-Techsan organization for the 2011-2012 school year. Agri-Techsans are the student recruiters who assist the CASNR Student Services Center in bringing in new students to the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources and to Texas Tech University. Agri-Techsans
If you leave the country, make sure your passport is always kept safe. Have a copy of your passport kept separately. Also, leave any valuables such as jewelry at home.

Use caution when enjoying the sun. Drink plenty of water, apply sunscreen regularly and if you begin to feel light-headed, seek shade immediately.

Have fun and be safe!

American Farm Bureau Collegiate Discussion Meet
CASNR student Trevor White represented CASNR and TTU at the American Farm Bureau Collegiate Discussion Meet on February 6 in Orlando, Florida. Trevor won the Texas Farm Bureau Collegiate Discussion Meeting in April 2010 which qualified him to advance to the national meet. The discussion meet showcases 47 contestants from around the country for a round-robin discussion. "The discussion meet was a great opportunity to meet and interact with fellow students from all over the nation who share a passion for agriculture and care about the future of our industry", said White. Trevor competed in two rounds of discussions based on agriculture related topics to advance to the sweet 16.

Student Legal Services Takes the Confusion out of Moving
Moving is often a daunting task, especially when there is a confusing lease involved. Student Legal Services offers individual lease reviews for students moving off campus. Students can ask questions and discuss concerns with the landlord/tenant attorney. Topics include reviewing lease terms, move-in procedures, renter's insurance and other ways to protect yourself while living off campus. Call 806.742.3289 or visit Student Legal Services in room 307 in the SUB to set up your appointment.

Let the Office of the Ombudsman Help you Resolve Academic Disputes
While the Office of the Ombudsman may have a funny name, the services they offer are anything but. The Ombuds Office at the Texas Tech University provides informal, neutral, and confidential dispute resolution services. They assist people with interpersonal misunderstandings or disputes as well as those with concerns about academic or administrative issues. They attempt to help individuals resolve their concerns fairly and, if possible, informally.

The office does not act as an advocate for any party or take sides on an issue. They are simply there to make sure discussions are fair and, most importantly, confidential. They deal with a wide range of conflicts ranging from grading issues to unfair treatment. If you find yourself facing a conflict, seek resolution from the Office of the Ombudsman at 806.742.SAFE.

Graduation Fair
Are you graduating this spring? If so, make plans to attend the Graduation Fair. It will be held March 1st-3rd in the Frazier Alumni Pavilion. The Graduation Fair is the perfect time to order the Official Class Ring before this semester's Ring Ceremony. Seniors can also order regalia and graduation announcements, as well as receive information from University Career Services, Texas Tech Graduate School and
Kaplan test prep services. For more information about the Graduation Fair, contact Mandy Wiley at mandy.wiley@ttu.edu or 806.742.3641.

Calendar of Events

**Events and Dates**

- March 1-3: Graduation Fair, Frazier Alumni Pavilion
- March 2: Texas Independence Day
- March 5: Texas Tech Day at the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo
- March 9: Ash Wednesday
- March 11: Agri-Techsan nominations due
- March 12-20: Spring Break, no classes
- March 13: Daylight-Saving Time begins
- March 17: St. Patrick’s Day
- March 20: First day of spring
- March 23: Last day to drop a class (counts against limit of 6)

**University Career Services Events and Dates**

- March 22: Teacher Job Fair
- March 29: Texas Tech Career Connection

The CASNR online event calendar is located at [www.casnr.ttu.edu/supercali/](http://www.casnr.ttu.edu/supercali/).

If you would like your organizations information included please send dates, times, and locations to lori.dudley@ttu.edu.
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