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WHAT'S HAPPENING

- February 6th
 Service Council
 Meeting-
- February 19-23rd
 Shoes for Orphan
 Souls Drive
- March 1st Registration Deadline for Steppin' Out

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STEPPIN' OUT: WE WANT TO SERVE YOU! BY ANDREW GINAKIS

STUDENT

It's that time again! With the start of a new semester at Baylor, the Steppin' Out committee has begun making preparations to make this semester's Steppin' Out better than the last. If you recall, last fall we brought together over 3,000 people to serve the Waco community for a day of service. We could not have achieved this task without our committed students and community volunteers, but perhaps even more, we could not have served Waco without the

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help of our agencies.

Each semester we team up with agencies like Compassion Ministries, Waco Center for Youth, Family Abuse Center, Keep Waco Beautiful, CARI-TAS, Mission Waco, and many others. Steppin' Out could not



happen without the support of agencies like these—and like yours!

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Last semester, the Steering Committee committed to make Steppin' Out more than just a one-time service opportunity, but to create and foster relationships between Baylor students and Waco agencies. We are at it again,

and this semester our goals have not changed. We are still committed to creating a day of (cont. on page 4)

Register a job for Steppin' Out by MARCH 1st!

As a part of the Office of Community Service at Baylor University, I am blessed to be a part of connecting students to the needs in the Waco community. Many of these students simply want to make a difference and reach out without the expectation of recognition.

In an effort to celebrate with these students who take the initiative to be involved in volunteerism in Waco, there will be an award given to students

EVERYDAY HEROES BY MISSY DAVIS



called the Everyday Heroes Award. I know that you interact with so many students who commit time and energy to helping your organization, expecting nothing in return.

Every year there is an awards banquet to recognize students and student organizations at Baylor. The Everyday Heroes Award recognizes individuals who have been consistent in service.

I need help identifying these students! This is where you come in! These students are recognized and nominated by (cont. on page 4)

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SERVICE CHAIRS : SAE By Bo Rollins & Garrett Standfield

What is your name, classification, major and hometown? Bo Rollins, Sophomore, Business, Dallas, Tx

Garrett Standfield, Sophomore, Business, Conroe, Tx

What organization do you work with as the Service Chair? Sigma Alpha Epsilon

How has community service been an important part of your personal experience at Baylor?

Community Service has added to our appreciation of helping others and giving back to the community around us.

What are you looking forward to about serving as the Service Chair for your organization?

As new service chairs, we hope to

continue our fraternity's passion for service by engaging our organization in a variety of service opportunities throughout the community and exploring new service endeavors.

Why do you think service is important for college students?

Service should be an integral part of a college student's experience because it helps college students appreciate the opportunities they have been given. It also helps them to reach out to the community around them.

What are some of the agencies your organization works with and in what capacity do they serve?

•The Boys and Girls Club- After school mentoring with kids 8-12 years old

•Kings Club- Mentoring children

•Adopt a Highway- Cleaning highway

•Mission trip to New Orleans- Helping victims of the hurricanes

How has service impacted your organization as a whole?

Our service opportunities have provided us with experiences that bring us closer together and instill in us a character of giving.

Is there anything else you want students to know about you, your organization, or service?

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Bo Rollins and Garrett Standfield - Service Chairs for Sigma Alpha Epsilon

ALPHA DELTA PI SERVES BY JESSICA FRANCIS

Alpha Delta Pi holds the distinction as the first secret society for college women in the world, established in 1851. The sisters of Alpha Delta Pi have been involved in charity work from the beginning, but in 1979 the sorority adopted the Ronald McDonald House as its national focus of volunteer work and its official philanthropy.

The Ronald McDonald House serves as a home away from home for the families of terminally ill children. Since beginning its association, Alpha Delta Pi has contributed over \$2 million to this worthwhile effort. Baylor University's Zeta Chi chapter has served the Ronald McDonald House since its charter 27 years ago, and currently serves the closest location in Temple, TX.

For the 2006-07 school year, Baylor's ADPi chapter remains a leading student organization in funds raised for philanthropy, with \$7,050 donated to RMH to date from both collegians and alumni. This semester the ladies of Alpha Delta Pi will continue to strive to make a difference to this charity. February 12-28th, we invite the Waco community to visit the Baris Family Italian Restaurants at either of the two locations at 904 N Valley Mills Dr. or 1201 Hewitt Dr. and participate in Alpha Delta Pi's "Color-A-Lion" event. Lion coloring sheets will be sold for \$1 each and proceeds will benefit the Temple Ronald McDonald House.

Jessica Francis is the Service Chair for Alpha Delta Pi

HELP **ALPHA DELTA PI** SUPPORT **RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE** BY EATING AT BARIS FAMILY ITALIAN RESTAURANT AND PARTICIPATING IN THE "COLOR-A-LION" EVENT

THE OTHER SIDE OF WACO



Driving through Waco on a rainy afternoon may not sound like the type of thing many students would be interested in. However, understanding the realities of poverty in Waco is something that these students are interested in.

As the service chairs for several student organizations on campus, these students aim to involve the members of their organizations in community service outside of Baylor. So, last month, as part of a meeting for service chairs, several students loaded on a bus to see the streets of Waco through a different lens.

This tour, known as "The Other Side of Waco Tour" provides individuals an opportunity to see and understand the needs in the Waco area. Mission Waco provides this unique experience for those who would like to understand issues related to poverty in the city of Waco. The tour is typically led

by executive director, Jimmy Dorrell, who narrates the tour allowing participants to hear stories and statistics of the realities of some people in Waco.

The Office of Community Service strives to work with service chairs to provide meaningful service opportunities for the members of their organizations. The hope is that this tour will help them gain a better understanding of how they can be involved in service in the community, and how they can help others understand the needs. For more information on how you can be a part of the tour, contact Mission Waco or visit www.missionwaco.org for more information.

Missy Davis is the Graduate Assistant for Community Service.

"Whoever wants to be great must become a servant. Whoever wants to be first among you must be your slave. Whoever wants to be first among you must be your slave. That is what the Son of Man has done: Ke came to serve, not to be served and then to give away his life in exchange for the many who are held hostage." ~Jesus

SHOES FOR ORPHAN SOULS BY MISSY DAVIS

Shoes for Orphan Souls is an amazing way for students, staff, and faculty to help children all over the world.

A pair of shoes is a great need for many children living in orphanages. Baylor University will partner this semester with Buckner Orphan Care International to bring the simple gift of comfort and warmth in a new pair of shoes.

Between **February 19-23**, there will be several boxes placed on campus to collect new or slightly worn shoes sizes 3-9, new socks, and shoelaces. The Department of Student Activities will also accept donations of \$25 to buy new shoes and help cover the costs of delivery.

The shoes are sent to orphanages in several countries including Afghanistan, Belarus, Belize, China, Croatia, Cuba, Ethiopia, Haiti, India, Kazakhastan, Kenya, Kosovo, Latvia, Mexico, Moldova, Peru, Romania, Russia, the US, Uganda, and Ukraine.

Look for boxes in the SUB, SLC, Residence Halls, Robinson Tower, and the Science Building to drop off donations! You can help make a difference in the life a child today!

Missy Davis is the Graduate Assistant for Community Service in Student Activities



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STEPPIN' OUT: WE WANT TO SERVE YOU!

service that will benefit both Steppin' Out participants and the Waco community in ways that are meaningful and longlasting.

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One part of the preparation process for Steppin' Out is job recruitment, and our recruitment chairs Daniel Patino and Jigna Patel are hard at work to ensure that we are able to send eager workers to sites all around the city this spring. If you or your agency has a job, or you know of someone who needs volunteers, please do not hesitate to contact our committee! We do more than paint houses, too! Past Steppin' Outs have placed us at elementary schools, nursing homes, and at sites where our participants do landscaping,

alley and river cleanup, and interior organization and clean-

ships we've started in the past and anticipate making new ones this semester.



If your site can take people, we can provide them! We are eager about the opportunity to continue the agency relationYou can register for Steppin' Out by visiting our website, <u>www.baylor.edu/steppin_out</u>, and if you do not have online access, feel free to call our office at 254.710.3199. We are very excited about the opportunity of working with you to serve the Waco community this spring!

Daniel and Jigna can be reached at <u>Daniel Patino@baylor.edu</u> and Jiggy Patel@baylor.edu.

Andrew Ginakis is the Public Relations chair for the Steppin' Out Steering Committee

Register a job for Steppin' Out at www.baylor.edu/steppin_out or call 710-3199

EVERYDAY HEROES (CONT. FROM PAGE 1)

volunteer coordinators and service agencies.

You will be receiving a letter and nomination form soon for this award. Please take a few minutes to think about the students who have impacted your organization in a positive way during the 2006-2007 academic year . I cannot recognize these students without your help! If you have questions regarding the Everyday Heroes Award, please contact missy_davis@baylor.edu.

Be looking for letters and nominations forms in late February! The nominations will need to be returned no later than Friday, March 23rd.

Missy Davis is the Graduate Assistant for Community Service in Student Activities "Believing that I was born for the service of mankind, and regarding the care of the commonwealth as a kind of common property which, like the air and the water, belongs to everybody, I set myself to consider in what way mankind might be best served, and what service I was myself best fitted by nature to perform." ~ Francis Bacon, 1603

Compassion Ministries

Kiki Lopez Negrete: 254-755-7640x 112 Working at Clothes closet, providing clerical assistance, childcare, tutoring family members,

and recreational opportunities.

Waco Center for Youth

Dana Renschler: 254-745-5174 Dana.renschler@DSHS.state.tx. us

Working with emotionally disturbed youth-please contact for volunteer orientation

Mission Waco

Josh Dorrell: 254-753-4900 volunteers@missionwaco.org King's Club on Saturdays working with children, Toy Store during the holidays

The Freeman Center

Jamie Allnutt:254-292-2099 jallnutt@thefreemancenter.org Clerical duties, reading to children, landscaping, mentoring

The Family Abuse Center

Dinah Husbands: 254-772-8999 volunteer@familyabusecenter.org Volunteer duties confidential to public

Fuzzy Friends

Leann Lattimer: 254-754-9444 Working with and exercising animals, cleaning facilities, etc.

Quality Care of Waco

Carol Burton: 254-752-0311

Several volunteer opportunities with flexible hours. Everything from activities with residents to administrative work

World Hunger Relief, Inc.

Matt Hess: 254-799-5611 whrimatt@hot.rr.com Farm work, office and clerical work, facility tours, etc.

City of Waco Parks and Recreation

Volunteer Coordinator: 254-750-8080 General clean-up in city parks, river clean up efforts, etc.

Friends for Life

Ron Smith: 254-772-7600 ron@friendsforlifeonline.org Personal interaction with elderly and adults with disabilities

McLennan County Libraries

Kim Salome: 254-750-5974 kimberlys@ci.waco.tx.us Read to kids, assist with childcare, special projects, and clerical office work

Meals on Wheels

Robert Flower: 254-753-6917 Deliver meals each week to community member.

Animal Birth Control Center

Carrie Kuehl: 254-772-1641 Clerical work, cleaning facilities and cages, & working with animals

Boy Scouts of America-West Ave. Elementary School Andre Ewers: 254-750-3900 Mentoring boys, assisting with crafts on Wed. 3-4

Eagle Charter School

Renee Alvara: 254-217-2008 Mentors and tutors needed to work with kids ages K-8th grade

Kate Ross Center

Anna Solinas: 254-752-0324 x284 Assist with physical activities for the physically disabled

Art Center of Waco

Anne Garrett: 254-752-4371 Volunteers needed for various activities each month

Waco Reads

Brittany Shearer: 254-753-6002 Bshearer@mcycwaco.org Tutor Waco School children to improve reading and literac

Texas Dept. of Transportation

Teresa James: 254-772-1200 tjames@txdot.com Physical Labor cleaning highways near Baylor

Caritas of Waco

Volunteer Coordinator: 254-753-4593 Physical labor of sorting, moving food materials for pantry warehouse

Habitat for Humanity

Sonya Maness Sonya_Maness@baylor,edu Physical labor constructing homes

Talitha Koum

Julie Fancher: 254-753-1144 Julie@crosstieswaco.org Work with at risk children ages 1-6 in a variety of ongoing programs

Big Brothers/ Big Sisters

Tracy Curry: 254-776-2824 tracy@bbbswaco.org Mentoring local youth, aiding with activities

Girl Scouts-Bluebonnet Council

Angie Polk: 254-756-4497 apolk@bluebonnetgsc.org Working with Girl Scout after school programs, hosting programs in the community, and shop volunteering.

HOT Muscular Dystrophy Association

Hope Geer: 254-399-8221 hgeer@mdausa.org Flexible office duties, working with summer camps in June

Earle-Harrison House and Pape Gardens

Kathy Riggs: 254-753-2032 earleharrisonpapegardens@gmail.com Assist with an inventory or historic house artifacts, physical labor in the garden

Heart of Texas Therapeutic Riding Center

Shirley: 254-717-7017 eliteot@hotmail.com Assist with therapeutic riding sessions and administrative duties

***Additional opportunities arise each week for service! Please contact the Department of Student Activities for more opportunities and/or more information about chances to serve the greater Waco community. If you have ongoing service opportunities you would like published, please contact us! *** missy_davis@baylor.edu or karin_klinger@baylor.edu



LEADING ORGANIZATIONS' SERVICE HOURS AUGUST-JANUARY 2006-07

Service Hours			
Alpha Phi Omega	2742	WAIT A MINUTE	
Chi's Service Sorority	1310	Do you feel like your organization should be on this list? Make sure you are turning in your service hours every month! If you have questions, email karin_klinger@baylor.edu or stop by the Student Activities office for some	
Alpha Chi Omega	1203		
Kappa Sigma	1055		
Pi Kappa Phi	696		
Funds Raised			
Delta Delta Delta	\$30,246	info on how to enter your hours	
Alpha Delta Pi	\$7050		
BU Medical Ethics Discussion Society	\$3194	online!	
Kappa Sigma	\$1477		
Alpha Chi Omega	\$525		



(This data is based on information received on or before January 31, 2007)

"It is denial of justice not to stretch out a helping hand to the fallen; that is the common right of humanity." ~Seneca (Seneca the Elder)