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Alumni and Friends:

Here is the latest *Good News* from ULM. After reading this e-mail I hope you will forward it everyone on your ULM Buddy List. Each time we add an alumnus or friend to our distribution list, we help spread the *Good News* about our University.

TOP STORY

Ben Stein to Speak at Presidential Lyceum Series - Tickets on Sale NOW!

You might hear the familiar phrases, "Bueller...Bueller," and "Anyone...Anyone," made well known by actor Ben Stein in the 1986 movie *Ferris Bueller's Day Off*, when you come and see Stein as he speaks at the University of Louisiana at Monroe.

Stein will speak at the Dr. James E. Cofer, Sr. Presidential Lyceum Series Friday, Dec. 2 at 7:30 p.m. at Brown Auditorium.

Ben Stein's financial and economical work was cited in the efforts of George Akerlof, the recent Noble Prize winner in economics.

Stein graduated with honors from Columbia University in economics in 1966. Four years later, he graduated from Yale University Law School as valedictorian.

As a writer, Stein has written speeches for Presidents Richard Nixon and Gerald Ford. He has authored books on a variety of topics, including economics.

But he is best known for his movie roles and game show host career. In the movie "*Ferris Bueller's Day Off*," Stein's film career received a boost that made him a household name. According to Wikipedia, an encyclopedia database, Stein used his economics background in the movie and gave a real, unscripted lecture in one scene. The only scripted lines were when he called attendance.

Amongst other work, he did a series of commercials for Clear Eyes, making their advertising unusual and memorable. Stein is very interested in the American Civil War and has worked, demonstrated, and struggled for voting rights for African Americans.

Stein will be present at a luncheon at the top of the library at 12 noon on Friday, Dec. 2. This invitation only luncheon will give local high school students an opportunity to meet Stein.

Tickets for the Ben Stein event are on sale now at the Indian Bank. All seating reserved. For ticket orders call (318) 342-5134 or for more information call (318) 342-5132.

Patron tickets are \$50 and include a private cocktail reception and book signing with Ben Stein from 5:30-6:30 p.m. in the ULM Conference Center on the 7th floor of the library.

Students, faculty, and staff may purchase tickets for \$10 with a limit of two per person. Community tickets are \$25 and can also be purchased online at www.ce.ulm.edu. Just click on Special Events under Leisure Learning. For more information, call the Division of Continuing Education at 342-1030.

ON CAMPUS

Classical Actor and Soap Opera Star Visits ULM

Soap opera star (Santa Barbara, General Hospital) and classical actor Lane Davies will serve as guest artist for the TheatreWorksULM production of Equus, to be presented November 17-20. Davies will play the role of Dr. Martin Dysart, originally played on Broadway by Anthony Hopkins and on film by Richard Burton.

In addition to his work on the production, Davies will conduct classes for ULM students and will take part in workshops open to the community. One upcoming workshop, titled "Essential Shakespeare," is scheduled for Fri., Nov. 11 at 3 p.m., in Spyker Theatre. "Taking an unconventional approach to the Bard's material, borne out an eclectic background in Shakespeare, soap operas, and situation comedies, Mr. Davies covers the areas of scansion, research, voice production, imagination, ideation, and characterization, as well as the biographical and historical background of the author," said John J. Kelly, Head of the Division of Theatre and Dance at ULM.

Special attention will be given to the plays Hamlet, Julius Caesar, Macbeth, Romeo and Juliet, and A Midsummer Night's Dream. The workshop is open to high school and college students and adult community actors.

For more information, contact the ULM theatre at 318-342-1413. Reservations for Equus may be made by calling the theatre box office at 318-342-1414 beginning Nov. 12.

Christmas at ULM Celebration Scheduled for November 30

ULM will be celebrating the holiday season with "Christmas at ULM." The event will be on Wed., Nov. 30 at 5 p.m. in the fountain area in front of the ULM Library. Like last year, many student organizations' Christmas cards (messages on large plywood boards) will be displayed in the quad area in front of the ULM Library. Holiday refreshments, caroling, and the lighting of the ULM Christmas tree will all be part of the festivities. Everyone is invited.

2005 Christmas Madrigal Feaste Coming Soon to ULM

The University of Louisiana at Monroe's annual Christmas Madrigal Feaste is fast approaching; performances are Dec. 1, 2 and 3 in Brown Gymnasium at 6 p.m. each night. The event is now sponsored by the entire School of Visual and Performing Arts with faculty and students from each area working on the event.

The Christmas Madrigal Feaste at ULM is a grand celebration in the tradition of Elizabethan England. The Galliard Brass usher in the guests with festive music played from the front of the hall. Brass fanfares introduce the different courses of the Feaste; courtly music of the Renaissance is played by the recorder consort.

Guests will enjoy a sumptuous meal. The ULM Chamber Singers, under the director of Dr. Deborah Chandler, will perform music appropriate for Christmas, as well as traditional Madrigal music. The castle setting will be resplendent with candles, glittering costumes and the symbolic greenery. Tickets

are: \$30 individual, \$45 individual/scholarship and premium tables of eight for \$400. The extra money from scholarship tickets and table sales go into the Foundation for scholarships for students selected from those that participated in the Feaste. Tickets are available, first come first serve, in the VAPA office.

Reservations are required and tickets must be pre-paid by check or cash. Tickets will *not* be available for purchase at the door. All payments must be received by Nov. 28 so that the correct number of dinners for each night may be ordered.

For more information, call or come by the Visual and Performing Arts office on ULM campus at 105 Biedenharn Hall or call 318-342-3811. Tickets may be reserved by phone, but they must be picked up and paid for by November 28.

New Show at Bry Hall's New Gallery

Eldred Hudson, Associate Professor of Art at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, currently has an exhibition of his work in Bry Gallery, on the campus of the University of Louisiana at Monroe. The show consists of large scale brightly colored collages. Each piece is made by cutting up found images, combining them in startling ways and juxtaposing them with pure color paper fragments. The content of the works is not merely formal, however. Rather the collages also embody an evocative exploration of some of the important issues facing all of us in society today. For example, he explores traditional roles and expected behavior norms and how our concept of these, inculcated in us by the media, affects our self-image. Several of the collages express the emotional issues surrounding a personal battle with serious illness. One particularly intriguing work embodies the tragic and all too common story of a woman named "Virginia."

Hudson brings viewers into his work with bold scale, wonderful, singing color that comes off the wall, and a huge variety of interesting textures. Humor plays a vital role in his work as well. At the same time, however, he keeps us looking at his work, as he makes us think and contemplate how the issues he takes up might affect us too.

The show will hang at Bry Gallery until Nov. 22 and the gallery hours are 8 a.m. – 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Louisiana Cancer Foundation Presents Check To College Of Pharmacy Professors

The Louisiana Cancer Foundation presented a check in the amount of \$5000 to the University of Louisiana at Monroe College of Pharmacy. Virginia Knickerbocker, Director of the Louisiana Cancer Foundation, presented the donation to Dr. Girish Shah and Dr. Paul Sylvester, both Basic Pharmaceutical Science professors.

The donation will be used to aid the professors in their cancer research, such as purchasing supplies, lab equipment and testing materials.

"It's exciting to me that such great work is taking place at my alma mater and in my community. This is the kind of cancer research you read about in books, but it's actually taking place here, at ULM," said Knickerbocker.

Knickerbocker had read articles in both The News Star and The University of Louisiana at Monroe's Alumni Newsletter--Drumbeat News-- about Dr. Shah's and Dr. Sylvester's cancer research. Moved by the advancements the professors were bringing to the cancer field, she made a proposal to the Louisiana Cancer Foundation Board of Directors requesting a donation for the professors' research.

"The vote was unanimous; everyone felt like a donation to the College of Pharmacy in the area of cancer research would be put to great use," said Knickerbocker.

The Louisiana Cancer Foundation was founded in 1999 by the Northeast Louisiana Cancer Institute for the purpose of increasing public awareness, early detection, treatment, and research for cancer in the state of Louisiana. It also supports several organizations with volunteer and monetary help.

“We really wanted to support the professors; there is so much potential in their research. Who knows what the future, or the immediate future, will hold with work like this being done,” said Knickerbocker

For more information about the Louisiana Cancer Foundation please contact Virginia Knickerbocker at (318) 327-1996.

BIG FOOTBALL GAME NOVEMBER 19th

ULM Aims for Share of the Sun Belt Crown

Our ULM Indians will hit the field at 6:00 p.m. this Saturday in Denton, TX, to face 3-time Sun Belt Conference Champion University of North Texas. A win by ULM will give us a share of the conference championship with one game to go (Last game vs. UL-Lafayette in Monroe, November 26th). Your ULM Alumni Association, along with our Dallas/Ft. Worth Alumni Chapter will be hosting a tailgate party beginning at noon in the “Mean Green Village” which is located behind Fouts Field in the Practice Field area. We will serve hamburgers, hot dogs, chips, and beverages beginning around 3:00 and the Sound of Today will be on hand to fire up our crowd around 4:45. You can purchase your football tickets by calling the ULM Athletic Ticket Office at 318-342-3ULM.

STUDENTS FIRST

ULM Debate Team Wins in Arkansas / Houston

The University of Louisiana at Monroe’s Speech and Debate Forum began its 2005-2006 season with a tournament victory at the University of Arkansas-Monticello Invitational Debate Tournament. ULM’s performance was capped when mass communications junior Marcus Beckwith earned a unanimous decision over in-state rival Louisiana Tech’s representative in the championship round of the tournament competition. The tournament was hosted by the University of Arkansas at Monticello and had students representing eleven universities from four states.

The team was led by Marcus Beckwith, who earned honors as the 4th ranked speaker in the tournament preliminary rounds as well as the tournament championship. Dena Boone finished as the 5th ranked speaker in preliminary rounds and advanced to the semi-final round of competition. Hannah Hammons and Amy Wilson each advanced to the octo-final rounds of the tournament.

The team continued its winning ways by capturing multiple tournament championships at the University of Houston Speech and Debate Tournament. The tournament, hosted by the University of Houston, was held in Houston on Nov. 4-6. The event featured some of the region’s top universities representing the states of Colorado, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Texas, and Utah.

The team was led by Isaac Henderson, who earned tournament championships in Impromptu Speaking, Poetry Interpretation and Pentathlon. Henderson teamed with Freshman Casey Miller to earn the tournament championship in Dramatic Duo Interpretation. Dena Boone finished as the top ranked speaker in debate competition and earned tournament championships in After Dinner Speaking and Persuasive Speaking. The team earned a total of 27 awards, including the tournament championships in

6 of 7 events entered, finishing 2nd in the seventh division.

Head coach Bob Alexander said "This team continues to amaze me. Once again, we were significantly out-numbered by the quantity of students that other universities sent to the competition, but our group didn't let that intimidate them. We lost a few key members of the team to graduation last year, but the returning students have stepped in to fill the gaps, and our new team members are progressing rapidly. This is truly a combination of unique and talented individuals."

31 Ambassadors to Collect Toys for Area Children

The ULM 31 Ambassadors will be collecting new toys for the Tribe Toy Box between now and our last home football game. These toys will be distributed to area programs that support needy children this holiday season including ULM's own Family Connections/Family Matters program. Collection boxes will be located at all 3 Malone Stadium entrance gates (at the November 26th game vs. ULL) from 1:00-2:30 pm and at the ULM Alumni tent in the Grove. Prior to the ULM vs. ULL game, the 31 Ambassadors will have an air toy for your kids to enjoy, a play area, games and prizes, hot chocolate and a visit by Santa Claus (all this from 11-1).

Get into the Spirit of ULM and the Spirit of the Season!

ATHLETICS

<http://ulmathletics.collegesports.com/>

ULM Women's Volleyball Qualifies for SLC Tournament

The ULM Volleyball team finished its regular season with a record of 15-15 overall and 8-10 in Southland Conference play earning a ticket to the SLC Championship tournament. This will be the first SLC tournament appearance for the Lady Indians in over a decade, making their last showing in 1990. The 2005 squad has won more matches this season than any other team since 1990.

"I'm very excited for the team," said Pryor. "One of our main goals this season has been to raise our level of play to that of our opponents so that we can continue to grow the program. We're looking to take this momentum into tomorrow's game against UTSA."

ULM Women's Soccer Finishes Season * All SLC Team Announced

The Louisiana Monroe Lady Indians finished their season at 9-9-2 (2-4-2 in conference play) with a loss in the first round of the Southland Conference Tournament.

The team earned Southland Conference recognition placing four athletes on the All-Conference first and second teams. Two midfielders earned first team honors for the Lady Indians. Senior Tara Balogh and sophomore captain Amanda Wing were chosen to represent two of the four midfield positions. The last Lady Indian to earn first team honors was in 2001. Chelsea Shriner is the only other Lady Indian in the history of the program to be selected to the SLC first team.

Two defensive players were named to the All-Conference second team. Seniors Julia McVarish and Rachel Marcom were recognized for their outstanding performances. According to head coach Stacy Lamb, the leadership of the senior defenders was a key element to the success of the 2005 season.

Honorable mention selections were senior captain Nicole Nichols, junior Megan Moore, and freshman Rachel Hobson

Indian Golf Finishes Fifth at Sam Hall Intercollegiate

The Louisiana Monroe men's golf team finished fifth in its final fall tournament after posting a final round 294 at the Sam Hall Intercollegiate held at the Patrick Farms Golf Club.

The Indians finished seven strokes behind tournament champion, South Florida and runner-up Southern Miss. The Bulls earned the team championship via playoff over the host, Golden Eagles. Nebraska jumped up from fifth to third with a final round 284, while Jacksonville State finished fourth with a three-round total of 853, two strokes ahead of ULM.

After the second round was postponed due to darkness on Monday, the Indians finished up the second round by posting an 11-under par 277 in the second round. The team score was the low round of the day and only one stroke behind the low team round of the tournament, a 276 shot by USF in the first round.

The Indians will not return to the links until Feb. 6-7, 2006, when they compete in the Rice Intercollegiate in Houston, Texas.

ULM Women's Golf Finishes Sixth in Troy Women's Invitational

The Louisiana Monroe women's golf team finished sixth in its final fall tournament of its inaugural season after posting a final round 322 at the Troy Women's Invitational at the Lagoon Park Golf Club on Tuesday.

The Lady Indians finished 23 strokes behind tournament champion, New Orleans, which posted a two-round total of 617. South Alabama finished second, five strokes back, while Southern Miss finished third, nine shots behind UNO. Belmont and Troy rounded out the top five with totals of 640 and 641, respectively.

"This was a good way to wrap up the fall season," assistant golf coach Stephen Bell said. "I think we played better today, considering the conditions that we played the back nine in. We know that we can compete with any team that we play, but will need to work hard during the break to get exactly where we want to be."

Leading the way for ULM was freshman Angela Drane. The Prince Edward Island, Canada native posted a 76 in the final round to jump into a tie for second, three strokes behind individual champion Shauna McVeigh of Troy.

ULM will not compete again until the spring semester, beginning with the Centenary Ladies Invitational on Feb. 27-28, 2006, in Shreveport, La.

Jyles Named Sun Belt Player of the Week

Steven Jyles was named Sun Belt Conference Offensive Player of the Week Steven for his performance on November 12 at Middle Tennessee. It is the second time this season that he has earned the honor.

Jyles completed 28 of 44 passes for 227 yards and two touchdowns, including the game-winning 23-yard pass to Drouzon Quillen with 43 seconds left in the game against Middle Tennessee. Jyles also rushed for 55 yards. The touchdowns moved him into second place on the all-time ULM career touchdown passes list with 51.

Martin Announces Basketball Signees

Louisiana Monroe women's basketball coach Mona Martin announced additional signings of her 2005-06 class. Martin signed Jesse Carrier of Sulphur High School in Sulphur, La., and Regena Jackson of Denham Springs High School in Denham Springs, La., to a National Letter of Intent. Carrier and Jackson join Ashley Wallis of Christian Life Academy, who signed with the Lady Indians last week.

"Regena will come in and be a great point guard, working with an experienced player like April O'Neal," said Martin, "She was a highly recruited player because she handles the ball well and consistently makes good passes."

Regarding Carrier, Martin said, "We're really glad to have Jesse on board. She has a great work ethic, both in the classroom and on the court. Her shooting skills will add another dimension to our offense and help us with our perimeter play."

2006 ULM Women's Basketball Signing Class Bios

JESSEANN CARRIER, guard, 5-10, Sulphur, La. (Sulphur High School)

18.2 points, 8.7 rebounds as a junior in 2004-05. will graduate first in a class of 367 students with a 4.0 gpa. 2005 All-State second team

REGENA JACKSON, point guard, 5-6, Denham Springs, La. (Denham Springs High

School) 18.3 points, 5.3 rebounds, 3 assists as a junior in 2004-05. 2005 All-State honorable mention

ASHLEY WALLIS, forward, 5-11, Baton Rouge, La. (Christian Life Academy)

12.8 points, 6.3 rebounds, 4.1 steals as a junior in 2004-05. MVP of 2004 LHSA 2A state tournament. 2005 All-State honorable mention

ULM Announces 2005-06 Basketball Season Ticket Packages

The Louisiana Monroe athletics department announces its 2005-06 men's and women's basketball season ticket packages. Fans can contact the ULM Ticket Office to make purchases at (318) 342-3ULM.

Combination Reserved Seat Season Ticket packages are available for \$100 for ULM's 26 men's and women's home games this season. The reserved seat package includes a reserved seat ticket for every men's home game and a general admission ticket for every women's home game. ULM faculty and staff may purchase a discounted package for \$80.

There is also a Combination General Admission Season Ticket package available for \$75 which includes a general admission ticket for each one of the Indians and Lady Indians' 26 home games in 2005-06. The Combination General Admission Season Ticket package is available to ULM faculty and staff for \$60.

ULM is also offering a Combination Tribe Flex Pack, a book of 10 general admission tickets, for \$50. Tickets in the Tribe Flex Pack can be used for any regular season ULM men's or women's home game. Flex Pack Tickets can also be upgraded to a reserved ticket for \$3 on the day of the game.

Single game tickets available on game day for Indians games are \$8 for reserved seating and \$6 general admission. Lady Indians single game tickets are available for \$6. Group Tickets are available for \$2 off each ticket with a group of 15 or more.

The Southland Conference defending champion Lady Indians, under 11-year head coach Mona Martin, opened the exhibition season with a 69-51 win over UBBC APOsport Herzogenburg on

Wednesday, Nov. 9. ULM will begin defense of their 2004-05 title on Friday, Nov. 18 at 5:30 p.m. against Memphis in a doubleheader with the Indians at Fant-Ewing Coliseum.

The Indians, under new head coach Orlando Early, opened the exhibition season with a 97-53 win over Hendrix College. ULM then traveled to participate in the Guardians Classic finishing 0-2. The Indians will return home on Nov. 18 at 7:30 p.m. to host Louisiana College as the second part of ULM's only doubleheader of the season.

Fans will have the opportunity to visit Fant-Ewing Coliseum every Southland Conference weekend in January and February. The SLC announced that the league would move to mirror conference schedules for the 2005-06 season - when the Indians are on the road at an SLC opponent, the Lady Indians will play the same opponent and home, and vice versa. The change in schedule format assists ULM in being prepared for its move into the Sun Belt Conference in 2006-07, as the Sun Belt conducts basketball on a mirror schedule.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION NEWS

www.ulm.edu/alumni

ULM Alumni Association Board of Directors Nominations Sought

Nominations are being sought for the 2006-07 Board of Directors. We have openings for one Regional Vice Presidents in Areas 3 (Baton Rouge), 3a (Central Louisiana), 4 (Caddo-Bossier), Area 5 (Morehouse-East/West Carroll), and three openings in Area 6 (Ouachita Parish). Nominations should be received at the ULM Alumni Center by December 2nd. For additional information, please contact the Alumni Center at 800-261-0174/342-5420.

Alumni Dues Campaign Update

A letter to every alumnus who paid their dues during the last calendar year, and to those who have not at this point joined the Alumni Association, has been mailed. Dues are \$25.00 for an individual alumnus * \$35.00 for a married couple * 500.00 for a lifetime membership!

We are winding down the first year of our new dues campaign and are thrilled with the results to date. Private funds (your dues) are extremely important to the continuing successful operation of the ULM Alumni Association and all of ULM.

- Want to financially support ULM from the privacy and comfort of your own home (which includes paying your alumni dues)?
<http://www.ulm.edu/giving/>

If you have an update for the Drumbeat (marriage, birth of a child, professional development news, etc.), send that information to drumbeat@ulm.edu **OR** you can send that information to us via the on-line update form located at: <https://ssl.ulm.edu/alumni/update.html>

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- To read about all the **Good News** at ULM, and keep up with events being held on and off campus, view the university web site and the University Calendar of events located at:
www.ulm.edu
- Shop the ULM Bookstore on line at: www.ulmbookstore.com
- **Order the new ULM fan mats and support the 31 Ambassadors**
www.ultimatemats.com (make sure to use the ULM Code which is, ULM)

REMINDERS

- If you change your e-mail address, let us know! Send any new e-mail address to walpole@ulm.edu
- If you're a teacher, coach, or educator or if you're interested in helping ULM with its recruitment efforts at your school or in your area, please e-mail Mary Schmeer at schmeer@ulm.edu – your assistance could be the difference in a student attending our university.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- **Robert Kennedy, Jr** will be at ULM on March 9th, 2006.
- Two more wins.....and we're in! The New Orleans Bowl – Tuesday, December 20th – Lafayette, LA.

And that concludes this edition of **Good News**. As always, thanks for helping spread the **Good News** about our University. Our next **Good News** e-mail should arrive in your inbox around the 30th of November.

ULM wishes you and yours a great day and a very Happy Thanksgiving Holiday.

GO INDIANS!

GOOD NEWS is e-mailed around the 15th and 30th of each month by your ULM Alumni Association. This e-mail contains a brief sampling of all the *Good News* surrounding our university. If you would like to be removed from this list, please contact Tom Walpole (contact information is below). Thanks for your continuing support of **ULM**.

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