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Education Unit News and Events Schedule

By: Molly Grochala

There is excitement in the air for all Education staff and students! Ms. Jeannie Muscella dished out all the latest news and upcoming events in the Education Unit.

Right away, Ms. Muscella began talking about the upcoming Loyola University Maryland Inaugural Convocation of the School of Education. This extremely exciting day is taking place on October 14, and will include a few events. First, there will be an informational Open House, followed by the big event: the Inaugural Convocation in McGuire Hall. A reception will follow in the Boulder Atrium. An introduction will be given by Reverend Brian F. Linnane, S.J., Ph.D., followed by an Invocation by Sister Delia Dowling, SSND, President of Sisters Academy of Baltimore. Maryland State Superintendent of Schools, Nancy S. Grasmick, Ph.D., will be a guest speaker at the Convocation, and a keynote address will be delivered by Peter C. Murrell, Jr., Ph.D., founding dean of Loyola's School of Education. To RSVP, visit www.loyola.edu/urbanded or call 410-617-5550.

The third week of October will bring some Halloween fun for the Education Unit. The Annual Pumpkin Contest and Open House will be taking place. At this fun event, the Education faculty members decorate pumpkins, and students get to vote on their favorites. Categories include scariest, most "teacheresque", and best overall. Ms. Muscella said that last year there were some very creative entries in the contest, including a Michael Phelps pumpkin! There will be refreshments and door prizes, so keep your ears open for the definite date of the Annual Pumpkin Contest and Open House.



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The School of Education at Loyola University Maryland

By: Lauren Haney



As the 2009-2010 academic year begins, there are many exciting activities and events going on around campus. However, one of the more prominent events is the School of Education at Loyola University Maryland Inaugural Convocation. This convocation marks the jump Loyola's education program has made from being a department reporting to the dean of the College of Arts and Sciences to its own school. The Board of Trustees voted to move forward with the plans for the School of Education in 2008 and a dean was hired that summer. This new designation will make the School of Education one of three schools offered at Loyola, including the Sellinger School of Business and the College of Arts and Sciences.

"The launch of the School of Education represents Loyola's chance to lead the community of higher education on a path towards positive change in urban schooling," said Peter C. Murrell, Jr., Ph.D. Our school will be the only one in the state with a dedicated focus on the development of city children and youth that is based on race, social capital, identity, and culture.

Convocation will take place on Wednesday, October 14th and will feature an introduction by Rev. Brian F. Linnane, S.J., Ph.D., followed by the invocation by Sister Delia Dowling, SSND, president of Sisters Academy of Baltimore, and opening remarks will be made by the Maryland State Superintendent, Nancy S. Grasmick, Ph.D.

This is a very exciting time at Loyola and truly marks the great strides Loyola students will be making in the world of education.

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The Education Unit has a lot of celebrating to look forward to in the upcoming weeks. In addition to the two events mentioned, the unit will be celebrating all of the summer and September birthdays on September 29. With help from the C.A.R.E. committee, there will be cakes and other birthday fun to honor the special staff members who have recently celebrated a birthday.

Education Society

By: Candice Mandel



The School of Education at Loyola is very involved in not just the academics of the students, but also service to help others in our community. The Education Society is a club run by Glynnis Fastiggi and Katelyn Larkin. The society encourages all education major students in all grades to be a part of this community. The society's main purpose is fundraising. In the past, the Education Society has held lemonade stands on the Quad and pasta dinners open to all students. The money that is raised is then given to schools in need. A member of the Education Society, Pat Sullivan, the Junior Class President this year, has involved the Education Society in a fundraiser, raising money for children with Sickle Cell Anemia. Pat mentioned at Tuesday's September 22nd meeting, "This disease affects 95% of African Americans. Since our community surrounding us is made up of mostly African Americans, we are trying to reach out to them to be part of this fundraiser." Details are soon to be followed on the exact event for the fundraiser. The Education Society is a great way to meet people with the same interest as you. It is a beneficial and supportive community to be part of.

Alan November: an American Scholar

By: Alexis Vergos



Alan November is an American scholar and educational consultant. It is believed that he was the first major educator to embrace web technologies. This modern web technology is used in elementary, middle, and high schools. November is the co-founder of the Institute for Education Leadership and Technology at Stanford University. He is also the author of Empowering Students with Technology. This book talks about the importance to empower students with critical thinking skills in everyday life. Through the years, November has conducted quality and technology improvements for many

organizations, such as government organizations, schools, and industry leaders. Alan November is continuously investigating new trends in technology incorporation. He likes to center his discussions on social tools that support student learning.

November is an expert in communication and information technology, curriculum planning, staff development, and learning community building and leadership development. There are a number of YouTube videos in which November runs lectures and/or presentations. He has given presentations in every state in the U.S. and Canada, along with the UK, Europe, and Asia. He continues to make a change in the youth of America, as well as the world.

Guess The Faculty Member

By: Molly Grochala

This faculty member teaches in the education department here at Loyola University. Her favorite holiday is Halloween, and she is a professional storyteller. She teaches Reading and Literacy classes to Elementary Education classes. Can you guess who she is?

Senior Education Major Spotlight

By: Lauren Haney



A Senior Education major deserving of the Senior Spotlight is Christine Beal, a senior from Allentown, New Jersey. Christine knew she wanted to be a teacher ever since she was a little girl. She always enjoyed helping people and, as she grew older, fell in love with children. So, she pursued Elementary Education during her sophomore year and fell in love with it right away. Christine's current placement is at Chadwick Elementary School for Internship I. She is working with a fourth grade class, specifically with a reading specialist who has two classes. Christine has found it challenging at times to plan lessons that differentiate so all of the students are able to work to their fullest potential and be challenged. This becomes increasingly more difficult since the children are at all different reading and learning levels. When asked if there is anything Christine would like to share with other students in the Education program, she responded that it is important to not worry about everything at one time. She remembered thinking that senior year internships were the scariest thing in the world and that they seemed completely overwhelming. However, she quickly realized that her mentor teacher was able to help her with anything and that

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making mistakes is part of the learning process. This has truly helped her.

Christine has accomplished a great deal during her time at Loyola and continues to do so. She is a great representative of the School of Education at Loyola University Maryland.

Honor Education Society

By: Candice Mandel

The Honor Education Society formally known as “Kappa Delta Pi” or “KDP” is an honor society for Elementary Education majors and Secondary Education minors. This society does not only include “high academic standing, but service by all members as well,” said President Laurie Ann Powell. KDP is planning on participating in some type of service project, but does not have full details as of right now. They also plan on taking part in a fundraiser during finals week. Now you might say to yourself, “What’s the difference between KDP and the Education Society?” KDP is an invited society, meaning juniors and seniors with a 3.0 GPA or higher are invited to apply. Laurie also mentioned, “KDP is an international honor society, so it is not something that is not just seen on Loyola’s campus.” Clearly, being a member of KDP is an enormous accomplishment to any student.

