Tuskegee Airmen to visit Alvernia

Two surviving members of the much heralded Tuskegee Airmen will join Alvernia on Wednesday, Feb. 3, at 7PM (BH-LH) as part of the University’s celebration of Black History Month.

The Tuskegee Airmen were the first African-American pilots to fly for the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II as part of the 332 Fighter Group, during a period when African-Americans were often limited to non-skill positions or combat roles. The event will feature two surviving Tuskegee Airmen from the Philadelphia Chapter: Dr. Eugene Richardson and Mr. Roscoe Draper. The airmen will speak about fighting two battles: one overseas, and one against racism at home. The accomplishments of the Tuskegee Airmen continue to be recognized even today, over six decades later. The airmen were awarded the highest U.S. military award, the Congressional Medal of Honor, for going ‘above and beyond the call of duty.’

Alvernia will also honor the late Roosevelt Miller, a member of the Tuskegee Airman group who hailed from Berks County and went on to become the first African-American police officer for the city of Reading. The event is open to the public and will include an open forum with local World War II veterans with a dessert reception to follow.

Tip of the week...

“Picture” Black History Month at Alvernia... with an art exhibit in the Student Center’s private dining area. The exhibit will be available throughout the month of February.

(Left: “The Forsythia” by artist Marlene Book)

Upcoming Events

1/29 RA Selection Info Session (Crusader)       12PM
1/29 SGA Elections (SC)                         11AM
1/29 Bingo Night (Crusader)                     6PM
1/30 Trip: Snow Tubing                          2:30PM
1/31 The Works Night                            6PM
2/1 SR College—Hawk Mt. Raptors (SC)           11:45PM
2/1 Multi-Cultural Movie-Precious (BLH)         7:30PM
2/2 Marine Corps Walk-Up Recruiting (SC)       11AM
2/2 Off to the Movies                           6PM
2/2 Commissioning: Spring Athletes (SH)         8PM
2/3 Mass Mutual Interviews (Admissions)         9AM
2/3 Tuskegee Airmen Speaker (BH-LH)             7PM
2/3 100 Days until Graduation                   8AM
2/4 LB Core Session (Marriott)                  5PM
2/4 Hip-Hop Group: Upper Echelon (Crusader)     8AM
2/4 InterVarsity (SC)                           8PM
2/5 National Wear Red Day for Heart Health     7PM
2/5 Red Cross Comedy Festival                   7PM

Home Athletic Contests

1/30 Women’s Basketball vs Elizabethtown        1PM
1/30 Men’s Basketball vs Elizabethtown          3PM
1/31 Ice Hockey vs East Stroudsburg             4:30PM
2/4 Women’s Basketball vs PSU-Schuylkill        7PM

Check out the Athletics website: http://athletics.alvernia.edu/
Alumni News

Michael J. Heimbach ’88 has retired as FBI deputy director for anti-terrorism to become the senior director for global security at ESPN. A huge sports fan, Heimbach will be head of security at ESPN headquarters in Bristol, Connecticut along with offices in Los Angeles and Charlotte, North Carolina. Other locations will include ESPN Brazil, ESPN Argentina, the World Cup, the ESPYS, and remote events like the Super Bowl, Pro Bowl, and the top BCS bowl.

Click here to read a related article in the Reading Eagle Newspaper.

Student News

Thanks to donations and hard work by the Kappa Pi Chapter of Sigma Tau Delta, seventy-three boxes of books were sent to Better World Books in Indiana this week. Kappi Pi would like to extend special thanks to Ralph Thompson (facilities) who helped them move all of the books.

Faculty & Staff News

Edgar J. Hartung (criminal justice) recently completed a review of a manuscript for the International Journal of Teaching and Learning in Higher Education (IJTLHE), entitled “Unfolding the Focus Group Experiential Learning Process.”


Alvernia in the NEWS...

The Northeast Pennsylvania Business Journal printed a feature (January 1) on Alvernia’s new Schuylkill County location in the Cressona Mall.

Click here for an online version of the article.

Alvernia junior, Allison Blair, was pictured in the Reading Eagle (January 12) as she participated in a human trafficking awareness event, hosted by the Bernardine Franciscan Sisters.

Click here for the full story.

The A.D. Times featured Alvernia’s December graduation in a full page, back cover article on December 24. The article entitled, “Alvernia University recognizes Msgr. Treston at commencement,” also included four full color photos.

BRAND SCENE INVESTIGATOR

Have you seen or heard about an exemplary act that helps to uphold Alvernia’s brand promise of vibrancy, relevancy, academic challenge, and/or supportiveness to the Alvernia experience?

We would like to recognize Alvernians who create or deliver an on-brand experience to our students or other important internal constituents such as alumni, donors, and community friends.

Click here to tell us about what you’ve seen!
Friday, February 5, 2010 is National Wear Red Day

Visit the Student Center from 11AM-1PM on Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday to get your $10 t-shirts from Health & Wellness.

Help raise awareness for cardiovascular disease and prevention in women!

Rumor Has It...

The Alvernia Writers’ Series is inviting all Alvernia students, faculty, and staff to perform, present, or otherwise play-out your creative psychopompic visions in any form in the library...

- Friday, February 12, 2PM
- Friday, March 12, 2PM
- Friday, April 16, 2PM

Contact Tom Bierowski (x1556) to sign up.

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Does your office have extra supplies? Don’t throw them out. Post them on the S Drive, and give them a new home. Look for “Clare’s List” for the form.

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