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College Goal Sunday Continuation Grant Received

We are pleased to announce Tennessee's College Goal Sunday Program has been approved for a Continuation Grant in the amount of \$50,000 over the next three years. The grant will allow us to continue our efforts to provide college access information to under-represented students and parents. Our goal is to increase participation by volunteers, students, and parents each year.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

The next TSAC Board of Directors' Meeting will be held on September 17, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. on the 18th floor of the Parkway Towers building in the THEC conference room. The address is 404 James Robertson Parkway, Nashville. This meeting is open to the public. A copy of the agenda can be found after September 7th on the web at www.tn.gov/tsac under "About TSAC" or at: http://state.tn.us/tsac/About_Us/bod_meetings_new.html.

Bredesen Appoints New Board Members

Governor Bredesen appointed two new members to the TSAC Board of Directors. The TSAC Board of Directors meets twice a year in March and September.

The appointments of Mr. Jeff Wilson, Citizen Member, and Ms. Joslyn M. Frazee, Student Member, were made in July this year.

Mr. Wilson is executive director of the Tennessee Intercollegiate State Legislature Foundation, a 43-year-old program that engages college students in state government. He was governor of TISL in 1977.

He is the founder and principal of The Jackson-Crockett Company, a management consulting firm in Nashville specializing in custom database development.

Jeff is a native of Oak Ridge and graduated from Oak Ridge High School. He earned his bachelor's degree in journalism from The University of Tennessee at Knoxville. He covered Capitol Hill for The Jackson Sun (1979-82), worked for The Associated Press, and was the first editor of Nashville Business Journal. He also served on the staff of U.S. Sen. Jim Sasser. He is a student of Tennessee history, and he has traveled to 90 of Tennessee's 95 counties. During his service to TISL, Jeff has visited nearly 45 Tennessee colleges.



Joslyn Frazee is a student at Walters State Community College in Morristown, TN. She is majoring in Dance as well as Pre-physical therapy. Her love of dance brought her to Walters State with the goal of obtaining a degree in that field as well as becoming a physical therapist.

She has been dancing ballet since she was 3 years old. After pursuing dance all through her school years, she went on to attend Ballet Magnificat! in Jackson, MS for two years. After that she taught dance for two years. Joslyn not only enjoys dancing, she also enjoys singing, sewing historical era costumes, and reading. As far as books go, she enjoys a variety of different genres such as: classical, suspense, and mysteries. Classical literature remains her favorite. Most of all, she finds enjoyment spending time with her family, playing board games, and going to church events. She is looking forward to this new opportunity, serving the students as their representative on the TSAC board.

TASFEE Financial Aid Training Opportunities

TASFEE New Aid Officers Workshop Dates

(Naomi Derryberry will be presenting for TSAC)

October 5 @ Union University
October 7 @ TTC in Nashville
October 13 @ Pellissippi State

TASFEE Fall Training

(Tim Phelps will be presenting for TSAC)

November 4 @ Chattanooga State
November 6 @ Walters State Comm. College
November 10 @ TTC in Nashville
November 12 @ Union University

TSAC Outreach Schedule for September

The TSAC Outreach Specialists have been on the road all summer visiting with Admission's and Financial Aid offices at colleges across the state. Now that high schools are open once again, we re-direct our focus for the Fall semester to college fairs and financial aid nights for high school juniors and seniors. The college fair schedule is listed below in chronological order. If you have a question about any location or date, please contact your Outreach Specialist or Jason Seay at 615.253.7459.

Just a reminder from last month's newsletter, we are also gearing up to distribute the new, updated TSAC Financial Aid Information brochure. If you have not done so already, let us know how many you will want and when, by contacting your Outreach Specialist right away. We hope to start delivering the first week in September.



Sept. 1	Cherokee High College Fair	Sept. 15	Gibson County High College Fair
Sept. 1	Daniel Boone High College Fair	Sept. 16	Bradley Central High College Fair
Sept. 1	Hickman County High College Fair	Sept. 16	Decatur Riverside College Fair
Sept. 1	East Hickman High College Fair	Sept. 16	Scotts Hill High College Fair
Sept. 1	Marshall County High College Fair	Sept. 16	Notre Dame High College Fair
Sept. 2	Tusculum College Fair	Sept. 17	LCA (Hamilton County) College Fair
Sept. 2	Perry County College Fair	Sept. 17	Halls High College Fair
Sept. 2	Lewis County High College Fair	Sept. 17	Ripley High College Fair
Sept. 3	Tri-Cities College Fair	Sept. 18	LCA (Hamilton County) College Fair
Sept. 3	Lawrence Countywide College Fair	Sept. 18	Haywood High College Fair
Sept. 4	Sullivan East High College Fair	Sept. 22	Houston County High College Fair
Sept. 4	Giles Countywide College Fair	Sept. 22	Robertson Countywide College Fair
Sept. 8	Maury Countywide College Fair	Sept. 23	Dickson County High College Fair
Sept. 8	Lexington High College Fair	Sept. 23	Crockett County High College Fair
Sept. 8	Collierville High College Fair	Sept. 23	Creek Wood High College Fair
Sept. 9	Motlow State Area Wide College Fair	Sept. 23	Cheatham Countywide College Fair
Sept. 9	Fayette Academy College Fair	Sept. 24	Stewart County High College Fair
Sept. 9	Grundy County High College Fair	Sept. 24	Harpeth High College Fair
Sept. 10	Coffee County Central College Fair	Sept. 25	Humphreys Countywide College Fair
Sept. 10	Middleton High College Fair	Sept. 28	Scott County High College Fair
Sept. 10	Lincoln County College Fair	Sept. 28	Oneida County High College Fair
Sept. 10	Camden Central High College Fair	Sept. 28	Montgomery County College Fair
Sept. 11	McNairy Central High College Fair	Sept. 29	Lincoln Memorial Univ. College Fair
Sept. 14	Sequatchie County College Fair	Sept. 29	Wilson County College Fair
Sept. 14	Dyersburg High College Fair	Sept. 29	Blount County College Fair
Sept. 14	Obion County Central College Fair	Sept. 30	Roane/Morgan/Loudon Counties College Fair
Sept. 14	Whitwell High College Fair	Sept. 30	SMCA (Knoxville) College Fair
Sept. 14	Marion Countywide College Fair	Sept. 30	Pope John Paul II High College Fair
Sept. 14	Union City High College Fair	Sept. 30	Goodpasture High College Fair
Sept. 15	Athens Area College Fair	Sept. 30	Sumner Countywide College Fair
Sept. 15	Bradley County College Fair		
Sept. 15	Henry County High College Fair		

New Program Review Specialist at TSAC

In August, TSAC welcomed a new Program Review Specialist to the Compliance and Legal Affairs Division. Tanaka Vercher is a United States Navy Veteran, originally from York, South Carolina who relocated to Nashville 7 years ago and began working in Higher Education at Tennessee State University. Her years at TSU included responsibilities as the Technical Assistant and Loan Coordinator within the Office of Financial Aid as well as the responsibility as the Student Support Counselor in the Office of Distance Education & Multimedia Services. She is a President's Fellows Alum and a 2008-09 Nominee for Who's Who in North American Colleges & Universities. She is currently working on her Ph.D. in Public Administration at Tennessee State University.



She loves spending time with her husband, Jeff, as well as their daughter, Ravan, son, Lil Jeff and their dog, Ruby. In addition, she is civically and politically involved in her community. Her hobbies are scrap booking and reading conspiracy theory books.

Employee Spotlight: Diann Cox

This month's edition of the TSAC Newsletter's, Employee Spotlight, highlights Diann Cox. Mrs. Cox is the Administrative Assistant for the Loan Administration Division here at TSAC. She has been with the agency for nearly 14 years.

She was born in Ripley, Tennessee but was raised in Dallas, Texas and Memphis, Tennessee. She studied at Memphis State. Prior coming to TSAC, where she began her higher education career, she worked in property management for 5 years and mortgage lending for 10 years.

She has been married for 28 years to her husband, Bill. They have two children: Steven, 22, a student at Volunteer State, and Mackenzie, 18, a senior at Hendersonville High School.

In her spare time she enjoys being with her family, watching her daughter play soccer, and shopping yard sales. She loves animals. She has 2 dogs and 7 cats - three of the cats are foster pets. Her hobby is collecting piggy banks - Diann now has collected 25.



Comments From Diann:

“ My favorite part about my job here at TSAC is knowing that we are helping students further their college education. It's such an important task. ”