Discovery Day 2011

Have you done something interesting, exciting, intriguing, or unique? Has studying abroad changed your perspective? Have you aided in innovative research or scholarly activities?

We’d like to hear your story, and to encourage you to participate in Discovery Day 2011!

Discovery Day is a chance for students to share what you have done with peers, faculty, staff, and the public. This annual event for undergraduates from ALL USC campuses showcases students’ scholarly pursuits in and out of the classroom. Students present their experiences or findings from:
- research/scholarly projects,
- study abroad,
- internships,
- leadership experiences,
- service-learning and community service, and
- national fellowship competitions.

Students have the opportunity to make poster, oral, creative, or artistic presentations and visual art displays, including theatrical, musical, or creative writing presentations.

**DEADLINE:** Friday, March 4th 2011 for students to register a poster or presentation by submitting a mentor-approved abstract at [http://www.sc.edu/our/discovery_online.shtml](http://www.sc.edu/our/discovery_online.shtml)

The 9th annual Discovery Day will be held Friday, April 22nd from 8:30am-4:30pm in the Russell House. For more information, visit [http://www.sc.edu/our/discovery.shtml](http://www.sc.edu/our/discovery.shtml).

**Discovery Day... A Forum for Student Ingenuity**
Preston residents dined last Tuesday in the presence of Adam Miller. The 88 year old retired professor regaled us with tales of his dynamic life and how times have changed, such as waiting at the train station on Assembly St, for his family to arrive when he was only a few years old. Thought he trains still rumble by, that station has now become Green’s Liquor Store and California Dreaming. He chronicled his long journey from exile by segregated South Carolina to a distinguished career as an author and poet. He kindly autographed his memoir, Ticket to Exile, with a personalized message to every student, and even our own Mrs. Shirley Wilson took time from her busy schedule at P-Dining to talk with Mr. Miller and to have her book signed!

A Brief Interlude with Mr. Adam David Miller

Preston’s Still Hopping!

We’re counting the days until Spring Break, but we haven’t broke yet! Check out some of the great programs in and around Preston this week. We hope to see you there!

Monday, February 28th: 9:07 PM, Preston Seminar Room
VOMIT- Come one out for Variations On Mostly Interesting Talent! Sign-ups are at the front desk, whether you sing, dance, juggle, jump rope, yodel, play an instrument or tell a mean joke, come on out and show us your mad skills!

Tuesday, March 1st: 5:30 PM, Preston Dining
Remember when Dr. D died his head pink? Dr. Gene Luna, the Associate Vice President for Student Affairs and Director of University Housing will be joining us for dinner at P-Dining to present Preston with a check in support of our Passionately Pink Campaign.

Wednesday, March 2nd: 5:15 PM, Preston Dining
An Evening of Greek Revival with USC’s First Lady Patricia Pastides
Join us at P-Dining for a special menu, designed from Mrs. Pastides new cookbook on healthy Mediterranean cuisine. Come ask our next-door neighbor about the herb and vegetable garden right next to the Preston Green.

7:00 PM, Wardlaw College Room 126
Harriet Hancock - "A Mother’s Commitment to Equality: Reflections from a Pioneer"
Ms. Harriet Hancock is an inspiration to the entire community. With accomplishments including creating Columbia’s chapter of PFLAG (Parents, Families, and Friends of Lesbians and Gays), leading the march on the State House in the late 1980s, and serving as the architect of the 1991 city ordinances prohibiting discrimination in city employment on the basis of sexual orientation, Harriet has quite an accomplished record in support of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender community.

Thursday, March 3rd: 6:30 PM, Preston Seminar Room
Hasia Diner (NYU) – “Peddlers: A New World Jewish History”
Jews have been "on the road" for centuries, selling goods from packs on their backs and from wagons. Starting at the end of the eighteenth century, peddling provided the occupational engine which drove Jewish migrations out of Europe and the Ottoman empire and to a series of "new worlds," from the British Isles to Australia, including South Carolina. This lecture looks at how this very particular mundane occupation transformed and shaped Jewish history and the histories of all these places.

Check out Project Condom Tuesday at 8 PM In the RuHo ballroom!

Come celebrate the work of aspiring student designers and sexual health advocates for the fashion event of the season. Project Condom, now in its fourth year at USC, brings sexual responsibility, creativity and fashion design together for a star-studded evening of fun and festivities.

Sixteen teams of students will showcase garments and outfits made entirely out of condoms. Previous years' entries have ranged in taste from outrageous to stunningly beautiful and even wearable.

A panel including special guest judge Summer Rayne, the world’s first eco-model, will judge the garments and declare a winner. The audience will also have a chance to vote for their favorite designs.

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