Congratulations Garmon Recipients!

This year two Developing Scholars, Rymonda Davis and Derrik Wiggins, were the recipients of the Joey Lee Garmon Undergraduate Student Scholarship for Social Justice. The scholarship of $700 required that all applicants write a two-page essay reflecting on how they had contributed, and plan in the future to contribute to social justice issues related to a multicultural society. Along with the essay applicants were asked to complete an application and turn in two letters of recommendation and a transcript. Congratulations to both Rymonda and Derrik!

Food For Thought International Potluck

The Developing Scholars Food for Thought will be held this year on October 18th at the International Student Center. The event gives Scholars the opportunity to show off their culinary skills. Members are asked to bring either a main dish, a side dish, or a dessert. If you are not that skilled with the art of cooking, you have the opportunity to bring plates and utensils or help set up or take down after the event. This year the guest speaker will be Sonya Britt with the new Student Financial Planning and Counseling Center. She will be discussing what a budget is, how to make a budget, the pitfalls of credit cards, and she will address other financial questions that are relevant to college students today. The sign up sheet for things to bring is in the DSP office. Come enjoy your fellow scholars’ cooking and learn something new about the financial world!

Need a Ride?

If you need a ride to or from a destination, you can call ATA Bus. ATA Bus is a shuttle service in Manhattan provided by the Riley County Area Transportation Agency. They will take citizens anywhere within town for $2. Every day the ATA Bus helps many college students or professors who live off campus and can’t drive. To schedule a pickup you just call the dispatchers at 785-537-6345. You have to call a day ahead but if you plan accordingly you don’t have to walk carrying those grocery bags.

Welcome New Scholars!

Jaime Arreola
T’Keiyah Bell
Marcus Bragg
Dakota Chambers
Jose Chavira
Justin Curry
Priscilla De Los Santos
Dalila Del Real

Alejandro De Luna
Stephanie DeSpain
Victoria Fort
Michelle Foster
Blake Franklin
Caroline Fulton
Jasmine Grayson
April Hostetler

David Hwang
Kale Lochamer
Jonathan Lynk
Edlin Ortiz
Anahi Prieto
William Rand
Oscar Rodriguez
Vicky Sagar

Perla Salazar
Alexia Sampson-Bellot
Cecilia Santacruz
Jimmie Stewart
Jasmine Taylor
David Villanueva
Adam White
Caleb Wurth

Fall 09 Induction

The Developing Scholars Program held its annual Induction Ceremony for new members on Sunday, September 13. The Program welcomed 32 new members into its ranks. After a warm welcome from Anita Cortez and Dr. Webb, everyone participated in a few activities to help them get to know their fellow Scholars. Scholars were asked to get phone numbers of people who wanted to go to the Recreational Complex; they also had to find out interesting facts about people and information about the Developing Scholars Program. Prizes were given out to members including many shirts donated by Dillard’s and several gift baskets with an assortment of beauty products. Afterwards, continuing members offered advice on college and the program to the new inductees. Towards the end of the meeting the new Scholars were called forward and given their pin. Before the meeting was adjourned pictures were taken of the new inductee class as well as the 2nd and 3rd-year Scholar classes.

“I’m so excited, it’s my favorite meeting for DSP!”

“This sounds like a really interesting speaker. I’m curious to learn what she has to say.”

“I think the best food I eat all year!”

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Fall has come and that means it’s time once again for the Developing Scholars Rake N’ Run. Every year the Developing Scholars Program goes out into the Manhattan Community and rakes for citizens who may have difficulty maintaining their own yards. People can call into the office and schedule a time for the Scholars to come by and clean up their place. Then on Sunday, November 8th, everyone meets up and will be divided into groups. Each group has a set of houses throughout Manhattan that they visit, rake for, and with the help of Scholars’ donated trucks, the leaves are hauled off and the yards are neat and clean.

The Rake N’ Run is many Scholars’ favorite meeting. It is a chance to get outside, and enjoy the fall weather. Plus, it gives everyone an opportunity to get to know each other in a very informal and small setting. Not only is it a chance for you to get to know your fellow Scholars but it provides an opportunity for The Developing Scholars Program to give back to the community which is so supportive of the program.

The Developing Scholars Program is founded with the principle that Scholars are role models for their fellow students. The Rake N’ Run lets community members see busy Scholars at work and appreciate the time and energy they put in to their work. Though it may be a small gesture, it shows that the Developing Scholars Rake N’ Run is both an opportunity to have fun and to help out.

What to do?

Oct: 13- 7 p.m. Form Hall- 21st Century Slavery- Simon Deng, a former slave who managed his own getaway, is now leading the struggle to stop genocide in Sudan.

Oct. 18 - 7:30 p.m. McCain Auditorium Rain- A Tribute to the Beatles-The audience will have the opportunity to experience what Beatlemania was all about as Rain covers the Fab Four from the group’s early beginnings to their rock-harding rooftops days.

Oct 23 3:30-5:30 Aggieville Trick or Treat in Aggieville - Bring your kids down to the ‘Ville for some free, safe, fun Trick-or-Treating! Part of Homecoming Week.

Oct 24-30 Community Service Week. K-State students and community members will volunteer their time and energy to provide needed assistance for the area service agencies.

Many kids dream about working in the sports profession. There are hundreds of jobs available working within sports. However, very few people talk about wanting to help the athletes. Morgan Franklin does.

Morgan is a third Year DSP Scholar. He came to the program his freshmen year after getting some information from a booth on one of his campus visits as a senior in high school. He said he got the information but it was his dad that really talked him into being in the program.

In addition to being a DSP Scholar, Morgan balances school and work. He has been part of the DSP staff since the end of his 1st year helping to promote DSP.

Morgan has been playing sports since he was young. His love for sports has led him to pursue research in the area of athletics. Morgan works with Dr. Donita Whitney-Bannermerlin of the College of Business in the Department of Management. He says he enjoys working with her because she is really down to earth.

His first year Morgan developed a survey of Community College Coaches. These surveys Morgan says, were ‘just pilot surveys, to make sure that the surveys would evoke responses that we were looking for.”

The second year Morgan used the surveys he had already developed and sent them off to Division I coaches, particularly within the Big 12. The sports included basketball, football and baseball.

This year Morgan has shifted his focus to more career-oriented research. “My final goal career-wise is to become a sports agent, and I hope to get my law degree in the process. Currently, I’m looking at agent requirements for five major professional sports, the NBA, NFL, MLB, MLS, and NHL. I’m also looking at creating a list of the current agents in order to possibly create a survey for future use.”

The reason Morgan wants to become a sports agent is because “There are a lot of misrepresented minority athletes in the sports arena. I want to help them. Some of those athletes don’t have someone looking out for their best interests and I would like to be someone that would do that for them.”

This is Morgan’s last year in the program, and he says he will miss DSP next year. “It allows you to see campus in a different way. Much differently than if you were just attending classes and going home. You also get personalized attention on career planning.”

Though he’ll no longer be in the program, Morgan plans on continuing to work in the DSP office. And though he is approaching graduation next year, don’t be surprised if you hear his name mentioned one day on ESPN as one of the top sports agent’s in the business.

Talking Sports with Morgan Franklin

K-State Football

Oct. 10- K-State vs. Texas Tech @ Lubbock, TX 6 p.m.
Oct. 17- K-State vs. Texas A&M - Manhattan, KS
Oct 31- K-State vs. Oklahoma @ Norman, OK
Nov. 7 - K-State vs. Kansas - Manhattan, KS
Nov 14 - K-State vs. Missouri- Manhattan, KS
Nov 21- K-State vs. Nebraska @ Lincoln Nebraska