2011 Governor's Award in the Humanities to be presented to SC State University’s I.P. Stanback Museum and Planetarium

By Randy Acker/Humanities Council of S.C.

The Humanities Council is pleased to announce that two extraordinary South Carolina individuals and one university institution will be recipients of this year’s annual Governor’s Awards in the Humanities, presented at a luncheon to be held October 12, 2011 at the Medallion Center in Columbia. The three recipients are: I.P. Stanback Museum and Planetarium at South Carolina State University; Dr. Jack Bass, journalist, author and university professor and Dr. Jerome “Jerry” Reed, historian at Clemson University.

Established in 1991, the Governor’s Awards in the Humanities recognize outstanding achievement in humanities research, teaching and scholarship; institutional and individual participation in community-based programs that promote public understanding of ideas and issues related to the humanities; excellence defining South Carolina’s cultural life to the nation or world; and exemplary support for public humanities programs. (Click here for full story).

SC State University’s ROTC Program Ranked Top 10 by Washington Monthly

By Ashley Elliott

In their 2011 College Rankings edition, Washington Monthly ranks SC State University in the top 10 category for enrolling the most cadets in its ROTC program. Established in 1947, SC State’s Bulldog Battalion proudly boasts the fact that it’s one of the highest producers of minority officers for the U.S. Army, in addition to 15 generals. The first, Gen. George Price, ’51, served as a mentor to Gen. Colin L. Powell USA (Ret), who gave the University’s keynote commencement address in May 2011 and became the first honorary member of SC State’s ROTC Hall of Fame.

SC State alumnus and professor of the department of Military Science, Lieutenant Colonel (LTC) Derrick Corbett, ’93, says the success of the program is a direct reflection of the investment made by the University to support its mission of recruiting, retaining and commissioning the next generation of leaders. (Click here for full story).

SC State Student Excels During Summer Internship

By Tameka Kenan-Norman

“Excellent.” That’s how Dr. Musa Danjaji describes his student, Crystal Green. He emphatically says it over and over again. “She’s an excellent student. She understands every problem and I knew she was excellent.”

Danjaji, an advisor to Green, an academic program coordinator for nuclear engineering and an associate professor at SC State, encouraged his model student to apply for an internship with the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory located in Livermore, Ca. Contrary to the customary practice of the lab inviting primarily graduate students into their facility, Green, a sophomore at SC State, was admitted and excelled.

One might say that excellence has been a staple in Green’s life since high school. (Click here for full story).

If you or someone you know would like to be added to the e-newsletter mailing list, please contact Tameka Kenan-Norman at tkenan@scsu.edu.