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Out and About Events for this Week

## HAVE PASSPORT, WILL TRAVEL

Compared to the United States England is a tiny country, yet so many reputations of people and institutions have been established there.

It is evidence of this fact that Missouri Baptist College students can hope to see in the May term 1996. On May 11, twenty-eight travelers will pass through customs and embark on a new venture in travel/study being initiated into the college's offerings. This will prove to be an experience like none other at our college.

With instructors, Rick Maclin and Pat Bagwill, the students will travel in buses provided through Harlaxton College where the group will be housed for the first week of the trip. The business students will travel to Manchester, also known as the Gateway City, for visits to local businesses there, and at least three other of the smaller cities in England's North Country. Nottingham, Newstead Abbey and Stratford, the homes of writers, stories and dramas of renown are the destinations of the literature class. Together

they will experience Cambridge and some of the country's most inspiring landscapes in Cambria, the famous Lake District, where most of the Romantic writers lived at some time in their lives. The area has no fewer than five National parks and the Yorkshire Dales, subject of many of J.W.M. Turner's famous watercolor paintings.

Students will learn methods for riding the Underground in London when they move their belongings to St. Margaret's Hotel in London for the second week. Both groups will explore the city's famous past in the Tower of London where the crown jewels are on display. They will visit the British Museum for antiquities, wonder at the beauty of St. Paul's Cathedral and the illustrious Westminster Abbey where so many of England's literary giants are buried. Lunch at Hard Rock Cafe--the original, founded in 1971, for a by now "to die for" American hamburger. A fabulous stage production of "Cats" will round out the tourist trail in London.

Business classes will have days of observation and information from visits to London businesses, including the American Embassy. The literature class will have daily

reading assignments dealing with selections by authors whose homes and places of inspiration are a part of the itinerary. For example, Wordsworth's *Composed Upon Westminster Bridge* takes on new importance when read while standing where it was written.

Both groups must keep records of information and observations for papers and presentations. The majority of the group are traditional students, but four are older, non-traditional types and the same amount of walking and studying is required of all participants. Background study and orientation materials are being presented in pre-travel meetings on campus, as all eagerly prepare for this exceptional opportunity to broaden experience as well as academic knowledge. When the travelers return on May 25, Missouri Baptist College will have established an "International Classroom." It is hoped that these courses will be offered on a regular basis every other year and that other such courses will be developed.

Pat Bagwill  
Academic Director of Excel  
and Instructor of English

**FACULTY/STAFF  
 OUT AND ABOUT**

Dr. Roberta Ross-Fisher made a presentation at the Gifted Association of Missouri State Conference this past Fall and presented and served as a consultant to the St. Clair R-13 School District. She has several presentation scheduled for this Spring.

Dr. Ed Fliss and Mr. Tom Puhse together with Ms. Rachel Albro, a biology major attended the Missouri Forest, Fish, and Wildlife Conference at Tan-Tar-A January 31-February 2. Seminars dealt with many aspects of regional ecology, conservation, and resource management. Of particular interest was the first ever conference prayer breakfast, an opportunity for Christians involved in biology and resource management to meet each other, become a support network, and, of course, pray. In addition to attending the breakfast and seminars, Ms. Albro attended a professional women's luncheon and also was able to obtain information (and registration forms) for certification as a professional wildlife biologist.

President Alton Lacey addressed the monthly meeting of the Metro East Association in Fairview Heights, Illinois on Monday, February 5th. Tommy Cupples, Sr. is Director of Missions. His son Tommy, Jr. is a student at the college.

The Chorale sang for the morning service at First Baptist Church of Columbia, Illinois on Sunday, February 11th. Dr. Lacey spoke on the subject of Christian Education.

*If you think it's easy to be a politician, try to straddle a fence and keep both ears to the ground at the same time.*

*-The Glove and Mail*

*God loves us the way we are, but he loves us too much to leave us that way.*

*- Leighton Ford*

*Speak kind words and you will hear kind echoes.*

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**EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK**

*Don't forget the Birthday party for Knepper, Britton, Manuel, Beeman, Thompson and Bales TODAY at 3:00 p.m. in the Cafeteria.*

*Today at 3:30 p.m. is Faculty meeting.*

*Tuesday - 7:30 p.m. Men's Basketball game with Lincoln Christian College at HOME.*

*Wednesday - 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Job Fair on Campus*

*Lord give us loving hearts today. Amen.*

*Thursday - 11:00 a.m. Chapel featuring Ken Lumley of the Missouri Baptist Convention*

*Saturday - 5:30 p.m. Women's Basketball game with Harris Stowe at Home*

*7:30 p.m. Men's Basketball game with McKendree College at Home.*