**$500 SCHOLARSHIP**

Money Wise Aggie is hosting a **FINANCIAL FLICK** Video Contest

We are asking you to put your movie-making skills to work to educate your fellow Aggies...the reward for doing so is the opportunity to win a $500 scholarship!

**Videos must be submitted by:** October 26, 2012 at 5:00 p.m.

The top 3 videos chosen by the Money Wise Aggie program will be placed on our Facebook Page. The $500 scholarship will go to the video entry that receives the most “likes” on our Facebook Page.

**Facebook Voting:** November 5, 2012 - November 16, 2012

For the full details and rules visit: moneywise.tamu.edu

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**Congratulations to the 2012-13 Regents’ Scholars Orientation Planning Board!**

Chair: Mariajose Rosales ‘14, Co-Chair: Marlen Cornejo ‘15, KC Pena ‘15, Paloma Rodriguez ‘15, Sultan Jaouhari ‘16, Marques Guillory ‘15, and Brittany Morales ‘16

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**Money Wise Aggie: Tips for Improving your Credit Score**

Try to pay your entire credit card balance each month but ALWAYS pay at least the minimum amount due each month.
- Keep total amount of debt as low as possible.
- Ensure you pay rent, utilities, and all other bills on time.
- Check your credit regularly for accuracy and report any errors.
- Make excellent credit management a priority in order to develop a long record of success.

For more detailed information on Credit Scores, the Money Wise Aggie offers the workshop titled “Understanding Credit Cards and Credit Scores.” Additional information, including a schedule of Money Wise Aggie workshops, may be found at http://moneywise.tamu.edu.


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**Dates to Remember!**

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**Study Abroad Scholarship Application Now Open**

If you are interested in participating in a Winter Break or Spring Semester study abroad program, the scholarship application is now available at http://scholarships.tamu.edu/UWideApp.

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**AggieServe - Students Serving Aggieland**

AggieServe is a volunteer opportunity directory that connects Texas A&M University students, faculty, and staff to agencies and opportunities in the Bryan/College Station area. Currently there are opportunities to volunteer with the Handwriting without Tears Program, the Mentoring Lunch Buddy Program, reading & math tutoring for elementary school students.

Please visit http://aggieserve.tamu.edu for additional details.
Career Center Spotlight: Resume Review

Need help with your resume but don’t know where to start? The Career Center has templates available to get you started without you having to worry so much about format. Templates are available on the Career Center’s website: http://careercenter.tamu.edu.

The Career Center staff is available to review your resume on a walk-in or by-appointment basis.

- **Walk-in Resume Review (Advising) Hours:**
  - Monday-Friday, 8:30-11:00am or 1:30-4:00pm
- To schedule an appointment with an advisor, call 979.845.5139.

**Resume Writing Tips:**

- Arrange categories/sections in order of relevance, presenting your most marketable information first.
- Use brief, descriptive phrases in a bulleted format instead of complete sentences.
- Select action verbs that effectively illustrate your skills and experience.
- Do not use personal pronouns such as I, me, my, their, we, our, us.
- Focus on results, accomplishments, and skills that demonstrate you have the qualifications to be successful at the job. Highlight higher order skills, such as planning, analysis, initiative and innovation, as opposed to just listing daily tasks, such as answering phones, filing, serving food, or faxing.
- Quantify whenever possible. Include the number of people on the teams you have lead, the amount of money your event may have raised, the profit generated from your project or sales, the percentage increase in membership under your directions, etc.
- Avoid repetitive phrases when describing your experience. Combine experiences that are very similar, such as those waiting tables, serving as a lifeguard, or serving as a tutor.
- Describe activities that employers may not be familiar with, especially those unique to Texas A&M University. Instead of using abbreviations or acronyms for organizations, write the entire name of the group. However, focus on what you do as part of those organizations, not what the organizations themselves do. For example, when describing Fish Camp, do not state that it is a 4-day orientation program to acclimate incoming freshman to the culture at Texas A&M. Rather, include details about your work to plan the logistics of the camp, develop programming for the incoming students, and maintain communication with the freshmen throughout their undergraduate career.
- Have several people review your resume to check for spelling, grammatical errors, and readability. Remember that spell check will not always find words misspelled to make other words. In addition, spell check does not review words in all capital letters.

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**Cover Letter Don’ts**

To ensure that your cover letters are well-written:

- Do not exceed one page.
- Do not handwrite your letter.
- Do not have grammatical, punctuation, or spelling errors.
- Do not repeat what is in the resume.
- Do not use pre-printed form letters.
- Do not type on paper other than resume bond paper.
- Do not have lengthy paragraphs with run-on sentences.
- Do not forget to sign the letter.
- Do not use overly-formal language.

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West Nile Virus Information

You may have seen news stories in recent weeks pertaining to the West Nile Virus. The Texas A&M campus, as well as the cities of College Station and Bryan have recently tested positive for mosquitoes that carry the virus. Students, faculty, and staff are encouraged to be diligent in protecting themselves.

What Is West Nile Virus?
West Nile Virus (WNV) is a potentially serious illness. Experts believe WNV is established as a seasonal epidemic in North America that flares up in the summer and continues into the fall. This fact sheet contains important information that can help you recognize and prevent West Nile virus.

What Can I Do to Prevent WNV?
- The easiest and best way to avoid WNV is to prevent mosquito bites.
- When you are outdoors, use insect repellent containing DEET (N,N-diethyl-m-toluamide) or Picaridin (KBR 3023) and follow the directions on the package.
- Many mosquitoes are most active at dusk and dawn. Be sure to use insect repellent and wear long sleeves and pants at these times or consider staying indoors during these hours.
- Make sure you have good screens on your windows and doors to keep mosquitoes out.
- Get rid of mosquito breeding sites by emptying standing water from flower pots, buckets and barrels. Change the water in pet dishes and replace the water in bird baths weekly. Drill holes in tire swings so water drains out. Keep children’s wading pools empty and on their sides when they aren’t being used.

What Are the Symptoms of WNV?
- Serious Symptoms in a Few People. About one in 150 people infected with WNV will develop severe illness. The severe symptoms can include high fever, headache, neck stiffness, stupor, disorientation, coma, tremors, convulsions, muscle weakness, vision loss, numbness and paralysis. These symptoms may last several weeks, and neurological effects may be permanent.
- Milder Symptoms in Some People. Up to 20 percent of the people who become infected have symptoms such as fever, headache, and body aches, nausea, vomiting, and sometimes swollen lymph glands or a skin rash on the chest, stomach and back. Symptoms can last for as short as a few days, though even healthy people have become sick for several weeks.
- No Symptoms in Most People. Approximately 80 percent of people (about 4 out of 5) who are infected with WNV will not show any symptoms at all.

How Does West Nile Virus Spread?
- Infected Mosquitoes. Most often, WNV is spread by the bite of an infected mosquito. Mosquitoes become infected when they feed on infected birds. Infected mosquitoes can then spread WNV to humans and other animals when they bite.
- Transfusions, Transplants, and Mother-to-Child. In a very small number of cases, WNV also has been spread through blood transfusions, organ transplants, breastfeeding and even during pregnancy from mother to baby.
- Not through touching. WNV is not spread through casual contact such as touching or kissing a person with the virus.

How Soon Do Infected People Get Sick?
People typically develop symptoms between 3 and 14 days after they are bitten by the infected mosquito.

How Is WNV Infection Treated?
There is no specific treatment for WNV infection. In cases with milder symptoms, people experience symptoms such as fever and aches that pass on their own, although even healthy people have become sick for several weeks. In more severe cases, people usually need to go to the hospital where they can receive supportive treatment including intravenous fluids, help with breathing and nursing care.

What Should I Do if I Think I Have WNV?
Milder WNV illness improves on its own, and people do not necessarily need to seek medical attention for this infection though they may choose to do so. If you develop symptoms of severe WNV illness, such as unusually severe headaches or confusion, seek medical attention immediately. Severe WNV illness usually requires hospitalization. Pregnant women and nursing mothers are encouraged to talk to their doctor if they develop symptoms that could be WNV.

What Is the Risk of Getting Sick from WNV?
- People over 50 at higher risk to get severe illness. People over the age of 50 are more likely to develop serious symptoms of WNV if they do get sick and should take special care to avoid mosquito bites.
- Being outside means you’re at risk. The more time you’re outdoors, the more time you could be bitten by an infected mosquito. Pay attention to avoiding mosquito bites if you spend a lot of time outside, either working or playing.
- Risk through medical procedures is very low. All donated blood is checked for WNV before being used. The risk of getting WNV through blood transfusions and organ transplants is very small, and should not prevent people who need surgery from having it. If you have concerns, talk to your doctor.
- Pregnancy and nursing do not increase risk of becoming infected with WNV. The risk that WNV may present to a fetus or an infant infected through breastmilk is still being evaluated. Talk with your care provider if you have concerns.

What Else Should I Know?
If you find a dead bird: Don’t handle the body with your bare hands. Contact your local health department for instructions on reporting and disposing of the body. They may tell you to dispose of the bird after they log your report.

If you have questions regarding your health, please call TAMU SHS at (979) 458-8345

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**Words of Wisdom**

"Know yourself, apply yourself, promote yourself."

~ John Madigan
CEO of Executive Talent Services