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## BEARKITTEN ACADEMY

### New Staff

Shirlette Deveraux joined the staff at Bearkitten Academy in September 2002. She teaches the four year old children's classroom in the morning and assists the coordinator the other half of the day, closing the daycare in the evenings. She has been a very valuable asset to the daycare, bringing many ideas and experience from her previous 4 1/2 years at Sam Houston Elementary here in Huntsville. Welcome aboard Shirlette!

The Children's Christmas Party (with hopefully a real Santa), will take place at Bearkitten Academy on Thursday, December 5, 2002, from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

## HEALTH CENTER

Congratulations to Mr. Keith Lott, Director of the Health Center, and his wife Jenny for the birth of their new son Mason Keith.

## STUDENT ACTIVITIES

### Upcoming Events

The 82nd Annual Tree of Lights Ceremony will be held on Thursday, December 5, 2002 beginning at 6:00 pm.

### Non Exempt Staff Development Program

The Fall 2002 Non-Exempt Staff Development Program was held on Friday, November 15, 2002 at Gibbs Ranch. The day was



## RECREATIONAL SPORTS & ACTIVITIES

### New Staff

Recreational Sports & Activities would like to welcome Ms. Tina Hernandez, the new Assistant Director - Wellness Program, to SHSU. Tina brings a lot of enthusiasm and ideas to the area of fitness and wellness.

### Program Happenings: Past and Upcoming

This year, the "Poker Walk" was held on Wednesday, October 16, 2002 various departments participated and made the event a great success.



"Circuit Jam" was held on Tuesday, November 19, 2002 from 5:30 pm – 8:00 pm in the HKC Weight Room.

"Finals Relief" - Monday, December 9, 2002 from 7:00-11:00 pm at the Johnson Coliseum Bearkat Lounge. There's nothing like movies, munchies, and a massage to relieve your Finals Week stress.

Intramural Sports Program - The rain has pushed back Intramural Flag Football and Soccer seasons back, but they are finishing up playoffs. Come out and watch some fun and exciting games.

Club Sports Program – The Men's Rugby team headed by Coach Johnny Smith took on division rivals Angelo State on Saturday, November 16, 2002 at 1:00 pm at Pritchett Field. The team won 28-0 with Team Captain Casey Dillon scoring 23 points, six penalty kicks and a drop goal and conversion. Cody Bane scored a try. GREAT GAME GUYS!!

filled with many team building activities that were not only fun but also provided very helpful information about the various departments within the division.

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### **Trip to Timisoara Romania**

Vice President for Student Services, Dr. Thelma J. Douglass, Ms. Debbie Nichols, Assistant to the Vice President for Student Services, and Ms. Uneeda Givens, Graduate Student, University of Texas, traveled to Timisoara, Romania during the week of November 11-15, 2002 to present a paper entitled "Faculty Collaboration: An Ideal Paradigm In the Academy of Student Affairs," at the Thirteenth Annual Alliance of Universities for Democracy (AUDEM) Conference. Ms. Helena Banks, SGA President and Ms. Constance Jones, SGA Vice President also had the opportunity to visit Romania. Ms. Banks commented about the trip "my trip overseas was both enlightening and breathtaking and also very interesting." She also indicated that it was a great opportunity for students to interact with one another on an international level.

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### **4th Annual Student Services Football Family Day**

On Saturday, November 23, 2002 the Office of the Vice President for Student Services in collaboration with Athletics and Student Activities hosted the 4th Annual Student Services Football Family Day. The Bearkats defeated the Southwest Texas Bobcats 21-14. GREAT GAME BEARKATS!

The Division of Student Services would like to thank all faculty, staff, and students that came out to the game to support the Bearkats. A special thanks to Carlton Green, Assistant Director of Student Activities, Amber VanRoekel, Program Coordinator, Travis Williams and Brandon Cooper who participated in coordinating this event, and the following Student Organizations who volunteered their time to cook the food that was provided: American Advertising Federation, Sigma Chi, Phi Sigma Pi, and the Intramural Volleyball Team.



Recreational Sports will host their annual Holiday Reception on Thursday, December 12, 2002 from 10:00 am - 11:30 am. We've moved the reception to the Johnson Coliseum Bearkat Lounge this year to give us more room to mix and mingle. Come celebrate the holiday season with Rec Sports and possibly win door prizes.

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### **The Outstanding Leadership in Service Awards Ceremony**

The Outstanding Leadership In Service Awards program was held on Thursday, November 21, 2002 from 12:00 – 1:30 pm. The following were the Service Award Winners:

5 Years – Frieda Turner, Marvin Seale, Beverly Flood, and Tonie Rogers  
10 Years – Cindy Allbright and Gayle Bullard  
20 Years – Bobby Williams and Ron Randleman  
25 Years – Mary Ellen Sims  
30 Years – John Skeeters  
35 Years – Lois Nelson

#### **Other Awards Included:**

Ms. Phyllis Barrett, Career Services – Outstanding Non-Exempt Employee  
Mr. Carlton Green, Student Activities – Outstanding Exempt Employee  
Department of Student Activities – Outstanding Team Award

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### **Upcoming Events**

The 2002 Fall Staff Development Program is scheduled for Friday, December 13, 2002 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the Lowman Student Center Ballroom.

All members of the Division of Student Services are invited to attend. Please make necessary arrangements and encourage your exempt and non-exempt employees to attend.