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RESEARCH IS ITS OWN REWARD, but the best of PRD research will pay off to the tune of \$1,800 per year from now on. To the Plank Center Awards for top student papers will be added the Wilcox Awards for top teaching and open category papers.

Betsy Plank, "the first lady of public relations," arranged two years ago for \$600 in prize money annually – \$300, \$200 and \$100 to be awarded to the authors of the first, second and third-place student papers. Dennis Wilcox, 1981 PRD head from San Jose State University, has made arrangements to triple that prize money with perpetual funding. Beginning at the 2011 AEJMC Convention in St. Louis, Wilcox Awards of \$300, \$200 and \$100 will be go to the authors of the first, second and third-place teaching papers and to the authors of the top papers in the PRD open category.

Authors of the top papers will be recognized with their prizes during the PRD business meeting at 8:30 Thursday evening during the convention in St. Louis.

http://www.aejmc.com/home/wp-content/uploads/2010/12/2011-AEJMC-Conference-Paper-Call.pdf

TUESDAY, AUGUST 9

2:00-5:00 Preconference – The Image of the Public Relations Practitioner in Popular Culture

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10

7:00-8:00 Past Heads Council

RSVP please: Chuck Lubbers, Chuck.Lubbers@usd.edu

8:15-9:45 Panel – The Leading Challenges Facing
Public Relations Education: Anticipating professional
needs and meeting demand

10:00-11:30 Refereed Research Presentations

11:45-1:15 High-Density Research Roundtables

1:30-3:00 Panel – Let's Talk About Vaccines: Expert thoughts on reframing the debate

3:15-4:45 Panel – Lion When Blogging, Mouse When Confronted: Sports bloggers, their place in sport media, and their fight for credibility

5:00-6:30 Refereed Research Presentations

THURSDAY, AUGUST 11

7:00-8:00 Outgoing PRD Board Meeting 8:15-9:45 Refereed Research Poster Session 3:15-4:45 Panel – Military Ethics and Media Ethics: Conflicts for practitioners 8:30-10:00 PRD Members Business Meeting (RESEARCH REWARDS)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 12

7:00-8:00 Incoming PRD Board Meeting

8:15-9:45 Refereed Research Poster Session

12:15-1:30 Bill Adams/Edelman Luncheon
Seating limited to the first 80 reservations (no fee).
Contact Brooke Fisher Liu, bfliu@umd.edu

2:00-5:00 TBA off-site PRD Activity

7:00-9:00 **TBA off-site PRD Social**

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13

8:15-9:45 Panel – Middle East Media Educator: Analyzing journalism, public relations and content creation for the Arab world

11:45-1:15 Panel – How the Management Function at Marketing Communication Firms is Changing

CONVENTION HOTEL

RENAISSANCE GRAND, 800 Washington Ave. in St. Louis, (314) 621.9600. Rates include internet access in rooms: \$170 single, \$190 double, \$200 triple, \$210 quad. aejmcstlouis.org/home/



GETTING AROUND

ARCH – Start by riding to the top of the nation's tallest man-made monument. 🥽 gatewayarch.com **ARCH RIVERBOATS** – One-hour or dinner cruise. *gatewayarch.com* ARE WE THERE YET? - Step-on guided tours with Dea Hoover. arewethereyetdea.com **CITY CYCLING TOURS** – On bicycles! citycyclingtours.com **GATEWAY HELICOPTER TOUR -**Wow! gatewayhelicoptertours.com METROLINK – Like a subway, but not underground. metrostlouis.org METROPOLIS ST. LOUIS - Guided walking tours. mstl.org ST. LOUIS CARRIAGE CO. - Horsedrawn touring of downtown. stlouiscarriagecompany.com SHOPPING CO. – Luxury motor coach tour of premiere shopping districts. theshoppingcompany.net.

DISTRICTS

CENTRAL WEST END – Take Metrolink to sidewalk cafes and Cathedral Basilica with the world's largest collection of mosaic art. centralwestend.com THE HILL - Yummy "Little Italy" is west of downtown. shopthehill.com FOREST PARK – Home to the Zoo, Muny, Art Museum, Missouri History Museum, Science Center, and the Jewel Box flower conservatory. Also paddleboats. forestparkforever.org LACLEDE'S LANDING - Take Metrolink just north of the Arch for dining and live entertainment indoors and out on the banks of the Mississippi. Home to Lumiere Place, the premiere casino, and the Royal Dumpe dinner theater. lacledeslanding.com **SOULARD** – The Mardi Gras district is home to the blues, great food, and just five minutes south of the Arch. soulard.org

Soulard find antiques and Anheuser-Busch, and tour the Lemp and Chatillon-DeMenil mansions. Also the Lemp murder mystery dinner theater. cherokeeantiquerow.com

SPORTS

RAMS & BLUES - Sorry, no football or hockey in August, but . . . CARDINALS BASEBALL - Busch Stadium hosts Milwaukee Aug. 9-11 and Colorado Aug 12-14. stlcardinals.com

MUSEUMS & GALLERIES AKC MUSEUM OF THE DOG - Fine art devoted to man's best friend. museumofthedog.org ART ST. LOUIS - FREE not-for-profit visual arts. artstlouis.org **BOONESFIELD VILLAGE** – Daniel's home is BIG. lindenwood.edu/boone **BUTTERFLY HOUSE** – 1,000 of them are in flight. butterflyhouse.org **CAMPBELL HOUSE MUSEUM - Victo**rian home of fur trader Robert Campbell. campbellhousemuseum.org **CHALLENGER LEARNING CENTER –** Hands-on space simulation experiences. clcstlouis.org **CITY MUSEUM** – Interactive fun stuff. citvmuseum.ora 🦠 **CONTEMPORARY ART MUSEUM –** Changing displays. camstl.org **CUPPIES HOUSE** – Historic home with ive centuries of art. cuppies.slu.edu **DELMAR LOOP PLANET WALK - FREE** walking tour of the solar system. loopplanetwalk.com **EARTHWAYS CENTER** – Demonstrations of earth-friendly stuff. earthwayscenter.org **ENDANGERED WOLF CENTER - Cap**tive breeding facility with live ones! endangeredwolfcenter.org FIELD HOUSE & TOY MUSEUM - Historic home. eugenefieldhouse.org **GATEWAY CLASSIC WALK OF FAME -**Honors African Americans Roy Wilkins, Lou Brock and others. gatewayclassic.org **GRANT'S FARM** – FREE animal shows and a tram ride through the farm of **GRIOT MUSEUM OF BLACK HISTORY** & CULTURE – Life-size likenesses of George Washington Carver, Josephine Baker and others.

SCOTT JOPLIN HOUSE – Home of the famous ragtime composer. mostateparks.com/scottjoplin.htm **KEMP AUTO MUSEUM** – The only Mercedes museum in the U.S. kempautomuseum.org **KEMPER ART MUSEUM** – On the Campus of Washington University. kemperartmuseum.wustl.edu **LAUMEIER SCULPTURE PARK – FREE** outdoor displays. laumeier.org MAGIC HOUSE - Children's hands-on museum. *magichouse.org* MINIATURE MUSEUM - Dollhouses and other small stuff. 🥽 miniaturemuseum.org MISSOURI BOTANICAL GARDEN - Includes Henry Shaw's Victorian home. mobot.org MISSOURI HISTORY MUSEUM -FREE. mohistory.org MOTO MUSEUM - 100-year-old motorcycles. themotomuseum.com MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY RELI-GIOUS ART – On the campus of St. Louis University. mocra.slu.edu MUSEUM OF TRANSPORTATION museumoftransport.org MUSEUM OF WESTWARD EXPAN-**SION** – Located beneath the Arch. nps.gov/jeff/index.htm **OLD COURTHOUSE** – Scene of the Dred Scott trials. nps.gov/ieff PULITZER FOUNDATION FOR THE ARTS - FREE exhibits. pulitzerarts.org ST. LOUIS ART MUSEUM - FREE from the 1904 World's Fair. slam.org ST. LOUIS SCIENCE CENTER - FREE planetarium and OMNIMAX theater. slsc.org ST. LOUIS SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA slso.org ST. LOUIS UNIVERSITY MUSEUM OF ART - FREE Jesuit exhibits. sluma.slu.edu ST. LOUIS WALK OF FAME - Honoring Chuck Berry, Tina Turner and more.

ENTERTAINMENT BISSELL MANSION & DINNER THE-ATRE – General Daniel Bissell was commanding officer of the first American military post west of the Mississippi. bissellmansion.com **BLACK CAT THEATRE - FREE chil**dren's theatre, cabaret and musical acts. blackcattheatre.org **BLUEBERRY HILL** - Pop culture memorability, food and live music. BlueberryHill.com CASA LOMA BALLROOM - "Floating" 5,000-sq.-ft. dance floor with big bands Friday and rock Saturday. casalomaballroom.com **DOUBLE KEY TREASURE HUNTS -**Authentic treasure hunt packages. doublekeytreasurehunts.com **FOX THEATRE** – Concerts, shows and tours. fabulousfox.com **LUMIERE PLACE CASINO** – Just north of the Arch. lumiereplace.com **MUNY** – Broadway-style outdoors. muny.org **OPERA THEATRE** – They sing in English. *experienceopera.org* **ROBERTS ORPHEUM THEATER -**RobertsOrpheum.com ST. LOUIS ZOO – FREE home to 18,000 exotic animals. stlzoo.org TIVOLI THEATRE – Golden-age movie splendor. landmarktheatres.com STAGES ST. LOUIS - Musicals. stagesstlouis.org **UNITY THEATRE ENSEMBLE** – The

AND BEER, OF COURSE

African-American experience.

utensemble.org

ANHEUSER-BUSCH CONSUMER HOS-**PITALITY CENTER** – FREE tours of the historic Brew House, Clydesdale 5 stable and more.budweisertours.com **SCHLAFLY BOTTLEWORKS & TAP**



Ulysses S. Grant. grantsfarm.com stlouiswalkoffame.org **CHEROKEE STREET** – South of **SOLDIERS MEMORIAL MILITARY MUSEUM** – FREE two galleries. stlsoldiersmemorial.org **WORLD AQUARIUM - FREE HOLOCAUST MUSEUM & LEARNING CENTER** – FREE self-guided audio hands-on museum. tour. *hmlc.org* worldaguarium.org GATEWAY GU Sights and Sites Suggested by Susan Gonders