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MILE Monthly Messages

Hi MILE Participants,

Welcome to the latest MILE Monthly messages. Thanks once again to Graduate

Assistant Nick Smith for his stellar work in keeping us informed about what is going

on in the MILE Program in both our Monday and Monthly Messages. We have a lot happening in our program over the last couple months, so please keep your eyes open to the MMM newsletters for dates, times, and locations for our Mentor Only get together, Protégé Only get together, and the mentor recruiting luncheons. We nearly have confirmed five different luncheons and we hope that you will help in the recruiting effort by sending us friends and colleagues you think might make excellent mentors.

Now a few important announcements before we get into the meat of the newsletter.

1. We have only heard from about 50% of you with respect to RSVP's for this week's MILE Program. If you have not replied already, please hit **REPLY RIGHT NOW** and let us know if you are coming.
2. Remember the February program is 3:30-6:00 PM this Friday in the UC Ballroom with author, consultant, and educator Jason Womack as our featured speaker.
3. The MILE website is now up and running thanks to a gargantuan effort by head webmaster James Snyder and his 2nd MILE colleagues Steven Saunders, Phillip Brooks, and Derrin Mellinger. Great job fellas and we thank you so very much! Check out the site by clicking on the following: MILE-Program.com.
4. NEW FEATURE for the newsletters. Students, please let us know of any internships or jobs you have obtained so we can put these in our newsletters. This gives you and both the Internship and MILE Programs a bit of publicity for the work we have all done in support of your internship acquisition.
5. IMPORTANT CORRECTION: Our next and final monthly program of the year will be Friday, April 13th from 5-8 PM in the Wilson Holiday Inn Ballroom on the third floor. Note that this location was incorrectly indicated as being held in the UC in our last Monday Message and in your program calendars.
6. For the final program you are encouraged to bring family and friends to join in the celebration of the completion of the MILE Leadership Certificate Program. We ask that you pay \$30 per person to cover the cost of your guest's meal, which is actually a bit less than the actual cost to us. This also includes the reception before the dinner.

I look forward to seeing most of you at the meeting this week and everyone at the final meeting in April. The April program is where you receive your certificate and get recognized for your hard work and involvement in the MILE Program.

Take Care,

Dr. Bob





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Session #6 Keynote Speaker - Jason Womack

JASON W. WOMACK, MED, MA
SPEAKER, AUTHOR, BUSINESS CONSULTANT



Author of the book *Your Best Just Got Better: Work Smarter, Think Bigger, Make More*, Jason Womack, will be joining us as our headlining speaker. He has worked with leaders and executives for over 16 years in the business and education sectors. His focus is on creating ideas that matter and implementing solutions that are valuable to organizations and the

individuals in those organizations. Jason feels that entrepreneurs need to clarify their habits, build mindset-based strategies, and be proactive. He is sometimes referred to as a productivity coach, other times as an organizational performance enhancement consultant. Our event will start at 3:30 in the UC Ballroom on campus. If you would like to be a guest to the MILE and would like to attend, please reply to mile@memphis.edu.

Lunch and Learn Feb. 9th

The next Lunch and Learn luncheon will be held this Thursday, Feb. 9th. The guest speaker, Jodi Womack, is founder of the organization No More Nylons. She is co-founder of the Womack Company, with Jason Womack and has a focus on helping entrepreneurs. For those of you who have attended previous Lunch and Learns, you know just how informative and entertaining each session is. We hope that you are able to come out and enjoy great conversations, excellent company, and a great speaker. While everyone is welcome, we feel this event would especially be rewarding to our female Protégés who are interested in pursuing leadership opportunities. The luncheon will be located on the 3rd floor of the University Center. The event is scheduled to start at noon, so we suggest arriving a few minutes early.





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January Session #5 Recap



Dr. Bob Taylor, Dr. Joseph Michelli, and Michael Drake all helped to make the joint effort between the MILE Program and Lipscomb and Pitts Breakfast Club a great success.

Many Mentors and Protégé's arrived early to bring their questions to a more intimate setting. Dr. Michelli was able to provide some personalized advice and constructive feedback before our session formally began.



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Mentor Scott Boucher and his Protégé Albert Kis touched on what the MILE program means to them and how it has benefitted both their career goals and personal goals.

Dr Michelli was so captivating that Justin Lawhead simply couldn't remain seated!





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KT and the Sunshine Band (alias Kathy Tuberville, Kevin Gallagher, and Catie McDermott) were hard at work, as usual, recruiting for the many internship opportunities that are offered through the University of Memphis.

Michael Drake, discussed the core values that helped guide him in both his life and career running MasterIT.



Dr. Michelli discussed leaving a legacy and touched on the importance that mentors play in a professional's life.

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After speaking, Dr. Michelli answered a field of questions from Mentors, Protégés, and guests.

Thank you for your time and wonderful message Dr. Michelli!





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Samaritans Feet Shoe Distribution

On January 13th over 100 volunteers showed up at the FedEx Forum to help the Lipscomb and Pitts Breakfast Club and the Memphis Grizzlies hand out over 200 pairs of new shoes and socks to children in need. Joining the US Navy were Grizzly superstars OJ Mayo and Josh Selby, along with MILE superstars Kathy Tuberville and Nicole Brown. Thank you Kathy and Nicole for putting your best foot forward and representing the MILE program by donating your time to such a great cause!



McKellar Lake Cleanup

Over 140 volunteers showed up to help remove over 100 tires and tons of trash left by years of litter bugs. Estimates from Lipscomb and Pitts state that over 7 tons of recycling and 3-4 tons of non recyclable material had been picked up..Among those who helped out were esteemed members of our very own Team 14, the Panda Bears! A huge thanks goes out to Mentors: Sherry Yelvington and Scott Boucher for rallying their team to help to make Memphis cleaner and greener.



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Student Recognition

Our Protégés and 2nd MILE students have been working hard to obtain the experience and knowledge that will help propel them into roles that will allow for them to be leaders in our community. In this section we would like to recognize those students whose tireless efforts have been rewarded through obtaining internships and also full time positions. Congratulations everyone!

Lakreshia Pittman— Agape—Internship, working with Powerlines and Fit programs

Wesley Melton—Memphis Zoo—Internship, Marketing and Research

Britney McWilliams—Frazee Ivy Davis—Internship, Tax Intern

Jake Latham—Lehman-Roberts Co.—Internship, IT/Project Management

Carrie Conner—International Paper—Internship, Global Distributions

Nicole Smith—Fed Ex Services—Internship, Project Management

Ray Williams—Memphis Chamber of Commerce—Intern, Econ Development

Jenny Parker—International Paper—Internship—Marketing/Communications

Claire Kennedy—Deloitte and Touch LLP—Internship—Enterprise Risk Solutions

Lance O. Barney—Fed Ex Services—Associate Auditor

Students, if you have been awarded an internship or have found one more step towards your professional career, please let us know!



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Lipscomb & Pitts Feb 24th

LPBC has graciously offered seating to 5 Mentor/Protégé pairs to attend the next Lipscomb and Pitts Breakfast Club. We are currently reviewing the names of those of you who have previously responded looking for a seat. We are doing our best to ensure that everyone who wants to attend gets to participate at least one time. We will be sending a correspondence out shortly to everyone who has shown interest in coming.

The next LPBC event will be held Friday, February 24th from 7:00-9:15 AM at Memphis Botanic Garden., featuring speaker David Rutherford.

David Rutherford

David Rutherford served 8 years in the Naval Special Warfare community as a SEAL Trainee, Combat Paramedic, Operator, and Instructor. He has participated in clandestine operations in the Middle East, Southeast Asia, and Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan. Since his honorable discharge from the Navy in 2003, he has traveled extensively as an International Training Specialist for the US Government and one of the largest private security firms in the world.



David continues to train and inspire commandos around the globe to push themselves past any and all known limitations.

David is currently pursuing a personal goal of reaching 10 million people in 10 years. His ambition is to help people forge their personal self-confidence and teach them to dedicate themselves to living a team-oriented lifestyle, or "Team Life." This Froglogic concept is derived from the 60+ years of operational successes within the UDT/SEAL community. He has combined his incredible personal story with the proven track record of the SEAL teams to create this simple, healthy plan, and lifestyle.

It did not take long for many of the country's leading companies to discover Froglogic. In these challenging times, executives are always looking for the edge. What better way to forge this edge than by exposing your team to the Navy SEAL mindset? His real world stories and lessons from the SEAL teams demonstrate the absolute proof that self-confidence and a total commitment to living a "Team Life" will guarantee mission success in any environment.

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