With fall in full swing, there’s excitement in the air! Medical school interviews are commencing, football season is in full swing, and homecoming festivities are well underway. It has been a busy and vibrant couple of weeks, and I hope you and your families are enjoying the excitement.

In the College of Science, we have been busy in our own way. In September, our esteemed faculty members received prestigious awards. Dr. Robert Anholt and Dr. Trudy Mackay received a grant of $1.87 million from the National Institutes of Health to advance research aimed at significantly increasing our fundamental understanding of the complex roles molecular variations play in human disease.

In October, several SCIENCE faculty have been honored with prestigious NSF CAREER awards. These awards recognize exceptional early-career scientists who integrate research and education and who serve as academic role models for underrepresented groups.

The Three Minute Thesis Competition is a unique and exciting event that challenges students to communicate the significance of their research in three minutes. This year, the competition is split into graduate students and Ph.D. candidates, so you don’t have to be about to graduate to compete. There are three prizes in each category.

The Department of Mathematical Sciences has officially transformed to the School of Mathematical and Statistical Sciences. As a reflection of its growing size and reputation, the College of Science’s Department of Mathematical Sciences becomes the School of Mathematical and Statistical Sciences. This change recognizes the significant growth in the field and the school’s commitment to excellence in teaching and research.

Diversity in Science Seminar Series debuts
The College of Science is proud to announce the debut of the Diversity in Science Seminar Series. This series aims to provide students with personal examples of their journeys to attaining their education and career goals and provide future guest speakers with insights from current students. Each seminar will feature a guest speaker who is a member of an underrepresented group and will discuss his or her experiences with current students so that students can be inspired and motivated.

One such seminar is the inaugural Diversity in Seminar Series on Sept. 25, which featured Dr. Abel Bartley, a guest speaker who shared why students of color should learn about their culture as it relates to their chosen professions. Dr. Bartley, a native of the Bahamas, discussed the importance of diversity and inclusion in the workplace and the challenges he faced as a minority in his field. His presentation was dynamic and engaging, and it left a lasting impression on the audience.

Go Tigers!
Have a fun and productive semester!
Remember, there are plenty more events coming up in October and November, so make sure to check the College calendar for the latest.

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