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From: Handwerker_Margaret on behalf of Borst_Charlotte
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**Please note that the Annual Christmas Tree Lighting with children from our adopt-a-school, Snowden, is THURSDAY instead of tomorrow night.

•I am happy to report that for the first time Rhodes is ranked 18th in the country for student participation in study abroad programs. The Open Doors report <http://opendoors.iienetwork.org/?p=113293> is published by the Institute of International Education, the leading not-for-profit educational and cultural exchange organization in the United States. IIE has conducted the annual statistical survey of the international students in the United States since 1949, and with support from the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs since the early 1970s. The census is based on a survey of close to 3,000 accredited U.S. institutions. Our students' interest and participation in study abroad continues to increase and this would not have happened without the support and contributions of our faculty. Thank you.

•I would also like to thank the members of our physical plant staff for their hard work that will culminate in Thursday night's annual tree lighting and celebration with children from our adopt-a-school, Snowden. Dwight Pope and Keith Jones spent 20 hours placing approximately 2000 lights on the tree. This was done with the help of a 60 ft. boom lift. Thanks to you both for making the holiday brighter for the rest of us.

•Congratulations to Tyler Cullender '08 and Sarah Mercer '08 <http://www.rhodes.edu/about/8831.asp> who are with Professor Mary Miller in Washington DC to present poster sessions at the American Society of Cell Biology meeting. Tyler and Sarah are presenting at both the undergraduate and general sessions.

•The Rhodes commitment to collegiate gothic architecture and the Paul Barret, Jr. Library are mentioned in the December issue of *University Business* magazine. You can get a preview here. <http://www.universitybusiness.com/viewarticle.aspx?articleid=957>

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