



West Chester University of Pennsylvania

# Parent E-Newsletter

## March 2010

### Student Organization Spotlight:

#### WOMEN IN SCIENCE

The purpose of the Women in Science club is to promote the roles of women in scientific fields. As an organization, Women in Science seeks to provide support and insightful information to its members in historically male-dominated fields. In addition, the organization strives to set up a network of interconnections between all science-related fields. In the past, the members of the WIS club has met the goals set out in the mission statement by organizing alumni events, supporting local non-profit organizations through service, and hosting guest speakers. Currently, WIS is working to host their second alumni event, seeking out service projects for the new semester, and caring for the outdoor laboratory outside of the Merion Science Center.

For more information or if interested in participating click the link below:

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[www.wcupa.edu/womensstudies](http://www.wcupa.edu/womensstudies)

## Sykes After Dark

New this semester, Sykes Union, Student Government Association, and the Student Activities Council with support from President's Office, SSI, and Residence Life are finding a way to keep students on campus for the weekend. Each Friday Sykes Union will come alive from 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. Sykes After Dark is a multi-faceted program which incorporates movies, dances, comedy shows, crafts, video game system areas, and FOOD! The first Sykes After Dark was a "Snow Dance" which featured dancing in imitation snow, a hot chocolate bar, make your own snow globe and a 36 inch television give-away! All of these programs are free to students.

Click for more information: [Sykes After Dark](#)

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**emergency  
on campus**  
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notified?



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**Olivia Newton-John**

**Comes to WCU**

**March 26 and 27, 2010**

For more information click [here!](#)

**Spring/Summer 2010**

**Schedule**

**Click Here** to get a full calendar of the 2010 class and break schedule

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## WCU Planetarium

The Department of Geology and Astronomy operates the University Planetarium which houses Spitz A-5 planetarium projector. The planetarium is used for astronomy class lectures and labs as well as for school and public programs. Approximately 50 schools and other groups attend the programs each year, and annual attendance approaches 2,000.

The department holds monthly evening shows for the general public. These shows are held on the second Friday of each month. The shows consist of an overview of what is currently visible in the night sky. In addition to this, each show includes a short presentation with a special focus on some aspect of astronomy, the topic of which changes each month. The shows are appropriate for all ages; however, parents should keep in mind that the planetarium does get very dark and small children may find this frightening.

Shows start promptly at 7 p.m. and run approximately one hour in length. Late arrivals will not be permitted to enter the planetarium. There is no charge for the show; however, reservations are required due to limited seating.

To make a reservation or request additional

[NewStreetCatering@wcupa.edu](mailto:NewStreetCatering@wcupa.edu)

to learn more about these affordable and fun offerings.

### Miss West Chester University 2010

*Elizabeth Toal*

**Major:** Music Education with an emphasis in voice

**Platform Title:** Kicking Butts: The Fight Against Tobacco on Campuses

The Miss WCU Program is a yearly event to recognize the women of WCU in the areas of academics, service school spirit, talents, leadership, and interview.

For more information please click the link below:

[www.misswcu.giving.officelive.com](http://www.misswcu.giving.officelive.com)

**West Chester University  
Campus Allies Regarding  
Emotions of Students (WCU  
CARES) Training  
255 Sykes Student Union**

**Wednesday, March 31  
Noon - 1 p.m.**

WCU CARES is designed to

information please e-mail  
Dr. Karen Vanlandingham at  
[kvanlandingham@wcupa.edu](mailto:kvanlandingham@wcupa.edu).

The specific dates and topics of the remaining  
shows for the 2009-2010 series can be found:

[www.geology.wcupa.edu/planetarium](http://www.geology.wcupa.edu/planetarium)

For the general public shows, visitors may park in  
the meters along Church St. and Rosedale Ave.  
(meters are free after 5 p.m.) or in the parking lot  
behind the Sykes Student Union building, located  
on Rosedale Avenue.

You will find a campus map [here](#).

## 2010 Presidential

Scholarship

Community Gala

### *Growing Tomorrow's Leaders*

Saturday, March 20, 2010

Hollinger Field House, West Chester University

For more information please contact  
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Stewardship, at  
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610-430-4151.

provide the community with  
strategies for fostering a campus  
climate that supports students'  
emotional well being, and  
identifying and referring to  
helping resources those students  
whose emotions or behaviors  
may pose problems for their own  
or others' well being and  
success. All members of the  
campus community are welcome  
to attend this training, which  
will provide information about  
students' emotions, including  
how to identify and refer those  
students who could benefit from  
helping resources.

For more information or to  
register, please contact Dr.  
Eleanor Brown at  
[EBrown@wcupa.edu](mailto:EBrown@wcupa.edu)

## 2010 Legacy of Leadership

The Legacy of Leadership is a recognition of alumni who demonstrated service to the institution through student leadership and continue to utilize those leadership skills in their lives today. A recognition of faculty/staff who demonstrate a commitment to student leadership through their volunteer advisement of student organizations and/or have provided exceptional service and leadership to students.

Each spring the Division of Student Affairs hosts the Legacy of Leadership fundraising dinner to honor a group of exceptional alumni and dedicated faculty and staff.

The 2010 Legacy of Leadership dinner will be held on Saturday, April 10th. For more information please click on:

[www.wcupa.edu/legacyOfLeadership](http://www.wcupa.edu/legacyOfLeadership)



### WCU Alumni Online Community

The Online Community is a free service to alumni that will keep you connected to your friends, classmates, Alumni Association and to WCU. Features include a searchable all-inclusive alumni directory, online Class Notes, permanent email forwarding, and much more. Registration is required to protect the security of the site. The community will also provide you with a permanent e-mail forwarding address that can display your Ram pride wherever you go!  
(yourname@alumni.wcupa.edu)

If you have questions, please contact Courtney Long at [clong@wcupa.edu](mailto:clong@wcupa.edu).

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