

## **Student Affairs August- December 2007 Highlights**

### **Athletics:**

#### **Departmental**

Luke Rinne was hired as the new sports information coordinator. The athletic department is in the process of getting a new athletic web site through an arrangement with Internet Consulting Services. The address will be [www.websterathletics.com](http://www.websterathletics.com)

#### **Women's Soccer**

The women's soccer team finished the year with a 16-5-1 record, which included a 7-1 mark in conference action, and a share of the SLIAC title. The Gorloks hosted the conference postseason tournament and won its third straight conference postseason title and seventh in eight seasons to advance to the NCAA Tournament. The team had eight student-athletes receive All-SLIAC honors including four first team selections Kelsey McClure, Christy Capkovic, Rashonda Stanley and Jessica Kozeny. Megan Niederschulte and Jenna Steiner were second team selections while Kelly Strecker and Breanna Cashel were named to the honorable mention squad. Capkovic, McClure and Stanley were named to the SLIAC All-Tournament squad and Steiner was selected as MVP of the tournament. The team also earned the National Soccer Coaches Association of America Team Academic Award for the 2006-07 academic year with a 3.50 GPA. It marked the eighth straight year they have earned the award.

#### **Volleyball**

The volleyball squad set a new school record for wins in a season with 25 after defeating Principia in the championship game of the SLIAC Tournament. The Gorloks won their second regular season title in three seasons and its second straight tournament championship to advance to the NCAA Tournament. The team had six all-conference selections including three to the first team. Crystal Spinner earned her fourth straight first team selection and was the MVP of the conference tournament. Erin Grobe and Mary Jo Schweitzer also earned first team honors. Jackie Schall was named to the second team while Megan Floarke and Abby Williams were honorable mention selections. Schweitzer was named the Defensive Player of the Year and Co-Newcomer of the Year and Coach Merry Graf was named Coach of the Year.

#### **Cross Country**

The women's cross country squad finished third in the SLIAC Championships and had three runners earn All-SLIAC honors the most in school history. Candace Barry and Chrysti Walters competed at the NCAA Midwest Regional championships and Barry was the top finisher from the SLIAC conference finishing 81st. It marked the first time in school history that the Gorloks competed at the NCAA Championships in cross country.

#### **Men's Soccer**

The men's team finished the season with an 8-10-1 record, 5-4 mark in conference action and just missed out on qualifying for the conference postseason tournament. Kevin Fann was named the SLIAC Co-Player of the Year and the Gorloks had five players earn all-conference honors. Fann was joined on the first team by Scott Filla and Andy Rudroff. Andy Wessel was named to the second team while Tom Riti was an honorable mention selection.

#### **Academic Accomplishments**

15 players from the four fall sports squads qualified for the SLIAC All-Academic team for the fall semester.

### **Career Services:**

#### **Presentations & Programs**

Presented 15 workshops on topics such as resume writing, and job searching techniques to over 700 attendees.

#### **Individual Appointments – August 18, 2007 To November 30, 2007**

Alumni, 115

Daytime Students, 131

Evening/Weekend Students, 90

Prospective, 3

Unclassified, 5

TOTAL APPOINTMENTS: 344

## **Faculty Development**

Faculty Open House, 11/01/07, 6 Participants

Faculty Meetings:

Al Cawns, 10/01/07, discussed employer development efforts related to computer science field

Peter Maher, 10/25/07, discussed potential National Science Foundation grant

Warren Rosenblum, 11/12/07, discussed program for Spring 2008 semester

## **Staffing**

Fall 2007, Jerry Olive, extern in Counseling & Life Development, interning in office

## **Student Employment - As Of November 30, 2007**

Student Employment Positions Filled: 1023 for the period of August 18, 2007 – November 30, 2007

Student Employee Departments: 91

## **Counseling & Life Development:**

Five year review of Counseling/Life Development Department was completed, with peer consultant report received at the end of November. The report is very positive. An action plan will be developed based on the consultant's recommendations.

**Gladys Smith:** Assistant Director, selected by Missouri Substance Abuse Counselors' Certification Board, Inc., to train perspective substance abuse supervisors.

- Nominated by her Naval Commander as United States Naval Sailor of the year.
- Conducted university workshops on Health Relationships; Body Awareness & Eating Disorders; Breast Cancer.

**Sandy Davis:** Counseling Extern (approved for Missouri State Licensing) working closely with Academic Resource Center. All students assigned to Sandy have registered for Winter/Spring semester; played a major role coordinating data compilation for five year review of department.

**Patrick Stack:** Attended Ben Franklin Institute Summit conference on mental health in Phoenix, Arizona in October; coordinated Memorial Service remembering students who died during summer and fall semester. Four students have died since May 2007. Patrick was an instructor for Freshmen Seminar class and University 101 class.

## **Dean of Students Office:**

- The renovation of Maria Hall continues, with the work expected to be complete by August 2008.
- We have received excellent feedback from faculty about the Pathways Learning Community which has 17 students enrolled for Fall 2007. We will assess learning outcomes as the semester comes to a close. We are in the planning stages for 2-3 additional learning communities for 2008-09.
- Addressed a number of student behavioral issues over the course of the fall semester so far, including several students with mental health issues making threats. One student was banned from campus until a mental health assessment can be completed.
- We have been working through the investigation and adjudication of several sexual offense cases, including a particularly challenging case at one of our international campuses.
- Finishing up the analysis of data obtained through a major assessment of Career Services in preparation for a report to Academic Affairs and the Administrative Council on a recommended vision for the future of Career Services at Webster.
- Worked with Counseling to bring in a nationally-known speaker on the topic of alcohol and sex, entitled Drunk Sex or Date Rape, which was held August 29.
- Coordinated the offering of 10 sections of University 101 for Fall I and II terms, which reached more first-year students than ever before (85).
- Presented retention study results to Faculty Assembly.
- Presented a report on the issues and challenges presented by the Millennium Generation at Webster University to the faculty and Fall Faculty Institute.
- Presented a session on students and student life to faculty as part of the New Faculty Orientation.

- Conducted sessions on the benefits of active involvement for several hundred prospective students and their families during Admissions Open Houses.
- Worked closely with the Student Success Committee to triage over 100 reports from faculty about at-risk students.
- Worked with UC/SA staff to coordinate the Delegate's Agenda program which features a discussion among student leaders and Dr. Meyers and his vice presidents. The SGA president facilitates the discussion.
- Produced two issues of the newsletter for parents of first-year students.
- Ted Hoef taught a Freshman Seminar and a section of University 101 this Fall semester.
- From a pool of 21 applicants, selected a diverse group of six students to service on the new Student Board of Directors for Campus Dining Services.
- Conducted the annual NACUFS Customer Satisfaction Benchmarking Survey in all campus dining locations during the week of November 5. A record total of 662 responses were received.
- Served on emergency response team that is planning methods to communicate with students in an emergency.
- Working with a local vendor to get a food cart approved to serve our evening students attending classes in the Webster Groves High School.
- Visited with the resident assistants (RAs) from both the apartments and the residence halls to hear what concerns their residents have about campus life and student services.
- Coordinated the annual Student Affairs staff retreat on October 12 at SLCC-Forest Park and the Science Center.
- Coordinated the quarterly awards program to recognize students who are engaged in service activities and to reward outstanding student employees.
- Participated in Safe Zone Training to better serve as an ally to lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender students.
- Introduced Ted Drewes for his presentation as part of the School of Business and Technology speaker series and coordinated the Q&A session following his lecture.
- Served as a team leader for a group of 30 students, faculty and staff for a WWW project at Operation Food Search.
- Coordinated a series of professional development sessions for staff in the Student Affairs departments. This included discussions on ethics, higher education the media, and webinars on dealing with troubled students and lawsuits and liability.
- Usage statistics for Fall semester so far show 947 students were approved to spend up to \$562,450 in the Money for Textbooks program. The actual expenditure totaled \$206,245.46 for Fall as of November 30, 2007. Out of the 947 students using the program this fall, 370 were on-line students. 15 students used emergency loan funding totaling \$3,770 to purchase books and supplies; another 69 students used \$26,580.50 of emergency loan funding for living expenses while waiting for financial aid refunds to be disbursed, or due to delays with the student employment payroll. 21 students were denied emergency loans due to the lack of sufficient funds.

## Health Services:

Susan Daily announced her retirement as Director after 20 years of dedicated service. Lisa Sommerhauser will assume the Director position beginning January 8, 2008. Susan Wilborn left the University and was replaced on an interim basis by a Webster graduate. Marie Byington left the University to take a similar position at Washington University. Temporary nurses have filled the void during this interim period.

Student Health Services 8/1/2007 - 9/30/2007

Count All Patients:	704
Count All Visits:	1,111
Average All Visits/Patient:	1.58

Total Time Spent All Visits:	365 Hours, 25 Minutes
Average Length For All Visits:	19.73 Minutes

Student Health Services 10/1/2007 - 12/10/2007

Total Visits: 734

## Multicultural Center and International Student Affairs Department:

### Programs

#### August

- **International Student Orientation:** To help international students with adjustment to campus and to the U.S. culture. About 40 students attended the orientation.
- **MCISA BBQ, 31**
- The department's annual Welcome Back BBQ moved off campus to Blackburn Park this year and was a huge success. Over 100 students from all cultures came out for food, a DJ, and games.

#### September

- **Vietnamese Cultural Night:** This was a spectacular event organized by the Vietnamese Student Association in conjunction with MCISA whose goal was to educate people about the Vietnamese Culture and country. More than 80 people attended this event.
- **Harlem Renaissance Rent Party, September 20**  
A new twist on the old dance party, over 75 students came out for a Harlem Renaissance Rent Party. Students learned about the 1920's Harlem and the influence the Renaissance had on African American culture, while enjoying one of St. Louis' hottest DJ's.

#### October

- **Love Makes a Family and Safe Snacks, October 1-12**  
To celebrate National Coming Out Day, the MCISA hosted a photo and text exhibit around campus entitled "Love Makes A Family" featuring photos and stories of LGBT families. This two week exhibit also included the National Coming Out Day program, co-sponsored with LGBTQ Alliance, Safe Snacks. Safe Snacks provided two spots on-campus for all LGBTQ ally's and members of the LGBTQ community to enjoy snacks, mingling and open discussions about National Coming Out Day, the Love Makes A Family photo exhibit, and LGBTQ issues.

#### November

- **International Week:** A week long series of events including "Women of the World" panel, a world dance party, International Marketplace, International Trivia and employment workshop for international students to mark a celebration of international education and diverse cultures. During the International Marketplace various student groups had booths to represent seven countries with *authentic dishes, cultural displays, fashion, music, and political system information*. More than 200 people attended the week long events.
- **Kevin Powell, November 13** - Over 40 students, faculty, and staff enjoyed nationally known speaker Kevin Powell as he spoke candidly about redefining American manhood. An engaging question and answer session and book signing followed Powell's lecture.

#### December

- **World AIDS Day Benefit Concert, December 1** - Co-sponsored with LGBTQ Alliance, we held a benefit concert featuring 2 Webster Students, an up and coming St. Louis singer and nationally known activist and poet Andrea Gibson. In total, the event was attended by 120 people and raised just under \$300 for amfAR, The Foundation for AIDS Research.

### Residential Life:

- Residence Halls are at 100% occupancy this fall.
- Maria Hall is currently undergoing renovation for 104 bed spaces to be occupied beginning August, 2008.
- We are working with academic departments to create 2 new living and learning communities (Biology and Communications) for the 2008 - 2009 academic year. The learning communities will be housed in Maria Hall. 20-30 students will be in each LC as they live together on the same floor and co-enroll in 2-3 different courses linked to their learning community.
- Residential Housing Association (RHA) sent a delegation to the MACURH regional leadership conference at the University of South Dakota.

## University Center:

### Campus Activities

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event Title</b>
8/29	Involvement Fair
8/29	Sexamacation Series: Drunk Sex Speaker
8/30	Second City Improv
9/5	Cardinals Game vs. Pirates
9/7	First Fridays
9/9	Flag Football Intramurals
9/11	Gorlok Spirit Night
9/12	Movie Screening: Good Luck Chuck
9/18	Sexamacation: Healthy Relationships
9/19	Last Lecture Series: Bernie Hayes
9/28	Harmony Concert: Mat Kearney
9/29	Homecoming Students vs. Alumni Flag Football
10/2	Gorlok Spirit Night
10/3	Movie Screening: The Heartbreak Kid
10/5	First Fridays
10/6	Gorlok Spirit Night
10/9	Just Off Turner Concert
10/9	Sexamacation: Birth Control
10/24	Movie Screening: Dan in Real Life
10/25	Last Lecture Series: Andrea Miller
10/25	Shocktoberfest: Extreme Caramel Apple Making
10/26	Shocktoberfest: Rocky Horror Picture Show
10/30	Gorlok Spirit Night
10/31	Shocktoberfest: Calabaza Party
11/1	Volleyball Intramurals
11/2	First Fridays
11/14	Sexamacation: Condom Carnival
11/15	A Night in Vegas: Casino Royale
11/18	Students vs. Alumni/Faculty/Staff
11/26	Last Lecture Series: Eileen Solomon
11/28	Trip to SkyZone
12/1	BodyWorlds Trip
12/7	First Fridays
12/10	Stress Relief: Love Covered in Fur
12/11	Stress Relief: Massages
12/12	Stress Relief: Rediscover Your Inner Child

## **Webster Village Apartments:**

- Generated over \$40,000 in summer conferences. Worked with Opera Theatre, MUNY, our Chinese MBA students and various interns from other universities.
- Opened at 99.9% occupancy for Fall 2007.
- Managing Director awarded Outstanding Director at the Fall 2007 Campus Living Villages retreat.
- Maintenance Supervisor awarded Outstanding Maintenance Supervisor at the Fall 2007 Campus Living Villages retreat.
- Webster Village Apartments awarded Outstanding Property at the Fall 2007 Campus Living Villages retreat.

### **Sample of Fall Programs**

• 8/26,9/30,10/28 - Sunday Family Bash	75
• 8/28-10/9 - Day and Night Runners	9
• 9/4, 10/2, 11/6, 12/4 - Late Night Breakfast	20
• 9/5 - September Spectacular: Make a T-Shirt Party	35
• 9/19, 10/24 - Shred Your Stuff	12
• 10/6 - Gettin' Peachy With It	6
• 10/23 - Body Graffiti	10
• 11/16 - Ice Skating at Steinberg Rink	7
• 11/26-12/2 - Resident Appreciation Week (Bagels, Free Laundry, Cookies, Party)	700
• 12/2 - Merry Happy Holiday Explosion	100

### **Facilities projects**

- Replaced steps in all buildings
- Turned over all keys in summer for security measures.
- Replaced all interior door levers and doorknobs
- Previewed furniture samples for next year's furniture purchase for 08/09