

Student Affairs
September - December 2006 Highlights
Plus highlights of events planned for the Spring Semester

Athletics:

- Unveiling of new Gorlok logo
- Conference Championships in Men's and Women's Soccer
- NCAA Tournament hosts: Women's Soccer second round
- Conference Tournament Championship: Women's Volleyball, Women's Soccer
- NCAA Tournament participation: Women's Volleyball
- 189 athletes participating in intercollegiate athletics

Career Services:

SPECIAL INITIATIVE: Career Talk Podcast

Since September 1, 2006, Career Services has produced eight episodes of "Career Talk with Tom and Ray." Career Talk topics have included:

- Professional Associations – Molly Lopez, President and Owner of Association Management, Ltd.
- Job Coaching – Anne Offer, President and Owner of Offer and Associates
- Using Career Fairs in Your Job Search – Wendy Blocker, Assistant Director of Employment Services
- The Value of the MBA – Pat Masidonski, Associate Dean of the School of Business and Technology
- The International Internship – Wilma Prifti, Director, International Business Internship Exchange
- Life After College – Andy Masters, Speaker and Author of Life After College
- The Undecided Student – Tamara Gegg-LaPlume, Assistant Director of Career Development

PRESENTATIONS AND EVENTS

- Presented 23 internal workshops on topics such as resume writing, and job searching techniques to 628 attendees
- O. Ray Angle, *Do-It-Yourself Podcasting: Career Talk with Tom and Ray*, Midwest ACE Members attending the Trends in Recruiting Conference

INDIVIDUAL APPOINTMENTS - SEPTEMBER 1, 2006 to DECEMBER 12, 2006

Alumni	86
Daytime Students	81
Evening/Weekend Students	97
Prospective	1
Unclassified	6
TOTAL APPOINTMENTS	273

STUDENT EMPLOYMENT - AS OF DECEMBER 7, 2006

Student Employees	801
Student Employee Supervisors	144

Counseling & Life Development:

Fall Events:

- Nine Peer Educators trained as Certified Peer Educators through the National Bacchus Network. Offered stress management for international students. The Peer Educators offered stress management and study tips for resident students.
- Peer Educators and Gladys Smith presented a Alcohol/Drug in-service at John Burroughs High School.
- Both a Counseling Extern and Counseling Intern are serving in the Counseling Department.
- Dr. Patrick Stack participated in the Webster Groves High School Career Day.
- Four week seminar in the residence halls offered with Health Services...topics discussed "Safe Sex", "Relationships", "Stress", and "STD's".

- Patrick Stack represents the University on the Webster Groves School District Safe and Drug Free Schools and Communities Program.
- Co-hosted Breast Cancer and Testicular Cancer awareness in October along with Health Service.
- Dr. Patrick Stack was recertified as an Advanced Substance Abuse Counselor. Served five Webster Groves families, whose daughters/sons were suspended from middle school or high school for drug violations, through the four week alcohol/drug education and prevention program. This program is offered pro-bono.

Dean of Students Office:

- Worked with Sodexo, Finance, and Facility Planning to finalize plans for the renovation of the Blimpie subs n' salads unit in the University Center Crossroads food court.
- Worked with Facilities Planning and Finance on the early stages of planning for the renovation of Maria Hall.
- Conducted a benchmarking customer satisfaction survey in all dining units on campus. Results will be sent to us in late January.
- Ted Hoef presented a session about Student Life at the High School Guidance Counselor appreciation luncheon held on campus.
- Coordinated SA Leadership Team retreat in October, held at the Old Post Office in downtown St. Louis.
- Coordinated judicial board and sexual offense hearings for a few major cases, including a case involving the sale of illegal narcotics in the residence halls.
- Completed the retention study for Freshmen who entered in Fall 2005. Our retention rate was 76.9%.
- Benches were installed on the Quad, purchased by the Class of 2006.
- Money for Textbooks. Usage statistics show that 723 students used a total of \$157,700 for the fall 1 term in the Money for Textbooks program and 126 students used a total of \$21,523 for the fall 2 term. 81 emergency loans, averaging \$300 each for a total of \$24,300 were given to students for buying textbooks and living expenses while waiting for their financial aid to be posted to their accounts.

Health Services:

Total Patients:	1,350
Total Visits:	2,420 (this includes 155 visits by employees for flu shots, etc.)
Average Total Visits/Patient:	1.79
Total Time Spent On Patient Care	773 Hours 16 Minutes
Average Visit Length For Students	24.87 Minutes

Accomplishments and Events:

- Nurses Notes (4 events) - This is a Thursday night speaker series held in the residence halls in conjunction with Residential Life. Each event drew more than 25 students with attendance increasing throughout the semester.
- Breast and Testicular Cancer Awareness - This was a 2 day event. 1 day in the UC and 1 in Marletto's. Both events brought in a total of 150 students. Information and snacks were provided. Along with Webster's own medical staff available to answer questions.
- Mobile Flu Shots - The nurses traveled to the East and West Halls and the Sverdrup Building to administer flu shots after hours. 50 students were vaccinated during this campaign.
- 2 day training for Public Safety including Adult CPR, First Aid, AED, Infant/Child CPR, Oxygen Administration, and Preventing Disease Transmission.

Multicultural Center and International Student Affairs Department:

MCISA Grant Fund

The MCISA Grant Fund was established in 2004 to give faculty and student organizations the opportunity to collaborate with the Multicultural Center and International Student Affairs in programs and activities that have a significant focus on diversity and cultural awareness. This semester we have co-sponsored several events with student organizations utilizing the grant fund such as the Homecoming Concert with Edwin McCain, the National Coming Out Day Picnic, Halloween Party and Fright-week activities, etc.

Past Events

Get on the Bus - Cultural Trips October 28/November 4

The MCISA offers students a one-day cultural adventure to learn about the history, culture, and tour the city attractions of the city. This year we took students to Memphis, TN. 55 students attended this trip.

Fall Break Trip- On October 28, 40 students took a trip around the St. Louis area to a show what St. Louis has to offer. Students went to the Zoo, the History and Art Museum, The Basilica Cathedral, The University Loop, and the Busch Brewery. The event ended with a magical boat ride down the Mississippi River.

Immigration Lecture-September 19

A Roundtable panelist including Webster University Staff and Faculty discussed their perspective on U.S. immigration policy, the historical prevalence of current issues, and exploring the contemporary immigration issues surrounding those in the United States.

September 29- Cultural Night

Once a month, the MCISA collaborates with a cultural student organization/group to present a specific culture or country to the University. This year we co-sponsored Vietnamese culture night with food, games, a video and picture slide, etc. Over 100 people attended.

Sister Circle and DIS (Discussion group for International Students)

Since the beginning of the fall semester, the discussion groups for International Students and African American women on campus has met bi-weekly every Tuesday and Wednesday of the month. Both discussion groups have facilitated group discussions, workshops, and outside activities. The Sister circle has over 60 active students and the International Discussion has over 30 active full-time and part time students attending meetings and workshops.

International Student Orientation

International Student Orientation- To help international students with adjustment to campus and to the U.S. culture. About 40 students attended the orientation.

International Barbecue: A welcome back party that featured food and international music. Over 70 students and staff attended this event.

International Week: A week long event that featured different events including an international students discussion panel, an International Oriented musician, NASHID and International Marketplace that marked a celebration of diverse cultures. During the International Marketplace various student groups had booths to represent their countries with *authentic dishes, cultural displays, fashion, music, and political system information*. More than 80 people attended the week long events.

Dinners with the President: International Student Affairs helped to coordinate international students to go out for dinner with Dr. and Mrs. Meyers on two occasions. About 35 students attended these events.

Upcoming Events

January 29, Christopher Gardner, *Author of The Pursuit of Happyness*

7:00pm

Loretto-Hilton Center

Chris Gardner is the president and CEO of the Chicago-based brokerage firm Gardner Rich & CO., which he founded in 1987. A self-made multi-millionaire, Gardner is intent on giving back to the communities where he conducts business because he has never forgotten his humble beginnings or the odds he has surmounted. Christopher Gardner's accomplishments are extraordinary on their own merit, but even more astonishing; you would never know that just 20 years ago that Gardner was homeless and living, in a bathroom at a Bay Area Rapid Transit station in Oakland, California. Gardner's first book, *The Pursuit of Happyness*, is an account of his life story and was released in June 2006. Columbia Pictures has released a feature film based on Gardner's rags-to-riches tale starring Will Smith as Gardner.

February 23, Love Jones Featuring Saul Williams

In conjunction with the Missouri Historical Society

This program is an open-mic program opened to all students and the community. Students are invited to share their favorite original published or original works of poetry, song, or spoken word. This year, Love Jones will feature Saul Williams, renowned author, poet, and actor.

Residential Life:

- RA Selection for the 2007-2008 year is now available online. Applications are due January 26, 2007. <http://www.webster.edu/housing/raselection>
- GORR (Gorlok On-Campus Resident Renewal) will begin in January where students will sign up for their on-campus residence hall room or apartment for the 07-08 school year.
- Eleven students and one advisor from the Residential Housing Association (RHA) attending the regional MACURH housing conference in South Dakota on November 10-12th where students learned about new and innovative trends in students housing & programming.

WebsterLEADS Highlights:

- The Advanced Leaders Retreat was held November 18 & 19, 2006. 24 people attended the retreat which focused on decision making and featured simulations, discussions and the movie Thirteen Days about the Cuban Missile Crisis of 1962.
- Currently, over 100 student leaders are pursuing the Leadership Certificate.

University Center:

Campus Activities Fall 2006

Event	Attendance
• Welcome Week	
Beyond the Wall Poster Sale	300
Ted Drewes Giveaway	300
SGA BBQ	290
Movie at the Moolah	145
Comedian Joey Gay	225
Hawaiian Luau Pool Party	75
• Harmony Concert: Edwin McCain	300
• SHOCKtoberfest	
Pumpkin Carving (w/ RHA)	65
Rocky Horror (w/ LGBTQ & Dance Club)	100
Haunted House (w/RHA)	29
Extreme Candy Apple Making	52
Monster Mash Tailgate (w/ SAAC & Danceline)	60
Calabaza Party (w/ AAAC, MCISA, Arrested Development)	200
• Salsa Dancing at Casa Loma	80
• A Nite in Vegas	215
• Salsa Lessons (What the Health)	25-55

• First Fridays (Student talent/variety show)	
9/1/06	225
10/13/06	100
11/3/06	220
• Gorlok Spirit Nights	
9/27/06	25
10/10/06	100
10/31/06	60
12/6/06	75
• Movie Screenings	
<i>The Departed</i>	272
<i>The Fountain</i>	252
<i>Blood Diamond</i>	260

Crossroads Grand Opening (WOW and Freshens) - September - 50 people

Officers' Summit - September - 60 people

Homecoming - October - 500 people (entire weekend)

SGA Student Grant Fund sent 102 people on trips, conferences, and other travel events - entire semester

SGA website overhauled - November

SGA leaders met with Board members - November

Webster Village Apartments:

OCCUPANCY

- Over the budgeted occupancy from September - December and projecting to be over the budgeted occupancy in Spring.

PROGRAMMING

- Over 15 programs with over 100 people in attendance.
- Service Program Highlights
 - Continuing our quarterly campus Blood Drives and numbers are increasing each time.
 - Each RA led a Webster Works Worldwide program
 - Managing Director organized the Lee Denim Day for Breast Cancer Awareness for the 7th year.
 - ~We purchased reusable recycling bags for each apartment to be able to more efficiently recycle,
- Social programs
 - September Spectacular was organized by all the RA's for a month long events including Capture the Flag, Trivia Night and a Bar B Que.
 - Milkshake Madness, residents got to create their own milkshakes
 - WVA to the conservatory
 - Pack the House, supporting Gorlok sports
 - St. Nicks Day, had a majority of residents leave shoes out for a St. Nicks treat
- No increase in disciplinary cases.

TECHNOLOGY:

- Now offering a weekly online "Monday Messenger" that goes to each resident announcing programs, maintenance items and general info.
- Online survey created for our residents this semester instead of a paper one for our Quality of Life assessment.
- Students can submit work orders and other general questions on line.

MAINTENANCE

- Replaced/Upgraded the following:
 - Bathroom floors
 - Door knobs
 - Broken steps
 - Landscape Needs

CAMPUS LIVING VILLAGES (new owners of Century Campus Housing Management)

- Larry Mitchell, Maintenance Supervisor won the Maintenance Supervisor of the year award at the CLV annual conference.
- Matt Lewis, Associate Director, was re-elected for a 2nd term as the SLACHA (St. Louis Area College Housing Association) Secretary /Treasurer.