

THE STUDENT ORGANIZATION INSIDER

The information in this edition promotes your organization's success... You don't know what you don't know and we want you to know. WCSA hopes that this publication will keep you informed of student organization operations/opportunities. For more information on policies and procedures, visit the WCSA website at <http://rochester.edu/>

APRIL 2013 EDITION

New Peer Mentor Opportunity

We would like to introduce your group to a new exciting leadership development program offered on campus through the Rochester for Community Leadership. The **Rising Leader Program (RLP)** seeks to guide incoming freshmen students to become responsible leaders and citizens through engaging reflections, skill building workshop, practical experiences, and mentor relationships.

This is why we need your help!! We are looking for Peer Mentors to be a part of developing this new program, and influence students in a positive way! As student leaders on campus, you can utilize your skills, share insights, and experiences to help shape students' freshman year while also supporting their development into committed participants of the campus and surrounding communities.

Spread the word, and to learn more about becoming a RLP Mentor please visit <http://www.rochester.edu/college/rccl/> for our spotlight application!

Host An Orientation Program

Has your group hosted an Orientation event in the past? Or have you been thinking about an Orientation program? It is fun and a great way to start off the year! The class of 2017 has their orientation from August 27-September 2, 2013. Applications Due: Monday, May 13, 2013 by 5:00pm to Eleanor Oi or Matt Spielmann in Lattimore 311A or via ur.orientation@gmail.com. Be sure to work with your primary advisor in advance for tips, suggestions, and a signature. You can find the application <http://rochester.edu/college/wcsa/programs/specialevents/cw-resources.html>.

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Scholarship Opportunities

Continuing Student Scholarships for Undergraduates

The Continuing Student Scholarship was created in 2007 to recognize and reward the outstanding achievements of current University of Rochester students. This highly selective scholarship is awarded to approximately 30 students each year. Award amounts range up to \$2,500 and are given for *one academic year*. Past Continuing Student Scholarship winners may reapply for the scholarship in future years.

The scholarship form can be found at http://enrollment.rochester.edu/admissions/res/pdf/continuing_scholarship.pdf, and the deadline for submission is **May 15th**.



James A. Chin Award

This award is given to honor the memory of James A. Chin, Jr. and as a tribute to his efforts and accomplishments here at the University of Rochester. Jim, a 1993 graduate, had the debilitating disease FSH Muscular Dystrophy; however, he never let this constant obstacle interfere with his strong commitment to improving both himself and the community around him. Jim was active in many diverse areas of University life, consistently demonstrating both honor and integrity as he strived to achieve his goals. Jim was also very active in the Greek community, particularly in his own fraternity, Sigma Nu, where he held the offices of Social Chair and Interfraternity Council representative. The purpose of this award is to recognize those students who exemplify these characteristics for their accomplishments and their contributions to the University and the Rochester community.

The scholarship form can be found at <http://enrollment.rochester.edu/admissions/res/pdf/chinaward.pdf>, and the deadline for submission is **April 30th**.

Meliora Weekend Opportunities

Get excited to be a part of Meliora Weekend 2013!

For Student Organizations: Applications are now open for your student organization to plan a program for Meliora Weekend 2013, October 11th – 13th.

Application materials can be found at: <http://rochester.edu/college/wcsa/programs/specialevents/cw-resources.html>. Meliora Weekend Application is due Friday April 19th.

For Individuals: Are you planning on being here over the summer and looking for a job? Do you love Meliora Weekend? Do you love working with Wilson Commons Student Activities? If the answer to all of these questions is Yes, then you should think about applying to be the MelWknd –WCSA Program Assistant. Check the student employment board on Friday for job number 14010.

Reservations for 2013-2014

Start planning for next year!

Reservation requests for the larger program spaces on campus including Wilson Commons (Hirst Lounge, May Room), Strong Auditorium, Spurrier Dance Studio, and Douglass Dining Hall for the 2013-14 Academic Year will be accepted soon. Please start to talk with your executive boards and advisor regarding your plans for next year. For smaller events, weekly rehearsals and meetings, we will be utilizing Virtual EMS to accept these reservations after the major events are inputted. Virtual EMS for next year will be opened in mid-June. Details will be emailed to all Executive Board officers by the beginning of April.

Weekend Highlights Submissions

Each Thursday afternoon during the academic year, all undergraduate students receive the Weekend Highlights, a brief email listing of events scheduled for the up-coming Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Events listed on the Weekend Highlights email must be open to the entire student body and have detailed event information on file at the Common Connection. Inclusion in the email must not be the program's primary means of advertisement and should compliment other marketing efforts.

To submit your event for possible inclusion in Weekend Highlights, email your information by **Tuesday at 12pm** to connect@sao.rochester.edu, or in CCC. Be sure to include the following information: **Event Name, Description, Date, Time, Location, Price, Transportation Information and Sponsorship.**

CCC Monthly Tip

Did you know that after you submit your **event for registration**, that you can easily check for updates or messages about that submission? After you log into the CCC, click on 'My Involvement' on the top bar, then click on 'Submissions' to follow the progress of any submission. Click on the magnifying glass on the row of the item you wish to review to be taken directly to your submission.

Whether it be a form, election or event registration, all are tracked in one easy location! This is especially important for those groups who need event approval from Event Support, Facilities, Security, the Sanitarian, and your advisor .

This publication is brought to you by Wilson Commons Student Activities:

The Student Organization Insider is WCSA's monthly e-newsletter for student organization executive boards and advisors. The Student Organization Insider (SOI) is intended to keep student leaders informed on opportunities and updates from their areas of advisement: Students' Association, Athletics, the Interfaith Chapel, Fraternity and Sorority Affairs, Residential Life, Rochester Center for Community Leadership, the Hajim School, and Wilson Commons Student Activities. The SOI will not focus on information available to students through the Weekly Buzz or Weekend Highlights, and it will not be used to advertise student organization events. Instead, this