



# The Student Organization Insider

## January 2023

Welcome back, Yellowjacket Leaders!

Happy 2023! I hope each of you were able to get some much-needed rest and relaxation over the break. This semester is starting out strong with the Activities Fair, basketball tailgates, roller skating, step shows, and Winterfest Weekend right around the corner!

As always, please be sure to read this edition of the Insider to learn more about the resources available to your organization. Your contributions to campus life are truly appreciated, and my colleagues and I are committed to guiding you to reach your fullest potential.

Stay warm!

Anne-Marie Algier, Associate Dean of Students

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## Upcoming Deadlines

### First Day to Transact (SAAC)

Wednesday, January 11th

### Winter Activities Fair

Friday, January 13th

1:30 - 3 p.m., Goergen Athletic Center

***\*Note the new time!\****

### First Supplemental (SAAC)

Tuesday, January 17th

### Last Day to Submit Orientation Leader Applications

Friday, January 20th

### Last Day to Submit for Winterfest Weekend Schedule

Tuesday, January 24th

### AlertUR

6 p.m. Tuesday, January 24th

### Budget Training (SAAC)

Tuesday, January 31st

### Winterfest Weekend

February 2nd - 5th

**Student Life Awards Nomination Form Closes**

Friday, February 3rd

**Last Day for Supplementals (SAAC)**

Tuesday, February 28th

**Budgets Due (SAAC)**

Wednesday, March 1st

**Last Day to Inquire about Hosting a Dandelion Day Activity**

Wednesday, March 15th

**Springfest Weekend**

April 20th - 22nd

**Last Day to Transact (SAAC)**

Wednesday, April 26th

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## **Winter Activities Fair (New Time!)**

The Winter Activities Fair is scheduled for this Friday, January 13th in the Goergen Athletic Center. The fair will be held from **1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m.** If you have not registered yet, please do so by submitting [this form](#) by 11 p.m. tonight. Coordinate with your e-board to ensure only one form is submitted per organization. Questions should be referred to [Wilson Commons Student Activities](#).

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## **Newly Recognized College Student Organizations**

Join us in welcoming the following new organizations to our growing community:

[Alzheimer's Awareness Association](#) | [American Lung Cancer Screening Initiative](#) | [Bangla Bhasha](#) | [Birding Club](#) | [Consulting Club](#) | [Dance Marathon](#) | [Effective Altruism](#) | [Korea](#)

## Nominations for Student Life Awards

The annual University Student Life Awards, otherwise known as The Rockys, recognizes undergraduate students and student organizations who - through service to others, investment of talent and time, and pursuit of excellence - have significantly and positively impacted the University of Rochester and/or surrounding communities. Nominations are open through Friday, February 3rd at 12 p.m. (noon) EST. Review the available awards and submit a nomination [here](#).

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## Medallion Program Workshops

The Medallion Program provides workshops, interactive activities, and personal reflection to develop leadership capabilities through a flexible three-tiered journey. Below are our upcoming workshops, which will be available on CCC soon for registration.

The Medallion Society is looking for student organizations to co-host each of our Medallion Workshops! In order to co-host, you will need to send at least 5 of your members and help us out with marketing the workshop. Email the [Medallion Society](#) for more information.

Workshop	Date	Time	Domain
Finding Success Through Delegation and Accountability	Fri. Jan. 20	3-4pm	Cognitive Complexity
Understanding Leadership	Mon. Jan. 23	6-7pm	Level One Opener
Saving & Investing 101	Tues. Jan. 24	5-6pm	Knowledge Acquisition
Practices of Leadership	Tues. Jan. 31	7-8pm	Level Two Opener

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## Activity Registration Updates

As a reminder, all student organizations who are planning activities must abide by all of the [Activity Registration Policies](#). Please submit your activities through CCC early and on time. If you are unsure how to submit an Activity Registration, check out this [how-to video](#).

Effective Spring 2023 - **GMMs, Weekly Meetings, Chapter Meetings, Practices, and Rehearsals without services no longer need to be registered in CCC**. You can still register them if you wish to advertise your activities to students on CCC. **Reservations will still need to be submitted for space through VEMS**. General Interest Meetings (GIM) should continue to be registered, and all other activity registration requirements remain in effect.

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## Activity Reflection Form Closed

At this time, the Activity Reflection form is closed while Wilson Commons Student Activities works to implement changes to improve the user experience. We expect to have the form open during the month of February. Updates will be shared in next month's edition of the Insider.

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## Apply to be a Student Alumni Ambassador (SAA)!

The SAAs are a select group of undergraduate students who serve as a bridge to our University alumni community, representing the student body, and giving them a glimpse of current student culture, and sharing their personal Rochester experience! This program provides opportunities for networking across the University and alumni community, shaping future student and alumni programs, and developing both personal and professional skills as a student and beyond.

Qualities that make up an SAA:

- Positive, responsible, and enthusiastic.
- Enjoy meeting new people and expanding their professional and personal networks.
- Strong interpersonal communication skills.
- Familiar with current campus initiatives, as well as the University's history and mission.

Applications will be live in January, and you can find out more information [here](#), and by following along on Instagram [@uofr.saa](#).

*Please note that you must be enrolled during the 2023-2024 academic year to apply. Those studying abroad this spring are welcome to apply.*

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## **Orientation Leader Application**

Hone your leadership skills as an Orientation Leader! The Office of Orientation and First-Year Programs is accepting applications for the 2023-24 Orientation Leader position through **Friday, January 20th at 5 p.m.** In this role, which begins in May 2023, you will be responsible for mentoring a cohort of incoming first-year and transfer students, helping them and their families navigate academics, student life, and campus resources as an incoming Yellowjacket. You'll have the opportunity to develop and lead virtual and in-person programs for new students, both ahead of their arrival and during their first year on campus.

This is a paid, year-round position, with 30-40 hours of work per week in the summer and 10 hours of work offered per month during the academic year. On-campus housing is provided in the summer. Register for upcoming info sessions on January 13th and 18th [here](#) and learn more on the [Orientation and First-Year Programs website](#).

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## **Wilson Commons Student Activities is Hiring**

Are you or someone you know interested in working on campus? Apply to work with Wilson Commons Student Activities (WCSA) by searching for any of the below opportunities in JobLink (found in Blackboard):

- Campus Center Building Manager (*Job ID # 22904*)
  - Communications & Graphics Assistant (*Job ID # 22906*)
  - Event Team Assistant (*Job ID # 21931*)
  - Junior Systems Analyst (*Job ID # 24098*)
  - Spurrier/Genesee Building Manager (*Job ID # 23006*)
  - The Common Market (*Job ID # 21929*)
  - Rocky's (*Job ID # 21923*)
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# Winterfest Weekend & Springfest Planning

## Winterfest Weekend

Mark your calendars because Winterfest Weekend is almost here! Activities start February 2nd and go through February 5th with the signature Winter Wonderland on Saturday February 4th from 2-5 p.m. We will have everything this weekend including a blanket giveaway, s'mores, build-a-buddy, and a one-of-a-kind comedy show at Kodak Theater! The Comedian will be announced soon on social media, so be sure to follow [WilsonComonsUR](#) for updates. Check out the Winterfest Weekend website for more details and to view the complete schedule. If you have an event that you would like to highlight on the Winterfest Weekend website, email [Jill Wulfenstein](#) by January 24th.


## Springfest Planning

Springfest Weekend will take place April 20th - 22nd, 2023! The weekend will feature a variety of traditional and reimagined events of student organization performances, shows, novelties, as well as Dandelion Day on Friday, April 21st.

If your organization would like an event represented on the Springfest calendar, please contact [Jill Wulfenstein](#) by 5 p.m. EST on Wednesday, March 15th. If your Student Organization would like to host an activity at the Dandelion Day Carnival, please contact [SPB](#) by 5 p.m. EST on Wednesday, March 15th.

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## AlertUR



# STAY CONNECTED TO **AlertUR**

AlertUR sends you a message when a critical emergency occurs. Students and employees: Go to <https://alert.rochester.edu> to update or add your contact information using your NetID.

**A test is set for 6 p.m., Tuesday, Jan. 24**

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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, Center for Community Engagement, the Hajim School, and Wilson Commons Student Activities. The SOI will not focus on information available to students through the Weekend Highlights, and it will not be used to advertise student organization events. Instead, this newsletter is a unique and specialized publication with information and opportunities that are relevant to you as student leaders.