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Upcoming Events

BC Grad Student Night at Fenway
9/23, 7:05 p.m.

BC Grad Student Night at The Lion King-night 2:
9/29, 7:30 p.m.

Grad Student Resources Open House at MGC
2 nights:
9/22 and 9/28
4-7 p.m.

BC Grad Student Night at *mfafirstfridays*
10/1
5:30-9:30 p.m.

Corrections from last newsletter:

GSA BBQ, 9/16
4-7p.m.
Field of Dreams Deadline-9/17, 3 p.m.
Go to:
www.bc.edu/gsc
for all event details

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Alternative ways to get around from A to ZipCar!

After last newsletter's discussion of parking troubles on campus, we would like to deliver a comprehensive discussion of alternative ways to get around.

Boston College has announced a new partnership with ZipCar, a vehicle sharing service. This new and interesting way to travel provides cars by the hour or the day at rates ranging from \$8-13 per hour, with gas, maintenance and parking included. More than 300 cars are available in the ZipCar network in Boston, New York City and Washington D.C.

Through its partnership with BC, ZipCar offers BC employees and students a discounted annual membership of \$25. Your zipcard gives you instant access to a variety of great cars near work, transit, and home, parked in designated ZipCar spots. Look for the Toyota Prius hybrid fuel vehicle in its reserved space near the entrance to the second level of the Beacon Street Garage. To learn more and find locations visit: www.zipcar.com. When you join make sure to

enter the group name "Boston College" or you can call 1-866-4-ZIPCAR directly!

The Shuttle Service at BC offers bus service that can carry you all over main campus, out to Cleveland Circle via Commonwealth Avenue, and even out to the Newton campus. The service is free of charge to BC students and runs Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. until 2:00 a.m. The weekend schedule runs from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 a.m. and includes all stops. A map of the BC shuttle routes and service information can be found at: <http://www.bc.edu/offices/reslife/bus/fallspring/>

An obvious method of transportation for anyone that has been to lower campus is the subway, affectionately known as the "T". The B, C and D trains of the Green Line all provide stops that drop you right at BC, are within walking distance of campus or are on the BC shuttle service route. Passengers on the "T" can pay for single rides or purchase a monthly student pass. Monthly passes are available at a

discounted rate to BC students. For "T" maps and information please see <http://www.mbta.com>

Time is running out..... Enter the MGC "Field of Dreams" Contest!

Fill out an entry form at the Murray Graduate Student Center (MGC) during hours of operation. Deadline to enter the contest is **3:00 p.m.** on Friday, September 17th. Winner will be announced on our website at: www.bc.edu/gsc.

Prize Package includes:
* "Field of Dreams" DVD
* Two Bleacher Seats to the Red Sox vs. Baltimore Orioles, Thursday, 9/23
* Winner is designated as the official BC Grad Student rep during an on-field ceremony prior to the game!

Graduate Student Resources Open House

One stop for graduate student information!
Mark your calendars:
Wednesday, Sept. 22nd
Tuesday, Sept. 28th
4-7 p.m. at the MGC
Refreshments provided!

Can you Spell B-B-Q?

After a long summer of hanging out with fellow summer interns, family and friends- it is time to reunite as a graduate student body! And there is no better way to come together than to do it over a nice slab of meat (or a nice meat-free soy product)!

This Thursday, September 16th from **4-7p.m.** some serious BBQ will be served up on the Murray Graduate Student Center lawn, compliments of the Graduate Student Association. If there is rain, don't panic- just hustle on over to the Shea Room, Conte Forum and the GSA will serve up the grub indoors!

The GSA is sponsoring this wonderful event- so bring every graduate student you

know and plan to meet some more upon arrival!

Research Integrity Workshop Series

Join fellow research students for a monthly gathering over lunch to discuss an issue important to the responsible conduct of research. You are welcome to attend just one or two sessions, or the entire series. Those who attend all 7 sessions can be certified as having completed an RCR education program.

Bring your own bag lunch to Higgins 345 for one or all of these gatherings from noon-1pm. Any questions should be directed to

Karen Muskavitch at: muskavka@bc.edu.

Upcoming Program

Dates for the fall:

Mon 9/29- Research Integrity & Research Misconduct

Mon 10/18- The trainee/advisor relationship

Mon 11/15- Protecting the living subjects of research.

appropriate to their current professional development. They are supported by the Boston College Annual Fund. To reserve a space, send email to rcrprog@bc.edu with your name and school or departmental affiliation. Direct questions to Karen at muskavka@bc.edu.

Upcoming Program Dates:

Thurs 10/21-Attending a Professional Meeting (5-9pm Heights/ Boston/ Newton Rooms)

Professional Skills & Ethics Workshops

These free, open to all, evening workshops are designed to help graduate and post-doctoral fellows increase their professional skills and ethical awareness. A buffet dinner is included.

These workshops are held annually so that each year students can attend

Take fifteen—
Join fellow graduate students for 15 minutes a week to center yourself before you rush into the next class/event. Weekly peace and quiet prayer every Tuesday from 4-4:15 p.m. in the Cushing Chapel.

Grad Student Social at the Museum of Fine Arts – *mfafirstfridays!*

The Murray Graduate Student Center is rallying the BC grad student population for the Museum of Fine Arts **mfafirstfriday** program on October 1st. So, please join us in the Koch Gallery from 5:30-9:30 p.m. for live jazz entertainment, fabulous cocktails, and food.

mfafirstfridays offers a cash bar/food options and is for adults age 21 and over only. Admission to the MFA is free to students with your BC ID and therefore, admission to *mfafirstfridays* is free. (Without your BC ID, the admission is \$13.00). To reach the MFA, take the MBTA Green Line "T" (E line) to the Museum Stop or the Orange Line "T" Ruggles Stop. There is some limited paid parking at the Museum.

Look for the BC banner or table (we usually try to get a spot in the middle of the art gallery section to the left as you reach the second floor).

BASICS (Brief Alcohol Screening and Intervention of College Students)
Would you like to learn how to recognize and assist students who have an alcohol problem?
FREE BASICS FACILITATOR TRAINING for Grad Students
 Friday, September 24th
 9am-4pm, lunch included
 McElroy Conference Rm
 Space is limited!
RSVP and get more info at 617-552-3470 by 9/22!



The Women's Resource Center

The Women's Resource Center (WRC) is a friendly and comfortable space in McElroy 141 (next to the ticket booth) where students can access information, support, and a variety of programs. The WRC is staffed by a full-time Director and 7 students, trained in peer counseling, who plan a variety of educational and community-building programs throughout the academic year. Topics of programming include Health and Wellness, Networking and Negotiating/Career Development, Spirituality, Political Issues, Safety and Self-defense, and Women in the Developing World.

The WRC also offers three support groups, HOPE: Healthy Options for the Pressures of Eating, Survivor's Circle: for survivors of sexual assault, and the LBQ: Lesbian/Bisexual/Questioning group. The WRC support groups are co-facilitated by graduate students, primarily in Counseling Psychology and Social Work, although all graduate students are invited to apply. If you are interested in facilitating a support group, please contact WRC Director Jennifer Tilghman-Havens at tilghman@bc.edu or 617-552-6919 for more information. If you'd like to participate in a support group, please call 617-552-3489 to sign up.

The Women's Resource Center welcomes you to visit the Center, to participate in their events, and to offer your insight as graduate students interested in their programs. They hope to see you soon!

Sampling of WRC programs for 2004-2005:

- ◆ 9/23-WRC Table at Student Activities Day, 10am-4pm
- ◆ 9/29-WRC Open House, 12-3pm
- ◆ 10/6-Medea Benjamin, Founder of Global Exchange and human rights activist
- ◆ 10/12-Fernando Cardenal, S.J., Social Justice in Nicaragua and Liberation Theology
- ◆ 10/21-Linda Babcock, author of "Women Don't Ask: Negotiation and the Gender Divide", 12pm at BC Law School (sponsored by the Women's Law Center)
- ◆ 11/11-Caring for Circumcised Women, Nawal Mour, MD, Director of African Women's Health Clinic at Brigham and Women's Hospital, 4:30pm
- ◆ Ladies Night at the Plex
- ◆ Women's Retreat
- ◆ "How to help a friend with an eating disorder"
- ◆ Free massages on December study days
- ◆ Take Back the Night (March/April 2005)

For more information on any of the WRC programs, please stop by 141 McElroy or call 617-552-3489.

Catherine Recommends.....

As I browsed the shelves of our OVER 200 DVDs, I became perplexed. What to choose...well...I decided on an all-time favorite of mine this time around. The 1999 release of *The Thomas Crown Affair*. Unbeknownst to some, this film is actually a remake of the 1968 film with the same title. Just when I thought Steve McQueen and Faye Dunaway combined for a lethal and most sensual duo, Pierce Brosnan and Rene Russo live up to (and perhaps even surpass) their predecessors' 1968 performance.

Ok, so the premises... millionaire Pierce Brosnan decides life just isn't exciting enough, so he devises a plan to pull off the most remarkable heist in history...to steal (in broad day-light) a Monet from what seems to be the Metropolitan Museum of Art (in the original- McQueen robs a bank). Russo is brought in as an insurance investigator...and well... the rest is a ride of suspense and intrigue. Does she fall for the thief? Does she even realize that he is the thief? Does she think by getting close she can crack the case, or is he falling for her to mask his crime? Just who is using whom? The story takes several turns, keeps your interest, and leaves you wondering (and even salivating at times)... could someone actually get away with something like this!? I suppose they can, ask the thieves who just lifted Edvard Munch's "The Scream" from a museum in Oslo, Norway!

See you at the Movies!

Special Events for International Students!

International Welcome Back Social: Wednesday, September 15 from 5-7pm in the Heights Room- come and socialize with your fellow international students. Light refreshments will be served.

Historical Walking Tour of Boston: Sunday, October 17 at 12 noon. There is no charge for this event, and there is really no better way to acquaint yourself with the lovely city of Boston... a place you will be thrilled to call home! Call the OISS at 617-552-8005 to sign up and for more information.

In general, please reference the Office of International Students and Scholars at their website: www.bc.edu/intercultural for more news and events!

Mass of the Holy Spirit

All members of the University community are invited to celebrate the Mass of the Holy Spirit. It is Boston College's traditional liturgy at the beginning of the school year asking God's blessing. The blessing will be held in Saint Mary's Garden on Sunday September 19th at 4:00 p.m.

A cookout will immediately follow the Mass. Questions should be directed to Fr. James Erps: erps@bc.edu.

The rain site will be Conte Forum.

Social Justice Discussion

If you are interested in joining a community of students who share an interest in service and faith, please come to this Social Justice Discussion on September 28th at the Murray Graduate Student Center from 7:45 – 9:00 p.m.

All graduate students are invited to attend a general discussion on social justice in a faith based context. This will be a chance for everyone to gather for a common purpose and will serve as a stepping stone into a small faith group and/or monthly faith in action/service events.

Please call Sister Mary Sweeny at 617-552-3645 with any questions.

UPCOMING FALL 2004 GRADUATE STUDENT EVENTS AND IMPORTANT DATES:

Check out more great events for all BC students at: <https://events.bc.edu/>

- 9/15 Drop/Add period ends TODAY!
- 9/16 GSA Welcome BBQ, Murray Lawn (rain site The Shea Room, Conte Forum), 4-7 p.m.
- 9/17 MGC closed at 3 p.m. due to home football game.

THIS JUST IN.....FREE! We have a limited amount of tickets to the BC vs. UCONN football game this Friday night, 9/17. E-MAIL gsc@bc.edu if you are interested. 4 tickets per BC i.d.

- 9/18 Campus Ministry grad student outing to a Garden in the Woods, Framingham-an easy hike and a fun sighting of "Big Bugs, including a 17" praying mantis, 2 p.m. meet at Murray House. With student i.d.:\$5.

- 9/19 Mass of the Holy Spirit, Saint Mary's Garden 4 p.m. Rain site Conte Forum. Cookout immediately following the mass.
- 9/19 *Plantanos & Collard Greens*, presented by O.L.A.A, 7 p.m., Robsham Theatre. \$5.
- 9/21 No Time to Waste: Genocide in the Sudan. Professor Eric Reeves of Smith College will speak about refugee issues, particularly in Sudan. 7 p.m., Devlin 008.
- 9/22 & 9/28 Graduate Student Resources Night at the MGC, 4-7 p.m. Come and ask your questions!
- 9/23 BC Grad Student Night at Fenway Park-Red Sox vs. Baltimore, 7:05 p.m.
Tickets are all sold out- sorry!
- 9/24 BASICS facilitator training, 9 a.m.-4p.m., McElroy Conference Room
- Professor Howard Zinn, Historian and author of *A People's History of the United States*, 1-3 p.m., Gasson Hall
- 9/28 Social Justice Discussion in a Faith-based context at 7:45-9 p.m., Murray Graduate Student Center
- 9/29 BC's Second Grad Student Night at The Lion King, 7:30p.m., Boston Opera House.
Tickets are ALL sold out! Congrats to those of you who nabbed 'em!
- Library Resources for Teaching, 12-1p.m. Connors Family Learning Center, 2nd floor O'Neill Library
- 10/1 MFA First Friday Grad Student Social, Museum of Fine Arts, 5:30-9:30 p.m.
Free admission to the Museum with BC ID.
- 10/2 MGC Closed-Home football game versus Massachusetts
- 10/5 BC brings Howard Dean to campus; 4:15p.m., O'Neill Plaza (Rain Site Heights Room).
- 10/6 Medea Benjamin, a feminist anti-war speaker. 7:00 p.m., Devlin 008.

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