Summer 2017 Newsletter

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**Message from the Chair**

Greetings! I hope that your summer is going well. In this edition of the newsletter, as always, we will let you know what NUSAC has been up to, and what we have planned for the coming months.

On June 6th, we co-hosted the Annual Staff Service Recognition Luncheon. It was a wonderful event during which Eric Betzold, Institute for Policy Research, was named Employee of the Year. We also recognized staff that have worked at the University for 20, 25, 30, 35, 40 and 45 years. Congratulations to all!

On July 13th we co-hosted our first Chicago Campus Picnic in the Law School Courtyard. During this event, staff on the Chicago campus mingled a bit more than usual and created relationships with people outside of their specific schools.

Our School Supply Drive will begin soon, so please keep an eye out for details about it. In addition to aiding families in need in the Evanston and Chicago areas, we also assist families here at the University. We are extremely grateful for all donations we receive and we thank you in advance.

Finally, I would like to introduce our 2017 - 2018 Executive Committee and new members of NUSAC:

**2017 - 2018 Executive Board:**

- Chair: Rhea Banks
- Vice Chair: Pamela Euring
- Treasurer: Kevin Connolly
- Secretary: Avni Soni

In September, we will officially welcome our new members, who impressed us with their talent, skills, and drive to join us in making Northwestern the best it can be for all staff.

**New Members:**

- Nate Daigle, Office of Student Life, Medill
- Amy Hauenstein, MSC Program, School of Communication
- Yael Mayer, Biomedical Engineering, McCormick
- Brianna Mello, Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, McCormick
- Alison Wilder, Executive Education, Kellogg
- Jane Wuelner, Executive Education, Kellogg

At the end of August, we will also say farewell to a few members. Their commitment to the Council has been very much appreciated and we will miss them greatly. The years that they spent working on behalf of the staff of Northwestern produced lasting changes and we hope to continue their great work. We offer our sincere gratitude to these four dedicated members.

**Departing Council Members:**

- Susan Held, Finance, Facilities, and Research Administration, Northwestern IT
- Heather Obering, Marketing, Athletics
- Tina Shontz, Preventive Medicine, Feinberg
- Thongsy Singvongsa, Preventive Medicine, Feinberg

Enjoy the rest of your summer, and we hope to see or hear from you soon!

Sincerely,

Rhea Banks
NUSAC Chair
Staff Recognition Luncheon

On Tuesday, June 2, Northwestern staff members were honored at the 40th Annual Staff Service Recognition Luncheon. Those recognized included staff members that had reached monumental milestones of 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, and 45 years of service, along with the 2017 Employee of the Year winner and finalists. Congratulations to all of the honorees!

2017 EOY finalists, pictured from left to right:
- Top Row - Eric Betzold, Daniel Fisher, Edgar Rodriguez, Doug Dickerson
- Bottom Row - Nancy Parlapiano, Pamela Shaw

Click here to see candid photos from this event. Please visit the Employee Recognition page on the Human Resources website for more information on how to nominate a colleague for this prestigious award.

NUSAC Teams for the Chicago Cares SERVE-A-THON

A huge and heartfelt thank you from NUSAC to all faculty, staff, students, and visiting African Fellows who joined us for the 2017 Chicago Cares serve-a-thon on June 24. Also, NUSAC is very grateful to Northwestern Medicine for allowing us to join their group and create NUSAC teams that together served the Chicagoland neighborhoods which surround us, and in which we live. It was truly a day of people working together to bring about change with positive, long-term results.

See you again next year!

NUSAC’s Summer School Supply Drive

Our School Supply Drive will be underway soon, with details forthcoming. Last year’s donation drive was a success and we would like to continue in that tradition this summer. The drive will serve various organizations in the Chicago and Evanston communities. Details about the supply list, drop-off locations and organizations will be sent via email and posted on the NUSAC website. Thank you in advance for your support of this drive, and for all of your past support!

The Big Ten Network: Big 10K

Don’t miss the BTN Big 10K event on its new date in Chicago on Sunday, July 23 in Grant Park. Dress up in your Northwestern Purple and compete in the 10K race or 5K run/walk. Afterward, kick off the college football season in style with thousands of Big Ten fans at the ultimate post-race Fan Fest & Tailgate party!

This will be a Fan Fest you will never forget! Packed with mascots, cheerleaders, food, music, beer, interactive games, exciting prizes, BTN talent, former Big Ten player appearances and much more. Registration is available here.

All Staff Golf Outing

There will be an All-staff Golf Outing at the end of this month at the Chick Evans Golf Course, co-sponsored for the second year by NUSAC and Northwestern IT.

The outing will be held on Thursday, July 27, with everyone teeing off in a shotgun start at 1:00. The cost will be $35/person, which will include green fees and an electric cart. If you are interested, please fill out this registration form no later than July 19.

Filling out the form indicates a high likelihood that you will attend. Once you register, you will be sent an electronic meeting invitation so the event appears on your calendar. Once registration closes, those attending will be getting information about tee times and pairings.

This year we will be using a scramble format to play in order to broaden our flexibility in matching people up in foursomes. If you’re not familiar with the scramble format, click here for more information.

A few reminders about the event:
- Though this event is sponsored by two Northwestern organizations, it is still a grassroots effort to have fun and build community, so vacation time for the 27th must be arranged with your manager in advance, just as you would any other time you will be away from work.
- You will be responsible for your own transportation and expenses. (The $35 will be payable when you arrive at the club)
- You don’t have to be a scratch golfer, or even know what your handicap is, but every participant must have their own clubs, know the rules of the game, and have some experience playing.
- We will be playing a scramble format this year, combining a continuum of skill sets in each foursome, and attempting to match foursomes by overall skill levels. If you would like to play with a friend, please let us know. We will attempt to accommodate all such requests within the overall commitment to balanced foursomes. If we are unable to accommodate these requests, we will notify you in advance.

If you have any questions, please contact Brian Daly (847-467-1560 or brian.daly@northwestern.edu) or brian.daly@northwestern.edu. Spread the word in your community, and grow the outing. We look forward to seeing you on Chick Evans’ fairways later this month.

Run for Walk 2017

Registration is open for the sixth-annual Run For Walk, a 4.1 mile run and 5K family walk, which will be held Sunday, July 30 to honor former head football coach Randy Walker. The race once again will finish on Ryan Field and has been named by the Chicago Area Runner’s Association as a CARA Runners’ Choice Circuit event for 2017. The registration fee for the run or walk is $40 and includes a short-sleeved technical shirt and a ticket to a nonconference home football game. Northwestern students may register for $25. Children’s events will also take place, and registration is just $10.
Once again this year, the 5k family walk will continue and join the 4.1 mile run through Evanston's tree-lined streets, before participants finish on Ryan Field (while watching their achievement on the video board). The unique run distance harkens back to Randy's uniform number 41 during his collegiate playing days at Miami University. Additional event details can be found here. Questions should be directed to Katie Stankiewicz by email or by calling 847-467-3758.

Northwestern Sailing

Whether you are an experienced sailor looking to hone your skills, or have never set foot on a boat, the Sailing Center has something to offer you.

The entire Northwestern community and the general public may enjoy the Sailing Center’s easily accessible campus location, affordable membership rates, high-quality equipment, superb sailing location, spectacular views of Chicago, and a trained, helpful staff committed to providing an enjoyable and safe sailing experience for all guests. We are open to everyone!

Prospective sailors and windsurfers will enjoy learning from our friendly, experienced instructors who make lessons fun as well as educational. Seasoned skippers will appreciate our high-performance sailboats and sailboards. Get set for a great summer by letting us show you the thrill, relaxation, and enjoyment of sailing and windsurfing.

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