



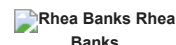
Fall 2016 Newsletter

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Message from the Chair

Greetings from NUSAC!



My name is Rhea Banks and it is my honor to serve as NUSAC Chair for the coming year. We have already hosted our first big event of the year, and have many more to come. I would like to start by thanking our outgoing chair, Tracey Gibson-Jackson for all of her hard work and dedication to the council. Additional thanks to Susan Corwith and Jonathan Greene, who completed six years of service to Northwestern staff. We also want to welcome our new members to the Council. They have hit the ground running and are eager to represent the staff as a whole.

Our School Supply Drive, which wrapped up in August was a huge success. We provided supplies to Marillac House, Holy Trinity Church, Y.O.U. Evanston and Supplies for Dreams. Continuing with our tradition of helping staff members, we also provided 30 children with supplies for the 2016 - 2017 academic year. The support of the Northwestern community is not only us on NUSAC, but to the families in Chicago and Evanston that benefit from your generous donations.

On September 10th, we hosted our 4th annual Staff Football Mixer against Illinois State. Hundreds of staff members and season ticket holders joined us on Walker Terrace where they were able to mingle, enjoy food and engage in activities such as face-painting. We are happy to see the continual growth of this event and we thank everyone for attending. We also thank Northwestern Athletics and Human Resources for their collaboration in this event.

In the coming year, we will continue to address staff concerns with senior administration, provide quality programming for staff and pass along information about leadership and development opportunities. The Health and Benefits fair is quickly approaching and we will also be sending details about our annual Holiday Drive soon. Keep an eye out for further communications and we look forward to seeing you at one of our upcoming events.

Please contact us with any questions, concerns or feedback and we wish you a very productive fall quarter!

Sincerely,

Rhea Banks
NUSAC Chair

Health & Benefit Fairs

Join NUSAC and many other internal and external organizations at the 2016 Health & Benefits Fairs this month. Held annually in Evanston (**10/18/16**) and Chicago (**10/11/16**), these fairs are a great opportunity to:

- Speak with staff from the Northwestern Benefits Division staff and partnering vendors, including our retirement investing and healthcare providers
- Pick up free giveaways and discount offers, and be entered to win great raffle prizes
- Get a flu shot (also free for staff!)
- Learn about services and professional development opportunities available to the Northwestern community

Stop by the NUSAC table to pick up some free swag, say hi to your favorite NUSAC members, and complete a brief survey to be entered into our raffle.

Details are available at: nurecreation.com/healthfair

Holiday Gift Drive

We will offer various ways for the Northwestern community to help families in need during the holiday season. In addition to adopting families, participants will be able to buy gifts online that can be sent directly to an individual organization or donate directly to the organization online.

Like last year, we will work with Infant Welfare Society, Marillac Social Center, and Family Focus. We will also have additional organizations to choose from this year.

More details about the drive will be sent via email in November.

4th Annual Staff Football Mixer



The annual fall NUSAC Staff Mixer is a great way for the community of Northwestern to come together. This year over 600 faculty, staff, and family members from across both campuses enjoyed the chance to mix and mingle on the Randy Walker Terrace while being treated to a tailgate style buffet before getting ready to cheer on the Wildcats vs Illinois State. NUSAC looks forward to many more great opportunities for staff, their families and friends, to enjoy football games.

This year's Staff Mixer was another great success and we hope many more faculty and staff join us next year!



Reminder: Open Enrollment This Month

Open Enrollment begins in October – keep an eye on your mail and email for all of the details. This is an important opportunity for all staff to review their benefit selections and make changes or re-enroll as needed. Please contact the HR Benefits Division with any questions at www.northwestern.edu/hr/benefits/

NUSAC Staff Activities Fairs

Many thanks to the organizations who participated in NUSAC's second biennial Staff Activities Fairs this summer, and to all staff who attended. We saw many great conversations and connections happening during these events. Stay tuned for more opportunities to learn about staff organizations at Northwestern.

School Supply Drive

As Rhea mentioned in her Message from the Chair, our Summer School Supply Drive was once again a great success! In addition to helping local community organizations that Rhea mentioned, we were able to provide backpacks filled with school supplies to NU staff member children who needed assistance.

Coffee with the President

Have you, or any of your colleagues, had a chance to attend a Coffee with the President? NUSAC works with the Office of Human Resources to randomly select a handful of current Northwestern staff to participate in these fun events. Each Coffee is an opportunity for a small number of staff to meet with President Schapiro in an informal setting to discuss anything from current events to staff challenges and concerns. It's a chance to network, get to know other NU staff, get to know President Schapiro, and learn more about how Northwestern operates.

The first Coffee of the new academic year will take place on Thursday, October 20, 2016 on the Chicago campus. There will be 5 additional Coffee dates between now and June 2017, on both the Chicago and Evanston campuses. If you'd like to learn more about the Coffee with the President events, please contact NUSAC via email at nusac@northwestern.edu

Wirtz Season Tickets 2016 - 2017

New this year, the Wirtz Center is excited to offer a special discounted rate for single tickets and subscriptions for all Northwestern Faculty and Staff to attend NU theatre productions at an even greater discount than in previous seasons!

Normally priced at \$148 for the General Public, Northwestern Faculty and Staff can subscribe the Wirtz Center mainstage season for just \$100! That's about \$14 per show!

Exclusive benefits include:

- FREE exchange privileges with no service charge
- Additional savings of 20% off single ticket prices
- No service charge on additional single ticket orders
- Early access to tickets to the Waa-Mu Show before the general onsale

In addition to the member benefits listed above, single tickets for faculty and staff are now \$20 for plays (reg. \$25) and \$25 for musicals (reg. \$30).

Hurry, the season begins October 14th with THE GREAT GATSBY in the Louis Theater! Subscribe today!

Call 847-491-7282, go online to www.communication.northwestern.edu/wirtz or visit the Box Office in the Ethel M. Barber Theater located at 30 Arts Circle Drive.

www.communication.northwestern.edu/tic/season.php

Email: wirtzcenter@northwestern.edu

One Book One Northwestern

One Book One Northwestern means staff, too! Staff are invited to participate in events surrounding this year's One Book One Northwestern selection, Nate Silver's [The Signal and the Noise: Why So Many Predictions Fail – But Some Don't](#), a "tour of modern prediction science, uncovering a surprising connection among humility, uncertainty, and good results."

Opportunities include:

- Go head-to-head with colleagues, students, and faculty in [NU Predicts](#) games featuring the presidential election, the Oscars, Northwestern sporting events, and more!
- Read the book and join an [official discussion](#) on the Evanston campus or hold your own any time

New events are being added every day. Sign up for the [One Book listserv](#) to get the latest information on programs that fit your interests and schedule.

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