

Student Support Services

“We could never learn to be brave and patient if there were only joy in the world.”
~ Helen Keller

Purdue University North Central

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- Mary Lute-Brown will be taking students on a campus visit on October 19. Mary and the students will be taking a tour of Purdue University in West Lafayette.
- TRIO Service Club is having a Winter Clothing Give-Away on October 29 in LSF 60. If you have any gently used winter clothing to donate, students can donate the items up until October 26. Please take the items to Mary’s office, LSF 63.
- Progress Reports will be sent out to professors for all of our sSs participants the week of October 8. Your file manager will be contacting you as soon as the progress reports are returned from the professor.
- sSs staff are offering a fun way to relax and have fun—FRANTIC FUN FRIDAYS! sSs has an assortment of board games, puzzles, etc. to get those problem solving skills working. Nick Mucha is our current Scrabble winner—he has outscored Mary and Jodi. **The dates for the Fall Frantic Fun Fridays are 1:00 -3:00 pm on October 12, October 26 and November 9 in LSF 28.**
- Program staff will be meeting individually with students on several special topics. Staff have decided to meet individually with students at a time convenient to both instead of scheduling group workshops. With student classes, work and home schedules so hectic, individual appointments seem to be more efficient for students and staff. Please see page 2 -3 for more information on the topics that staff are offering!

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GOOD—BYE TO GINNY

Ginny Borolov has been our program secretary for 7 years. Friday, October 5 is her last day in the office. Ginny has been hired as the new Social Sciences secretary and will begin her new position on Tuesday, October 9. Please stop in the office and say good-bye and then next week you can stop by her new office in SWRZ 203B.

Student Support Services will have a temporary secretary until a search is conducted to fill this position.

SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

Mary Lute-Brown has scholarship information for students to review. Start thinking about scholarships now and choose scholarships you may be interested in applying for. Christmas break is the perfect time to pull together applications, materials, transcripts, etc. Also, scholarship applications require letters of recommendations.

Mary can meet individually with students on writing letters of recommendations and what information to give to individuals you have asked to write those letters of recommendations! Please contact Mary at mlutebrown@pnc.edu or call her at 785-5367 to schedule an appointment to discuss scholarships.



Lisa Rosencranz (left) and Stephanie Britzke (right)

STAFF WORKSHOP INFORMATION

CREATING A POWERPOINT PRESENTATION— Whether you need help developing a power point presentation for a computer class or a group presentation in another course, Jodi will show you how to develop a professional and productive presentation.

Contact Jodi; jjames@pnc.edu

TIPS FOR TAKING AN ONLINE COURSE—Taking a class through the internet is a totally different experience than in the classroom. It sounds great to be able to take a course in your pj's, but it does take extra skills and great time management as well. Learn what it takes to be a successful student in the world of online courses.

Contact Jodi; jjames@pnc.edu

BETTER MONEY MANAGEMENT- Not enough money to cover all your living expenses? Gail will work individually with students to learn good money management skills, which will include: how to make a spending plan (budget) and avoiding common money mistakes. If you are having trouble balancing your budget, take another look at your spending to get your plan in shape!
Contact Gail; gbarker@pnc.edu

"Education is what survives when what has been learned has been forgotten." B.F. Skinner



TRIO Service Club donates toys to Bradley House

STRESS MANAGEMENT— Feeling stressed? During this one-on-one session, students will learn what causes stress and how to manage the stress in their lives. Some stress will always be part of our lives, but students can learn to manage it better and become more productive.

Contact Gail; gbarker@pnc.edu

JOURNALING WORKSHOP— We all need a place where we can express our thoughts, vent our emotions, and be able to go back and look at what we've written and reflect on how we have changed and grown.

Journals allow us to do that...they are a great tool for feeling better, but also for charting growth in our personal, school, and work lives.

Contact Mary; mlutebrown@pnc.edu

STUDENTS IN THE NEWS

- Agnes Campbell passed away in August. Agnes was just 2 classes away from receiving her BLS degree. On September 28, Purdue University Board of Trustees awarded the degree posthumously. A ceremony was held on October 3 in Chancellor Dworkin's office and Agnes' degree was given to her family.
- Congratulations to Lou Ann (Ramsey) Tuttle who was married in June. Lou Ann also had the opportunity to study abroad this summer.
- Congratulations to the following students who were inducted into Alpha Sigma Lambda
Jennifer Fase
James Joros
Connie Norberg
- If students have any information they would like to share, please let the staff know—we will include it in our next newsletter.



Lou Ann Tuttle, Antoinette Robinson

STAFF WORKSHOP INFORMATION

STUDY SKILLS—Study skills is offered on an individual basis or in small groups. Carol will help students identify their study habits/skills for areas of improvement. Note taking and test taking are among the various study skills that will be presented.

Contact Carol; ckurmis@pnc.edu

**PORTFOLIO/CAREER PLAN-
NING**—Carol will assist students in organizing artifacts to create a working and professional portfolio. Students will organize academic, social cultural, and extra-curricular artifacts to be used as needed /required for different interviewing opportunities.

Contact Carol; ckurmis@pnc.edu

LEADERSHIP STYLES

This leadership styles workshop will show students how to assess their leadership style and how to match it to the situation they are called to lead through a leadership style assessment.

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"When one door of happiness closes, another opens; but often we look so long at the closed door that we do not see the one that has opened for us." Helen Keller



*Double Rainbow;
picture take by Jeremy
Jeffries*

MORE WORKSHOP INFO

RESUME WORKSHOP—Resumes are a way to package ourselves in a professional and polished way. Resumes are also summaries of our work and educational experiences. Two types of workshops are available –you may schedule a general overview of what types of resumes, letters and documents are available,

as well as some general job-seeking etiquette. Students may schedule a meeting for starting a resume or if you just need assistance in fine-tuning your resume, letter, etc. Please let Mary know the type of workshop needed.

Contact Mary:
mlutebrown@pnc.edu

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION—Letters of recommendation are often required for scholarships and college applications. Students will learn what to provide to the recommender, some basic tips on etiquette in requesting a letter of recommendation, etc.

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sSs IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER.....

OCTOBER

8 - 9 *Fall Break*

12 *Tutor Meeting; 12:00—1:00 LSF 60
Frantic Fun Friday; 1:00—3:00 LSF 28*

26 *Tutor Meeting; 12:00—1:00 LSF 60
Frantic Fun Friday; 1:00– 3:00 LSF 28*

29 *TRIO Service Club Winter Clothing Give-Away; LSF 60*

NOVEMBER

9 *Tutor Meeting; 12:00—1:00 LSF 60
Frantic Fun Friday; 1:00– 3:00 LSF 28*

21 *Thanksgiving Holiday; No classes for Students*
22– 23 *Thanksgiving Holiday; Campus Closed*

Student Support Services, a Federal TRIO program, provides services to students through funding from the U.S. Department of Education.

If you know a student who may benefit from our services, please have them contact Gail Barker, Director, at (219) 785-5312 or gbarker@pnc.edu.

Student Support Services provides services to 195 students each year. To be eligible for our program, students must be a first generation college student; OR low income; OR have a documented disability AND have an academic need.

Student Support Services is currently accepting applications!



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