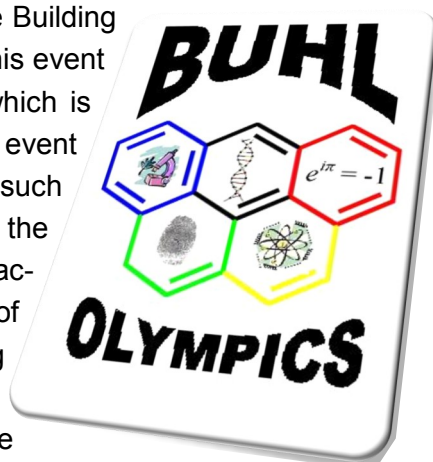


Buhl Olympics Coming Thursday, Mar. 25

At 4 pm, Thursday, March 25 be sure to be in the Atrium of the Buhl Science Building so you don't miss out on this year's annual Buhl Olympics event. Normally this event is held on "Pi Day," March 14, in honor of the mathematical constant π which is equal to 3.14. However, since this day fell on a Sunday we postponed the event until March 25. There will be many exciting events back by popular demand such as "Build the Molecule", "Soma Cube Puzzle", "Paper Airplane Throw" and the "Mentos/Coke Exploding Fountain!" The most demanded event, "Pie the Faculty," will be back with a new twist; only three lucky faculty will get the honor of being pied!! To ensure your favorite faculty get the honor, be sure to bring money to donate to the local women's shelter which will be the recipient of this year's fundraising efforts. There is also a new twist as prizes will be awarded this year not just for competition winners but also by luck of the draw!



Meet some of Chatham's Science Seniors



Melanie Ceraso will be graduating this spring with a B.S. in Biology and a minor in Italian Languages. "My future plans are to attend Perdue Veterinary School and practice Veterinary Medicine in companion animals (includes cats, dogs, and horses). My favorite memory of Chatham would have to be Buhl Olympics and dressing up in Eighties style workout clothes with a few other students. I still have faith that the fashion statement will become part of the tradition of Buhl Olympics."

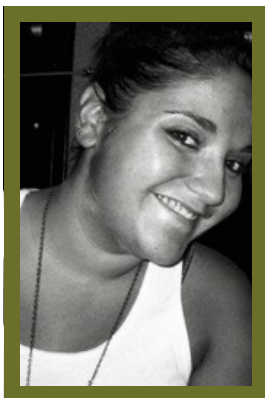
"My advice for future students: Follow your heart. You have to do what you love and if you have chosen a path that someone else has chosen for you then your education will be completely complicated and painful. Make sure that whatever you are studying, you love. Because in life and in your career, you will NEVER stop learning or studying. You will know when you found what makes you truly happy because you will look forward to everyday (well maybe not every-day, but the majority of them) that you have a chance to learn something new. AND FOR THE LOVE OF ALL THAT IS HOLY, STUDY ABROAD!! Leave your comfort zone, and don't worry, your friends will be there when you get back. TRUST ME."

"For my tutorial, I am analyzing lead content in dog toys (stay away from tennis balls)."

"What I would like to share with the science students and alumni...is how amazing I think they all are. It never fails to amaze me how unique, motivated, intelligent, and driven you all are. I am honored to be a part of the Chatham community and proud to be a part of the graduating class of 2010. We rock."

Chatham's Science Seniors (continued)

Kelly Clark will be graduating this spring with a B.S. in Exercise Science. Her future plans include attending Chatham's Graduate Physician Assistant Program In the Fall. When asked about her favorite memory of Chatham's science department, she responded; "Working on all the different Chem I and Chem II labs." Her advice to future students is to "learn time management.. it will help you in the long run." Her tutorial was done on the effects of exercise on self-assessed happiness.



Rebecca Cordell will be graduated this spring with a B.A. in Biology and a minor in Psychology. Her future plans include, "Finding a job!!! Along with paying off my loans." Her favorite Chatham memory: "The late night Chemistry review sessions with McNeil and Battle of the Classes."

"My tutorial is focused on the conductivity of the Nine Mile Run watershed after it was found that there were high concentrations of metals in the stream."

"My one-piece advice for students is to take full advantage of everything the faculty and staff have to offer you. They want success for you as much as you yourself want it."

"I just want to thank Dr. K for her guidance with my last two years at Chatham and Dr. Fisher for her inspiration, encouragement, and support to follow my gut feeling about travelling abroad."

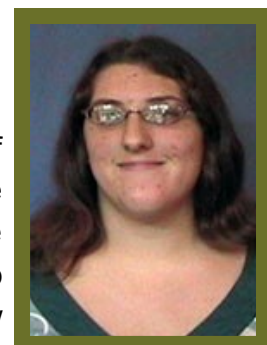
Veronica Leone will be graduating this spring with a B.S. in Biology and a minor in Forensic Science. She is originally from Ridgefield Park, New Jersey. She plans to return to her hometown after graduation and get a job in either the health or environmental fields.

When asked about her favorite memory she responded, "My favorite memory of the science department has to be when Dr. Rampolla was giving students money to pie him on Pi Day. Needless to say, by the end of it he was quite a sight to see. The science faculty always have the most fun. They make things explode, volunteer to get pied, put up giant swings in the Atrium, and all the while they teach us what we need to know and how to have fun doing what you love."

Her advice to future students: "Don't be afraid to test the waters: try a little of everything. If you come to college thinking you know exactly what you want to do for the rest of your life you may miss opportunities to discover other interests."

Veronica's "... tutorial is about the relationship between chronotype, whether a person is a morning or evening-type, and the effect this may have on academic performance. Also, I will be trying to determine if students use caffeine to counteract their own body's rhythms (i.e. a morning-type using caffeine to study at night). "

In closing she shared, "I have had a wonderful time at Chatham, and have called Buhl home since I first started here. Chatham has gone through many changes during my four years here, and I'm sure it will go through many more, but a part of me will always feel at home here. "



Exercise Science Club Activities



The Exercise Science Club is preparing a team for the 2010 Relay for Life to be held April 9-10 at the University of Pittsburgh. The Relay for Life is a national and international fundraiser for the American Cancer Society. Pennsylvania is an active participant. Last year over 200 events were held across the state and nearly \$20 million was raised from all of these events. The Exercise Science Club is hoping to raise \$500 for the American Cancer Society this year. The club is currently fundraising here at Chatham with a raffle for a basket of goodies during the week of March 22. On Thursday, March 25 the Exercise Science Club will hold a charity event to raise money for their team at TGI Friday's in Robinson Township.

Health Professional Symposium

What: Panel Discussion and Networking Reception
When: Thursday, March 25, 2010
Time: 6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Where: Chatham Eastside, 133



Have you ever considered a career as a Physician, Physical Therapist, Veterinarian, Physician Assistant, Occupational Therapist, Dentist, what about in Nursing?

Join us for a networking event designed for those thinking about or aspiring to healthcare careers. Gather important information regarding prerequisites for professional school and planning a successful career in specific health fields

Please RSVP no later than Thursday, March 18, 2010 by contacting Dr. Kelly Weixel by email kweixel@chatham.edu.

This event is sponsored by Academic Affairs, the PACE Center, and the Pre-Health Professional Program.

Scholarship Opportunities

2010 Priscilla Carney Jones Scholarship

This scholarship "... was established by Paul R. Jones in memory of his wife. It provides scholarships for female undergraduate majors in chemistry or related disciplines who are beginning their junior or senior year of study. Priscilla Carney Jones wished to have this scholarship established because of the difficulties she faced as a female chemist early in her career."

"The scholarship is a one-time award on the basis of both need and scholarship. The award amount is subject to available funding, but will be a minimum of \$1,500. The award is sent directly to the recipient's financial aid office and may be used for tuition, books, and lab fees."

Application deadline is May 1, 2010.

The 2010 Overcoming Challenges Award

"The Women Chemists Committee of the American Chemical Society established this award to recognize a woman undergraduate from a two-year or four-year institution for her efforts in overcoming hardship to achieve success in chemistry."

"One award is offered annually. The awardee receives a monetary prize of \$250 and up to \$1,000 for travel expenses to attend the fall ACS national meeting. The awardee is presented with a plaque and recognized at the WCC Luncheon at the fall meeting."

Application deadline is April 1, 2010.

For more information about these awards click on the link above or go to <http://www.acs.org/diversity> and click on "Awards & Recognition" in the left-hand column.

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