



Family & Friends Newsletter

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The Chatham Family & Friends Newsletter is a monthly e-newsletter sent to family & friends of students enrolled in Chatham College for Women at Chatham University.



Greeting Family & Friends,

We hope this time of year finds you well, as the leaves are starting to change and fall from the trees, and the temperature begins to drop. You will find for a lot of students, this time of year also involves some changes for them as they are preparing for mid-term exams and getting anxious for the holiday season.

You will notice this month's newsletter has a new face, but still includes much of the same important information for you and your student. Be sure to pay attention to particular dates your daughter should be aware of for advising and registration, as well as check out the activities calendar to see what fun events are still coming up this fall semester.

We hope to see many of you this weekend for Family & Friends weekend!

Sincerely,
The Students Affairs Staff



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CFFA

The CFFA is a volunteer organization that exists to promote goodwill and communication between the University and the parents and families of Chatham students. The association's goals are to keep parents informed about the University and to engage parents and family members in activities that will enhance and heighten the educational



Thanksgiving Host a Student Program

Thanksgiving Day is quickly approaching and we have many students who might not be able to return home for the holiday. We are excited to again offer

our Thanksgiving Host a Student Program and open it up to local Chatham Families. Through this program students can be matched with Chatham faculty, staff, community members or other students and their families who are willing to open their homes and celebrate together with these Chatham students.

We need your help! We are looking for Chatham family members to volunteer as hosts! To participate in the program, you must be willing to host a minimum of two students at your Thanksgiving Day Celebration. Students will be matched in groups of 2 or more. This is a great opportunity for Chatham families and students to showcase your hospitality and share your traditions with other students.



If you are able to participate in this program, please reply to cffa@chatham.edu by **Friday, November 4th** with your name, phone number, and numbers of students you are willing to host. Students will be matched by Friday, November 11th to give you an opportunity to connect with the students before the holiday.

If you have a student who would like to be matched, please also respond to cffa@chatham.edu.

What Your Student Should Be Paying Attention To

Advising & Registration for Spring 2012:

October 24, 2011 - Advising for the Spring 2012 semester begins. Students must plan to meet with their academic advisors to review their academic record, discuss their schedules and have them cleared by their advisor before registering for classes.

In order to participate in the registration process your student's account **MUST** be paid-in-full or current (if enrolled in a payment plan program or recently billed). If her account is not paid-in-full or current, she will be placed on a financial hold and will not be permitted to register for classes.



Financial Due Dates:

November 15, 2011 - All balances must be paid in full for anyone recently billed or those enrolled in the Tuition Installment Program.

December 15, 2011 - Tuition payment due date for Spring 2012. All students need to be financially cleared by this date. Invoices will be mailed at the end of November.

New Online Transcript Ordering System

In accordance with Chatham University's mission of sustainability and the environment, the Registrar's Office has partnered with SCRIP-SAFE International to provide 24/7 online transcript ordering. Students can choose

experience, reputation, and future of the University.



Follow Dean Waite's blog to hear her different views of issues each month, as well as get connected to Returning Student E-News and the Student Connections Newsletter.



Family & Friends Weekend



This year's Family & Friends Weekend will feature Breakfast and Bellinis with the President, Chatham's traditional Harvest Fun Fest, a local wine cocktail hour and organic dinner, and so much more! Join in the fun of a weekend filled with tradition, opportunities to meet your daughter's faculty and administration, and Cougar spirit in athletic events!

Questions? Contact cffa@chatham.edu or 412-365-1323

It's not too late to register:

to have their official transcript securely delivered electronically or have a hard copy mailed. Secure electronic delivery is the preferred method of delivery, as it is faster and is able to be tracked. Chatham University charges \$3.00 per transcript and SCRIP-SAFE International charges a \$3.00 processing fee for each recipient, regardless of delivery method.

If you have any questions regarding the new transcript ordering system, please contact the Registrar's Office at 412-365-2963 or registrar@chatham.edu

College Spending 101

Sending a child off to college offers a boatload of challenges: the up-and-down emotions of an emptying nest, worries about literally and figuratively making the grade, and the shock of everything new.

But as anyone writing big checks to any University knows, the big issue is money. Specifically, how to make it last. And that's one worry parents and children generally share.

For many young people, college marks the first time that they must handle their own budgets, often with little direct oversight from the parental units.

Read about how other parents are teaching time management and making deals with their student to encourage smart financing.

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To kick off the Year of Southeast Asia - Vietnam, Chatham welcomed Mr. Nguyen Quoc Cuong, the Ambassador of Vietnam to the United States, to campus on Oct. 6. Chatham conferred an Honorary Doctorate of Public Service on the ambassador during his visit.

Ambassador Nguyen Quoc Cuong is a career diplomat with vast experience in foreign affairs. He was appointed by President Nguyen Minh Triet as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam to the United States of America in early 2011.

For more information on Global Focus programming, visit the [Global Focus Events page online.](#)

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Thanksgiving Break
Nov. 23-27, 2011

Last Day of Classes
Dec. 12, 2011

Reading Day
Dec. 13, 2011

Final Exams
Dec. 14-17, 2011



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