

**College of Communications** 

# Monday Memo August 24, 2015

## Calendar

August 24:	Fall Semester Begins
August 30:	GSIC Fall Picnic, 1 p.m., Circleville Park
August 30:	Curley Center Welcome Back Picnic, 3 p.m., North Beaver Pavilions
September 3:	Comm Involvement Fair, 4 p.m., Heritage Hall
September 14-17:	Digital Media Week
September 16:	Faculty Meeting, 5 p.m., Nittany Lion Inn
September 18:	Welcome Back Reception, 12 p.m., Carnegie Building Lawn
September 28:	Pockrass Memorial Lecture, 5 p.m., Foster Auditorium
October 11:	Donor Dinner, 5 p.m., Penn Stater

### **Faculty & Staff News**

**John Sanchez** is the winner of the 2015-16 Schreyer Honors College Excellence in Teaching Award. The award is presented annually to an honors faculty member who has been nominated by their students for extraordinary teaching.

#### **Publication**

Frank Dardis, Mike Schmierbach, Lee Ahern, Julia Fraustino, Saraswathi Bellur, Sean Brooks and Jared Johnson. "Effects of In-Game Virtual Direct Experience (VDE) on Reactions to Real-World Brands." *Journal of Promotion Management*, 21, no. 3 (2015): 313-334.

## **Student Achievements**

Students in the college earned three nominations for Mid-Atlantic Emmy Awards. **The Centre County Report** was nominated for in the College Newscast category. **In the Game** was nominated in the College Long Form Non-Fiction category. **Zach Rickens** and **Meaghan Caffrey** were nominated for their story, "Making a Splash."

#### Alumni

Emma Epstein ('15 Ad/PR) is a project manager at Tag Worldwide.

Shannon Gethard ('15 Journ) is an instructional developer for Dish Network.

Danielle Sampsell ('15 Ad/PR) is a staff associate at McNeely Pigott & Fox Public Relations.