

**College of Communications** 

# Monday Memo September 1, 2014

Calendar

September 12:	Ice Cream Social
September 13:	GSIC Fall Picnic
September 18:	Donor & Scholar Recognition Dinner
September 24:	Faculty Meeting
October 4:	College of Communications Open House
October 6:	Pockrass Lecture
October 7-8:	Foster-Foreman Conference of Distinguished Writers
October 21:	Ben Bronstein Lecture in Ethics and Public Relations
November 14-21:	Global Entrepreneurship Week

#### Announcements

The deadline to submit Spring semester textbook orders is September 1. Everyone should review their spring course schedule at http://soc.our.psu.edu and then submit textbook requests directly to FacultyEnlight at https://www.facultyenlight.com.

The annual GSIC fall picnic will be on Saturday, September 13 at 4:30 p.m. All graduate students, faculty and staff are invited. Please bring a dish to share. Families and/or significant others are welcomed. The picnic will be held at Holmes-Foster Park, 901 Westerly Parkway.

# **Faculty & Staff News**

**Bob Richards** filed an amicus curiae brief in the U.S. Supreme Court in the First Amendment case of *Elonis v. United States.* During the summer, he appeared on CNN and National Public Radio to discuss the merits of the case.

The National Science Foundation has awarded a grant of \$262,383 to **S. Shyam Sundar** and Mary Beth Rosson, Interim Dean of the College of Information, Science and Technology, for a study exploring heuristics and designing interface cues to understand online disclosure of private information. The study team includes graduate students **Yan Huang**, **Frank Waddell**, **Fan Yang** and **Bo Zhang**.

## **Student Achievements**

Work by students who covered the Croke Park Classic between Penn State and the University of Central Florida can be seen on the ComMedia site. http://commedia.psu.edu/special-coverage/topic/ireland

## Alumni

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