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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