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WVU Tailgate

When:

Thursday, October 1

Where:

Elizabeth Moore Hall

Time:

11:30 AM- 1:30 PM

There will be LOTS of **FREE FOOD**, including grilled hot dogs, chips, and soda! From your survey responses, I know how much you all enjoy free food. And there will be plenty of activities and games. We'll have everything from Wii to corn hole! Did I mention there will also plenty **DOOR PRIZES** and free stuff?

This event is designed with the commuter in mind, so stop by between your classes to hang out and enjoy a free lunch while preparing to cheer on the Mountaineers! You never know; you may even win an awesome prize!

October Commuter Events

Monday, October 26: Movie 'n Dinner @ Hollywood Theater & Texas Roadhouse

We are switching things up a little bit this month! Instead of our usual Dinner 'n Bowling event, we are going to try **Movie 'n Dinner**. We will meet at Hollywood Theatre (University Town Centre) at 6:45 PM. For this event we are allowing you to see whatever movie you would like to. **Tickets will be available at a discounted rate of \$3!** Following the movie, we will be going to Texas Roadhouse for half price appetizers. Stay informed about this event by checking our Facebook fan page (WVU Commuters Class of 2013) and group (WVU Commuters!). Also, our events are ALWAYS posted on our amazing website (studentlife.wvu.edu/commuter).

Friday, October 9: Commuter Picnic @ Krepps Park ---Bring your Dog!

The warm weather isn't going to last much longer, so let's take advantage while we can! Meet us at **Krepps Park** (off Patteson Drive) from 2:30-5:30 PM for an outdoor picnic! We will provide drinks and some homemade food, and we urge you to **bring a covered dish** to show off your amazing cooking skills. Not only will there be good food, but we will have awesome activities as well. Also, we are encouraging commuters to bring their dogs since the dog park is located behind the pavilion (my dogs Bentley and Hank will be there). Also, feel free to bring any outdoor games that you may have!

Directions to Krepps: @ WVU Creative Arts Center, turn **RIGHT** onto **Patteson Drive** and make your first **LEFT** onto **Laurel St** (it's beside a church) and the park is located on the left. Check out www.boparc.org for more info on Krepps Park!

Wednesday, October 28: Halloween Party

Join us from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM in the Commuter Lounge for FOOD and horror movies!



More events may be added later, so stay INFORMED by checking our Facebook pages, the bulletin board in the lounge, and our website: www.studentlife.wvu.edu/commuter

Join Our Commuter Committee

One of our goals of Commuter Student Programs is to get you involved, so Brian and Morgan need your help! We are forming a committee of commuters, from lounge veterans to new freshmen. We will meet twice a month in the lounge to discuss any commuter issues and help plan future events. **This program is designed for YOU and is for your BENEFIT and in order to make the most of your college experience you need to get involved!**

If this is something that interests you, please email Morgan or Brian at:

morgan.sharpless@mail.wvu.edu or

brian.walker@mail.wvu.edu.

Or feel free to stop by our offices located in E. Moore.

Midterms ALREADY?

Believe it or not, mid-semester is October 9. It feels like we JUST started school and already it's midterm time. This particular time can be very stressful for students. If you are looking to get some extra help, worried about losing scholarships, or need to add or drop a class, the Mid-Semester Help Center is the perfect place for you! It is a one stop shop where students can address all of their midterm needs.

The help center will be held on **Monday, October 19th** at two convenient locations:

Mountainlair @ 9AM – 3PM

Student Rec Center @ 4PM – 7PM

Commuters STAY Connected

Become a fan of:

WVU Commuters Class of 2013

or join our group: **WVU Commuters!**



Don't use Facebook? Not a problem; **give us your email address** to be put on our listserv. We can contact you regarding any commuter event or issue! Write your name and email address on the sign up sheet located in the lounge on the bulletin board or email Morgan at: morgan.sharpless@mail.wvu.edu to be put on the list!

Ways to Save \$\$\$

- Sometimes being a commuter is rough.
- You have the dilemma of figuring out how to fill those rumbling tummies of yours.
- Students in the residence halls have their meal plans, while you are stuck either
- packing your lunch or spending your paychecks in the Mountainlair food court.

Well, there are a few ways for you guys to save when dining out in Morgantown. I invested my hard-earned cash in **The RubberU**. It's a little rubber wristband that you can flash to save cash when eating at any of the participating locations--more than 20 restaurants! The RubberU can be purchased at The Den on Willey Street for \$10. Check out the website for all of the different places to save at:

▪ www.therubberu.com

Another way to save money is to check out the website below for amazing coupons. I printed some of these coupons and posted them on the bulletin board in the lounge for you all to enjoy!

▪ www.campusspecial.com



Fall Family Weekend October 2-4

With the fall semester nearing its halfway point, now is the time to invite our families to WVU for Fall Family Weekend sponsored by the Mountaineer Parents Club. Kick off the weekend events by attending the Colorado (October 1) Thursday night football game with your parents. Throughout the weekend, there will be a variety of activities and events you and your parents can enjoy. Make sure you check out the website for a complete list of events that you won't want to miss!

<http://familyweekend.wvu.edu>

Lookin' for Adventure Part II...

The Rec has several outdoor trips planned for this month. Check them out!

Oct. 4 – Canoe Day Trip . Explore a beautiful local river or lake and learn the basics of canoeing. Low physical difficulty. Beginner skill level. Cost \$20.

Oct. 10-11 – Backpack Seneca Creek. Perfect fall color trip. This backcountry area includes windswept high mountains, waterfalls and majestic forests. Medium physical difficulty. Beginner skill level. Cost \$40.

Oct. 11 -Whitewater Day Trip (ASCI or Cheat Narrows). Learn basics of inflatable kayaking. The trip will be on either the Cheat Narrows (class II-III) or the new whitewater course at ASCI (Deep Creek, Maryland). Medium physical difficulty. Beginner skill level. Cost \$40.

Oct. 18 -Climbing Day Trip. If you have never climbed and want to try, this is your chance. Learn some knots, basic gear and techniques at the local crag. Medium physical difficulty. Beginner skill level. Cost \$15.

Oct. 25 – WVU High Ropes Course. Experience the new and thrilling high elements at the WVU Forest. We will try out the Alpine Tower and the Giant Swing. Medium physical difficulty. Beginner skill level. Register by Oct. 17. Cost \$30

Register for trips at Outdoor Recreation by calling **293-2203** or **293-5076** or email WVUOutdoorTrips@mail.wvu.edu.



ATTENTION STUDENTS:

New York City Trip



*Sponsored by the
Sophomore/Junior
Year Experience*

When: **Saturday November 15-Sunday
November 16**

Cost: \$75.00 (charged to your student
account)

Cost includes a hotel stay (The Embassy Suites in Secaucus, NJ, close to NYC with transportation into the city); two breakfasts; and transportation to and from NYC.

**To sign up, visit Student Affairs on the 2nd floor
of E. Moore Hall!**

Call for information (293-5811) or email
Vicky at victoria.oster@mail.wvu.edu or Anthony at
anthony.doyle@mail.wvu.edu

SEASONAL Flu Vaccines:

On Tuesday, October 6,
flu vaccinations are being
given at the Student
Recreation Center
from 3:00 PM to 7:00 PM.
The vaccines are FREE
while supplies last!



A Quiet Place to Study

Is the Commuter Lounge a little
too loud and crazy for you to
study? Just walk next door to
E. Moore Hall. E. Moore has
a very large lounge with a living
room setting that is always quiet. You can
even check out laptops, and print your papers
with money on your Mountie Bounty. E.
Moore is also the location of Brian and
Morgan's offices! So next time you are
studying for that big exam, check out E.
Moore Hall!



When to Request Your WVU Football Tickets

It can be hard to keep track of when to submit your request for a football ticket, so below are the list of home games with the request dates and times!

Thursday, October 01, Colorado: 12:01 AM, September. 25

Saturday, October 17, Marshall: 12:01 AM, October 11

Saturday, October 24, Connecticut: 12:01 AM, October 18

Saturday, November 07, Louisville: 12:01 AM, November 1

Friday, November 27, Pitt: 12:01 AM, November 15
(This one is earlier due to the Thanksgiving holiday.)



Registration is at <http://www.wvugame.com/>

COMMUTER REMINDER: The coliseum has limited parking on the Friday before every Saturday home football game!

All-American Rejects & Taking Back Sunday Concert

On Wednesday, **November 4 at 7:30 PM**, **The All-American Rejects and Taking Back Sunday** will be performing at the Coliseum.

Tickets will be \$22 for floor seats and \$17 for cushion seats with a valid WVU student ID.

Tickets can be purchased at the Mountainlair Box Office; Ticketmaster Outlets; Giant Eagle on Greenbag Road; FYE at the Meadowbrook Mall in Bridgeport, WV; or by visiting www.ticketmaster.com



THANKS!

Thank you to all of the commuters who donated or volunteered at our blood drive! We really appreciate all of your help!

Think Spring.....BREAK!

It's never too early to start thinking about your plans for spring break. The time will be here before you know it!

Student Affairs is offering a Spring Break Study Abroad program. You can choose from a Central European Adventure, a Greek Odyssey, Exploring Mexico, an Arabian Adventure, and a trip to Italy, while earning four credit hours. Trips will depart on Friday, March 26 and return on Sunday, April 4. A non-refundable \$500 deposit is being accepted now on a first-come, first-served basis. The approximate cost is \$2,500, and financial aid is available to those who qualify.

For more information:

Contact Emily.Kayser@mail.wvu.edu

or visit the website at

http://studentaffairs.wvu.edu/study_abroad



Diversity Week

During the week of **October 18-24**, events and activities will take place all across campus celebrating diversity! There are 40 events taking place throughout the week. Listed below are a few of the events:

Monday, October 19: 10AM-5PM:

International Festival in the Mountainlair Ballrooms

Tuesday, October 20: 3PM:

"Naughty Neighbors: What NOT To Do" in the Mountainlair Rhododendron Room

Wednesday, October 21: 10AM-

2PM: **"Inclusive Art across Cultures" in front of the Mountainlair**

Thursday, October 22: 11AM-2PM **"Diversity Fair" in the Health Sciences Commons**

For the complete list of events check out the website:

http://socialjustice.wvu.edu/news_and_events/diversity_week_2009



Morgan's dog Bentley is rockin' his Halloween costume! The year before he was a hot dog, but a few days after Halloween he ate the costume.