

# The University of Scranton COMMUTER CONNECTION

February 14, 2012



## Commuter Luncheon Series

Learn about how you can make the most out of your time at The University of Scranton while enjoying a complimentary lunch! Join the Commuter Senators as they invite student groups and offices to discuss programs and activities offered to students.

Retreat opportunities sponsored by [University Ministries](#) will be featured at the first lunch event on February 29th. Student retreat leaders will discuss the various retreats that are offered, at little to no cost to students, and share their experience as both participants and leaders. Join us for lunch on February 29, 2012 from 12-1pm in DeNaples Room 214 to learn about the retreat experience! For questions or to RSVP email Commuter Senator, Hayden Strickland ([hayden.strickland@scranton.edu](mailto:hayden.strickland@scranton.edu)).

## Commuter Lockers Available

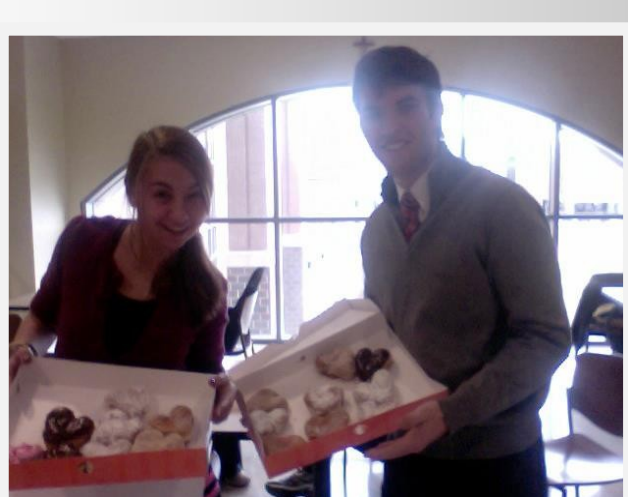
Sick of lugging your heavy textbooks around campus? Want a place to store your lab goggles? Commuter student lockers are located next to the first floor entrance of The DeNaples Center and are available for commuter students to sign out for the semester. Students are responsible for providing their own lock and must sign out lockers before use in the Commuter and Off Campus Student Affairs Office, located in TDC 205C.

## CSA Meeting Notes

By: Saghar Helen Akhondi

The Commuter Student Association held the first meeting of the semester on February 9th and we're happy to report the spring semester calendar of events is finalized. While reviewing last semester's initiatives, we realized that our group had an abundance of great ideas last semester, but as a new student group it was difficult making them all a reality. The goal of the CSA for this semester is to focus our energy on a few select projects and get as many commuter students involved as possible. Upcoming events include themed coffee hours, local travel events (such as bowling or movies), commuter topic luncheons, and Commuter Appreciation Week (taking place in mid-April).

In addition to a great CSA meeting and pizza, a competitive game of Apples to Apples was played. Bryan Elman was named the winner and Sara Brezinski was runner up. We hope to see many commuters are our events and welcome all to attend our next CSA meeting on February 23rd at 5pm in DeNaples Center Room 214!



CSA Members Sara Brezinski and Hayden Strickland at the Commuter Coffee Hour on February 14th. Next Coffee Hour is on March 9th!

## CSA Meeting Schedule

DeNaples Center  
Room 214  
5pm

February 23rd

March 8th

March 22nd

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## University of Scranton Office Spotlight Center For Teaching and Learning Excellence

Did you know that during the last academic year more than 2000 University of Scranton students worked with a tutor and over 1900 writing consultations took place? The Center for Teaching and Learning Excellence ([CTLE](#)), located in St. Thomas Hall, provides students a variety of academic support resources such as tutoring, writing consultations, reading services, online tutorials and information for students with disabilities. Students with academic support questions are encouraged to visit the CTLE office or [website](#) for more information.

## Noteworthy University Events

### USPB and Late Night Events:

2/15 Holy Guacamole – 8:00PM – DeNaples Center 407

2/16 USPB Comedy: Ron G. – 8:00PM – Moskovitz Theater DeNaples Center

2/17/2012 - Winter White Out Party - Collegiate (Redington Hall) 10PM - midnight. Come join the fun with a black light party... food, free t-shirts, music all night, and all the fun you can handle.

2/24/2012 - Late Night Movie featuring Twilight: Breaking Dawn Part 1 - The DeNaples Theatre 9PM - 11:30PM. Enjoy the continuing Twilight saga as view the first part of a two part finale to the famous novel series. Snacks available. Co-presented with USPB.

2/29 USPB Comedy: Drew Thomas – 8:00PM – Moskovitz theater DeNaples Center

## Electric City Quidditch



### Registration for Spring 2012 Feb 8th, 15th and 22nd South Side Sports Complex 4:30-6:00pm

- Season runs Wed & Fri
  - Mar 7<sup>th</sup> through May 9<sup>th</sup>.
  - High School division 4:00pm
  - College/Adult division 6:00pm
  - Cost per player \$14
  - All teams Co-Ed
- All Skill Level Welcome! For more info contact - [black4@scranton.edu](mailto:black4@scranton.edu)

## JKWC Spring Organizational Meeting

7pm-8pm, DeNaples 405

Need service learning? Looking to get involved on campus? Join the Jane Kopas Women's Center!

Come to our Organizational Meeting to learn about volunteer opportunities, meet new friends, and sign up to start your service learning!

Major projects during the spring semester includes National Eating Disorder Awareness week and

Take Back the Night; an evening to raise awareness and call an end to gender based violence.

For more information, please contact [Joanne.Nashi@Scranton.edu](mailto:Joanne.Nashi@Scranton.edu) or visit [Scranton.edu/JKWC](http://Scranton.edu/JKWC)

## Register for The IGNITE Leadership Conference– February 18th

The IGNITE - Leadership Conference is a half-day leadership conference, held on February 18th, during which students from across the Northeast Pennsylvania region come together to develop their leadership skills and network with fellow student leaders. The purpose of the IGNITE - Leadership Conference is to encourage you to engage yourself in new experiences that challenge you to develop as a leader. The presentations, keynotes, and small group meetings will provide you with the tools you need to succeed as a leader. This is an opportunity to meet new people and learn from their experiences as well as share your own knowledge and experiences with others. Potential topics may include: Communication, Effective Decision Making, Social Media Management, Shopping for Graduate Schools, How to Develop Powerful Presentations, Motivation, Achieving Balance, Dealing with Difference, Multitasking and Self Awareness. Learn more about the conference or register today by visiting the [Center for Student Engagement website](#).

## Join the Scranton Peer Education Team!

Apply online at [www.scranton.edu/chew](http://www.scranton.edu/chew) or at the Center for Health Education and Wellness to become a Peer Educator. Applications are available now to join one of the seven peer education teams: nutrition, physical activity, tobacco, mental health, HIV/AIDS & STIs, late night programming, and alcohol and drug prevention. Please stop by the office (DeNaples 205k), visit the CHEW website, or call us at 941-4253 for more information.