

STUDENT ACTIVITIES & LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS (SALP)

IMPORTANT DATES

- **January 19: MLK Day (WMU Closed)**
- **January 21: Council President's Roundtable, 9PM BC**
- **Mid-February: Golden Bronco Nominations Forms**
- **March: Spring into the Streets**

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# RSO Info.



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## Welcome Michael Couch!

SALP is happy to welcome Michael Couch to the position of Fraternity/Sorority Life Graduate Assistant. Michael officially joined SALP on November 17. You're invited to stop by his office (1116 Faunce) to introduce yourself.

Michael Couch was born and raised in Grand Rapids, Michigan. While completing his Bachelor's of Science in Physical Education with a minor in Geography at Grand Valley State University, he had a fantastic experience working in Student Activities and Greek life.

He is a very proud member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Incorporated. Michael is currently a Master's candidate here at WMU in the Higher Education and Student Affairs Leadership program. He chose the field of Student Affairs because of his experiences with Greek life and Student Activities were so enjoyable he did not want to leave. He decided to find a job where he could have fun in a college setting and help students like himself.

Michael truly feels that he can be an asset to the WMU community because of his experience being Greek and because of the different background and University perspective he brings with him. Lastly, he looks forward to meeting and working with all the groups in some way, shape, or form and is here to help out in any way he can.

## And the winner is...

Step aside Oscar, it's Golden Bronco season. Your organization has done some amazing things during the year that are worthy of praise and recognition from the Student Activities and Leadership Programs Office. Last year, over 50 organizations submitted nominations for the following award categories and were individually recognized at a hot appetizer reception in April.

- RSO Website of the Year
- RSO Advisor of the Year
- RSO of the Year
- Student Leader of the Year
- Outstanding RSO for Community Involvement
- Best New RSO
- Most Committed to Diversity



Nomination forms will be e-mailed to your RSO Account and posted on the SALP Homepage in mid-February. This is your year to take home the Golden Bronco!

## Spring into the Streets

Volunteer Services is holding a large service event called Spring Into the Streets. This presents an opportunity for the campus community to give back to Kalamazoo and the surrounding areas that give so much to students at WMU. We will have students perform hours of community service doing things like neighborhood clean up, working at a shelter, working with children, etc. We want WMU students to feel the joy of giving back while learning why service is so important in the communities in which we live. Volunteer information and forms will be available at [www.salp.wmich.edu](http://www.salp.wmich.edu) in late January, so check the SALP homepage periodically!



## Screening of Movies on Campus

Showing a popular film or movie for a RSO event is a great way to attract more students to your organization. Before you reserve your room; pop the popcorn; crack open the can of soda, have you secured the rights to show the featured film? Here are the in's and out's of public screenings of copyrighted materials:

The Federal Copyright Act (Title 17 of the United States Code) governs how copyrighted materials, such as movies, may be used. Neither the rental nor the purchase of a video tape or DVD carries with it the right to show the movie outside the home. The **only** exception to this law is when the movie is shown for educational/instructional purposes, typically in a classroom setting. Non-classroom use of a film at schools and universities require a public performance license. This legal requirement applies regardless of whether an admission fee is charged.

Depending on the film, there may be a fee associated with the public performance license. The license agreement may contain a variety of restrictions, including specific dates for which the license is applicable, number of screenings covered under the license and types of publicity allowed. Be sure to understand the terms of the contract fully before signing the license agreement.

For a film shown in a non-classroom setting, permission must be obtained from the film's distributor, who holds the rights to the film. Permission is needed in the following situations:

- Anytime the film is shown in a public University space
- When publicity is used to invite audience to the showing (this includes mass e-mails, letters, flyers, web postings, etc.)
- When admission is charged for the showing of the film

Securing permission for showing a film is relatively easy. Most mainstream films that are distributed for non-commercial use come from one of two main distributors:

### **SWANK Motional Pictures, Inc**

[www.swank.com](http://www.swank.com)

(800) 876-5577

### **Criterion**

[www.criterionpic.com](http://www.criterionpic.com)

(800) 890-9494

A film's distributor and contact information can also be found through a Web search or use of WMU Library resources. A good place to start is the Internet Movie Database. Go to [www.imdb.com](http://www.imdb.com), search on the name of the film, go to Company Credits and look up Distribution. You may also contact WMU's Visual Resources Library at (269) 387-4111.

Questions about film screenings on campus may be directed to Student Activities and Leadership Programs at (269) 387-2115 or the Office of University Relations at (269) 387-8400.



## Financial Managers Workshops

Topics covered:

- \*Forms & University Accounts
- \*Checking Balances Online
- \*University Account Policies & Procedures

### January

20th: 11:00 AM-noon

### February

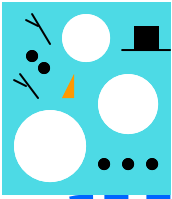
3rd: 2:00-3:00 PM  
19th: 10:00-11:00 AM

### March

23rd: 11:00 AM-noon  
24th: 11:00 AM-noon

Location: DOSA Classroom (2310 Faunce)

To reserve your spot, e-mail Katie Smith, RSO Financial Advisor, [salp-rsofinances@wmich.edu](mailto:salp-rsofinances@wmich.edu).



# Let's Build Something Together

Check out what these RSOs are doing on and around campus as the spring semester gets underway. Get involved in some of their events. They are always looking for energetic students to assist or just to participate!

## Kappa Delta Pi

International Honors Society for Educators Orientation

Date: January 14  
Time: 8:15– 8:45 PM  
Location: 204 Bernhard Center

Come hear the benefits, requirements, and interesting facts about the Educational Honors Society. Kappa Delta Pi will accept members who meet the requirements of a 3.0 GPA, 30 credit hours completed (minimum of 12 credit hours related to education). Anyone interested in the education field is welcome to attend this orientation session.

All questions should be directed to Alysha:  
alysha.j.bartz@wmich.edu

## Organization of Students with Disabilities

First Meeting

Date: Every Tuesday night starting January 13  
Time: 8:00– 9:00 PM  
Location: 205 Bernhard Center

The Organization of Students with Disabilities is a new service based RSO on the campus. It welcomes students with every type of disability and even those who are without a disability. Each meeting hopes to fulfill three goals: 1. Provide a gathering place for students with disabilities to socialize, support each other, and to learn from one another. 2. Provide a location where students without disabilities can learn about disabilities in a fun and informal atmosphere. 3. Serve as the base of operations for the planning of community service projects that represent the organization's motto of "Awareness through Service".

For more information please e-mail [rso\\_osd@wmich.edu](mailto:rso_osd@wmich.edu).

## Womyns Equality

Vagina Monologues

Date: February 6 & 8  
Time: 8:00 PM  
Location: WMU's Dalton Recital Hall  
Cost: \$5 General Admission

This famous play is preformed by WMU students and members of Womyns Equality. Join us for a funny and emotional night. A great play to see for all genders.

## Student Alumni Association

Diversity Discussion w/ WMU Alumni during the MLK Era

Date: January 20  
Time: 7:00-9:00 PM  
Location: 210 Bernhard Center  
Refreshments provided

WMU alumni panelists will engage students in an educational and interactive discussion about life during the time of Dr. King.

Professional Development Day

Date: February 23  
Time: 7:00-9:00 PM  
Location: 205 Bernhard Center

Learn how to build your resume, practice interviewing, and other skills necessary to enhance your professional development...and have some fun while doing it!

For additional information on either SAA events, contact Claire: [claire.e.blanchard@wmich.edu](mailto:claire.e.blanchard@wmich.edu).

## Public Relations Organization

Presentation by Rick Chambers, Director of Worldwide Communications for Pfizer Corp.

Date: January 27  
Time: 7:00 PM  
Location: 157 Bernhard Center

Mr. Chambers will present his knowledge of the communications field and provide a question and answer forum for interested Communication, Marketing, Journalism, and Public Relations students.

Public Relations Writing Workshop

Date: January 28  
Time: 7:00 PM  
Location: 204 Bernhard Center

PRO's e-board members will conduct a workshop on all types of writing components that are necessary in the field of Communications.

Direct questions to [kellie.l.davis@wmich.edu](mailto:kellie.l.davis@wmich.edu).

## Western Student Association

### Open Forum with Dr. Dunn

Date: February 18  
Time: 6:30 PM  
Location: 157 Bernhard Center

This is your opportunity as a student to directly ask the president questions about WMU. This forum is open to the public.

### WSA & GSAC Welcome Firoozeh Dumas

Date: February 26  
Time: 6:00-9:00 PM  
Location: TBA

Firoozeh Dumas is the bestselling author of Funny in Farsi: A Memoir of Growing Up Iranian in America. This program will include appetizers, a speech, a question and answer period, and a possible book signing.

All questions should be directed to the WSA Public Relations Chair: [wsapublicrelations@wmich.edu](mailto:wsapublicrelations@wmich.edu).

## Delta Sigma Pi

### Calendar of Events

Event: Starbucks & WMU Hockey Game  
Date: January 16  
Time: 6:00 PM  
Location: Starbucks on Stadium and Lawson Arena

Event: Professional Event with Target  
Date: January 20  
Time: 9:00 PM  
Location: 1135 Schneider Hall

Event: Meet the Chapter  
Date: January 21  
Time: 7:00 PM  
Location: 1140 Schneider Hall

Event: Professional Event with Northwestern Mutual  
Date: January 27  
Time: 5:00-6:00 PM  
Location: 1330 Schneider Hall

Event: Pizza at Waldo's Tavern  
Date: January 30  
Time: TBA  
Location: Waldo's Tavern

E-mail [sarahmccormick@dspwmu.edu](mailto:sarahmccormick@dspwmu.edu) for more information on these January DSP events.

## Alpha Kappa Alpha

### Calendar of Events

Event: Black Male Support Networking Forum  
Date: January 13  
Time: 8:00-10:00PM  
Location: 105 Bernhard Center  
\*\*Exclusively for gentlemen. Experience an evening with successful and professional black men who can give a helpful outlook on life experiences including education and relationships.

Event: A KALL to Service: Bone Marrow Informational  
Date: January 14  
Time: 7:00-8:30 PM  
Location: 105 Bernhard Center

Event: Update my IPortfolio Workshop  
Date: January 15  
Time: 7:00-8:30 PM  
Location: 105 Bernhard Center

All questions should be directed to Lauren:  
[lauren.f.brown@wmich.edu](mailto:lauren.f.brown@wmich.edu).

## Campus Activities Board

### Calendar of Events

Event: A Cappella group– Chapter 6  
Date: January 15  
Time: 9:00 PM  
Location: Bernhard Center  
Cost: \$1

Event: Comedian- Dan Cummins  
Date: January 22  
Time: 9:00 PM  
Location: Bernhard Center  
Cost: \$1

Event: Mentalist/Illusionist– Wayne Hoffman  
Date: February 12  
Time: 9:00 PM  
Location: Dalton Recital Hall  
Cost: \$1

Event: Comedian– KT Tatara  
Date: February 25  
Time: 9:00 PM  
Location: Bernhard Center  
Cost: \$1

For more information on any of these spring CAB events, please e-mail [CAB-President@wmich.edu](mailto:CAB-President@wmich.edu).

## Bigs on Campus

### Bowl for Kids Sake

Date: February 20  
 Time: Three shifts starting at 8:00 PM until 1:30 AM  
 Location: Holiday Lanes on 11th Street  
 Cost: \$45 donation per team member

This event is a fundraiser for Big Brothers Big Sisters. The money raised goes towards making matches of adults and kids in the Kalamazoo area. To participate, students and RSOs form teams of 5 students and come out and bowl. The donation includes 2 free games of bowling, free shoe rental, and a free t-shirt. There will be tons of prizes and a Bahamas bowling theme so be sure to dress tropical! This is a great way to get community service hours, volunteer, and help the community.

For more information please e-mail [rso\\_bigs@wmich.edu](mailto:rso_bigs@wmich.edu).

## Student Education Association

### Scholastics Book Fair

Date: February 16-19  
 Time: 16th & 18th: 9 AM-5 PM, 17th & 19th: 10 AM-6 PM  
 Location: Sangren 2nd Floor Atrium

The Scholastics Book Fair is a wonderful event for children, parents, teachers and future teachers. The book fair offers the newest books, exclusive titles from leading authors, fun and educational products, and unique gift selections. All materials are hand-selected by book experts at Scholastics. This is a great way to help support the Student Education Association and promote literacy to children. Please stop by and enjoy the fun!

Contact Sarah for more information: [sbruha33@yahoo.com](mailto:sbruha33@yahoo.com)

**Advertise your upcoming event in the March RSO Info. newsletter! Please include the following information:**



**Date:**  
**Time:**  
**Cost (if applicable):**  
**Location:**  
**Name of Event:**  
**Sponsoring Organization:**  
**Brief Description of event:**  
**Contact information:**

**RSO Info. is e-mailed to all members of a student organization across campus and published on the SALP homepage. Imagine the number of people you can inform about your function by advertising here!**

**E-mail your event information to: [SALP-RSOAdvisor@wmich.edu](mailto:SALP-RSOAdvisor@wmich.edu)**

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