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The Chapter Meeting Newsletter

First Meeting: September 11, 2013

Upcoming Events

- **September 21: Warrior Dash--Volunteer Opportunity**
- **September 27: Mercy Health--Saint Mary's Tour**
- **October 2: WMPRSA Mentor Mixer**
- **October 18: Griffins Game--Fundraiser/Social**

Welcome to PRSSA!

National Conference Update

E-board will be traveling to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania October 25-29 to attend National Conference. While it is close, you still have time to register! Conference registration ends on Tuesday, September 24.

Anyone seriously interested in attending this year's National Conference should contact any E-board member!

Find more information regarding National Conference at prssa.org/events/conference

Agency Tour

The Mercy Health-Saint Mary's campus tour is Friday, September 27. Kelsey will be meeting those who need a ride at Java City in Kirkhof no later than 9:30am. For those of you who can drive please let Kelsey know so we have enough vehicles for everyone, and she will have directions printed off for all drivers. If you are meeting us there, please park in the main parking ramp off of Jefferson (free parking). Please make sure you arrive by 9:50, and wait for Kelsey to arrive to check-in.


The dress attire is business casual. If you would like to attend please let Kelsey Manas know via email at manask@mail.gvsu.edu or text no later than next Wednesday, September 25 by 9 pm. There will also be a sign-up sheet at the PRSSA meeting next week!

Volunteer

GV PRSSA is still looking for volunteers for the Warrior Dash on Saturday, September 21. Volunteers will receive a free t-shirt and lunch. If 31 individual volunteer for each shift, RedFrog Events will donate \$1,000 to our chapter. Spread the word.

Invite your family and friends to help out. Send an email to Leah Mitchell atmitcleah@mail.gvsu.edu sign up.


Meet the Executive Board



Audra Hartges is the President of the Grand Valley Chapter of PRSSA for the 2013-2014 school year. She is a senior majoring in advertising and public relations with an emphasis in PR. In the future her goal is to do public relations for a nonprofit organization in the Grand Rapids area. Currently Audra works as a communications writer for GVSU's University Development office and also serves as the Vice President of Operations for Grand PR. One fun fact is she can't whistle. Connect with her on Twitter: @AudraHartges




Jessica Hines is the Vice President of Public Relations. She is entering her senior year at Grand Valley and she is doubling majoring in health communications and advertising and public relations. Her passion lies within the health field and her goal is to one day work in the communications/public relations department for a hospital or other nonprofit organization. One fun fact is she can say the alphabet backwards in under 5 seconds. Connect with her on Twitter: @JessicaHines3



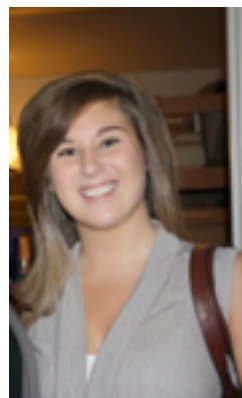
Kelsey Manas is the Vice President of Professional Development. She is currently a junior majoring in advertising and public relations. She has a passion for public affairs and this past summer Kelsey interned with the House Republican Communication office. Her goal after graduation is to work in corporate PR or government. One fun fact is she has been to Disney over 16 times. Connect with her on Twitter: @KA_Manas



Alica Arnold is the Vice President of Programming. She is also currently a senior at Grand Valley majoring in hospitality and tourism management and hopes to eventually work as an event planner in California after graduation. She also hopes our chapter keeps growing and is looking forward to forming a sense of community centered on a common love for PR! One fun fact is she spent a year working for Mickey Mouse. Connect with her on Twitter: @alica_arnold



Leah Mitchell is the Vice President of Chapter Development. She will be a Junior this year at Grand Valley. She is double majoring in health communication and advertising and public relations; with an emphasis in public relations. She is very passionate about health and wellness, as well as working with people on how to better their lives. One fun fact is that Leah originates for the proud state of OHIO! Connect with her on Twitter: @LeahCMitchell



Jessica Yakima is the Vice President of Member Services. She is a senior at Grand Valley and is majoring in advertising and public relations with an emphasis in both fields. Her ideal job would be to work at a public relations firm as an event coordinator since planning events is one of her favorite parts about public relations. Currently Jessica works as a marketing intern at Organik Consulting. One fun fact about Jessica is that she hates the taste of vegetables and refuses to eat any of them. Connect with her on Twitter: @JessicaYakima



Morgan Yingst is the CEO of GrandPR. This will be Morgan's fourth and final year at Grand Valley State University. Morgan is also majoring in advertising and public relations and has been involved with GV PRSSA since her sophomore year. After graduation, she hopes to find a job at a public relations firm in order to gain more knowledge and experience of different areas of the field before potentially moving into a corporate public relations position. One fun fact about Morgan is that she has kissed the Blarney Stone in Ireland. Connect with her on Twitter: @morganyingst