

Boston University GWISE

Graduate Women in Science and Engineering

Newsletter April 19, 2011

Check out the GWISE calendar here, and with one click, add our events to your google calendar!

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1. GWISE Elections

Through Friday April 22, 2011

As the semester draws to a close, GWISE is looking to fill several positions on its executive board for next year. We are looking for motivated, creative women to guide GWISE through its third year on campus. Available positions and descriptions are listed at this website.

If you would like to run for office please send the appropriate information to gwise@bu.edu by Friday, April 22nd, 2011. If you would like to nominate someone, please send their name and information to gwise@bu.edu along with a brief description of why you think they'd be great. We'll contact them to verify a statement from them. Encourage your active classmates and labmates to get involved!

Any questions? Please email gwise@bu.edu!

2. Networking Boot-camp Workshop with Sarah Cardozo Duncan

Thursday, April 21 at 4PM

How good are your networking skills? Well, Sarah Cardozo Duncan can help you make them even better!

As grad students, networking in conferences and job fairs is a challenge we all have to face. To help us work on that, Sarah Cardozo Duncan is coming to BU to give GWISE a Networking Workshop. Sarah is a Boston-based career strategist with over twenty years of recruitment and career development experience. She is an accomplished and highly regarded speaker and workshop leader. It's an opportunity you don't want to miss!!! Check out her website here:

<http://www.careerstrategist.com/about-sarah/>

Light refreshments will be served. Space is limited, so RSVP below to reserve your spot.

Networking workshop with Sarah Cardozo Duncan

Date: Thursday, April 21

Time: 4:00-6:00 pm

Location: 24 Cummington St, LSEB room 103

RSVP HERE

3. Ask For It! Bookclub

Wednesday, April 27 at 12PM

This month the professional development book club will finish reading Ask For It: How Women Can Use the Power of Negotiation to Get What They Want by Linda Babcock and Sara Laschever. We will meet over lunch to discuss Phases III and IV. All who have read the book are welcome - we just ask that you RSVP here. Lunch will be served. For more information or if you have any questions email Anna Barry (annab@bu.edu).

Professional Development Book Club - Ask For It: Phase III-IV

Date: Wednesday, April 27

Time: 12pm

Location: Department of Math and CS, room TBD, 111 Cummington Street

RSVP Here

4. Second Annual GWISE Career Fair & Networking Reception

Wednesday, May 4 from 5-7PM

Thinking about what you might want to do when you graduate? About to graduate and looking for a job? Looking to expand your network? The Second Annual GWISE Career Fair and Networking Reception is your one-stop-shop for all your career and networking needs.

Come join Boston University GWISE and fellow women in STEM from the Boston community to network and explore careers! Speak with HR reps and female scientists/engineers at local companies**, meet the women of the Association for Women in Science (AWIS) & Women Entrepreneurs in Science and Technology (WEST), and get some advice from the Career Development Office and Center for Career Development at BU. Even if you're not looking for a job right now, it's a great opportunity -- network with peers from other departments and institutions at the wine and cheese reception!

Boston University GWISE Career Fair and Networking Reception

When: Wednesday, May 4 from 5-7PM

Where: Boston University Trustees' Ballroom

9th floor School of Management Building

595 Commonwealth Avenue, enter on Silber Way

Dress: Business Casual

RSVP here

Bring your resume, bring your business card, or just bring yourself and come ready to meet and mingle with Boston's best!

**Companies currently registered to attend include: Google, Raytheon, the Broad Institute, Teradyne, IBM, the Mathworks, Boston Scientific, MIT Lincoln Laboratory, EMC, Boston Teacher Residency and more!

5. GWISE May Book Club

Friday, May 13 at 12PM

GWISE May Book Club - Prey by Michael Crichton

This month, our Book Club will be indulging in a science fiction thriller by bestselling author Michael Crichton. In Prey, ambitious scientists inadvertently create pernicious, self-replicating nanotechnology, which escapes and threatens the livelihoods of its creators. Part human drama, part sci-fi suspense, this book will allow you to take a break from your end-of-the-semester work and escape into an entertaining story.

GWISE has several copies of the book; please contact Rachel at rcs204@bu.edu to borrow a copy.

Mark your calenders for the get-together:

Date: Friday, May 13

Time: 12-1pm

Location: Charles River Conference Room, SMG 7th floor

RSVP HERE

6. SET in the City

Saturday, April 30 at 10:30AM

The third annual "SET (Science, Engineering, Technology) in the City - A Day of Career Exploration for High School Girls" will take place on Saturday, April 30th, 2011. Approximately 200 high school girls will be coming to the Photonics Center that day for talks and a Science Information Bazaar before traveling

to other venues for lunch and activities, and finally to the Museum of Science where the program will end with an OMNI show. We're looking for volunteers to help staff this event.

Volunteers are needed for the Science Information Bazaar that will take place from 10:30-11:30 AM in the Photonics Center at Boston University. Tables will be set up in the first and second floor rotunda areas and we invite you to bring in some demo, exhibit, poster or computer application to share with the girls. In past years, volunteers have made "elephant toothpaste" and bottle rockets with the students, brought in sea urchins, Van der Graaf generators and ultrasound machines. Other tables have offered students the opportunities to explore cool nano materials and experiment with Snap Circuits or Mobius bands. This is a wonderful opportunity to interact with girls in high school and share your enthusiasm for what you do.

S.E.T. (Science, Engineering and Technology) in the City

Date: Saturday, April 30

Time: 10:30-11:30am

Location: BU Photonics Center

For more information about the program and to register as a volunteer, please visit our

<http://www.bu.edu/lernet/setinthecity/>

7. AWIS Workshop on Mentor Relations

Monday, May 2 from 6-9 PM

Mentors and Mentees: How to find the right fit

Monday, May 2, 2011 from 6:00 to 9:00 pm

MIT Bldg 46, Room 3002 (Singleton Auditorium)

43 Vassar Street, Cambridge MA 02139

We all know that choosing a mentor is one of the most important things in your career but how to go about making that choice is always unclear. In this workshop we will focus on:

- * How to choose the right mentor for you
- * What should you expect/demand from your mentor
- * What do you expect from your mentor
- * Common mistakes when choosing a mentor
- * When is time to find another mentor
- * What are the rewards of mentorship

Speaker and Workshop Leader:

Joanne Kamens has 20 years of industry experience including pharma, biotech, oligo and small and large molecule research management and therapeutic strategic planning. She is a very team-oriented scientist and leader. She has been actively involved in raising awareness of women scientist since 1998. She is currently the Senior Director of Research Collaboration at RXi Pharmaceuticals Corp, Director of Mentoring at healthcare Businesswomen's Association. She belongs to the Boards of Directors, Membership Committee Chair at WEST. She obtained her BA in Biology at the University of Pennsylvania in 1986 and her PhD in Genetics at Harvard University in 1992

More info at <http://www.mass-awis.org/calendar>, Register via <http://www.acteva.com/go/mass-awis>

- * \$10 AWIS members & post-docs/students
 - * \$20 for non-members
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8. WEST-- Women Don't Ask Negotiation Workshop

Thursday, May 19

'Women Don't Ask'

EFFECTIVE NEGOTIATION STRATEGY WORKSHOP

Thursday, May 19, 2011

5:30pm-9:00pm

Description:

Whether they want higher salaries, enhanced career opportunities, or more help at home, women are much less likely than men to ask for what they want. Women pay for this reluctance in every aspect of their lives—from under-utilization of their skills at work to strained relationships and health problems at home. They advance more slowly professionally and often fail to rise into positions for which they're well qualified—and where they have a lot to contribute. These are losses that women (and their employers) don't need to suffer. By mastering a few basic principles, planning carefully, and practicing, anyone can become an effective negotiator.

This workshop will explore the causes of women's propensity to avoid negotiating and look at "best practice" negotiation principles within the framework of the issues that impact women. It will show you how to recognize more opportunities to negotiate, set the right targets, and remain unfazed by the emotional dimensions of the interaction. In developing your own negotiating skills, you'll also learn how to manage other women better by understanding the special strengths they bring to this essential form of workplace communication.

[REGISTER HERE](#)

9. WEST--Leadership Awards Event

Wednesday, June 8 at 6PM

TITLE: 2011 WEST Leadership Awards Event

DATE: Wednesday June 8, 2011

LOCATION: Microsoft New England Research and Development (NERD) Center, One Memorial Drive, Cambridge

TIME: 6:00pm-9:00pm

HOST: WEST/Women Entrepreneurs in Science and Technology

PRE-REGISTRATION (until 9pm Monday, June 6): \$75 WEST Member; \$100 Non-Member; \$25 more at the door.

REGISTRATION AND MORE INFO: www.WESTorg.org

DESCRIPTION: It is our pleasure to invite you to WEST's fourth-annual Leadership Awards Event, our most exciting and engaging event of the year. This is our opportunity to acknowledge women who have demonstrated extraordinary leadership in science and technology. Join us in honoring these talented women, who have achieved success either within larger organizations, or in starting their own companies.

Be moved and inspired by the stories these exceptional women share, network with the movers and shakers in the Science and Technology community. You will not want to miss this remarkable event. Food will be provided - All are welcome to join us.

2011 Leadership Awardees:

- * Jennifer Tour Chayes - Distinguished Scientist, Managing Director of the Microsoft New England Research and Development (NERD) Center
- * Laura Fitton - CEO, Founder, www.oneforty.com
- * Joanna Horobin - CEO, Syndax
- * Lydia Villa-Komaroff - Chief Science Officer, Cytonome