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Upcoming Events

- Etiquette Dinner
- Speaker, Blythe McGarvie
- Dessert Reception hosted by Boston Consulting Group
- Freshmen Month
- Bank of America Mentorship Event
- Wharton Women Business Conference
- WW's new "How To" Series

Changes to the Newsletter

- Interviews with WW Alumnae: See where they are and what they're doing TODAY
- Interviews with corporate sponsors from some of today's top companies
- Important events and calendars
- New layout and easy web access

Would you like to get more involved in WW? Contact Tracy Kosolcharoen at Tracykos@wharton today!

A Message from the President . . .

Welcome back to school everyone! I am very excited to work with the newly-elected Executive Board – we have a great team this year that is going to take Wharton Women to a whole new level!

We had a great start to the semester with the Back to School Social at Pod on January 19th – thank you to all those who attended. There are many more exceptional and impressive events planned for you, the first of which is the **Wharton Women Business Conference, sponsored by Ernst & Young**. This is the largest event of the second semester and it promises to be a spectacular day complete with experienced professional speakers, corporate representatives, Wharton Women alumnae, opportunities to network, and food! Also, keep an eye out for Freshmen Month, as well as the new Wharton Women "How To" Series and the Wharton Women Speaker Series.

Good luck with your classes and have a great semester! We look forward to seeing you at all of the Wharton Women events!

Sincerely,


Ayeesha Sachedina
President, Wharton Women

New Events Mark one of Wharton Women's Favorite Parts of the Semester

February 2006 — This month is sure to make any WW upperclassman, even a senior, want to be a freshman again. Continuing its strong tradition of encouraging freshmen participation in the club, the WW Executive Board has been working diligently to make this year's Freshmen Month both different and fun. Among the events freshman are invited to partake in is a Cooking Class at the Walnut Street Restaurant School, as well as a trip to Strikes Bowling Alley on Locust Street. Off-campus, freshmen members will be treated to dessert at the decadent Ritz Carlton Chocolate Bar. So if you're a freshmen, be sure not to miss these fabulous events!



WW members enjoying dinner together during last year's Freshmen Month

	Freshmen Month is February!
9 th	Chocolate Buffet at the Ritz
18 th	Strikes Bowling
24 th	Cooking Class
28 th	Bubble Tea



Meet YOUR New Executive Board!

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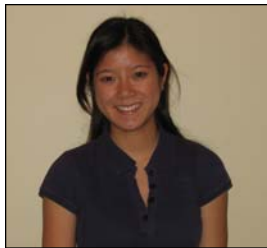


Ayeesha is a junior from Toronto, Canada, concentrating in Finance and Management, as well as fulfilling premedical requirements. Before being elected WW President, Ayeesha served as the Vice President of University Relations. In addition to her involvement in WW, Ayeesha is a member of the Musser-Shoemaker Leadership Lecture Series committee and a Wharton Ambassador. In her spare time, she enjoys movies, reading, hiking, and travelling.

Ayeesha Sachedina, President

Tracy, a sophomore from Cupertino, California, is concentrating in Finance and Marketing. This year, she hopes to promote the professional development of Wharton Women members by fostering new relationships, thereby increasing the cohesiveness and strength of WW. In addition to secretary, Tracy is the Logistics Chair for the annual Wharton Women Ernst & Young Business Conference.

Tracy Kosolcharoen, Secretary



Jeannette is a sophomore from Bethesda, Maryland, concentrating in Finance and Management, with a minor in Legal Studies and History. As the current VP of University Relations, Jeannette hopes to coordinate more events with MBA students, faculty, and other clubs. During her free time, she enjoys running, playing tennis, shopping, reading, and watching good movies.

Jeannette Chang, VP of University Relations

Afsheen is a junior from Dallas, Texas, concentrating in Finance and Real Estate. She has been an active member of Wharton Women since freshman year. Through her position, she wants to continue to diversify the types of sponsors Wharton Women has and introduce new types of career events, in addition to establishing a mentoring program between faculty and WW members. Outside of WW, she is involved in PEER Mentoring and the South Asia Society.

Afsheen Ali, VP of Corporate Relations



Allie, a junior concentrating in Marketing and Management, is from St. Louis, Missouri. The current VP of Alumnae Relations, Allie has been on the Executive Board since her freshman year. Her goal for the club is to find new ways to create value for upperclassmen and alumnae, in addition to facilitating accessible communication between alumnae and members. Among the events she organizes are the Senior Send Off and Summer Alumnae Events.

Allie Melnick, VP of Alumnae Relations

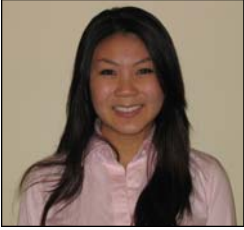
Gloria is a sophomore from San Jose, California, concentrating in Finance and Management, and minoring in Classical Studies. This year, she plans to streamline the WW budgeting process to ensure that funds will continue to be handled effectively in the future. Gloria has organized an event featuring Blythe McGarvie, who will offer members advice and relay her experiences on how she has achieved success.

Gloria Lin, Treasurer



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Atthena is a sophomore Finance and Management major from Mt. Laurel, New Jersey. This year, she hopes to create an online forum where members will be able to post questions and exchange ideas and advice, and organize events that will create more intimacy between members and the Executive Board. Outside of WW, Atthena is a Management 100 T.A. and OPIM research assistant.

Atthena Breitton, VP of Membership Development

Shannon Knee is a freshman from Miami, Florida. As the marketing and publicity chair, Shannon plans to expand Wharton Women's role throughout the Philadelphia community by advertising in the *Philadelphia Inquirer* and across campus. Shannon is a Joseph Wharton and Benjamin Franklin scholar who shares a genuine love for Management 100, the quad, and Allegro's.

Shannon Knee, Marketing and Publicity Chair



Rachel hails from Westfield, New Jersey, and is a junior in the College and Wharton, studying Management and American History. Rachel hopes to update the newsletter and create a brochure for prospective club members. She also plans to continue her commitment to the Dollar Diva conference, on which she has been working for the past two years. Outside of WW, Rachel works for the Marketing Department.

Rachel Schwartz, Newsletter Chair

Three Course Dinner the Perfect Time for Networking!

*On January 12th, Wharton Women sponsor Merrill Lynch hosted an event exclusively for WW members at the ever popular on-campus eatery, White Dog Café. During the event, students sat at tables with one or more Merrill Lynch executives and were given the opportunity to ask questions in a more intimate and personal setting than that offered at a recruiting presentation. One of the event attendees, Wharton and College sophomore, **LingLing Wei**, reflects on her experience at the dinner:*

One reason why I love being a part of Wharton Women is because I am often presented with the opportunity to simultaneously indulge two of my personal interests: great food and learning! The Wharton Women and Merrill Lynch-sponsored Dinner and Case Discussion is one memorable, recent example. Over a delicious three course meal at White Dog, I not only worked through a strategic consulting case outlining a problem that Merrill Lynch executives actually faced in 2000 but also gained a deeper understanding of the firm's European operations through the process.

Throughout the night, I was also able to interact with senior Merrill Lynch executives in the firm's Accounting and Finance Department including Ms. Laura Rogers, who sat at my table and spoke candidly about how she has balanced her eleven year career at Merrill Lynch with the demands of raising a family. Indeed, the Dinner and Case Discussion was, without a doubt, an extremely enjoyable experience which I hope continues in the future!



February / March 2006

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3 <i>WWBC</i> 10:30 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. <i>Forum</i>	4
5	6	7 "Mastering the FISO Factor" - Blythe McGarvie 355, 6:30	8	9 Ritz-Carlton Chocolate Buffet 7:30 p.m. (Freshman Month)	10	11
12	13	14	15	16 BOA Mentorship Event	17	18 Strikes Bowling 4:30 p.m. (Freshman Month)
19	20 Women's Week Philanthropy Panel, 6 p.m. G50	21	22	23	24 Restaurant School (Freshman Month) 5:30 p.m.	25
26	27	28 Bubble House - 8:00 p.m. (Freshman Month)	1	2	3	4

Spotlight on WW Alum, Andrea Harris

As a student at Penn, I sometimes wondered what I was doing in Wharton. As other freshmen picked up the *Wall Street Journal* at their mailboxes each morning, I swore I would avoid reading it for as long as possible. But as I tested out various freshman clubs, Wharton Women quickly stood out as a place that I could learn about a variety of careers and interact with some of the most accomplished, interesting undergrads at Wharton.

My initial impressions of the club quickly outlined the two things I valued now about my WW experience. First, it provided me an opportunity to meet upper classmen, many of whom proved to be excellent mentors. They were bright, outgoing, driven, and professional – helping navigate me through class selection and recruiting! As a junior, they handed over their case interview books and gave mock interviews to help me prepare for consulting case studies. They provided "insider knowledge" about firm reputations and helped elaborate on the pros and cons of consulting versus other job opportunities. These friendships were important to me and many helped guide me to where I am today. To this day, I enjoy getting holiday cards from WW friends and getting together for dinner in NY.

The second most valuable thing WW provided was an informal opportunity to learn more about various post-college careers. It opened me up to the possibility that I wouldn't dislike ALL careers in financial services – but that I would probably prefer something like consulting. It also gave me some insight into which firms were dedicated to the professional development and recruitment of women. I always found it interesting which firms would dedicate their time and resources to mentor and inform undergraduate students, like myself, as we made our next big step after college.

I encourage everyone to advantage of the people in this organization. It's very easy to get comfortable with friends you make the first two years at school; and while I love my friends, none of them could provide me with the career guidance I ended up finding so valuable. As a last note, a quick shout out to upper class members that impacted me so much, Eliza, Elizabeth, Lucy, Alexis, and Eva!



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