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25th Annual Student Leadership Banquet
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PROGRAM

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OPENING REMARKS

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STUDENT LEADER RECOGNITION THROUGHOUT THE EVENING

DINNER

Please remain seated until your table is invited to the buffet.

INTRODUCTION OF THE HANCOCK STUDENT LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

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AWARD PRESENTATIONS

CLOSING REMARKS

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AWARDS

WHO'S WHO AMONG STUDENTS IN AMERICAN COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

Who's Who Among Students is one of the most highly regarded and long-standing honors programs in the nation, recognizing upperclassmen and graduate students for their academic achievement and co-curricular contributions to the university and community.

Awarded by: WestConn Who's Who Selection Committee

RESIDENT OF THE YEAR

This award is given to an individual who has served the campus community above and beyond the call of duty. This individual is an outstanding leader and motivator to all students, but particularly to the resident students.

Awarded by: Inter-Residence Hall Association

PROGRAM OF THE YEAR

Program is selected by all of the residence halls voting on the program they feel best suited the university and the needs of the community.

Awarded by: Inter-Residence Hall Association

HOUSING AND RESIDENCE LIFE STAFF MEMBER OF THE YEAR

This award is given either to an RA, ARM, or a member of the Housing Department who has shown extreme dedication to housing throughout the year. Through programming, office work, and showing support for the residents of WestConn, the award recipient is being honored for his or her service. The award is voted upon by the Inter-Residence Hall Council which represents the WestConn resident body.

Awarded by: Inter-Residence Hall Association

OUTSTANDING STUDENT PROGRAM

This award is presented to a student or group who is deemed to have initiated and executed the program, excluding PAC programs, that had the largest impact on the campus community during the year.

Awarded by: Program Activities Council

HIGHEST GPA FOR A GREEK LETTER ORGANIZATION

Awarded to the Greek Organization with the highest cumulative grade point average at the end of the fall 2009 semester.

Awarded by: Greek Council

OUTSTANDING GREEK

This award goes to the individual who has made a significant contribution to his/her Greek organization, the Greek Council, and the university. Nominations were solicited from individuals and Greek organizations.

Awarded by: Greek Council

OUTSTANDING GREEK ORGANIZATION

This award goes to the organization that has made a significant contribution to the Greek Council, the university, and the greater community.

Awarded by: Greek Council

RECREATION/CLUB SPORTS STUDENT ORGANIZATION OF THE YEAR AWARD

This award is given to the organization that has demonstrated a high level of dedication and sportsmanship in service to WestConn and the surrounding community.

Awarded by: Recreation Department

AWARDS

JOHN TAMAS MEMORIAL EMERGING STUDENT LEADER AWARD

This award goes to a Freshman or Sophomore who has demonstrated superior leadership capability and potential.

Awarded by: Division of Student Affairs

OUTSTANDING FACULTY MEMBER — ANCELL SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

This award is given to a faculty member from the Ancell School of Business for outstanding contribution to WestConn students.

Awarded by: Student Government Association

OUTSTANDING FACULTY MEMBER — SCHOOL OF ARTS & SCIENCES

This award is given to a faculty member from the School of Arts & Sciences for outstanding contribution to WestConn students.

Awarded by: Student Government Association

OUTSTANDING FACULTY MEMBER — SCHOOL OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

This award is given to a faculty member from the School of Professional Studies for outstanding contribution to WestConn students.

Awarded by: Student Government Association

OUTSTANDING FACULTY MEMBER — SCHOOL OF VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS

This award is given to a faculty member from the School of Visual & Performing Arts for outstanding contribution to WestConn students.

Awarded by: Student Government Association

FERNANDO AND ALICE FERNANDES AWARD

Awarded to a member of the classified staff who has made significant contributions to student life.

Awarded by: Student Government Association

AWARD OF MERIT

Awarded for outstanding service to the entire student body. A non-student member of the WestConn community whose dedication to the students and student life has gone far above and beyond his/her obligations.

Awarded by: Student Government Association

STUDENT AWARD OF MERIT

Awarded to a student who has dedicated him/herself to outstanding service to the student body.

Awarded by: Student Government Association

OUTSTANDING SENATOR

Awarded to a senator in the Student Government Association for outstanding service.

Awarded by: Student Government Association

OUTSTANDING NEW STUDENT ORGANIZATION

Awarded to a student organization that has formed this year and has shown outstanding progress, programming and development.

Awarded by: Student Government Association

OUTSTANDING STUDENT ORGANIZATION

Awarded to a student organization that has excelled in all areas.

Awarded by: Student Government Association

AWARDS

SGA PRESIDENT'S AWARD

Awarded to a student or other member of the university community who has contributed to helping student organizations on campus.

Awarded by: Student Government Association

OUTSTANDING ADVISOR

Awarded to the advisor that best promotes the growth potential of student organizations, assists with their maintenance, and stimulates the development of programs that not only enrich the campus, but also aid the development of the students.

Awarded by: Student Life/Student Activities

OUTSTANDING STUDENT LEADER

This award is given to the student who exemplifies what it takes to be an outstanding student leader.

Awarded by: WCSU Alumni Association

VICE PRESIDENT'S AWARD FOR STUDENT LEADERSHIP

This award is given each year to a student who demonstrated an unusually high level of dedication and commitment to student life at WestConn.

Awarded by: Vice President for Student Affairs

STUDENT ORGANIZATION OF THE YEAR AWARDS BY CATEGORY

These awards will be presented throughout the evening. Each award is presented to a student organization that has shown outstanding commitment to its organizational goals and program planning, has made an impact on the campus and surrounding community, and the leadership development of its group members.

Once again, student organizations were invited to self-nominate. The Student Leadership Recognition Banquet Committee reviewed all nominations and will be presenting the awards to the winners in the following categories:

Ancell School of Business

Student Organization of the Year Award

Nominees: Justice and Law Club, WCSU Marketing Club

School of Arts & Sciences

Student Organization of the Year Award

Nominees: Biology Club, Black & White, English Society, Herpetology Club

School of Professional Studies

Student Organization of the Year Award

Nominees: Education Club, The HPX Club

School of Visual & Performing Arts

Student Organization of the Year Award

Nominees: Ives Concert Flutists, Keyboard Club, MENC

Community Service

Student Organization of the Year Award

Nominees: IMPACT, Newman Club

Cultural Student Organization of the Year Award

Nominees: Gay/Straight Alliance, Latin American Student Organization

General Interest

Student Organization of the Year Award

*Nominees: Campus Center/Student Center Boards
WCSU College Republicans
Commuter Student Organization
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Older Wiser Learners (O.W.L.s)
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WHO'S WHO AMONG STUDENTS IN AMERICAN COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES 2009-10

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THE HANCOCK STUDENT LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

AT

WESTERN CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY

- WHO:** All current and potential student leaders with a minimum of 30 academic credits are eligible.
- WHAT:** This initiative is designed to acknowledge, promote and foster diverse student leadership on campus, to inspire, motivate and influence others and to enhance basic understanding of all aspects of outstanding leadership.
- WHEN:** Nominations and self-nominations will begin in fall 2010.
- HOW:** Students will receive special training, complete an applied project, and create a leadership portfolio.
- WHY:** The benefits of the program include: scholarships; certificates of achievement/completion; increased effectiveness in leadership skills; recognition by students, faculty, and administrators; and enhancement to your resume.

The Student Leadership Program is sponsored by Academic and Student Affairs at WestConn and the Hancock Student Scholarship Fund. For more information, please contact Dr. Walter Bernstein at (203) 837-8606 or Dr. Averell Manes at (203) 837-8452.

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