



TABLE OF CONTENTS

- ▶ Community Announcements
- ▶ On Campus Events
- ▶ Off Campus Events
- ▶ Kudos
- ▶ Jobs, Internships and More...
- ▶ New Faces @ Olin
- ▶ Trivia

ARCHIVE

06.14.13
 05.31.13
 05.10.13
 04.26.13
 04.12.13
 03.29.13
 03.15.13
 02.22.13
 02.11.13
 01.25.13
 12.14.12
 11.30.12
 11.16.12
 11.02.12
 10.19.12
 10.05.12
 09.21.12
 09.07.12
 08.17.12
 07.20.12
 06.15.12
 05.25.12
 05.11.12
 04.27.12
 04.13.12
 03.30.12
 03.10.12
 02.24.12
 02.10.12
 01.20.12

The Link: Olin's Campus-Wide E-Bulletin

January 25, 2013

This newsletter includes news and information that will keep you informed of campus happenings.

If you have information you would like distributed to the Olin community, please send it to Announcements@olin.edu

The next edition of **The Link** will be available on **February 8, 2013.**

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Attention Students: Must-Know Flu Info

With the flu reaching epidemic levels already this year we would like to share this list of [tips](#) prepared by the Health Services staff. This information is also available through R2s. Additionally a brochure from Health Services entitled "**The Flu vs. The Cold**" is available outside of the OSL office and through the R2s. If you have not already received a flu shot please consult [Massachusetts Flu web site](#) for information about where the vaccine is available. Please note that it can take up to two weeks after receiving the vaccination for your body to build up the proper antibodies. **Free Flu Kits** are available at Health Services. They contain items such as: tissues, hand sanitizer, pain relievers/fever reducers, cough suppressant drops and single-use thermometers. If you have any questions, please contact Health Services at 781-239-6363.

SEER: Summer Experience in Education Research

Applications are being accepted for Olin's SEER (Summer Experience in Education Research) program, our NSF-funded REU/RET in engineering education research. This is one of the first programs of its sort in the country (most REUs are to do science or engineering research at large research universities), so we need your help to get the word out. If you know undergraduates or teachers who might be interested in joining our education research community in the summer of 2013, please point them to reu.olin.edu for more details about the program and application information.

Rally for the Half Way Mark

Thanks to your support we have surpassed our second quarter goal (65%) and are already at 73% of our fundraising target in gifts and pledges payable. We have increased our gifts and pledges by over 43% compared to FY12 and we could not have done this without the many generous donors and volunteers. With about \$570K left to raise your continued support is critical to enable the College to realizing our vision! We have made it easier to make a gift by going to giving.olin.edu where you can easily make a one time or recurring gift. Thank you again for your investment in Olin!

Don't Forget: Matching Gifts Double Your Impact

For those who have already given to Olin this fiscal year, don't forget you may be able to increase the power of your gift through a corporate matching gift! Many companies match charitable contributions made by their employees. Please click on the [Matching Donors](#) link on the Giving to Olin page to see if your company participates.

Opening: Development Student Assistant

Are you interested in networking? Do you like to plan events, design marketing materials, research companies or speakers, and make phone calls to parents or alumni? Would you like to help us motivate others to invest in Olin to support the College's vision and have impact on the Olin experience which you are currently partaking? Or do you need money for spring break or other passions? If you answered "yes" to these questions, then log-onto the Student Employment section of the portal for more details on how you can apply for the Development Student Assistant. Please contact [Krissy Raposa](#) if you have questions.

Upcoming I2E2 Visits

Next week, I2E2 will welcome visitors from Dongseo University (South Korea) and National University of Science and Technology MISIS (Russia) (1/28), and Osaka University (Japan) (1/30). [Sharon Breitbart](#) is the person to contact if you'd like to be involved in this or any other visit!

The PGP Blog

This issue of the PGP Blog highlights Oliners giving back to the community. Check it out at <http://blogs.olin.edu/pgp>. Want to be an occasional writer for the PGP Blog? (Parents this means you too!) - Have great video/photos about your work, grad school or 'fun/different/other' experiences that you'd like to share? Email [Sally](#) or [Suzanne](#).

Why You Should Join the FW Olin Group on Linked In...

- Get help meeting the right people from those you've never met in the Olin community – parents, alumni, trustees
- Gain access to weekly posts for jobs all over the country
- Help someone else with an unusual request

[Back to Top](#) 

OLIN FAMILIES, DID YOU KNOW?

Mark Your Calendars!

Commencement Weekend 2013: May 17 – 19

Join us for Olin's eighth Commencement as we celebrate the Class of 2013! A Commencement Weekend Welcome and External Achievement Recognition event and the President's Reception will be held in the Oval on Saturday for graduates, their families, faculty and staff. The entire community is invited to the Commencement Ceremony which will take place on Sunday at 3pm. Check out the [Commencement](#) website for more details. Please note the BECC (at Babson) is sold out for Friday night but has some availability on the 18th and 19th. Room blocks at other nearby hotels are in the works including the Sheraton Needham. An announcement will be sent to families of seniors. Be sure to mention "Olin College Commencement" when booking. We encourage you to make your plans as soon as possible given many other local colleges are graduating this same weekend. Please email commencement@olin.edu if you have any questions.

Family Weekend 2013: October 18 – 20

We wanted to remind everyone that Family Weekend has returned to its

traditional weekend being the weekend *after* Columbus Day. It will begin at 4pm on Friday and conclude by noon on Sunday. Planning will begin shortly and room blocks at BECC (at Babson), Sheraton Needham and other nearby hotels are currently being negotiated. Please be sure to mention "Olin College Family Weekend" when booking. Also note it is the same weekend as Babson's Family Weekend and the Head of the Charles so we encourage you to make your plans early. Further information will be updated on the Family Weekend website and emailed as details are confirmed. We hope you can join us in celebrating everything family, fall and fun at Olin!

[Back to Top](#) 

ATTENTION ALUMNI

Attention Alumni: CW Volunteers Needed

We still need Alumni volunteers for Candidates Weekend! The weekends are February 15-16, February 22-23 and March 1-2. They begin with registration on Friday afternoon and end with dinner on Saturday evening.

If you are able to help out, please respond to [Kate Caulfield](#) in the Office of Admission.

Please include the following (with "**Olin Candidates' Weekend 2013**") in **subject line**.

1. Your best contact phone number
2. Your email address
3. Which weekend will work best for you
4. If you would be interest in sitting on an Alumni panel
5. The year of your graduation

Save the Dates

Countdown 'Til Graduation Party: March 4

Seniors, it's time to start celebrating your upcoming commencement with a countdown 'til graduation party! This event will be held 8-11pm on Monday, March 4th at Roger's Pub (at Babson). It will be announced at tonight's senior class meeting (where your class gift will also be discussed) and an invitation will follow as the event nears. Munchies, music, friends, fun and more can be expected. Please note this event is for the Class of 2013 only. The clock is ticking! 2013, 2012, 2011, 2010...hours 'til graduation!

Commencement Weekend 2013: May 17 – 19

Party planning has begun! We'll kick off the event weekend with an Alumni Social with the community under the Oval Tent on Friday evening followed by a Night on the Town event in the city on Saturday evening and culminating with the Commencement Ceremony and Reception for the Class of 2013, Olin's eighth graduating class. Check out the [Commencement](#) website as more details are announced. The BECC is sold out for Friday night but has some availability on the 18th and 19th. Room blocks at the other nearby hotels are in the works including the Sheraton Needham. We encourage you to make your plans as soon as possible given many other local colleges are graduating this same weekend. Looking forward to seeing you!

Reunion Weekend 2013: September 20 – 22

A new Olin tradition has been set. Reunion Weekend will take place the second to last weekend of September each year. Check back for more details regarding Reunion 2013 on **September 20 - 22**, but in the meantime visit the [Reunion](#) site to reminisce on Reunion 2012!

Class of 2008 Alumni, are you interested in helping plan your 5-year Reunion?

Please contact [Krissy Raposa](#).

Calling all recent alums living in the Boston Area

The Association of Boston Alumni is a newly-formed regional networking group that has already run three events attended by Olin alums since November, and now has a [Facebook page](#). This group is not directly affiliated with the Olin Alumni Association, but encourages Boston-based alums to like the group's Facebook page to find out about upcoming events. The next event will be a combination of networking and trivia on Wed., February 6th. Details are located [here](#).

Katie Rivard '06 Weds

Katie Rivard married Paul Mazaitis on November 24, 2012 in the 11th stack of the main branch of the Carnegie Library in Pittsburgh, Penn. They will continue to live, cook, and garden in Pittsburgh while working, studying, and generally making whimsical mischief at CMU. Heartfelt congrats to the happy couple!



[Back to Top](#) ↻

KUDOS

Caitrin Lynch on PBS Newshour and WGBH Radio

On January 2nd PBS Newshour ran a special about VitaNeedle, the local company that was the basis for Professor Caitrin Lynch's latest book "[Retirement on the Line](#)." Caitrin was interviewed as part of the PBS Newshour feature, which can be seen [here](#). Exclusive web content interviews w/ 100-year-old Rosa Finnegan are wonderful as well and can be viewed [here](#). Additionally, Caitrin was recently interview by WGBH radio's Callie Crossley about aging, retirement and work, that interview can be heard [here](#).

Nick Tatar's Lego Cuckoo Clock Featured on Brother's brick blog

The world's most frequently viewed LEGO blog, Brother's brick, recently featured Assistant Dean of Student Life, Nick Tatar's black forest cuckoo clock. Check it out [here](#). Additionally in mid December more than 500 kids visited th Wellesley Library and the Wellesley Community Children's Center to view the [LEGO Winter Village](#) constructed by our resident LEGO enthusiast.

[Back to Top](#) ↻

JOBS, INTERNSHIPS AND MORE...

Harley-Davidson Motor Company – Wauwatosa, WI

Engineer I – Vehicle Dynamics

Harley-Davidson is looking for an entry-level engineer to work in their Vehicle Dynamics & Simulation Department. Interested applicants should send their resume and cover letter to [Suzanne](#) no later than Friday, February 1st. For more details, please [click here](#).

**EnergySavvy – Cambridge, MA
Implementation Project Manager**

EnergySavvy is looking for an Implementation Project Manager to manage new enterprise software deployments. Our software helps homeowners increase their energy efficiency, addressing a major source of energy waste in this country. EnergySavvy is making a positive impact on the world, and we're looking to add to an amazing team. As an Implement Project Manager, you'll be responsible for driving new software implementations to success. You will work primarily with new customers to gather business requirements and serve as technical project manager for their implementation. For the complete job description check out their [LinkedIn Post](#).

**Synapse Energy Economics – Cambridge, MA
Research Associate**

Synapse is currently seeking qualified candidates to support our research and analysis of the energy sector. We are seeking applications for both an Associate position and an entry-level Research Associate position. Successful applicants will work with Synapse staff members on the following types of projects, depending on client needs and the applicant's interests, skills and experience. Click here for the [complete description](#).

**PTC – Needham, MA
Technical Support Engineer**

As a Technical Support Engineer, you will assist customers worldwide in analyzing, tracking, and solving issues related to PTC's Windchill and Creo product suites. In this role you will develop expert communication, presentation, customer service and PTC product skills as a result of working with customers worldwide. Please [click here](#) for the complete job description.

**Wellesley Municipal Light Plant – Wellesley, MA
Supervisory Electrical Engineer****Deadline: February 1**

The Supervisory Electrical Engineer provides expert; technical engineering support for the safe, reliable and efficient operation of the Municipal Light Plant's ("MLP") electrical distribution system. This position is responsible for monitoring system energy and capacity requirements, verifying the accuracy of all related data, evaluating models, substation performance and load characteristics. The Supervisory Electrical Engineer communicates directly with customers, contractors, consultants, power suppliers and regulatory agencies by responding to a wide variety of informational requests. Please visit the [website](#) for more details.

**Wildlife Acoustics – Concord, MA
Social Media Support**

Wildlife Acoustics is the largest provider of bioacoustics monitoring systems for scientists, researchers and government agencies around the world. In short, it's the study of animal sounds; e.g. bird calls, bat echolocations, whale songs, etc. Often times, the only way to inventory animal life and check migratory patterns of bats is to use ARUs (autonomous recording units) like the ones made by Wildlife Acoustics, to capture and analyze call data. **Requirements:** proficient in social media (set up Twitter, LinkedIn and LinkedIn Groups, Facebook, etc.), background and/or interest in animal biology and ability to write

and support the sites on a weekly basis, for a few hours a week. For more information please email Robert (Bob) Gierschick, Director of Marketing at bob@wildlifeacoustics.com

Graduate School

Northeastern University

PhD Program – Personal Health Informatics

Deadline: February 1

Northeastern University has funded Ph.D. openings for September, 2013 in its **transdisciplinary doctoral program in Personal Health Informatics**. For a full program description, see <http://phi.neu.edu>.

Events

Greentown Labs EnergyBar February: MIT is in the House

Thursday, February 7

Join us for the first Greentown Labs EnergyBar of 2013 as we host the kickoff of the **2013 MIT Clean Energy Prize Competition** and welcome members of the **MIT Enterprise Forum Energy Community Circle**, our sponsor for the event!

Light appetizers and drinks will be served starting at 5:30 pm. Suggested dress is shop floor casual. [Please RSVP](#) to help us plan for food and beverages. Hope to see you there!

[Back to Top](#) 

NEW FACES AT OLIN

- Effective January 1, 2013, **Erin Byrne** has joined Olin as an **Assistant Professor of Mathematics**.
- Effective January 14, 2013, **Claire O'Sullivan** was promoted to the position of **Assistant to the Executive Vice President and Treasurer**. Her new office location is MH304 and phone extension is 2403.
- Effective January 14th through March 31, 2013, **Toby Sandler** will return to Olin as a **Temporary Administrative Assistant for Academic Affairs**.

[Back to Top](#) 

TRIVIA

In the previous issue we asked "Which two Olin community members have called Edison House home?" Jeff Beck was the first to respond correctly, Rick Miller and Tom Kimmel.

Trivia buffs, do you know...

Q: In 1968 an Olin administrator was asked to play a pivotal role in a long-standing staff tradition at a summer camp in Maine; he had to dress up as a bat and run across campus with the goal of making every camper chase him. He could run across cabin roofs, hide in the forest, ride the camp's horses, and even use a canoe to escape out on to the waterfront. Who did this? and (bonus) what would have happened had he been caught by the campers?

A: First person to respond to [Alyson Goodrow](#) with the correct answer receives a prize.

[Back to Top](#) 