Message from Gwendolyn Packnett, President of WSWU

Welcome back from your relaxing summer activities! I hope you were among the fortunate members to kick off the new academic year with two exciting events. The Neiman Marcus Trend Event provided a preview of the latest fashions from Escada. You could feel the buzz and excitement amid the glamour and glitter as members and guests caught up with friends and took note of the fashion trends. Wonderful raffle donations from Neiman Marcus resulted in a generous contribution to the Elizabeth Gray Danforth Scholarship. Additional photos are available on WSWU’s Facebook. The first lecture, Actresses, Empresses, and Queens: Blueswomen on the Tent Show Stage, was a treat for all who attended. Professor Paige McGinley guided our tour through the theatrical history of blues entertainment before returning us to the present day for a toe-tapping blues performance by Candice Ivory along with Professors Bill Lenihan and Paul Steinbeck.

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The Chancellor’s Light Lunch and Lecture has been rescheduled for Tuesday, January 24, 2017 at 11:30 a.m. with speaker Erik Herzog. “Falling back is easier on us than springing forward,” says Professor Herzog, a biologist at the university who has devoted his career to studying body clocks and circadian rhythms.

Friday, March 3 -5-7 p.m. - Kemper Art Museum
Members of the Women and the Kemper, Woman’s Club and the Women’s Society of Washington University are invited to an evening of art and fashion! Taking inspiration from the exhibit Spectacle and Leisure in Paris: From Degas to Picasso, students from the Fashion Design Department of the Sam Fox School will showcase original garments and discuss their creations.

View Chancellor Wrighton’s remarks before the debate at @ www.c-span.org/video/?c4624456/2016-debate-washu-stl

Did you know…
2006... WSWU began awarding two full Elizabeth Gray Danforth scholarships each year
1996... Scholar Brian Saville was accepted to Washington University’s School of Medicine
1986... Dr. Harriet K. Switzer, Secretary to the Board of Trustees was appointed WSWU’s University Coordinator
1976... the first Women’s Society Scholarship was awarded to a graduate of The St. Louis Community College at Meramec. The scholarship began with a $10,000 gift from members, in celebration of the organization’s Tenth Anniversary.

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