



Here comes Jack Frost!

### 'Tis the Season with Buffalo Weather Facts

Buffalo can expect more days with temperatures over 75 degrees (85) than days with snow on the ground (76)!

Buffalo receives an average of 92 inches of snow per year, less than Montreal (95") and Syracuse (109").

Buffalo's reputation for snowfall is in part the result of snow received in the "snowbelt" south of the city. Nearby Ellicottville, the heart of the region's ski country, receives an average of 180 inches of snow each winter!

Average Snowfall:  
93 inches

Average Winter  
Temp: 24 degrees F!

For more information visit the Guide online at:  
[www.buffalocvb.org/  
media\\_kit\\_5.html](http://www.buffalocvb.org/media_kit_5.html).

# The Chronicle

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## Notes from the Chair

Greetings Colleagues;

As we approach the winter season we should not forget what a wonderful summer and fall we experienced. Let's hope that our winter is equally as impressive. Especially since we are entering the time of "Winter Blues" and "SAD-Seasonal Affective Disorder"! Let PSC keep you focused and informed during our general meetings. For example, how many can remember when you were hired at Buffalo State College? Or the many documents received about fringe benefits; which you should have read, signed, and returned to Human Resources. How many can remember the documents you signed?

The next professional development workshop will answer these questions, as well as many others that are on your mind. So, this would be the meeting to attend if you can't remember what benefits you chose because Sue Earshen, (Director of Human Resource Management) and Jeannita McKnight, Employee Benefits

Administrator will be there! Our Human Resource Management Office has a multitude of information from benefits to personal development. Check out their website! And, attend the PSC general meeting on December 3rd. This session promises to be quite informative. Not only will you learn about employee benefits, but also some of the other tools and strategies offered by HR. Your memory bank shall improve after this day! NOW doesn't that sound like a Plan!

Keep the Faith,  
Ottilie M. Woodruff



## Good Folks to Know! Buffalo State's UUP Chapter

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## The College Senate's Electronic Forum

An electronic forum has been established, open to the entire college community, to explore the option of posting pod casts of the Senate meetings in the week following a Senate meeting. Individuals can post comments using their own name or a name they create (e.g., Anonymously). You can access the forum through the College Senate

home page. To participate in any on campus forum, you need to register (use this link: <http://forum.buffalostate.edu/index.php?act=Reg&CODE=00>).



*PSC-We Make It Happen!*

## Remember the October Storm of 2006?

Of course you do! Happy Anniversary Buffalo! Can you believe it's been a year already?! Go here to reminisce and see what Buffalo State's Campus looked like after that icy Thursday night! [http://view.buffalostate.edu:8080/main.php?g2\\_itemId=2469&g2\\_a=24369](http://view.buffalostate.edu:8080/main.php?g2_itemId=2469&g2_a=24369).



## Uniting Across Campuses:

### CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS!



### 2008 Conference "Advisors Networking for Student Success" Wednesday, February 27<sup>th</sup> (tentative)

The Uniting Across Campuses (UAC) Conference committee welcomes proposals for presentations, panels and/or workshops on all topics related to advisement and student support services. Presentations should seek to explore the development of quality professionals within the field of higher education. Presentations from colleagues, other professionals and/or graduate students at your institution are welcome. Please refer to the submission instructions and send proposals to the UAC Conference Committee no later than **Friday, Dec. 14th, 2007**.

Visit the PSC website, [www.buffalostate.edu/psc/](http://www.buffalostate.edu/psc/) to download the UAC proposal instructions sheet.

Don't forget about our website!

[www.buffalostate.edu/psc/](http://www.buffalostate.edu/psc/)

Check the site often for updates and announcements about PSC!

To submit information or articles to The Chronicle, contact Mary Finger at [fingermc@buffalostate.edu](mailto:fingermc@buffalostate.edu).

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

### PSC General Meeting Schedule 2007-08

December 3rd

**DO YOU KNOW WHAT BENEFITS YOU ARE ENTITLED TO?** Presenters: Sue Earshen & Jeannita McKnight, Human Resources

February 5th

**KNOW YOUR RIGHTS: Negotiating Your Performance Program & Evaluation** Presenter: Ed Giblin, Labor Relations Specialist

APRIL 8th

**Annual Meeting with President Muriel Howard**

Meetings are all held in Butler 208, 12:00 to 1:30 p.m. Lunch will be provided to those who RSVP; contact Otilie Woodruff at [woodroom@buffalostate.edu](mailto:woodroom@buffalostate.edu). *General membership meetings are held for all professionals on campus to attend. Meet your fellow professionals, share concerns and hear the truth behind the campus rumors!*

