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## Western University Community Events - Amazing Race 2009

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**WESTERN HEADS EAST'S  
AMAZING RACE PACKAGE  
2009**



Dear Residence Council Member,

Thank you very much for taking the time to help us organize the annual campus-wide AMAZING RACE! We are very excited to engage Western's first year students in a series of events to promote the Western Heads East project, UWO's community response to HIV/AIDS in East Africa. Please read the Amazing Race Package we have prepared for you outlining the events to come. If you have any questions please feel free to contact myself or your Residence Representative.

Thank you once again,

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## WESTERN HEADS EAST'S SCAVENGER HUNT & ANNUAL AMAZING RACE

### *The Goal:*

To hold an “Amazing Race” across campus to help fundraise and increase awareness for the Western Heads East project.

### *When:*

Scavenger Hunt – October

Amazing Race Date – November 14<sup>th</sup>

### *How:*

#### **PART 1 – Scavenger Hunt + Fundraising**

#### *Overview of the Scavenger Hunt*

Each residence will organize a Scavenger Hunt **within** their residence, where teams of 2 frosh compete to represent their Residence at the Amazing Race Finale. Participants must pay \$4 per team and sign a registration form (see page 6) to participate.

SH organizers would then select 15 locations within the residence to run a challenge and they would create the location clues for each site. WHE will provide each residence with an activity package containing challenges or objects to find for each location (please see examples provided on page 7 and complete TASK LIST on page 5).

#### *Scavenger Hunt Logistics*

- On the day of the Scavenger Hunt, teams will meet in the cafeteria where they will be given the first object clue and location clue.
- To prevent pairs from simply following each other from one location to the next, team will start at different locations in the residence. For instance, Team A will start at Location 1, Team B will start at Location 2, Team C will start at Location 3 and so on. Each pair will have a different starting location (if more than 15 teams sign up, then two teams will start at various locations).
- Once each team gets to their second location they will be travelling in sequential order (i.e. from Location 8 to Location 9 to Location 10 etc.)
- Teams will have a stamp card that must be stamped by the WHE member or council member situated at the various locations. After correctly identifying and locating the object at one location or completing a challenge, the team will get their card stamped by, and will receive the clues for next location from the WHE volunteer/council member.
- At the last of the 15 locations, teams will be given their final clue. This final location will be the same for all teams. The **first two teams** to reach this location and present a completely stamped card will represent their residence at the campus-wide Amazing Race on November 14<sup>th</sup>.
- Residence Councils should run their Scavenger Hunts by Monday, November 1<sup>st</sup> in order to submit the names of teams members to Ashley Motran by 4pm on November 1<sup>st</sup>.

Note: On the day of the Amazing Race each team of two frosh **must** have a Soph or Residence Council Member run with them.

## *Fundraising*

In the period before the campus wide Amazing Race, residence representatives will have an opportunity to further fundraise for the project. Teams must raise the minimum entrance fee **of \$100 for one team or 150\$ for two teams**, to participate in the race. Residences and their representatives are highly encouraged to raise more than the minimum \$100/\$150 as the teams that raise the most money will receive a time advantage on the day of the event Amazing Race. This will bring the participating teams one step closer to winning the top 3 prizes!

Teams will be required to submit final account of funds raised by November 9<sup>th</sup> at 4pm (this amount should include the 100\$/150\$ entrance fee) to qualify for time advantage. More funds can be raised until November 14<sup>th</sup>, and total funds collected by each team must be submitted at registration booth on November 14<sup>th</sup>.

## **PART 2 – Amazing Race**

On the day of the AMAZING RACE all participants will meet at UC Hill for registration and submission of funds raised. Upon registration teams will be told if they qualify for a time advantage and they will collect a stamp card and an envelope with the clue describing the location of their first challenge. Teams should dress up in a crazy costume that represents their team and their residence. Frosh week shirts are acceptable and can be part of their costume. Teams will move to the picture taking station to have their wacky costume compete to win the Best Outfit prize.

Once teams arrive at their locations they will be asked to complete a challenge. Similarly to the Scavenger Hunt upon completion of the challenge teams will get their cards stamped and a clue for the next on-campus location. Teams from the same residence are *not* required to work with each other during the race but can, though each team must complete their own challenges to move forward. Rest stations will be provided along the way. Teams may be eliminated if they arrive at a location without a stamp from their previous location or if they fail to complete the challenges. The first team who reaches the final location wins!

1<sup>st</sup> place teams will be awarded a engraved TROPHY for the residence and the GRAND PRIZE. The two runner-up teams will receive 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place prizes. Prizes will also be rewarded for the Team with the Most Spirit and the Team with the Best Outfit. *All* teams will be given a certificate of participation.

*Notes:* On the day of the Amazing Race, Campus Police and SERT will be notified and will be helping out to ensure the safety of the event. We will have water bottles and snacks available for participants along the way. Local media will be contacted, such as the Gazette, Western News, and the London Free Press etc. WHE will also have a videographer at different locations recording participants and interviewing them for future promotional use.

**TASK LIST FOR SCAVENGER HUNT ORGANIZERS/RESIDENCE COUNCIL**

- Pick a date and run Scavenger Hunt by **November 1<sup>st</sup>**
- Advertise for the Scavenger Hunt within Residence (WHE will provide some campaign posters)
- Recruit volunteers to run SH and get appropriate permission within rez (as required by Rez Manager)
- Pick SH location in residences and make clues for locations
- Charge 4\$ per team of 2 frosh to compete in the SH
- Return all signed registration forms to the WHE Committee on the day of the Scavenger Hunt.
- Send names of winning team members by **November 1<sup>st</sup> at 4pm** to amotran@uwo.ca
- Help winning team to raise minimum 100\$ entrance fee for the Amazing Race, or 150\$ for two teams
- Submit final account of funds raised by **November 9<sup>th</sup>** at 4pm (this amount should include the 100\$/150\$ entrance fee) to qualify for time advantage
- Continue to fundraise until November 14<sup>th</sup>
- Teams will submit their total funds raised by **November 14<sup>th</sup>** at the registration booth

## Registration Form

Residence Scavenger Hunt



Name \_\_\_\_\_

Age \_\_\_\_\_ Gender \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to join the Western Heads East (WHE) Volunteer mailing list? Y \_\_\_ N \_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Please note that by signing this form, you are giving WHE consent to potentially take your picture or video for promotional use.

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Examples of Scavenger Hunt Clues:

*Residence councils are responsible for creating these clues.*

**Locations:**

This room can hold dreams,  
Adventures and more,  
Recipes and history  
Even Jordan's top score.  
A lot of students don't know  
Where this room lies  
Until exams roll around--  
Studying opens their eyes.  
[Library/Study room]

Atkins and Jenny  
May disapprove of your choice  
But late night cravings  
Will silence that health conscience voice.  
This location will be evident  
If you just follow your nose,  
Better yet, let your tummy lead,  
It will know where to go.  
[Cafeteria]

There's more than one purpose  
To this next room you'll find--  
It's a study and bedroom,  
But not the only one of its kind!  
There are many of these rooms  
But the one that you must seek,  
Belongs to the Head  
Of the leaders of O-Week.  
[Head Soph's room]

Examples of the Scavenger Hunt Object Clues/Challenges:

*WHE Committee will create these clues*

**Objects:**

It's a mini replica  
The real one's larger by far.  
This one's made of paper  
And its roughly the height of a jar.  
Although it houses no families,  
In reality it often can.  
It's not a natural structure  
But a building made by man.  
[Paper hut]

Distances are proportionate  
Because scaling made it so.  
I can spin on a fixed angle,  
Round and round I go.  
70 % of my surface  
Is a continuous blue.  
7 Large masses  
Complete this worldly view.  
[Globe]

This is used to spread awareness  
About a 4 letter cause.  
It's a major epidemic  
Killing without pause.  
Pin it to your shirt,  
Or some form of attire.  
Join supporters on a search,  
A cure's what we wish to aspire.  
[Red AIDS ribbon]