

# GOLDEN BEAR COMMUTER COURIER

## WESTERN NEW ENGLAND UNIVERSITY

### ‘Tis the Season to Prepare for Winter Driving

With the change of seasons most people examine their wardrobes. Last season’s coat is inspected for wear, boots, sweaters hats and gloves come out of the closet for scrutiny. AAA reminds motorists that cars also need seasonal checkups. AAA recommends that motorists use a simple checklist to determine their car’s fall and winter maintenance needs. Most of the items on the checklist can be inspected by car owners in less than an hour, but several others should be performed by a certified technician.

#### Winter Car Care Checklist

**Battery & Charging System** – Have the battery and charging system tested by a trained technician. A fully charged battery in good condition is required to start an engine in cold weather.



**Battery Cables & Terminals** – Make sure the battery terminals and cable ends are free from corrosion, and the connections are tight.

**Drive Belts** – Inspect the underside of accessory drive belts for cracks or fraying. Many newer multi-rib “serpentine” belts are made of materials that do not show obvious signs of wear; replace these belts at 60,000-mile intervals.

**Engine Hoses** – Inspect cooling system hoses for leaks, cracks or loose clamps. Also, squeeze the hoses and replace any that are brittle or excessively spongy feeling.

**Tire Type & Tread** – In areas with heavy winter weather, installing snow tires on all four wheels will provide the best winter traction. All-season tires work well in light to moderate snow conditions, provided they have adequate tread depth. Replace any tire that has less than 3/32-inches of tread. Uneven tire wear can indicate alignment, wheel balance or suspension problems that must be addressed to prevent

further tire damage.

**Tire Pressure** – Check tire inflation pressure more frequently in fall and winter. As the average temperature drops, so will tire pressures – typically by 1 PSI for every 10 degrees Fahrenheit. The proper tire pressure levels can be in the owner’s manual or on a sticker typically located on the driver’s side door jamb. Also, check the spare.

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# WELCOME BACK WEEK 2018

SPONSORED BY THE OFFICE OF STUDENT ACTIVITIES AND LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17

**DIY: Make Your Own Succulent**  
**11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**  
**Campus Center Mall Area**

TUESDAY, JANUARY 16

**Tunes on Tuesday ft. Jake Manzi**  
**12:15 to 2:00 p.m.**  
**Campus Center Mall Area**

THURSDAY, JANUARY 18

**Jazz and Cocoa ft. Taylor Hildack**  
**12:15 to 2:00 p.m.**  
**Campus Center Mall Area**

FRIDAY, JANUARY 19

**DIY: Coaster Making**  
**11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**  
**Campus Center Mall Area**



### Writing Center

Tutors are available  
Monday through Thursday  
between  
8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m, and  
Friday between 8:00 a.m. and  
4:00 p.m.

For additional information or to  
schedule an appointment,  
please contact the Office of  
Writing Support Services at  
413-782-1263, stop in to the  
Writing Center (Herman 107),  
or fill out a form online.

### Math Center

Tutors are available  
Monday through Thursday  
between  
10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m, and  
Friday between 10:00 a.m. and  
2:00 p.m.

For additional information or to  
schedule an appointment,  
please contact the Math  
Center at 413-782-1692,  
stop in to the  
Math Center (Herman 309C), or  
fill out a form online.

### D'Amour Library Hours

Monday - Thursday  
7:45 a.m. - 12:00 a.m.

Friday  
7:45 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Saturday  
9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Sunday  
12:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m.

**Basement Computer Lab is  
open 24 hours**

# Wizarding World of



## Harry Potter Trivia



Friday, January 19, 2018  
9:00 p.m. — 11:00 p.m.  
Rock Café, Campus Center



## Movie Night and More

Saturday, January 20, 2018  
7:00 p.m. — 11:00 p.m.  
Rivers Memorial Arena



....Plus



## Inflatable Castle Escape Room

Harry Potter themed food  
Great prizes including :  
Amazon Gift Cards  
Celtics Tickets and Much More!

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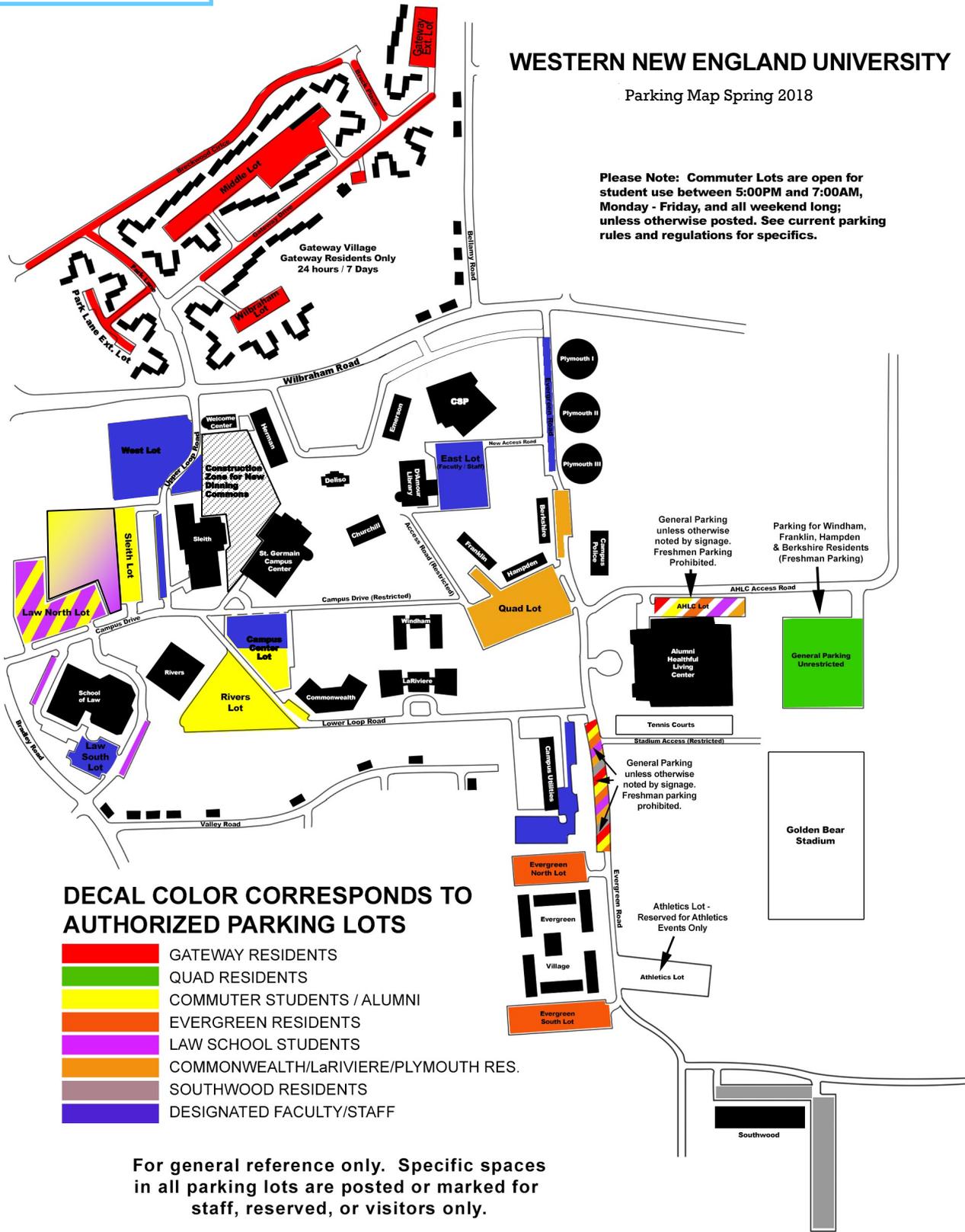
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the Office of Student Activities and  
Leadership Development



## WESTERN NEW ENGLAND UNIVERSITY

Parking Map Spring 2018

**Please Note: Commuter Lots are open for student use between 5:00PM and 7:00AM, Monday - Friday, and all weekend long; unless otherwise posted. See current parking rules and regulations for specifics.**



For general reference only. Specific spaces in all parking lots are posted or marked for staff, reserved, or visitors only.

For more information, please contact the University Police and consult the parking rules and regulations.

413.782.1300 or [wne.edu/public-safety](http://wne.edu/public-safety)

## Closing and Delay Information

Please be advised of the various ways that we make important announcements concerning weather or emergency cancellations and delays:

1. Through the RAVE notification system (registration required).
2. Go to the University's website homepage at [www.wne.edu](http://www.wne.edu) a banner will be posted regarding any closings or delays.
3. You may call the University's main telephone number at 413-782-3111 for a recorded message of the announcement.
4. You may listen to or watch the following radio or television stations:

**Hartford, CT stations:** WTIC Radio 1080 AM or 96.5 FM, WRCH 100.5 FM, WZMX 93.7 FM

**Springfield, MA stations:** WWLP-TV, WGGB-TV, WSHM-TV, WHYN Radio 560 AM or 93.1 FM, WPKX Radio 100.9

**Pittsfield, MA stations:** WBRK Radio 1340 AM or 101.7 FM

**Chicopee, MA station:** WACE Radio 730 AM

Every effort will be made to finalize decisions about cancelling day classes by 6:00 a.m., and, if necessary, the decision to cancel evening classes will be made by 2:00 p.m.



Each individual must make his or her own decision as to whether or not to travel to the campus if classes are not cancelled.

**Students should be advised that, if classes/exams are not canceled and a student is unable to get to campus, it is the student's responsibility to contact their professor(s) to make appropriate arrangements.**



WNEU Alert\*, a product of RAVE Mobile Safety is the new Western New England University emergency notification system. This system is the University's means of notification to our community for emergencies, weather related announcements, and Student Activities alerts.

With it, the University can send emergency notifications straight to your phone. As a Western New England University student, you are automatically enrolled in this service; faculty and staff are, too. However, we encourage you to frequently log in to the system using your Connect2U ID and password to check and/or update your information. That way, we'll be able to reach you in an

emergency situation — wherever you are.

In addition to WNEU Alert, we encourage you to download the RAVE Guardian app, which transforms mobile phones into personal safety devices. With this app, you can create a virtual safety network, immediately connect with public safety, and even submit anonymous tips that can help keep the University safe. You can get more information about RAVE Guardian and its features by clicking [here](#).

Together, WNEU Alert and the Rave Guardian app can help us do what matters most: keep you safe. Please take the time to go to your account and verify your

information and contact numbers. Also, please test the communication from RAVE Alert to your cellphone and e-mail address using the test buttons provided on your account page.

*\* Western New England University has contracted with the emergency notification system company Rave Mobile Safety to provide WNEU Alert. The service is free. (Standard text messaging rates may apply.) WNEU Alert will not be used to distribute advertising or other unsolicited content, nor will it be used to communicate routine notifications; the service is for emergency contact purposes only.*

*Original message from Chief Adam Woodrow on 6 December 2016.*

## 'Tis the Season to Prepare for Winter Driving

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**Air Filter** – Check the engine air filter by holding it up to a 60-watt light bulb. If light can be seen through much of the filter, it is still clean enough to work effectively. However, if light is blocked by most of the filter, replace it.

**Coolant Levels** – Check the coolant level in the overflow tank when the engine is cold. If the level is low, add a 50/50 solution of coolant and water to maintain the necessary antifreeze capability. Test the antifreeze protection level with an inexpensive tester available at any auto parts store.

**Lights** – Check the operation of all headlights, taillights, brake lights, turn signals, emergency flashers, and back-up lights. Replace any burnt out bulbs.

**Wiper Blades** – The blades should completely clear the glass with each swipe. Replace any blade that leaves streaks or misses spots. In areas with snow, consider installing winter wiper blades that wrap the blade frame in a rubber boot to reduce ice and snow buildup that can prevent good contact between the blade and the glass.

**Washer Fluid** – Fill the windshield washer fluid reservoir with a winter cleaning solution that has antifreeze components to prevent it from freezing.

**Brakes** – If there is any indication of a brake problem, have the system inspected by a certified technician to ensure all components are in good working order.

**Transmission, Brake and Power Steering Fluids** – Check all fluids to ensure they are at or above the minimum safe levels.

**Emergency Road Kit** – Carry an emergency kit equipped for winter weather. The kit should include:

- Bag of abrasive material (sand, salt, cat litter) or traction mats
- Snow shovel
- Flashlight with extra batteries
- Window washer solvent
- Ice scraper with brush
- Cloth or roll of paper towels
- Jumper cables



- Extra warm clothing (gloves, hats, scarves)
- Blankets
- Warning devices (flares or triangles)
- Drinking water
- Non-perishable snacks for both human and pet passengers
- First-aid kit
- Basic toolkit (screwdrivers, pliers, adjustable wrench)
- Mobile phone and car charger pre-programmed with rescue apps and important phone numbers including family and emergency services

*Adapted from: "'Tis the Season to Prepare for Winter Driving | AAA NewsRoom." AAA NewsRoom. 3 Oct. 2011.*

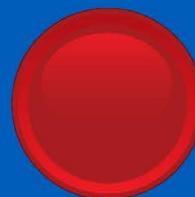
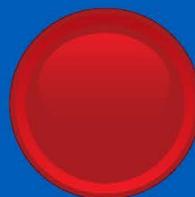
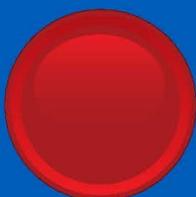
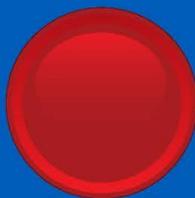
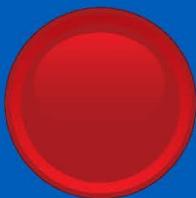
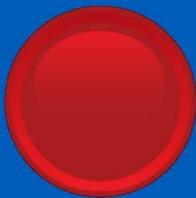
# GET CONNECTED!

## SPRING 2018 STUDENT ACTIVITIES EXPO

**Thursday**  
**January 25, 2018**  
12:30-2:00 p.m.  
Rivers Memorial Hall

Get involved with a club or organization! You'll meet others with similar interests, create new friendships, find new passions and strengths, and discover opportunities for personal and career development. It's a fact, student involvement leads to student success.

Sponsored by the Office of First Year Students and Students in Transition and the Office of Student Activities and Leadership Development.



## **Public Safety Active Shooter Training**

Last year, the Department of Public Safety offered several live training sessions regarding Active Shooter preparedness to our community members. This training provided those who attended with a video called, "Shots Fired on Campus: When Lightning Strikes". This training video is now available for all Western New England University members to view independently through a link on Connect2U. Clicking on the link below will take you directly to the Connect2U login page; enter your

username and password in order to access the online training.

Please take the time to watch this video and then take the short 20-question quiz that is also linked on the training page to reinforce the valuable lessons and concepts that have been proven to help protect people during these situations.

<https://www1.wne.edu/connect2u/content/active-shooter-training/>

If you have any questions or if you would like members of the

# **ACTIVE SHOOTER TRAINING**

Department of Public Safety to conduct group presentations please contact the Department of Public Safety at 413-782-1651.

Thanks in advance for your participation in this training,

Chief Adam Woodrow

*Original message from Chief Adam Woodrow on 6 December 2016.*



**The Office of Student Activities and Leadership continues to offer a limited number of lockers available in the Campus Center for commuter students to rent.**

**Locker rental fee (including the combination lock) is \$10.00 refundable deposit.**

**Stop by the Office of Student Activities & Leadership Development, located on the second floor of the Campus Center, to get your locker starting Tuesday, January 16.**

January/February/March

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
14	15 MLK Day	16 First Day of Class Student Senate Election Packets Available Welcome Week: Tunes on Tuesday	17 Welcome Week: DIY—Succulent Making	18 Welcome Week: Jazz & Cocoa	19 Welcome Week: DIY—Coaster Making FRIDAYS: Harry Potter Trivia (CAB/Student Senate/Student Activities)	20 LN@R: Harry Potter Themed Activities (CAB/Student Senate/Student Activities)
21	22	23	24	25 Spring Student Activities Expo	26 Improv on the Rocks Show FRIDAYS: Lights Out (Class Councils)	27 Snow Tubing (Outing Club) LN@R: Open Mic Night LN@R (Student Senate)
28	29	30 Student Senate Treasurer's Luncheon	31	1 Heart Health Awareness Week until Feb 8 World Hijab Day	2 LEADS FRIDAYS: International Dodgeball (SAAC)	3 LN@R (RHA/ NRHH)
4	5	6 Caribbean Food Fest (U&ME)	7	8 100 Days (Class of 2018)	9 Improv on the Rocks Show FRIDAYS: Coffee House (WNE Music)	10 Movie Night (WJAS) Comedy Show (CAB) LN@R (WARP)
11	12	13 Random Acts of Kindness until Feb 17 Jail Bail (Class of 2018)	14	15 Study Abroad Fair Dream Date (RHA)	16 FRIDAYS: Drag Show (GSA)	17 NERD Day (WARP)
18	19 Residence Life - Health Relationships Week Student Senate Election Packets Due	20 Tunes on Tuesday	21 Blood Drive	22 Ski Trip (Outing Club) Ebony Food Fest & Gospel Concert (U&ME)	23 FRIDAYS (Class of 2019)	24 LN@R (Student Media)
25	26	27	28	1	2 FRIDAYS (Class of 2020)	3 Open House Go Karting Trip (Outing Club) LN@R (Psychology Club) LN@R (CARE)

For more information about these events and other events taking place on campus, visit

<http://www1.wne.edu/calendar/index.cfm?tags=student-activities>



## Start building for the future today!

Consider these Student Leadership opportunities on campus and take the next step to become the newest members of the many leadership teams. Some of the deadlines are quickly approaching. These are great opportunities for you to strengthen your skills for the future and also complete your Learning Beyond the Classroom Experiences at the same time!

**Stop by the Student Activities Expo II:  
Thursday, January 25, 12:30-2:00 p.m., Rivers Memorial Hall  
It is never too late to get involved!**

### Office of Student Activities and Leadership Development

#### Broadcast Student Media (GB-TV only) and Yearbook and Literary Magazine

Applications are available online at [wne.edu/studentactivities](http://wne.edu/studentactivities) beginning February 19 and **must be submitted by March 2.**

#### Peer Review Board

Applications are available at the Office of Student Activities and Leadership Development beginning March 2 and must be returned by March 30. Interviews and appointments are held in April. The term begins in September. **Early arrival in August for training.**

#### Student Senate Elections

Nomination papers and Election Packets are available at the Office of Student Activities and Leadership Development beginning January 16 and **must be returned by February 19.** Elections are held on March 15 and include positions for Class/College/Resident/Commuter Representatives as well as Student Senate President/Vice President and all Class Officers.

### Office of First Year Students & Students in Transitions

#### Freshman Seminar Assistant

Applications are available in the Office of First Year Students & Students in Transition and online beginning January 16 and **must be returned by February 16.**

#### Peer Advisors

Applications are available in the Office of First Year Students & Students in Transition and online and **must be returned by January 26.**

#### Summer Orientation Group Leader

Applications are available in the Office of First Year Students & Students in Transition and online beginning January 16 and **must be returned by February 16.**

### Office of Residence Life

#### Resident Advisors

Applications are available online and must be returned by **January 26** at 4:00 p.m.

#### Apply today!

**Questions? Please stop by our office on the second floor of the Campus Center or call ext. 1203**