The purpose of the UNCW Communication Studies Society is to prepare members for a clear understanding of the communication field and to provide networking opportunities with peers and professionals in communication related fields.

Check out our official CSS website! You can access newsletters and meeting minutes to see what you missed and to learn about point opportunities at: http://student.uncw.edu/org/css.

Want to win easy money? Who doesn’t? Try your hand at CSS’ spring fundraiser, the 50/50 Raffle. Buy a raffle ticket for $1, and if your ticket is drawn, you split the total jackpot with CSS! Tickets will be sold during the week of March 22nd, and the winner will be announced on COM Studies Day at the social at Wrightsville Grille. Earn points by selling tickets. Contact fundraising chair Arielle Williams at atw7251@uncw.edu for more info.

We are collecting crafts for the Brigade Boys and Girls Club. You can donate playground balls, construction paper (any size, any colors), and youth size footballs. The complete list of items is found on the CSS website. The deadline is March 4th (LH 238). Please make sure you include your name and e-mail address with your donation.

CSS is hosting its 8th Annual Dress for Success Fashion Show on Friday, March 26th in the Warwick Center Ballroom at 12:15 pm. The event is free and will feature PCOM and COM students modeling outfits from Belk at Independence Mall, White House Black Market, and Men’s Wearhouse. Come learn how to dress for interviews and on the job, and enter for a chance to win some really cool prizes. Volunteers are still needed to help set up, clean up and various other duties associated with the event. If you are interested, please contact Jennifer Chin at chinj@uncw.edu.

Come work out your networking skills at COM Studies Day on Fri., March 26th. COM alumni will participate in two panel discussions in Leutze 125 (TV studio) to talk about their careers and life post-UNCW. Don’t miss this opportunity to learn from others who have been in your shoes. Panel discussions will be held at 10:00 am and 2:00 pm, each followed by a 30-minute networking session in the Leutze Hall Lobby. This is a great chance to practice your professional handshake and to collect valuable business contacts (and business cards)!

Are you interested in running for a position on the CSS executive board for the 2010-2011 school year? Well, CSS will hold a leadership workshop during our regular meeting on Wednesday, March 17th. During the workshop you will hear about the different positions that are available. You will also learn the responsibilities of each board member and have the opportunity to test your leadership skills.
Each year, CSS honors one of its general members for their contributions to the organization with the CSS Achievement Award. The award recipient wins a plaque and a $100 gift card to the UNCW Bookstore. Applications will be available at the March 17th meeting and online. Applications should be submitted by Tuesday, March 30th at 12:00 NOON to Leutze Hall 238. The winner will be announced at the COM Studies Banquet on April 22nd at the Burney Center Ballroom. If you have questions, please contact Jennifer Chin at chinj@uncw.edu.

Thank you to Star-News reporter Shannan Bowen for taking time out of her busy schedule to talk to us on February 17th about how technology is changing the news media!

Don’t simply join CSS—get involved! Consider joining one of our committees:

**Community Outreach:** If you are interested in a career working for nonprofit organizations, or if you just want to have fun while making a difference in our community, this is the committee for you! Contact Nishtha Sharma (ns6770@uncw.edu) for more information.

**Fundraising:** We put the “fun” in fundraiser. Everybody can use a little extra cash every now and then, and so can CSS. Creative and outgoing people wanted. If you have any creative and fun ideas, please let us know. For more information, contact Arielle Williams (atw7251@uncw.edu).

**Publicity:** Are you creative? Are you skilled at design? If so, this committee is for you. This committee promotes club meetings and events through flyers, chalking, and announcements. Contact Allison Day (amd2049@uncw.edu) for more information.

Need points and want to know an easy way to do it? You can volunteer to bring food or drinks for the meetings. If interested, contact Ashley Scales at als1516@uncw.edu to sign up.