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### **Adult Workshops**

10:30am D-01

Girls – Boxed In or Unstoppable?

Learn about the status of women and girls in our state and our county. The presentation will focus on issues such as education, employment/earnings, poverty and health.

Dr. Eleanor Siebert, MSMU

11:30am LUNCH

12:00pm

E-01 College Admissions and Financial Aid

Learn about women who did calculations back before there were hardware computers and why girls do/don't choose to pursue science/math, etc

Maryann Nguyen, MSMU Admissions

1:00pm

F-01 Learning and Memory

During this workshop, we will take a tour of the brain and the neuroscience concepts behind learning and memory. A particular focus will be given to how these process change as we develop and age, and what can be done to keep your memory sharp.

Jennifer Chotner, MSMUBiological Sciences

2:00pm WRAP-UP and DOOR PRIZES

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- To increase the awareness of young women about career options in math and science
- To encourage young women to participate in high school math and science courses
- To provide students an opportunity to meet and form personal contacts with women working in traditionally male occupations
- To foster awareness of the qualifications necessary for careers in math- and science-related fields

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### 8:45am REGISTRATION

Mount Saint Mary's University, Chalon Campus (Administrative Lawn)

#### 9:30am KEYNOTE ADDRESS

### Engineers are Everywhere and Do Everything!!!

What do engineers do?? Hear about this first-hand!! They design, create, explore and innovate. They receive education and training in many different fields and work in many different environments.

LTC Jenny Janas, U.S. Army Research Fellow

### 10:30am Group A

### A-01 Chilly as Ice! (Chemistry)

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Dr. Sylvine Deprele & Andrea Perez, MSMU Chemistry and WISH Students

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#### A-03 Math Doesn't Need to be So Hard! (Math)

How to approach math effectively? What is math anxiety? And how do you learn to deal with it? In this workshop learn strategies to address these important questions.

Dr. Maria-Grazia Ascenzi, UCLA Dept Orthopaedic Surgery

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## A-06 Nursing – A Career Option (Health)

The workshop discuss opportunities in the nursing profession, what it takes to become a Registered Nurse and hands on time to perform basic clinical skills.

Marsha Nickerson, MSMU Nursing Program

## A-07 What Makes a Mouse a Mouse? (Genetics)

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Nicole Henderson-MacLennan, UCLA Lola Rahib, Pancreatic Cancer Network

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Participate in several fun experiments that demonstrate the power of chemical reactions, using safe, every-day ingredients.

Lara Schmidt, RAND Associate Director

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Dr. Reshma Billani, Animal Wellness Center

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Christie Fu. ARCADIS

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Amanda Evans, CSUF Chemistry

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### 1:00pm Group C

## C-01 Patterns + Women = Figures for Math (Math)

Mathematics is really about patterns, not just numbers. You will explore mathematical ways of thinking and hear about women mathematicians.

Esmeralda Cardenas, USC & Assurance Learning Leslie Koffi, LMU Mathematics

Dr. Jackie Dewar, LMU Mathematics

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Foods like fruits and vegetables contain so many nutrients, which are known to be good to our body. Today we will learn how to extract nutrients from fruits and vegetables and how to analyze nutrients using technique called chromatography.

Yumei Lin, Yumei Consulting, Inc.