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ARKANSAS UNION
- Union traffic count 4/7 – 4/13: 66,030
- The Union hosted 322 events and booked 318 future events.

CAMPUS CARD OFFICE:
- Created 68 faculty, staff and student ID Cards and processed $15,335 in Razorbuck$ deposits

CENTER FOR COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT:
- Race for the Cure has space for 77 more volunteers for April 26th- sign up at [http://volunteer.uark.edu](http://volunteer.uark.edu)
- Dream B.I.G. received a $12,000 grant for their Fall Break Day of Service with Marvell/Elaine High School. The funds will be used to help the school build sets and costumes for a production of The Wiz, a first for MEHS- a high school production!
- The “Work it Off” Program sponsored by ASG, where students can volunteer 2 hours to pay off a parking ticket was launched last week on our website. The Program has been temporarily suspended by Parking and Transit while they explore details about the program.

CENTER FOR EDUCATIONAL ACCESS:
- 868 students with disabilities have requested academic accommodations this semester, which includes 157 new students.
- 183 exams were proctored the week prior to Spring Break, bringing the total number to 1,138 for Spring semester.
- 608 student notetakers have uploaded 6,834 files of class notes for students with print-based disabilities this semester.
- 175 books have been converted to alternate formats for 123 students with print-based disabilities.

GREEK LIFE:
- Order of Omega will be hosting its annual Greek Awards Ceremony on Monday, April 21 at 6pm in the Union Ballroom. Chapters and student leaders will be recognized for their Greek involvement, scholastic achievement, community service, and philanthropic work during the 2013-14 academic year. Our awards reception will begin at 5pm in the gallery located on the 4th floor.
- Four candidates are on campus this week for our Associate/Assistant Director position. Student Affairs staff may participate in interviews during the following times: Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday 1:30 - 2:30 p.m. (Arkansas Union 401); Wednesday 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. (Arkansas Union 401). For more information including credentials, please contact Greek Life.

NEW STUDENT & FAMILY PROGRAMS:
- Arkansas & YOU events this week in Houston, Dallas, and Tulsa. These events for admitted students and family members are co-sponsored by Arkansas Alumni Association, Office of Admissions, and New Student & Family Programs watch the video being shown at these events here: [Arkansas & You](http://arkansas.com)
- Last Friday Night Live of the semester will be next Friday
- Spring Family Reunion will be held next weekend (April 25th – 27th)
- Final interviews for New Student Welcome Student Speaker & Emcee will be April 30th
- Spring Emerging Leaders concluded last week with over 50 students completing the program

OFF CAMPUS CONNECTIONS:
- Attending an Enrollment Management meeting on 4/14 to provide feedback on the Online Transfer Orientation module and discuss the advising process for transfers.
• Attending the Student Involvement Awards Ceremony on 4/15 to congratulate student winners, in particular the winners of the Arkansas Alumni Association Non-Traditional Student Leadership Award winners: Elaine Belcher and Tina Parker. In addition to being recognized, each winner will receive an engraved clock and $500.
• Commuter/Off-Campus Meal Plan Marketing Meeting will be held on 4/16 to discuss the semester and make final preparations for orientation.

PAT WALKER HEALTH CENTER (PWHC):
• Michelle Cooper, MSW has joined the staff at CAPS as a case manager.
• April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM) and the upcoming events and exhibits include: "The Fourth Flag Project" starting today through April 25th of the Union Mall, the "9th Annual Dress Down to Raise Awareness Day" wear individuals can wear a Take Back the Night shirt with jeans on April 24, and the "12th Annual Take Back the Night March" at the Fayetteville square 6:45 p.m. Thursday, April 24. Take Back the Night t-shirts are blue with glow in the dark ink this year, and are available for $10, proceeds benefit sexual assault programming and advocacy on campus.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES:
Associated Student Government (ASG)
• As of April 4th, Safe Ride has given 7,607 trips to 12,465 passengers for a total of 17,773 miles. In comparison, you can make a driving round-trip from Fayetteville, Arkansas to Beijing, China (total miles would be 14,000) and still have 3,000 miles to spare!
• The Associated Student Government Alumni Society has formally been established within the Arkansas Alumni Association. This society will seek to further engage ASG alum via programming such as a Homecoming Reception, solicitation of funds for scholarships such as the ASG President's Council Scholarship, and participation & engagement with current members via the monthly, Coffee with Alumni series, which is sponsored by the Office of Student Activities.
• This past Tuesday, the ASG Senate passed a bill that sponsors ASG leaders to attend a lobbying trip to Washington, D.C. in late April. Members of the delegation will meet with members of the Department of Education, Arkansas Congressional Delegation, and other groups, in advocating for various student causes, including student loan debt, graduation rates, and debt inequality between graduate and undergraduate students.
• ASG Chief of Staff Autumn Lewis was a co-recipient of the Division of Student Affairs’ Henry Woods Outstanding Student Leader Award while ASG President Bo Renner was named recipient of the Doyle Z. Williams Student Leadership Award.

Headliner Concerts Committee (HCC):
• Finalizing contract and ticketing details for concert to occur on on Thursday, May 1 at the County Fairgrounds. Artist will be announced as soon as contract is final.

STUDENT STANDARDS & CONDUCT:
• For dates 4/8 to 4/15: 31 new conduct cases were opened including: 13 use/possession of alcohol, 1 public intoxication; 4 possession/use of controlled substance; 1 sale/manufacture controlled substance; 4 harboring pets (These numbers may include several violations for one individual).

STUDENT MEDIA:
• Listed are the winning entries from UA Student Media staff in the Region 12 Society of Professional Journalists Mark of Excellence (MOE) contests. These awards were made at the Region 12 conference held at the University of Arkansas on April 11, 2014.

NEWSPAPERS: Breaking News Reporting - Winner: “Students Hit at Campus Crosswalk” by Anna Davis, The Arkansas Traveler, University of Arkansas; Finalist: “Concealed Carry Bill Fails” by Connor Malone, The Arkansas Traveler, University of Arkansas; Feature Writing - Finalist: “Crafting the Counterculture” by Shelby Gill, The Arkansas Traveler, University of Arkansas; Best Student Magazine: Finalist: The Arkansas Traveler Magazine, University of Arkansas

TELEVISION: Television Breaking News Reporting - Winner: “FHS Athletic Director Arrested” by Krystle Sherrill, UATV, University of Arkansas; Finalist: “Elkins Tornado” by Bridget Spencer, UATV, University of Arkansas; Television General News Reporting - Winner: “Snow Day Impact” by Mallory Jordan, UATV, University of Arkansas; Television Feature - Winner: “Bike Shop” by John Christian Williams, LSU Tiger TV,
UNIVERSITY HOUSING:
• Coordinator for Residence Education candidates will be interviewing on-campus on Thursday, April 17, Tuesday, April 22, and Wednesday, April 23.
• Newly hired Resident Assistants for the 2014-2015 academic year will be attending a Strengths training session on Tuesday, April 15.
• Residents’ Interhall Congress (RIC) held online elections for executive board positions from Wednesday, April 9, through Friday, April 11. Over 761 on-campus students voted in the election. Here are the results: President: Elizabeth (Lizzi) Reynolds; Vice-President: Cameron Thomas; Secretary/Treasurer: Russell Sharp; Programs Director: Christopher Hopkins; Judiciary Branch: Joseph Campbell, Marsha Kim Huh, Braylon Junion, Jacob Pritsker; Logan Mills was elected by the RIC House of Representatives (formerly known as the RIC Senate) as Speaker of the House; Nick Stauffer has been appointed as Director of Communications; Kenneth Hamilton has been appointed as Director of Sustainability.
• The RA Banquet will be held on Thursday, April 24, at 7 p.m. at the Guest House Inn.
• The Living Learning Community application deadline is Tuesday, April 15.
• Humphreys Hall Senate is hosting the Spring Fever Reliever program on the Humphreys Lawn on Thursday, May 1.
• No Woman Left Behind intern interviews will take place the week of April 21.
• The Faculty In Residence position announcement has been posted. The application deadline is Monday, May 5.
• Jodi Redfeather accepted the HIT Team supervisor position and begins her new role on Monday, April 21st.
• There are currently 5,172 students contracted to live in University Housing next year. This is a 6% increase over the same time period last year.

VETERANS RESOURCE AND INFORMATION CENTER:
• 104 student veterans will be graduating during the Spring 2014 term.
• Veterans Affairs Department Federal Audit on files of students receiving GI Bill benefits to occur on April 16, 2014 from 8am to 5pm.
• VRIC Board meeting to occur on April 17, 2014 at 2pm in Rogers.
• Army ROTC will be hosting Mr. Mike Berry, former appellate litigation attorney with the U.S. Marine Corps and current Director of Military Affairs for the Liberty Institute, for a lecture and discussion on Religious Freedom in our Military. The Liberty Institute is a religious advocacy group, and is the nation's largest organization dedicated solely to defending religious liberty in America. Mr. Berry has argued cases at all levels, to include various federal appeals courts, and was invited to serve as an Adjunct Professor of Law at the Naval Academy. Though this topic is somewhat focused toward our ROTC and student-veteran population, we would like to extend an invitation to all students, faculty, and community members, and feel that this topic is relevant and interesting to all. Information: April 24, 2014 from 6:30pm to 8:00pm at Hillside Auditorium Room 206. Contact: Stewart Tice (stice@uark.edu)

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