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This bi-weekly newsletter is meant to inform you of important events, announcements, acknowledgements and deadlines in the [Division of Student Affairs](#) over the next two weeks.

Various Student Affairs Scholarships are available now – [encourage students to apply on our website.](#)

Events:

Now – Saturday Apr. 1:

- ? Housing – RecycleMania, the annual competition promoting recycling and waste reduction, is under way and ends on Saturday, Apr. 1. The competition is happening on two levels: between our residence halls on campus and between other university campuses nationwide. Recyclable items will be collected from the halls and then weighed. Points will then be given to each hall's recyclable items (adjusted depending on the size/population of the hall) with points being deducted for contaminated items. The winning hall will win a prize at the end of the competition. Walton Hall was the 2016 on-campus RecycleMania winner.

Thursday, Feb. 9 – Friday, Feb. 17:

- ? Housing - First round of spring semester Health and Safety Inspections for the residence halls.

Tuesday, Feb. 14:

- ? Career Development – UA Career Fair Resume Review, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Connections Lounge.
[Click Here for Event Details](#)
- ? Career Development – Dress for Success, 12:00 – 12:30 p.m., Connections Lounge.
[Click Here for Event Details](#)
- ? Off Campus Student Services – Lunchtime Learning Series for Parenting and Pregnant Students, 11:30 am – 1:00 pm, Union 503. [Please sign up here.](#) Lunch is provided and drop-ins are welcome
- ? Student Activities – Cupids, Cards, and Cocoa, 11 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Anne Kittrell Art Gallery

Wednesday, Feb. 15 – Thursday, Apr. 20:

- ? ASG – Mandatory Executive Candidate Orientation Session, 5:00 p.m., ARKU 308SW. This session is required for all candidates running for an ASG Executive Office (President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer) in the general election this semester. (It is not a mandatory meeting for Senate or Graduate Student Congress (GSC) candidates.)
- ? ASG – Optional Legislative Candidate Orientation Session, 6:00 p.m., ARKU 308SW. This is an optional orientation session for any students running for a Senate or Graduate Student Congress (GSC) seat in the General Election. Candidates for the Senate or GSC can also take an online quiz in place of attending this orientation session.
- ? Career Development - E² Series (Engineers Employed) Spring 2017, Various times and locations (see website)
[Register Here](#)
- ? Housing - Diversity Impact Host Orientation/Training, 5:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m., Maple South 145
- ? Housing - LeadNow (Lead Hogs) February Meeting, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m., Maple Hill South 143
- ? Student Activities – OSA Day, 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Connections Lounge. This is a great way to learn about all of the program areas within OSA and find out how we help students connect, lead, and succeed!
- ? Student Activities – Trivia Night: Music, 7:00 p.m., Arkansas Union International Connections Lounge

Thursday, Feb. 16:

- ? Career Development - UA Career Fair for All Majors/Veterans Fair, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 – 3:00 p.m., Union Ballroom
[Click Here to See Attending Companies](#)
[Click Here for Event Details](#)
- ? Career Development - Passport to Success, 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Connections Lounge
[Click Here for Event Details](#)

Saturday, Feb. 18:

- ? Greek Life - Bid Day for IFC Recruitment, 10:00 a.m., Greek Theatre.
- ? New Students & Family Programs – St. Louis Regional Parents Club – Basketball Watch Part

Sunday, Feb. 19:

- ? Greek Life – Hazing Prevention 101, 12:00 – 2:00 p.m., Union Theater. All IFC new members will participate in the seminar.

Monday, Feb. 20:

- ? University Programs General Meeting, 5:30 p.m., UP Video Theater

Tuesday, Feb. 21:

- ? New Students & Family Programs – Little Rock Regional Parents Club – Razorback Painting Party
- ? RSO Advisor Development Series, 11:30 a.m., JB Hunt 535. Topic: RSO Challenges. Advisors can pre-register for the workshops [here](#).

Wednesday, Feb. 22:

- ? Housing – Finance According to Music, an @Home series program, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., Arkansas Union Verizon Ballroom. The program will use the musical genre of rap to talk about finances. Rap lyrics talk often about money and this program will use the popularity of those lyrics to demystify financial matters.
- ? RSO Involvement Fair hosted by SOOIE, 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Arkansas Union International Connections Lounge.

Thursday, Feb. 23 – Saturday, Feb. 25:

- ? Housing – Diversity Impact 2017. Approximately 90 high school juniors have been invited to campus to participate in Diversity Impact 2017. Diversity Impact is an overnight campus visit program for high school juniors. The program gives the high school students the opportunity to tour the campus, learn more about the academic colleges and majors, scholarships and financial aid, and to experience life in a residence hall. This program is a collaboration between the Office of Admissions, the Center for Multicultural and Diversity Education, and University Housing.

Thursday, Feb. 23:

- ? Student Activities – Animated Series: Finding Dory, 7:00 p.m., Union Theatre

Friday, Feb. 24:

- ? ASG – RED Talks: Diversity: 5:00 p.m., Reynolds Center Auditorium (RCED) – The latest RED Talks will focus on diversity and the University of Arkansas experience.
- ? Student Activities - Upright Citizens Brigade, 7:00 p.m., Union Theatre

Saturday, Feb. 25:

- ? Greek Life – Greek Sing, Tickets are on sale now.

- ? New Student & Family Programs – Kansas City Regional Parents Club – Razorback Painting Party
- ? UARK Talent Show, 7:00 p.m., Union Theatre

Monday, Feb. 27 – Friday Mar. 3:

- ? Community Engagement - 5th Annual Hogs Care Week. The Center for Community Engagement and Arkansas Alumni Association will be sponsoring the 5th Annual Hogs Care Week. The purpose of Hogs Care Week is to bring the University of Arkansas family together through random acts of kindness. Hogs Care Week is one way we can help to foster the culture of giving and service that already exists within the Razorback Community. We are encouraging the university community to perform acts of kindness across campus and post those acts on social media using #HogsCare. More information can be found at <http://service.uark.edu/>.

Announcements:

Center for Community Engagement:

- ? The Jane B. Gearhart Full Circle Food Pantry celebrated its 6th anniversary on February 7! Full Circle served 12 clients in their first month of operation, currently we serve an average of 350 individuals each week and our services have grown in include a mobile pantry, garden program, SNAP assistance, and Cooking matters courses. We would like to thank the Division and all the individuals who have supported the pantry through the years, you make our work possible!
- ? Applications for the Volunteer Action Center Board are now available and will be due March 3. Leadership positions are available on the executive committee and all five signature programs: Dream BIG, Student Engagement, Razorback Food Recovery, Jane B. Gearhart Full Circle Pantry, and the VAC Literacy Program. Position descriptions and application available at <http://service.uark.edu/vac/index.php>.
- ? Razorback Food Recovery will accomplish their biggest goal to date soon – food recovery will begin in the third and final dining hall starting in March! Applications for recovery volunteers in Fulbright dining hall will open on February 15, 2017 and close March 2, 2017. Check service.uark.edu for more information.
- ? Cooking Matter's will be doing two sessions this semester. The first session will run Monday, Feb. 6 – Monday, Mar. 13, and will be focusing on Dorm Room Meals and Healthful Snacking. More information can be found at service.uark.edu.

Development:

- ? True Burger Donation Program. True Burger, which opened in the Arkansas Union Food Court in August, donates 5% of their proceeds to benefits two different Student Affairs funds per semester. The first half of the fall semester saw the Off-Campus Student Services Non-Traditional Student Scholarship receive over \$7300.

From now until March 10, these designated proceeds will benefit the Accelerate Student Achievement Program (ASAP) Bridge Program, part of the Academic Enrichment Program, in the Center for Multicultural and Diversity Education, and Class +. ASAP completers who are persisting well have already encountered many financial needs, such as warm clothes, transportation home for the holidays, and class books and supplies; this fund supports those emerging needs.

- ? Linda K Overstreet Scholarship is open until Friday, Mar. 31. Qualifications are full or part time degree seeking student, physical disability, registered with CEA, 2.0 GPA, and financial need.
- ? Henry Woods Student Leadership Award will open this week with an application deadline of Friday, Mar. 10. Qualifications are senior graduating in May, August, or December 2017 and outstanding record of student leadership.

Dining Services:

- ? Our campus beverage provider has given us an exclusive on a craft soda line called Stubborn and a cola called Caleb's Kola. The Stubborn line-up includes three flavors: Black Cherry, Root Beer and Vanilla Crème. Both brands are made with all natural ingredients and do not include any artificial colors or preservatives. This craft assortment is available in Club Red, Rocket Taco at Founders, and at True Burger in the Union Food court. The price point is 1.89 for Stubborn and 2.49 for Caleb's Kola. Here's a link to some fun videos and websites:

<http://www.stubbornsoda.com/index.html>

<http://calebskola.com>

Housing:

- ? SWACURH No Frills Business Conference, February 9 – 12 (in San Marcos, Texas): EmmaLe Davis, Amanda Bobo, Hannah Barney

New Students & Family Programs:

- ? Applications for Emerging Leaders available at <http://leadership.uark.edu>

Office of Student Activities

- ? ASG General Election Applications – Applications for 2017-2018 ASG Executive positions (President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer) as well as 2017-2018 Senate and Graduate Student Congress positions are available starting Thursday, February 2nd through Thursday, February 16th. Application information will be available at <https://asg.uark.edu/applications/>

- ? Applications for University Program's eight committee chair positions are due at noon on Wednesday, Feb. 15th. Applications can be found at osa.uark.edu.

Off Campus Student Services:

Applications for the Arkansas Alumni Association Non-Traditional Student Leadership Award open Friday, Feb. 17. More information and the application can be found at offcampus.uark.edu.

Pat Walker Health Center:

- ? Wide-spread flu cases reported on campus – The health center is seeing a significant number of flu cases on campus. Since Jan. 30, more than 250 cases have been diagnosed. The health center is encouraging the campus community to take the follow steps to protect themselves and others:
 1. Get the flu vaccine: Anyone who hasn't received the flu vaccine is encouraged to schedule an appointment at the Allergy, Immunization & Travel Clinic at 479-575-7723. The cost of the flu shot is \$20 for students and \$50 for faculty/staff. The flu vaccine can also be billed to insurance.
 2. Practice good respiratory hygiene: Everyone should make sure to avoid sick people and large crowds when sick; wash their hands frequently with soap and water; avoid touch your eyes, mouth and nose; cover your nose and mouth when you cough or sneeze; disinfect surfaces.
 3. Seek medical treatment if you experience flu-like symptoms: Anyone who experiences flu-like symptoms (sudden onset of fever, headache, body aches and cough), should schedule an appointment at the health center at 479-575-4451, or take advantage of the RazorCare Clinic, which does not require an appointment.

The health center is advising students who have a fever and flu-like symptoms to stay home and out of class until they are fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication. This will help slow the spread of the virus in our community.

Students who are diagnosed with the flu are advised to email their instructors to inform them of their absence from class. The health center and the Dean of Students do not provide class excuses, so it is important students proactively inform their professors.

A big thank you to all the faculty and staff who are currently taking appropriate measures to ensuring we avoid the spread of the virus and that are accommodating the increased number of flu cases.

For more information on influenza go to <https://www.cdc.gov/flu/>.

- ? Health Center Expansion Ground Breaking Celebration – The Pat Walker Health Center is expanding! Recently, the health center began work on a 20,000 square-foot expansion that will further extend the reach of the health center and the impact it has on the campus community.

To commemorate this exciting step forward for the health center, a ground breaking celebration will be held at 3 p.m., on Thursday, Feb. 28 the second floor of the Elizabeth Phillips Stewart Atrium of the Pat Walker Health Center.

The celebration event will include remarks from:

- Dr. Charles Robinson, vice chancellor for the Division of Student Affairs
- Mary Alice Serafini, associate vice chancellor for Student Affairs / Pat Walker Health Center executive director
- A member of the Walker Family Foundation

The celebration event will also be broadcasted live on the Division of Student Affairs Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/UA4Student/>.

- ? Health Center launches walk-in STI testing clinic as reported STIs reach all-time high in US – In 2015, more than 1.5 million sexually transmitted infections (STIs) were reported to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) — that’s more than ever reported in the organization’s history!

To help battle the alarming and rising trends of STIs, Pat Walker Health Center has launched a “Get Yourself Tested” (GYT) walk-in testing clinic for chlamydia & gonorrhea — the two most common STIs among college students.

The clinic is available from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, and from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. every Saturday the health center is open.

The GYT Clinic offers easy and convenient urine testing for patients experiencing no symptoms, and can be billed to insurance or self-pay. Patients can expect their results within a few business days.

Acknowledgments:

Greek Life:

- ? Greek Life Staff and 61 Greek student leaders returned from the 2017 AFLV (Association of Fraternal Leadership and Values) Conference in Indianapolis with various AFLV Award Honors in multiple categories such as Academic Achievement, Council Management, Membership Recruitment, Leadership & Development, Philanthropy & Community Service, and Self-Governance & Judicial Affairs. Panhellenic Council was also recognized as a Sutherland Finalist (Division III) at the AFLV conference. In addition, our Panhellenic Council received an Academic Recognition Award from the National Panhellenic Conference for Greek communities above the all undergraduate grade point average for 2016. This is exciting and certainly shows why the University of Arkansas Greek Life Community continues to have high recruitment, retention, and graduation rates.

- ? **Bowser, P.**, Jefferson, C., Matos, R. (2017, February). NPHC Un-KCUF: Re-evaluation of Masculinity, Chants, and Image within the Fraternities. Session presented at the annual meeting of the Association for Fraternal Leadership & Values Conference, Indianapolis, IN.

- ? During the AFLV conference, the University of Arkansas Greek Community won the competition for the Best Stroll Team in the Country. Other schools participating in the stroll competition included Iowa State, Mississippi State, University of Oklahoma, Oklahoma State, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, and UNC-Charlotte to name a few.

If you have any comments or suggestions please email Scott Flanagin, executive director of communication Student Affairs at sflanagi@uark.edu.