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ARKANSAS UNION:
• Attendance at the Arkansas Union this week was 59,864. We are on pace for 2.5 million by graduation.

CAMPUS CARD OFFICE:
• Made 134 cards and had Razorbuck$ deposits of $15,774 last week.
• Loaned 9 readers to 8 different departments for 1,002 card scans.
• Made 11 passport photos.

CENTER FOR COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT:
• Volunteer Action Center team recruited over 300 volunteers for Race for the Cure 2015. This is our final year in our partnership with Susan G. Komen Ozark affiliate, next spring the VAC will host an agency focused day of service.
• This week VAC will be hosting their first external partners planning meeting for Make a Difference Day 2015. Make a Difference Day will be a literacy themed awareness week, and it will culminate into a large book drive in partnership with athletics on October 24 at the Auburn Game. Books collected will be given to schools throughout Arkansas to provide personal libraries for kindergarten through third graders.
• VAC named their Board Member of the Year at the Student Involvement Awards, Daniel Caruth was selected by his peers as this year's winner. He has served on the Full Circle Campus Food Pantry team for three years. After graduation Daniel will continue on to the Clinton School of Public Service.

CENTER FOR EDUCATIONAL ACCESS:
• 1,055 students have requested academic accommodations for the Spring semester.
• 186 new students with disabilities registered for services this semester to date, which brings the total to 687 for this academic year.

Alternative Format Lab:
• 150 students have requested course materials be converted into alternative formats (Accessible PDF, Doc/RTF, Audio DAISY, MP3)
• 850 course materials have been requested and converted into alternative formats (514 unique items requested)

Note-Taker Services:
• 703 students have requested a note-taker for a total of 1,348 courses this semester
• 6,879 note files have been uploaded by note-takers

CEA Test Center:
• 2,428 exams proctored so far this semester (46% increase over the comparable week in Spring 2014)
• 109 exams proctored last week
• 570 students requesting exam appointments
• 1,613 classes for which CEA Test Center has proctored exams

Golf Cart Services:
• 31 students have utilized golf cart services so far this semester

GREEK LIFE:
• Congratulations to the new 2015-2016 Greek Life Facilitators Executive Board:
  President- Brianna Forth
  Secretary/ Treasurer- Tyler McKay
  Signature Programs Committee Chair- Brian Isham
  Sexual Assault Prevention Project (SAPP) Committee Chair- Cathleen Lowe
  Greek Advocating the Mature Management of Alcohol (GAMMA) Chair- Ryan Panyard
  New Member Experience Committee Chair- Sarah Kueter
• Order of Omega hosted the Order of Omega Awards on Monday, Apr. 20 in the Union Ballroom. The Order of Omega Awards recognized outstanding student leaders, programs, and academic achievement in all councils. Chapters were also awarded the Award of Excellence for all around outstanding work during 2014.
• IFC hosted the 2nd Annual IFC 4 Man Scramble Golf Tournament on Saturday, Apr. 25. The tournament raised $5000 for the JD Burning Foundation.

• On Friday, Apr. 24 fifteen international students who participated in the Global Greeks program attended Chicken Finger Friday at Kappa Kappa Gamma. Kappa hosted a culture day to interact with not only international students, but also students from National Pan-Hellenic Council to learn about their traditions such as stepping and strolling. The event was filled with lots of food and friends.

• NPHC Executive board retreat- Thursday, April 30

NEW STUDENT & FAMILY PROGRAMS:
• Graduating Student Leaders Breakfast will be held Saturday, May 9 at 7:00 a.m. in the Arkansas Union Ballroom.
• Sixty-four students successfully completed the Spring 2015 Emerging Leaders Program. Information about the fall cohort will soon be available at http://leadership.uark.edu.
• Dates for Fall 2015 Welcome Weeks are Thursday, Aug. 20 – Saturday, Sept. 5.
• 74 students representing the University of Arkansas have been recognized as Who’s Who Among Students in American Universities & Colleges. Newsire coming soon with listing of all recipients.
• Senior Allegra Hanson is the April Student Leader of the Month.

OFF CAMPUS CONNECTIONS:
• The Commuter Lounge on 6th Floor West of the Arkansas Union will be open and accessible to students until 10 p.m. for studying during final exams week (Monday, May 4 – Thursday, May 7).
• A brief feedback form will be sent this week to the ten students who received the Chartwells Non-Traditional Student Meal Scholarship for Spring 2015 semester. They will be asked if they fully utilized the plan, how the plan assisted them, and for any general feedback they may wish to share.
• Off Campus Connections will host two programs at off-campus properties to promote student wellness prior to finals week. On Tuesday, Apr. 28 from 3:30 – 5:00 p.m., Fayetteville Animal Services will provide dogs for students to play with at Hill Place Apartments. Information on becoming a shelter volunteer will be available. On Wednesday, Apr. 29 from 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Dr. Ed Mink will lead a Wellness Yoga class at University House Apartments.
• University Housing has worked closely with Off Campus Connections on StarRez (the new contracting system in Housing) in preparation for launching Off-Campus Meal Plan contract sales for Fall 2016. Promotion for fall plans will begin immediately.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES:
Associated Student Government:
• All are invited to ASG Inauguration on Friday, May 1 at 2:00 p.m. in the Union Theater. ASG President-Elect Tanner Bone, will give his vision for his administration in his Inaugural Address. In addition, members of the ASG Senate, Graduate Student Congress, Cabinet, and Executive Officers will be sworn in. A small reception will follow in the Anne Kitchell Gallery.
• Damgoode Pies was named “Student Favorite” in the Inaugural Pizza Wars event this past Thursday. Students were able to purchase a ticket that allowed them to sample five different pizzas and then cast a vote for their favorite. The event benefitted, the UA Cares Fund. The UA Cares Fund is a new scholarship program implemented by the Division of Student Affairs, to encourage and allow members of the community to refer students in distress in their academic, personal, or financial life or other areas. The McFarland Administration will be presenting a check for $1,500 to Student Affairs from the amount raised from Pizza Wars.
• ASG Judicial Chief Justice Kyle “Ranger” Guillory and ASG Deputy Chief of Staff Kelly Hudnall were named the 2015 Senior Honor Citation Award Winners from the Arkansas Alumni Association. The Association established the award 50 years ago to honor a senior male and female who exhibit outstanding academic achievement, campus and community involvement, and leadership. Both were honored at a reception on Apr. 21. The citation includes a personal memento, a $500 cash award, life membership in the Arkansas Alumni Association, and permanent recognition on the student honor wall at the Janelle Y. Hembree Alumni House.
• Friday, May 8, the first 500 student fans will receive a Razorback mini baseball bat, courtesy of ASG. The Tennessee Volunteers make their way to Baum Stadium to take on the Razorbacks at 6:35 p.m. in the first of their three-game series.
Registered Student Organizations (RSOs):
- Thanks to everyone that participated in the Student Involvement Awards Banquet on last week. A lot of awards were given out including the following RSO awards:
  - Outstanding RSO Member: Mengjiao Ling
  - Outstanding RSO Program: Taste of Africa (African Student Organization)
  - Outstanding New RSO: Hogs for Hope
  - Outstanding Service Project: Chinese Students and Scholars for their service with the Fayetteville Public Library
  - Outstanding Collaborative Program: Conversations with Diverse Leaders (Council of International Leadership and ASG)
  - Outstanding Advisor: Cynthia Smith (advising YOLO, You Ought to Live Optimistically)
  - Outstanding RSO: African Student Organization

University Programs:
- The following awards were presented at the Student Involvement Awards Banquet:
  - Sarah Reidy-Outstanding Council Member
  - We renamed the Committee Member of the Year Award to the Jian Zhang Committee Member of the Year Award in honor of his service to University Programs and to the University during his tenure at the U of A. Bradley Graves was the first recipient of the Jian Zhang Committee Member of the Year award.

Upcoming Events: Tuesday, Apr. 28 at 6:00 p.m. at AKAG – Gallery Reception; at 7:00 p.m. in the Union Theater – Freestyle Rap and Dance Competition; Wednesday, Apr. 29 at 8:00 p.m. in the Ballroom – Olivia Harwood; Thursday, Apr. 30 at 11:00 a.m. in the Connections Lounge – Study Break

STUDENT STANDARDS & CONDUCT:
- Dates 4/20/15 – 4/27/15
Conduct cases 42:
  - Endangerment 8
  - Disorderly Conduct 7
  - Possession/Use of Alcohol 21
  - Public Intoxication 14
  - Possession/Use of Controlled Substance 11
  - Prescription Medication Misuse 1
  - Smoking/Tobacco 1
  - Failure to comply with sanctions 1
  - Violation of State/Federal Law 1
  - Furnishing False/Misleading Information 1
  - Conduct Enabling Illegal Activity 13
  - Violation of University Policy 4
(These numbers may include several violations for one individual)

UNIVERSITY DINING:
- Finals specials in all retail: Study buddy at Starbucks, Grand Papa Pizza at Papa Johns/Founders, breakfast on the WOK for meal trades, etc. ASG Coffee and cookies in Mullins Library on the Sunday night before finals begin. Café Tusk will be positioned on the Union Mall for the week with coffee and Shipley Donuts.
- Preparations are ongoing for Walmart shareholders. We will, again, be working with Tyson, the CCE, and Razorback Food Recovery to freeze and distribute unserved food, from the week-long event, into the NWA community.
- The official tally for Project Clean Plate was 1,442 pounds of food diverted from the landfill. The number of students who chose to donate 5 pounds of food to the Full Circle Pantry in lieu of a prize or coupon during Customer Satisfaction Survey was 265. This makes the total amount for the two initiatives 2,767 pounds for the pantry. We are currently in the process of reviewing items from the Chartwells order guide to best fulfill the total. Items in consideration will be beans, legumes, rice, assorted grains, and pasta.

UNIVERSITY HOUSING:
- Room selection for current on-campus student/returning students is from April 27th-April 30th
- The residence halls are finalizing plans for study breaks in the buildings so that students will have a chance to take a break and relieve some stress.
- Pomfret Midnight Breakfast: April 30 at 12 a.m.
scanners and blue books at Maple East front desk: May 1 – 9; DoNut Forget to Study for Finals (Maple Hill): Friday, May 1, from 9 to 11 a.m.; Gregson/Gibson Hiking at Devil’s Den: Saturday, May 2, at 3 p.m.; NWQ Midnight Munchies breakfast: Saturday, May 2, at 11 p.m.; Maple Hill Hall Senate Cinco de Mayo: Sunday, May 5
• Halls Close: Saturday, May 9, at 2 p.m.
• Intersession: May 11 – May 22
• Campus Conservation Nationals (CCN): Competition completed. Overall savings during the past three weeks in comparison to the established baseline, totaled 3,362.64 kWh which equates to $232.02. Pomfret B Tower generated the greatest savings among the residence halls 1,080.38 kWh or $74.55.
• OPERATION: Reboot will pick up donated items for students for Leaving Green move out project.
• Tracy Smith has been selected as a No Woman Left Behind (NWLB) intern for the 2015-2016 school year. Amy Morris will be returning as a NWLB intern for the 2015-2016.
• Julia Trupp, Caryn Looney, Laiken Gay, Sam Williams and Nick Stauffer have been selected to serve as Summer School RAs.
• The Residents' Interhall Congress (RIC) 2015-2016 Executive Board has been finalized. Russell Sharp RIC President Logan Mills RIC Vice President Victoria Atkinson RIC Director of Internal Affairs Shannon Farr RIC Director of Programs Hannah Steinman RIC Director of External Affairs Kenneth Hamilton RIC Director of Sustainability Jazlyn Turnage RIC Director of Advertising and PR Ashley Worthey RIC National Communications Coordinator Kenneth Buck RIC Volunteer Coordinator Cooper Matthews RIC Speaker of the House Kienen Wilson RIC Chief Justice
• The National Residence Hall Honorary (NRHH) 2015-2016 Executive Board has been finalized. Samantha Brandeberry NRHH President Nick Stauffer NRHH Vice President Jeremy White Secretary Joe Van Winkle Treasurer Ashley Worthey Fundraising and Philanthropy Chair Madison Wieters Ceremonies and Traditions Chair Candace Brown Recognition Chair
VETERANS RESOURCE AND INFORMATION CENTER:
• Processed $145,381.15 in certifications.
• Staff completed reviewing 71 applications for UA Military Scholarships.
• VetSuccess Counselor: During the month of April, assisted 51 veterans (UA students and non-UA students) regarding Chapter 31 VA Vocational Rehabilitation applications and questions about disability claims. Made 38 phone calls to veterans concerning questions.

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