Student Affairs Division February 2023 Notables

CORP of Cadets



The senior staff and Admiral Fossum were present at the Start of Fabrication of the NSMV IV (Lone Start). Cadet **Gomez and Cadet Pierson** had the privilege of starting the process of Fabrication.



The Corps participated in the Galveston's Mardi Gras parade and assisting the town in gate watching. This is one of the largest events that the Cadets participated in the whole year and not only provided a valuable service to the community, but also had a great time doing it.

Additionally, the next year's (2023-2024) Corps of Cadets leadership were selected:

- Corps of Cadet's Commander Gunnar Pierson
- Corps of Cadet's Deputy Commander Logan Dodge
- 2023 Sea Term Cadet Commander Gunnar Pierson
- 2023 Leak Cadet Lead Deck Officer Logan Dodge
- 2023 Lead Cadet Lead Engineering Officer Camron Chueca
- Corps of Cadet's Chief of Staff Aidan Hicks
- Corps of Cadet's Master at Arms Riley Hicks
- Corps of Cadet's Adjutant Ryan Nelson
- Corps of Cadet's Battalion 1 Commander Spencer Webb
- Corps of Cadet's Battalion 1 Executive Officer Camron Chueca
- ► Corps of Cadet's Battalion 2 Commander Joe Keeney
- ► Corps of Cadet's Battalion 2 Executive Officer Cameron Henderson

Counseling, Career, & Ability Services

The Career Services team from the Counseling Career & Abilities Services office hosted the Blue Economy Leadership Weekend on February 24 & 25.



►This was collaborative effort with the departments of Marine Engineering Technology, Marine Transportation, Maritime Business Administration, Marine Biology, and the Texas A&M Foundation and sponsored by Shell, Gulf Copper, Bertling, and ABS. Seven teams of students competed in our Case Study Challenge and the team of Jensen Smith, Cole Klein, Chloe Ates, Caroline Nielsen, and Austin Robison emerged as the winners.

Ken Bailey traveled to the Women in Maritime Leadership Conference at California Maritime Academy on February 28-March 2nd



►There he spoke on mental health in the maritime industry with fellow panelists Miriam Anthony, of California Maritime Academy, Jennifer Levesque of Mass Maritime, and Christine MacMillan of Women Offshore. Dr. Ian Wallace, Director CSUM's Counseling and Psychological Services office moderated the panel.

Counseling

- 1. Over 45 students utilized the **RELAXATION SPACE**
- 2. **Time Out Tuesdays!** Launched in February. A weekly "knitting, croqueting, coloring, painting and more open to ALL students 5:00pm-6:00pm. Average weekly attendance 6-12 students.

Student Activities

February 1st - 7th

- 2/1 SGA Senate Election Results Are In!
- ► Alex Mapula MCES Representative,
 Kaleb Soule MCES Representative, Jacob
 Sciuk ENGR Representative, Diya
 Rauser ENGR Representative, Travis
 Moon FSCI Representative, Melton
 "Bubba" Nelson FSCI Representative,
 Cameron Henderson MARA
 Representative, Tyler Heffernan MARR
 Representative, Rebecca Harris-Chandler
 Non-Traditional Representative, Delilah
 Lopez On-Campus Representative

2/7 Yell Fitness Test

The Yell Fitness Test encompassed all parts of what it takes to be a Yell Leader at events such as Midnight Yell. The candidates were run through different tests to help them identify where they can improve if elected. These tests consisted of running, climbing stairs, yelling, push ups, and reciting Aggie traditions. All candidates participated in the event and were present for the entire preview



2/8 Presidents Council Dinner

National Presidents Council Dinner. This event provided an opportunity for students to network with each other, learn about resources from the Office of Student Activities, hear from SGA on their financial allocation process, and to hear from former student leader, Elizabeth Schneider, who spoke about the importance of involvement, leadership development, and networking.. Attendees filled out a survey where they shared their goals for the semester, how they hope to make a difference in their role, and shared questions they had going into the semester related to their position. The evening was filled with learning and excitement while organizations shared their upcoming events, this event even brought back the opportunity for student leaders to sign up to serve on various committees such as Women's History Month, Spring Fest, Leadership and Awards Banquet, and more!

2/14 - 2/15 Orange and Maroon Legislative Day

▶On Wednesday February 15th officers of the Democracy On Campus Coalition (DOCC) traveled up to the Capitol in Austin to meet with legislators. Having conversations on behalf of both Texas A&M University and the University of Texas at Austin allowed for great discussion about the current state of higher education. Officers Ashton Whittington, Cadence Housmans, Hope McFarlin, and Adin Tyger all spoke specifically about issues facing TAMUG to a multitude of representatives and senators during the event.





2/20 Mr. TAMUG

▶In an effort to fundraise for the upcoming 38th annual Maritime Ball, the Student Events Council hosted a "Mr. TAMUG" pageant. 7 students competed in different events such as evening wear, hidden talent, school spirit, and more. The contestants were evaluated by guest judges Derrick Ford, Krissy Johnson, and Malarie Humble. JJ Williams won first place, followed in second place by Cole Robinson. Kase Whitten was voted "fan favorite" by the audience. Student Events Council members, Ashton Whittington and Morgan O'Brien did a stellar job emceeing the event, in total the event raised \$150, and has inspired campus to bring back the fun tradition for years to come.



2/20 Mr.
TAMUG
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2/21 Fat Tuesday Crawfish Boil

Pook's Crawfish joined TAMUG Student Activities to host the annual Fat Tuesday Crawfish Boil. Live zydeco music was provided by Platinum Players. Approximately 450-500 TAMUG students packed away 750 lbs of crawfish in an hour and a half.





2/21 Fat Tuesday Crawfish Boil (Continued)

2/22 Meet Your Candidates

▶ Traditions Council and the Office of Student Activities hosted a Meet Your Candidates event for the student body to learn more about the candidates running for Yell Leader, Student Body President, and Vice President. Yell candidates were asked various questions by the council executive team and the current senior yell leaders, giving their grodes to the audience, and sharing their score on the Traditions Test as well. All candidates running for President and Vice President were asked questions regarding their campaign, goals, and plans for enriching campus through their leadership, all candidates had 24 hours to prepare their answers.





2/24 Go Texan Day

▶GFLO and AGS hosted a fun and busy event, welcoming students to participate in the petting zoo on campus, mechanical bull, yard games, picture opportunities, and burgers grilled by the Aggie Gentlemen Society, all to kick off the annual Houston Live Stock Show and Rodeo. Students were encouraged to sign up for \$12 concert tickets to Jon Pardi, provided by the Office of Student Activities as well.







2/24 Go Texan Day (Continued)

Great burgers and a hard-working therapy chicken!



2/25-26 SALT Camp Retreat

▶On Friday and Saturday, February 25-26, a group of 70 student leaders attended the SALT Camp staff retreat to begin planning for SALT Camp 2023. Friday evening activities were held on campus, while Saturday activities were held at the Christian Renewal Center in Dickinson, TX. SALT Camp registration will open for new students on April 1st.







2/27 Yell/Student Body President & Vice President Election

- ▶Student Body President: Lauren Bothwell
- ▶Student Body Vice President: Abigail McKenna
- ▶ Senior Yell: Vincent Garcia, Morgan Milburn, Tre Johnson
- ▶ Junior Yell: Jett Taylor
- ▶Run Off: Travis Moon & Patrick Smith Election will take place Monday-Wednesday, 03/06-03/08

Campus Living & Learning

Expressing S'More Values



▶ Journey Learning Outcomes: 1.3 Describe their personal core values

Assessment/Outcome: Students who were present were able to articulate their values within the 'WE ARE' after hearing Kolson's share what values are and how we can use our values to further our positions in life.



Mardi Gras Mixology



Journey Learning Outcomes:

Learning Goal 1: Life-Long Learning

Learning
Outcome: 2.4
Apply learning to
decision-making.



Students will be able to learn about safety awareness with Mardi Gras festivities coming up.

Date: 02/13/14
Time 7pm-9pm
Location: Atlantic

Hall

Mardi Gras Mixology

- Assessment/Outcome:
- 85-90 students attended the event in Atlantic Hall. 63 students filled out the assessment. 42.6 % of respondents classified as U1 while 21.3 % of respondents classified as U3. Overall, 89% of the respondents were able to identify why alcohol awareness was important throughout the event. Here are some of the responses on the assessment form:

- Alcohol awareness is important to prevent addictions and unnecessary deaths
- Don't Drink and Drive
- Drinking and driving nearly took my life
- To be aware of what is in your drink
- So people don't get hurt
- It is important because if people did not understand the effects of alcohol fully it could harm them and others
- You never what could happen to your drink when your out and about
- Because it helps people make good decisions when drinking alcohol
- Alcohol awareness is important because it helps people make informed and responsible decisions about their consumption of alcohol.
- Booze and cruise is not good
- Because being aware of the dangers of alcohol and the ways people can take advantage of you with it can help keep you safe
- Its important because one wrong decision can ruin your life and the life of others potentially
- You should be attentive to your surroundings and be aware of who is serving you drinks and how
- In the 1600s and 1700s they thought it could cure illness
- So you don't die
- To know how to drink responsibly and what to do in cases of someone spiking a drink etc. must know signs to recognize and safety when drinking in a public setting

Campus Recreation

- Intramural Sports
- Season 1 sports finished with zero injuries or ejections
- Season 2 registration is currently open
- Club Sports
- The Sailing Team competed in three regattas during February
- All active club sports teams now have updated rosters, club officers, and safety officers
- Fitness & Wellness
- Collaborated with CL&L to create 500 Safe Mardi Gras bags
- 50 Safe Mardi Gras bags were passed out at the Peer Educator Safe Mardi Gras event
- Provided Naloxone training and does of Narcan through partnership with UTMB for students, faculty, and staff
- Safe Sex Bingo had 30 attendees
- Green Dot training for 16 cadets and monthly cadet green dot trainings have resumed
- 46 campus members participated in a month long safe driving contest with Safe to Save

Diversity, Equity, & Inclustion



Mi Casa, Su Casa

Mi casa- As the month ends, we are wrapping up our HSI innovation, completing half of our initially scheduled dinners and building community on and off campus!







Events

- Cultural potluck- allows our department to interact with student in TAMUG maritime academy. Which we plan on continuing to intentionally host events for engagement.
- Your Pretty For A Black Girl- in collaboration with BSA, our office gathered supplies and supported a student lead gallery. Allows students to engage in conversation about Black femininity, beauty, & self-love. This event also provides students with a chance to explore and learn more about Black beauty. (No pictures sadly)
- The Blue Light party- allows students to destress and celebrate Black History Month! Students were able to come and choose two different genres of music while utilizing silent headphones creating an equal space opportunity for everyone!

