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Student Affairs Notables October 2024



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CORPS of Cadets



October Events

- Family Weekend and Sea Aggie Former Student Network's All-Class former student reunion – Between October 18-19, the Galveston campus held two events. Family Weekend made the Galveston campus available to current students' families and friends, while the All-Class former student reunion, welcomed former students to their alma mater. At around 5:00 p.m. on October 18, the Corps of Cadets marched between the ASEC Courtyard & Clock Tower area, as part of its Corps Sunset Parade. Some cadets also volunteer during the tours offered at the USTS Kennedy.
 - October 26 - Cadets by the Sea marched in along with their fellow cadets from the Texas A&M Corps of Cadets through the College Station campus, before the football game between Texas A&M University and LSU. This march included performance of a pass in review for both Corps of Cadet's Commandants. Cadets' performance during the passing in review, military appearance and march execution were graded.
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ZOPT 100

- Pump disassemble and assemble module – ZOPT 100 is a weekly Corps of Cadets' activity intended at exposing cadets to hand-off experience, bringing the knowledge gained in the classroom to as close to real-life experience as possible. Starting in October, 2024, ZOPT 100 now exposes deck cadets to the process of disassembling and reassembling pumps, a task mainly handled by a ship's engine department. This module allows the deck cadets to understand the intricacies of pumps, how to access its inner parts, and visualize the jobs conducted by their counterparts in the engine department.



Aggie Saturday by the Sea

- Texas A&M University Galveston held its Aggie Saturday by the Sea, fall semester edition, on October 12, 2024. Aggie Saturday is an all-access campus open hour that offers the general public the opportunity to explore the marine and maritime fields offered at the Galveston campus. The Corps of Cadets assisted this campus-wide effort, by having cadets volunteer to give their perspective of student life, being a member of the Corps of Cadets and of the Texas A&M Maritime Academy, and their respective degrees, and aided with the movement of attendees throughout campus, including managing stations onboard the USTS Kennedy during the self-guided tours.





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Campus Recreation

Intramural Sports & Club Sports

- Season 1 wrapped up and season 2 has begun.
 - We have 25 teams signed up across 4 sports for season 2.
 - We're having issues with the sprinkler system on the field again, but they are fixed for the moment.
 - We are exploring the option of switching our sprinkler system over to a new brand that seems to be better and more reputable.
 - Women's Soccer was selected for the national tournament. It will be held in Round Rock, Texas later in November.
 - Sailing competed in an offshore regatta on the east coast. They were the first team from Texas to compete in that specific regatta.
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Facilities & Fitness

- The tennis court renovation is nearing completion
 - We are hosting a big campus-wide event on 11/25 that will feature food, giveaways, and football skill games as part of a “BTHO TU Day” ahead of the TU game at the end of the week.
 - We had 2 facilities in-services (10/15 & 10/16) where student staff was “re-trained” to improve their basic job performance.
 - We are working on replacing a broken mirror in the Sea Aggie Fitness Center.
 - A survey sent out to students seeking their input on facility improvements has reached 100 responses. We will begin reviewing these responses to see what kind of improvements are most desirable to students.
 - Building Manager applications are closing 10/31 and 3 new building managers will be selected in the next week.
 - It looks like we will do a full job search to hire up to 12 facilities CSAs.
 - Group fitness classes have still steadily been running this semester.
 - 2 “Theraguns” have been added to our inventory for students who wish to use them for recovery. Theraguns may be checked out behind the rec front desk.
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Aquatics & Outdoor Program

- Halloween pumpkin carving contest with lifeguards, they had a lot of fun
 - Painted the pool house door
 - Hired one more lifeguard
 - Started spring/summer recruitment
 - CPR/AED/First Aid class available Nov. 15
 - Swim challenge is almost complete!
 - Rentals in the shop have been steady.
 - Our most popular items are the Blackstone, kayaks, paddleboards, and surfboards.
 - An HU class used our low ropes course on 10/18. There were 24 of them.
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Peer Educators & Wellness (+SWAG)

- Peer Educators passed out 300 custom “step in stand up” 12th man towels at yell practice on 10/3
 - Peer Educators hosted their first Safe Oktoberfest event on 10/21. Peer Educators provided information about the dangers of mixing alcohol and other drugs.
 - Peer Educators hosted Safe Sex Bingo on 10/17.
 - Currently, peer educators are planning for their November programs.
 - Teen Health Clinic came to campus on 10/29 and provided free flu shots to 39 people including Col. Fossum.
 - Erin Conrad (Teen health Clinic PA) has agreed to join an upcoming SWAG meeting to discuss strategies to further connect students (under 21 years of age) to Teen Health Clinic.
 - The JED Team is preparing for a visit with our JED representatives.
 - Yell Leaders did a great job with the “Step in Stand Up” yell practice where they discussed the topic of sexual violence on college campuses and highlighted resources to students with lived experiences.
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Green Dot

- AGS Green Dot Overview is scheduled for 11/3.
 - Krissy met with Lauren Dorset from the main campus office of health promotion to discuss Green Dot.
 - There is an upcoming Green Dot Facilitator training for TAMUS members at the beginning of June
 - Krissy should be able to meet with TAMUS green dot coordinating team to ensure proper Green Dot implementation and learn new strategies to engage campus with Green Dot
 - Organizations will now receive an email “content warning” after arranging for a Green Dot Overview, Organizations are expected to share this content warning with all members of their organization prior to the overview.
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Student Assistance Services

Military Affiliated Symposium

Ani attended the 16th Annual Texas A&M System Military-Affiliated Symposium in College Station. He had the opportunity to network with other professionals from across the state who work with veterans, both in and out of the university setting.



Fall Break in the Center!

The 1973 Center hosted a few events aimed at keeping students on campus engaged and relaxed during the fall break this October. We held Mario Kart tournaments and relaxation days to unwind and refresh after midterms.

The 1973 Center

Fall Break Hours & Events

Sat 10/5, 11A-2:30P Football Watch Party

Sun 10/6, Closed

Mon 10/7, 9A-5P

Tues 10/8, 9A-11P

Wed 10/9, World Mental Health Day Chill & Refresh Event

Regular Hours resume on Tuesday 10/8



Fall Festivities!

- Health Relationship Twilight Event- The Student employees hosted a Twilight themed relaxation night in the 1973 Center to talk about healthy vs unhealthy relationships. We had 22 students show up to enjoy the evening with us and pick team Edward or team Jacob.
- Serene Treat Street at Fall Fest- Danny and Ani volunteered for this year's Fall Fest. The Student Assistance Services Department took on the responsibility of providing a "sensory-friendly" area for parents and families to relax in, apart from the main festivities.





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Campus Living & Learning

Fall Festival

Date: Oct. 31, 2024

Location: ASEC and Rec Center

Journey Learning Outcomes: Active Citizenship- Engage in your community

Assessment/Outcome: Texas A&M at Galveston students welcomed families to our campus on Halloween to offer a safe place to enjoy Halloween. While this year's weather adjusted the location this year the TAMUG students were still able to put on a great event where over 425 people felt welcomed to the campus. This is truly a time for our students to shine in both great attitudes and their service to the community and they did just that this year.





TASCUSPA Conference

Date: September 29 - October 1, 2024

Location: San Marcos, Texas, at Texas State University

Journey Learning Outcomes: Lifelong Learning

- **Assessment/Outcome:** Shelby Hearn attended the Texas Association of College and University Student Personnel Administrators (TACUSPA) Annual Conference in San Marcos, Texas where she concluded her 2-year term as the Vice President of Membership & Marketing and began her new 3-year appointment as President of the Association (President-Elect 2024-2025, President 2025-2026, Past President 2026-2027).

She also had the opportunity to lead an educational session presenting alongside Kayanna Resetar on “**Inspiring Change From Within: Your Role in Creating a Positive Work Culture**”! Not only is this a crucial topic, but she also believes experienced professionals should continue to uplift newer professionals by collaborating at conferences!



ICA Conference

Date: Oct. 6-9

Location: Chicago, Il

Journey Learning Outcomes: Lifelong Learning

Assessment/Outcome:

Peyton attended the Foundations Track and Sarah attended the Strategic Direction Track while Neil served as faculty consultant for the conference. They were able to gain knowledge towards curriculum and ideas for next steps for Journey on our campus. They were also able to make connections and form relationships to better assist in future development of Journey while also showcasing the great things we have done with Journey on our campus.



Journey Retreat

Date: Oct. 4, 2024

Location: ASEC

Journey Learning Outcomes: Lifelong Learning

Assessment/Outcome: The Division of student affairs took a few hours to reintroduce Journey to some of our newer staff members or those who just wanted to do a refresh. We then went over our different things we are working on in different departments and how we are using Journey across the division. We also spent time as a work team to discuss our next steps and how we can keep moving Journey forward. During the afternoon we had a Journey showcase open to the campus where people could come and get ice cream and see our posters that we created to showcase some of the things we have been using Journey for this year.





HC Program (Lonzha)

Date: October 22nd

Time: 1-3pm

Location: Flag Room

Journey Learning Outcomes: 2.1 Increase engagement in campus safety initiatives. &2.2: Promote collaborative learning in a casual environment.




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SCAN THE QR CODE
BELOW TO ACCESS THE
FIRE SAFETY CHALLENGE

TAMUG
SWAG
ALERT

ALL STUDENTS WHO
EARN A 100% WILL BE
ENTERED INTO A
DRAWING FOR PRIZES!



FOR THIS CHALLENGE, YOU WILL NEED THE
TAMUG FIRE SAFETY MANUAL AND THE FIRE
SAFETY FOLDABLE YOU PICKED UP TODAY!

Go Ink Yourself: Temporary Tattoos for Halloween

Date: 10/30

Time: 4-6pm

Location: Atlantic Lobby

Journey Learning Outcomes: 3 Global Competence

Assessment/Outcome: Program reached about 30 students with an activity that allowed students to explore their identity and what was important to them. Participants chose temporary tattoos that had meaning to them, and assisted other students with their own tattoos when they needed help. This activity helped students express their individuality and identity along with a sense of belonging amongst each other.





National I Care About You Day- Cards of Kindness

Date: October 25th, 2024

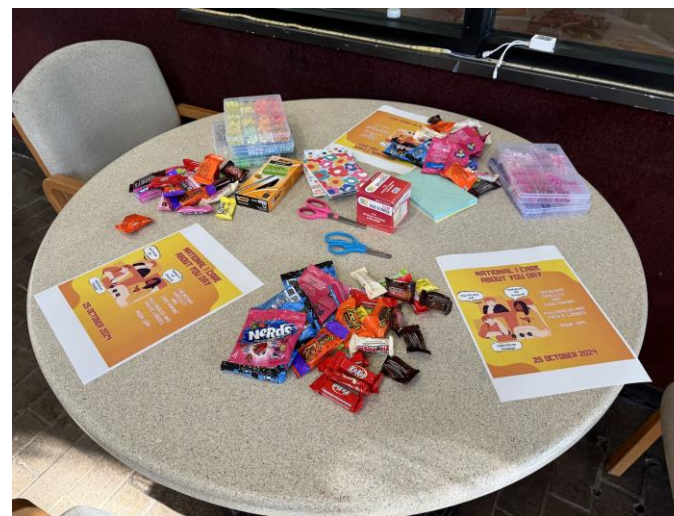
Time: Noon - 5pm

Location: Hullabaloo and Pacific Lobbies

Journey Learning Outcomes: Learning Goal 4: Active Citizenship

Learning Outcome: 4.2 Practice Selfless Service

Assessment/Outcome: The "Cards of Kindness" program successfully engaged ~30 residents in an activity that promoted selfless service and strengthened community bonds. Participants actively expressed care and appreciation through handwritten cards, fostering a sense of connection and gratitude within the activity. This initiative not only encouraged compassionate interactions but also demonstrated how small acts of kindness can create a more supportive, empathetic environment. The program effectively highlighted the value of community-driven support and the lasting influence of meaningful, personal outreach.



ACUHO-I Business Operations & Housing Facilities Conferences

Date: October 28-31

Location: Bethesda, Maryland

Lifelong Learning

2.3 Innovate to improve their communities.

Assessment/Outcome: Carrie Rowland represented both TAMUG and the SWACUHO (Southwest Association of College & University Housing Officers) region at the ACUHO-I (Association of College and University Housing Officers - International) Business Operations and Housing Facilities 2024 Conferences in Bethesda, Maryland.

At the conference, Carrie attended both sessions and roundtable discussions on best practices within housing operations and facilities management, as well as connecting with colleagues in similar roles across the country. Carrie is incredibly grateful for the conference registrations sponsored by scholarships from both SWACUHO and ACUHO-I and is looking forward to bringing this knowledge to our campus to continue to improve the student experience.



Texas Women's Conference

Date: Oct 2, 2024

Location: Austin, TX

Journey Learning Outcomes: Lifelong Learning

Assessment/Outcome: Demeka Randolph attended the Texas Women's Conference in Austin, TX. The theme was Power In Unity. Demeka attended interactive sessions with fellow industry peers from around the state. Keynote speakers and breakout sessions centered around staying connected, being resourceful with time and resources as well as strategies to be more productive, engaged and successful in your role.





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Counseling Services

Our office has had 1185 check ins this semester. Our highest numbers are for testing, personal counseling, the relaxation room and events such as Coffee With a Counselor.



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Career Services

Employer Engagement

- Career Services visited NASA's Johnson Space Center on October 18th to discuss the Out in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (oSTEM) Internship and Pathways opportunities for students. Representatives from the Office of the CFO, Pathways, oSTEM Internships, Center Operations, Engineering, Human Health and Performance and the Orion Program all expressed their interest in recruiting Aggies from a wide range of academic backgrounds. The visit concluded with tours of their Rapid Prototype Lab, Mission Control Center, and their Vehicle Mockup Facility. We look forward to growing this relationship and exploring ways to build stronger connections between our campuses.
- DOF Subsea presented on their various job opportunities to several engineering students.



Career Fair

- Over 100 employers participated in the Fall 2024 Career Fair. They were very impressed with our students and many expressed interest in creating stronger partnerships with the Career Services office.
- Student participation broke records as we had over 600 students participate in the Career Fair. This is a 21% increase in student participation from the previous record set in the fall of 2023.



Programming

- Career Services tabled at the Graduation Fair and spoke with students about careers and the career fair.
- Career Services partnered with SOUL, AGS, FreshTX and GFLO to host resume workshops.
- Career Services guest lectured at several HUs about elevator pitches and career fair prep.





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Student Activities

Development Programs

S'mores with Student Activities 10/9

More than 70 students gathered at the Gazebo for a fun-filled event packed with s'mores, snacks, and games! It was the perfect opportunity to chill, hang out with the Student Activities team, and discover all the exciting events, volunteer opportunities, and ways to get involved on campus.





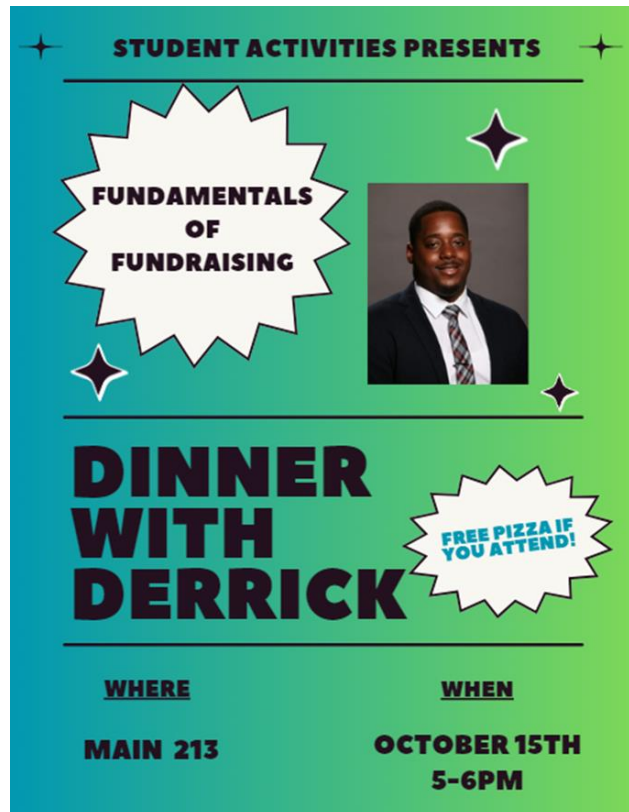
Ring Day

57 TAMUG students, alongside their friends and family, gathered for Ring Day ceremonies held at 10am and 11am in the Waterfront Pavilion. Beloved donors, Patrick and Sue Mahoney attended as volunteers handing out rings to students, the Mahoney's also provided an opportunity for students to receive pictures taken by a professional photographer in front of the Ring Statue.



Dinner With Derrick & Traditions Week: 10/14-10/18

- 6 Student Leaders gathered to hear Derrick speak on the fundamentals of fundraising and his promotion of skills to successfully gather sponsorships for student organizations.



- Traditions Council hosted a week of educational programs throughout campus to help students connect to Aggie Traditions. Some of their programs included highlighting Ring Day, Bonfire Remembrance (where they highlighted the new 4 ft. Bonfire Remembrance statue), Silver Taps, Elephant Walk, and the 12th Man.



Dia De La Raza 10/18

Over 70 students and families checking in for Family Weekend enjoyed free tacos, aguas frescas, desserts, and craft activities hosted by the Student Association of Latino Leaders. This event, through LULAC funding, celebrated the recognition of the mixed indigenous and European heritage of Mexico.



Pink Carnival 10/23

SOUL hosted a carnival in partnership with student organizations to raise funds for the Rose Foundation for breast cancer awareness. This fun and successful event raised \$2,000 for the foundation.



Fall Fest 10/31

Over 300 Galveston residents came to Fall Fest to experience the safe trick-or-treat event at TAMUG. AGS volunteered with parking and check-in operations, and 37 student organizations hosted booths in the ASEC ballroom for families to walk through, play games, and earn candy. The Drill team hosted a spooky haunted house in the classrooms of the campus Rec.



Painting With Clay Cup Studios

On Wednesday, October 23rd, Clay Cup Studios partnered with the Pink Carnival to host a unique art experience, offering free canvas painting for all attendees. More than 65 students participated, each expressing their creativity and artistic flair to produce exceptional paintings. This engaging activity provided students a space to explore their artistic talents and added a vibrant, hands-on element to the Pink Carnival festivities.

