# Student Affairs Notables SEPTEMBER 2023

## CORP of Cadets

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- ▶ All members of the Corps of Cadets attended Silver Taps on 5 September (of course no photos available)
- ► The Drill team performed at Silver Taps
- ► The Corps was well represented at the three Midnight Yell practice (to include 31 Aug)
- ► The Honor Guard and cadets were asked to participate in a new Tug Christening at San Jac. 16 September.
- ► Cadets participated in a fund raiser on campus on 23 September.
- Numerous cadets volunteered for Aggieland by the sea and to assist with events at Moody Garden on 30 September.



#### Student Activities

#### President's Council Dinner 9/6

▶50 of our student organization presidents came to the Waterfront Pavilion for the President's Council Dinner to learn about the resources the Office of Student Activities and the Student Government Association provides for all organizations. The purpose of the President's Council Dinner is to convene an exclusive gathering of student leaders from all student organizations, serving as a catalyst for meaningful interaction, collaboration, and leadership development. This unique event aims to foster a sense of unity among campus leaders, provide a platform for knowledge sharing, and inspire these influential individuals to drive positive change within their respective organizations and the broader campus community.



#### SGA Senate Election 9/11-9/13

- We are thrilled to announce the results of the recent student government senate seat elections. Please join us in celebrating the dedication, passion, and leadership of these outstanding individuals who have been chosen to represent our student body in the upcoming academic year.
- Freshmen Rep: Lainey Blackburn & Mattias Kotz
- Junior Rep: Mara Currier & Connor Thornton
- On-Campus Rep: Holly Pawlowski
- Off-Campus Rep: Creighton McFarlin & Alvaro Aguayo
- Non-Traditional Rep: Wesley Pawlowski
- Representative at Large: Julia Ayala
- MARB Rep: Kenney Huschka & Zoe Olson
- ► LIST Rep: Luke Sesher
- ► MARR Rep: Jacob Javier
- ▶ ENGR at Galveston Rep: Paul Guardiola

#### Senate Bill 17 Forum

The Student Government Association hosted a collaborative forum with Dr. Debbie Thomas, Dr. Sutherland, Danny Roe, and Col. Fossum, discussing Senate Bill 17 and its effects on TAMUG. 40 students attended the forum which created an open and inclusive platform for meaningful dialogue and collaboration between students and campus administration regarding a Senate bill that has significant implications for our campus community.



#### SGA

- ► COE 9/12
- Student Body President, Lauren Bothwell, and Student Body Vice President, Abigail McKenna, attended the Council for Opportunity in Education conference in Washington D.C. Through support from the Good Bull Fund, Lauren and Abigail were empowered, inspired, and equipped with the knowledge, resources, and networks necessary to become effective advocates for educational equity, access, and success. Both student leaders came back to campus with ideas and visions for ways to serve the TAMUG student body.
- ► CSAC 9/16
- Student Body President, Lauren Bothwell, and Student Body Vice President, Abigail McKenna, attended the Chancellor's Student Advisory Council where they served as a critical bridge of communication and collaboration between the university's highest leadership, including the Chancellor's Office, and the diverse and dynamic student body. CSAC provided students with a structured platform to voice their opinions, concerns, and ideas regarding various aspects of university life.



#### Student Org. Advisor Training 9/22

▶ The purpose of training for faculty and staff advisors of our student organizations is to enhance their effectiveness in guiding, supporting, and collaborating with student-led groups on campus. This comprehensive training program is designed to empower advisors with the knowledge, skills, and tools necessary to fulfill their crucial roles effectively, ultimately contributing to the holistic development and success of student organizations and their members. Key objectives of the training included risk management, finance training, organizational dynamics, campus engagement, and student success.



#### Ring Day 9/29

TAMUG's Aggie Ring Day Ceremony celebrated a significant milestone in the academic journey of 79 students. This cherished tradition provided a meaningful opportunity for eligible students, their friends, and family to celebrate receiving their Aggie Rings, symbolizing their academic achievements, commitment to the core values of Texas A&M University, and affiliation with the Aggie community.

# Aggieland Saturday by the Sea 9/30

- ▶21 of our vibrant student organizations came together for Aggieland Saturday by the Sea, turning our campus into a sea of maroon and excitement! It was a day filled with infectious Aggie pride, laughter, and a deep sense of camaraderie. Our student organizations showcased their passion and dedication to our beloved Texas A&M by organizing a variety of engaging activities and demonstrations. From educational exhibits to interactive presentations, they made sure our guests had an unforgettable Aggie experience!
- The Student Government Association, GFLO and AGS hosted a successful Aggie Football Watch Party at the campus pool during the day for students to stop by, watch the game, go swimming, and enjoy a grill out, 70 students in total attended the event. CAO Debbie Thomas even made an appearance at the party!



#### Campus Living & Learning

#### One Leaf Many Stories September 12-14

Journey Learning Outcomes:

Cultural Competence

3.1 Articulate their own cultures and impact

Students will be able to learn about other areas around the world within the residence hall while understanding that although there are many stories, we are all bonded as Sea Aggies.

Purpose/Information:

With it being the beginning of the year, this program will allow for residents to discuss where they are from and seeing where other residents are from through decorating leaves and placing them on the walls in the Atlantic Lobby.



#### Assessment/Outcome:

- There were 105 attendees but 43 survey responses. All results will be attached to this plan. But here is a reflection of some of the responses.
- What State, Territory, or Country (if from outside of the United States are you from)?
  - Florida, Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas, Egypt, South Africa, Colorado, Iran
- What does success look like to you?
  - dream job/loving family/happiness
  - being able to enjoy experiences & yourself
  - being content with however much i have
  - it looks like hard work that has been paid off
  - great academic achievement and great friends/ connections
- What is one place you would like to visit one day?
  - Van Gough's grave in France
  - Japan
  - Rome, Italy
  - Santorini Greece
  - Constantinople
- Classification
  - *U1: 13/43 =30.2%*
  - *U2: 17/43=39.5%*
  - U3:6/43=14%
  - U4:6/43 = 14%
  - U5: 1/43 = 2.3%
- Housing Status
  - Atlantic: 36/43 = 83.7%
  - Albatross: 2/43 = 4.7%
  - Polaris: 3/43 = 7.0%
  - Tamma: 1/43 = 2.3%
  - Off Campus: 1/43 = 2.3%

# Fall Boost Development Series 9/14/2023

- Journey Learning Outcomes: Lifelong Learning
- Strategy Learning Outcome: Staff will be able to continue to develop and grow professionally while also gaining a boost for the rest of the fall through a series of meetings and planned development activities.
- Additional Intended Outcomes: To build community in CL&L and develop skills for interpersonal communication and selfmanagement.

### Expressing S'More Values 10/2/2023

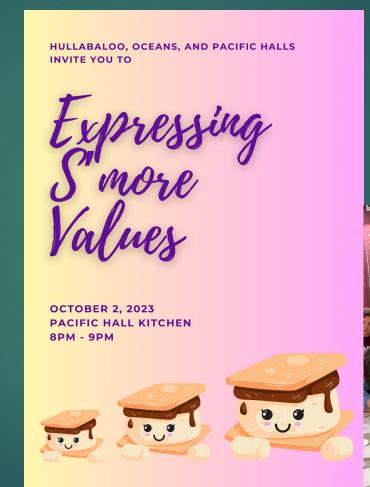
Journey Learning Outcomes: 1.3 - Describe Personal Core Values

Purpose/Information: Expressing S'More Values" is a transformative program centered on the exploration of personal values and the celebration of the rich tapestry of values that make each individual unique. This program seeks to foster self-discovery, empathy, and a profound understanding of how values vary among people, ultimately promoting harmonious relationships and personal growth.

#### Assessment/Outcome:

Students were able to list out their different values, while learning about other people's different personal values in comparison.

50 plus students participated in the program.





# Campus Recreation

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- Intramural Sports:
- Forfeits are down due to the new Nomad Policy (players can act as a sub on other teams until playoffs).
- Clubs:
- Sailing got first and fourth place in their home regatta VS TAMU and tu.
- Fitness & Wellness:
- Suicide prevention month included a new SWAG Grab program in partnership with Gulf Coast Center and Family Service Center. 150 shirts were passed out in the first hour.
- Over 20 community partners came to campus for the fall health fair.
- Body Awake Yoga, a special event for suicide prevention month, was full with 20 participants.
- Small Group Training is off to a strong start with all sessions full and high levels of attendance.
- We hosted 2 donuts for downloads events, where 5 dozen students downloaded the MY Tellus app.
- Aquatics:
- The pool officially opened September 11th and has been receiving positive reviews on campus and 359 patrons in our first month.
- Campus Rec partnered with SGA to co-host a watch party for the A&M vs. Arkansas football game on 9/30 with approximately 50 students participating.

## The 1973 Center

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- ► This past month we successfully completed our second year of launching Comunidad hosting 107 students with the help of 34 staff/ faculty leads.
- Our office has started a campus-wide committee focusing on engagement and programming around heritage and history.
- We are gathering software to help inventory our newly acquired campus food pantry.

## Career Services

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- ▶ 26 students came for career counseling.
- ▶ Employer Visits to Campus: 9/12 Military Sealift Command

# Counseling

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- ► Alcohol/Substance Counseling: 12 students
- ▶ Disability Accommodations Counseling: 18 students
- ► Personal Counseling: 93 students
- ▶ Relaxation Room: 88 students
- ► Testing Center: 166 students
- ► Coffee w/ Counselor:
- ▶ 9/12 35 students
- ▶ 9/20 29 students
- ► September- Series to Empower Aggies (S.E.A.) Workshops
- ▶ 9/7 Making the Most of your Meals
- ▶ 9/8 Stress Management Workshop
- ▶ 9/12 Connecting with your Faculty
- ▶ 9/19 My Truth About College
- ▶ 9/19 What every Engineer needs to know
- ▶ 9/21 Oh Crap This Ain't High School
- ▶ 9/22 Stress Management Workshop
- ▶ 9/27 Memory Games
- ▶ 9/28 Oh Crap This Ain't High School