

## POINTS OF INTEREST

- STUDENT ORGANIZATION SPECIALIST POSITIONS
- RSO ROSTERS
- SUPERBOARD MEETING NOV. 17, 5:00 PM UC, CONFERENCE ROOM B

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# RSO Newsletter

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## From the Director's Desk...

Hello RSOs, it has been a pretty good semester so far and I look forward to finishing the semester in a positive manner. Here are a few things to consider as we close out the semester.....

The Student Life Office has been working hard to assist you and your organization as much as possible. In an effort to help you we have created two new positions that will be dedicated to serving as resources to RSOs. The positions are called Student Organization Spe-

cialist (SOS). The deadline to apply is November 18<sup>th</sup> at 5 p.m. Submit a letter of interest, resume and names of three references to me in the Student Life Office.

Most of you have turned in updated rosters of members so that we can give credit to your members in the co-curricular transcript. In a couple of weeks we will have the most updated roster so that you can submit one final approved roster. It is important for us to get accurate information of your members

so that everyone can get credit for being a part of your organization.

Finally, we will have our final Superboard meeting on November 17<sup>th</sup> at 5 p.m. in the University Center, Conference Room B. This meeting will serve as the planning meeting for all activities next semester. If you want your event to be on the Student Activities Calendar before all other events it will be vital for you to show up at this meeting.

## Academic Ceremony

On Wednesday, October 26, the Student Activities department hosted the Academic Ceremony and Dessert Reception for students involved in student organizations as well as for student organizations for their outstanding academic performance for the Spring 2005 semester. Students who received a 3.5+ GPA or a 4.0 GPA for the Spring 2005 semester were honored. Student Organiza-

tions who received a 3.0+ GPA or 3.5+ GPA for the Spring 2005 semester were also honored at the ceremony.

The following students received a 4.0 GPA:

John Alfonso, Annie Arguello, Pamela Averack, Cesar Barron, Lauren Britten, Kaessee Brown, Michael Cabanero, Marsha Cantu, Ashley Casimiro, Lisa Castle, Nicholas Frech, Diane Gaither, Jessica Gallegos, Ana Hallman, Krystal Hartnett, Brett

Kaufman, Danielle Lopez, German Lopez, Curtis Lucas, Dominique Marroquin, Karla Martinez, Marybell Martinez, Daniel McCumba, Misha McDonald, Jason Morales, Vicki Nieto, Melody Perez, Vanessa Peterson, Sara Reinhard, James Reyna, Larissa Riojas, Laura Rizo, Jessica Ryan, Phillip Salcido, John Sandlin, Daphne Shaffer, Lauren Shaw, Jennifer Snider, Tiffany Williams.

**Congratulations** to all for your great achievement, keep up the good work and good luck with this semester!

## W.I.S.E. (Women In Science and Engineering)



**DON'T GET BURNED!**  
W.I.S.E. advises to keep your computer safe from hackers and to use security measures when paying bills and shopping on-line.



W.I.S.E. (Women In Science and Engineering) hosted **“Hacking & Cracking: Don’t get burned!”** on Monday, October 24, 2005, in the UC Conf. Rm. B. The event focused on threats to your computer and on line security.

W.I.S.E. members are busy planning numerous events. Their next event is the **IT Symposium**

scheduled for Friday, December 2, 2005, 6:30 – 10:00 p.m. in the Math building.

In addition, W.I.S.E. members have established a partnership with Warren High School which will serve as a venue for encouraging enrollment in the Science and Engineering fields.

If you would like to

know more about W.I.S.E. check out their website at <http://ats.stmarytx.edu/~wise/wise.htm> or contact Diane Gaither, President, at [zeo-hawk2002@yahoo.com](mailto:zeo-hawk2002@yahoo.com).

**Mission:**

*The mission of St. Jude Children's Research Hospital is to find cures for children with catastrophic diseases through research and treatment.*



## KISS



## THE PIG!

Mission 4 Miracles held the **“Kiss the Pig”** fundraiser to benefit St. Jude’s Children’s Hospital. Students were encouraged to vote for the faculty or professional staff member of their choice to kiss the pig at Midnight Madness. Piggy banks were stationed at the UC Information Desk with the pictures of the partici-

pating faculty and staff members. Those who participated were Kathy Sisoian, Vice President for Student Development; Karen Johnson, Dean of Students; Dr. Doug Hall, Professor of Computer Science; Dr. Janet Dizinno, Dean for Humanities and Social Sciences; Dr. Henry Flores, Dean of the Gradu-

ate School; Veronica Lozano, MAC Lab Coordinator; and Bro. Mike Sullivan. The winner who had the privilege of kissing the pig was Dr. Hall, whose piggy bank collected \$155. The total amount raised was close to \$500. Thank you Dr. Hall for your willingness to participate in this great event. And thanks to all for your donations.

## Greek Week

The Greek Week program was held October 9-16 filled with various events from a Dodge Ball Tournament to the Talent Show. Delta Zeta and Kappa Sigma won 1st place for Dodge Ball. Sigma Sigma Sigma and Kappa Sigma won 1st Place for Tug of

War. Sigma Sigma Sigma and Alpha Phi Omega won 1st Place for Weight Lifting. Delta Zeta and Lambda Chi Alpha won 1st Place for the Sprint Relay. Sigma Sigma Sigma and Lambda Chi Alpha won 1st Place for the Game Show. Sigma Sigma Sigma and Kappa Sigma won 1st

Place for the Jalapeño Popper Eating Contest. Delta Zeta and Kappa Sigma won 1st Place for Volleyball. Sigma Sigma Sigma and Alpha Phi Omega won 1st Place for the Talent Show. Congratulations to everyone for all your hard work and sportsmanship!



# Fiesta Oyster Bake 2006

Oyster Bake 2006 is just around the corner. Planning for this big event on campus is in full swing. Many student organizations use this event as one of their fundraising activities. All Student Organizations interested in operating a booth at next year's event **must** attend the information session to be held on

**Tuesday,  
November 1, 2005  
4:00 p.m.**

**Hospitality Suite -  
AACC**

Oyster Bake raises funds for student scholarships and university and alumni programs. This is your opportunity to raise funds

for your organization and/or charity. If your organization is interested in participating in Oyster Bake 2006, make sure you attend this mandatory meeting.



*“Día de los Muertos recognizes death as part of life...”*

## Día De Los Muertos (Day of the Dead)

Student Government Association (S.G.A.), League of United Latin American Citizens (L.U.L.A.C.), and Mexican Student Association (M.S.A.), invited faculty, students, and staff to build the community altar for Día de Los Muertos on Sunday, October 30, University Center, 1st floor. Maestra Emma Ortega directed us in building

the altar to honor and remember family, friends, and community members who have preceded us in death. Día de los Muertos recognizes death as part of life, and celebrates both by building altars adorned with figures of death (calacas and calaveras) and placing ofrendas (offerings) of flowers, candles, food, photographs, images, and other elements to symbolize and

commemorate the life of those we remember. This year the community altar, “Ni una mas,” honors and remembers the more than 300 young women—maquila workers, students, and office workers of Juarez—who have been killed since 1993, and whose murders remain unsolved. This year, M.S.A.’s Día de los Muertos Altar is dedicated to Pope John Paul II.

## Alpha Phi Omega Wins Multiple Awards



While many students enjoyed their mid-semester break by going home or just relaxing, Alpha Phi Omega (Alpha Alpha Zeta chapter) was hard at work attending the Alpha Phi Omega Region VII Conference in Lubbock, Texas, Oct. 21-22. Members of APO attended a series of lectures of their choice from leadership to CPR/First Aid to

business etiquette. While at the conference, APO won several awards. One of the awards received was the **Most Contributed Award**. The hosting fraternity of the conference held a canned food drive and our very own chapter collected 125 cans. Because of their efforts, they received the **Most Contributed Award**.

Another award APO received was the **Most Spirited Award** for their outstanding skit where they did a cheer to introduce themselves.

On Saturday evening, they attended a banquet where they received a plaque for contributing the most can food, an award for having the most members attend the regional

conference, and an award that celebrated their **25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** for being on the St. Mary's University campus.

**Congratulations** Alpha Phi Omega for your multiple awards and on celebrating 25 Years here at St. Mary's!

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The **Recognized Student Organizations Newsletter** is aimed at keeping you and your fellow peers informed of your organization's events, fundraisers, programs, etc. If you are interested in publishing an event or information about your organization, please email **Patricia S. Garcia-Villarreal** at [pgarcia1@stmarytx.edu](mailto:pgarcia1@stmarytx.edu) with your important information.

**PRIORITY REGISTRATION IS  
IN FULL SWING. MAKE  
SURE YOU REGISTER FOR  
THE SPRING 2006 SEMESTER  
OCTOBER 26-NOVEMBER 11.**



## St. Mary's University School of Law and Phi Delta Phi announce the 4 Mile Trial

A Four Mile Fun Run/One Mile Walk will be held at 9:00 am on November 5, 2005 on the St. Mary's University newly landscaped campus to benefit: St. Mary's Center for Legal and Social Justice and Phi Delta Phi's other charitable efforts & Phi Delta Phi's Charitable Contributions.

### Honorary Chairs:

Honorable Judge Rebecca Simmons, 4th Court of Appeals Attorney at Law, Lawrence Macon

### Registration Information:

*Individuals:* \$15 through October 21;  
\$20 on day of race  
*Teams:* \$55 for Teams of 5 Runners

Phi Delta Phi members will be registering students in the Law Classroom Building 11:00 am-1:00 pm two weeks prior to event or register online at [www.runawayclub.com](http://www.runawayclub.com).

### Contact Information:

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Awards/Cash Prizes, Food and drink, T-Shirts, Door prizes, Entertainment

*The very essence of leadership is that you have to have vision. You can't blow an uncertain trumpet.*

~ Theodore M. Hesburgh