

McMurtry Town Hall – 10/25/2011

SA:

- Blanket Tax review is going on right now
- They are campaigning to get people on the SA Listserv so that everyone will know more about what is going on around campus
- Voting is going on for Homecoming right now and they are accepting T-shirt designs
- There is a reevaluation of the Language Program at Rice right now
- The Ring Program is still working towards getting the individual college crests engraved on the inside

Rice Centennial House Shack-a-thon:

- It will be Nov 5th in the morning and early afternoon
- We will be building sheds for Habitat
- We will have a McMurtry team so contact Sena McCrory if you are interested

PAA:

- There is an important PAA announcement at the next Town Hall
- If you are graduating this year make sure you apply for your degree
- The Pass/Fail designation deadline is THIS FRIDAY

RHA:

- Nod study break
 - Tomorrow night at 9pm in the study room
 - It will be a really casual environment where you can ask any questions you have about NOD
- Thursday night the nutritionist at Rice will be visiting us in to talk about health and wellness

Friday Stacks DJ:

- Starting this Friday we will get interested individuals to DJ the Friday afternoon music sessions
- If you are interested email kap1@rice.edu
- Only requirement is that there is some variety in the music

McMurtry Day:

- This Saturday is McMurtry Day, the 1 year anniversary of McMurtry's first birthday
- They will have lunch food in the quad
- There will also be lots of fun things going on at 1, right after lunch at 12

Help Out Our Mr. Rice Candidate:

- The Philanthropy committee is helping to host Mr. Rice to raise money for charity
- Our McMurtry nominee for Mr. Rice is Peter Abraham
- If anyone female in McMurtry knows how to tango, please let Peter (pja1@rice.edu) know, as you may be of assistance in his introduction

Ant Situation:

- Ants have been overrunning the whole campus lately
- We are going to get an exterminator to kill all of these stupid ants
- Send Kevin an email (ksl3@rice.edu) if you would like your room to be treated

Officer Teller:

- Cookies and Cops:
 - RUPD Study Break this Thursday at 8pm in North Served
 - You can go and register valuables such as bikes and buy bike locks
 - You can also ask any questions you have
- Do not cover smoke detectors
 - This is not only dangerous but we can be fined a lot of money for doing this
 - We also have to pay for any pulled fire alarms so please do not pull any fire alarms

Private Parties at McMurtry:

- 3 things went wrong with the private party this weekend:
 - The fire alarm got pulled
 - Smoke detectors were covered
 - More people came than could fit into the space
 - You cannot invite more people than will be able to fit into your party space or else it is no longer a private party
- One important thing to keep in mind is that you are allowed to have a party between a small private party and one of the large public parties if you go through SJP

Alcohol Probation:

- There is an idea that the CJ's and Presidents have been working on lately
- How this probation began
 - Last semester there was a serious increase in EMS calls and transports and it was getting dangerous
- Right now the probation affects the entire campus, and we are currently looking at transferring into an individual approach
 - This would mean that certain individuals, after misbehaving and violating community standards, these individuals would be placed on probation (whether alcohol-related or otherwise)
 - Process:
 - Incident occurs
 - Student meets with masters
 - Student meets with CJ and McMurtry Court and they will decide what should be done
- Gilbert will be responding to this idea tomorrow.
- The idea here is to get at the heart of the problem
- This will hopefully help you, if you do something wrong, understand that you violated a community standard, help you to become a better member of the community, and finally to place a social stigma that will help you make amends
- The repercussions for violating a standard after you have been put on probation are much more severe than the initial punishments

Other:

- Peter Abraham (pja1@rice.edu) is selling NOD tickets for \$10
- Socials will be having a server training, test taking party in the Commons with snacks and stuff, which will allow new students more opportunities to get new student service points