**Associated Students of Laurel College**

**Get Involved in Student Activities**

Your experience at Laurel College will be richer and more memorable if you get involved in activities that take you beyond the classroom. You will have the opportunity to meet other students, faculty, and staff members and will participate in organizations that make valuable contributions to your college and to the community.

Consider becoming involved in student government or joining a club. You might take part in activities such as these:

* Volunteering to help with a blood drive
* Traveling to a foreign country to learn about other cultures
* Volunteering to assist at graduation
* Helping to organize a community picnic
* Planning and implementing advertising for a student event
* Meeting with members of the state legislature to discuss issues that affect college students—for example, tuition costs and financial aid

**Student Government**

As a registered student, you are eligible to attend meetings of the Executive Officers of the Associated Students of Laurel College. At the meetings, you will have the opportunity to learn about college issues that affect students. At the conclusion of each meeting, the Officers invite students to voice their opinions. Eventually, you might decide to run for an office yourself. Running for office is a three-step process:

1. Pick up petitions at the Student Government office.
2. Obtain 100 signatures from current students.
3. Turn in petitions and start campaigning.

Every spring, students vote for the President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, and Student Trustee for the following year. Executive Officers work with the college administration to manage campus activities and to make changes to policies and procedures. For example, the Student Trustee is a voting member of the Laurel College Board of Trustees, which consists of elected members from the community who make final decisions on college policies, the college budget, and employee hiring. Recently our Student Trustee was instrumental in convincing the Board to vote for a proposal to institute a free van service between the college and several locations in Laurelton and outlying areas.

Every spring the ASLC elects Executive Officers, and clubs and academic organizations vote for Student Senators for the following year. Officials post-election information and applications on the college Web site. There is also information posted around campus and in the student newspaper.

**Clubs**

Laurel College offers clubs that cover a wide range of interests, including academic, political, recreational, and service. Listed below are some of the clubs currently in existence at Laurel College. A complete list is available in the ASLC office. If you decide to join a club, you may enjoy being a member who attends the meetings and participates in club activities, or you may decide to take a leadership role and become an officer.

Get an application for any of the clubs in the ASLC office in the Campus Center, Room CC208, or access the ASLC Web site, www.assoc-students-laurel.org and complete the form online. Clubs accept applications during the first two weeks of each semester. The following are the first meeting dates and times.

* Chess Club October 8, 2:00 p.m., Room CC214
* Computer Club October 5, 5:00 p.m., Computer Café
* Cycling Club October 7, 3:00 p.m., Field House, Room 2A
* Honor Society October 6, 2:00 p.m., Room CC212
* Math Club October 6, 4:00 p.m., Math Tutoring Lab, L35
* Philosophy Club October 8, 3:00 p.m., Room CC214
* Photography Club October 4, 5:30 p.m., Photo Lab, Foster Hall
* Psychology Club October 8, 5:00 p.m., Room L24
* Student Service Club October 7, 4:30 p.m., Room CC214
* Theater Club October 4, 3:00 p.m., Little Theater

You may be thinking that activities, such as the ones listed here, are great, but your goals are different. You want to concentrate on academics and on getting a degree or certificate. Maybe you want to attend graduate school, or you intend to get a job when you leave Laurel College. Whatever your future plans, you should have a personal resume that lists your education, work experience, and accomplishments. Participation in campus activities, especially ones in which you had a leadership role, will enhance your resume.