Student Veteran Services Newsletter

March 2020 Edition

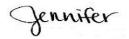
HAPPY SPRING BREAK!

We're almost half-way through the semester and you have a well-deserved break coming up next week! I hope you enjoy every minute of Spring Break, and that you are able to relax and have some fun.

I am still hoping to receive your feedback regarding your thoughts about the SVRC (and Student Veteran Services overall). If you have comments or suggestions, please let me know. I've created an anonymous <u>suggestion form</u> you can complete, or you are welcome to send me an <u>email</u>.

Please feel free to reach out, or come by for a visit, if there's anything I can do to be of assistance.

Be safe and have FUN!



In the last newsletter, I gave you a sneak peek what thing my family does for fun. Here's another:



IT IS SCHOLARSHIP SEASON! <u>SEEK THEM</u> <u>OUT</u> AND APPLY, APPLY, APPLY!



ACADEMICS

Don't forget to take advantage of the resources available to you:

- Student Learning Center
 - o <u>Tutoring Services</u>
 - o <u>Learning Labs</u>
 - o <u>Study Strategies</u>
- University Writing Center
- <u>Office of Student Success</u>
 <u>o</u> Student Resources
- Belk Library & Information Commons
 - o <u>Research Assistance</u>

If you would like additional information about any of the services listed above, please let me know!

MIDTERM GRADE REPORTS (MGRs)

Midterm Grade Reports went out to faculty on March 5. This program, administered through the Support Services area of the Student Learning Center and the Office of Student Success, provides a mechanism for collecting faculty feedback at the midpoint of the semester. This feedback serves as a mechanism for offering kudos for a job well done or providing targeted support, encouragement, or improvement strategies for students who may be struggling.

PRIORITY REGISTRATION

Early registration opens on April 1, 2020, with priority registration beginning April 3. Be sure you complete required advising BEFORE early registration begins so that you don't miss your opportunity to register. Academic advisors will provide the early registration PIN numbers to all eligible students. Be sure to check your AppalNet account after March 10 to find out when you are slated to register. For more information, check out the <u>Registrar's website</u>.

UPCOMING EVENTS

SVRC EVENTS IN MARCH

- Career Counseling with Geralyn Michell
 - EVERY WEDNESDAY (except Spring Break)
 - o 1 pm 2 pm
- Ask an Advisor
 - o March 16-19; 23-26
 - o Mon 11:30 12; Tue 10:30 11; Wed 2 2:30; Thur 4:30 -5
- Asheville VA Medical Center in the SVRC
 - o Outreach & Prevention Services
 - o March 24: 10am 12 pm
- <u>A Visit from Margo Stone Appalachian's</u> Registered Therapy Dog
 - o March 30: 11 am 12 pm
- Care Packages
 - o Drop-off care package items in SVRC
 - Will be sent to deployed former, current, and future Mountaineers

SVA EVENTS IN MARCH

- Fundraiser (ongoing)
 - o Krispy Kreme vouchers
 - Buy-One/Get-One \$20
 - One Dozen Gift Certificates \$9
 - o SVA Decals \$5
- Boone Docks MMA/BJJ (ongoing)
 - o Thursday Nights: 7 pm
- Pick-up Basketball SRC
 - o Mach 22: 3:30 pm
- Taco Tuesday SVA Social
 - o Taquiera El Paso
 - o March 31: 7 pm

CAMPUS EVENTS IN MARCH

- Hire Heroes Virtual Career Fair
 - o March 12
- <u>College of Business Spring Connect</u>
 - o March 19: 1 pm 4 pm

GRADUATION

• Spring 2020 Commencement o May 8 & 9

If this is your final semester, it is not too soon to start planning for graduation and beyond. Here are a few things to keep in mind:

- Update your Resume
- Apply for Graduation
- Get your FREE honor cord
 - o Come by the SVRC to pick yours up!

Start your Job/Internship Search

In the Community.....

Mark and Mimi Ross (the same folks who recently created a scholarship for Appalachian's student veterans) have also sponsored a veteran through the program K9s for Warriors. What makes this so special is Mark and Mimi made a contribution in honor of Laura and Winston (pictured below) <u>on</u> <u>behalf of all of you</u>, <u>Appalachian's Military</u> <u>Mountaineers!</u>

To learn more about K9s for Warriors and to keep track of Laura and Winston, visit their Facebook page: <u>https://www.facebook.com/K9sforWarriors/</u>



The generosity of Mark and Mimi doesn't end with Laura and Winston. They have also made a significant contribution to the SVRC operating fund! I cannot adequately express my gratitude and appreciation for their contributions!

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO SIT WITH VETERANS IN HOSPICE CARE ONLY 1 hour per month. Please let me know if you are interested in volunteering!