What’s Happening in Senate

Each Senator meets with his or her division chair each month to discuss current issues taking place within their divisions or events happening campus-wide. Some of the things Senate has focused on so far this semester are: parking at the Smith and Village Apartments and making the Garvey Weight Room more available to students.

As you may or may not have noticed, a new set of yellow lines has been painted around the parking lot for The Village and Smith Apartments. Senators heard about students receiving warnings from Campus security for parking in undesignated parking areas. With the help of senate and physical plant, a new set of lines was painted to show students where they are not allowed to park.

We are also working towards making the Garvey Weight Room and Fitness Center more available for the student body. We are looking into getting extended hours, or obtaining a schedule of sports teams’ workout schedules in order to make the weight room more accessible and convenient to use for everyone.

If you have any questions or concerns—or even compliments, let us know! If you have more topics you’d like to see discussed, let us know! We want to hear from the student body. You can contact us through Facebook, e-mail, or telephone! Also, you can attend our Public Forum to speak with us directly. The Senate Public Forum is every Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. in the Casado Conference Center.

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Your Senators
Get to Know Them

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Upcoming Events

- Nov. 18-20: 7:30 p.m. - Riney Fine Arts Center - Steel Magnolias
- Nov. 21: 3:00 p.m. - Riney Fine Arts Center - Steel Magnolias
- Nov. 24-26: Thanksgiving Break
- Nov. 29: Executive Council Annual Budget Meeting
- Dec. 1: 5:30 p.m. - Davis 8:00 p.m. - Tree Lighting Ceremony - Trolley Tour
- Dec. 7: 7:00 p.m. - Casado - TOMS Movie Screening

Did you Rent Textbooks?

If you rented textbooks from the Friends University Bookstore this fall, whether online or on campus, be sure you have completed your textbook rental agreement online. To do this, go to https://rental.bkstr.com/textrentalweb/logon.orca.

If you are having trouble, or if you have any questions, contact the bookstore at 295-5134, or by e-mail at bkstr@friends.edu.
Senate Committees

Casado Food Committee
The Casado Food Committee is off to a great start, and would like to thank everyone for their feedback! At the first “Meet the Senate,” students answered a poll regarding the food in Casado. Generally, students rated their Casado dining experience as average to good! When asked what they liked about Casado, the convenience, sandwich bar, and pizza were consistent answers. As to what students would change, students would like to see more variety—especially with breakfast items and fruit. Thank you to all the students who participated in the poll. This information really helps with the Committee's periodic meetings with Tony Pezzola, general manager.

If you have any more questions or comments about the food, or dining hall, or if you would like to attend the committee meetings, contact Senators Gina Rokey-Miller or James Cooper.

GoGreen Committee
The GoGreen Committee is starting to pick up speed, but is still looking for more members! The GoGreen Committee does everything from helping with recycling to discussing and planning ways to make Friends U. a more “green” campus.

Whether you are an environmentally-conscious student or not—and have ideas on how to conserve energy at Friends—the GoGreen Committee is for you! For more information, talk to Senators Sarah Stoffels, Ryan Peak, or Mike Evenson.

Vandalism at Friends University
On Halloween night, many Friends students who live in The Village and Smith Apartments became the victims of mindless vandalism. An unknown suspect slashed around 100 tires, affecting more than 40 students. The damage was estimated at over $5,000.

Though the suspect was never caught, he is described as a white, slender teenager. If you have any information on the vandalism, contact campus security at 316.295.5911.

This act, though terrible, can also serve a reminder to students. Be proactive on campus. If you see or hear anything suspicious going on, do not be afraid to call campus security. Though we have security present, patrolling the campus, it is our job as students to help them out and report any suspicious or wrong activity on campus.

With the holidays coming up, please remember to not leave any valuables in plain sight in your car. Take them inside or find a place to hide them out of sight in the car. Also, remember to lock your cars, so we can prevent any more vandalism or theft on the campus.

Meet the Senate
Sarah Stoffels, Division of Fine Arts Senator

What is your major?
Ballet. I am also getting a minor in Psychology and Human Services.

Why did you join Senate?
I was asked if I would be interested, and, after getting some information about what Senators did, I decided I wanted to get involved.

What else are you involved in on campus?
Ballet Department, Working for Residence Life, Nicest Kids in Town, Secretary and Treasurer of Arabesque Society (Ballet Club).

When you were growing up, what did you tell people you wanted to be when you were older?
A ballet dancer.

What is your guilty pleasure?
Peanut butter; and almond butter now, too.

If you could be any type of animal what would you be and why?
A penguin because they’re cute and awesome.

Would you rather watch a great movie or read a great book? What genre?
If I had the time, a great book would be wonderful. Fiction.

What is one of your biggest/proudest accomplishments?
One of my most recent accomplishments was joining the Alpha Chi National Honors Society.

What is your favorite type of food?
Italian.

If you were stranded on a desert island, what is one thing you would want to have with you?
An airplane full of gas.

Look for members of the senate around campus at our monthly “Meet the Senate” tables. Each month, members of the senate will get together in one of the buildings on campus as a way to get to know students and for students to get to know them!

Just a reminder: Registration has begun!
Meet with your advisor to begin planning for next semester!

Priority Registration begins on Monday, Nov. 8 for Juniors and Seniors from 8 a.m. to noon. Open enrollment begins for the rest of the campus Nov. 9 from 1-6 p.m., and continues until Nov. 30. Sumpter is open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Friday.