# PONTCHARTRAIN NEWSLETTER

# **NOVEMBER 2021**

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# THIS SEMESTER'S WINTER BREAK PLANS

The End of The Semester is Coming Up...



Pontchartrain Halls will close on Saturday, December 11, 2021, at noon for winter break.

Please look out for your floor's mandatory meeting with your RA.

The Office of Residential Life will remain open through Wednesday, December 22, 2021. All campus offices will be closed from December 23- January 3.

Need to remain in Pontchartrain Halls for Winter Break? Complete our winter break housing request form to request approval to remain in Pontchartrain Halls during the winter break. Please note: a \$250 winter break housing fee will be charged to your Webstar account if your request is approved. Requests are reviewed on an individual basis; approval or denial will be sent to your UNO email account.

Please note that routine maintenance will continue to be performed for the best upkeep of our halls; this maintenance may require staff to enter your room/ suite.

Contact the Office of Residential Life staff if you have questions regarding Winter Break.

#### Please use the following checklist to prepare your departure for Winter Break:

- Remove all food from your space.
- Unplug all electrical items (including surge protectors, alarm clocks, computers, printers, etc.). You may leave your refrigerator plugged up; please remove food items that will spoil.
- Set the air conditioner to 75 degrees.
- Secure your bicycle (make sure you have registered it with the Office of Residential Life).
- Remove all trash from common areas, your room, and your bathroom.
- Remove your valuable items which you may need during the break from the room: computers, money, medication, clothing, jewelry, student ID, driver's license, and or passport.
- Move all personal items off the floor to avoid loss or damage in the event of an unforeseen facilities emergency.
- Turn off all lights.
- Close and lock all doors and windows.
- Ensure your student ID is with you when you leave. you will need to have it reprogrammed upon your return.

Failure to properly check out can result in a fee of up to \$200.

# NORTH RA PROGRAMS

## SRA Kat's Events

Jackbox Party Nov. 23/2021 7PM 4th floor <u>North lounge</u>

# RA Alarvo's Events

Round Six Nov. 19, 2021 6PM UC Ballroom

# RA Jaz's Events

Sustainable Living Series Nov. 6, 13, 20,27 2:00 PM 4th Floor <u>North Lounge/Outside</u>

## RA Megan's Events

Pay It Forward Nov. 12, 2021 12PM 4th Floor North Lobby

## RA Tithalia's Events

Trial by Trolley Nov. 18, 2021 7PM 4th Floor North Lounge

## RA Kemar's Events

Mindful Meditation Nov. 5, 2021 6PM 4th Floor Lounge

## RA J's Events

Painting Night! Nov. 15, 2021 5pm 4th floor North lounge

## RA Austin's Events

e-Sports Lounge Meet/Greet Nov. 11, 2021 6PM \*TENATIVELY\* e-Sports Lounge

# HOLIDAY BREAK COVID-19 TESTING

#### More Information about a New Resource for Residents

Covid Testing will be available for Pontchartrain Hall residents to take advantage of before traveling for Thanksgiving and Winter Break. Thanksgiving: 11/19, 22, and 23 and Winter Break: 12/6, 7, and 8.

The tests will be PCR tests administered by the Louisiana National Guard. The Guard will be set up in front of Pontchartrain Hall North.



# SOUTH RA PROGRAMS

### SRA Cayla's Events

Vote Responsibly Nov 12, 2021 11AM South Hall Lobby

## RA Michael's Events

Fly Away with Paper Planes Nov 18, 2021 5:30 PM 4th Floor South Lounge

## RA Olantun's Events

Late Evening Breakfast Nov 18, 2021 8PM 4th Floor South Lounge

#### RA Trinity's Events

Open Discussion about UNO Nov 8, 2021 6PM 4th Floor South Lounge

## RA Travis's Events

Thanksgiving Movie Night Nov 26, 2021 9PM 4th Floor South Lounge

#### RA Kiara's and Torry's Events

Residentsgiving Nov 19, 2021 4PM 4th Floor South Lounge

# RA Ashlie's Events

World Kindness Day Tear-Off Affirmations Nov 13, 2022 12PM Hallways and elevators in North and South Hall.

# ► STAFF SPOTLIGHT



### Kiara Parker, Resident Assistant

Hello Privateer Pals. My name is Kiara Parker and I am a New Orleans, Louisiana native. I am the 4th floor high resident assistant in Pontchartrain Hall South.

I am in the second semester of my junior year and my plans after school are to enroll in grad school! I have multiple other campus involvements like being an orientation leader, President of the Healthcare Student Association, krewe leader, and mambo leader. Some fun facts about me are: I love to read, my favorite president is JFK and my favorite school subject Is American history.

My goal for residential life is for us to continue to do great things at UNO so our residents can feel like they belong to a community.

# PLANNING ON RETURNING IN THE SPRING?

#### STUDENTS RETURNING IN THE SPRING

Planning your Return for Spring 2022: Office of Residential Life staff will post available times for physical distance check-in for the Spring 2022 semester within the Residential Life app in early November. The anticipated check-in dates will be January 20-January 28.

How do you access the Residential Life app to schedule your check-in? Visit myapps.uno.edu and log in using your UNO credentials. Select the app you will be able to select your check-in time on the home screen.

Students who plan to continue their housing for the Spring 2022 semester may leave their items in their suite.

#### STUDENTS NOT RETURNING IN THE SPRING

Not planning to return to Pontchartrain Halls for Spring 2022? Complete the Pontchartrain Hall cancellation form to cancel the Spring portion of your 2021-2022 housing agreement. Please note: students with academic and full-year leases are subject to the \$750 Agreement Buy-Out fee if canceling their agreement. Students who cancel must remove all of their items and complete a full check out of Pontchartrain Halls by noon on Saturday, December 11.



# **ORGANIZATIONS GALORE!**

#### Introducing UNO Ambassadors

The UNO Ambassadors is a student organization that promotes a strong, positive relationship among students, faculty, staff, and alumni. We serve as a liaison that maintains a positive image by representing the University of New Orleans to the university and to the community. The Ambassadors is a select group of student leaders, composed of men and women from each of the five colleges and from an array of different backgrounds, working together in an effort to aid the University to reach its ultimate potential.

Website: www.orgs.uno.edu/amba

Organization E-mail: ambassadors@uno.edu

# **STAFF SPOTLIGHT**



#### Jaz Carter, Resident Assistant

iHola! ¿Qué tal? My name is Jaz Carter. I am from Thibodaux, LA. I am a North Hall 4th floor RA, working on my Master's in Civil and Environmental Engineering. After graduating, I plan to Work in Coastal Engineering & Water Treatment, be involved in international affairs, travel, get married, have a family.. etc.

As this is my first semester on campus, I have not yet joined other campus groups; I will soon join NSBE, ASCE, and Model UN. I have participated in some Chi Alpha events this semester.

I love fitness, health, and wellness, I have adopted a whole food plant-based lifestyle. I love math.. lol. I love learning, practicing languages, I enjoy singing, love figure skating, and competing in sports. I was a skating carhop for a couple of years. I used to run a tutoring center at a community college. In high school, I played basketball, volleyball, and track. I was also on the drumline and did indoor percussion. I am a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and did an 18-month mission.

I want to get to know all of my residents a little better. I've been able to get to know some but I want to know all.



# CAMPUS EVENTS THIS MONTH

#### Homecoming Pep Rally

Sponsored by SGA Oct. 5th, 2021 @ 12:00-1:00 PM UC Atrium

#### Tae Kwon Do Club Meetings

Sponsored by Taekwondo Sports Club Nov. 5th, 2021 @ 2:00-3:00 PM Rec Center - Exercise RM 1

#### Homecoming Game

Sponsored by Department of Athletics Nov. 6th, 2021 @ 1:00-7:00 PM UNO Lakefront Arena

#### The Gap: Gender Disparities in STEM

Sponsored by Undergraduate Research and Creativity Nov. 8th 2021 @ 3:00-4:00 PM https://youtu.be/\_6PcZYv2EJg

#### **Orientation Leader Interest Meeting**

Sponsored by Orientation Leaders Nov. 9th 2021 @ 12:30-1:00 PM UC RM 210

#### Jazz at the Sandbar

Sponsored by University of New Orleans Nov. 10th, 2021 @ 7:00-10:00PM The Cove - Sandbar

#### Free Brotherhood, Inc. STI Testing

Sponsored by Brotherhood, Inc Nov. 17th, 2021@ 12:00-3:00 PM UC RM 238

#### SGA Senate Meeting

Sponsored by SGA Nov. 17th, 2021@12:00-6:30 PM UC RM 208

#### Virtual Orientation Leader Interest Meeting

Sponsored by Orientation Leaders Nov. 18th, 2021@12:30-1:00 PM Zoom Meeting ID - 8.673.074.4735

