

# BAYLOR STUDENT LIFE SPOTLIGHT

Hello Colleagues,

The end of the semester is upon us. By the time the next Spotlight comes out, students will be walking across the stage for Commencement, celebrating the culmination of their hard work. While we all push hard towards the end of the semester, graduation serves as a tangible reminder of what we are all working for, to help students become the people God has designed them to be and to launch them towards a successful future. We work not only to help our students finish, but to flourish.

## IMPACT

This week we want to highlight some important contributors to our Division that often go unrecognized— our buildings. In '21-'22 the SUB will have over 1.2 million visitors (watch out Magnolia Silos). One reason for this is the approx. 4000 events per year it is host to, roughly 500 in Barfield alone, 1500 in the remaining indoor spaces, and an additional 2000 yearly events in the SUB Bowl/Vera Daniel Plaza. The McLane Student Life Center is also in high demand, seeing a record number of visitors this year at over half a million, an average of over 2,000 people a day. Additionally, the Pullin Family Marina served 2,811 unique individuals, The Rock (wall) served 1,404 unique individuals, and the Challenge Course served 3,382 unique individuals. Bravo to our brick and mortar (and the people that make those buildings worth visiting)!

We also want to give a quick shout out to the 28 new student organizations that were officially chartered yesterday (4/28) in a ceremony at Stacy Riddle Forum. With the addition of these new student organizations, we now offer our students over 375 student organizations to get involved in!

## UPDATES

Beginning this summer, Impact LLC and LEAD LLC will combine to create the IMPACT & LEAD LLC, which will reside in Allen and Dawson Halls in partnership with the School of Education. There are several benefits to merging these two similar LLCs. First, through the merger we believe more students will find a strong community of likeminded peers. Second, this will allow us to transition South Russell into a First-Year Experience community, allowing us to accommodate more students who seek an FYE residential experience. Third, while still providing a high quality LLC experience, this will enable us to reallocate some resources and staffing to other exciting Divisional initiatives (more on that to come in a future Spotlight.)

## COMING UP

It is end of year celebration season and there are many celebrations on the horizon. In addition to departmental and group celebrations, there are several large celebrations in the next two weeks. First on Thursday May 5th 6-8pm, on Speight Avenue outside of Waco Hall, we will host the annual Excellence in [Student Leadership Awards](#) (which we solicited nominations for in a previous Spotlight). Another student-focused celebration we hope you will consider supporting is the [Kente Ceremony](#) on Thursday May 12 at 6 p.m. in Truett Great Hall. Lastly, we have our Divisional End of Year Celebration Thursday May 5, Noon-1:30 p.m. in Barfield. We looking forward to celebrating alongside you and our students in this exciting (but busy) season.

## MOMENTS



*The Pullin Family Marina on Diadeloso, which had its highest one-day attendance ever.*

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