

BAYLOR STUDENT LIFE SPOTLIGHT

Hello Division Colleagues,

Love is in the air, but so it seems also is a cold front. We hope you are staying warm this Valentine's Day week!

IMPACT

Black History Month continues all through February and we hope you'll consider attending some of the wonderful programs put on by departments across campus and in the community. As a reminder you can visit the event list on the Multicultural Affairs website [here](#). For example, this weekend Truett is hosting a conference on "Racism in the White Church" with nationally renowned speakers such as: **Vann Newkirk, II**, senior editor of The Atlantic; **Beth Moore**, evangelist, best-selling author and Bible teacher; **Jemar Tisby**, New York Times bestselling author. Staff and students [can register to attend](#) for free if you are interested. Or if you like food and want to get out into the community, Waco-McLennan library is hosting [African American Foodways Seminars](#) every Saturday in February at a different library. The events are free and include a food tasting!

Last night (2/16) Dr. Beth Allison Barr and Dr. Kristin Kobes Du Mez spoke as part of our Leadership Speaker Series. The talk was entitled *Ceilings and Mazes: Exploring the Intersection of Faith, Gender, and Leadership*. It was an excellent talk and if you missed it, fret not, there is a recording available [here](#).

UPDATES

Recently we have been building out resources on the ["For Staff" page](#) of the [Student Life website](#). This week we have a new and exciting resource to announce! We have created a Divisional Events calendar in Outlook. This new events calendar is a real-time resource aimed at both helping you communicate to other staff when your department is hosting events as well as help you plan for events with a mindfulness of what else may be happening in the Division. **The calendar is a resource calendar named "Student_Life_Events" and similar to how you can view the calendars of co-workers in Outlook, you can also add this calendar to your Outlook.** We have built a set of instructions for PC, Mac, and Office365 Online, for how to add this calendar to your Outlook. [You can find those instructions here](#). **The calendar has its permissions set as viewable to all and so once you add it, you should be able to see all the details of any events on the calendar.**

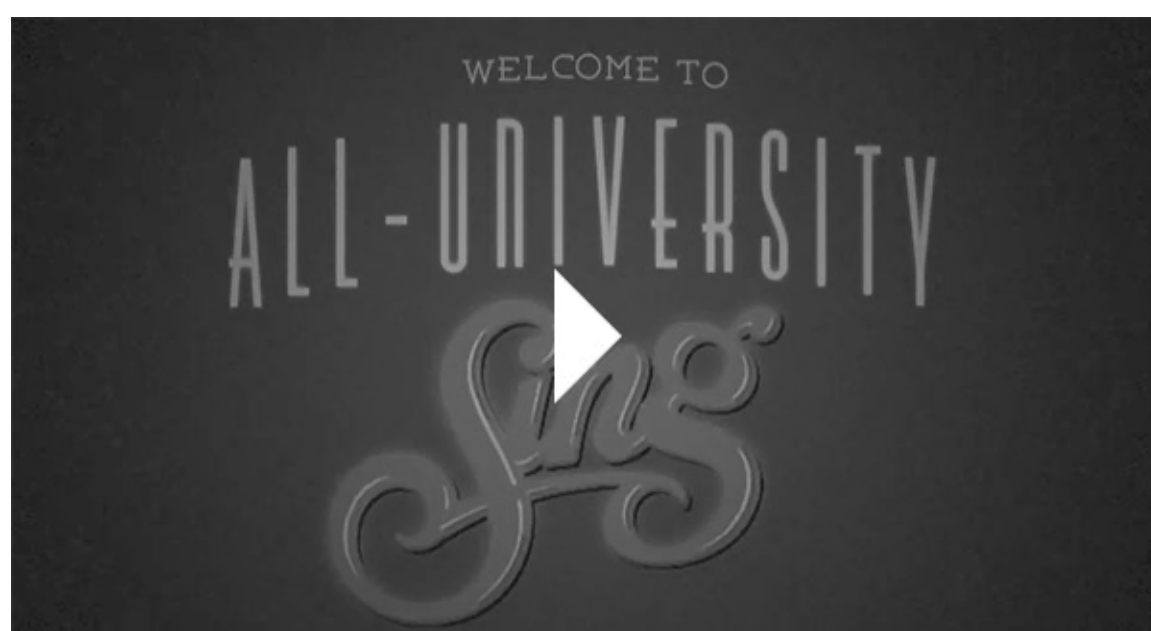
This calendar is not an exhaustive list of everything hosted by every department, but rather what are the mid-large sized open-to-everyone events you are hosting that you want other staff (and their students) to be aware of. For example, in the fall we had the Intramural Flag Football Championship at McLane Stadium, an event you may not have known about if you don't work closely with Campus Rec. Flag football has high participation among our fraternity and sorority community, and if you were planning an event that also may be of interest to Greek-affiliated students, it might be helpful for you to know when the Flag Football Championship is so that you are not inadvertently competing for the same students on the same night.

We will centrally be updating the calendar with major campus dates and events (holidays, Homecoming, etc.) as well as events that come to our attention from departments or *What's New BU* submissions. Even more helpful than that though, **YOU can add your own departmental events for others to see.** The calendar also has an e-mail Student_Life_Events@baylor.edu that you can add to calendar events (similar to inviting a person). If you invite Student_Life_Events@baylor.edu to a calendar event, we will accept the invitation and then everyone in the Division will be able to see your event. **In addition to communication and planning, this will also allow you communicate about your event in real-time. For instance, if the location of your event changes (such as to a back-up rain location) and you change the calendar event that Student_Life_Events has been invited to, it will automatically update for all to see where the new location is.**

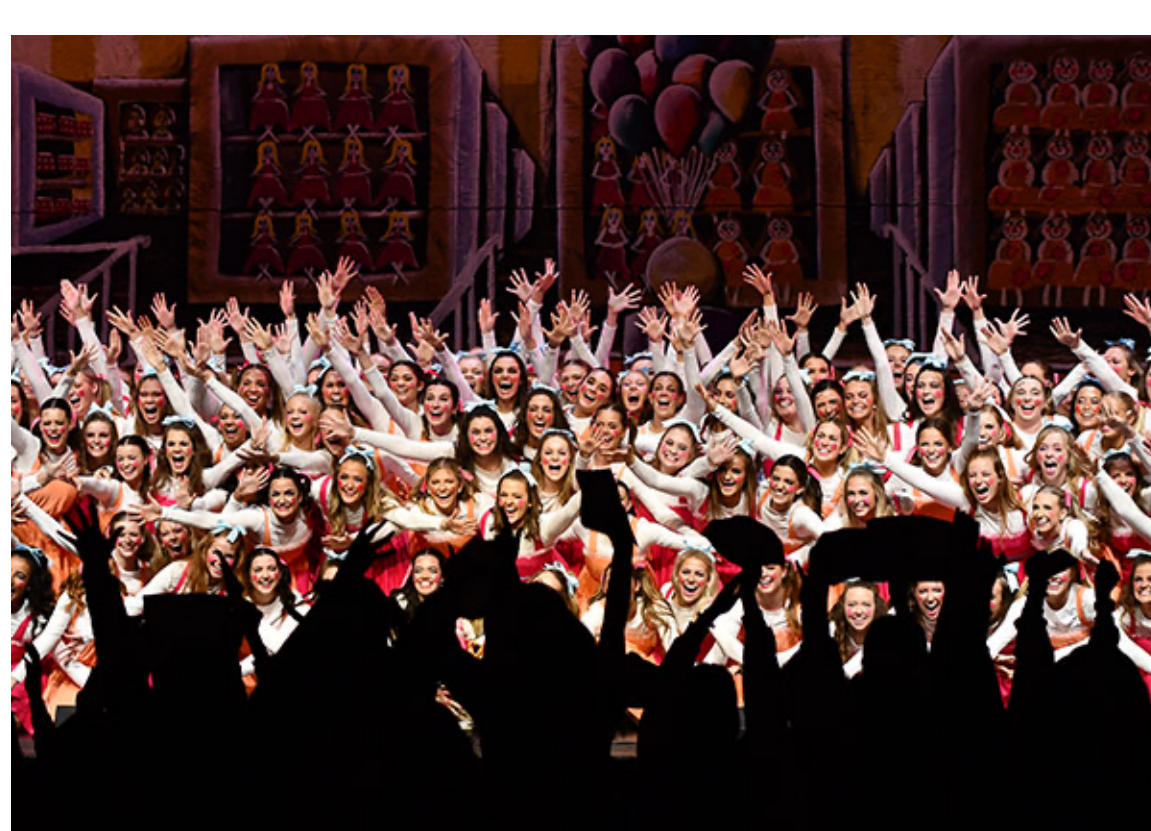
We hope to see your events on the calendar soon!

COMING UP

A cherished Baylor tradition, [All-University Sing](#), is again upon us. Kicking-off this past Wednesday night with the dress rehearsal/club night, Sing has six full-length performances (Feb 16-18th and 23-25th) featuring **19 student acts this year and 2300 student participants!** Last Spotlight, we highlighted two institutional birthdays and this week we have one more. **First held in 1953, Sing turns 70 years old this year!** To learn more about the history of this cherished tradition see the below video.



MOMENTS



2,300 students representing 19 unique acts are performing in this year's All University Sing. Every single group this year is exceptional and will have your feet stomping and hands clapping!

Stay connected with Student Life

