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**To:** Students' Council 2011/12

The last two weeks have been filled with a number of engagement events and committee meetings. I took part in a number of fundraising activities and had a flurry of university governance meetings – both my own, and covering those of the VP Academic while he is away on conference. Though I sported a number of different looks in November I must say that it feels nice to no longer support my upper lip tickler and my head of pink hair. Thank you to all of the councilors and council members who donated to the various causes that I was promoting. Your support is much appreciated!

I will try and be brief with my points in this report as there are many. Feel free to ask questions in question period if you want further information.

### ***Programming***

#### **Campus Cup:**

The tournament was a blast! I would like to congratulate the Decepticons for winning the Campus Cup and a special thanks goes out to the programming department, the Lister Dodgeball League, and all of our volunteer referees for making the weekend such a success. There is a rumour that DisOrientation Councilors of the Sea may have sent out a challenge to the dodgeball superstars of 2-900 but this has yet to become fact. Overall the tournament was extremely successful and had a number of small tweaks and extra touches such as the custom t-shirts and original DJ David McBean playlists that really made the tournament shimmer. We have received some feedback on the tournament and have come up with a few suggestions for next year's tournament such as splitting the tournament into two divisions; competitive and non-competitive.

#### **Christmas Movie Day:**

This Thursday we will be hosting a Christmas Movie Day/Marathon in the Myer Horowitz Forum. The event will open with Frosty the Snowman at 10:00am and conclude with Die Hard at 8:00pm. A special shout out to Councillor West whose recommendation of National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation will be showcased at 4:00pm. Please tell your friends to come out and enjoy this event! Time to de-stress before exams and get into the Christmas season!

#### **Antifreeze:**

Registration packages are available at <http://www.su.ualberta.ca/eventsvenues/antifreeze/> and in hardcopy to be picked up from 2-900. If you have been living under a rock (or glacier) and do not know what Antifreeze is, it is a competition held during the first week back after the winter break that consists of a series of mini-events including scavenger hunts, public displays of talent, and numerous other challenges. Last year's prize consisted of a free ski trip for the winning

team so expect there to be a lot on the line for this competition. Make sure to find 10 friends and sign up a team right away as space is limited!

### **SU Christmas Party for Kids:**

The SU Christmas Party for Kids went off without a hitch and we once again helped busloads (literally) of children from inner city schools get into the holiday spirit with crafts, cookie making, Christmas carols, and a Christmas movie!

### **Break the Record:**

I will be doing a presentation at the Dec. 21 meeting of Dean's Council to provide information on the Break the Record event and to ask for faculty support – both in making an effort not to schedule exams during the event as well as monetary support.

### **Colten's Grand List of Engagement Events Attended in the Last Two Weeks:**

I have had an extreme amount of fun attending the following events in the last two weeks: APSA Mr. Pharmacy Prostate Cancer Research Fundraiser Pageant, Campus Cup, Engineering Hair Dye, Engineering Headshave, Greek God and Goddess: Battle of the Bands and Dance-off, All Academic Athlete Breakfast and Awards, SU Christmas Party for Kids, Pandas/Golden Bears Volleyball games, SU Volunteer Holiday Party, and the SU Staff Christmas Party. I also managed to embarrass myself failing at a "minute-to-win-it" competition involving balloons hosted by the A-Team at the Golden Bears volleyball game.

### **Services**

#### **Awards:**

SU awards submissions were due two Fridays ago and all documentation was due last Friday. Good luck to all those who have submitted applications! You are all extremely deserving for the service you provide to your constituents.

### **Campus Food Bank:**

The CFB celebrated their annual Campus Food Bank Awareness Week, which was a great success and included a number of outstanding outreach events including a CFB flash mob. I bring exciting news in that the new Campus Food Bank space on the main floor of SUB (connected to SFAIC) has begun its renovations and will be ready soon after the winter break.

### **Health and Dental Plan:**

At our last HDPC meeting we reviewed Studentcare's internal spending for their on-campus office management as well as their outreach and informational campaign expenditures. All of the numbers looked very reasonable. We also reviewed a request for an increase to per visit coverage for naturopathic medicine but decided not to pursue any changes.

If you have any other questions ask during council, stop by the office, or send me an email at [vp.studentlife@su.ualberta.ca](mailto:vp.studentlife@su.ualberta.ca).

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