

# Small School, Big Year!



## Florida Atlantic University: MacRSA

As another school year commences, the MacArthur Resident Student Association (henceforth MacRSA) of Florida Atlantic University is once again underway carrying out plans for a thrill-filled year. While the campus may be small, the hopes for the year are big, with many exciting programs designed for the benefit of the residents. MacRSA wasted no time in becoming involved with the new students of FAU. MacRSA was there assisting the students and their parents move the freshmen in to their new homes. Throughout the entire experience we made certain to invite all the newcomers to the upcoming MacRSA events to make them feel immediately involved. Some of the highly anticipated events included a premiere showing of Iron Man 2 as well as a welcome back Convocation Dance, where the new students and the upperclassmen could begin to

MacRSA's focus was on advertising kickoff MacRSA meeting of the year, making certain all students were aware of the purposes of the organization, especially as an open forum for the residents. The Executive Board of MacRSA was pleasantly surprised to see the amount of participation and enthusiasm that the new students expressed. Many voiced that they were interested in taking on several leadership positions within the organization, such as Wing Representatives and various Committee Members. "Wing Reps" are like ambassadors between MacRSA and the rest of the residents on campus, because it is foolish to assume that all residents are able to attend the general body meetings. They communicate back and forth between the two groups with questions, concerns, comments and hopes. It is usually from these positions that many of the Executive Board Members

come.

However, one event would certainly "amaze" all of the residents. "The Amazing Race," a mock version of the popular television show, would test the mental and physical skills of the students on campus. People signed up the week before in teams of two, ran around both campus and the city-community across the road, competing against one another to win the prize at the end! Over a dozen teams showed up and ran around campus in the hot and humid, Florida summer heat. Several braved the elements and successfully crossed the finish line! This is just one of several large-minded events for the upcoming year that MacRSA has in store for the campus' residents. FAU-Jupiter may be a small school, but it has BIG hopes with a LARGE amount of determination for the upcoming months.

~FAU-Jupiter

## R.O.C.K. You Rock, You Rock!!!



I'd like to give a shout-out to Matt Lovelace, for commandeering a crew of pirates to set sail for San Diego to trade and barter ideas with other shiploads to better residence life.

~Beth Breidigam

Every year RHA uses move-in week as a time to get our name out and raise money for our area governments through activity cards. We try to give the residents a wide variety of programs to attend in the short period of time that we have before classes start. We put on 55 programs in 5 days this year. In those crazy five days, we encountered many obstacles, found out what works and what doesn't and had some pretty awesome programs!

That brings me to why I am contacting you about this! I would love to share the tips that we learned during our jam-packed welcome week with the rest of our region in PRIDE.

~Lindsey Wuest  
UF NCC

# Save the Date

The University of Georgia is proud to be hosting the annual South Atlantic Affiliate of College and University Residence Halls (SAACURH) Conference **October 29-31, 2010.**



We hope that you will join us in the Classic City for a weekend of leadership development, networking and a lot of fun. Get your mates together and "Commandeer the LeaderSHIP" this fall in Athens!

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### TOP 10 REASONS YOU KNOW YOU'RE A HOUSING NERD:

1. You twitch / spasm / spontaneously combust every time you hear the D-word.
2. "No, I can't, I'm on call," is a legit excuse.
3. You get super psyched for conferences.
4. You spend more time in the Housing Office than you do in your room.
5. Every tee shirt you own is Housing-related.
6. Light bulbs go off when you see something that could be used for a bid, bulletin board, or program.
7. You make top ten lists for everything.
8. Roll call is more of an interpretive dance than a raised hand and, "Here."
9. Acronyms are a part of your everyday vocabulary.
10. You're in constant search of icebreakers.

### On the Prowl for the next PRIDE!!

If there is something you would like to see in next month's issue of the PRIDE, please send all pictures, articles, ideas, top 10 lists, shout-outs and anything else you can think of to:

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