

MARCH 2008 SPRING BREAK EDITION



EXPERIENCE A GREATER LIVING ENVIRONMENT

Spring Break Information:

Spring Break officially begins at 5 p.m. on Friday, February 29. All doors to the residence halls will be locked 24 hours a day beginning at 5 p.m. on Friday, February 28, 2008. The residence halls and front desks will officially re-open on Sunday, March 9 at 1 p.m.

If you plan to stay in your hall at any time during the Spring Break period, you must sign up at your residence hall's front desk. There is currently no charge for spring break housing, but residents who intend to stay must pre-register for safety and security purposes. The deadline to sign up for spring break housing is Tuesday, February 26.

We will maintain all safety and security procedures throughout the break. Security staff will be checking IDs beginning at 7 p.m. each evening and Residential Life staff will conduct regular safety rounds throughout the break period. Front desk services will be limited in the majority of halls. However, Stearns and Lawrence Halls will have 24-hour front desk services available. Please note that there will be no U.S. Mail pick up during spring break, except from the Lawrence and Stearns front desks.

If you are around during spring break and notice any suspicious activity in the residence halls, please contact a Residential Life staff member or Public Safety immediately. As always, you play a primary role in contributing to a safe and secure environment on campus.

On behalf of the entire Residential Life staff, we hope you have a safe and enjoyable Spring Break!

Important Dates:

Friday, February 29

Garvey closes for Spring Break at 4:00 p.m.
All Residence Halls close for Spring Break at 5 p.m.

Sunday, March 9

All Residence Halls and front desks re-open at 1 p.m.
Garvey opens at 5:00 p.m. for supper.

Spring Forward!

Don't forget about Daylight Savings. Turn clocks ahead one hour before you go to bed on Saturday, March 8!

Preparing Your Room for Break:

Before you leave for break, please be sure to do the following:

- Close your windows
- Empty your trash bin(s) and recycling bin(s)
- Turn off all lights
- Lock your door

**Please note that all residence hall rooms will be entered for safety inspections during break. If any of the above information creates questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact our office.*

Upcoming Black History Month Events:

February 25

"Black Poetry Night" will feature new and seasoned performers sharing original spoken-word and classic favorites. Join in for the open mic. The rhyming starts 6 p.m. in Atwood Quarry.

February 28

Tamrat Tademe and Mahmoud El-Kati will examine the history of Pan Africanism and its relevance for the 21st Century. "What is Pan Africanism in the 21st Century?" is 2 p.m. in Atwood Theatre. Tademe is an associate professor of human relations and multicultural education. El-Kati is a visiting instructor of history at Macalester College, St. Paul.

February 29

The celebration closing Black History Month is 6 p.m. in Atwood Quarry. "Black History Month 2008 in Retrospect" will include slideshows and student presentations on key events in February. The event closes with a reception.