NEW at the PRC...

The PA’s are hard at work to bring you lots of wonderful new resources here in the PRC! Here are just a few things to check out:

**New Bulletin Boards in a Bag:** Midterms keeping you busy? Make your bulletin boards in a flash using these NEW bulletin boards in a bag!
- A Picture is Worth 1000 Words (on display in the PRC—thanks to Ideen for the idea!)

**Coming Soon:**
- Asian culture
- Jamestown Celebration
- State of the Black Union

“PA Patents”: Ever noticed a board in the PRC and wanted to check it out? Now, PA’s are saving their PRC boards in a new folder on the PRC drive called “PA Patents.” If you see one you like, just find it in this folder, print it out and go! Here are a few of the PA Patent boards available:
- Spring Break Ideas
- Safe Traveling
- Under the Sea: All About the Ocean

**New Program at Your Fingertips!** With the kind of weather we’ve been having lately, it’s hard not to think about the outdoors & the importance of the environment. This new program, centered around the ideas of Al Gore’s book *The Inconvenient Truth*, helps residents learn about the dangers of global warming. They can even calculate their personal impact on the ozone layer! Now available for checkout in the PRC.

Spring Programming

Although it doesn’t quite feel like it yet, spring is just around the corner! Spring is the perfect time of year for programming because you can take advantage of the great outdoors. Here are a few fun outdoor programming ideas:

- **Scavenger Hunt:** Everyone’s favorite outdoor game! Send your residence all around campus or just in the area near your building. Be sure to offer prizes!
- **Trust Walk:** Have your residents split up into pairs. Blindfold one person in each pair and have the other person in the pair guide them around campus & help them complete various activities with WORDS ONLY. This is a great way to build communication, trust, and unity with your residents!
- **Picnic:** Tried-and-true programming always involves food. Pack up some yummy snacks, grab a blanket & some frisbees, and head outside!

- **Outdoor Games Tournament:** Google “outdoor games” and you’ll find everything from balloon stomping to hula hooping! Have your residence compete and offer prizes to people or teams who win the most games!
Test Your Knowledge: Women’s History Month

With March comes the celebration and remembrance of all the amazing women who have contributed so much to our society and culture. Here are some things that a few famous women have accomplished. Can you name the women who achieved these tasks?

- Inventor of the dishwasher
- “Mother of the 19th Amendment”
- Founder of the American Red Cross
- Co-inventor of the military torpedo guidance system
- Author of Uncle Tom’s Cabin
- Discovered the use of iodine for the diagnosis of thyroid disease
- Inventor of the Bra
- Co-creator of Harvard’s MARK I computer
- “Mother of Modern Dance”
- Inventor of the windshield wiper
- New York sculptor famous for the shadow box
- First to earn a million dollars in the

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Congratulations New Staff!

It’s finally over with: the applications have been turned in, the interviews conducted, and W&M’s Residence Life Department is really excited about the wonderful group of people hired for the 2007-2008 Student Staff!

The majority of RA’s are new, although there are many returners and a few people even receiving promotions within the Residence Life department.

New staff members will be required go through a bit of training this semester, including a tour of the PRC. If you happen to see some of these new staffers, be sure to welcome them to the Residence Life staff!

Choosing a Roommate

Deciding who you want to live with for the next school year can be a life-changing decision! We’ve all had our share of roommate horrors and annoyances. It’s important to remember not to choose a roommate just because you’re close friends with them, but also because you share similar habits. Before signing the dotted line, ask your potential roommate these questions... And make sure you agree with their answers!

- Do you want to live in a double, triple, quad or apartment?
- Do you want a hall or suite bathroom?
- Do you have a boyfriend/girlfriend?
- When do you like your classes?
- Do you have a lot of stuff you want to fit into your room?
- Do you want to live near old or new campus?
- What are your pet peeves?
- Do you want to bunk beds or not?
- What are your ideal study & sleep situations?
- Do you have any special needs I should know about?
- Do you care if people drink in the room?
- Do you study in the room?
- Do you have a TV/carpet/slide/food/bed/bedroom? Do your friends sleep the night?
- Are you messy or clean?
- Do you smoke?
- What type of music do you like/dislike?
- What are you involved in on campus?
- What kind of roommate relationship are you looking for?

Picking the right person to live with can be difficult! Be sure that compatibility is top priority.