



West Virginia Regional Newsletter

It not to late...
celebrate your staff!

How can you celebrate RA Appreciation?

As student affairs professionals we try our best to appreciate our student staff as much as possible every day. Did you know that there is an RA Appreciation Day? There is and it is February 18, 2009. The regional coordinators for West Virginia have a few suggestions:

- Make a poem with your RAs name incorporated into it.
- Make them a Card fill with all the things they do well.
- Send out an E-card
- Send out Facebook messages
- Have their Halls decorate their door.
- Create a certificate of appreciation.
- Create different awards based on fun RA related behavior.

The MACUHO website (which is: <http://www.macuhoweb.org/>) has links to other ideas and some templates for some of the items list above. Also check out the Yahoo group and the new Google group to get some ideas about what others are doing.

Want to connect with other
Student Affairs Professionals in WV?

Look out for a Day retreat in April!

Fun In The Work Place: Magic Words

Submitted by Maggie Evans, Director of Residence Life, James Madison University

At JMU we have a Magic Word for each Departmental meeting. The director chooses a word in advance of the meeting, and the person who happens to say the word during their report wins a prize. A typical prize is ticket for lunch at a campus dining facility, or a pizza gift certificate.

The Magic Words chosen typically encourage team members to consider use of student development theory, student learning ideas, or leadership and teamwork concepts.

It gets to be very funny when individuals work hard to incorporate lots of "jargon" into their reports!

This Article and many other may be found at reslife.net

Important Dates:

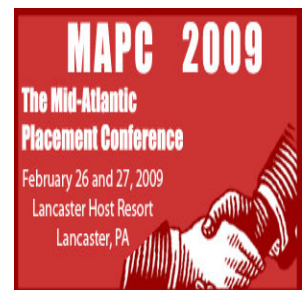
Feb 26th–27th: MAPC

March 7th–11th: NASPA

March 28th–1st: ACPA

June 3rd–5th: RELI

June 27th–29th:
ACUHO-I



The Regional Entry
Level Institute

June 3-5, 2009

Westfield State College, MA

