What do you have in common with Usain Bolt?

Usain Bolt is currently the fastest man on the planet. He holds the world record in the 100m and 200m sprints. For Usain Bolt to remain the fastest man or even for it to be possible for him to excel in any race he participates in, it is important for him to do two things: start strong and finish strong. If, for any reason, he is not even able to start strong in a particular race, what is more important is that he finishes strong. “What has that got to do with me?” you ask.

As club leaders, you not only have a responsibility to lead your clubs faithfully, you also remain a student, here to graduate with a degree and a wealth of knowledge (hopefully). You need to be able to balance the two out effectively if you are to achieve any success. Regardless of how your semester started, you have the privilege and opportunity to reach this end of the semester, and finish strong. Club activities for Fall 2015 have ended for (if not all) clubs and for any that still have any form of an activity remaining, you ought to finish strong. This serves not only to encourage your fellow leaders and members, but it is a responsibility that those who have been given a trust ought to prove faithfully. In your academics as well, no matter how the semester and your grades have played out—whether good or bad—you have the opportunity to give your final papers and assignments and exams your best shot. Remember there are resources such as the Writing Center, the Learning Assistance Center, TRIO Services, the Math Lab that are available to help you.

The Office of Student Involvement is also ever ready to help you in whatever ways we can. What you do in the next couple of days can impact you really positively or negatively. Christmas break is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate Christmas or to rest or to simply enjoy company with family and loved ones. It is also a time that can be well spent reflecting on what things were done well this semester and what things need to be improved upon both concerning clubs and your academic and personal lives. But, before then there is a task for you to complete; and that is this semester. Finish strong.

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Winter Club Day

Yes, Winter is coming! And winter brings with it Christmas and snow and lots of other beautiful things! Winter also brings with it Winter Club Day (formerly known as Spring Involvement Fair). Winter Club Day is a great time to meet most of our clubs. With over 160 campus clubs to choose from, student organizations have truly made it possible for everyone to find at least something they are interested in! There will be information on how to join and get involved in clubs, you will meet new clubs, you will also be able to meet new students interested in joining your clubs!

This year, the Winter Club Day will take place on January 20th, 2016 inside the Gallagher Student Center. The event will last from 11am-2pm. Click here for more information: http://www.xavier.edu/student-involvement/clubs/Spring-Involvement-Fair.cfm

Mid-Year Reports

Mid-Year Reports Due this Friday!

Most student organization Mid-Year Reports have come in, and the rest are coming in faithfully as well. Thank you very much for filling out these reports. We definitely hear you and are already working on how we can help begin to use some of your suggestions, answer your questions and be a better resource to you!

For those that have not completed and turned those reports in, remember that, they are due this Friday by 5pm!

Spring 2016

Budget Workshops for Club Leaders

Spring 2016 is right around the corner and so is the deadline to submit club budgets for the 2016-17 academic year. In order to help you with your budget submission, due February 26, the Student Government Association will host multiple workshops in January to assist you in preparing an effective budget that will get your organization the most dollars. Here are the dates for the workshops in the spring:

January 19, January 21, January 21, January 22, January 26, January 28

Times will be announced early January!