The NUSGA Cabinet is thrilled for another amazing Spring Semester at Niagara University! The Cabinet has already been very busy planning events such as the Free Movie Night’s at Four Seasons Cinemas and the Valentine’s Day Celebration at the Men’s Basketball game.

Want to make changes around campus for fellow classmates? Assist in event planning? Or voice your opinion to administration about things happening at NU? Make a positive impact on your peers and your campus by running for Student Body President or joining NUSGA! Elections for the 2014-2015 Student Body President are right around the corner in March. Interest Meetings will be held on Monday, February 17th from 5-7 PM in the MPR and Tuesday, February 18th from 11:30 AM-1 PM in the MPR.

The planning stages for the annual Spring Semester Concert are quickly approaching. We are looking into different options of which artists are available for the date of the concert. Look for more information to follow!

The NU Parking Shuttle is Now Back! : Better than Ever!

The NU Parking Shuttle is back and better than ever! Due to the sub-zero temperature the Niagara University Student Government Association has teamed up with the University to bring this great service back to campus. In one week of ridership, the shuttle has assisted over 500 NU students. The shuttle service will be running through the end of February, and operates in between the hours of 8am until 7:30pm. Stops include the Dwyer lot, student apartments, power authority B2 lot and St. Vincent’s Court in front Gallagher.

Tim Hortons in Gallagher will be open at 7:30 AM beginning Monday, February 10th – Friday, February 28th!
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Class of 2016

The Sophomore Delegation has done a lot of planning for this semester over winter break and throughout the first weeks of classes. We are preparing for a fun semester with our Sophomore class! We collaborated with CAB, Commuters Advocacy Board, to put on the always exciting, Lasertron: Interactive Entertainment Center, trip which took place on Saturday, February 8th for only $10! We are looking into bringing the sophomores together with an event during Ridge Fest, which is the first week of April. That will lead us up to our trip to Washington, D.C., which will closely follow Ridge Fest, so keep a lookout for ticket sales! You may not realize it but behind the scenes we do a lot of work, whether it be planning events, reviewing club budgets, meeting with various committees to better student life, or working to improve things on campus to create a better college experience! We are currently looking into how we can update our Blue Light campus security system, and also how we can get printers into both O’Shea and Seton resident halls for convenient printing! We will also be working more closely with the Office of Student Affairs to help create the best environment we can for our class! Although this is just a glimpse at what we are doing this semester, feel free to give us any suggestions on what events or changes you would like to see this semester or in the future. Just send us an e-mail at Classof2016@Niagara.edu!

Class of 2017

The Class of 2017 is in the midst of planning a bonfire to take place during Ridgefest where all things Buffalo will come to Niagara! Although we are still in the planning stages, we are hoping to have appearances from either the mascots or players from the Buffalo Bills, Bison, and Sabres. In addition, we hope to set up both a chicken wing eating contest and a Kan Jam tournament. All of the events to take place that evening will be centered around the bonfire.

Throughout the month of March we will be hosting a bracket challenge for March Madness (winners will receive gift cards). Look out for details and sign up dates about the challenge throughout the month of April!

Aside from event planning, we have also been in touch with NU’s map team to further enhance our campus layout with additional pathways and plans for altering the landscape design of a variety of buildings.
February Student Spotlight: Zach Angarano

Major: Political Science
Graduation Date: May 2016
Hometown: Rochester, NY

Each month, one student is randomly selected to be in the Student Spotlight for the Purple Pulse. For the month of February, we got a chance to catch up with Zach Angarano, who is actively involved in campus activities and clubs including Bienvenidos, Model UN, and the Campus Activities Office.

Got chapped lips? Don’t worry Zach has you covered… he always carries his raspberry lemonade chapstick with him around campus in addition to his wallet and business cards. If Zach isn’t hanging out with friends, running a club meeting, or working in CAO, you could probably find him at his favorite spot on campus to study, which is the quite lounge in O’Shea.

Zach is very passionate for many causes, but one that stands out to him is equal education opportunities for all walks of life. This cause is part of what brought him to Niagara. “The opportunities at NU are endless and that’s what attracted me to the school. Its size allows for really personal relationships to develop. We aren’t just numbers, we’re students that get the opportunity to get to know their professors and get help, advice and support throughout our years here and beyond. Realistically, this is where life took me at the time.” Zach said with a smile.

When asked about any final thoughts or additional comments, Zach left us with a piece of advice: “Make the most out of every opportunity. Some will be awful, while others are phenomenal, but each one is worth it.”