

Cavalier Community Clean Up

On November 8, the University of Virginia's Community Relations Office will partner with the University's Inter-Greek Committee (IGC) to host its annual Cavalier Community Clean Up from 10 a.m. to noon on Rugby Road and Cherry Avenue to benefit the city of Charlottesville. The event will kick off by the Hume Fountain, in Monroe Plaza.

This year's event has been officially added to the Greek Weekend calendar. Student and resident volunteers will be provided with the necessary materials donated by the City of Charlottesville. Volunteers will reconvene at the end of the event in the Madison House parking lot to enjoy lunches generously donated by U.Va. Dining Services. They will also receive a coupon for a free desert at selected corner merchants.

U.Va.'s Community Relations Office is hoping for about 50 volunteers. Community Relations Intern, Eliza Bailey, will organize the event. Ms. Bailey believes "the cleanup will be a great way to show Charlottesville residents that students care about the state of their neighborhood. By partnering with the IGC this fall Community Relations can emphasize the importance of students being good community stewards."

Because U.Va.'s Greek organizations are mainly situated in a populated area where many Charlottesville residents also live, the student-community outreach can have a significant effect.

Hal Turner, member of the Inter Greek Committee and coordinator of the Weekend, says the cleanup is a perfect fit for Greek Weekend at U.Va. "The kick-ball tournament for the Big Sibling Program, one of the many events to be held in Mad Bowl, will benefit the Kids of Charlottesville. Career counseling, the grill-out, and flag football serve U.Va. students. The community clean up in the Venable neighborhood will complete the outreach by serving area residents and the city as a whole."

Students wishing to volunteer are not required to be involved in a Greek organization. Community Relations and the Inter Greek Council encourage students of affiliation, Greek or non-Greek, to donate their time to this effort.