The Student Association remains busy even as the semester begins to wind down.

Our speaker series continued on March 28 with Shark Tank Star Daymond John. Three years ago the Student Association began a scholarship program to reward outstanding community service and leadership, and help those students most in need. The scholarship is funded at $20,000 and is distributed to dozens of deserving students. This year we will again be awarding out students with the scholarship. Alongside the scholarship we will continue our longstanding Purple and Gold Award tradition. Student groups and individual students will have the opportunity to receive awards for outstanding achievement in an array of areas.

In light of the recent events at the University we have reinforced our efforts surrounding equity, diversity, and inclusion. Our Director of Intercultural Affairs has been working with administrators and student leaders to promote dialogue and discussion. Our Cultural Carnival will be on April 17th at which leaders from various groups and organizations will come together in the spirit of peace and inclusivity.

Over the last few weeks our Director of Civic Action has continued our efforts to register students to vote. As this upcoming election is crucial for local, state, and national affairs, the Student Association is committed to ensuring students have a voice.

On April 24th the Student Association will host out annual Parkfest concert.

The Student Association Senate is continuing to lead with a vision of inclusion, respect, and commitment to the undergraduate students our elected senators represent each and every day. We are in the process of drafting resolutions to recognize that the University do more to promote campus sustainability, with the intention of creating a clear and more efficient campus environment. We have recognized the importance of heritage, by passing a Latino Heritage Month Resolution, an Indigenous People's Day Resolution, and now an Easter Rising Resolution that recognizes the impact, history, and importance of the Irish-American community on our campus and country. Now back from spring break, the Senate will be conducting our annual budget season, where we oversee the external and internal budget of the operations and student groups that make up our Student Association.

Lastly, Senate Chairman Ray Webb would like to thank the University Council Members for their steadfast leadership this past school year on behalf of the undergraduate population. A lot of positive changes are happening in our Great Dane Community, and the SA Senate appreciates the commitment by the Council & President Jones to making UAlbany a better place to learn, live, and have fun!