PHOTOS

Students saddle up for Western fun

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Photo Editor

On Sept. 8, students gathered at the Residence Life Quad for "Southern Hospitality" with Programs Council, an evening event that combined Western-themed entertainment, food and interactive activities in a lively outdoor setting. Attendees decorated their own cowboy hats, dressed up in Western-inspired accessories and outfits and posed for custom photos throughout the night. Students also tested their balance on a mechanical bull, participated in line dancing and tried their hand at lassoing targets. Music and laughter filled the quad as groups gathered to learn dance steps and cheer one another on. A Fork in the Road catering food truck served food as students mingled with friends and met new people. The combination of games, dancing and hands-on activities created an atmosphere that encouraged conversation and connection among attendees.

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Psychology majors Cate Romaniella and Bianca Belade, seniors, standing for a photo with their custom hats.



Students standing in the Residence Life Quad to enjoy the activities.



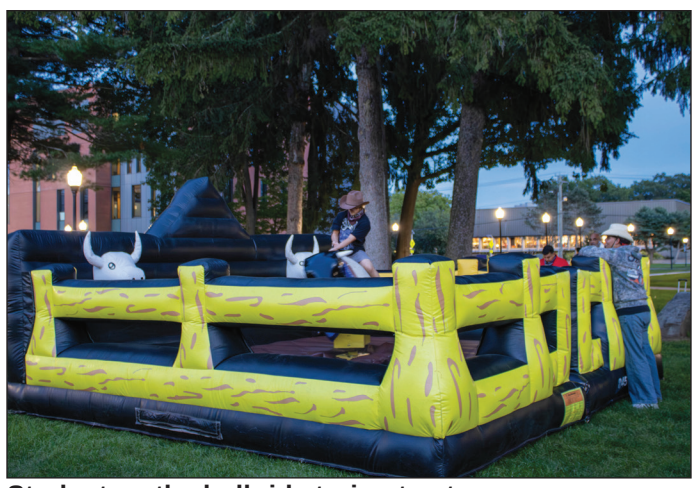
Sociology major Donnaiya Lindsay, a junior, psychology major Kya Hunter, a senior, business administration major Tianna Lee Williams, a junior, and guest Kyla Foster, posed for a photo.



Students waiting in line for the photo booth.



Social work major Dialis Salgado and undecided major Maurice Sanchez, freshmen, posing for a photo.



Student on the bull ride trying to stay on.



A Fork in the Road food truck handing out food.



Lasso game where students won prizes.

Decorating shirts with a 'Splash of Color'



Students gathered to color shirts outside.



Programs Council graduate intern Craig Huydic helping student put their shirt in a bag.

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On Sept. 8, students gathered on the Academic Quad for "Splash of Color," an event that allowed attendees to customize university merchandise through tie-dye while enjoying free shaved ice. Students selected shirts and other apparel before creating colorful designs using a variety of dye patterns and techniques. The event transformed the quad into a vibrant workspace as participants folded, twisted and dyed their merchandise, expressing their creativity through unique color combinations. In addition to tie-dyeing, attendees cooled off with free shaved ice while socializing and taking a break from their daily routines. The relaxed atmosphere encouraged students to meet new people, reconnect with friends and enjoy time outdoors.

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Materials to dye shirts including dye bottles, plastic bags and shirts.



Accounting major Tori McQueen and music major, freshmen, holding up their shirts after they dyed



Student dying a shirt.



Students at the event socializing with each other.



Kona Ice truck handing out shaved ice to students.



Students pouring dye onto their shirts in different patterns.