This campus does not govern itself. Student representatives are significant part of Rider’s community. With elections approaching, there is no better time for students to let their voices be heard.

Elections for positions in the Student Government Association (SGA), Residence Hall Association (RHA), Association of Commuting Students (ACS) and the Finance Board, will be held on April 8, from 11:30 a.m. until 6:30 p.m. The elections will be held in either Daly’s or the Bronc Diner for residents and in the Bart Luendeke Center for commuters.

The event is being run by the SGA, which oversees every other branch, including the RHA, ACS and Finance Board. The results of the event will be announced in the Commuter Lounge at 10 p.m. on the night of April 8 after all of the votes are counted, according to sophomore Glenn Kasper, the elections and recruitment co-chair.

“Due to the fact that I am running, sophomore Jess Muro will primarily be in charge of the elections and all decisions regarding them,” he said. The SGA has done a lot of preparation for the event, said Kasper. It held two information sessions, sent information on Newswire and hung flyers all around campus.

This year, it even ordered machines for the election, which should be arriving either the day before or the day of the election, said Kasper.

“The event is very important,” he said. “There will be a lot of changes due to the new people running.”

The positions in the SGA Executive Board are available are president, vice president, treasurer and secretary. In the Finance Board, there are two resident seats, one Greek seat, one commuter seat and two “at-large” seats. Also, the president, vice president and treasurer positions are all available for the sophomore, junior, and senior classes, he explained.

“The people who get voted in basically control this campus as far as student life is concerned,” said Kasper. “Student government as a whole can work better for the students if more students get involved.”

Kasper also said that it is important because there are a lot of people running for the positions who are running for the “wrong reasons.”

“There are people who run for the right reasons and there are people who run for the wrong reasons,” he said. “Occasionally not a lot of people come out and vote and the people who run for the wrong reasons get voted in.”

There are even people just trying to fill resumes, according to Kasper, and people need to see that and vote.

“The right type of candidates is somebody who would be willing to serve the students of the university. Somebody who is in the organization to help the school,” he said. There are also a lot of things that people want to see changed, but the SGA cannot do it unless those people who are creative and who are adamant about these issues get voted in, Kasper said.

“The candidates that are not running for the right reasons will not be the best people for the jobs,” he said. “It’s up to all students to choose who will make the best fit, according to Kasper, and be the most productive for each particular office.”

When the right people are elected, they can bring about positive changes to the campus, and bring up more important issues, Kasper said. However, the turnout “needs to be a lot higher,” as only about a quarter of the entire campus voted last year. He said that the SGA wants to get the number up to 40 or 50 percent this year.

“You can’t complain that you didn’t like the person who won if you didn’t vote,” he said. Kasper suggested that students “try to go to know the candidates” at an information session before voting so that they can make the right decision as to who they want to win, or who they want out of office.

“The SGA will be holding an information session, he said, to introduce the candidates to students before the elections. The candidates will have display boards and will be participating in a “meet and greet” session.

While the SGA urges that it is a very important event, some students do not seem to know about the elections, while others are disregarding the event as unimportant.

“Freshman Jesse Torres feels that voting is not an extremely important event because no changes will be made. “I believe that the elections aren’t that helpful in having anything accomplished,” he said. “No matter who gets the position, in the long run, it will be the same.”

However, not all students feel like that. Some feel that by voting they have a chance to reinforce the leadership they feel we already have.

“I’m going to vote because having the right person matters to me,” said freshman Jacqueline DiDomino. “It really makes a difference. I want to have a say in the politics governing this campus.”

It is important to remember that the elections are for the benefit of the students, said Kasper.

“By voting, a student is actually helping to decide how the campus community will develop,” Kasper said. “If you vote, then the results could be that much better. Student government is the voice of the people.”

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**Campus Corner**

Compiled by Nicole Santore

**Friday, March 5**
- SEC Film: The Matrix Revolutions, 7:30 p.m., BLC Theater
- PCM Mocktails & Open Mic, 7 p.m., BLC Pub
- Westminster Music Theatre: Two Gentlemen of Verona, 8 p.m., Playhouse

**Saturday, March 6**
- CCM Mass, 4 p.m., Gill Chapel
- SEC Films: The Matrix Revolutions, 7:30 p.m., BLC Theater
- Westminster Music Theatre: Two Gentlemen of Verona, 7 p.m. and 9 p.m., Playhouse
- Milk Mixer: Wellness Mocktail Program, 8 p.m., Hill B-Lounge

**Sunday, March 7**
- CCM Mass, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m., Gill Chapel
- SEC Films: The Matrix Revolutions, 7:30 p.m., BLC Theater
- Westminster Music Theatre: Two Gentlemen of Verona, 7 p.m. and 8 p.m., Playhouse

**Monday, March 8**
- PCM Worship - Christian Band and Supper, Gill Chapel, 5 p.m.
- EOP Freshmen Women’s Group, 5 p.m., Annex Conference Room
- New Trends in Interviewing for Advertising/Marketing, 9 p.m., BLC Pub

**Tuesday, March 9**
- Brownwater, 9 p.m., BLC Pub
- Westminster Music Theatre: Two Gentlemen of Verona, 7 p.m., Playhouse
- Millie Mixer: Wellness Mocktail Program, 8 p.m., Hill B-Lounge

**Wednesday, March 10**
- Midnight Run to NYC, 7 p.m., meet at Gill Chapel, PCM Faith Matters: Bible Study, 7:30 p.m., Gill Chapel

**Thursday, March 11**
- CCM Lenten Mass, 12:35 p.m., Gill Chapel
- Westminster Music Theatre: Two Gentlemen of Verona, 7 p.m. and 8 p.m., Playhouse

**United Artists Movies At Market Fair**

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50 First Dates (PG-13, 96 min.)
12:05 p.m. | 2:30 p.m. | 5:00 p.m. | 7:45 p.m. | 10:35 p.m.

Confessions of a Teenage Drama Queen (PG, 89 min.)
12:55 p.m. | 3:00 p.m. | 5:25 p.m. | 8:00 p.m. | 10:40 p.m.

Dirty Dancing: Havana Nights (PG-13, 86 min.)
12:40 p.m. | 2:55 p.m. | 5:10 p.m. | 7:25 p.m. | 9:45 p.m.

Eurotrip (R, 92 min.)
12:20 p.m. | 2:50 p.m. | 5:20 p.m. | 7:50 p.m. | 10:15 p.m.

Miracle (PG, 135 min.)
12:30 p.m. | 3:40 p.m. | 7:10 p.m. | 10:20 p.m.

Mythic River (R, 137 min.)
12:15 p.m. | 3:45 p.m. | 7:15 p.m. | 10:25 p.m.

The Passion of the Christ (R, 126 min.)
12:00 p.m. | 1:00 p.m. | 3:30 p.m. | 4:40 p.m. | 7:00 p.m. | 7:30 p.m. | 10:10 p.m. | 10:40 p.m.

Twisted (2004) (R, 96 min.)
12:50 p.m. | 3:10 p.m. | 5:35 p.m. | 8:10 p.m. | 10:45 p.m.

Welcome to Mooseport (PG-13, 110 min.)
1:30 p.m. | 4:10 p.m. | 7:20 p.m. | 10:00 p.m.