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SGB is excited to announce the first Pitt Food Drive Challenge, taking place from November 27th to December 7th. This event is a collaboration between Student Government Board, the Resident Student Association, the Student Athletic Advisory Committee, the Blue & Gold Society, and the Office of PittServes. Each campus Residence Hall will be competing to see who can donate the most non-perishable food items by weight. The winning hall will receive an ice-cream social and bonus basketball lottery points. Donations will also be collected at the Cathedral Ball as well as at both the Women's and Men's basketball games taking place on December 9th, with the latter featuring an announcement of how much food was collected and recognition of the winning hall. The drive will benefit three Oakland pantries: the Pitt Pantry, CHS in South Oakland, and the ICP in North Oakland.

The election's timeline for the 2018-2019 Student Government Board has officially been set. Candidate packets will be available beginning Monday, January 8th and are due on January 24th by 5pm. Campaigning begins on Wednesday, January 31st, and Election Day will take place on February 20th, with voting going from 8am-8pm. In addition, there will be an information session taking place on November 28th at 7pm in WPU 837 for anyone interested learning more about running. More information about the election can be viewed at <http://sgb.pitt.edu/joinus/2018-board-elections/>

The Community and Governmental Relations committee is hosting a Panthers and Politics event, which will be taking place Friday, December 1st at 4pm WPU room 837. This event will feature a speaker to talk about civic engagement, as well as talking to students about what they can do to give back to the community.

SGB would like to wish students a happy Thanksgiving break and safe travels wherever you may be going. There will be no public meeting on Tuesday, November 21st due to the break.

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