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## **Miller Center to Hold Special Student Event on Sept. 7, Revealing U.Va. Secrets, Traditions and More**

- When did the number of students enrolled at University of Virginia drop to less than 50?
- What does it mean when the U.Va. Chapel bell chimes seven times?
- Which U.S. president spoke at a U.Va. commencement?

These questions and more will be answered at a special student event held at U.Va.'s Miller Center on Fri., Sept. 7 featuring faculty and staff talking about the university's history, traditions and secrets. Fourth-year students will also offer advice on how students can make the most of their time at U.Va. The event, which begins at 4:30 pm, is being hosted by the Miller Center, Jefferson Society and University Guide Service.

Students will also be able to tour the Miller Center's historic facilities and learn about its programs, including those related to the 2012 presidential election. Miller Center scholar Guian McKee will play clips from the secret White House tapes of past presidents discussing their campaigns. Miller Center Forum Chair Douglas Blackmon, who also writes for "The Washington Post," will share stories about covering the campaign.

The Miller Center is located at 2201 Old Ivy Road. Students interested in attending can RSVP at [millercenter.org/events/2012/secrets-traditions](http://millercenter.org/events/2012/secrets-traditions). Free parking is available at the Miller Center or take the Northline bus to the Miller Center stop.

A complete schedule is below:

**Secrets and Traditions  
Sept. 7th, 2012  
4:30 PM- 7:00 PM**

**4:30-5:00 PM Tours of the Miller Center**

U-Guides will lead tours so students can learn about Miller Center programs and see our facilities.

**5:00-5:45 PM Professors Speak on Charlottesville**

Hear about UVA's history, traditions, and secrets:

*Wayne Cozart*, Vice President of Alumni Engagement, University historian  
*Frank Dukes*, Lecturer and Co-Instructor of "UVA History: Race and Repair"  
*Corinne Field*, Adjunct Professor in the History Department

**5:45-6:00 PM PM Buffet dinner (free)**

Sample food from some favorite Charlottesville restaurants.

**6:00-6:30 PM Election 2012 Presidential Recordings**

Miller Center scholar Guian McKee will play secret recordings of past presidents as they plot their presidential runs.

Forum Chair Douglas Blackmon will share his own stories from covering presidents on the 2012 campaign trail.

**6:30 PM Fourth Year Student Panel on Life at UVA**

Listen to successful fourth years reveal their best advice on how to make the most of your time at UVA.

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