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AZA News Flash

For Arizona Assurance Scholars

Important dates:

• 3/20—Deadline to apply for Mock MCAT

• 3/20—Application for Summer 4A is available. For more info visit: http://library.arizona.edu/summer-4a

• 3/20—priority registration for the fall 2013 academic being

• 6/13—AZA Club’s Talent Show

• 6/19—Deadline for the library promotion: video contest

Featured Campus Event:

Workshop Wednesday!

Need help learning how to manage your stress, avoid procrastination, prepare for final exams, or become more a better public speaker? The Think Tank offers a series of Spring workshops to give students the necessary tools to succeed in college. Every Wednesday from 5:00 – 6:00, at the Bear Down Gym there will be a different workshop to target useful academic skills to help you make your time at the UA even more enjoyable. To view the different workshops offered go to:

http://assurance.arizona.edu/ 

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