

Parking & Transportation Alert: April 2015
Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey Circus and Other Events

There are several events that will impact traffic during April 2015.

1) The parking aisle in Lot A closest to the South entrance to the Patriot Center will be closed on Thursday and Friday, April 2-3 for the UFC Fight Night, which will broadcast live on Saturday, April 4 at 11am.

2) The Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey Circus is coming back to Mason. Expect traffic to be affected April 5 – 20.

Scheduled show times:

Wednesday, April 8, 7pm

Thursday, April 9, 7pm

Friday, April 10, 10:30am & 7:30pm

Saturday, April 11, 11:30am, 3:30pm & 7:30pm

Sunday, April 12, 1:00pm & 5:00pm

Thursday, April 16, 7:00pm

Friday, April 17, 1:00pm & 7:30pm

Saturday, April 18, 11:30am, 3:30pm & 7:30pm

Sunday, April 19, 1:00pm & 5:00pm

Doors open one hour prior to each start time.

Parking - Circus tents and fencing will occupy portions of Lot A and Lot L from Saturday, April 4 at 11pm through Monday, April 20. The areas to be closed have been marked with signs. Any vehicles left in these areas will be ticketed and towed at the owners risk and expense. The Circus will completely vacate Lot A and Lot L by Tuesday, April 21. The Patriot Center has worked strategically with the Circus to minimize the impact on campus. Lot K will no longer be used by the Circus, with the exception of Monday, April 6, 2014 for staging. Recent empty parking space counts indicate that fewer parking spaces will be removed from inventory than have been available on average in General permit lots.

Drivers arriving to campus after 10:00 am, especially on Tuesdays and Thursdays, are advised to head directly to the back of Lot K, Mason Global Center, PV Lot, and the Field House parking lots (M, O and P), as other General permit areas on the east (main) campus are expected to fill by then. The West Campus shuttle provides service between the Field House and the Rappahannock River Lane bus stop (across from Merten Hall) every 15 minutes.

Lot H is also available to General area permit holders between 5:00 pm and 7:00 am, Monday through Friday and all day on weekends.

Parking Services will open up the reserved roof level of the Rappahannock River Parking Deck to allow a limited number of General parking permit holders to park on a first come, first served basis on Tuesday and Thursday mornings during the Circus. Levels 4-5 of the Shenandoah Deck will also be open after 5:00pm on weeknights when there is a Circus show.

Transportation – Parking & Transportation suggests that all students and employees take advantage

of the many alternative transportation options available such as the CUE bus, the Mason shuttles, bicycling and carpooling. Students and employees can share or find rides to campus at: zimride.gmu.edu or utilize the carpool zones located in Lot A and the Rappahannock River Deck <http://transportation.gmu.edu/lotacarpool.html>

3) Mason Day: Lot L will be closed starting at 11pm on Wednesday, April 22, for set up of Mason Day which will take place Friday, April 24 2pm-9pm.

For questions email parking@gmu.edu. Follow @MasonParking on Twitter for updates.