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Bloomington, Ill.—On Thursday, April 19 from 2:30-4 p.m., student volunteers with Illinois Wesleyan Alpha Phi Omega (APO) service fraternity will promote a stress-relieving program for spring semester finals. In partnership with the Humane Society of Central Illinois (HSCI), IWU dog wranglers, APO students have been paired with dogs to share a fun afternoon on the Eckley Quadrangle.

With HSCI providing the dogs and APO the supervision, the afternoon will allow for a respite from the pressures of final exams. Students can love on a particular pooch, or several and enjoy the four-legged ambassadors.

“Offering many benefits for people, animal interactions can improve both mental and physical health in humans,” said Brenda Wernick. “Living apart from the pets they know and love can be difficult for students, and even more so during a stressful period like final examinations.”

The event is being coordinated by Veronica Watson, APO vice president of Campus Service and dog wranglers: Michelle Moon, Emily Simpson, Lindsay Bow, Alyssa Baker, Kelsey Koterla, Sarah Bergman and Melissa Graffi.

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