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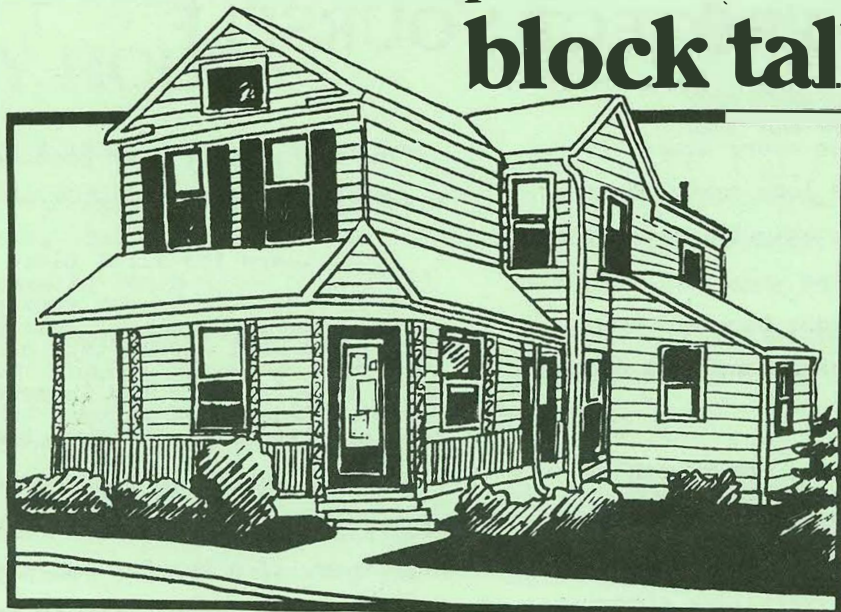
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The Off Campus Center block talk



DECEMBER, 1980

*The Off Campus Center
sends its holiday greetings
for a Merry Christmas
and Happy New Year,
wishing you a safe trip
home and back.*

PROTECT YOURSELF

WHEN YOU LEAVE...don't close every drape and blind; that makes your house look empty. Have a neighbor that you trust pick up mail, newspapers, etc. Don't leave a note saying when you will be back. Don't hide a key outside; burglars know where to look even if you think your spot is perfect.

When you're going to be gone for a week or more discontinue mail delivery, newspapers, etc. (call the company. Don't just leave a note.) Have a trusted neighbor check for advertising circulars.

LEAVE A LIGHT ON in an upstairs room, such as the hall or bathroom.

Even if a burglar gets in you can keep him from cleaning you out. Put all valuables in a locked closet (use a good, sturdy lock on one closet for items like stereos, cameras, televisions, and the like). Engrave all your articles. The Off Campus Center makes engravers available to you for this purpose.

Take advantage of Campus Security's Vacant House Check program. You can fill out a form at their office so that they'll know to keep an eye on your house over the vacation period.

MAKE A CHECK LIST of these hints and go over them before the last person in your house goes home this holiday.

You can protect your home against burglary simply and inexpensively.

DOORS...are the first place burglars are likely to try. Proper locks can prevent this avenue of entry. The most secure type of lock is the "dead-bolt" type (which comes in several styles). The double cylinder deadbolt is the best type and it requires a key for both inside and out. This is the type desirable for doors with glass panels in or near them. If a burglar can simply break a window and reach the latch with his hand, even the strongest lock is of little good. If you install a double cylinder-type deadbolt lock, keep the key in the inside lock when you are at home for easy escape in case of fire.

Chain locks offer little protection. Most are easily broken.

Windows...must be secured well. Double hung windows (the type on most of the houses in the off-campus area) can be pried open. If your window is frequently opened and shut in use, you can drill a hole (downward slanting) through both windows where they overlap and insert a nail or pin. This pin should be easily removed from the window in case of fire.

LIGHTS...Burglars will more-than-likely pass by your house at night if it is well lighted.



CLOTHING DRIVE

Clothing is being collected by Delta Chi Omega for families in Dayton and rural Appalachian communities. Used clothing is sought. If the organization doesn't contact you, you may leave boxed or bagged contributions at the Off Campus Center, through Friday, December 12th.



FINALS WEEK STUDY HOURS

The need for a quiet place to study is an important one especially during the week of final exams. For this reason, the Off Campus Center will be open during the evening hours (from 7 pm until midnight) as a study hall. Starting Tuesday, December 9th and through Monday, December 15th the Off Campus Center will provide a reasonably comfortable and quiet space for you at a time when the library is at its busiest and noisiest and when housemates are not the most sympathetic to your need for quiet. There will be plenty of hot coffee for those who choose to use it.

Starting Tuesday, December 9th through Thursday, the 11th and again Sunday the 14th through Monday the 15th, the Off Campus Center will provide a reasonably comfortable, quiet space for you at a time when the library is at its busiest and when housemates are not the most sympathetic to your need for quiet. We will provide coffee for those who choose to use it.

HOME SECURITY ASSESSMENTS AVAILABLE

While you're at home for the holidays how can you be sure that your home away from home in the off campus area is secure and not getting ripped-off?

Well, if you just call the Dayton Police Second District (449-1270) and ask them to send an officer to assess your house for the potential for such an occurrence they will be happy to help you.

Free security assessments are a part of their job and they know what to look for in a house..... Vulnerable spots, things you may have never considered, such as easily picked locks, weak windows and the like.

LIGHT BULBS

In an effort to increase security off campus, the Office for Student Development has recently installed nine more "Nightguard" street lamps in the alleys of the neighborhood surrounding campus. This brings the total number installed by that office to 23.

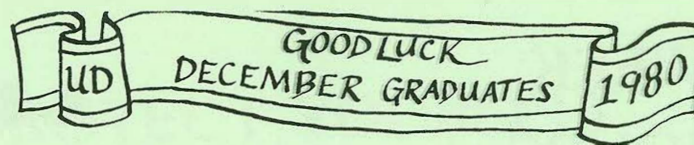
The Off Campus Center reminds you to do your part in upgrading security by keeping your porchlight turned on at night. For this reason we are making light bulbs for your porchlights available to students free of charge.

SNOW SHOVELS

Sidewalk snow removal is the responsibility of tenants within the city of Dayton. The legal ramifications of this are worth considering when the weather gets bad this winter.

To assist snow removal efforts, the Off Campus Center is making snow shovels available to residents of the area. These can be borrowed Monday through Friday from 11 to 5.





CALENDAR

Campus Events

December

- 8th Immaculate Conception. No day classes.
Christmas on Campus. 6 pm.
Concert: University Choir. Chapel 9 pm.
- 9th Basketball: Western Kentucky. Home
Women at 6pm, Men at 8:15.
- 11th Examinations begin.
- 13th Basketball: Ohio University
Women at 6 pm., Men at 8:15.
- 17th Final examinations end. Christmas Break
begins.
- 19th Graduation exercises. 10 am. UD Arena.
Basketball: UDIT Jacksonville-Niagara
6:30 & 8:30 pm.
- 20th Basketball: UDIT Mississippi. 6:30 &
8:30 pm.
- 27th Basketball: Toledo (Home). Women at 6 pm,
Men at 8:15.
- 30th Basketball: Cincinnati (away). Women at
5 pm., men at 9:30 pm.

Off Campus Events:

December

- 6th Concert: Dayton Philharmonic Pops Concert.
Convention Center.
- 7th Messiah Sing-Along. Victory Theater, 3 pm.
Admission charge.
- 10th Concert: Dayton Philharmonic, Memorial Hall.
- 11th Tree Lighting, Oakwood Historical Society.
Oakwood City Building lawn at 7 pm. Music &
caroling.
- 13th Movie: Laurel & Hardy in March of the Wooden
Soldiers. Wilmington-Stroop branch library.
3980 Wolmington Pike. 2 pm. Free.
- 17th Anniversary of Flight celebration. Aviation
Hall of Fame (in Convention Center).

- 20th Concert: Dayton Philharmonic Orchestra and
Brass Quintet Christmas Concert. Arcade Sq.
12:30 pm. Free

Christmas on the Farm: Carriage Hill Farm
Historic Pioneer Farm, 7860 Shull Road,
north of Dayton. 1 - 5 pm. Free.

EXHIBITS

On Display through December:

- K.U. Gallery: Life Size Nativity figures painted in
a Realist style. Mon-Fri, 11-2; Weekends, 2-4.
- Roesch Library: Photography by Tami Swearington &
Daniel Yeazell. Open during Library hours.
- Old Courthouse Museum (On Courthouse Square): The
Weaver's Art. Woven textiles, spinning, weaving
artifacts. Demonstrations: 1 - 3 pm Dec. 6, 13, 20
- Dayton Art Institute: Louise Nevelson retrospective.
Sculptures and graphic works by a leading
20th century independent. Tuesday-Friday 12-5 pm.
Saturday, 9-5; Sunday, 12-5 pm.

OTHER EVENTS

- Il Campiello (The Courtyard) Acting Company of New
York at the Victory Theater. 18th through 21st.
- Money Management Seminars: Family Services Assoc.
184 Salem Ave. Dec. 15-22. 5 pm.

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