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The Off Campus Center block talk



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Off Campus Animal Awareness

Each year dozens of dogs and cats appear in the off campus area. All too often, however, these animals are the result of students not giving serious consideration to such factors as to how, why and what to do with an animal they obtained or just happened to take in.

Although pets are strictly prohibited in University-owned housing, there is a need to educate students about animal awareness. There are basically two agencies to call concerning dogs: 1) the Montgomery County Animal Shelter (898-4457), and 2) The Society for Improving the Conditions of Stray Animals (SICSA 294-6505). Currently, there are no state laws concerning cats. As Cathy Dierker, Director of SICSA, points out, "Cats are viewed as domesticated wildlife, and are protected by only minimal laws against inhumane treatment." According to Ohio State law, cats are not required to be licensed, leashed, or con-

tained on the property. Furthermore, there are no public agencies to call to pick up stray cats. For this reason, and the fact that cats have a high survival rate, get along with humans, and reproduce quickly, cat problems are likely to increase. According to Cathy, "Cats can have a litter every seven weeks and one cat and her off-spring can produce 7,000 cats in 9 years, and that's a conservative estimate." To alleviate this problem, Cathy feels we have to change state law, but feels this could be difficult in a time when people are concerned with human needs and not as concerned about animal awareness.

In regard to dogs, Cathy recommends taking five basic steps: 1) Have the dog vaccinated, 2) get a dog license, 3) if a female, have the dog spayed, 4) enroll the dog in a training class, and 5) exercise routine care.

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You can have your pet vaccinated at any Veterinarian's office. Shots cost approximately \$12 to \$16 and most pets require 2-4 shots. All dog owners must have their pet licensed if it is 3 months of age or older. Licenses cost \$5.35. The main purpose of a dog license is for identification. In fact, you can obtain a license without any requirements such as getting shots for your dog, or having your pet present. An important fact to note is that an animal shelter must hold dogs for 14 days **if** licensed, but only 72 hours if **not** licensed. Applications can be found in the daily newspapers, or obtained through SICSA or the Montgomery County Animal Shelter.

The cost of having a dog spayed is \$60. Check with SICSA for nearby veterinarian locations. SICSA also conducts dog training classes. There is normally a \$10 fee, but the fee may be waived for persons with limited incomes (i.e. students).

Routine care is important. Don't let your dog run loose. Watch for fleas by checking your dog's stomach. A standard flea collar should be on all dogs by April 1st. Flea baths are available at SICSA. By 6 months of age all dogs should be given basic adult dog food. Snacks can be given as treats, but should not be the basic food.

It is unfair to give the dog too many owners. In a group living environment, one person should primarily be the master/trainer. The reason for this is because dogs, by instinct, do not allow for committee rule. The house should set up basic rules that the dog should consistently follow (i.e. not allowed on furniture, not allowed to jump up on people, receive its meal at the same time each day, etc.)

If you do experience a problem with a loose dog around your house call the Montgomery County Animal Shelter. You can make the dog catcher's job easier if you are able to confine the dog. In regards to cat problems, SICSA will take the cat if you bring it to them. Do not fool yourself into thinking that the problem will go away by itself. If let go, the problem will simply get worse. If nothing else, notify SICSA of the specific problem. It should be noted that SICSA is not a public agency, but simply a group of concerned individuals with no more legal rights or abilities than any other citizen. They are funded entirely through donations and staffed almost exclusively by volunteers.

Lastly, remember that the more time a dog or cat is with humans, the more it will be a pet; the more time a dog or cat is outside, the more it will be an animal.

Security Precautions for Women



If you must walk at night, walk where there is plenty of light and traffic. Avoid empty, dark areas and avoid walking alone whenever possible. Campus Police operate an escort service between 6 p.m. and 6 a.m. In case you find yourself in an "alone situation" call 229-2121 for an escort.

Familiarize yourself with Help Houses in the off campus area. If you feel threatened, these houses can provide shelter and assistance.

Lastly, report all strangers or suspicious people to both the Campus Police and the Dayton Police.



Hot Tip in Cold Weather

If you have windows and doors that are to remain shut all winter and appearance is not a factor, you may want to use the least expensive material of all — tape. Both transparent plastic and silver duct tapes hold up well. However, when the tape is removed, loose paint or adhesive marks may be left behind.

Feature on. . . Drs. Harold & David Ulrich

Each month the Off Campus Center will use this space to feature people who live in this area and /or make an impact through their concern and service to the off campus area.

This month's feature story focuses on Drs. Harold and David Ulrich, father and son dentists whose offices have been at 1800 Brown Street since 1957. Harold has been a dentist on Brown Street since 1931. His first office was above Gallagher's Drug Store (now Bockrath Carpet). His second office was a cottage where Milano's is now located; and his third office, until 1957, was at the corner of Irving and Brown Streets, which was then the Rubicon Pharmacy (it is currently the location of Hot Lips).

Both are native to the Dayton area. Harold and his wife Ruth now reside in North Dayton, and David and his wife Marilee currently live in Washington Township. However, from 1958 until 1970, David and his wife lived in the apartment above 1800 Brown. At this same time, they rented a two bedroom cottage (where the rear parking lot is now) to four U.D. students for a total, combined rent of \$150 a month. The cottage was torn down in 1972.

David remembers how there used to be two, white framed houses next door. However, these were torn down in 1960 and an apartment complex currently stands at the location. He further explains that Godfather's Pizza used to be King's Supermarket; Bockrath Carpet used to be Larry Hubble's Hardware Store; and lastly, University Pharmacy which recently closed, used to be Custom Electronics.

David states that over the years he has "enjoyed a fine relationship with U.D. students", especially the ones he has rented to. In fact, he mentions the fraternity parties he had been invited to and attended. And, speaks of the frequent water fights he had with his U.D. neighbors while living at 1800 Brown.

As an active member in the community, David is a member of the Montgomery County Board of Health, a member of the Dayton Rotary Club, and is on the Board of Directors of the Dayton Dental Society.

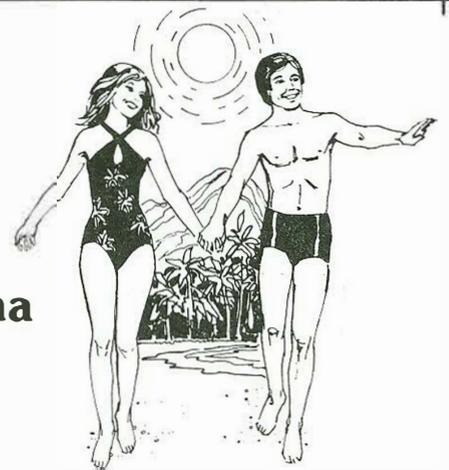
In summing up his thoughts on the immediate off campus environment, David feels the area is on an upswing. He feels this is because the University is now more residentially oriented, and has a better feeling for the needs and concerns of the area residents.

Changes in City Police Staff

January marked the beginning of a new year. This included numerous changes in the staff of the City's Police Department.

In the Second District (which includes the U.D. area), Lt. Jerry Morgan is now the Commander. Lt. Morgan previously was the field supervisor (night lieutenant) for all 4 City Districts. Major Newby is now Superintendent of Operations for the Department. Major Riley is now Lt. Col. Riley and is second in command. Lastly, Lt. Col. Tryee Broomfield is now the chief and Director of Police.

Dayton to Daytona



Student Association will be holding an organizational meeting for this Spring's Dayton to Daytona Trip on Wednesday, January 19, at 6:30 p.m. A \$50 deposit will be taken at this time.

This year's trip is scheduled from April 25th through May 4th. For further information contact the S.A. office at 229-4444.

Facts You Need to Know

-Trash Pick Up:

Garbage pick-up for this area is every **Wednesday**. To avoid having bags torn by animals, or being ripped open, it is best to wait until Tuesday night before setting out your trash.

-Bulk Pick-Up:

For a **free** bulk pick-up of large items such as sofa's etc. call 225-5324.

-Dog License:

All dog owners are required to have their dog licensed. The fee is \$5.00 and the deadline is January 20, 1983. For further information call the Animal Shelter at 898-4457.

Equipment Available at the Off-Campus Center

- Brooms, rakes, bags, etc.
- Light bulbs for porches
- **New** Bus Schedules
- Telephone Directories - On & Off Campus
- Security Engravers
- Snow Shovels

A Student I.D. is required for any equipment check-out.

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Open Monday - Friday
10 - 5:30

Things To Do In January

- Mon., 1/17 Martin Luther King Day: No Classes
Wed., 1/19 Basketball - Rider, 8 p.m.;
Pizza Party K-152 7:30 p.m. (SA);
Wrestling - Urbana, 7 p.m.
Thurs., 1/20 Arts Series - Panayas Lyras, Pianist,
Boll 8 p.m.
Fri. 1/21 Movie - "Breaking Away" (Central
Service) Boll
Sat. 1/22 Movie - "Heaven Can Wait" (Nat'l
Society of Pro Engrs) Boll
Sun. 1/23 Hockey - Univ. of Cincinnati, 4:30 p.m.
Kettering Ice Arena
Mon. 1/24 Hypnotist Show - KU Ballroom
7-10 p.m. (SA)
Wed. 1/26 &
Thurs. 1/27 Turnabout King Skits - 8-10 p.m. Boll
Fri. 1/28 Movie - "Live at the Hollywood Bowl"
(Monty Python) (Tau Alpha Phi &
MSDG) Boll
Sat., 1/29 Basketball - Drexel, 8 p.m.
Sun., 1/30 Hockey - Univ. of Cincinnati, 4:30 p.m.
Kettering Ice Arena;
Pancake Breakfast - 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
(Phi Beta Sigma)



Snow Shoveling

Although winter is slow in coming, now is a good time to remember that shoveling your sidewalk is the responsibility of the **tenants**. The Off Campus Center has snow shovels which can be checked out with a student I.D. When and if our first storm arrives, please take a few minutes to shovel **your** walk.