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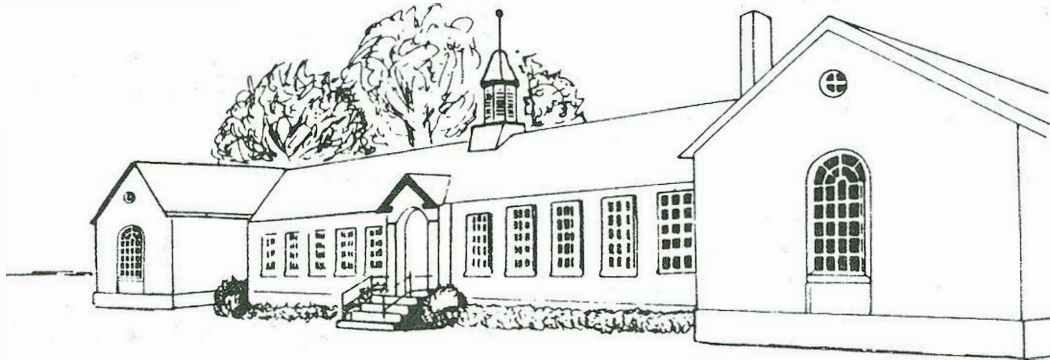
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McGinnis Center

April 12, 1988



THANKS A MILLION!

As the end of the school year approaches, it is time for us to reflect upon the past year by remembering our accomplishments and thanking all those who have worked hard to improve the quality of life in the area. The combined efforts of students, faculty, administrators, city officials, and civic leaders have aided in making this unique student community a positive living experience for all.

Several individuals deserve recognition for going above and beyond the call of duty in supporting our efforts. Elaine Johnson and Gloria Smith from the Southeast Priority Board are two of these individuals. Both were instrumental in supporting the fall and spring Clean Sweeps. Without their help the Clean Sweep program would be nearly impossible.

We are also grateful to Bruce Terry, Regina Roberts, and Andreas D'wyer of the City of Dayton Waste Collection Department for their assistance with the Clean Sweep Program, the Adopt-A-Dumpster Program, and in getting additional dumpsters in the area.

Many thanks also go to the City of Dayton Second District Police Department. Under the leadership of Lt. Jerry Morgan, the Second District Police Department has continued to support our efforts in the community. Their cooperation and concern for the community has lead to better relations between students, University officials, and the police.

Additionally, the year could not have been successful without the assistance of the Student Government Association, Campus Security, and many other groups and people whose hard work and dedication to the Univeristy community have not gone unnoticed.

Kudos to all who have helped enhance the area. We wish you all a happy, healthy, and safe summer.

Congratulations to all students who reside in the area for a successful year. While all students are encouraged to have a good time, everyone should remember to act as responsible adults and use appropriate behavior at all social functions. Festivities should not get out of hand. Blockage of streets or fires of any kind will not be tolerated. Starting fires or tampering with fire equipment will result in disciplinary action.

Clean Sweep Success

This year's Spring Clean Sweep was held on March 19. It was a success with over 660 students, representing 30 student groups, participating. The purpose of Clean Sweep is not only to clean the area, but also to raise litter awareness and to make students realize that by living and gathering in this neighborhood, they are responsible for its well-being.

There were some questions as to why the March 19th date was chosen. Clean Sweep was held on the St. Patrick's Day weekend for a variety of reasons. First of all, the dates for each Clean Sweep are chosen one year in advance. The Student Government Association and University administrators determine these dates by the events preceding and the important events following the Clean Sweep. Other city agencies such as the southeast Priority Board and City of Dayton Waste Collection had already been notified and were available to assist with Clean Sweep that day. Also, we felt that students would not be as eager to trash the area after they or their fellow students had just cleaned it. Additionally, those students who host St. Patrick's Day parties are responsible for the clean-up afterwards; whether the party is held inside or outside their house. The University does its part by providing free trash bags (available at the McGinnis Center) for outside clean-up. Students should do their part by picking up after themselves.

University of Dayton students are lucky to be able to live and play in this unique community. They enjoy many liberties that they would not have living elsewhere. Unfortunately, many UD students do not take much pride in its many privileges. Programs such as Clean Sweep are planned with the

intent that students will learn to take pride in their neighborhood and will not abuse it or allow others to abuse it.

The area is cleaner due to the efforts of those who participated in Clean Sweep, despite the St. Patrick's Day weekend. Many thanks to all those who were involved.

Best Wishes from Student Development to April Graduates

*Good luck in the future and
have a safe and happy summer!!!*

McGinnis Center Summer Hours

For your convenience, the McGinnis Center will be open weekdays this summer from 12:00 noon until 9:00 p.m. However, the building will be undergoing some renovations during this time. There may be days when the McGinnis Center will have to be closed due to remodeling. We will do our best to accommodate you. We hope you will bear with us while this work is being completed.

Quotable Quote

"The good life is one inspired by love and guided by knowledge."
- Bertrand Russell

BLOCK REPRESENTATIVES - MARGARET MAUREK and BARBARA BERTSCH

The McGinnis Center is fortunate to have a group of students, known as Block Representatives, who volunteer their time and support throughout the Fall and Winter terms. These Block Representatives live in the campus area and work with the University to aid in the development of a safe and pleasant area. They relate any community concerns and deliver Block Talk and any other literature that inform their fellow students and permanent neighbors. The goal of Block Representatives is to make the campus area a better place to live and to form a positive link between students and the University. Two of the Senior Block Representatives who assisted in the area this year were Margaret Maurek and Barbara Bertsch.

Margaret is a Communications Management major from Elkhart, Indiana, who chose the university of Dayton because she wanted to go to a small Catholic university that was close ot home. She likes UD because the structure and size of it allow students to interact with professors and administrators. "The size of UD enables students to really get to know people. Students are not just a Social Security Number like they are in some bigger universities," she said. Margaret enjoys living in a university house because she has been able to adapt to different people's lifestyles and yet still have a lot of space. Her fondest memories of UD are her freshman year in Marycrest, Christmas on Campus, and watching television with her housemates. After leaving UD, Margaret will miss her friends, the atmosphere, and the carefree lifestyle. After graduation, she plans to take a vacation and then spend time looking for a job. "I want to take my time finding a job that I'll be happy doing. I don't want a job just for the sake of having one and then find I hate it." Margaret aspires to some day own her own business, perhaps in the retail fashion industry.

The size of UD and the proximity to her home lead Barbara Bertsch, an elementary education major from Sydney, Ohio, to UD. She also had an older sister who graduated from here. Barb has enjoyed her four years here because of the friendly people. She feels academics are good with caring professors and choices for students. Her favorite times here have been spent in the "ghetto" area seeing and meeting people. She will never forget going out and spending time with friends. Although she is excited about graduation, Barb feels it will be both a happy and sad occasion. "I'll be happy because I have finished my four years and can move on, but I'll miss being in this atmosphere and spending time with my friends and housemates," she said. Barb would like to find a teaching job near either Cincinnati or Columbus. "I think they are nice-sized cities with plenty of activity going on." Someday Barb would like to have an administrative position in education such as a principal or school superintendent.

Other senior Block Representatives include Ann Allen, Renee Cooper, and Cathy Dodd. Congratulations to all of these seniors and to all the others who have contributed to the UD community. We wish all of them much success and happiness in the future.

Packing Made Easy

You thought finals were tough. Now, you are faced with the challenge of PACKING! The two suitcases you arrived at UD with have grown into two tons of stuff. You suddenly find you have more boxes than your car, a U-Haul, and a Mack truck will hold. Also, you are not quite sure what to do with your TV, stereo, or computer. Never fear, The Box Shoppe will be available to cure your packing troubles. On April 19 through April 22 from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and April 23 from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., representatives from The Box Shoppe will be in the McGinnis Center to pack and ship any excess baggage you may have. Boxes that are shipped will arrive at your home or any destination you want within two to five days. The Box Shoppe can also assist with packing fragile items such as stereos and computers. Additionally, boxes and tape will be for sale in case you are running low.

Rid yourself of packing woes. Come to the McGinnis Center and let The Box Shoppe do the packing for you.

1988 Thunder Road Bike-A-Thon

Picture this. The sun is shining on your back, while the wind rushes through your hair. Your legs move methodically toning your body. At the same time you are raising money for area charities. This could be you at the 1988 Thunder Road Bike-A-Thon.

On Saturday, May 14, between 8:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m., UD students, employees, and friends will gather at the Kettering Municipal Building to participate in this bicycle outing. The Bike-A-Thon is not a race. It is a mapped five-mile course through residential streets. Bikers can ride as few as one five-mile loop or as many as ten for a maximum total of 50 miles. Participants get donations and pledges from others or pledge themselves. Following the Bike-A-Thon will be food, drinks, tee-shirts and door prizes. All proceeds go to the Hipple Cancer Research Center, The American Cancer Society, the National Kidney Foundation of the Miami Valley, the Montgomery County River Corridor Committee, Dayton Boys' Club, and the Miami Valley Regional Bicycle Council.

Registration for the Thunder Road Bike-A-Thon will be held in the Kennedy Union lobby at lunch time on Tuesday, May 3, and Wednesday, May 4, or anytime in Chaminade Hall, Room 104.

Remember to come on out and bike the day away at the Thunder Road Bike-A-Thon on May 14. All UD students and employees are encouraged to ride for fun and for helping others.

Additional Dumpsters

Don't fret over the extra garbage you have accumulated throughout the year. As you clean out your house, remember that beginning April 15, extra dumpsters will be located at **334 Lowes Street, 312 Stonemill**, and behind **301 College Park Avenue**. Any extra debris should be placed in these large dumpsters.

Upcoming Events

April 15	Last day of classes
April 16-22	Examinations
April 16	Spring Fling, McGinnis Center, 3:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.
April 24	Commencement, UD Arena, 10:00 a.m.
April 25	SGA "Dayton to Daytona" trip departs
April 29	Last day to complete registration for 1st summer session
May 2	1st session summer classes begin
May 4	SGA "Dayton to Daytona" trip returns
May 8	Mother's Day
May 12	Feast of the Ascension - No classes

Help House Program

The Help House Program sponsored by the McGinnis Center and the Student Government Association will not be in operation over the summer. All Help Houses should please remove their Help House stickers before they leave this summer. The Help House Program is scheduled to resume next fall. Should anyone need emergency aid or assistance this summer, they should call Campus Police at 229-2121 or Dayton Police at 222-9511.

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