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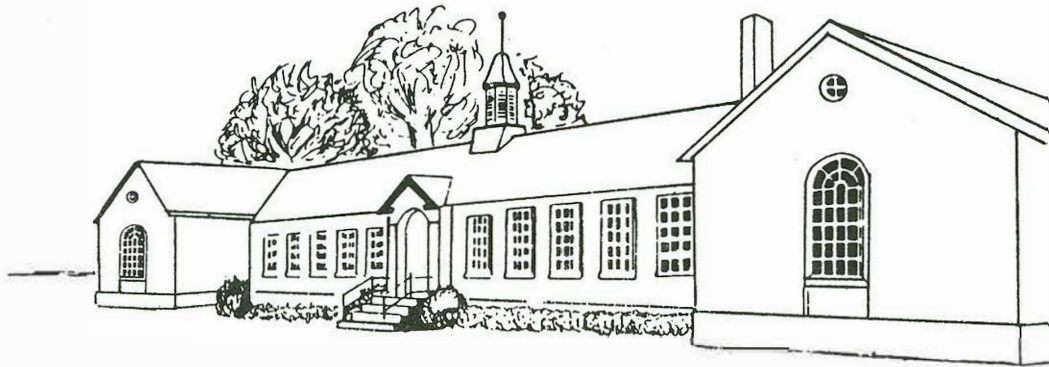
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McGinnis Center

September 21, 1989



Adopt-A-Dumpster

by Rachel Brown

Prove your creative talents and have some fun with your friends by adopting a dumpster on Saturday, September 23. The fourth annual Adopt-a-Dumpster will allow you to help transform those ugly, rusty trash containers into creative works of art.

Any fraternity, sorority, club, organization, or group can join in on the fun. The McGinnis Center and SGA will supply all the paint, rollers and pans for the event, which was begun in order to promote fire and trash awareness.

All groups will meet in the McGinnis Center at 10:00 a.m. Later that day the dumpsters will be judged on creativity, originality, and effort. The top three dumpsters will be awarded cash prizes. Call the McGinnis Center at 229-2047 for more information.

Let's all join together and show our pride in the Ghetto. Join us!



Flyer Football Sweepstakes

\$50 \$50 \$50
Three Student Winners Each Home Game

How to enter:

Go to the SGA Office and fill out a Sweepstakes Ticket—Free. Each full-time undergraduate student may enter only **once** per season.

How to win:

Attend each home football game and wait for your name to be called. Report to the press box with your I.D. card and numbered stub from the sweepstakes ticket and claim your prize. **You must have your I.D. and sweepstakes ticket.**

If prizes are not claimed, they will be added to the sweepstakes total for the next game, so the total could continue to grow each week.

Have Bike; Will Travel

Bike your boredom away. The crisp, sunny days of fall are perfect for biking, and the Bicycle Advisory Group has made biking easy for UD students.

The Bicycle Advisory Group is composed of a number of University faculty, staff, and students whose goal is to enhance the quality of life for the UD community through bicycling. The group's accomplishments to date can be seen throughout the UD campus. The state-of-the-art bicycle racks located near the Chapel, Roesch Library, Kettering Lab, Sherman Hall, and Children's Center were provided by the Bicycle Advisory Group. Bicycle lockers, which were donated by RTA, are available to the UD community on a rental basis. The Bicycle Advisory Group has also developed maps of the best routes to various locations in the Dayton area. These maps can be obtained in the reference section of the Roesch Library. Additional evidence of the Bicycle Advisory Group's work include bulletin boards located outside the Roesch Library, Founders Hall, and McGinnis Center. These bulletin boards contain information about bicycling and bicycling events.

Not owning a bike is no excuse for not enjoying the services of the Bicycle Advisory Group. The Kennedy Union Games Room has bikes available for rent. The cost is \$1.00 per hour or \$3.00 for 6 hours, or \$6.00 for all day. Make your next study break a biking break.

Help Houses

It is a dark, deserted night in the Ghetto. You are walking home alone after a late study session. All of a sudden you twist your ankle. The pain is unbearable. Your home is still five blocks away. Ahead you see a porch light on and a bright orange "Help House" sign in the window. Relief! You limp up to the door, knock and are greeted by a smiling face. Thanks to UD's Help House program, safety was only a few feet away.

The Help House program is a service coordinated by the McGinnis Center and SGA which helps students who are frightened, sick or in need of aid as they walk through the Ghetto.

Each Help House is asked to display a bright orange sticker in a prominent, well-lit place. This makes it easy for students to spot the location of the Help Houses.

In order for the Ghetto to continue to be a safe neighborhood for its residents, we need your help! Interested? Stop by the SGA Office in Kennedy Union or the McGinnis Center, 301 Lowes Street, and sign up! Or call 299-2047 for more information. It only takes a minute, but the rewards can last forever.

Rooming House Permits

Just a reminder to all students who are renting houses in the area: Every rental property should have a Rooming House Permit located somewhere near the entrance of the house. This permit ensures that the house is licensed by the City of Dayton to be a rooming house. A permit is also proof that houses meet City of Dayton Housing Codes. Each house should receive a new permit each year. (Permits are dated.) The permit also gives the number of people that are allowed to be living in the house according to city Housing Code.

If you don't have a permit, or the information on it is not current, contact your landlord or contact the City of Dayton Division of Inspectional Services.

NOTE: All University Houses will have updated permits installed during the Christmas break.

McGinnis Service Center

That's right, service is the McGinnis Center's middle name. The McGinnis Center is constantly improving to serve you better.

Besides a great climate to study and meet in, the McGinnis Center also has vacuum cleaners, rug shampooers, rakes, and brooms for your use. All you need is a valid UD identification card. Additionally, trash bags and porch lightbulbs are still free for your use. The McGinnis Center is at your service. Use it!

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SEPTEMBER SPOTLIGHT

KRISTI KERSCHER

By: Rachel Brown

If dedication and enthusiasm are the keys to a successful Student Government Association, then UD better be prepared for one of its best years ever with SGA Executive Vice President Kristi Kerscher.

Kristi, a junior political science major from Toledo, is excited about her new position. Her two major functions as the executive vice president are chairing the Student Senate and serving as the ombudsman for the students. This includes addressing student concerns and making them known to the administration. "Student government has given me a new perspective . . . on leadership, programming and motivating others," said Kristi. "There is no place I would rather be than UD."

Three years ago, Kristi's attitude was a little different. "UD was not my first choice . . . and I was miserable the summer before I came here," said Kristi. Although she had never been a part of student government in high school, Kristi decided to run for freshman class senator. She believes her experience in SGA activities has been just as important as her classes. "Each week is so exciting and filled with different and diverse things," she said. "I am working with a great group of people and I want to get more people involved."

This year, as well as serving as Executive Vice President, Kristi is also a Resident Assistant at Campus South.

One of Kristi's goals for SGA this year is to continue the growth of the Student Senate. The Senate, which is seen as the voice of the student body, deals with non-academic concerns and activities on campus such as Clean Sweep and Adopt-A-Dumpster.

SGA's other activities planned for this semester are the Academic Speaker Series, the "Ski Colorado" trip in December and the opening of the student store, Rudy's Fly-Buy.

According to Kristi, SGA and the administration have a "great relationship across the board." Because of this, Kristi is confident that SGA will "find a middle-ground between what the administration thinks and what the students think" about the controversial keg policy.

One thing Kristi was surprised to find was the big time commitment her SGA position required. This isn't a problem, though, because Kristi enjoys her job so much. "One of the most important things in a leadership position is that you're there and that you care," she said. "We have people who care and we are taking off because of that."

Greek Happenings

Friday, September 22	Pledging Begins
Saturday, September 23	Lambda Chi Alpha/ Theta Phi Alpha Watermelon Bust Founders Field GREEK WEEK 1989 September 27-30 "Some Like It Greek"
Wednesday, September 27	Noon—Kickoff in the Plaza 6 p.m.—Mud Tug at the corner of Lowes and Lawnview 9 p.m.—Greek Sing in McGinnis Banner Competition Letter Day
Thursday, September 28	11:45 a.m.—Bat Races at KU Field 1:15 p.m.—Rope Run at Founders Field
Friday, September 29	11:50 a.m.—Egg Drop at KU Field 5:30 p.m.—Bed Races on city streets surrounding campus 8:30 p.m.—Band at the KU Pub
Saturday, September 30	Noon—Mass in the Plaza 2 p.m.—Volleyball, clam and band at Founders Field
Monday, October 2	7:00 p.m.—Greek 101 at O'Leary Male/Female Relations—UD Counseling Center
Tuesday, October 19	7:00 p.m.—Greek 101 at O'Leary Time Management Mr. Jim Melco
Weekend of October 13-15	Pi Beta Phi Installation
Wednesday, October 18	7:00 p.m.—Greek 101 at Chudd Black Greek Perspective Mr. Tim Spraggins

The Office of Greek Life welcomes all new pledge/associate members to the University of Dayton Greek system. Have a terrific semester!

**Welcome to Melissa Timson,
the new Coordinator of Greek Life!**

Be a Block Rep

Block representatives are volunteers who work to promote a safer, healthier environment for students living in the campus area. They suggest ideas and opinions to the administration for improvement of the area.

Block reps have three main tasks. First, they pass concerns of students and make suggestions to the administration. They also assist with various McGinnis Center programs such as Adopt-A-Dumpster, Clean Sweep, Help Houses, Christmas poinsettia distribution, Christmas Off Campus luminary project, and the Christmas House Decorating Contest. Block Reps are solely responsible for the poinsettia distribution and the Christmas House Decorating Contest. They receive help from other campus organizations such as S.G.A., Campus Ministry representatives, and fraternities or sororities for other projects.

Additionally, Block Reps are responsible for passing out pertinent information to all campus area residents. This includes the McGinnis Center newsletter, "Block Talk" each month. Block Reps have their own block and are responsible for getting information to their block. Block Reps serve as a vital link between students and the University. If you would like to help improve the campus area by becoming a Block Rep, contact Bill in the McGinnis Center at 229-2047.

Upcoming Events

September

- 18 Plant Sale, Phi Sigma Kappa, 10-4, KU Ballroom
- 22 Campus Carnival, KU Plaza, 5-9 p.m. (UAO)
- 23 Watermelon Bust, Founders Field, 2-7 p.m.
Theta Phi Alpha, Lambda Chi Alpha
Info: 461-5471
- 23 Boll Theatre, UAO, Film Series, 6-midnight
- 26 "Dress for Success," KU Ballroom, 7:15 p.m.
- 27 "Hopkins," Peter Gale, 8 p.m., Boll Theatre
- 27 UD Talent Search, Pub
- 29 Parents Weekend

October

- 11 Business Ethics, "Managing Moral Ethics," 2:45-5:15,
Miriam, Rm. 43
- 13 Parents Weekend
- 13 "A Taste of UD," KU Plaza and Fieldhouse,
8-11 p.m. Info: x4444.

Quotable Quotes

*Some minds are like concrete,
thoroughly mixed and permanently set.*