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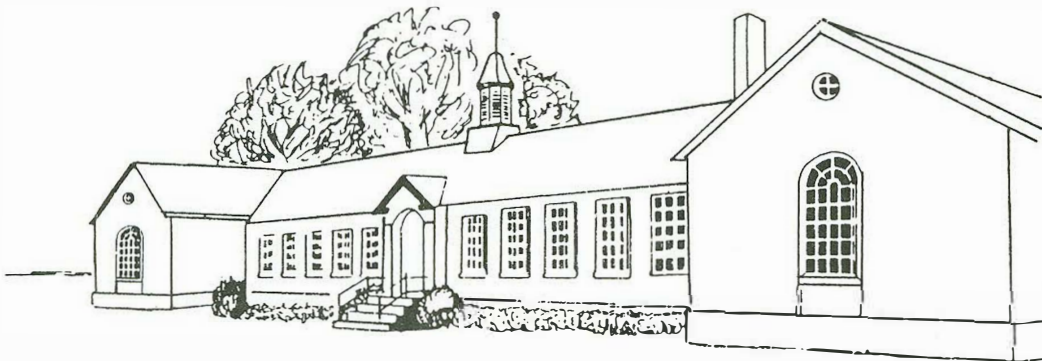
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McGinnis Center

October 1989



Clean Sweep

The 1989 Fall Clean Sweep will be held on November 1. All participating students should be at the McGinnis Center at 10:00 a.m. for clean up equipment and street assignments. Cash prizes will be awarded to the three organizations with the most students participating and also to the top three organizations that have the largest percentage of their group participating. Additionally, refreshments and door prizes donated by Brown Street businesses will be given out following the clean up.

This tenth anniversary Clean Sweep is sponsored by the McGinnis Center and the Student Government Association. The clean up will make the area look better and will promote litter awareness among UD students. The Clean Sweep Program is greatly aided by the Southeast Priority Board and the City of Dayton Department of Waste Collection.

All students interested in participating should contact Kristi Kerscher at 229-4444 or Judy Raines at 229-2047.

Give Your Regards to UD

October 15–21 UD alumni and students will be able to “Give Their Regards to UD” as part of Homecoming '89.” This year’s Homecoming festivities will begin at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday at the International Tea. Sunday evening the popular Neil Simon film, “Biloxi Blues,” will be shown in Chudd Auditorium at 7:00 p.m., 9:00 p.m., and 11:00 p.m. The five candidates for Homecoming queen will perform individual skits at the McGinnis Center from 8:00–10:00 p.m. The Homecoming Pageant will take place on Tuesday at 8:00 p.m. PRSSA and Phi Beta are sponsoring a lip sync contest at The Pub on Wednesday, October 18.

On Thursday, October 19, at 8:00 p.m., a bonfire rally will be held on Founder’s Field. After the rally, queen candidates will serve students at The Pub. The band, “The Connells,” will entertain students Friday, October 20, for the annual Homecoming Dance at the Fieldhouse. It will begin at 8:00 p.m.

A new activity at this year’s Homecoming will be the Homecoming Parade on Saturday morning at 10:00 a.m. The parade will begin on College Park Avenue, travel through the Ghetto, and end at the stadium. It will feature the queen candidates, the band, and other University figures.

Homecoming week will wrap up at the football game at Welcome Stadium at 1:00 p.m. Saturday against St. Joseph.

Do It; Be Responsible

Everyone is doing it these days. That is, everyone is being responsible with alcohol. The Alcohol Awareness Committee will host its annual Alcohol Awareness Week on October 22 through October 26. Various programs will be held throughout the week to educate students about alcohol. Additionally, students will be sporting the pink “Do It” buttons in recognition of this week. Buttons will be available to students who sign a pledge to be responsible with alcohol. They can be obtained in Kennedy Union, Virginia Kettering, and Marycrest Residence Halls during the lunch hour.

Events for Alcohol Awareness Week are as follows:

- Sunday, October 22 at 9:00 p.m.—Free Concert with Michael John in The Pub. Special pizza prices and complimentary non-alcoholic drinks will be available.
- Monday, October 23 at 7:00 p.m. in the McGinnis Center. John Hart will speak on “Social Host and Legal Liability” and Melissa Timson will speak on “Successful Party Planning.”
- Tuesday, October 24 at 8:00 p.m. in Virginia Kettering Residence Hall “Overcoming Addiction” will be presented by recovering substance abusers.
- Wednesday, October 25 at 8:00 p.m. in Marycrest Chapel “Stupid Sex—The Alcohol Connection” will be presented by Kathy Moore.
- Thursday, October 26 at 7:30 p.m. in Kennedy Union Ballroom “The College Image in Leadership” with nationally-known speaker Will Keim.

No Alcohol: Public or Private Place

According to “Fraternal Law,” a fraternity law periodical published by Manley, Burke, and Fischer, a legal professional association, a recent amendment to Ohio law provides a stricter application to the provision of alcohol to underaged persons in private places, such as fraternity houses. Amended Substitute House Bill No. 22, effective August 1, 1989, amends the Ohio Revised Code to make it illegal for persons under the age of 21 to order, pay for, consume or possess any beer or intoxicating liquor in any public or private place. In addition, “No person who is the owner or occupant of any public or private place shall knowingly allow any underaged person to remain in or on the place while possessing or consuming beer or intoxicating liquor.”

The amendment applies these Code provisions to “private” places as well. Previously, it applied only to “public” places. This gives authorities the right to arrest those underage drinkers who are on private property and the occupant of the house as well. You could be arrested for allowing underage drinkers with alcohol at your house.

On October 11, the University of Dayton purchased 115 houses from Ross Rentals. The University will assume ownership of these houses on December 18, 1989. At that time, students living in these properties will be responsible for adhering to University House Policies. Additionally, after December 18, students living in these houses should report all maintenance requests to the UD Housing Office. Students will not be negatively affected by this purchase and will receive a letter shortly indicating procedures and policies for the January 1990 semester.

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OCTOBER SPOTLIGHT



Greek Life Coordination with Melissa Timson

By: Rachel Brown

After a year of living out of a suitcase, 24-year old Melissa Timson has comfortably settled into her new position as UD's coordinator of Greek Life.

As a national representative for the Chi Omega Sorority, Melissa spent last year traveling to many different universities, interacting with students and working on the chapters' programming.

Melissa's position at UD requires her to advise the Panhellenic and Interfraternity Councils and act as a liaison between the social Greek groups and the University.

Although Melissa has only been here since August 10, she has been impressed with UD and the surrounding Dayton community. "I have visited schools that were in the middle of nowhere," she said. "Dayton has a lot to offer and everything you want or need is only 15 minutes away."

UD's Greek system, according to Melissa, also has a lot to offer its members. "UD has a relatively new system which is experiencing some growing pains, but viewing from the rush statistics, the Greeks are growing and seem committed."

One of Melissa's goals for this year is to unite UD's Greek system. "We have strong individual chapters, but we can only grow so much if the Greek system itself isn't growing," she said.

Some of her other objectives include making the Interfraternity and Panhellenic Councils more of a governing body, increasing the involvement of advisors, and making the University more aware of Greeks on campus.

Melissa became involved in Greek life when she was a home economics and education major at Western Illinois University. As an undergraduate, Melissa pledged the Chi Omega Sorority. Greek life then began to play a major role in Melissa's years at Western Illinois. She served as the Panhellenic Council Secretary and later as the Panhellenic President. She was chosen for Order of Omega, the National Greek Honorary fraternity. Her involvement at WIU led her to become President of the Mid-American Panhellenic Association. In 1985, Melissa was named Western Illinois' Greek Woman of the Year. Among these honors, Melissa was also listed in Who's Who Among American Colleges and Universities, Mortar Board, the national senior honorary, and Blue Key, the national leadership honorary.

After graduation from WIU, Melissa ventured to Bowling Green State University where she received a Master's Degree in College Student Personnel. It was then that Melissa became a national representative for Chi Omega Sorority.

Working for Chi Omega gave Melissa a new opportunity to work with the largest national women's sorority. From her past experiences, Melissa enjoys the challenge of improving and expanding Greek organizations. Under her direction, Greek life at UD will grow to become stronger and more visible.

Greek Happenings

- Thursday, October 19 8 p.m. Homecoming
Bonfire—Founders Field
- Monday, October 23 7 p.m. "Social Host Legal
Liability and Successful Party
Planning" Presentation John
Hart and Melissa Timson
Rm. #2 McGinnis Center
- Tuesday, October 24 8 p.m. Order of Omega
Organizational Meeting
Rm. 102 Chaminade Hall
- Thursday, October 26 7:30 p.m. Greek 101 "The
College Image and Leader-
ship" Will Keim KU Ballroom
- Friday and Saturday,
November 3 and 4 5 p.m. Friday—7 p.m.
Saturday Greek Getaway
Villa Madonna, KY
- Monday, November 6 7 p.m. Greek 101 "Greek
Councils"—Lisa Niekamp,
Reggie Riley, and Russell
Toney Chudd Auditorium
- Friday, November 10 5 p.m. Sorority Bash
- Thursday, November 16 8 p.m. Greek 101 "AIDS"
Dr. Richard Keeling
KU Ballroom

B.M.A.C

Birth Mothers of Adopted Children (B.M.A.C.) is a support group sponsored by the Campus Ministry for students who have given up their child for adoption. For more information on this or any other support group, contact the Campus Ministry Office at x3339.

Upcoming Events

October

- 20 Homecoming Dance, 8 p.m. UD Fieldhouse
- 21 Homecoming Tailgate, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Welcome Stadium Lot
Football, St. Joseph, 1:00 p.m.
- 22 UAO Film Series, 6 p.m.-midnight,
Chudd Auditorium
- 26- PVA Production "A Streetcar Named Desire," 8 p.m.,
28 Boll Theatre

November

- 1 All Saints Day (no classes), SGA/McGinnis Center
"Clean Sweep," 10 a.m.
- 8 Speaker Elizabeth Kubler-Ross, 3 p.m., KU Ballroom,
AIDS Information Days Series
- 9 SGA Sponsored debate—Bishops Letter on AIDS,
7:30 p.m., Virginia Kettering Multipurpose Room
- 10 Parents Weekend
- 11 "Up with People" Concert, 8 p.m.

Resume Bare?

Become a volunteer BLOCK REPRESENTATIVE! Block Reps voice ideas for programs, suggestions, and questions for the attention of the University. There is very little time involved in being a Block Rep, but the results are significant. If you have an interest in serving your neighborhood and improving the quality of life in the area, please complete the form below and drop it off to the McGinnis Center, 301 Lowes Street, or simply call Judy Raines at 229-2047. Thanks!

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Hunger Awareness Week

Campus Ministry will host its annual Hunger Awareness Week November 10 through November 17. During this week, the UD community will become aware of the world hunger issue. Events that will occur include Hands Across the Ghetto, an event where the UD community joins hands as a symbol of solidarity with the hungry of the world. It will be held Friday, November 10 at 3:15 p.m. approximately. A run for hunger will be held Saturday, November 11. Sunday, a speaker from World Bank will address the campus on world hunger. Monday night volunteers will serve food at St. Vincent Hotel. On Wednesday, Hunger Banquets will be held in Marycrest, Virginia Kettering, and McGinnis Center. The annual Fast Day will be held Thursday, November 16.

Quotable Quote

"It takes both rain and sunshine to make a rainbow."