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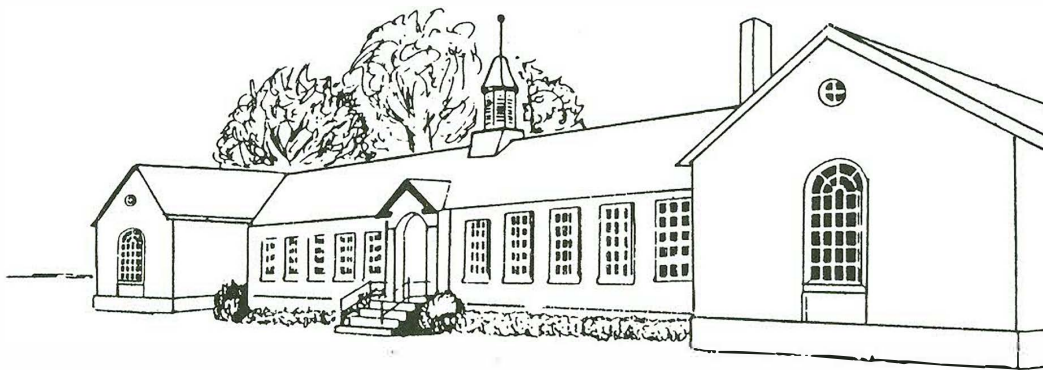


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Happy Thanksgiving

By Rachel Brown

On the first Thanksgiving, the Pilgrims celebrated their good fortune in a newly-discovered land. Although things have changed dramatically throughout the years, UD students still have many of the same, and some very different things to be thankful for.

Senior Beth Wall is thankful for "the opportunities that I have been given in my life and that I have a home and people who care about me."

"I'm thankful for my parents and their generosity in helping me get through these four years at UD," said senior Ed Rooney.

Junior Chris O'Connell is also thankful for his family and his newborn nephew.

The Thanksgiving break gives students the opportunity to escape everyday campus life—and campus food. "I'm thankful for real chow over vacation," said senior Mark Miller.

For those with transportation problems, senior Doug Eifert is grateful that his car "hasn't broken down this semester."

And there are even students who are thankful for those things which most complain about or take for granted. "I'm thankful that I wake up each morning with a Ghetto roof over my head," said senior Jenny Mahon.

UD students are thankful for many things. Some appreciate the Thanksgiving holiday itself. The break from classes and activities is often a welcome change. May your Thanksgiving be happy and healthy.

Clean Sweep Success

by Rachel Brown

The McGinnis Center and SGA would like to thank the approximately 900 students who joined in the 10th annual Clean Sweep on Wednesday, November 1. The winners for the greatest percentage participation were: 3rd place: Sigma Nu Little Sisters; 2nd place: Fellowship of Christian Students; 1st place: The Flyerettes. For the greatest number of participants, the winners were: 3rd place: Pi Beta Phi; 2nd place: Zeta Tau Alpha; 1st place: Alpha Phi. Numerous door prizes from local Brown Street businesses were also awarded to individuals.

Once again, thanks to all groups and organizations that helped make this year's Clean Sweep a success!



Christmas on Campus

by Rachel Brown

On Friday, December 8, UD students and faculty and Dayton area residents and children will join in UD's most popular Christmas event—Christmas on Campus.

This year's "Home for the Holidays" celebration will begin at 6:00 p.m. in the Plaza with the live nativity scene and the Christmas tree lighting with Brother Fitz.

Afterwards, students and children can enjoy the many entertaining events offered throughout campus. According to COC co-chair Mary Zingales, specific events planned for the evening include Santa in the Pub, magician and puppet shows, carriage horse rides, a kid's carnival and performances by a local Dayton dance troupe and UD's Celebration. A children's petting zoo may be a new attraction this year, although Zingales says plans haven't been finalized.

Zingales is expecting approximately 1,000 Dayton-area children to participate in this year's 26th annual Christmas on Campus. Any students interested in adopting children can sign up in the KU Lobby the week of November 27–December 1.

After signing up, students will receive the name and address of their child. A new addition to the adoption procedure this year will encourage students to send letters to their children before their arrival on campus. According to Teresa Paumier-Cusma, Associate Director for University Activities, not only will this acquaint the children with their "adopter," but it will also make the children and their parents feel more secure.

All organizations are encouraged to donate cookies, decorations, or time to this year's COC celebration. Letters will be distributed to all University registered organizations giving detailed information on participation procedures.

Before you leave for your Thanksgiving break, make sure your house is safe and secure. The following tips could prevent a lot of headaches when you return.

- Check all windows and doors. Make sure they are locked and secure.
- Empty garbage/clean out refrigerator before leaving.
- Make certain all electrical appliances are turned off or unplugged.

Anyone staying at his/her home over the break should consider the following:

- Make sure doors and windows are locked. Lock your door when you are gone even for a few minutes.
- Don't hesitate to call the UD Department of Safety at 229-2121 or Dayton Police at 911 if you see anything strange. Remember, the police would rather respond to a call and find nothing than jeopardize your safety.

Whatever you do, have a happy, safe, and healthy Thanksgiving.

McGinnis Center Reservations

All groups wishing to hold events at the McGinnis Center should contact Carol in the McGinnis Center at 229-2047. All events (meetings included) require that a facility reservation be completed and returned to the McGinnis Center. Events are not confirmed until a confirmation copy of the reservation form has been sent to the contact person.



NOVEMBER SPOTLIGHT



1989-1990 BLOCK TALK

FRONT ROW (L to R) Rachel Brown, Casey Barry, Dale McEldowney, Tom Zang, Cindy Minnier, Michelle Miller, Cassie Kehm

SITTING (L to R) Jay Donohue, Jim Stenger, Patty O'Donnell, Christine Read, Toby Holocher, Steven Vantiem, Jim Dwyer

STANDING (L to R) Bill Noelker; Coordinator, Shelly Tucker, Beth Seese, Brian Brinkman, Wendy Deetjen, Mike Miller, Clint Kellis, Judy Raines; Coordinator, McGinnis Center, Dan Fink, Tim Glancey, Ron DeBrosse, Steve Roth, Chris Heberg, Mike Dobeck

NOT PICTURED: Margaret Bradley, Bridget Gibbs, Nancy Murphy and John Tain

Just What is a Block Rep?

The Block Rep program is an organization created in 1975 by a group of students who wanted to serve their community, known affectionately as the Ghetto. Service is two-fold:

- to act as a liaison between students who call the Ghetto their home and administration officials; and
- to assist in the ongoing effort to promote better community relations while making the Ghetto a safe and fun environment for UD students to live in.

What are the responsibilities of a Block Rep?

Block Reps perform three important tasks for their community.

1. Keeping the lines of communication open between students and University administrators by making suggestions to improve the safety and overall appearance of the Ghetto.
2. Taking an active part in all McGinnis Center Activities and events.

These include:

- Adopt-a-Dumpster
- Help House Program
- Clean Sweep
- Hands Across the Ghetto
- Christmas Decorating Contest
- Christmas on Campus
- Ghetto Photo Contest
- 3. Distributing the monthly edition of *Block Talk* as well as any other important information to Ghetto residents.

Who are this year's Block Reps?

Casey Barry 200 Kiefaber
 Margaret Bradley 200 K Street
 Brian Brinkman 400 Stonemill
 Rachel Brown Editor, *Block Talk*
 Wendy Deetjen 100 Evanston
 Ron DeBrosse 1300 thru 1600 Alberta/Odd #'s
 Mike Dobeck 200 Stonemill
 Jay Donohue 400/500 Irving
 Jim Dwyer 300 Stonemill/Even #'s
 Dan Fink 300 Lowes
 Bridget Gibbs 300 Kiefaber
 Tim Glancey 1200 Alberta
 Chris Heberg 100 Plumwood
 Toby Holocher 10/100 Lawnview
 Cassie Kehm Trinity/500 Lowes
 Clint Kellis 1500 Brown

Michelle Miller . . 400 Lowes/Even #'s/200 Lawnview
 Mike Miller 400 Lowes/Odd #'s
 Cindy Minnier 300 Stonemill/Odd #'s
 Dale McEldowney 10 Evanston
 Nancy Murphy 200/300 College Park
 Bill Noelker Coordinator/Grad. Asst.
 Patty O'Donnell . . 900 Alberta/10 Woodland Odd #'s
 Christine Read 400 Kiefaber/Even #'s
 Steve Roth 200 Lowes
 Beth Seese 10 Woodland/Even #'s
 Jim Stenger 10/100 Chambers
 John Tain 1400 thru 1600 Alberta/Even #'s
 Shelly Tucker 200 Irving/1700 Alberta
 Stephen Vantiem O'Bell Court
 Tom Zang 400 Kiefaber/Odd #'s

How can I be a Block Rep?

You too can be included in the picture! Just stop by the McGinnis Center or call Bill or Rachel at 229-2047.

Greek Happenings

- Congratulations to all newly initiated Greek brothers and sisters.
- Thanks to all who participated in the Greek Getaway. It was a great success.
- Need a community project? The Office of Greek Life has ideas for you.

Join in the Christmas Spirit and Win \$\$\$\$

All houses in the UD neighborhood are invited to join in the Christmas Spirit by decorating the outside of their house. On December 5 at 6:00 p.m. all houses entered in the contest will be judged. The winning house will be awarded \$100 for their efforts. Second prize is \$50.

You may want to pick up decorations while at home for Thanksgiving. Now is your chance to make the area look festive for Christmas and win \$\$\$\$. Get into the Christmas spirit.

To enter, fill out the entry form below and return it to the McGinnis Center by December 4. This event is sponsored by the McGinnis Center Block Representatives.

CHRISTMAS HOUSE DECORATING CONTEST



ADDRESS _____

NAMES _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

Upcoming Events

November

- 17 Bill Cosby at UD Arena, 8 p.m.
- 19 Film Series in Boll Theatre, 6 p.m.-midnight
New Potato Caboose in The Pub, 9:30 p.m.
- 20 Academic Speaker Series: Rob Owen, 7:30 p.m.,
Boll Theatre
- 21 Holiday Humbug Challenge II, 8 a.m.-Noon,
Fieldhouse
- 22-
- 26 Thanksgiving Break
- 27 Distinguished Speaker Series: Todd Gitlin, 8 p.m., KU
Ballroom
- 29 Super Jam, sponsored by the Appalachia Club in The
Pub, 8:30 p.m.
- 30 Cabaret Night in The Pub, 9:30 p.m.

December

- 1 "Faculty and Staff Spotlight" in The Pub
- 4-6 Free popcorn and movies in The Pub, 9:00 p.m.
- 4 Art Series: Pablo Casals Trio, 8 p.m.
- 5 Christmas House Decoration—6 p.m.
- 6 Movie: "A Christmas Story"
Last day of classes
- 7 Study Day—no classes
- 9- Exams
- 15
- 15 SGA Ski Trip, Steamboat Springs, Colorado
- 16 Commencement: UD Arena, 10:00 a.m.

**Mass is celebrated at the
McGinnis Center every Sunday
at 9:00 p.m.**

**If you would like to assist in Mass
in some way, contact
the Campus Ministry Office
at 229-3339.**

Quotable Quote

*"Home is where the college student
home for the holidays isn't."*

Lawrence J. Peters