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UD GEARS UP FOR NEW ACADEMIC YEAR

The new academic year at the University of Dayton begins with a four-day orientation for new students. Classes begin Wednesday, August 24. Besides meetings with advisors and presentations on student life, students will have the opportunity to attend a number of social activities.

All freshman resident students will arrive on the UD campus between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. on Saturday, August 20 to move into the Marycrest, Stuart and Founders Residence Halls.

On Sunday, August 21, a welcome Mass is scheduled from 10:30 a.m. to noon in the UD Fieldhouse. "Freshman Fest" takes place between 4:30 and 9 p.m. The freshmen will gather at UD's Founders Field for volleyball, Frisbee and other games at 4:30 p.m. They will then attend a picnic at 6 p.m. and a concert featuring Michael John and Kay Frances between 7 and 9 p.m. Both events take place outside Kennedy Union.

On Monday, August 22, "A Nite in Las Vegas" is scheduled in the UD Fieldhouse from 8 to 11 p.m.

Activities on Tuesday, August 23 include a pool party in the Physical Activities Center from 8 to 10 p.m.

UD CELEBRATES 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF HONORS PROGRAM

Marie Wach, a senior mechanical engineering student in the University of Dayton's Honors Program, just returned to Dayton from Kenya where she spent two months studying the design of medical missionary aircraft and traveling in "flying ambulances" on clinical safaris and medical evacuations. She spent most of the summer helping the African Medical and Research Foundation, but found some time to do a bit of voluntary missionary work.

Marie exemplifies the type of student accepted in UD's Honors Program, which is enrolling its 10th class this fall. Remarkably, every honors student who has ever applied for graduate school has won a full fellowship or assistantship. Students selected for the program rank in the top 1 percent of their high school classes with average composite ACT scores over 31 and average SAT scores over 1400. Before graduating from the program, students must write theses—many of which are published in professional journals. The working title of Marie's thesis is: "Design Criteria for a Medical Missionary Aircraft."

For media interviews, contact Marie Wach at (513) 229-5763 and Patrick Palermo, director and an originator of the Honors Program, at (513) 229-4615.

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