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WELCOME WEEK ACTIVITIES

During the first week of school, students will have many opportunities to take part in campus activities.

Monday, Aug. 27

- 11 a.m. – 3 p.m., U.S. Army Climbing Wall, Cory Street Mall
- 8 p.m., Deal or No Deal game show, AMU

Tuesday, Aug. 28

- 11 a.m. – 1:30 p.m., Market on the Mall, Cory Street Mall
- 7:30 p.m., A Night of Volleyball Fun (Part 1), Croy Gym
- 9:30 p.m., A Night of Volleyball Fun (Part 2), sand volleyball pit

Wednesday, Aug. 29

- 11 a.m. – 4 p.m., Virtual Game Day, AMU
- 7 – 11 p.m., Virtual Game Night, AMU

Thursday, Aug. 30

- 11 a.m. – 3 p.m., One-Minute Caricatures, Cory Street Mall
- 7 – 11 p.m., Greek Luau/Pool Party, Croy Pool
- 8 – 10 p.m., Martial Arts Club Demonstration, Koehler Complex

Friday, Aug. 31

- 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., "BIG LOTS" of Fun Carnival, Cory Street Mall
- 8 p.m., Comedian Jen Kober, AMU

Saturday, Sept. 1

- 1 p.m., First Home Football Game, Donnell Stadium

NEW UNIVERSITY ID, THE OILER ONECARD

Students at The University of Findlay will enjoy a new level of convenience and service this fall with the introduction of the **Oiler OneCard**, which will serve as the students' new identification card and give them access to their financial aid refund and other refunds, dining meal plans and Munch Money, cardio center, health center, library and events on campus.

The card, which will debut with the opening of the 2007-08 academic year, will also allow the establishment of a debit account to use at the bookstore and other University stores.

Students may view or update their information by visiting the University home page, www.findlay.edu, KEYWORD: Oiler OneCard. After following directions to reach the Student Academic Information page, they may



All students will receive the new ID card, which will serve many purposes on campus.

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NETWORK IMPROVEMENTS, WI-FI, TECHNOLOGY IMPROVEMENTS

Technologically speaking, The University of Findlay has a lot to offer new and returning students. Since an extensive upgrade during the summer of 2006, The University's wireless network now offers Wi-Fi coverage over nearly 100 percent of campus. All administrative buildings, residence halls, educational classroom buildings and most outdoor locations are covered.

An additional network improvement is currently underway with the

implementation of the Network Access Control (NAC) system, which will provide additional security and protection for all devices connected to the UF network.

The NAC system will require each user to log in so that his or her computer can be checked for anti-virus, anti-spyware and other required software (such as new emergency notification software). Computers passing all

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checks will gain access to the UF network and Internet quickly. This system will greatly reduce the chance that viruses will proliferate from “contagious computers” on the network. Users who need to remediate their computers before they gain access will be directed to resources that will allow them to safely accomplish this.

Should users encounter problems as they remediate, Technology Support Services (TSS) will be available for assistance. It is anticipated that all buildings will be on the NAC system by Aug. 15.

An additional advantage to the NAC system is that students will not need to bring their computers to Information Technology Services (ITS) to be serviced at the beginning of the academic year, as in the past. However, ITS will still host Technology Request

Live (TRL)-Open Arena at the UF Haven Aug. 24-31 to offer technical support. Also, the NAC system will give students the ability to connect on-line gaming systems, such as X-box live, to the UF network as long as those systems are registered. The gaming console registration process will be provided through NAC.

Technology on campus also enhances the classroom experience. Almost all classrooms are equipped with a computer and desk, DVD/VHS recorder/player and a LCD projector with a screen and speakers.

The new Davis Street Building offers a range of specialized technology equipment, including waterproof keyboards and computer mice in the Pharmacy Lab, several document cameras for showing small objects to an entire class, permanently mounted cam-

eras in clinical observation rooms that record to a large digital video recorders and several large screen LCDs for playback of recorded information. The Davis Street Building also has a dual-boot Apple lab that offers students a choice between the Windows and Macintosh operating systems.

Other technological advancements are also in progress. According to Scott Walthour, information technology officer, “We have more than 40 individual summer projects in various stages of completion. Though many of these are behind-the-scenes projects that aren’t visible, one that will be apparent to nearly everyone on campus is the SCOLA foreign language news and information channel that will be broadcast on Channel 21 this fall.”

By Brooke Jacobs '07, Pre-Medicine Major, Bucyrus, Ohio

STUDENTS’ SAFETY IS TOP PRIORITY FOR UF

High-Tech Security Features Add to Students’ Safety

The safety of students at The University of Findlay is a top priority.

There are many security cameras installed throughout campus, as well as on off-site properties, and 32 blue light phones. When an individual pushes the emergency button on a blue light phone, all video cameras in the area pivot to allow security officers to see what’s happening. A warning signal also is immediately sent to the Office of Safety and Security.

A Lynx wireless notification management system recently was installed on campus, which works through the University’s computer network. The system will allow security personnel to send an emergency message to every network computer on campus. When the message is sent, a message box will pop up on the user’s screen notifying the user of the emergency. Students, faculty and staff will be required to download the Lynx software to their

computers before being granted access to the University’s network.

In addition, the Lynx system will enable text messages to be sent in an emergency. Students will have the option to provide their cell phone numbers.

Panic buttons also will be installed in various buildings on campus for use when using the telephone to contact the security office is not an option.

Emergency Operations Team Actively Reviews Response Procedures

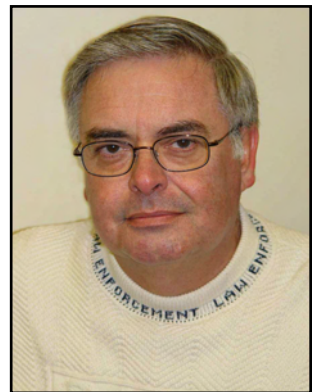
The University’s Office of Student Services worked with UF’s School of Environmental and Emergency Management (SEEM) to organize an emergency operations team comprised of representatives from all areas of the University. The multi-disciplinary team meets regularly to review a crisis response plan, which was created by SEEM, and response scenarios to a variety of potential campus emergencies.

Emergency response training will continue for security officers, resident directors, resident assistants and coun-

selors. In addition to training by SEEM, the Office of Counseling Services has been conducting crisis intervention training sessions to help people handle crisis situations such as attempted suicide or drug overdose.

In addition, the University has a close working relationship with the Findlay City Police Department, whose headquarters is located minutes from campus.

Security personnel are on campus 24 hours a day. On campus, dial ext. 4799 from any campus phone to be connected to a security officer. The Office of Safety and Security also can be reached by calling 419-434-4601.



Ken Walerius, director of safety and security



Standout golf team member Eric Atsma helps a foursome boost its score at the Oiler Golf Outing in June. The event raised more than \$50,000 for athletic and music scholarships.

CSI: Findlay, a forensics science camp, was held on campus. The four-day summer camp for high school students provides an introduction to the world of forensic science, criminal justice and law. At right, two students study evidence from a mock crime scene.



Mike Sears helps paint Old Main, which is just one of the buildings on campus receiving some renovations.

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click on “Biographical” at left and review their address information. Students that find changes are needed or are unable to access the page are asked to e-mail the registrar’s office at registrar@findlay.edu or call 419-434-4556.

Each student, as well as faculty and staff, will soon receive an Oiler OneCard in the mail and must activate it online at www.OilerOneCard.com to receive services at the University this fall.

The card will carry the MasterCard logo and can be linked to the OneAccount, an optional checking account allowing the card to function as a debit MasterCard (not a credit card), used to make purchases wherever MasterCard is accepted. The University will also use Higher One for financial aid disbursements and student payroll, unless students request Higher One to mail a paper check.

“We are excited to introduced the new Oiler OneCard as a value-added service for our students and their parents, as well as faculty and staff,” said Martin Terry, vice president for business and finance. “We believe the UF community will appreciate the convenience and security of having all these services available through one card and one account.”

Other services to be available through the card include vending machines, slated for January 2008, and keyless entry to University buildings, planned for fall 2008.

THE OILER EXPERIENCE INTRODUCES NEW STUDENTS TO LIFE AT UF



New students arriving on campus this year will be the first to take part in The Oiler Experience, a one-credit-hour required course designed to introduce all first-time, full-time students to life at UF.

Approximately 30 class sections will be led by a variety of staff members whose expertise is in student services. Undergraduate peer mentors also will serve as campus resources for new students and will attend the class, as well, to answer questions and offer advice. Mentors were chosen through a process that involved recommendations from faculty and staff, completion of an

application and in-person interviews.

Mentors will be available to students before and after scheduled class time and at campus events and events specifically offered for first-year students.

During class meetings, students will learn how to locate resources and services at UF; develop and improve study and time management skills; examine common college-related issues; identify dangers that threaten their success; and develop close bonds with their classmates, among other things.

Overseeing the program are Brian Treece, assistant dean of students and director of housing and residence life, and Lori Colchagoff, director of disability services and ADA/504 compliance officer.

“The first few months of college are an amazing time in the development of students,” said Treece. “They are trying to make that difficult transition from high school life to college life. Our main goal is to help students successfully make that transition.”

2007-08 CONCERT AND LECTURE SERIES SCHEDULE

Each academic year, the University presents a Concert and Lecture Series. Each student receives one free ticket to each performance, and others are welcome to purchase tickets, which are \$25 for adults, \$20 for senior citizens and \$10 for non-UF students.

Call the Box Office at 419-434-5335 for availability.

Friday, Sept. 14 – The Toledo Symphony Orchestra, Pops Concert
Friday, Oct. 26 – The Toledo Opera, “Carmen”

Friday, Jan. 25 – The Toledo Symphony Orchestra, Classics Concert
Friday, Feb. 29 – The Toledo Symphony Orchestra, Classics Concert

Chelsea Tipton II will direct all orchestra performances. Renay Conlin will direct “Carmen.”

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For more information, read the article inside.
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