



Tuesday, September 4, 2001

Welcome Week highlights student activities

By **Jeff Samoray**, OU Web Writer

New and returning Oakland University students can learn about many different university departments, services and student organizations during the seventh annual Welcome Week, which runs from Tuesday, September 4, through Saturday, September 8.

Welcome Week is filled with educational and social events for all students, said Jean Ann Miller, co-chair of the Welcome Week planning committee.

"Welcome Week is a great way to highlight all the resources on OU's campus," Miller said. "Academics are very important, but there's also a lot of social activities that happen on campus. This is a nice way for different departments and student organizations to provide a first glimpse of what campus life is like."

Among the new activities this year are a **Student Affairs** Scavenger Hunt, where students can win prizes for finding different university offices and services, and "Healthy Beginnings," a program sponsored by the **Graham Health Center** offering health and insurance information. One of the most popular events is **Sigma Pi** fraternity's Pig Roast, which has attracted up to 1,200 students in past years, Miller said. **New Student Convocation** is a traditional university event in which faculty and newly admitted students and their families are brought together for the first time.

A complete list of Welcome Week events is listed below. Welcome Week calendars are available at the **20/20 Campus Information Center** and at many locations across campus. For more information, contact the **Office of New Student Programs** at (248) 370-3260 or nsp@oakland.edu, or the **Center for Student Activities** at (248) 370-2400 or csa@oakland.edu.

WELCOME WEEK EVENTS

Tuesday, September 4

- 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. — **Office of New Student Programs** Information Table outside South Foundation Hall.
- 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. — "Healthy Beginnings," sponsored by **Graham Health and Counseling Center**, which includes prizes, drawings, health and insurance information.
- 10 a.m. - noon — A breakfast in the Gold Rooms of the **Oakland Center** for students in Connections, a program for first-year students sponsored by the **Office of New Student Programs**.
- 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. — **Student and Greek Organizations** Welcome to OU Festival outside the north end of O'Dowd Hall.
- Noon - 3 p.m. — Playfair and Pause picnic, sponsored by the **OU Counseling Center** in the Recreation and Athletics Center, which is designed to introduce students to their programs.
- Noon - 5 p.m. — **Student Program Board** Open House outside the north end of O'Dowd Hall.
- Monday-Saturday at 1:30 p.m., Sunday at 1:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. — **Meadow Brook Hall** Tours. Free everyday in September for OU students with student ID.
- 3 - 5 p.m. — **New Student Convocation** in the **Recreation and Athletics Center**.
- 5 - 7 p.m. — Residence Halls DessertFest in the Hamlin Hall Courtyard.

Wednesday, September 5

- 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. — **Office of New Student Programs** Information Table outside South Foundation Hall.
- 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 p.m. — Plug into **Kresge Library** (through September 7), which offers information tables and gifts.
- 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. — "Healthy Beginnings," sponsored by **Graham Health and Counseling Center**, which includes prizes, drawings, health and insurance information.
- 10 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. — **Oakland Center** Annual Open House in the Oakland Center.
- 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. and 5 - 6:30 p.m. — **Student Affairs** Ice Cream Social outside between North and South Foundation Halls sponsored by the Vice President of Student Affairs and the **Office of New Student Programs**.
- 11:45 a.m. - 1:15 p.m. — **Oakland Center** Patio Concert on the Oakland Center Patio.

Noon — **Student Affairs** Scavenger Hunt (through noon on Friday, September 7). Game cards available at **Campus Recreation**, the **Center for Student Activities**, the **Office of New Student Programs** and the **20/20 Campus Information Center**.

- 1 - 4 p.m. — **Academic Skills Center** Open House in 103 North Foundation Hall.
- 5 - 7 p.m. — **Bumpers Game Room** Special. Half off billiards and table tennis in the **Oakland Center**.

Thursday, September 6

- 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. — **Office of New Student Programs** Information Table outside South Foundation Hall.
- 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. — “Healthy Beginnings,” sponsored by **Graham Health and Counseling Center**, which includes prizes, drawings, health and insurance information.
- Noon - 2 p.m. — **Theta Tau** Engineering Fraternity’s Third Annual Welcome Back Picnic in front of Dodge and Hannah Hall.
- Noon - 6 p.m. — **Archaeology** Lab Open House in 110 Wilson Hall.
- 7 - 9 p.m. — Shopping Trek to Target in Rochester Hills. 10% off purchases and grab bags with OU student ID.

Friday, September 7

- 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. — **Office of New Student Programs** Information Table outside South Foundation Hall.
- 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. — “Healthy Beginnings,” sponsored by **Graham Health and Counseling Center**, which includes prizes, drawings, health and insurance information.
- 4 - 7 p.m. — Welcome Back Cookout at the **Oakland Center** Patio sponsored by the Association of Black Students, **Office of Equity**, **National Pan-Hellenic Council**, Black Faculty and Staff and the Office of Diversity and Compliance.
- 5 - 7 p.m. — **Student Program Board** Comedy Showdown in the Vandenberg Hall Dining Center sponsored by the Student Program Board and Residence Halls Programming.
- 5 - 9 p.m. — New Generation Detroit Opening Reception, an exhibition of new Detroit artists, in **Meadow Brook Art Gallery**, Wilson Hall.
- 7 p.m. - 1 a.m. — **Sigma Pi** Fraternity’s Seventh Annual Pig Roast across from the upper playing fields and the George T. Matthews Apartments.
- 9 - 11 p.m. — **Student Program Board** Outdoor Movie Night, “The Mummy Returns,” outside the north end of O’Dowd Hall.
- 9 p.m. - 1 a.m. — Association of Black Students Icebreaker Dance in the Gold Rooms, **Oakland Center**.

Saturday, September 8

- 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. — OU Alumni Booth at the **Arts and Apples Festival** in Rochester Municipal Park (through Sunday, September 9). Refreshments and **OU Alumni Association** information.
- 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. — “Get in Gear for Your Career” in the **Oakland Center** sponsored by **Placement and Career Services**.
- 1 - 5 p.m. — **InterVarsity Christian Fellowship** Welcome Picnic at the bonfire pit at the lower soccer fields.

SUMMARY

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