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A NEWSLETTER FOR DUKE UNIVERSITY PARENTS & FAMILIES

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Dear Parents and Families,

It's my pleasure to welcome you to our new Parents Newsletter. With this first issue, Student Affairs launches a new vehicle for regular communications to students' parents and families. Under the leadership of Dean Sue Wasiolek and Assistant Dean Ryan Lombardi, we are pleased to be expanding our relationship with you—and our partnership on behalf of your sons and daughters—through

this newsletter, a new web site and our ongoing family programs. Together, we can ensure their continued academic and personal success and we look forward to regular communication with, and feedback from, you.

As Vice President for Student Affairs, I have the privilege of working with a wonderful array of skilled professionals all dedicated to serving your children...our students. From our

residence life and housing staff to our health and career and multicultural teams, we are all focused on meeting the diverse and complex needs of our students. Please feel free to share your concerns and questions. We promise timely and thorough responses.

In this issue, I'd like to discuss several issues that may be on your mind. They include our campus safety and security,

planned tuition and fee increases and plans for what we're calling the West Campus "Village."

Many of you have expressed concerns about campus safety on and near campus. Statistically, our campus crime data would suggest less-than-average criminal activity for our size student population, but that provides little reassurance when even

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday, May 5, 2003

Move-out by Noon for undergraduates living in Central Campus facilities and not participating in commencement exercises.

Move-out by Noon for first-year students living in Blackwell and Southgate.

Sunday, May 11, 2003

Graduation Exercises and Conferring of Degrees, 10:00 a.m. - Wallace Wade Stadium

*for more information:

<http://www.duke.edu/web/graduation/>

Monday, May 12, 2003

Move-out by Noon for parents of graduating seniors in Blackwell.

Move-out by Noon for all remaining undergraduates in Central Campus facilities.

Wednesday, May 14, 2003

Move-out by 5:00 p.m. for all students in residence halls.

A message from the president...

Dear Duke Parent,

In a year filled with change for Duke and for the world, our students have continued to flourish. We have seen a resurgence of campus activism and thoughtful engagement with current events; new teaching, research and recreational facilities have been opened; our women's indoor tennis team won a national championship, and two more varsity athletic teams have positioned themselves to contend for another.

During the same period, two more Dukies have been named Rhodes Scholars, and The Campaign for Duke passed the \$2B mark thanks to the strong support of alumni, parents, and friends. Our admissions officers announced this spring that another record has been set for the number of applicants seeking admission, and they are busily weighing and comparing applications. The class of 2007 will be just as smart and diverse as the class of 2003, the kind of people who will go on to be leaders in business, education, and government.

U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan will come to Durham to deliver the commencement address in May, and preparations for this time of celebration have already begun. As it draws near, we feel confident that we are sending our graduates out into the world prepared to be intellectually involved and productive citizens, wherever their path leads. For those of you who have a student graduating, I want to take this moment to thank you for the support you have shown to your son or daughter and to all of us who have had the pleasure of working and learning alongside them. As they close this chapter of their lives and open a new one, please remember that you and they will always be part of the Duke family.

Yours sincerely,

Nannerl O. Keohane

Office of Fraternity & Sorority Life has successful inaugural year

Greek life at Duke received a facelift this year when, in July 2002, the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life opened its doors. The office, created in response to the ever-growing needs of Duke's Greek community, serves and supports students, chapters, alumni, parents and families. With a mission to educate students in the core values of their organizations, including scholarship, leadership, diversity, and community responsibility, the office offers a fraternal experience that supports the mission of Duke University.

Nicole Manley, Coordinator of Fraternity and Sorority Life, was hired and began work in July to assist with the advisement of Duke's 37 fraternities and sororities, and she works closely with the Panhellenic Association and our cultural Greek-letter organizations. Nicole came to Duke from Colorado State University, and she completed her undergraduate degree at the University of Virginia. Todd Adams, Assistant Dean of Students, advises the Interfraternity and National Pan-Hellenic Councils and has been on campus since July 2000. Prior to directing the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life, Dean Adams served as an Upperclass Residential Dean for West Campus.

Last October, the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life, in conjunction with the Interfraternity Council, National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC), and Panhellenic Association, completed the inaugural community-wide Greek Week celebration. The week consisted of an all-Greek BBQ and Health Fair on East Campus, a presentation on transformational leadership by Janet Hill, Grant Hill's mother, the NPHC Step Show, and a student/alumni tailgate before the Homecoming game versus UVA. Greek Week also served to support many others in our community. A food drive on the Bryan Center walkway collected more than \$1,350 and over 300 canned-goods for the North Carolina Food Bank. Additionally, \$1,500 was raised to support Duke's 2nd Annual Dance Marathon. Proceeds from this event were donated to The Caring House of Durham.

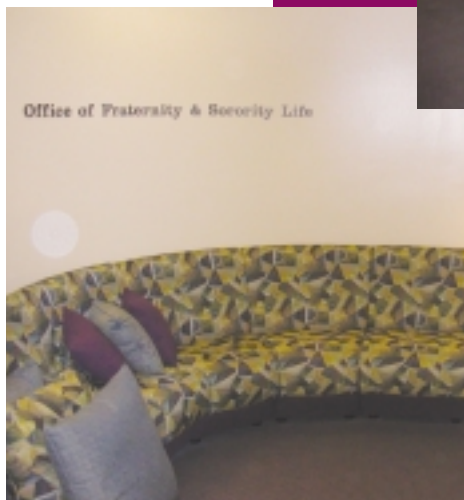
Fraternity and Sorority Life partnered with Duke's Greek organizations to sponsor a Halloween Party at the Duke Children's Hospital. In November, Greek students assisted the Red Cross with its Fall Blood Drive, while in December items were collected to send to a local women's correctional facility.

In January, the Interfraternity Council and the Panhellenic Association sponsored fraternity and sorority recruitment, formerly called rush. Numbers were high, and on-line sign-ups made the process more efficient and easier for all involved. As in past years, 40% of undergraduate women are Greek-affiliated, while nearly 30% of undergraduate men are members of fraternities.

The Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life realizes the valuable contributions that families make to the university and to our fraternities and sororities. If you find yourself in the Durham area, please come by our newly renovated office space in Room 07 of the Bryan Center on West Campus. The staff would enjoy meeting you and hearing your comments about Greek life at Duke University. ■

Have a question?

Email dukeparents@studentaffairs.duke.edu and we'll help you figure it out. We promise a prompt and helpful response.



Office of Fraternity & Sorority Life

Panel discusses relations with Iraq

A faculty panel on U.S.-Iraq relations was one of a series of discussions for sophomores living on West Campus. Entitled "The U.S. and Iraq: Where Are We Going, What Are Our Options?" the discussion was attended by about 100 students. They heard from professors Robert Keohane and Peter Feaver (Political Science), Ebrahim Moosa (Religion), James Josephs and Bruce Jentleson (Public Policy), and Dean of the Faculty of Arts & Sciences William H. Chafe (History).

The panel, held in the Bryan Center's Von Canon room, was part of a year-long program, "Sophomore Experience 2002...beginning a new tradition," that is an inte-

gral part of the decision to have all sophomores live on West Campus. Other events included an address on leadership by John A. Koskinen T'61, deputy mayor and city administrator of the District of Columbia. A former chair of the Duke University Board of Trustees, Koskinen was deputy director of the Office of Management and Budget in the Clinton administration.

"The discussion was lively," Dean Chafe said of the Iraq panel. "Such forums celebrate the new community embodied by our sophomore class and expose them to the diverse perspectives of faculty from a variety of departments and disciplines." ■

one student is victimized. In the past couple years, several well-publicized incidents have raised concern about safety at Duke. In response, we have increased police patrols, especially on East Campus and in student parking lots, and are adding lights in parking lots and on pathways. We have installed locks on all residential bathrooms and have placed cameras in selective locations.

This is a great example of where we can partner in support of our students. Many petty thefts result from poor decisions often influenced by alcohol. Please remind your sons and daughters to lock their room doors even when just leaving their rooms for a moment. Ask them to avoid walking across campus alone at night, and to use the various services available to assist them. These include our SafeRides service as well as our new Taxi-on-Points feature. The Duke campus and nearby Durham neighborhoods are relatively safe when students act with the good sense you taught them long ago.

Now, let me turn to financial matters. Recently, our Trustees approved an average increase of \$1,425 or 5% in the annual cost of undergraduate education at Duke, including tuition, fees, room and board. We recognize that this increase is significant and our financial aid will grow at a substantially higher rate to support families with need. We remain fully committed to ensuring that every Duke student receives financial aid fully commensurate with need as determined by the nationally recognized formula.

The reasons for such an increase in student fees are complex. Our costs are driven by many factors such as support for the hiring and retention of the best and

brightest faculty, the cost of providing the best technology to our students in the classroom and to students and faculty for research, and the cost of providing the wide range of high quality services that we must offer to students. Unfortunately, at Duke, as at other universities, these costs – for faculty, technology and infrastructure and services – comprise a very substantial portion of the budget of Arts and Sciences and Engineering and each of them tends to have growth rates substantially above the rate of general inflation. The wonderfully successful campaign, our ability to restrain costs elsewhere and our increasingly successful grant activity help to deflect some of the impact of these cost increases. Nonetheless, tuition remains critical to our ability to meet these costs and sustain excellence.

Finally, I hope you have had an opportunity to follow the campus discussion on the West campus “Village.” The Village is intended to guide the renovation of the West Union and Bryan Center buildings as well as adjacent indoor and outdoor facilities. We have just completed a campus-wide survey of students and are now developing a plan for better student gathering spaces, student organization offices and food and retail options. We hope to have a model for public presentation and consideration by this fall.

Once again, thanks for all your support and attention and please do contact me or any of my colleagues in Student Affairs if we can answer your questions or address your concerns. Enjoy your spring and the short time remaining before summer break.

Larry Moneta
*Vice President
for Student Affairs*

Sophomore focuses on research opportunities

Emily Heikamp (T '05) likes doing research so much that that's how she's been spending her summers since she was a sophomore in high school. And she's devising a plan to have a fall undergraduate research symposium among Triangle-area schools so that students like her can keep the momentum of summer research projects going.

A graduate of Archbishop Chapelle High School, in Metairie, LA, where she was a member of the National Honor Society and participated in the Tulane Science Scholars Program, Emily is an A.B. Duke Scholarship winner. As a high school student, she won numerous awards at the New Orleans District Science Fair. She was also a volunteer with the Matthew 25 Program, which supports a variety of community projects, including a camp for disabled children.

Emily was a Howard Hughes Research Fellow in the summer between her first and second years, and worked with James B. Duke Professor of Immunology Garnett Kelsoe, who is working on understanding how cells alert the immune system to assaults from without. Her interest in immunology began in high school, when she worked in the Physiology Department of Louisiana State

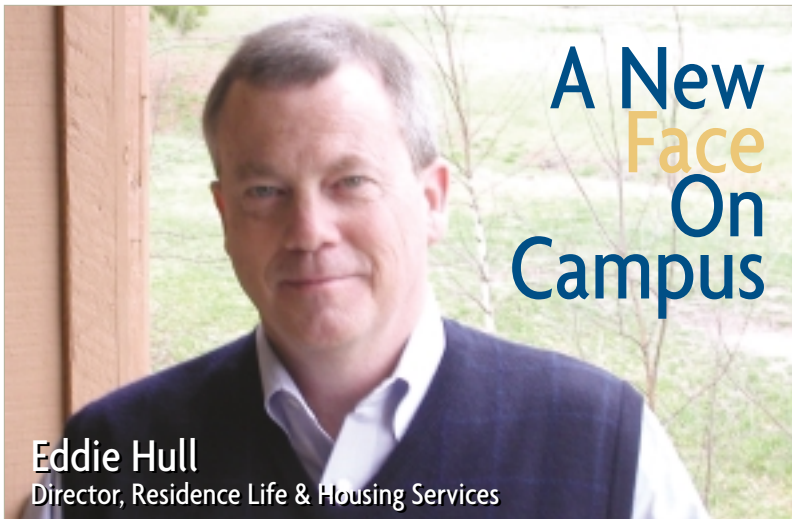


University Medical Center on the effects of alcohol and infection on the immune system. Emily's summer project with Dr. Kelsoe involved study of genetic recombination, which has a role in autoimmune diseases and cancer. She continued work on her summer project and presented it in October 2002 at the fifth annual Undergraduate Research Symposium in the Chemical and Biological Sciences, at the University of Maryland, Baltimore County, winning first place in her division.

Emily was so enthusiastic about that October event that she has taken the initiative to plan a similar event at Duke, working with students from other Triangle schools. All these schools, including Duke, have spring research symposia for undergraduates, but Emily wants to give students æ like herself æ the opportunity to present summer research in a more local setting. The symposium will highlight undergraduate research in the humanities as well as the sciences.

Emily aspires to earn an MD/Ph.D., perhaps in immunology, and to eventually practice and perform research in an academic setting. ■

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Eddie Hull
Director, Residence Life & Housing Services

One of the first questions new students ask upon their acceptance to Duke is “where will I live?” That answer is coming from a new department with a new leader this year. Eddie Hull joined Duke University in October 2002 as the director of the newly created department of Residence Life and Housing Services. Previously, housing management, assignments, and residence life were all located in separate offices. The new organization creates a seamless and cohesive environment for students to satisfy all of their residential needs.

While Eddie may be new to Duke, he is certainly no stranger to the profession. He began his housing career at the University of Arizona in 1978 and was almost immediately “hooked.” After rising through

the ranks as a Wildcat, he moved on to his most recent post as Director of Residence Life and Student Housing at Southern Methodist University (SMU) in Dallas, Texas. Having been at Duke for six months now, Eddie says quite frankly that being here has been a “dream come true.” It is not uncommon to see him taking in a production at Page, supporting the basketball teams in Cameron or just hanging out at whatever event may be going on in the quad. It is not by chance that you will see Eddie at these events, as he believes that immersing himself in the campus culture is one of the greatest ways to learn about rituals and traditions we have at Duke.

Mr. Hull credits the good work that current and past staff have done in the area of

residence life and housing, while maintaining that there is much to be done to develop our student residences into cutting edge living and learning environments. He envisions our residence halls as an extension of the classroom environment designed to support the academic mission of the institution. He looks forward to providing Duke students with an incomparable experience

that will be the foundation of their time here.

Next time you’re on campus, be sure to stop in and visit Eddie...chances are you’ll have plenty to talk about; his son Andy is about to begin his first year of college. Eddie is about to begin living as a parent what he has dedicated his professional life to for the past twenty-five years. ■

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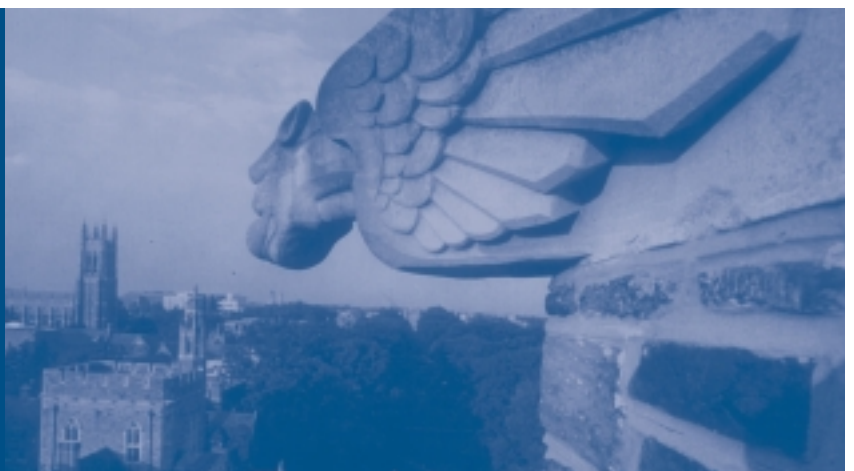
“With the growing use of the Internet, we realized Web-based communication would be one of the best ways to keep students, faculty, alumni, parents, and others up-to-date on what’s new and exciting at Duke,” says David Jarmul, associate vice president of news and communications.



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